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Nation Prepares To Celebrate Christmas

The nation prepared today to celebrate its third post-war Christmas in a tradition-rich setting of merry-making, gestures of good will and religious pagantry paying tribute to Christianity's Prince of Peace.

Celebrating Christmas in the executive mansion for the first time, President Truman arranged to extend his greetings to the entire nation by radio at 4:16 p. m. (CST) this afternoon.

The customary lighting of a huge living Christmas tree on the White House grounds, with the President throwing the switch, will precede the ceremonies.

Like millions of other families, the Trumans will gather around the family tree inside the White House tomorrow morning after breakfast to open their presents.

Meanwhile, presidential yuletide pardons restoring full citizenship rights were on their way to 1,523 persons convicted of violating the wartime draft act. Most of them have completed their sentences but the pardons, under a proclamation issued last night by the president, restores to them their full "political, civil and other rights."

The names of the recipients were chosen by an amnesty board from a list of 15,805 persons.

Christmas may be on the scanty side for scores of unlucky persons as the result of a fire yesterday that destroyed hundreds of gift packages and letters aboard a Pennsylvania Railroad New York-to-St. Louis passenger train. The flames turned

the car into a blackened shell. Balancing this bit of woe, however, were tidings from San Francisco that a haberdashery would open an exchange Friday for dads who don't fancy their Christmas ties. The store promises a \$1 credit toward purchase of one of its "conservative" neckties for any "bona fide example of the tie maker's art or fancy."

The usual pre-Christmas weather vagaries and casualties beset the nation. Numerous areas dug out from beneath heavy snowfalls. In New England, four persons last night were reported dead, four missing and nearly a score injured in the wake of an unexpected storm that covered most of the section with from six to 10 inches of snow.

Suspect Held After Shooting Of Local Woman

Victim Taken To Hospital With Bullet In Hip

Pedro Vargas, Big Spring Latin-American, was picked up about daylight this morning in Morton and was to be returned either here or to Lamesa to face questioning in connection with the Tuesday night shooting of Rosemary Garcia, 23, a local woman.

Miss Garcia entered a local hospital about midnight last night with a bullet in her left hip. She said Vargas shot her after first attempting to assault her "somewhere between here and Lamesa."

The victim was brought to town by Ed Brown, a farmer in North Howard county, who said a man answering to Vargas' description knocked on his door late last night and told him there was a "sick woman" on the highway near his place. Brown went to help her and the man fled.

Miss Garcia said she had met Vargas at a local tavern last night and agreed to accompany him to a Lamesa nightspot. She said they were on their way back from Lamesa when the man stopped the car and attempted to assault her.

C. E. Kiser, Howard county deputy sheriff, and juvenile officer Jake Bruton followed Vargas' trail northward almost to Morton and then turned back after alerting Morton authorities. When Vargas was arrested, he had pulled up beside the road and was asleep.

U. S. Troops Begin Panama Evacuation



NEW WHITE HOUSE MASCOT — "Feller", five-weeks-old cocker spaniel sent to President Truman as a gift, poses beside his cage in a White House corridor. (AP Wirephoto).

Demands Are Heard For A New Canal

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24. (AP)—The United States at daylight today began evacuation of some 2,000 troops from 14 bases in Panama in the wake of a sudden policy switch involving the disputed defense sites.

The unexpected action followed the Panamanian assembly's unanimous rejection of an agreement that would have given this country the right to use the war-built bases for periods of from five to 20 years.

In the midst of these rapid developments in Panama City and Washington, demands arose on Capitol Hill for survey work on a new canal. Senator Knowland (R-Calif.), suggested a new water route across Nicaragua and Rep. Engel (R-Mich.), said there should be one "outside Panama."

The decision to withdraw entirely from the 14 bases, including the huge B-29 bomber base at Rio Hato, was made known late yesterday after a top level huddle of government policy makers.

There had been no previous indication that the United States was contemplating any such step. In fact, officials earlier in the day had said flatly but privately that this country would continue to occupy the bases on grounds that it possesses such rights until one year after World War II peace treaties are signed.

An Administration official explaining the decision to newsmen but asking not to be quoted by name said this country felt it should give full recognition to Panama's sovereignty and to the overwhelming opposition of the Pan-American people to the agreement.

In addition, he added, "We feel it essential not to accept an agreement that is inadequate. It would be worse than no agreement and would lead to a false sense of security."

"We freely admit the contradiction in saying previously the bases are essential for protection of the canal and then pulling out," he said, "but we believe no agreement is better than an inadequate arrangement."

The United States, it was disclosed, scaled down its original demand for a 99 year lease to 20 years for the Rio Hato airbase and five years for the other 13 sites.

The Army now must fall back on its own defenses within the 10-mile wide canal zone to defend the waterway. Its main airfield in the zone is Albrook field which is too small to accommodate any sizeable number of B-29's. The only other big airbase in the general Caribbean area is in Puerto Rico, over 1,000 miles away.

French Solons Vote Drastic 'Austerity'

PARIS, Dec. 24. (AP)—The National Assembly sent to the upper legislative chamber today a drastic new "austerity" measure designed to help pay for a two billion dollar reconstruction program by draining off funds of Frenchmen who make more than \$3,780 a year.

The deputies passed the bill last night, 300 to 268, with the far left—the communists—joining the far right—the followers of Gen. Charles De Gaulle—in opposition to the government measure, which was entitled an "exception levy in the struggle against inflation."

The upper chamber, the Council of the Republic, was expected to begin debate on the bill within 48 hours. The lower chamber was scheduled to go to work on the French budget for 1948, calling for expenditures of 856,000,000,000 francs, (\$7,193,000,000).

The tax measure requires Frenchmen to buy 130,000,000,000 francs (\$1,092,000,000) worth of government bonds or pay that amount in taxes. The taxation will be a sliding scale levy on those with an income of above 450,000 francs (\$3,780) a year.

Funds raised will be used to help pay for a 230,000,000,000 franc (\$1,930,000,000) reconstruction program. The remaining \$38,000,000 in the extraordinary reconstruction budget will come from aid furnished by the United States.

Area Prepares For A Record Christmas Day

Big Spring and area had a timeless password today and it was the old familiar — "Merry Christmas."

Business still continued at a comparatively brisk pace, but as early as Tuesday afternoon it was apparent that the climax of a record season that shattered all previous records had been passed. Most stores planned to stay open until around 7 p. m., but there were several exceptions with the rule that a lull in traffic would be the signal to take off for Christmas.

Postal clerks worked fast to deliver all letters and parcels, still arriving Wednesday morning in great volume. Out-going mail had dropped off sharply and prospects were that decks would be cleared in time for employees to take off on Christmas Day.

The spirit of charity was in the air. Firemen prepared 10 bulky baskets. The junior chamber of commerce dispatched a host of holiday food to needy families out of a \$300 fund. Scores of Sunday school classes were busy delivering their baskets and gifts.

Capt. Olvy Sheppard said that the Salvation Army Christmas fund was up to \$836.59, aided by a \$100 check from Casden, and might approach \$900 before collections ceased at 5 p. m. Firemen delivered 1,500 toys to the Dora Roberts citadel for distribution to 250 underprivileged children at a Christmas party at 8 p. m. when the "Christmas Story" will be presented in dramatic form. G. H. Hayward, chairman of the advisory board Tuesday afternoon gave out 356 Christmas dinner certificates to 59 people.

Kiwanis club members held a Christmas party at 12 noon at West Side park for children of that area, and many other benevolences were in the making.

Except for service institutions and emergency law enforcement forces, all the area was set to observe Christmas as a holiday. Officials renewed their pleas to keep tragedy out by making it a safe Christmas. The weather, due to be fair and warm, was a "break" in this direction.



STALIN AND MOLOTOV CAST BALLOTS — Prime Minister Joseph Stalin (left) and V. M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, cast ballots as they vote in local government elections in Moscow. The elections coincided with the sixty-eighth birthday of Stalin, who was a candidate for election to the Moscow Municipal Soviet. Moscow radio said that in five hours 100 percent of the electors in Stalin's district had voted for him. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Moscow).

MAY FACE GRAIN RATIONING

Distillers' Holiday Ends At Midnight

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24. (AP)—The 60-day whisky-making holiday ends at midnight tonight, leaving distillers free to use as much scarce grain as they wish until the government finds a way to intervene.

The situation is not expected to prevail very long, however, since intimates of President Truman say he is prepared to sign the Republican anti-inflation bill which restores his wartime power to ration grain for making liquor.

If so, the distillers may be limited to 2,500,000 bushels of grain a month—a figure which Secretary of Agriculture Anderson has been trying to persuade them to accept voluntarily.

The 65 per cent of the industry represented by the Distilled Spirits Institute, while unwilling to go all the way with Anderson, is pledged to use only 45 per cent as much grain as it consumed a year ago.

The institute has asked the rest of the industry to follow suit. If the formula were adopted, about 3,500,000 bushels a month would be used.

Attempts to reach an agreement for the future which would be satisfactory to the agriculture department were unsuccessful during a meeting between Anderson and industry representatives yesterday.

THINKS LETTERS UNANSWERED

Senator Shows He Has Not Been Keeping Up With Santa

SANTA CLAUS, Ind. Dec. 24. (AP)— Senator Langer, (R-N.D.), should have written a letter to Santa Claus.

Langer proposed the other day that all letters addressed to "Santa Claus" be sent to this southern Indiana town and that postoffice employees here mail a card bearing special "Santa Claus" signature to each child who writes to St. Nick.

"We've been doing that for the past 10 years," Commander Jim Yellig of American Legion post 242 here said today. "We've answered about 50,000 letters so far this season and we're taking care of every single letter that comes in here, even after Christmas."

If the Senator had written to "Santa Claus" he would have received, on stationery headed "Santa Claus" a letter which said:

"My Dear Little Friend,

"Old Santa was very happy to receive your letter. I am glad that you know there is a Santa Claus, for Santa Claus is really the spirit of Christmas. All my workshops are full of Christmas brownies who are helping me get ready. I may not be able to bring you everything you want, but I will do my best. I hope your Christmas will be a happy one.

"Your jolly friend,

"Santa Claus."

In very small type, in the corner of the card, not likely to be noticed by a child who receives it, is a notice, "courtesy American Legion Santa Claus committee, Santa Claus, Ind."

Postal clerks throughout the country have been routing letters addressed to "Santa Claus" here for years. Jim Martin, postmaster who died in 1935, and his successor, Oscar L. Phillips, who died recently, answered them until the volume became too great.

Then the American Legion took over. Other posts pitched in to help 242 and Commander Yellig. So did the Legion's 40 and 8 organization, civic groups and schools in several nearby towns.

Yellig said at least 500 persons are helping this year.

Cases in which genuine need is apparent are referred to Legion posts and charitable organizations in the children's home communities.

One phase of Senator Langer's proposal, which would give postal employees the job of answering the letters, has Yellig worried.

"We wouldn't want that," he said. "Everybody gets a big enjoyment out of this."

Reports Pushed On Speculation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24. (AP)—A Senate committee investigating speculation asked five government departments today to hurry up with reports on whether any of their officials have been gambling in the food markets.

Senator Knowland (R-Calif.) told reporters the only reply to the appropriations committee request was from Secretary of the Army Royall and that it was not complete.

The state, agriculture, commerce and interior departments have yet to be heard from, Knowland said. He added that he has asked the committee staff to prod for action and hopes to get results next week.

Meanwhile Chairman Andresen (R-Minn.) of a house special committee making a separate investigation of the same subject said his group is not going to rely heavily on reports from within the government.

"We're going to get commodity exchange records and going into brokers' offices on our own hook," he declared.

Red Government Is Rumored In Greece

ATHENS, Dec. 24. (AP)—Greek Army headquarters at Volos was reported today to have intercepted a radio "announcement" that Gen. Markos Vafiades, Greek guerrilla leader, had proclaimed the establishment of an independent communist "government" somewhere in northern Greece.

An attempt by the guerrillas to set up some sort of regime in opposition to the Athens government long has been anticipated here.

Vafiades, whom Greek troops have been unsuccessfully attempting to hunt down, announced through a guerrilla broadcast several months ago that he had assumed all authority in guerrilla-held areas pending establishment of a "provisional democratic government."

Two Sought After Robbery At Denton

DENTON, Dec. 24. (AP)—Two armed bandits were being sought today for the smoothly organized \$3,500 robbery of the Sears Roebuck and company here late last night.

Joe Welsh, assistant store manager, told police this story:

He was called to the Denton express office by telephone after the store had closed. Two men leveled pistols at him, took his store keys and forced him to drive them to the store.

Welsh said he was forced to open the safe, which contained the Tuesday receipts of store sales. After taking all the cash in the safe, the two bound Welsh with adhesive tape and gagged him with cotton and tape.

HOLD-UP AT BREMOND

Manhunt On For Surviving Robber

BREMOND, Dec. 24. (AP)—An all-out manhunt for the surviving brother of a pair who robbed the Bremond State bank of \$12,000 reached state wide proportions early today as officers expressed fear he had escaped a tightly drawn blockade of Central Texas.

State police said a complaint charging robbery with firearms had been filed against Francis Marion Hooper, Jr., 26, formerly of Port Arthur and Belton.

His brother, J. B. Hooper, 22, was shot down by Sheriff Bob Reeves of Franklin, shortly after two men staged a bold daylight robbery of the small town bank.

The surviving brother was last seen at Clifton, Bosque county, and was believed heading west, state police said. He was driving the blue 1946 sedan which was used as an escape car after the robbery.

Earlier last night, state and county police had converged on an area west of Marlin, more than 150 searchers combed the Brazos river bottoms. Road blocks were set up in every direction. Officers with bloodhounds were standing by to lead the hunt on foot if the robber should be cornered.

One unconfirmed report told of an automobile answering her description of the escape car as being sighted in the Oak Cliff section of Dallas.

Reeves, who was in Bremond at a garage across the street from the bank, shot one robber after the pair emerged from the bank with the money and with pistols in their hands.

"It was either me or him," Reeves said later.

The other robber unsuccessfully attempted to pull his companion into the car with him, then left the body in the street and sped away.

Holiday Violence Toll Nearing 50

By The Associated Press

Christmas Eve saw the Texas violent death toll nearing the 50 mark with traffic accidents accounting for 24 deaths out of a total of 49.

State department of public safety officials had predicted the violent death toll during Christmas and New Year's holidays would approximate 100.

Recent deaths reported included: Joseph Franklin Hipp, 35, Blackwell contractor, injured fatally in an auto collision between San Angelo and Bronte on Dec. 22. He died in a Bronte hospital Tuesday night.

Shirley Dean, 23, of Porters, was instantly killed Tuesday when her car was driving and a pulpwood truck collided head-on near Porters on the Conroe highway.

Everett Alden Brees, 53, Texas City pipe welder, was fatally injured Tuesday night when the car he was driving and a switch engine collided at a grade crossing about four miles from Texas City.

Three Wounded

RENO, Dec. 24. (AP)—A 20-year-old gunman, cornered in a crowded gambling casino, wounded three policemen early today, fled, commandeered a taxicab, robbed the driver of \$20 and was captured, wounded, 50 minutes later in a gun battle.

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In keeping with a custom of many years, The Herald will not publish on Christmas Day, so that all employees may have their one full holiday of the year. The next regular issue will appear Friday afternoon.

DISCRIMINATION HIT Mexican Lashes Cattle Slaughter

DALLAS, Dec. 24. (AP)—Octavio Reyes Spindola, Mexican ambassador to Argentina, said in an interview here yesterday that asking Mexicans to kill all their cattle infected with foot and mouth disease is like asking Texans to burn their entire cotton crop.

Spindola, who publishes two Mexican journals, said he was speaking as a newspaperman and not as an official.

"As a newspaperman and as a Mexican, I do not hesitate to criticize the American policy in combating foot and mouth disease. Brazil, Argentina, and Chile have countless cattle afflicted with the disease. Yet the residents of those countries are alive, eating meat and drinking milk," he said.

"God made Texas and Mexico neighbors. We should be brothers as well. Yet an American soldier of Mexican descent who had won the Congressional Medal of Honor was thrown out of a Texas cafe not long ago—while he was wearing the uniform and the decoration given him by the United States government," Spindola said.

"I feel so strongly about this sort of treatment that in my weekly newspaper, Nosotros, I published a lead editorial a few weeks ago which I titled, 'Mexicans, Don't Go To Texas.'"

"I realize that only a small proportion of Texans are prejudiced against Mexicans, but even that small percentage does great damage to mutual trust and goodwill."

Indian peons in Mexico have killed many Mexican soldiers rather than slaughter their own cattle, even for a price, said Spindola.

"We give them money in return for killing animals that serve both as a means of support and as a member of their families. What good is money? The farmers will have to spend the money we give them in order to stay alive this year. But what about next year?" Spindola said.

Rangers Investigate Shots At Bus Agency

ATLANTA, Dec. 24. (AP)—Texas Rangers were investigating today a barrage of pistol shots fired into the local agency of the Southern Trailways bus line last night from a speeding automobile.

A similar incident at Ida, La., was being investigated by Louisiana officers. Ida is about 30 miles from Atlanta.

Labor Camp To Be Sold

The farm labor camp at Lamesa, along with seven others located in Texas, is being offered for sale by the U. S. department of agriculture.

Announcement of the impending sale did not fix the deadline or date of disposition, but details are being handled through the Chicago office of the USDA's Production and Marketing administration. Those interested may obtain information by writing the Chief of Operations for the PMA, Labor branch, 623 South Wabash, Chicago. Plans may be inspected at any time since they are being operated at present on special temporary permits by local agencies or associations.

Other plants offered for sale to public, semi-public organizations or non-profit association of farmers are located at McAllen, Weslaco, Harlingen, Raymondville, Robstown, Sinton and Princeton. All have been operated as farm labor centers since 1941 and consist of buildings, equipment and facilities to house from 800 to 1,500 persons.

Sales will be handled according to Public Law 238 and successful bidders are required to maintain the camps for the principal purpose of housing farm workers. If no eligible purchasers are found, the camps will be advertised generally and sold to the highest bidder.

Yuletide Season Is 'Family' Time; Big Spring Residents Having Visitors Or Going Visiting

The enjoyment of the Christmas holiday with friends and relatives apparently is at practically an all-time "high" for Big Spring folk this year.

Comings and goings, visits and visitors, family reunions, return of students — all are touching practically every family.

Many Big Springers are staying at home, to be host to friends or relatives, many others are making trips of varying distance to spend Christmas with families at other points.

Some are spending a "quiet Christmas" at the home hearth, but for everyone the day brings its own special brand of contentment spent with loved ones.

Notes on some local residents' activities for the yuletide holidays:

Mrs. E. M. Harris will have as her Christmas dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Denver Harris, Johnny and Eldon Harris and Mrs. Ruby Harris of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harrison and daughter, Billy Marie, plan a quiet holiday season.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hart will be Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Hart and children, Estaleta and Bill, of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Dorsett plan a quiet Christmas at home this season.

Mrs. R. V. Hart plans to have Christmas dinner with her father, E. A. Haley, of Cross Plains and from there she will leave for Dallas, where she will be a guest of Mrs. Libby Lane and Mrs. Tommy Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harwell will spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. M. M. Harwell at Ada, Okla. and her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Minter at Bellevue.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hatch, are Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hatch and Mrs. H. B. Robb of Pasadena, Calif.

Mrs. and Mrs. W. L. Hawkins will spend a portion of their holidays with his mother, Mrs. Merle Hawkins in Tahoka and with her mother, Mrs. H. McDonald in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hayes will have as their holiday guests their son, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Hays and daughter, Judy, of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Heard will have a quiet Christmas at home. Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Henderson are Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Mann and daughters Faye Nell, Elotie and Vendell of Cannon.

Mrs. W. C. Henley and son, William, will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Hudson Henley and daughter, Patsy, in Cannon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Hewett will have as their holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. James O'Brien and daughter, Peggy Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Duvall and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Jordan and daughters, Elissa Kay and Nola Fern, of Olney.

Mrs. F. A. Childress will spend Christmas with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hickman and will leave for Vernon during the holidays to visit another daughter, Mrs. F. F. Stinnett in Vernon.

Holiday guests of Mrs. W. A. Hilburn will be Mr. and Mrs. Bill Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Phillips, Jr., and Lorene Phillips of Artesia, N. M.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Hill will be their son, A. P. Lucas and grandson, Donald Pat, of Needles, Calif. and their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. T.

R. Gibson and daughter, Patsy, of El Paso, Tex.

Virginia Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Hill, will visit her parents during the holidays. Miss Hill attends college at SMU, Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hock and daughter, Barbara Ann, plan to spend a quiet Christmas at home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hodges and daughter, Margie, and sons, Perry Lee and Bobby Gene, and Herbert Charles Hodges from the University at Norman, Okla. will spend the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hodges plan to spend a quiet Christmas at home.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Hodges will be Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hodges of Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Knowles and son, Milton, of Colorado City will spend the Christmas holidays together.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kraer, Jr. will be Mrs. Hazel King and son, Dr. R. King of Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kuykendall will spend the holidays with Mrs. Kuykendall's sisters. Mrs. J. B. Falkner and Mrs. J. B. Cass at Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Lane will spend the holidays in Roscoe visiting relatives.

Holiday guests of Mrs. Edith Lavelle are Alton D. of Long Beach, Calif. and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. White of Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelley Lawrence will have as their holiday guest her brother, John A. Desselbach.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Auringer, former residents are holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Burns.

Mrs. L. M. Lawson of O'Brien is a holiday guest of Mrs. Harold Parks and Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Lawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Lee have as their holiday guests Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Swann and Mrs. E. B. Butler of Sterling City and Mr. and Mrs. Craig Chumley of San Angelo. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Chumley of Big Lake and Robert Swann Lee of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene.

Holiday guests of Mrs. H. W. Leeper are her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Helton of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lees and son, B. B., will have as their holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hightower of Deming, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel Lester will have as their holiday guests their son, Don Lester and his friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Reed will have as Christmas guests, Dr. and Mrs. Howard Schwarzenbach and Red and Mrs. Sonny Edwards. Mrs. Schwarzenbach and Mrs. Edwards are their daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Nall are spending Christmas Day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Settles with their children Rowdy and Robert Sterling Settles.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Sewell will

have as Christmas Day visitors Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Sewell and family, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Couch of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sewell of Kermit.

Mrs. W. R. Settles will be a dinner guest of the Rev. and Mrs. Gage Lloyd on the 25th.

Jimmie Lee Mason of Plainview is spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Mason and children, Preston and Linda. During the holidays they will visit with Mrs. Mason's mother, Mrs. Lena Black in Mineral Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Schwarzenbach are having as guests on Christmas Eve Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Swarzenbach and Red, Mrs. Florence McNew and daughter, Mrs. Mary Alice Isaacs and children, Peggy and Ann M. and Mrs. Herbert Whitney and children, Nancy, Bud and Beth, Mrs. Anna D. Whitney, Luan Wear and Charles Lovelace.

Luan Wear, student at Texas Tech College, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Roland Schwarzenbach and Mr. Sewarzenbach.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Drum are spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Herring in Abilene. During the holidays, they will also visit his brother, Jack F. Drum, in Albuquerque, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Corder and Lena Hearn are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Neil Donovan in McCamey.

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Crook and children, Wanda Sue, Louise and Kenneth, of El Dorado, Ark. are spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Lula Satterwhite, and in the homes of her brothers, R. E., Bob and W. S. Satterwhite. They are also visiting with his sister, Mrs. A. S. Woods and her family.

Mrs. A. C. Savage has as holiday visitors her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Savage and children, Nancy and Billy, of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Savage and daughters, Carol Ann and Edwina.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Miller are entertaining the family on Christmas. Those present are Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Scherer, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coleman and John Morgan, all of Big Spring and Mrs. Sallie Harris of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lewis of Brady are visiting in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. V. F. Sims and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Sessions.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Funderburk are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Jenkins and Mrs. Katie L. Funderburk in Goose Creek.

Mrs. M. Schubert has as Christmas dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Petty, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Sheen and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Davies and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jim Green, Mary Lou Green and John Gilmer.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Horton and daughter, La Juan, are remaining at home during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Horton and sons, Tommy and Bill, are joining other relatives for a family reunion in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dyer at Beaumont.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Roberts are Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Roberts and children, Frances LaRue and Reuben, Jr. of Westfield, Mass. The Roberts brought their own Christmas tree, which is much different from the usual Christmas tree. Also coming are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parish

and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Howard and daughter, Ann Louise, of Richmond, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Howze and son, Kenneth, are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Fairchild of Forsan.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Hudgins are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hudgins and Mrs. Beulah Morrison, Mary Jo and Jodel.

Letha Amerson is spending the holidays in Colorado City visiting relatives.

Lorena Huggins is visiting relatives in Honey Grove during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Marshall are visiting friends and relatives in Honey Grove during the holidays.

Grace Mann is visiting relatives in Colorado City during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hughes will spend a portion of the holidays in San Angelo, where they plan to visit friends and attend the Aggie-land dance.

Katherine and Virginia Hughes are spending the holidays quietly, with the usual treat and exchange of gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Lewis will have as their holiday guest her mother, Mrs. Jewel Underwood of San Angelo.

Jaqueline Lewis of Miami Beach, Fla. is a holiday guest of Mrs. Inez Lewis and sons, Dan and Larry Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Olen Lewis and son, Lawrence Ray, will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Lewis at Lamesa.

Mr. and Mrs. John Leysath will have as their Christmas guests, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stark and daughter, Marsha Lane, and Martha Leysath.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Lilly will spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. W. L. Lilly at Abilene and with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Berry at Merkel.

The Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Long will spend Christmas with son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Fuller. Wilson Long, graduate student of Southern Methodist University, is home with his parents for the holidays.

Charles Lovelace of Texas Tech, Lubbock will spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Amabel Lovelace and his sister, Nancy.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Lowke and family will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Lowke of Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Roden are in Abilene visiting with their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Roden and their sons, Jackie and Mike.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Cagle of Houston are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rogers. Other visitors in the J. C. Rogers home are Mrs. Roger's sister, Mrs. L. W. Eddins and her daughter, Peggy Ann, of Calipatria, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Rogers and children, Doyle, Eddie Merle and Curtis are spending a quiet Christmas at home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Rogers are visiting in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Winter and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Fincher.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Rogers will entertain their two daughters and their families. They are Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Flint.

Mrs. Mattie Rollins of Quanah is visiting in the home of her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold

Rollins and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ellison are spending Christmas with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Rose. Mrs. Rose has just returned from the hospital where she underwent surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Rowland have as holiday guests, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Demicho of Breckenridge and her grandmother, Mrs. H. L. Gholson of Roundrock.

Bill Rowland of Tucson, Ariz., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Rowland.

Mrs. J. T. Rudd and children, Donna and Martin Taylor, are visiting her mother, Mrs. Martin J. Taylor in Gale.

Mrs. A. M. Runyan is preparing Christmas dinner for her children, and their families. They are Mr. and Mrs. Ray McMahan, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Trapnell, Mrs. Faye Ward and Raymond C. Runyan.

Mrs. C. L. Dickens of Deerfield, Kans. is visiting with her mother, Mrs. J. A. Shafer and sister, Fairy Shafer.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Shafer are visiting during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Ray at Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Berl W. Martin and family of Mobile, Ala., are visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bird and Mrs. B. W. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Maura of Mobile, Ala. are guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bird. Mrs. Maura and Mrs. Bird are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Sanders will have as dinner guests on Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. Miller Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Chapman and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Cauthern, all of Big Spring and Charles Cecil Sanders of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Sadler and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haller will spend Christmas together in the Sadler home.

Dorothy Sain of Midland is spending the yuletide season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Sain.

Capt. and Mrs. Olvy Sheppard and son, Kenneth, are spending Christmas in Abilene with friends.

Dinner guests on Christmas in the Garland Sanders home are Dr. and Mrs. Preston Sanders and family, Dr. Nell and Dr. Virgil Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Carpenter and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Sandlin are spending Christmas at home.

Christmas visitors in the William

L. Sandridge home are their son,

Hollis, of Wellborn and son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kluck of Fort Worth.

Faye Price and son, Carol Price of Lubbock are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Collins and Betty Collins.

Bob Hickson is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Hickson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Hull and daughter, Shirley, of Dallas are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Hickson.

Avalyn Hohertz, student at North Texas State Teachers College in Denton, is at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hohertz for the holidays.

Mrs. H. N. Robinson is spending the holidays with her son, Capt. and Mrs. William T. Robinson in El Paso.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Robertson on Christmas will be Mr. and Mrs. David McCracken of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Drake, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Drake and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Robertson.

Billie Burrell is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Burrell in Chillicothe. She is also visiting two sisters, Marlan and Geneva Burrell in Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Robinson and daughters, Jean and Jane, will spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Olsen, and Mrs. and Mrs. T. J. A. Robinson.

Mrs. Jessie Edens and son, Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. John Davis and daughter, Mary Louise, will eat Christmas dinner with Mrs. W. H. Wise in the Centerpoint Community.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Hurt will have as their holiday guest their son, Harry Hurt, Jr. of A. and M. College in College Station.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Clifford Hurt will have as their holiday guest their daughter, Helen of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hutchins and son, Bobby, and Mrs. Hutchins' mother, Mrs. E. Elder plan to spend a quiet Christmas at home, but will go to Oklahoma City, Okla. during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix W. Jarratt will spend the holidays with Mrs. F. T. Jarratt in Lubbock.

Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Jeffrey will be their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thomas, of Lubbock and Capt. and Mrs. Pat O'Connell of San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Driggers

and daughters, Phyllis Dane, Zoe Lane and Nelwyn Jane, will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kennedy in Glenwood, Ark.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy H. Jennings and sons, Jimmy and Jackie, and Mrs. B. N. Ralph will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Jennings at Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Jernigan and daughters, Mary Lois and Patsy Ruth will spend Christmas with Mrs. Jernigan's mother, Mrs. R. L. Findley.

Mrs. Eula Lee will spend the holidays with her daughters, Mrs. Ernie Coachman and Olan Lee, in Jacksonville, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hogue are

spending a quiet Christmas at home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Holcombe will have as their Christmas dinner guests W. M. Lovell, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Ernest, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Daylong and Norman Holcombe.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Holden and children, Beverly and Paul, Jr., are spending Christmas with Mrs. Holden's mother, Mrs. Abbey P. Hargrove at Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Holland have as their holiday guests their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Donnell of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Holley and

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Miss Frazier is accounted by critics to possess a bright future as a vocalist. Her mother, Mrs. Nell Frazier, was her early teacher. After making rapid strides as a piano major under Sylvio Scionti, she made voice her career and studied under Dr. Chase Baramo at the University of Texas, lingering there to teach half a year after graduation. Currently she is studying opera under Queena Mario in New York.

Mr. Fallon is principal of the Brownfield high school and son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fallon. Music long has been his favorite avocation, and his accomplishments with the violin are such that he might have enjoyed a successful career in the field of the arts. Overseas service with the Army air force interrupted his training, but he has since completed his masters work at Texas Tech.

Mr. Blount, who will give Christmas readings, has been a Big Spring favorite since he moved here at the age of three with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Blount, Sr. He had an illustrious record as combat pilot returning to star in three sports at the University of Texas. In 1946 he was elected as representative from the 91st district to become the youngest member of the legislature.

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By Leatrice Ross

Today it occurs to us that it is high time to do our Christmas shopping—for time certainly is short. These last few days we've spent downtown talking to the college crew home for the holidays, or else we've pressed our faces hourly to shop windows trying to find something we'd like to get for ourselves. Consequently shopping has become a thing a la Dec. 24. Comings and goings of the Yuletide: Kenny McFadden left Tuesday morning by plane for Pittsburgh, Pa., and home. Bill Beauchamp departs in like manner this evening for parts in Kansas. Doris Blalock is back in town from Birmingham, Ala. Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Barron spent the week-end here from Texas Tech, and will be back in Christmas Day. Wesley and Richard Deats got in Tuesday from a three-day hunt near Mason. Jane Beale hunted quail with her father west of Big Spring last week end. Wanda Bradford, working in Lamesa, is also back in town. Helon Blount is going to take in the Sugar Bowl game in New Orleans New Year's Day. Barbara Sewell gets in this evening by plane from Dallas. She plans to stay through Sunday. Ray McMillan is in the hometown again. He is on leave from the Navy out of San Diego. In Phoenix, Ariz., for the vacation is Tom Amerson. Dwaine Atkins, who works with radio station KSEL in Lubbock, gets in tonight to spend the 25th. Cornelia Frazier comes in from New York City today. Observations while shopping this week: Jackie Barron standing on the street looking doubtfully at his parcels—the typical atmosphere of us Christmas-package toters. Almost anybody can be found downtown somewhere at any hour during the day—a noble social attitude of this time of the year. Like those having lunch at the Douglas hotel coffee shop Monday: Mary Ann Goodson, Billy Crunk, Roy Cravens, Janet Robb, Barbara McEwen, Murry Patterson, Kenneth Orr, Junior Gay. And couples we found at one or another Christmas dance over the weekend: Margaret Brown, Jack Murook, Joyce Bugg, Bill Frank, Betty Rawlins, Dwaine Williams, Vickie McLeroy, W. C. Bell, Eddie Loh, Duke Neel, Robbie Piner, Gerald Anderson, Betty Ray, Nell Hill, Ruth Stripling, Darrell Webb, Jean Cornelison, George Hugo. And others: Nancy Whitney, Ike Robb, Helen Montgomery, Harold Berry, Beverly Stulling (TCU), Jim Bill Little, Mary Nell Cook (Southwestern), Jimmy Shaffer (A&M), Dot Satterwhite (TCU), Wendell Strahan (Schreiner), Beth McGinnis, Wendell Stacey, Mary Gerald Robbins, Jimmy Jones, Sue Nell Nall, Billy Satterwhite, Mary Louise Davis (Hockaday), Wesley Deats, Vivien Middleton, Jack Ewing, Delore Smith (NTAC), Joe Fowler Brooks (NTAC), Hazel Corning, Bill Autrey, Frances Wilson, Roy Lee Pool. Disa and data: Jean Richardson tells us to say "thanks" to all those who visited her when she was in the hospital last week. Charles Hodges, home for the holidays from Oklahoma U., tells us of his plans to share a room next term with a Puerto Rican, Charles, who studies Spanish at O. U., expects to improve his accent through the help of the Puerto Rican, who, in turn, will learn English from Charles.

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Parishioners Have Yule Party

Parishioners of St. Thomas Catholic church were entertained Sunday evening at the church basement with a Christmas holiday party. Santa Claus distributed gifts from a festive Christmas tree and the group sang Yule carols. The Rev. Theo Francis showed a movie of the first Christmas. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Huchton and children, Mike, Jamie and Marilyn; Mr. and Mrs. B. G. McNallen and children, David, Tommy, Bobby and Patsy Lou; Mrs. J. M. Morgan, Mrs. Theresa Graves and daughter, Martina; Mrs. Daniel Banderas and children, Magdalena, Elena and Alice; William Perry, Bill Sneed, Joe Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Smith, Helen Duley. Carrie Scholz, Lillian Jordan, Louise Sheeler, Mrs. Lucy Sheeler, Mr. and Mrs. T. Gentry and son, Tommy; Mickey Holmes; Mrs. Bascomb Bridges and sons, Preston and Bud; Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Tucker and son, Richard; Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Robertson and children, Betty, Robert Lee and David; Jim Reidy, William Emig, Mrs. William Reidy, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Dehlinger and children, Arthur and Barbara. Mrs. Walter Ruekart, Mrs. L. D. Gilbert and children, Jackie, Bill, Bobby, Mike and Rae Ellen; Mrs. Gene Springer and children, Jeannine and Stevie; Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kloesel, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fowler and children, Nelda, Jim and Johnny; Nancy Ann and Dan Douglas; Louise Boodle, Sisters Joseph, Mary Rosella and Carmelita, the Rev. Theo Francis, the Rev. Edward Chaput, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Jenkins and children, Jimmie, Paul and Marybeth. In 1916, one of the most serious causes of U. S. auto accidents was "cranking."

Visits And Visitors

Gathering Christmas Eve at the Zolle Boykin home will be Mr. and Mrs. John Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Boykin and children, Betty and Annette, and Dr. G. S. True. The family will spend Christmas Day at Dr. True's home. In Midland for the 25th are Mr. and Mrs. Rome Lusk, who are visiting their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Carol Mitchell. Spending the 25th with Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Bradford will be their daughters, Wanda Bradford of Lamesa, and Mrs. Jimmy Felts, and their son, Bobby Bradford. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Zack and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Franks will have Christmas dinner with Mrs. Zack's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Brenner. Spending Christmas Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Cantrell, at Gail are Mary Cantrell and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brigham, and children, Don and Sylvia. Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Brooks are spending the 25th at home. They attended a Texas & Pacific Railway employees' Christmas party at Hotel Wooten in Abilene last weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Broadwell, formerly of Long Beach, Calif., are spending several days here visiting her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Al White. Mr. Broadwell will enter Iowa University, Iowa City, in January. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brookshire are in Ballinger visiting Mr. and Mrs. Arch Brookshire and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brookshire. They will visit Mrs. Brookshire's father, W. D. Handy, in Sweetwater before returning home. Mr. and Mrs. Travis Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wood, Mr. and Mrs. L. Rowe and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cox are leaving Thursday morning for Denton where they will spend several days of the Yuletide at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Headlee, who are observing their 50th wedding anniversary. While in Denton, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton will visit Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Carlton. Having dinner the 25th at the T. S. Currie home will be Mr. and Mrs. Steve Currie of Garden City, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Currie and son, John, who is home from TCU; Agnes Currie and Temp Currie, Jr. Houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. John Dibrell will be Mrs. Dibrell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Pounds of Lufkin, and her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Pounds, Jr., of El Reno, Okla. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dawes and sons, Bob, Joe and Jim, will spend Christmas Day at home. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stembridge and children, Delbert Gary and Elaine, of Gilmer are the holiday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Prescott. Mr. and Mrs. Wacil McNair and son, Larry, will spend Christmas in Gilmer with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. McNair. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wright will be at home with their children, Clara Bell, Bobby, Marvin and Charley. Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Wright will leave today for Gatesville where they will visit with Mrs. Ann and Wilson Bell, June Vaughn, Cecilia McDonald, Stephen Baird, Bobby Dillon, Toni Thomas, June Ann Johnston, Mary Jane Weaver and Gene Boswell. Mike Jarrett, Lou Ann White, Biddy Dodds, Pat Johnson, Adrian de Graffenreid, Carol Ann Phillips, Bella Mae Simpson, Bobby McMillan, Donald Frank Lovelady, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Long, Mrs. A. C. Moore, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. A. L. de Graffenreid, Mrs. Jeff Walker, Mrs. C. L. Clinkscales, Mrs. Mamie Lee Dodds, Carolyn Smith, Mrs. George White and Mrs. C. R. Moad. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Yell will spend the holidays at their home. Mr. and Mrs. Archie Alexander and A. G. Pruitt will spend Christmas Day visiting in Lubbock. Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Younger are his mother, Mrs. G. W. Younger, a sister, Mrs. W. R. Jones and son of Roscoe. Also here for the Christmas holidays is Billie Jean Younger, freshman at Baylor University. Enjoying Christmas activities at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zarofonets will be their children, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Zarofonets and family of Albuquerque, N. M. Mr. and Mrs. James Zarofonets and family of Crane and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Darrow and son of Big Spring. Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Shive and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Bishop are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Searcey and Mary Louise of Ponca City, Okla., Mrs. Joyce Taylor of Houston, Mrs. C. D. Crowley and Mr. and Mrs. Buck Crowley of Lovington, N. M. Mr. and Mrs. D. Burrell and children, Norma and Elizabeth, are spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Doyle in Brady. Mr. and Mrs. Doyle will observe their fifty-third wedding anniversary during the holidays. Dr. and Mrs. E. O. Ellington are spending Christmas with her brother, Neil Lacy. Mrs. Ellington will spend several days there, but Dr. Ellington will return Friday morning. Houseguests for the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Blankenship will be Mrs. Blankenship's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Haynes and Bobby of New York City and Mrs. Blankenship's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. S. Beasley and daughter, Linda Lou, of Austin. Ann Blankenship is home from Texas Tech to visit her parents. Spending Christmas vacation here with Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Biedsoe are W. A. Biedsoe of Cisco and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Stewart of Eunice, N. M. Mr. and Mrs. Willard Hendricks will spend Christmas Day here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Biedsoe. Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bliss are spending the 25th at home and expect a number of friends here in town to call during the day. Guests tomorrow at the George Owen home will be Mittie Evans, Ed Evans, Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Blount, and J. Y. Blount, Jr. Others who will entertain Christmas Day are Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Balch, who are having a number of friends out that morning. Spending the Yule season together here are Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Blount, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Blount, Jr., of Austin, and Helon Blount, home from Texas University. Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Blumh and sons, Bobby, Billy and Ray, are spending Christmas Day together at home. Expected to arrive Sunday for a visit with the Blums are Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reynolds and daughter, Pam, all of Marton. Arriving today to spend the 25th with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Boodle are their nephews, Robert and Paul Cochran of Fort Worth. The Boodle children, all together for the first time in three years, are Joe Robert, Charles Ray, Mrs. Jerry Ford and Mrs. J. W. Hollingsworth, and other guests in the Boodle home are Jerry Ford, J. W. Hollingsworth, Joan Hollingsworth and Mrs. Sophie Cochran. Mrs. C. B. Bowles and daughter, Katherine Bowles, are spending Christmas Day quietly at home. Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Byerly are spending tomorrow with their daughter, Mrs. J. P. Boswell, and Mr. Boswell. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Boyd are in Clyde visiting Mrs. Boyd's mother during the holidays. Mrs. Rupert Halbrook will entertain at dinner tomorrow for her mother, Mrs. Anderson Bailey; sisters, Mrs. D. H. Petty and Mrs. E. C. Boatler, Mrs. Bailey, Clarice Petty, Mr. and Mrs. Al Aton and daughter Sherry. Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Boatman and daughter, Wanda, are spending the holidays at home. Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Bohannon are in Snyder visiting Mrs. Bohannon's mother, Mrs. C. N. Von Roeder. Having dinner tomorrow in the B. W. Boyd home will be Grace Wilkes, Emsley Wiles and Burton Boyd.

Houseguests in the H. L. Bohannon home are Bohannon's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pruitt and their son, Jerry, of Longview, Wash. Mrs. Bohannon has recently returned from a pre-holiday visit in Fort Worth with her mother, Mrs. Ella Bryan. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Boyd and children, Frankie and Charlene will leave after Christmas Day for Roscoe to visit Mrs. Boyd's mother, Mrs. B. F. Younger. The Boyd's are spending the 25th at home.

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Midnight Services At Episcopal Church

Midnight services will be held Christmas eve night at the St. Mary's Episcopal Parish house, with services starting at 11:30 p. m. The public is invited to attend. Mrs. Obie Bristow was elected president of the Women's Auxiliary at the regular meeting Monday night. Other officers elected were Mrs. Fritz Weiner, vice-president; Mrs. Johnny Hodges, recording secretary; Mrs. T. C. Thomas, corresponding secretary and Mrs. Verde Van Gieson, treasurer. After the short business meeting the evening was spent in making wreaths and other Christmas decorations for the parish house.

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Mamie Lee Dodds Gives Reading At Methodist Christmas Party

Mamie Lee Dodds gave the reading, "Twas the Night Before Christmas," at the Christmas party for the Primary Department of the First Methodist church, which was held in the Fellowship hall Monday night. "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "Away in a Manger," and "Jingle Bells," were sung by the group. Donald Frank Lovelady gave a Christmas reading, Bobby McMillan told the Christmas story from Luke 2 and Gene Boswell gave another reading. Christmas decorations were used throughout the party room and gifts were exchanged from a lighted tree. Games were entertainment and the department gave each child a bag of fruit, candy and nuts. Refreshments were served to Robert Stripling, Linda Ann Smith, Nancy Morgan, Haley and Martha Haines, John Ore McDaniel, Billie Blumh, Howard Stevens, Mary Ann and Wilson Bell, June Vaughn, Cecilia McDonald, Stephen Baird, Bobby Dillon, Toni Thomas, June Ann Johnston, Mary Jane Weaver and Gene Boswell. Mike Jarrett, Lou Ann White, Biddy Dodds, Pat Johnson, Adrian de Graffenreid, Carol Ann Phillips, Bella Mae Simpson, Bobby McMillan, Donald Frank Lovelady, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Long, Mrs. A. C. Moore, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. A. L. de Graffenreid, Mrs. Jeff Walker, Mrs. C. L. Clinkscales, Mrs. Mamie Lee Dodds, Carolyn Smith, Mrs. George White and Mrs. C. R. Moad.

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CHAT WITH CHAMPS

There's More To Expert Checkers Than Meets Eye



CHECKER CHAMPS: Pictured above are Big Spring's talented hobbyists, checker champions, who have won outstanding titles in the game. From left to right are T. R. (Blackie) Morris, Texas champion, A. H. Tate, former national champion for correspondence checkers and A. C. Preston, West Texas champion. Jack M. Haynes Photo.

After a chat with some checker champs you realize there is more to the game than meets the eye. . . particularly when they start discussing the games they carry on through the mail.

Big Spring has a record number of these hobbyists, each a champion in his own right, who has received outstanding awards for competitive play.

T. R. (Blackie) Morris, technician for the Soil Conservation Service, is the champion checker player of Texas. He won the title Aug. 4, when 56 contestants vied for the title at a Brownwood tournament. The contest went three days and finally ended at 3 o'clock in the morning when Morris won out. Eleven rounds were played with four games to each round. He was awarded \$75, a certificate

and a gold trophy.

A. C. Preston, city mail carrier, is also an avid player and West Texas champion. It was the second consecutive win for Preston, who received the last title November 11 when a tournament was held in Big Spring at the YMCA. Preston has always been interested in the game but started studying it in 1934. He likes chess fairly well, but like other checker players, does not play too often for fear of ruining his checker game. He is also considered a strong contender for the state title.

Games are played through the mail with the use of special checker cards. Boards are numbered from one to 32 with the blacks occupying spots one through 12. Whites occupy spots 29 through 32. Plays are written on post cards and matches are arranged by the National Checker Association which secures opponents for players.

Hobbyists have been known to have as many as 600 games going at one time, taking as long as four months to play each one out.

A. H. Tate, telegraph operator for the T & P is a veteran player who started his checker games back in 1925. He walked off with the national championship title for correspondence play in 1938 and was the initial winner in the first such contest to be held.

His award for the national championship was \$50 in cash and a gold watch. It took the correspondence champ around two years to win the title and a total of something like 100 games.

The three players, who agree that the game is interesting only to the players, make a great study of the game and play with skilled swift movements.

The Texas State Checker Association would like to hold a tournament here in the near future according to the hobbyists, who are hopeful that a bid will be made.

Police Have Trophy Case Of Items Confiscated From Those Arrested

Shootings, stabbings, crap games all these and more are wrapped up in a "museum" the police department has started.

Perhaps the word museum is a bit expansive, for thus far a display set up by policemen consists of a sort of trophy case containing mementoes of various cases.

There is a story behind almost every piece found in the case, located in the ante-room between the commission and identification officer's room at the city hall. However, with one exception the department members haven't got around to labeling the pieces or adding descriptive matter.

Included are a wide assortment of single die and dice pairs. These come in all shapes and sizes but the department does not note whether any of them were of the "educated" or loaded type. In all instances they were confiscated, as were other items shown, from persons arrested for crimes and misdemeanors.

Other things on display include a variety of "billies" or black-jacks. Most are of the home made variety and range from a stick with a piece of pipe on the end to well constructed leather trinkets with metal loadings in the end. One

is a piece of chain on a leather handle, an instrument calculated to make the toughest give ground at close quarters. Hardly a "billy" but used for brawling is a heavy iron bar which might make the skull seem like an egg shell when it lands.

Most profusely decorating the case is a walter of knives, ranging from the east Dallas specials, a long-bladed frog-sticker, to monstrous maize blades, daggers, skinning and hunting knives, semi-butcher knives, etc. Then there is a short-spiked leepick which should punch a person as full of holes as a sieve were it used dexteriously. Some three dozen of these instruments adorn the case.

There are other knick-knacks, including several pistols taken from belligerent prisoners, some of whom levelled them on arresting officers. Just to prove that these weren't packed for fun, officers have included a supply of confiscated cartridges taken from the firearms. Another piece on display is a bob-tail .410-gauge shotgun.

Maybe the display doesn't prove much—but it does establish that an officer is apt to run into almost anything in the course of duty.

C O R D I A L Greetings

We have a host of friends in this area whom we would like to see personally in order to extend a personal Christmas Greeting.

We may not get around to everybody so we ask that you consider this as being a genuine expression of good wishes to each of you and a hearty thank you for past courtesies.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Arrington
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Mrs. Mary Delbridge

Holiday Greetings

This is a Christmas of great thankfulness and it is especially suitable, therefore, that we of this institution should extend heartfelt greetings. We send our best wishes for a holiday of good cheer.

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Big Spring Is Generous In Helping Others

Well over 100 families will experience a happier and more bountiful Christmas this year through the generosity of local civic and religious organizations.

Big Spring is said to be most generous in remembering the less fortunate at Christmas time, when hundreds of baskets and food boxes are packed for needy families.

Because of the large scale on which donations are now received, a new plan for distribution has been worked out to best handle the gifts.

The Howard County Welfare association was designated as a clearing house for Christmas contributions and the agency chose from its records families which would benefit from the yuletide presents.

Civic clubs were designated to include gifts of grocery items in their boxes which are made up through contributions by their members. Sewing clubs, high school organizations, Sunday school classes and many other groups brought food and gifts to Christmas basket and saw to it that it was received by grateful families, happy for a Christmas made brighter.

Included in the Salvation Army's Christmas good deeds were 50 or 60 food checks. Capt. Olive Shepard reports that checks amounting to \$1.50 per adult and 75 cents per child were issued to families which were able to buy Christmas dinner with the amount. Aged couples received a \$5.00 check to purchase Christmas dinner.

The Salvation Army also assisted the Welfare board with Mexican families, who proved particularly needy this holiday season. According to Mary Cantrell of the association, families ranging from two to twelve members were assisted through contributions.

The majority of local churches chose their own needy families and showered them with food, clothing, cover and toys for the children.

A HAPPY Noel FRIENDS

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Season's Greetings

Your Friends and Neighbors in the Texas Electric Service Company Wish You a Merry Christmas.

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BREEZE MAKES DIFFERENCE

West Texas Nights Chill Anchorage, Alaska Visitors

Home for a few weeks from Anchorage, Alaska, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Jenkins profess to feel the chill of West Texas nights. This area has balmy temperatures, Jenkins admits, but unlike the still, sub-zero readings at Anchorage, the breeze makes the difference. Jenkins thinks that the shift to lighter clothes counts for something too. They drove through over the Alaska-Canada highway to Sweet Grass, Mont. and came on U. S. 87 to Big Spring in time to have a nice long visit with his mother, Mrs. A. B. Wade, and friends. During the war years Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins were in Bremerton, Wash. in defense work and simply shifted scenes after the war. For the past two years he has been employed as a ma-

chinist at Anchorage. At this season of the year, there are only about three hours of actual sunlight at Anchorage, and the twilight is abbreviated, too. But come summer, according to Jenkins, there is hardly anytime around the clock that one cannot read a newspaper even in the prolonged twilight hours. He has made excursion flights to Point Barrow to see the sun at midnight. Anchorage today is just like a beehive of activity. Prices run about 30 to 100 per cent above state levels, but then the pay differential is in line so that there is little difference in net earnings. Wild game still abounds in Alaska and northern Canada, he

said. On his way home he and Mrs. Jenkins saw a set of moose antlers which spread as wide as the bumpers on a large car. He has seen Kodiak bear, which must be killed with extremely high-powered rifles, that weigh in excess of a ton and have a head as "big as a wash tub." They found the Al-Can highway ideal for travel at this season of the year with just enough snow on the road to furnish smooth rolling. The temperatures naturally erased the mosquito menace, and with two heaters and an electric defroster going, they were comfortable all the way. He compared Canadians to pioneers of this area in friendliness and hospitality. The Jenkins plan to be here until around Feb. 1.

Stevenson To Make Address On Senate Race

AUSTIN, Dec. 24. (AP)—Ex-Gov. Coke Stevenson will broadcast "an announcement concerning the 1948 United States Senate campaign" at 11:45 a. m. New Year's day, a Dallas public relations agency said in a press release here yesterday. Close friends of the former governor have said for some time that he intends to run for the post now held by Junior Senator W. Lee O'Daniel. Stevenson has been making public appearances over the state and is said to have received many letters urging him to become a candidate. Radio stations slated to carry his New Year's day address at 11:45 a. m. are KTBC, Austin; DWBD, Brownwood; WFAA, Dallas; WRR, Dallas; KFJZ, Fort Worth; KTRH, Houston; KFRO, Longview; KMHT, Marshall; KCRS, Midland; KPLT, Paris; KGKL, San Angelo; WOAI, San Antonio; KRRV, Sherman; and KCMC, Texarkana. Station KFDA, Amarillo, will carry the address at 4 p. m. and KRDD, El Paso, at 6 p. m. (MST)

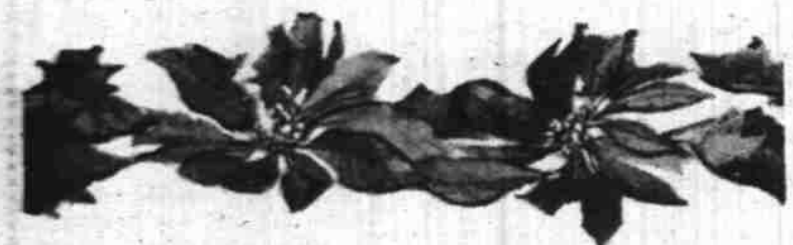
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We're filled with Christmas cheer and fond thoughts of our good friends, as we send this little greeting all around the town . . . merry Christmas to the people of Howard County.

MR. & MRS. WALTER GRICE



Merry Christmas



. . . and a Happy New Year

We Take This Opportunity To Thank Our Many Friends And Customers For Their Patronage During 1947.

PARK INN

ONE BARREL IN THREE RECOVERED

End To Oil Wastage Would Cut Big Chunk Off U.S. Debt

(This is the second of two stories on wastage in the oil industry. - Ed.)

AUSTIN. — If some magic means could be found of immediately stopping waste of oil and gas, a sizeable chunk could be cut from the nation's national debt.

Railroad Commissioner Bill Murray — who qualifies the statement by saying he's an engineer rather than a mathematician — reaches that conclusion this way: It's reliably estimated that if all the oil were recovered from known fields, instead of only one barrel out of each three or four in place, the value would be between \$175,000,000 and \$250,000,000. That's between 70 and 100 billions of barrels, priced at current prices.

If you want to restrict it to Texas, halve your figures. Then add to it the market-price value of casinghead gas now being flared into the air — some 1,325 million cubic feet per day, with an average market value of 3 cents per thousand. It figures out some \$24 million a year.

All of which is Commissioner Murray's way of underlining the basic necessity, particularly to Texas, of appreciating what conservation means.

From a realistic standpoint, the Commissioner says, "I know that the goal of total efficiency cannot be reached in oil and gas production; but I also know that more efficient producing methods can be found, and that waste can be reduced, and reduced again — if the general public realizes its importance and demands it."

What has been done in reducing flared gas illustrates what can be done, he said.

In 1945, the flare gas problem was forcibly called to the public's attention by a statewide committee which for the first time made a survey of the actual amount of waste. This committee of engineers and oil men found a waste of 1,500 million cubic feet of gas production of 2,500 million cubic feet. Only 1,000 million cubic feet were being utilized.

Today, according to Railroad Commission engineering estimates, out of total casinghead production — at an increased rate due to the increased production of oil — amounting to 3,000 million cubic feet a day, 1,675 million cubic feet of gas a day is being utilized, a gain of 675,000,000 cubic feet of gas used in two years.

That, thinks Murray, is progress. But, he adds, the state cannot be satisfied short of full attainment of the program.

The recent Supreme Court decision in the Seelgison case means,

the Commissioner thinks, that oil producers are going to have to enter into cooperative programs to obtain maximum conservation.

In the Seelgison case, the Commission had closed down an entire

Film Cutter Gives Advice To Amateurs

HOLLYWOOD (UP)—A veteran film cutter, whose job for 25 years has been to keep movies from boring you, says the average home movie photographer is losing friends and alienating people with every foot of film.

Cutter Jack Murray said home photographers could throw as much footage of friends, baby and sky on the cutting floor as he does of famous stars.

"Home movies can and should be very diverting," he said. "Bad cutting, or not cutting at all, is the reason they are not."

The people in home movies usually are bigger hams than movie actors, Murray said. "They all want to be stars. Turn the camera on them and they chew up the scenery."

The home photographer should not be afraid to cut them right out.

"He usually is reluctant to throw away a single inch of his product for fear of wasting film or hurting feelings. The result is just plain boring — too much of everything, nothing balanced."

Kiss Edited Down

Murray, knee-deep in cut film, was editing the John Ford-Merian C. Cooper picture, "War Party." One of the tiny scenes, Shirley Temple was being kissed by John Agar. The kiss lasted four seconds.

"Too long," Murray grunted, shortening it in the middle. "Detracts from the drama coming up."

"Cutting that kiss is a difficult choice we have to make, but it illustrates what home movie fans should do. Three seconds of your wife squatting on a cannon or baby patty-caking is enough. Imagine how you'd squirm if we showed you all 100,000 feet exposed on "War Party."

He suggested that home movie makers balance their movies by working out a sort of a shooting script before unpacking their cameras.

"Then film should be cut so as not to appear cut," he said. "If you are shooting a baby running down his dog, catch him starting, move up for a closeup of the dog waiting and pan to baby pulling up before him. It tells more than a continuous truck shot."

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When you look into your Christmas stocking this year, we hope you'll find in it everything you desire. May old Santa be extra good to you.

J. F. Wolcott
Tax Assessor - Collector

What's Going On?
Why, it's CHRISTMAS, of course! And we're happy about the whole thing. We're glad-dened with the thought that our friends everywhere are enjoying the season with genuine contentment.
May it last forever—our Yuletide wish to you.

R. L. "Bob" Wolf
Sheriff Of Howard County

HEALTH, HAPPINESS, PROSPERITY

A glorious Christmas is our wish, of course, yet we want the sentiment to carry on through the coming years. We want each of you to enjoy *Health, Happiness and Prosperity*. It is our hope that your every wish will be realized, that each ambition may materialize, so that the new year may be the happiest of them all.



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SEASON'S GREETINGS

May All The Joys Of Christmas Be Yours Through The Year.

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The True Story Of Christmas

In accordance with a Christmas Eve custom of many years standing, The Herald carries the glorious story of peace on earth and good will toward men as contained in the first 14 verses of the Gospel, according to Saint Luke:

And it came to pass in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of David which is called Bethlehem. x x x

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone around about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them. Fear not, for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



Washington Merry-Go-Round—Draw Pearson

Once-Gay Paris Is Pinched Pale

PARIS. — (By wireless) — shirt during a snowy night for the benefit of the Friendship Train. . . They have read about the people of Hawaii who donated an average of eight cents each for sugar for the Friendship Train. . . They heard on the French radio about the cities of Amarillo, Texas, and Okla., New Mexico, Ardmore, Oklahoma, and San Antonio and the Lions club of Richmond, Virginia, and scores of other towns which contributed to the Friendship Train.

Most Frenchmen thought Odessa was in Russia, until they heard that Odessa, Texas had sent them a car of canned milk. They also thought Stuttgart was in Germany until they heard that Stuttgart, Arkansas, had sent them one whole carload of rice. . . And they thought Rome was the capital of Italy until they discovered that Rome, N. Y., had sent them a carload of food.

ONLY ONE ACCIDENT
The French have entered into the spirit of the Friendship Train with the same gusto as the people who loaded it. They especially like the fact that it comes from the plain folks of America—farmers, school children, service clubs, businessmen, labor unions. . . The communists have been telling the French that the U. S. A. is a nation of "warmongers, capitalists and imperialists," but the Friendship Train has proved otherwise. . . When the left-wing dockworkers union worked until 2 a. m. to load up the first Friendship Train from La Havre to Paris, they had only one accident. The carload of Ger-

bers Baby Food sent all the way from Los Angeles got caught behind a draw-bridge. The bridge was broken, so Gerbers Baby Food remained in La Havre and didn't get loaded on the first train to Paris. . . It came up on the next train, however. Because French boxcars are small, it will take ten trains to handle the entire Friendship cargo. . . an American representative will ride on each train to explain how the food was collected. And since the Friendship Train in the U. S. A. carried no government officials on board, Henry Cassidy of NBC has formed a committee to have American newsmen or businessmen ride on each French train as a U. S. representative and explain how the food was collected.

FOR FRIENDSHIP
The first truck in the parade of fifty French trucks carrying Friendship food up the Champs Elysee bore this sign, in French: "It would take 2,000 trucks like this one to carry all the gifts from the Friendship Train." . . This truck happened to have been given France by the American field service in 1939. It went through some of the heaviest bombardments from Normandy to the Rhine. . . The run from the Friendship Train to the orphanages of Paris was its last trip.

This was the first time in the peacetime history of France that trucks have been allowed on the Arc De Triomphe. But French officials promised that since it had been done in war it should now be done in peace—for friendship.

Herald Radio Log

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Where To Tune In: KBST, ABC-TSN, 1490 KC; WBAF-WFAA, NBS, 820 KC; KRLD, CBS, 1080 KC.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

8:00 KBST-News KRLD-Broadcast WBAF-Supper Club	8:15 KBST-News KRLD-Jack Smith Show WBAF-Evening Melodies	8:30 KBST-News KRLD-Club 15 WBAF-Supper Program	8:45 KBST-News KRLD-Edward Murrow WBAF-News	9:00 KBST-News KRLD-Melody Hour WBAF-News Day	9:15 KBST-News KRLD-News WBAF-News Day	9:30 KBST-News KRLD-Melody Hour WBAF-News Day	9:45 KBST-News KRLD-News WBAF-News Day	10:00 KBST-News KRLD-News WBAF-News Day	10:15 KBST-News KRLD-News WBAF-News Day	10:30 KBST-News KRLD-News WBAF-News Day	10:45 KBST-News KRLD-News WBAF-News Day	11:00 KBST-News KRLD-News WBAF-News Day	11:15 KBST-News KRLD-News WBAF-News Day	11:30 KBST-News KRLD-News WBAF-News Day	11:45 KBST-News KRLD-News WBAF-News Day	12:00 KBST-News KRLD-News WBAF-News Day
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Affairs Of The World—DeWitt MacKenzie

Democracy's Position Stronger

Are the democracies going to be able to hold communism along the battle-front which it now occupies through the heart of Europe, or can the Bolsheviks fight their way westward to the English channel?

ing satellites are again free to exercise sovereignty will be the claims of democracy be satisfied. Moreover, as my U. N. friend pointed out, we shouldn't overlook that there still remain knock-down and drag-out fights to be settled in Italy and France, notably in strategic positions. While communism has received a serious set-back in both these countries recently in connection with a strong swing to the right, the Reds still remain powerful and determined.

to indulge in any degree of complacency because events have been favoring the western democracies. Still, it's gratifying to see the political swing towards the right being extended in western Europe. A hugely important development in this connection is the declaration of war by the ruling British Labor party—that is, the Socialist party—against communism in England.

Today and Tomorrow—Walter Lippmann

U.S. Must Fill European Vacuum

In the last four paragraphs of his address on Friday evening, Secretary Marshall set forth "the fundamental reason for the frustration we have encountered in our endeavor to reach a realistic agreement for a peace settlement." It is also the fundamental reason for the Marshall plan.

London, and to break off the argument that could only make an eventual settlement more difficult. For "agreements between sovereign states are generally the reflection and not the cause of genuine settlements."

gist and a diplomat who has read history could be expected to take—that deep conflicts of interest but not abolished, that agreement among rival powers need not wait until they all want the same thing. Settlements can be had when they accept the fact that their power to get what they want is limited, is checked, and is balanced.

Thus at the end of the war, there was no great European power able to play a leading part in the settlement of Europe. But besides that, here was a partial vacuum in Great Britain which, in saving itself and the whole free world, had come so close to exhaustion that it has not been able to play its necessary part in the settlement.

The maturity and wisdom of this fundamental judgement on the crucial problem of our time affects his attitude toward Russia. Obviously he does not take the view that there is no deep conflict of interest and purpose between the Soviet Union and the Western world. But neither does he take the view—so common today among the disappointed idealists—that a settlement is impossible as long as this conflict of interest and purpose exists.

Often in describing public men we say of one that he is Jeffersonian Democrat, of another that he is a Hamiltonian Nationalist, of another that he reminds us of Lincoln. Of George Marshall it can be said that his virtues and his qualities remind us of George Washington. His towering prestige rests upon an instinctive recognition among the people that he is a servant of his duty and not of his ambition, that his power of command and of leadership is natural, and needs no vulgar showmanship, that he loves his country and not himself, that he seeks the public good and not his own popularity, and—remembering his record in the war—that like Washington he knows that "that nation which indulges toward another an habitual hatred or an habitual fondness is in some degree a slave. . . a slave to its animosity or to its affection, either of which is sufficient to lead it astray from its duty and its interest."

Broadway—Jack O'Brian

Glitter Of A Gala Opening

NEW YORK — Barbara Bel Geddes, Designer Norman Bel G's extra-talented daughter, is supposed to be more actress than glamor gal, but she was the purtiest decoration in Sardi's during dinner-time. . . There also the superbly talented, quiet Judith Anderson seemed nothing at all like the gaudy actress of "Medea," over which the critics are more than somewhat ecstatic.

HE STILL could have had the movie offers but he preferred to wait. . . His patience again has been rewarded with literally stunning reviews for his superb performance in "A Streetcar Named Desire," the new Tennessee Williams hit which was produced by Movie Tycoon Louis B. Mayer's daughter, Irene M. Selznick. . . Now again, Marlon's on the receiving end of fabulous film offers. As usual, he isn't having any.

the year's most glittering. There were as many socialites as entertainment royalty and the place was fairly awash with sable, ermine and mink and the lesser accoutrements of the New Look. Dinner jackets were the general male rule, and even a few white ties and tails and top hats were to be seen during the intermission excursion to neighboring bars.

Hal Boyle's Notebook

Spirit Of The Law

NEW YORK. (U.P.—) The case of Maria Formicola presents an example of why the rest of the world finds it difficult to understand America.

It has shown again that the letter of the law means less to American than the spirit of abstract justice. It is a heart-warming demonstration, too, that people haven't really forgotten what they owe the veterans. They want to see that the fiancée of the dead Kentucky ex-soldier gets the protection he no longer can give her.

A representative of the shipping line tried to explain the situation to the girl, but she didn't know enough English to understand him. Then Anthony Cameron, an Associated Press photographer, who speaks Italian, told her gently in her own language: "I am sorry to have to tell you this, but your fiance is dead."

WOMEN KNOW COLORS
SOUTHBRIDGE, Mass. (U.P.)—About 4 per cent of men are color blind, compared with only three-tenths of one per cent of women.

RETRIEVERS CLASH
SPOKANE, Wash. (U.P.)—A Labrador retriever trotted into a shoe store and left with a shoe belonging to Mrs. Charles Packard, who was trying on a new pair of pumps. A clerk chased the retriever 10 blocks through the downtown district before retrieving the shoe.



"Well, maybe 2 can live as cheap as one—but of course one of you is going to live on practically nothing!"

The Big Spring Herald

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WORD-A-DAY

By BACH
DOGGED
(doggedly) ADV.
Stubborn; persistent;
obstinately determined.

Annual Turnover Of College Football Coaches Underway

KBST To Handle Playoff Game

KBST Big Spring will be one of 44 Texas stations—largest network ever used in the state to broadcast a football game—carrying the grid classic between Highland Park of Dallas and Brackenridge of San Antonio Saturday afternoon.

The contest is being played in Alamo stadium, San Antonio, and is scheduled to begin at 2:30 p. m. The broadcast begins 15 minutes earlier.

Bill Hightower and George Mooney will alternate in reporting the play-by-play and halftime activities.

Texan Defeated By Harold Dade

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24. (AP)—Harold Dade, former world Bantamweight champion, gave Manuel Ortega of El Paso a thorough boxing lesson last night as he won a unanimous 10-round decision at Olympic auditorium.

It took Dade four rounds to solve Ortega's unorthodox style, but from then on the former Bantam king, now fighting out of Los Angeles, gave the Texas Mexican little chance to score. Both fighters weighed 124 pounds.



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Osmanski May Join H'Cross

NEW YORK, Dec. 24. (AP)—It's open season again on college football coaches and the tally sheet today showed ten top tacticians already displaced and several others fidgeting under the heat of alumni pressure.

Institutions which already have experienced coaching turnovers are University of Washington, Auburn, Kansas State, West Virginia, Holy Cross, St. Louis university, New Mexico A. and M., Texas A. and M., Davidson and Furman.

Three of these schools have filled vacancies from their staffs while the others are reported still looking around.

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LOOKING 'EM OVER

With TOMMY HART
An open letter to Santa Claus:
"Friend Santa:
"I'm obligated to you for all the gratuities you and Mrs. Claus have bestowed on me in the past. Off hand, I can't think of anything I need this year, unless you could see fit to increase the size of our little circle. However, there are some friends I wouldn't want you to forget. In event you're in the dark about what they'd like, I can shower a few hints about and help your lot. Do what you can for them. There's Neil Hilliard, for instance. How about delivering him a set of golf sticks that don't have to be educated to the job. The cussed one he uses fouls his game up something awful. And Pepper Martin—slip him a system for hitting that No. Two pitch. You know, the curve ball drives him daft. About Mr. and Mrs. Boody Blount, Santa, I think what would make them happiest is a sort of neon sign they could stick on Peppy's shoulders, a sign that reads: "I'm ready to go in, Mr. Cherry." And Johnny Dibrell, either give him more sporting goods or provide him with a liar's license. Matt Harrington? Numbers fascinate him, so surprise him with a book that shows him when to play "1-5-6-8-10" instead of "1-5-7-9." There's Ray Snyder. All he wants is a permanent pass to sit with the home club at any and all athletic events. He generally pays off in good luck. A TCU sweep to the Southwest Conference football title next fall would please Ben Hawkins greatly. And how about three more Jose Cindans and a left handed first sacker for Pat Stasey, whose starting pitcher was a Santa Claus for the opposition all too often last season. Why not a gun wired with radar for Walker Bailey? He flushed out many a deer while down South last month and the quadrupeds did nothing but tease him. And how about offering Frank Leahy to the Big Spring high school board as the 1948 Steer grid coach? Otherwise, the harried trustees are going to be raked over the coals who ever they land. Dale Carnegie's "How To Win Friends and Influence People" would be good enough for Tony Traspuesto, the Broncho catcher. Johnny Malaise would like nothing more than a JAA basketball championship and another Eddie Houser in 1948 and '49. And, last but not least, do something that will take the worry out of football for Judge Cecil Collings. He dies a thousands deaths every Autumn."

WALLACE EARNS KEEP AS CRYSTAL GAZER
Francis Wallace, who does an annual story for the Saturday Evening Post called "Pigskin Preview" sends this department the usual Yuletide greetings along with a final check on the forecasts he made in September of this year.

Wallace notes that he named Notre Dame and Michigan to finish in that order in the National collegiate picture and the elevens did just that (in the AP poll).

Of the 20 teams he expected to finish out in front, nine of them made it, eight of them in the first eleven. Frank had Notre Dame first, Michigan second, Texas tenth, Alabama 11th, Penn third, North Carolina eighth, Georgia Tech 17th, Army 18th and Rice fifth.

Of the 27 key games in which Wallace forecast the outcome, he had the winners in 17. Three of the outings were ties while he was on the wrong pony in the other seven.

His sectional champs didn't fare so well. Of the eight he named, only two led their respective conferences. He had three of the eight bowl teams (Michigan, Texas, Alabama) down pat.

Seven of the 11 boys Wallace expected to make the All-America came through on the majority of the teams; Lujack, Chapuis, Steffy, Davis, Fischer, Bednarik and Conner. He named Lujack as the back of the year, missed on Steffy (chosen tops in a writer's poll).

The Satevepost expert expected Frank Leahy to be coach-of-the-year but named Fritz Crisler (the AP's No. One man in the runnerup spot).

The boy he overlooked and who crossed him up, he adds, was Doak Walker, the SMU phenom.

In closing, Wallace said he expects Michigan, Texas, Georgia Tech, SMU and the Eastern All-Stars to triumph in their respective bowl assignments.

PLANS PRO CAREER?

Davis Asks For Release From Duty With Army

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24. (AP)—The next move in the case of 2nd Lt. Glenn Davis apparently must come from the Army.

Davis, who spent four years as a key cog in West Point's great football teams during the war, has asked to be released from the Army.

In a prepared statement given out after the Army in Washington had divulged his application for permission to resign, Davis merely said it had been filed through regular Army channels, "in the same manner as any other officer who desires to be separated from the service."

And sidestepping any discussion of future plans, such as playing professional football in the event his request is granted, Davis noted:

"I am not at liberty to discuss (the petition) further."

"Any additional information must come from Washington or my commanding general through regular military channels."

Davis, soon to turn 26, and an All-America player at the Point in 1944-45-46, is spending a holiday leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph O. Davis, at nearby Claremont, Calif.

His playing partner during those great years, also commissioned a second lieutenant following graduation last June, Felix (Doc) Blanchard, said at Randolph Field, Tex., yesterday that he planned to follow an Army career as a flier.

In pro football's draft, Davis is the property of the Los Angeles Rams of the senior National football league, and the San Francisco 49'ers of the All-America Conference.



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Roach To Scrap Again Jan. 16

NEW YORK, Dec. 24. (AP)—Lavern Roach, up-and-coming Plainview, Tex., middleweight, will make his first appearance in Madison Square Garden Jan. 16, meeting Tony Janiro of Youngstown, Ohio, in a featured 10-round fight.

Roach has lost only one decision since he was discharged from the Marines two years ago. Janiro is a former Welterweight contender who outpointed Tony Pelone in his last bout.



PAUL CLEARY, University of Southern California's All-American end, will be seen in action in the Rose Bowl New Year's Day when the Trojans host the mighty Michigan Wolverines, champions of the Big Nine conference. Michigan is favored to win by as much as 18 points.

Nittany Lions Purr In First Dallas Drill

DALLAS, Dec. 24. (AP)—Penn State's Nittany Lions purred with delight at weather above freezing today and swung into two-day practice sessions for their date in the Cotton Bowl here New Year's with Southern Methodist university.

Even missing Christmas at home and the injury of their co-captain yesterday failed to dampen the undefeated, untied Lion's enthusiasm for.

Texas, the Cotton Bowl, and the weather.

Co-Capt. Bob Nolan twisted an ankle in a limbering up exercise shortly after Penn State arrived here.

"It's nothing serious and he'll be ready for the game," Coach Bob Higgins said.

While Penn State settled for its first serious practice since ending regular season play, Southern Methodist's unbeaten but once tied Mustangs were home for a brief holiday.

Higgins, who told shivering officials and fans that the slightly above freezing weather was "wonderful", planned to push the Lions hard.

Sports Roundup

Brave Skipper Takes Game Seriously

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.
NEW YORK, Dec. 24. (AP)—John Goldsberry, Indiana's football captain-elect, likes to tell about the time his predecessor, Howard Brown, was laid out during the Indiana-Nebraska game. Seeing Brown stretched on the turf, Goldsberry rushed to him and asked: "Howard, are you okay?" Receiving no answer, John repeated the question. Brown wearily opened his eyes and replied: "Yeah, I'm okay. But how is the crowd taking it?"

One-Minute Sports Page
Everett Case, North Carolina State basketball coach, reports the Southern conference has begun an active program of educating young officials. One of the first steps was to increase the fees. Eddie Eagan's Christmas card to boxing writers bears a reproduction of some of the oldest published ring rules. Could that be a hint that they've been wrong in some remarks about Eddie's knowledge of rules? Since the Syracuse U. gym burned down last January, the swimming team has been working out in the Y.W.C.A. (not YM).

Quote, Unquote
Billy Southworth, Braves' manager: "I never say anything funny in baseball. When reporters ask me what was the funniest incident I ever saw, I tell them there was nothing. It might be funny to the fellow next to me, but to me it's a mistake that might lose a ball game."

Dots All, Brothers
Kentucky Coach Adolph Rupp maintains that Ralph Beard is a 20 percent improved basketball player over last season, when he was just about the hottest guy on the college courts. Don McCloskey, Oklahoma U. freshman backstroke swimmer, carried his bagpipes all the way from his York, Pa., home to Norman, Okla. He wanted to make sure of getting his second wind.

National League Crown Goes On Line Sunday

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Sunday (Dec. 28) here in Comiskey Park, Chicago's Cardinals will attempt to bring about the realization of the late Charlie Bidwell's dream of winning the National Football league title.

Jimmy Conzelman, a name "Coach of the Year" last season by Pro Football Illustrated, and certainly entitled to that honor for his efforts in 1947, will send his Cardinals against the Philadelphia Eagles, winners of the Eastern championship due to a 21 to 0 victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers in the playoff game for the divisional title last Sunday in Forbes Field.

Charlie Bidwell, Cardinals owner, died of pneumonia on April 19 of this year, without seeing this "Dream Backfield" in action. The quartet he longed to see against National league opposition included Paul Christian at quarterback, Charley Trippi and Marshall Goldberg at the halves, and Pat Harder at fullback.

The Cardinals, in winning their division title, lost only one game to a Western division team, that being a 27 to 7 defeat at the hands of the Los Angeles Rams on the latter's home grounds.

Other losses were to the Washington Redskins, 45 to 21, and to the New York Giants, 35 to 31.

The Cards defeated the Bears, Packers and Lions twice each.

The Eagles, while winning eight and losing four to tie Pittsburgh for Eastern division honors, lost to the Bears, Pittsburgh, Boston and the Cardinals.

Philadelphia, for the past three years, has finished as runner-up for Eastern division honors. They came closest in 1944 when the Giants won Eastern honors with a record of eight wins, one loss and one tie, while the Eagles won seven, had one loss and two ties.

In gaining divisional honors the Cardinals have accomplished the task as a team, every player being a part of the happy success.

Throughout the season, "key" players have been injured and as a result, the great power of the team has never been intact.

In the exhibition game against the Giants in Chicago (Sept. 10) Center Bill Campbell, one of the club's outstanding players on defense, suffered a broken bone in his foot and was out until the Giants game on Nov. 30. Trippi, who reported to the Cards underweight after the College All-Star game, suffered an injured ankle when Campbell got hurt, and was

coming around nicely until the Packers game Oct. 12 when he got hurt again.

Harder was hurt after seven minutes of the game at Green Bay (Oct. 12) and didn't regain anything close to his old form until the Giants game in New York on Nov. 30. Jeff Burkett, ex-L.S.U. halfback, played great ball against the Detroit Lions, Bears and Green Bay clubs before suffering an appendectomy prior to the Los Angeles game Oct. 19. He was the National league's outstanding punter, was playing end on offense and halfback on defense. He was killed in a plane crash Oct. 24.

Guard Garrard "Buster" Ramsey was hurt in the Green Bay game Nov. 16 and missed the last four games. He may play against the Eagles. Goldberg, about forty percent of the Cardinals pass defense, and described by Conzelman as one of the greatest defensive stars the game has produced suffered a bad leg against the Washington Redskins Nov. 23.

Mal Kutner, end who most certainly would receive the most valuable player award, if one was voted for the 1947 season, was hurt in the Bears game, Oct. 5, and wasn't himself until three weeks later.

Ends Billy Dewell and Clarence Esser, Tackle Caleb Martin, Fullback Walter Rankin (great line-backer), Guard Plato Andrews and Halfback Babe Dimancheff all were out for one or more games.

Halfback Elmer Angsman, never out of a game all season, but playing in a number of games on sheer nerve because of injuries, was stricken with virus influenza four days before the Bears game which was to decide the Western

division championship.

Tackles Stan Mauldin, Chet Bulger and Joe Coomer; Guards Loyd Arms, Ramsey, Ray Apolakis, Hamilton Nichols and Plato Andrews; Centers Vince Banonis and Bill Blackburn, and Ends Joe Parker, Frank Ivy, Jack Doolan (particularly in the last Bears game), and Kutner (the latter as a halfback), have all done a great job on defense.

Backs Goldberg, Trippi, Rankin, Cochran and De Correvont also have done a great job on defense.

The Cardinals offense depends chiefly on Passers Paul Christian and Ray Mallouf. All 11 formation teams in the league are great successes when their passers are clicking because pass completions splits the defense to a point where a good running game, such as the Cards possess, is more effective.

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R. L. Jr., are spending the holidays quietly at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hollis have as their guest during the holidays their son, Bobby, of North Texas State College of Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hollis are spending a quiet Christmas at home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Homan and daughters, Ann and Sara Beth, are spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Land in Loraine.

Holiday guests of Mrs. E. E. Holland are Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hood and children, Louann and Larry, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Donnell of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Holland and children, Ronny and Edwin Earl.

Mr. and Mrs. James J. Steward are visiting friends in Cross Plains during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Boone Horne have as their holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Stevens of Jamesville and Mr. and Mrs. John Fuller of Sherman.

G. F. Reynolds, Jr. is spending Christmas with his mother, in Toyah.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack H. Bryan of Arlington are spending the yule season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Ayers of Odessa are spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ayers.

Mr. and Mrs. Neel Barnaby and children, Joy, Mae, Jo, Claudette and Neel, Jr., will spend the 25th at home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sides will be hosts to her family for Christmas dinner. Guests will include Mrs. Maggie Richardson, her mother, and Mrs. Ora Johnson and family. Mrs. Johnson is her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlison H. Hamilton will remain at home for a quiet Christmas.

Also planning a quiet Christmas at home, are Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Hamlin and sons, Escol and Norvis plan to have a Christmas tree and dinner at home.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Hammond and children, Tommy and Sue Gall, are Dr. Rufus Miller and Mrs. Miller and Charley Miller of Monahans.

Mrs. Margaret House of Fort Worth will be a holiday guest of Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Hoppel.

Christmas guests of Nora and Martha Ann Harding are Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hardy and daughter, Ann, of Tarzan.

Mrs. Lula Hardy will have as her holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Parks and Sally Wilkerson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ferrell and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Harlan will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Gerrell and family. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Knight and family and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Pace in Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harper will have as their holiday guests their children, Mr. and Mrs. Shorly Hall and family, Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Watts and Freddy, Jr. and a grandson and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. James Jones.

Holiday guests of Mrs. W. E. Harper are Mr. and Mrs. Billy Byrley, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Harper and children, Hollis and Claudette of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Harris will celebrate Christmas quietly this year with their children, Roger and Carolyn.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Harris will be Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Hopper, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin A. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Philpots of Carlsbad, N. M. Nancy Thompson and Mrs. Clint Thompson of Fort Worth are spending Christmas in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Whittington and Mr. and Mrs. Elvis McCrary.

Mrs. J. P. Meador is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Joe Grimland, Mr. Grimland and small son, Joe, in Grand Prairie during the holidays.

Mrs. J. W. Maddrey is visiting her parents in Koose.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Maddux and daughter, Patsy, will visit with his mother, Mrs. E. P. Maddux, and also Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mayfield in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Madison are

visiting their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Madison in Lubbock during the Christmas season.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Magee have as guests Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Forrester and son, Jimmy, of Ft. Worth and Mrs. Magee's mother, Mrs. N. B. Phelps of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Maines and son, Bobby, are visiting in Zwolle, La. with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Webb and family. They will also visit with her brother and wife Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Jones, in Weatherford.

Mrs. R. H. Spencer, Jr. is spending the holidays in Wichita Falls with Col. and Mrs. David Wade. Col. Wade has recently returned from Guam.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Orr of Bryson are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. T. H. McCann.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Miller and family will have as their holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Havenner, Jr., and daughter, Sandra, of Brownfield, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Miller and children, Lynn, Ronnie, Elizabeth Ann and Lynda of Hobbs, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Jones will have as their Christmas guests, Mr. and Mrs. James C. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Omar L. Jones and son, Larry.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Jordan are Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Gilliland and baby, Emily Ann, of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jackson will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jackson at Luling.

Holiday guests of the Jordan's are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilcox of Belin, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Karcher will have as their Christmas day guest, Mrs. D. H. Karcher of Nison. The Karcher's will spend a portion of the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Karcher of San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Keating and her father, Frank Pool, and sister, Clara Pool, will spend the holidays at home together.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Keaton and daughters, Marilyn and Margy Beth will spend the holidays together at home.

Mrs. L. F. Keisling plans to spend Christmas with friends in Lamesa.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Kilpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Humphreys and Murry Hill of Sanderson will spend the holidays with Mrs. Clyde Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wade have as their holiday guests her son, Mr. C. R. Jenkins and wife, of Anchorage, Alaska.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Dunlap and sons, Jerry and Tommy, will spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Molly Taylor, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Dunlap in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd V. Kimzey have as their holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Kimzey of Denver. These couples will spend Christmas with Mrs. Lois Caswell of Loraine.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kinard are Mr. and Mrs. Daucey Kinard, Mr. and Mrs. Bernice White of Abilene, Ora Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Fall Martin of Houston. Corinne Martin of San Diego, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Paton Jack and children, Linda and Johnnie of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Dorman Kinard of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kinard, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin and sons, Billy and Buddy, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Davidson and children, Colleen and Ike, and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dyer of Big Spring.

Mrs. Geraldine Kirkham will have as her holiday guests her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. McLeod, of Eunice, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Kirkland plan to spend a quiet Christmas at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kloesel and sons, Steve and Gale Eugene, plan to spend a quiet Christmas at home.

Mrs. Charles Koberg, accompanied by her son, Dr. Charles W. Koberg of San Angelo, will spend Christmas with another son and family, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Koberg and family. From there Mrs. Koberg will spend a portion of the holidays with another son and his family, Dr. and Mrs. O. W. Koberg and a son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Patterson of Fort Worth.



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1947 Nash four door Sedan, radio and heater.

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Cabinets In France Have Short Life

WASHINGTON—A French government, on the average, has a very short life-span. The present regime is the sixth—and in one sense, the seventh—that has come to power in the 30 months since the liberation of Paris. That works out to something less than a five months' average existence. And a great many observers are expecting still another, headed by Gen. Charles DeGaulle, in the near future.

It is a high mortality rate, but not so high as before the war, when the French sometimes changed their government within the same week. The system differs from both the American and British systems in that a French government can fall out of office over a single issue.

A prime minister's policies may be challenged and a vote of confidence called for. If he fails to receive a majority in the National Assembly, he resigns. His Cabinet goes with him.

Therefore, in stormy times, when passions are running high, the life expectancy of a French government is short. The years immediately before the last war vividly illustrated this.

The French people saw war coming, and they changed prime ministers with great rapidity in the search for a man, and a government, who could command their confidence in his ability to either avoid the war or defend the country.

Similarly, political and economic stresses have brought the downfall of six men since the liberation.

Gen. DeGaulle, head of the first Provisional government, resigned when his demands for a strongly centralized government and large military credits were denied.

Then came Felix Guon. Six months later he resigned in the fight over the new constitution.

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Paul Ramadier headed the fifth and sixth governments, days of sea battles were still altered, when the Communists walked out of it, that the succeeding one was in effect a new regime.

Ramadier had the stormiest passage to date. He asked for and received votes of confidence, sometimes by very narrow margins, on everything from criticism of his policy on Indo-China, to pressure against his freeze on wages and his attempt to lower prices by law.

Except for increasing popular opposition to the Communists, his government

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BASED ON ENGRAVINGS

Stravinsky Is Writing Opera

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 (U.P.)—Igor Stravinsky is working on a new opera, it has been announced by Boosey and Hawkes who will publish it.

The librettist will be W. H. Auden, British poet. The theme of the opera, which is to be in three acts, will be based on Hogarth's series of engravings, "The Rake's Progress." It will call for four or five soloists, an orchestra of about 35 and a chorus which will play an important part in the musical development.

Stravinsky will not start composing the music until he has finished the Mass on which he is now working. He does not promise the score of the opera for perhaps two years. Stravinsky will visit New York next March for the premiere of his ballet, "Orpheus," on which he is collaborating with George Balanchine as choreographer. It will be presented by Ballet Society.

Stravinsky previously has composed several works in operatic form, as well as his better-known ballets.

The Musical Fund Society of Philadelphia is accepting applications for auditions from students of piano, woodwind, stringed instruments and organized ensembles. The society's purpose is "the advancement of music by introducing talented young musicians to the public."

The society will finance debuts at the Philadelphia Academy of Music for the winners, to which the public will be admitted free to assure a large audience. Each solo recitalist also will be given an award of \$200.

Application forms and rules may be obtained from the society at 1048 Public Ledger Building, Philadelphia 8, Pa.

The society was formed in 1920 and is the oldest such American organization in continuous existence. It was established by "a group of gentlemen who met weekly to play, for their own enjoyment and that of their friends, the quartettes of Beethoven, Boccherini and other composers." Many famous singers and musicians appeared on its programs through the years.

The first performance in the United States of a major excerpt from Henry Purcell's "Harmonia Sacra" will be given at Carnegie Hall on Jan. 13 by Ellabelle Davis, American Negro soprano.

The figured harmonies of the 17th century English master have been arranged by his 20th century fellow countrymen, Benjamin Britten, and the vocal parts edited by the British tenor, Peter Pears. The work is from volume two of the Purcell "Harmonia" and is entitled "The Blessed Virgin's Expostulation."

"King Harald," a dramatic opera in three acts by Anders Emile, will have its world premiere in the Hunter College Playhouse in New York on Jan. 7.

The libretto was written by Pearl Cleveland Wilson of the Hunter College classics department. It deals with a story laid in Norway at the time of the Vikings.

Dr. Emile, composer of the score, is a graduate of the National Conservatory of Music in Oslo, Nor-

way, and director of the Hunter College Choir.

Kerstin Thorborg, Swedish mezzo-soprano, has arrived with her husband to rejoin the Metropolitan Opera. She will be heard in her favorite roles and after the season will give several concerts in this country.

Andres Segovia, guitarist, will celebrate the 20th anniversary of his American debut when he gives a Town Hall recital in New York on Jan. 4. Currently on his first European tour since the war, Segovia is scheduled to return to the United States at the end of December.

Monica Mais, coloratura soprano from the West Indies, will give a Town Hall recital on Jan. 10. It will be her first New York appearance since her debut two years ago.

"Song of the Immigrants," a new composition by Joseph Strimer, Russian composer currently residing in New York, will receive its local premiere at Carnegie Hall on Jan. 2 at the concert of Serge Jaroff's Original Don Cossack Chorus.

Santa Came Early To Housewives Of Denver, Colo.

DENVER, Colo., housewives had one "Christmas" present early—but it's over now.

It came in the form of a local price war, but after slashing it out with pencils, dealers had to retreat. While the price war lasted, Denver housewives could buy many cost-of-living articles cheaper than in any other large Western city.

Piggly-Wiggly Western company started it. Each store in this organization, and there were more than 30 in Denver, began offering a different short list of "loss leaders" or items sold at very low prices, to bring customers into the store.

Other chains, of which Safeway is perhaps the largest, have advertised for years that they will not be undersold. Therefore, they began offering items in competition.

But whereas an item might be available at the offered price in only one Piggly-Wiggly—or at most in half a dozen scattered over the city—the supermarket chains had made it available in all markets, everywhere.

They did so, admittedly, at considerable cost, but with preservation of sales prestige. One supermarket chain regional manager called the technique a "treasure hunt," pointing out a housewife might have to hunt all over town for the offered bargains while in the chain's stores she could get them all in one place.

The fight ended, not at the hands of the grocer, but by the Civic Association of America, which is a regional organization representing independent merchants. It filed suit against Piggly-Wiggly alleging violation of the Colorado Unfair Practice act, which prohibits retail sales below cost. Piggly-Wiggly entered a demurrer one day before the suit was filed and thus the whole thing eased off, much to the disappointment of housewives.

It was nice while it lasted. At the height of the "war," according to the Denver Post, you could buy a selected list of 30 items of groceries for \$13.46 in Denver, compared to a "regular" price of \$14.21 in the same city or \$15.66 in Boise, Idaho, \$14.83 in El Paso, and \$15.66 in Helena, Montana.

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Ships' Names Will Honor War Heroes

SAN FRANCISCO (UP) — The names of four deceased general officers and four medal of honor winners of World War II will be perpetuated by renaming eight ships assigned to the San Francisco port of Embarkation, Brig. Gen. N. H. McKay, port commander, announced.

Rechristening ceremonies will take place when the vessels next visit their home port here.

Four of the port's largest transports of the P-2 class will be named for the generals. They are now being converted at Newport News, Va., and are expected to be ready for service next spring.

New Names Listed

The vessels will be renamed as follows:

USAT Gen. Simon B. Buckner, for the commanding general of the 10th Army, killed in action on Okinawa in 1945.

USAT Gen. Edwin D. Patrick, for the commanding general of the 8th Infantry Division, killed on Luzon in 1945.

USAT Gen. Daniel I. Sultan, for the commanding general of the China-Burma Theater, who died while serving as inspector general of the army.

USAT Gen. Hugh J. Gaffey, for the former commanding general of the 4th Armored Division, killed in an airplane accident in 1946.

Medal Winners Honored

USAT Lieut. George W. G. Boyce, honoring a Highland Falls, N. Y., cavalryman cited for bravery in action in New Guinea in 1945.

USAT Sgt. Sylvester Antolach, for a St. Clairsville, O., soldier cited for bravery in action in Italy in 1944.

USAT Sgt. Andrew Miller, honoring a Manitowoc, Wis., infantryman awarded the medal of honor posthumously for bravery in action in Germany in 1944.

USAT Pvt. John R. Towle, for a Cleveland, O., soldier decorated for bravery in action in Holland in 1944.

Gen. McKay said the eight vessels being renamed here were part of a list of 35 ATC ships to which new names were being assigned nationally.

New York Trees Expensive Business

NEW YORK, (U.P.)—Nature takes care of the growing of a tree in most places, but in New York City it's complicated and costly. The Municipal Art Society of New York has opened a campaign to plant thousands of trees along the barren streets of Manhattan. The cost was estimated at about \$100 a tree on main thoroughfares and about \$80 a tree in residential areas.

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To us, that time is Christmas. And those things for which we give thanks are the many opportunities we have had to serve the fine people of this area.

These associations have meant a warmer and friendlier season—they have made possible a most successful year and we trust that these fine associations will be influential in making possible the continued increase of friends and the further growth of our business.

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Season's Greetings

The merriest Christmas and the happiest New Year ever is the very best we can wish our friends, one and all. May the Yuletide season bring you every joy and happiness.

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Judges To Choose Contest Winners Christmas Night

On Christmas night, judges furnished by the Chamber of Commerce will select the "most artistic yard" decoration and the "cleverest spot" entry in the decoration contest, sponsored by the Garden club.

The main purpose of this contest is to find the best decorated yard in Big Spring. Prizes for this entry will include first prize of an electric clock, donated by Carl Boomsheld, and the other two prizes will be crape myrtle shrubs. The "spot" entries will compete for the same prize.

Entries in the yard contest are the Presbyterian church at 701 Rummels; the home of the Rev. R. Gage Lloyd at 401 E. Park; the Boyce Satterwhite home, 1907 Johnson and the J. B. Apple home, 804 E. 12.

Mrs. J. E. Fort, 1202 Wood, has entered her front door as a "spot" entry. The door is framed with natural cedar and covered with artificial snow and Christmas lights. It is entered with a large wreath with red streamers.

Another "spot" entry is the door of Mrs. Robert E. Lee, 305 Park. Her door is unique in that the decorations consist of the Christmas cards she has received this season intermingled with Christmas bells.

Cosden Slates Special Holiday Radio Program

In an hour-long program sponsored by Cosden, Miss Cornelia Frazier, Mr. Berlie Fallon and Mr. Ralph E. Blount, Jr. will be presented in songs, violin selections and readings over KBST Christmas Day, at 3:30 p. m.

Miss Helen Duley will be accompanied and the announcer will be J. N. Young, Jr.

Four groups of songs will be sung by Miss Frazier, who is home for the holidays from her operatic studies at New York. In the first group are "Cantique de Noel," "Adolphe Adam," "Come unto Him" (from Handel's Messiah); and "Gesu Bambino," Pietro Yon.

"A Spirit Flower" by Louis Campbell-Tipton will open the second group of selections, followed by "Ah, Love but a Day" by Mrs. H. A. Beach and "Let My Song Fill Your Heart," by Ernest Charles.

"Prayer" and an arrangement by H. T. Burleigh of "Were You There" will be in the third group, and the final numbers will be "The Lost Chord," by Sir Arthur Sullivan, "One Alone" from Sigmond Romberg's Desert Song, and Irving Berlin's "White Christmas."

Mr. Fallon will play "Adoration" by Borowski and Kotelbey's "In a Monastery Garden" in his first group. Dr. J. E. "Souvenir" and Gardner's "From the Canebrake" in his second, and the "Londonderry Air" by Kreisler and "Czardas" by Monti in his final group.

Mr. Blount will give readings following the numbers with the exception of the last group of songs by Miss Frazier. In this instance his readings will be the finale.

Three Plead Guilty To Liquor Charge

Three men employed as bell boys in a local hotel entered pleas of guilty to charges of unlawfully selling and delivering alcoholic beverages in a wet area without a permit and paid fines totaling \$700 and costs in county court Tuesday afternoon.

They were Robert Sledge, hit with a \$500 fine, and Adair Nickens and Ben Storie, each of whom paid \$100 penalties. In Sledge's case, two previous convictions influenced the heavy penalty meted out by Judge Walton Morrison.

Santa Calls On City Employees

All employees of the city of Big Spring welcomed Santa Claus this afternoon.

A Christmas tree party was held at 1 p. m. at the City hall, and gifts were exchanged. Bonus checks from the city were distributed, with 132 workers sharing in a sum totaling \$2,525. Checks for \$25 went to those having more than a year of service, \$15 to those with over six months' service, and \$10 to others.

Santa Claus called on the group, and fruit cake and coffee were refreshments.

One Christmas Blaze Is Recorded Here

City firemen had one Christmas blaze on record Wednesday and Fire Chief H. V. Crocker urged residents to be vigilant against fire hazards during Christmas.

Youngsters inadvertently touched off fireworks in a closet at 706 E. 12th, said Crocker, causing a minor blaze Tuesday evening that damaged clothing with flames and smoke.

4-H'ers Given Second Building By City Heads

Acceptance of a second large building from the old Bombardier school property was announced Tuesday by the Howard County 4-H club organization, in a letter to the city commission.

The commission, in its regular session, authorized transfer of the building, with the provision that it be used for agricultural and industrial exhibits and similar activities by the 4-H club organization.

The unit, with another which had been purchased by the club, will be moved to the tract of ground recently purchased by the Sheriff's posse, and there will be part of a nucleus for future fairs, exhibits, etc.

Commissioners, in their last meeting of 1947, transacted mainly routine business. Another of the air field buildings was up for discussion, when a committee from the country club appeared to report that the club wants to sell a structure originally planned to be used in club house remodeling.

The commissioners voted an opinion that any profits derived from sale of the building should revert to the city, since transfer of the building had been made originally with the thought of its being used by the country club in its building expansion plans.

The council canvassed returns of last Tuesday's municipal referendum on civil service issues. The proposal for extending civil service to firemen and policemen was defeated 142 to three, and a provision for fixing wages for these employees went down 135 to 10. The official vote total was 147.

Bids were opened on lubricating oil and greases for city vehicles for '48, but no contract was awarded pending study and recommendation by City Manager H. W. Whitney.

Whitney was authorized to proceed with plans toward opening right-of-way for a street to lead to the new Banks addition in northwest Big Spring, an area set aside for homes for colored people. The new street would extend for about three blocks north from the Lakeview school.

The commission discussed bid requirements which have been laid down by the War Assets administration for the railroad spur track leading to the old Bombardier school. Since the bid has many "strings" attached, it was voted to refer the matter to Congressman George Mahon for assistance.

Christmas amnesty virtually emptied the city jail Tuesday evening, but Wednesday found half a dozen new faces.

City Judge W. E. Greenlees and Police Chief Pete Green said that when possible all minor offenders would be given opportunity for release, but that those under investigation or for more serious offenses were being retained.

Firemen contemplated no fancy meal for Christmas, figuring most prisoners would be in no mood for "rich foods."

Amnesty Partially Empties City Jail

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New Firehouse Dooms Brass Pole

NEW ORLEANS, (U.P.)—First the smoke-eating fire horses vanished, then firemen's red suspenders. The latest sentimental casualty around two local firehouses is the traditional brass pole.

The buildings, both outmoded, will be replaced by one-story, up-to-date structure which even will contain blowers to dry the wet garb of fire-fighters.

The absence of a second floor will eliminate the need for poles to slide down. The firemen merely will dash from their sleeping quarters on the ground floor to the trucks.

Snyder Man Injured

WESTBROOK, Dec. 24.—Earnest F. Schumacher, Snyder, was rushed to a Colorado City hospital after a vehicle in which he was riding collided with a Greyhound bus at an intersection near here at 1 a. m. this morning. Schumacher suffered a broken neck, fractured skull and other injuries.

SUSPECT TRANSFERRED

B. H. Nixon, arrested in a local hotel Tuesday, was turned over to Lamesa authorities this morning. Nixon reportedly is wanted on three forgery counts in Dawson county.

SURE THERE'S A SANTA CLAUS

An alert telephone operator Wednesday morning kept alive the Christmas dream for Gayle Wyatt, 6-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wyatt.

Gayle suddenly remembered she had not written Santa Claus and picked up the telephone. "I want to speak to Santa Claus at the North Pole," she announced.

"Just a minute, Honey, and I'll connect you," said the operator.

LAST ROUND-UP

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Dec. 24.—The little boy who asked: "Do you think they have lots of cowboys in heaven?" was buried yesterday.

He was dressed like the cowhands he admired so much—tiny boots, chaps and wide-brimmed hat. In his shirt pocket was a card showing Rickey Rutherford, aged five, was a member in good standing of the Montana Cowboys association.

Rickey died in a hospital Sunday not long after he murmured to his mother: "When is baby Jesus coming to get me?"

The boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Rutherford of Augusta, Mont., suffered from a kidney ailment. When townspeople heard he wouldn't be home for Christmas, they saw to it he had the cowboy garb he wanted.

Firemen Are Big Help To Santa Claus

Santa Claus is due to call on a number of underprivileged children in Big Spring this evening as a result of a co-operative effort among local organizations.

For several days, members of the Big Spring fire department have been engaged in remodeling and repairing dozens of used toys contributed by individuals and organizations. The toys will be distributed by the Salvation Army, and the entire supply is scheduled to go to children who otherwise probably would not find themselves on Santa's list.

Fire department personnel make an annual practice of collecting used toys at the fire station during the pre-holiday season. As contributors respond, firemen set up work benches at the station and restore broken or worn items to a usable condition. New paint often gives the used toys the appearance of new products.

A substantial supply of used toys was obtained again this year from the Ritz Theatre, where children were admitted to a special showing of movie shorts last Saturday provided they contributed to the toy supply. The Ritz also participates in the program each year.

Ware Appointed To JayCee Post

Rad Ware was appointed secretary-treasurer of the Junior Chamber of Commerce by President Lloyd Wooten under approval of the board of governors, Tuesday at the regular luncheon session of the Jaycees in Hotel Crawford.

Ware will serve in this capacity through the unexpired term of Birt Tate, resigned, or until July 1, 1948.

Arrangements were made for the printing of tickets for the junior chamber banquet in January honoring Big Spring's most outstanding young business man, to be selected by a specially appointed committee of local businessmen. Tickets are to be distributed to Jaycees Tuesday, Dec. 30.

The possibility of a joint civic luncheon under Junior Chamber of Commerce auspices were discussed. Wooten acknowledged the donation of \$150 in toys, given by Boone Horne toward the Jaycees' Christmas basket project for needy families. Gift boxes financed by the junior chamber's traffic clinic in Sept., were packed Tuesday evening and are being delivered today.

The Jaycees presented a gift to Leatrice Ross in appreciation for her work with the group. L. J. Davidson was present as a guest.

Mansfield Given Award By Jester

Toots Mansfield today was presented with an award by Gov. Beauford Jester as a "distinguished citizen of Texas."

The presentation was made by Rupert Ricker, commissioned by the governor to make the award to champion calf roper and an outstandingly popular rodeo performer.

The governor had hoped to make the presentation in person, said Ricker, but circumstances were such that this was not possible.

So he commissioned Ricker, who like the governor was born at Corsicana and who was in school at the University of Texas with Jester, to make the award in his behalf.

Mansfield recently was honored at a joint service club meeting here on his return from a successful sweep in Madison Square and Boston rodeos.

Joe Evans To Speak At Scout Banquet

Joe Evans of El Paso will be principal speaker at the Buffalo Trail Boy Scout Council's annual banquet to be held here on the night of Jan. 22. Scout officials announced today.

The Scout Council's banquet and annual meeting is held in Big Spring each year. Nat Shick is head of the arrangements committee for this year's convalesce.

WEATHER

EAST TEXAS: Partly cloudy and continued cool this afternoon and tonight. Thursday generally fair and warmer. Gentle to moderate north and northeast winds on the coast.

Visits Of Knott Residents Told

KNOTT, Dec. 24. (Spl) — Mr. and Mrs. Lee Burrow will spend several days with relatives at San Antonio.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Caffey and her mother, Mrs. J. P. Smith, were Mrs. Sam Caffey and son, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Caffey of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Arnett and Mrs. O. R. Smith of Big Spring, Marshal Smith of Stamford and Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Smith.

Mildred Brown of Hardin-Simmons, Abilene will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brown and family.

Mrs. Edgar Airhart and Shorty are spending Christmas with Shorty's parents in Harlingen.

Lila Castle will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Castle.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Adams spent Saturday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Adams of Coahoma.

Mrs. J. B. Sample and daughters, Mrs. Robert Riddle and children and Mrs. J. D. Kendrick and daughter of Big Spring are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hollis at Abilene.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Newcomer were their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Newcomer of Welch and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McGregor and Lillie of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Self will spend Christmas with relatives at De Leon.

L. M. McMurry is visiting his sister at Mount Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Barnes and boys will spend a few days with relatives at Spur.

Mrs. J. E. Brown was a recent guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. L. Wright of Rule.

Mrs. Clifford Murphy and children left Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Estes at Hatchell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Tennyson and family of Lamesa visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Burks and Leonard.

Santa Will Deliver Many U. S. Bonds

United States Savings bonds probably will be found in some Christmas stockings this year, as they have been throughout the war years.

This observation is based on the heavy bond sales that have prevailed during December. Through Dec. 22, County Bond Chairman Ira Thurman reported, E bond sales in Howard county totaled \$60,506.25. During the same period, F bond sales have amounted to \$2,900.

Completes Maneuvers

Pvt. John R. Overton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Overton, Sr., Fort. San, recently returned from combat maneuvers at the Aebana maneuver area in Southern Honshu, Japan. He is with the 35th Infantry division of the 25th Infantry division. He entered the army on Sept. 18, 1946, received basic training at Ft. McClellan, Ala. and went overseas Dec. 23, 1946.

day with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Jones and family. Their mother, Mrs. N. H. Jones, who has been visiting here accompanied them home.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Stallings and family and the Rev. G. Newcomer are spending the holidays in California.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jackson and family are visiting relatives in Mississippi and Alabama during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Clay and family left Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Williams of Kosse.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cheatum of San Antonio are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Roman.

Jerry Adams and her grandparents of Coahoma will spend Christmas with relatives in Granbury.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Walker had as their Sunday dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Burks and Leonard.

Catholic Church Has Midnight Mass On Christmas Eve

The choral "Mass in Honor of the Nativity of the Child Jesus" (L. A. Dohbelsteen) will be featured Christmas eve in midnight high mass to be celebrated by the Rev. Theo Francis, OMI, at St. Thomas Catholic church.

The church choir will sing the choral parts and featured solo voices include Mrs. Harold Talbot, Mrs. Eugene Springer, Stewart Smith and Helon Blount. Miss Blount and Smith will sing in duet, "Gesu Bambino," at the offertory. "Adeste Fidelis" will be sung by the choir during communion.

At 11:40 p. m. the choir will present a prelude of Christmas carols. Helon Blount is to sing "O Holy Night" followed by the choir's "Angels We Have Heard On High," "Silent Night, Holy Night," sung by the choir, will precede the procession to the manger, and "Come Unto Him" is to be sung immediately preceding mass. The choir will sing "Christmas Bells" as the professional at the conclusion of the high mass.

Midnight high mass at the Sacred Heart Catholic church will be said by the Rev. Edward Chaput. Masses Christmas Day are scheduled for 8 and 9:30 a. m. at the St. Thomas church by the Rev. Francis; and the Rev. Chaput will celebrate mass at 9:30 and 10:30 a. m. at the Sacred Heart church.

Chad Rockett Is Honored With Surprise Party

Mrs. Chad Rockett complimented her husband with a surprise party in honor of his birthday Monday evening.

Games and 42 were entertainment. Refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Salisbury, Mr. and Mrs. Dwaine Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Slate, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Arcand, Mr. and Mrs. George Vineyard, the hostess and honoree.

Stanton Community Has Visitors During The Christmas Holidays

STANTON, Dec. 23. (Spl) — Holiday guests of Mrs. Earl Douglas and family are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pirtle and son of Overton.

Mrs. Henry Leach of Odessa spent Friday here with her twin sister, Mrs. Rohus.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson have as their holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Watson and son, Larry, of Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Louder have as their holiday guests their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Marshal Louder of Howard-Payne college in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Bergstrom and son of San Angelo are holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Fisher.

Betty Jo Palson underwent surgery at the Western clinic in Midland Friday morning.

Mrs. Jack Jones and Mrs. E. Ross spent Saturday in Lubbock shopping and returned with several Texas Tech boys and girls.

Home from Texas Tech, Lubbock, are Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Burnham, Mary Francis Burman, Herbert Jones, Van Ross, Margaret Flanagan, Billie Evelyn Lindsay, Francis Rhodes, Dorothy Davis, Jimmy Mashburn and Pet Woody.

Mrs. Cora Turner is visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. M. Black and family in Big Lake.

Visiting from Catholic Academy, Little Rock, Ark. is Clara Peters; from Our Lady of the Lake, San Antonio, is Leslie Tom; from St. Mary's, Abilene, is Sue Hamilton and from T. S. C. W. is Dorothy Renfro.

Sue Zimmerman has as her guest Nancy Roquemore of San Angelo.

Mrs. Walter Henson has as her guests from Crane, Mr. and Mrs. Fayron Adams and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale and children attended the Christmas tree at the Primitive Baptist church in Big Spring Friday night.

Maude Alexandria and her niece of El Paso are spending the holidays in San Antonio.

Mrs. Mabel Dingwall from New York is a guest of her mother, Mrs. T. S. Haynie and brother, Wornie Haynie.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond St. Clair and son, Donnie of Munday, spent Friday night as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gregg and family. St. Clair attended the Veteran's Agriculture meeting at the Junior college Friday night.

College boys and girls that are home for the Christmas holidays are Gene Davis of Dallas Nursing school, Mrs. Jiggs Hall, Harding Zimmerman, George Peters, Vernie Liles, Ellis Ray Bennett, Ruby Nell Lawson and Dick Madison.

Three Couples Are Hosts For Yule Season Open House

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Schwarzenbach and Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Edwards were hosts at an informal open house in the Reed home Tuesday night.

The house was decorated in the traditional Christmas motif with the lighted tree as the center of the decoration. The table was laid with white linen and had a centerpiece composed of a red ring interspersed with holly and a green candle in the center. Red and silver bells completed the arrangement. The crystal punch bowl added to the festive air by being decorated with a red ribbon bow and holly.

Approximately 250 guests called during the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Reed were also celebrating their thirtieth anniversary.

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May we pause . . . this Christmas
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many favors and for the friendliness
of our relations . . . we are most
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It's the same familiar greeting . . .
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Have A Very

"Merry Christmas"

Big Spring (Texas) Herald, Wed., Dec. 24, 1947

SAVING AHEAD

More Than Nine
Million Now In
Christmas Club

More than nine million Americans had cause this December to thank the vision and perseverance of Herbert F. Rawll, founder of the year-around savings plan known as the Christmas Club.

It was 37 years ago, when he was a young business-forms salesman, that Rawll started the club and became its first president.

Received with a mixture of doubt and disdain, the Christmas club idea has grown to a point to where this year more than nine million Americans trekked to their banks during December to cash Christmas club checks totalling more than \$800 million.

The founder of the plan under which millions of people lay aside a specified sum each week in a Christmas Club account in their banks experienced rough sailing in his efforts to sell the idea to bankers.

More than once he saw members of boards of directors and trustees of banks arise and leave the room in annoyance while he was outlining the plan. His first opportunity came when he put the idea across at the meeting of the board of a small bank in the Mid-west.

Through his long career as founder-president of the Christmas Club, Mr. Rawll, who passed on this year, maintained that the fundamental objective was to promote thrift and financial security for millions of his fellow-citizens in the low-income brackets.

Savings Multiplied
In 1910, when he began trying to sell the Christmas Club idea, total savings in the United States amounted to less than \$7,000,000,000. In January of this year, the total represented by all savings accounts was in excess of \$145,000,000,000.

A popular misconception about the hundreds of millions of dollars in savings accumulated by Christmas Club members is that the money is promptly dissipated by the members in orgies of pre-Christmas spending. This is not the case.

A cross-section survey conducted by the Club indicated that the \$635,000,000 distributed to members in 1946 was used in a ratio of about one third for permanent savings, that is, redeposited in a regular savings account; another third for Christmas purchases, and the balance to pay insurance premiums, retire debts, and pay year-end bills and overdue taxes.

Rawll has received many reports of the benefits which accrued to the members of his clubs. Once when a substitute replaced his regular barber, Rawll found out that the man was owner of a magnificent shop made possible by savings in the club. Many people have written that the Christmas savings plan was the means by which they got the habit for a regular savings program.

Not infrequently, this has furnished capital for launching business enterprises. One charitable woman saves funds in the Christmas Club to loan with out interest to deserving young people launching new businesses. When

one couple learned the husband was going into service, they blew a \$2,000 nest egg; through Christmas club savings, the wife recouped the back-log while her husband was in service.

The founder gets his real pleasure out of knowing that the plan taught millions how to save.

Titicaca, South America's largest lake, is nearly two and one-half miles above sea level.

Jerusalem is about half a mile above sea level.

New Giant Plane
Takes To Airways

NEW YORK (U.P.)—The largest passenger plane actually in use on world airways, capable of carrying more than 100 passengers, has been placed in service by Air France. It flies between Biscarosse seaplane base near Bordeaux, and Port de France on the island of Martinique in the West Indies.

The French air giant, known as Latecoere 631, stands nearly 33 feet high, is about 185 feet from tip to tip and weighs 79 tons. It is powered with six motors of 1,600 horsepower each.

The new two-deck giant Comet, which is a flying boat, has a speed of 186 miles an hour and covers the more than 5,000 miles between Biscarosse and Port de France in 26 hours and 30 minutes flying time. It is on a twice a month schedule.

Although it is capable of carrying 100 passengers, the Comet is being restricted to 46 passengers to provide them with seats for 15, in addition to stools around the bar, individual folding tables and a divan.

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U.S. Red Cross Is Backing PW Return

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24. (AP)—A resolution urging the immediate return to their homelands of some 2,500,000 World War II prisoners has been adopted by the Board of Governors of the American Red Cross.

The resolution said that long the prospects of resuming normal family life for large groups of people "slows up postwar recovery, and sours up hatred and a spirit of revenge that breeds future wars."

The resolution endorsed the return-of-prisoners appeal addressed to all governments Nov. 26 by the International Committee of the Red Cross. That appeal said that "several detaining powers still hold large numbers of prisoners of war," contrary to principles of international law, which provides that as soon as possible the firing stops, prisoners should be repatriated.



ROSE TOURNAMENT QUEEN
Eighteen-year-old Virginia Goodhue (above), a blonde coed from Pasadena's Muir City College was named to rule over the annual Tournament of Roses at Pasadena, California, on New Year's Day. (AP Wirephoto).

Illinois Tech Is Planning Own City

CHICAGO, (U.P.)—Henry T. Heald, president of the Illinois Institute of Technology, announced the beginning of a \$15,000,000 construction program designed to make Illinois Tech a city within a city.

The program will take about five years to complete. It is designed to furnish educational and residential facilities for 10,000 persons.

The project will cover 100 acres in the center of the south side of Chicago.

Fifty-five buildings are in the blueprint stage and among them will be three 10-story apartment buildings, three 3-story walk-up apartment buildings, 10 four-story student dormitories, and 24 homes.

Gorillas Mourned By Cincinnatians

CINCINNATI, O. (U.P.)—The Cincinnati Zoo may have a successor to Susie, the gorilla who died recently, if her admirers have their way.

James A. Reilly, zoo president, says that during Susie's illness thousands of telephone calls were received, not only from Cincinnati, but from Lexington, Ky., and Columbus, O., and other places.

"One little girl even sent \$1 to buy something for her ailing friend," Reilly relates.

BIG SPRING DAILY HERALD

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER, 24, 1947

Big Spring Bustles About With Yule Plans As Never Before

Thousands Of Residents Making Preparations At Last Minute

Holiday activity as Big Spring has never known it is bustling about this yuletide season and Christmas Eve finds thousands of local residents making last minute preparations for mid-winter trips or preparing for tomorrow's guests.

The Big Spring Herald climbed in on the party line this past week, asking some 4,000 housewives just what their families were planning for Christmas day. Answers grew out of all proportions and the surprising thing was that the majority of these families will observe the holiday with some special activity.

Hundreds of students are home from various colleges throughout the state while still a larger number have taken

to the highway for holiday trips. Still larger was the number of Christmas visitors expected in Big Spring during the Christmas season.

Mrs. T. A. Underhill and son, Tommie have returned from Modesto, Calif. in time for Christmas. They have been visiting there for the past two months.

Jerald and Jim Ryan, students of Southern Methodist University, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McAllen.

George Wilson, Dorothy and Evelyn Wilson are spending the holidays in Los Angeles, Calif. with A. G. Patridge.

Guests in the R. W. McNew home are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bennett and daughter, Jackie, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan McCracken, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight McCann, Mr. and Mrs. R. Y. McNew and children, Joy Lee, Valda Jean, Carolyn, Billy, Roy Rexie of Vealmoor, Mrs. Sarah Hamlin, Tom McCracken and Callie Roy McNew.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Simpson will have as guests, her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Basinger of Southland and Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Bruster of Tahoka, Mrs. Simpson's brother and his wife. Other guests will include Simpson's brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Simpson of Houston.

Bob Sisson, student at Texas University is home for the holidays visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pepper Martin, will also spend the day in the Sisson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Skalicky will spend Christmas at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sledge left Tuesday to spend the holidays in Royse City with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Sledge, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Allen.

Dr. and Mrs. P. C. Slusser are in Houston visiting with their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Walker. Mrs. Walker is the former Juanita Slusser.

bock and Mr. and Mrs. John Stiff of Abilene.

Mrs. L. S. Stockton and Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Kirby will spend Christmas day with Mrs. John Northington.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stratton will spend Christmas at home with their children, Billie Jean and Mary Beth, and Mrs. Stratton's mother, Mrs. W. H. Claiborne.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stroup of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. James Stroup of Tyler will visit here during the holidays with their sister, Mrs. Garland Sanders and their mother, Mrs. Mattie Lou Stroup. Walter Stroup is a student at Hardin Simmons University.

Home for the holidays to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Stulting, is Beverly, freshman at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth. Miss Sulting and Dorothy Satterwhite, who also attends TCU, arrived by plane last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Lee McBride III and son, W. Lee IV, of Fort Worth were pre-holiday visitors in the home of Miss Aubrey Subiett and Mrs. Ora Blankenship and Mr. and Mrs. Herby Smith.

Lynelle Sullivan arrived Thursday from Abilene for a holiday visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Sullivan. Miss Sullivan is a freshman student at Abilene Christian College.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Smith of San Antonio will spend Christmas with Mrs. Smith's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sullivan.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sullivan will spend Christmas day at home with their annual dinner at noon.

Mrs. Tom Sullivan and daughter, Pauline, will play host to local relatives for Christmas dinner in the Sullivan home. Spending the day will be Mr. and Mrs. Horace Beene and daughters, Joyce, Joan, Janelle and Judith and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Carter and children, R. H., Jr., Peggy Lou and Tommy.

Burke Summers, Jr., is home from A. & M. to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burke Summers, Sr. The family plans to spend the holiday at home entertaining guests throughout the day.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Swindell before the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Swindell of Van Nuys, California, who will return here for a visit the first of the year.

W. L. Talley of Dallas is visiting with his mother, Mrs. W. L. Talley and other relatives during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. J. O. Tamsitt is visiting in Fort Worth with her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Dugan, and family. Jimmy Tamsitt, student at Texas University, is home from Austin for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Steva Tamsitt, Mrs. Tamsitt and daughter, Lillian, will return to Austin with Jimmy for a New Year's visit.

Home for Christmas with Mrs. Aaron Taylor and Elsie Willis will be Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Willis and children, Elsie and Cyril, Jr., of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Edwards of

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I. Slusser is in California visiting at Van Nuys with his daughter, Mrs. W. B. Lovelace.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Smith and children, Barbara and Chap, are spending the holidays in Wichita Falls with Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh M. Smith.

There will be Christmas dinner in the home of Mrs. Loy Smith and her children there for the day will be Caroline Smith of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Murlan Smith of Sweetwater; and Mr. and Mrs. Choc Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Truman Smith of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Sheppard and Roy will spend Christmas day visiting in Sweetwater with Sheppard's mother, Mrs. J. L. Sheppard. Before returning home they will visit in Cross Plains with Mrs. Sheppard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. Nat Shick and daughter, Lillian, plan to spend the Christmas week-end at home.

Hattie Shipley will spend the holidays visiting with her niece, Elota Bethany in El Paso and with her sister, Ruby Page in Hot Springs, N. M.

Mrs. F. Sholte plans to spend Christmas day in Abilene with her mother, Mrs. H. R. Stephens.

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Foster and daughters, Wilma Fay, Earnestine, Harvey Mae and Billie Joyce, will spend the day in San Angelo with Mrs. Foster's mother, Mrs. W. O. Loudamy.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Shultz will spend Christmas at home entertaining visitors throughout the day.

Spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sikes will be their daughter, Edna Sikes of Ft. Worth; a son, Charles, student at Hardin Simmons University in Abilene; and a daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Bearden of Midland.

The Rev. P. Marion Simms, student at Yale University is visiting with his mother, Mrs. P. M. Simms. Before coming home the Rev. Simms went to Christian Endeavor headquarters in Columbus, Ohio, in connection with his work as associate and executive secretary of the Christian Endeavor.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Stewart will spend the day at home with their children Merlene and Erlene, twins, and Wylie Stewart.

Yuletide guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stiff will be Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Stiff of Lub-

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Trips, Parties, Visitors Are Making Joyful Holiday Season In Big Spring

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children, Bobby and Joy, plan to spend Christmas day in Midland with Terry's sister, Mrs. W. W. Waddell.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Thames will visit with Mrs. Thames' sister, Mrs. W. T. Pickett in Brownfield tomorrow.

Having Christmas dinner with their mother, Mrs. W. B. Petty, will be her three daughters and their families. Planning to be there for the day are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sneed and children, Sybil Ann and Tommy; Pauline Petty; and Mr. and Mrs. Jube Cotten and children, Pearl Dean, Merle Jean and James Cotten.

Mrs. G. W. Ferrel and Georgia Ferrel will spend the holidays with Mrs. Ferrel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cross at Sylvester. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fielder will have as their holiday guests their daughter, Mrs. Opal Swindie, and son, Raymond.

Mrs. Mary Field of Breckenridge will spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. E. W. Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Fields plan a quiet Christmas at home with Mrs. Field's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Gibbs of Knott, here for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Fite will entertain their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Mitchell during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fitzgerald

will have Christmas dinner with his mother, Mrs. R. Fitzgerald. Mrs. V. H. Flewellen and brother, Fred Pitts, plan to spend a quiet Christmas at home together. Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Floyd will spend the holidays in Abilene visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ford will have as their holiday guest Mrs. A. B. Johnson of Stanton. Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Foresyth and son, Jerry and Jimmy plan to spend Christmas at home.

Mrs. J. A. Forrest will spend a quiet Christmas at home. Her children visited her prior to the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Young of Cross Plains will spend the holidays with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fort. Mr. and Mrs. Dee Foster, Jr. will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Foster, Sr. in Bronite during the holidays. They will be accompanied by his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Gartman.

Cornelia Frazier of New York will visit her mother, Mrs. Nell Frazier, during the holidays. They will spend a portion of the holidays in Bryan with Mrs. Frazier's son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. James Bruce Frazier.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Freeman and son, Gerald, will remain at home during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Goldston of Clarendon will spend Christmas with their children, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Frey and grandson, John Dr. and Mrs. Vincent Friedewald will spend the holidays in St. Louis, Mo., visiting relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Friedewald and Mrs. Anna Snyder.

Mrs. Betty Frizzell will have as her holiday guests her children, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Stag and son, Frank Morris, of Mirando City and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sayle of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Gafford will spend the holidays with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McCullough, in Jal, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gage will entertain Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Davis and sons, Jay and Pat of Austin and Mrs. R. E. Heith of Austin.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Garrett and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Dublin are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kemper and Dorothy Jean of Abilene; Mrs. L. E. Haynes and Mrs. J. R. Dublin of Midland; and Mr. and Mrs. John Dublin and Johnny of Midland.

Mrs. H. G. James of Waco is spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. R. R. McCroney.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul McCrary are in Fort Worth visiting in the home of their daughter, Mrs. A. M. Bodwell and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Paul McCrary, Jr., of Las Cruces, N. M. are there also.

Mrs. R. C. McCroney and grandsons, Bernie and Robert, of Longview are here for the holidays to be with Mr. and Mrs. Bernie McCroney. Ollie Claude McDaniel, a student at Texas Tech in Lubbock is spending the vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie McDaniel. They are all in Schulenburg visiting during the holidays with Mrs. McDaniel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. May.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Collins are spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. V. Collins in Albany. Mattie Hefley is in Sterling City visiting her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hefley and will also visit another brother and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hefley in Bakersfield.

Mrs. L. S. McDowell is spending Christmas at her ranch home. Holiday visitors in the A. McCasland home are Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Clark and Mary Margaret Clark of Dallas, Ardis McCasland, Jr. of the University of Texas and W. R. Cain of Fort Worth.

Visiting in the W. O. McClendon home are Mrs. J. M. Blackwell of Pratt, Kan., Mrs. McClendon's mother, Mrs. F. L. McClendon, of Altamont, Ill., McClendon's mother; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Phillips and

daughter, Diane, of Chicago, Ill. and Mr. and Mrs. Neill Miller of Madison, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. McClenny have as their visitors, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Draper of Roscoe; and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tom Draper of Lorraine.

The Rev. and Mrs. Henry Thomas are in Lincoln, Ark. where the Rev. Thomas is holding a revival at the Nazarene church there.

Mrs. Ila Mae Dunning will be at home this Christmas.

Holiday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Don Burke are Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Burke of Rochelle.

Mrs. C. B. Edwards has as her holiday guests her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Edwards of Oilton.

Holiday guests of Mrs. Mary J. Edwards are her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McCoy and children, Lowell Dean and Lefon of Anson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Elder will spend the holidays in Dallas visiting their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Elder and Bobby.

Dr. and Mrs. E. O. Ellington are expecting their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Boles and children, Bruce and Barbara Lynn of Los Angeles for the holidays. In the event that her daughter does not come, Mrs. Ellington will go to Dallas to spend Christmas with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Lacey and Neal, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Elliott will spend a portion of the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Elliott at Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Yater will have a tree and special Christmas dinner at home with their children, Phil, Dee and Donna.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Elliott will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Q. Q. Elliott. Holiday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ellison Emmett are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones and Mary of Wales, Colo.

Mrs. Ollie Roberts will spend a quiet Christmas at home. H. Clay Roberts, Jr. of Montrose, Calif., visited his mother prior to the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Bob Eubank plans to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. M. R. Harris in Austin.

Holiday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Evans are Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Evans of Stephen F. Austin College, Nacogdoches and their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Grace.

R. L. Evans plans to spend Christmas in Big Spring.

Mrs. Mary Ezzell has as her holiday guests her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ezzell of Abilene.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fallon are Mr. and Mrs. George Lamb of Cameron and Mr. and Mrs. Berlie Fallon of Brownfield.

Sam Field will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Field. Johnnie Schuessler, student at A & M. College Station, will be the holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Schuessler.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. McGann and son, George Albert, are in Farmerville visiting Mrs. McGann's mother, Mrs. Jane Aycock and family. They will also visit McGann's sisters in Dallas, Mrs. Pat Donovan and Mrs. Bill Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. McGinnis are in Odessa visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Cates.

Mrs. Morris Burns of Phoenix, Ariz. and Odell McGregor of San Antonio are visiting their mother, Mrs. J. J. McGregor.

Mrs. J. P. Meador will spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. Joe Grimland in Grand Prairie.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith and daughter, Mancy, are spending Christmas in Haskell with Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Green.

Spending Christmas in the J. L. Sandridge home will be Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sandridge and Larry; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sandridge and children, Doretha and Hollis; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cluck of Fort Worth; and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Sneed and children, Vernon, Delores, Linda and Kent.

Guests in the R. H. Snyder home include Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bishop and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Newman

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Yuletide Season Is Observed In Many Ways By Local People

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and Gay's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gay.
Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Pyle, Jr. of California are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Pyle.
Mr. and Mrs. Emrie Rainey are hosts to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rainey, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hollis and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hollis and children at Christmas dinner.
Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Griffin are spending Christmas in Chillicothe visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kim Henry and other relatives.
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Courson have as their guests their children, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Courson and family of Tucson, Ariz., and Mr. and Mrs. Vance Courson and family of Ranger.
Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stewart and daughters, Diane and Janice Sue of Fort Worth, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Stewart and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wren.
Mrs. W. E. Rayburn has as Yule visitors Mrs. Dessie Stumps of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Beatty of Los Angeles, Calif.
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McWhorter and daughters, Betty Frances and Sandra, are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bradshaw and family in O'Donnell. They will meet his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McWhorter of Olney and his brother, Milton, a student at Abilene Christian College there.

Ted Thomas of Pyote will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Thomas.
Mr. and Mrs. Truett Thomas and son, Coy, will eat a Yuletide dinner with Thomas' mother, Mrs. L. H. Thomas.
Mr. and Mrs. Wagner Thomas and children, Billy Carroll and Bobby Jean, will spend the holidays in Lamesa with Mrs. Thomas' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Womack. They will eat Christmas dinner with Mrs. Thomas' grandmother, Mrs. Alice Banta.
Pre-holiday guests in the C. R. Thompson home was Thompson's sister, Mrs. Ollie Riley of Fort Worth. Robert Wayne, Clarence Earl and Mary Lee joined their parents in their annual Christmas tree Monday evening. After Christmas Mrs. Thompson will visit in Fort Worth with her mother, Mrs. Betty Britton in Fort Worth.
Spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson will be Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Thompson, Turner Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Felix Yarbrough, aunts and uncles; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Thompson of San Angelo; and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Baze of Mt. Pleasant.
Mrs. J. T. Cocke of Dallas has been visiting here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Thompson and brother, Arch Oliver. The Thomasons expect to spend the holidays in Dumas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Lilly and

in Henrietta with Thompson's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Thompson.
Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Thompson and daughter, Nancy Carroll, will spend the holidays in Big Spring at their home.
Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson and children, Carolyn and Jo Rankin, will spend Christmas with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. O. Haymes, and her brother and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. David W. Haymes in Lubbock. Before returning home they will also visit in Vega with Thompson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Thompson.
Expected visitors with Mrs. and Mrs. D. Thompson are Mrs. Thompson's brother, R. M. Hull and her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Angel of Stanton.
Mr. and Mrs. Grady Harris of Midland will be here tomorrow to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Thornton and daughters, Patricia, Karla Kay, Mary and Lucille.
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Parker and children, Joe, Darlene and Linda will spend Christmas in Stanton visiting with Mrs. Parker's mother, Mrs. Charley Canterbury.
Mrs. Nell Thornton has been entertaining her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Green of Los Angeles, Calif. Spending Christmas with their mother will be Mrs. Thornton's children, Neil Monette, Theda Norma, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Holt and children, Marden C., Jimmy, Rita Sue and Gary Gene and a son, Oita Thornton from Paris. Another son, Pfc. Lonnie C. Thornton was expected home from Osaka, Japan where he is stationed, but has been delayed. He is expected home in January according to a recent letter.
Mr. and Mrs. Z. L. Touchstone will spend the holidays at home with their children, Joann, Jackie, Georgie, Margaret, Carolyn and Tommy Marie.
Spending Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Mason and son, Jimmy Don, will be Mrs. T. J. Mason and son, Ronnie Lee of Alberta, Canada.
Following a family tradition, Dr. G. S. True will have his children and their families for Christmas. Participating will be Mr. and Mrs. Zolzie Boykin and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Miller, Dr. R. H. Miller, Jr., Mrs. W. C. Mitchell and daughters, Judy and Cary of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lusk and son, Earl, and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. True. Mr. and Mrs. Lusk and son will be in Temple Dec. 28 for a reunion of the Lusk family.
Having dinner at the Henry Tubbs home will be Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Tubbs and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barber. Also expected is Lester Gafford from Arkansas.
Mr. and Mrs. Buck Tyree and young son, Cliff, will have as Christmas guests, Mrs. Gertrude Tyree of Lufkin, Tyree's mother, and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Allen.
Home for Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Tucker will be Mrs. Helen Wood of Eldorado. Also spending the day with their parents will be Mrs. A. C. Andre and Sheri Jon, Charlene and Emma Corrine Tucker and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Tucker.
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Garrett will spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Bell of Robert Lee.
Billy Garrison, student of A & M College Station, will spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Garrison.
Billy Gary Bivins of Princeton University will spend the holidays with his grandmother, Mrs. Lillian Gary Bivins, Mrs. Lillian Gary Bivins, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cantrell and daughter, Carolyn, will spend Christmas with Mrs. L. M. Gary and her family, John Gary, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Balack and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gary of Sweetwater.
Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Gentry will spend the holidays at home with their small son, Tommy.
Mrs. Robert R. Bowie of El Paso will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Gibson and Christmas the three will visit Mrs. Gibson's niece, Mrs. Oliver Winchell of Waco.
Mrs. S. H. Gibson will have as her holiday guests her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Keller and sons, Ben Bob and Bill of Houston.
Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Gill will

have as their Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Brown and children, Ronny and Dale of Larantia, Wyo.

Sgt. Charles A. McElreath of Hamilton Field, Calif. will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Girder.
Mrs. Earl C. Evans and Mrs. A. Glaser will entertain their mother, Mrs. A. J. Taylor of Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Goldman will spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. P. Majors in Sweetwater.
Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Gomez and Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Gomez, Jr. will have as their holiday guest, Ella Valdez of Lawton, Okla.

Home for the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Ulrey will be their daughter, Mrs. Art Dekker, of Lawrence, Kans., and their son, John Ulrey, assistant coach in the Wharton High school.
Mrs. V. Van Gieson returned last week from Colorado City where she visited with her sister, Mrs. Y. D. McMurtry.

Expected for their annual Christmas visit with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Van Pelt are Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Hudson of Pampa. Dinner will be served at the Van Pelt home and also attending will be Mr. and Mrs. John Ray and Bill Van Pelt.

Visiting with their mother, Mrs. Anna M. Vastine, tomorrow will be Mr. and Mrs. Claude Miller and family of Stanton and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Arner of Big Spring.
Planning to spend the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Vaughn are Vaughn's brothers and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Vaughn and children of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Vaughn of Pie Town, N. M.; his sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Rhoad of San Angelo; and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Vaughn and family of Big Spring.

Spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vines and son, James will be Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hatch of Waco. Mrs. Hatch is Mr. and Mrs. Vines' daughter.
Wanda Neel, student of Texas Tech College, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. H. M. Neel.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Newton of Memphis are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Newman and family are visiting her parents, William V. Nichols, Jr., is Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Ward in Melvin, spending the holiday season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William V. Nichols, Sr. William Jr. is a student at the Allen Academy in Bryan.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Nabors are in Stephenville visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Franks.

Guests in the home of Mrs. J. B. Nail are her children, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Miller and Robert; Nall Miller of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Elgin L. Nalley; Mr. and Mrs. Todd Crain, and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lee Williams of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Haston and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Sewell are visiting Mrs. Haston's and Mrs. Sewell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Irwin in Knott, Mr. and Mrs. Garret Irwin of Odessa and Sue Haston will also be there.

Jack M. Nail of Jamestown, Colo. is spending Christmas with his wife and family. Other visitors in the Nail home are Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Fletcher, Sr. of Birmingham, Ala. The Fletchers will also visit their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Fletcher, Jr.

Among others who will spend Christmas with relatives here in Big Spring are Mrs. J. D. Allison, who will be a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Robinson; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Anderson, who will spend the day at home; Mr. and Mrs. Andre Arcand, who will have dinner with Mrs. Arcand's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rossion.

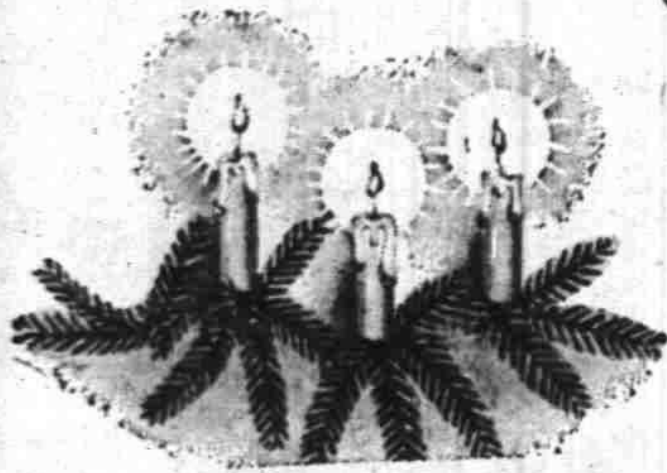
Mr. and Mrs. Anderson of Dallas arrived today to visit here with Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Anderson.

Leaving Sunday for Rising Star, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Armistead and children, Aubrey, J. C., and Betty Jean, are spending the week with Mrs. Armistead's mother, Mrs. Le-la Long.
Spending the 25th with Mr. and

Mrs. M. E. Anderson will be their their two children.
Guests for the Yule holidays in children Janice, Melba Jean and Mr. and Mrs. Tabor Rowe and Anderson's mother, Mrs. W. J. Anderson.
Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Amerson and son, Tom, are spending the day at home tomorrow, as are Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ashcraft and

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Season's Greetings



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May Christmas
bring you many blessings and much happiness

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Joyous Yuletide to You All

We've a bounty of good wishes for a wonderful, merry, joyous Christmas... a happy year to come filled with health and prosperity. We've also a bouquet of "thank you's" for all our many patrons of the past year. We've enjoyed serving you... we hope to have the same pleasure in the New Year just dawning. Merry Christmas, Happy New Year One and All!

Troy Gifford TIRE SERVICE
214 W. 3rd

WE can give Nothing Finer

No finer gift can we give than our pledge to be of greater service in the months to come. We promise the same fine loyalty to our friends that we have received from them. Merry Christmas, all!

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With a complete understanding of your problems the past year, and the fine manner in which you have met them, we extend Greetings of the Season. Your Christmas will be a merry one if our wish comes true and we hope it will.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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CHRISTMAS Greetings

TO OUR FRIENDS

May this be a joyous season for each of you—and may every blessing be yours to enjoy.

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CHRISTMAS

May the Yuletide hold for you a season of unequalled happiness and radiant good cheer—an occasion brightened by the glow of warm friendships, loyal and true.

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YOUR CHRISTMAS

We hope it will be a perfect and enjoyable Christmas, an event the memories of which you will treasure for many days to come. Best wishes to each of you!

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Season's Greetings

Up hill and down dale go our Christmas wishes to all our friends and patrons. This is the time of year when the cup of good cheer is its fullest, hospitality is its cheeriest, and our thoughts of you are warmest!

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To Wish You A Merry Christmas...

At this season of the year our minds turn towards Christmas and all that it means. Christmas should be a time of joy and we hope that yours will be full of happiness. To one and all—we wish "A Merry Christmas."

Thomas Typewriter & Office Supply

Residents Are Busy With Many Christmas Activities

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Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Nobles have as guests, Mr. and Mrs. Sewell Couch of Kermit; Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hubbs and son, John David, of Fort Worth; and Mr. and Mrs. John Nobles, Frankie Nobles and Charlie Nobles.

Jane Norris, student at McMurry College to Abilene, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Norris.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Phillips, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Phillips, Jr., from Artesia, N. M. and Phil O'Barr, student at the University of Texas, are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. O'Barr.

Mrs. Irene O'Brien has as Christmas visitors, her son, Charles Frank O'Brien, of San Angelo and Mrs. Mary Dunn of La Fayette, Ala.

Due to arrive this evening to spend Christmas Day with Mrs. J. A. Adams are Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ragsdell and son of Hutchinson, Kan.; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Dorsey and son, Jimmy, of San Angelo; and Mrs. Sam Turner of Houston. Mrs. Ragsdell and Mrs. Turner are nieces of Mrs. Adams; Mrs. Dorsey is her grand-daughter.

Capt. B. M. Tucker, stationed at Fort Jackson in Columbus, S. C., is a guest here with Bertha Lee Prince.

Mrs. J. W. King is visiting in Beaumont with her sons, Bill and Elmer Dyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Adams are spending the holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Adams and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Douglass. The Alfred Adams attend Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Arriving last weekend to visit Mrs. M. N. Addison are a son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Addison and two children, Elnor and Susan of Eunice, N. M., and a daughter, Mrs. John Reeves, of Tulsa, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Airhart will spend Christmas Day here in Big Spring at the home of Airhart's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Geary Thornton.

Also planning a holiday at home are Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Hale, who are to spend the 25th with Mr. and Mrs. Ross Boykin.

In Lubbock for several days are Mr. and Mrs. Archie S. Alexander and A. G. Pruitt, who are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon M. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Allen left Tuesday for Dallas where they will visit Mrs. Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cooper, and four of Mrs. Allen's sisters, Evelyn, Frieda and Wanda Cooper, and Mrs. G. R. Oglesby.

Leaving early tomorrow to spend the day in O'Donnel, Mrs. F. O. Allen will visit a son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Allen will spend Christmas Day at home. Holiday guests with Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Purser are her niece, Mrs. Oliver Goldsmith, and Mr. Goldsmith of Waco.

Arriving here Friday, Mr. and Mrs. John Ewell of Morris, Minn., are spending the holiday with Mrs. Ewell's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Pittman.

A Christmas reunion will be held in the T. E. Jordan home and attending will be Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilcox of Belen, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Jordan and daughter, Joan, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jordan and daughter, Betty, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Gentry and son, Tommy, Lillian Jordan, Albert Jordan, Mrs. Cressie Watkins and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Wasson.

A Christmas dinner has been planned in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Wasson for Sunday. Attending will be Mr. and Mrs. Charles Saigling of Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Al LeMond and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Walter LeMond and Mr. and Mrs. Nick Alley, Jr., all of Hale Center; Mr. and Mrs. Nick Alley, Sr., of Lubbock; Mrs. N. W. McCleskey and Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCleskey and family of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watson and children, Billy Bob and Jane, are in Austin visiting with Mrs. Watson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Smith.

Lt. and Mrs. Kenneth Partridge, recently returned from Germany, are spending Christmas with Mrs.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Binding fabric
2. Was carried
3. Append
12. The southwest wind
13. Egg-shaped
14. Town in Massachusetts
15. Post
16. Shoulder of a road
17. Final
18. Segment of a curve
19. Shoot
20. Makes a mistake
21. Spike of flowers
22. Cold dish
23. Attitudes
27. Unconcealed
28. Respond to a stimulus

DOWN
10. Consequently
11. Higher
22. Common bird
23. At home
24. Note of the scale
27. City in Michigan
28. Century plant
30. Toward the left side of a vessel
42. Smiles broadly
43. Concede
44. Merchandise
46. Girl
47. Civil injury
48. Undermine
51. Insect
52. Timber
53. Ore deposit
54. Solid water
55. Gaelic
56. Hebrew measure

57. Crinson
58. Stainer
59. Inclination

DOWN
1. Bark of the paper mulberry
2. Cotton fabric
3. Before
4. Rebreast
5. Open
6. Have the courage
7. Tree
8. Sandalwood
10. Act of lowering
11. Believer in a god
12. Nourished
13. Toward the rising sun
14. Fine houses
15. Cray; slang
16. Look
17. Kind of rubber
18. Rave
19. Silkworm
21. Individual
22. Red wine
23. The
24. Stuck
25. Secured
26. White of egg
27. Web-footed
28. Arabian seaport
29. Sausy
30. Merry
31. Tennis stroke

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Partridge's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Watt. Lt. Partridge is now awaiting re-assignment. Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Petty will be Mrs. Petty's aunt, Mrs. Charles Abrams and her grandson, Thomas Yates of Gadsden, Ala.

Chief Petty Officer and Mrs. Floyd Dixon of Corpus Christi are visiting with Mrs. Dixon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Kinman and Dixon's mother, Mrs. B. Y. Dixon.

Mrs. Aliene White and daughter, Shirley of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sommers of Dallas are visiting with Mrs. J. R. Parks. Mrs. White and Mrs. Sommers are daughters of Mrs. Parks.

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Northington are Mrs. L. S. Stockton and Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Kirby.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Peters, Jr. are entertaining his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Peters, Sr. and Huff Peters of Rife, Colo., and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Peters of San Angelo.

Pfc. Bennett Petty is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Petty. Mrs. Anderson Baily is entertaining her children, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Boatler, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Halbrook and Caroline, Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Petty and Clarence, and Mr. and Mrs. Al Aton and Sherry and Mrs. Clara Allred, her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Reed James are spending the holidays with Mrs. James' mother, Mrs. C. H. Bell in Memphis, Tenn. James' mother, Mrs. T. H. James of St. Louis, Mo. is visiting there also.

Mr. and Mrs. George Phillips are visiting her mother, Mrs. W. C. Lane in Lamesa. Mrs. J. W. Phillips, Jr. is visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Phillips, Jr. Pat Phillips, student at Baylor

University, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Womack of Irving are visiting their son and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. S. E. Womack.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pickle and sons, Gary and Tommy and Mr. and Mrs. Chester D. Matheny are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Rix in Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Pitzer are having his family as holiday guests. They are Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Pitzer, Catherine and David of Monahans.

Mrs. J. E. Pond and daughter, Opal, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Underwood of Odessa in Cisco with H. E. Boykin and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pool and new daughter, Linda, are spending Christmas at home. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey McCullough and Dewey, Jr., of Lubbock are visiting them.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Piner of Woodland Hills, Calif. are visiting in the home of Mr. Piner's brother, R. T. Piner.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Porter and family are her three sisters and their families. They are Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Whitworth and family from Daingerfield, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Caughey and son, Joe, of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Riggs and family of Brownfield.

Charles Prather, student at A and M College is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Prather.

Visiting with Mrs. J. I. Prichard are Mr. and Mrs. Neal Greenfield of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Prichard and son, James Robert of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. George Park of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Prichard of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Proffitt are

visiting in Denison with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rowland and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Benson. They will also visit with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Proffitt in Glenrose.

Mrs. Tom Ashley will spend Christmas Day here with her daughter, Mrs. Hudson Landers, and Mr. Landers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Murray of Walnut Springs are visiting in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Herbert A. Moore and Mrs. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Y. Moore are entertaining their children, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sewell and son, Robert, of Kermit; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moore and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wylbert Moore and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Black and family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lockler and daughter, Peggy Joyce of Odessa and CPO and Mrs. Floyd Dixon of Corpus Christi are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Y. Dixon.

Jimmy Lee Morehead from Schreiner Institute in Kerrville and Doris Jean Morehead from Mary-Hardin Baylor are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Morehead.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy M. Stewart are spending the holidays with Mrs. Stewart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Rees in Westbrook.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Morris will visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Morris and Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Morris and children in Lamesa during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Reeves of Robstown are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Muneke.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray D. McMillan are having as guests, their son, Ray D. Jr., from San Diego, Calif. where he is with the Navy and Eula Ashbrook of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Musick are spending the holidays with her family, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Tyler in Pecos.

Mr. and Mrs. John Waddell and son, Larry, will have as Christmas visitors Mrs. Waddell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Stewart, of Westbrook and Waddell's brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Waddell of De Leon.

Lubbock guests visiting with Mrs. A. B. Wade are Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Jenkins and Mrs. Lula Daniels.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Walker include Mrs. Walker's mother, Mrs. G. B. Sawyer of Littlefield, Mrs. Anna Wain-

wright of Miami, Fla., Mr. and Mrs. Arvie Walker of Lubbock. Vera Dell Walker has also arrived home from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene to spend the holidays with her parents.

Mrs. A. E. B. Walker and Mrs. Loy Smith were pre-holiday visitors in Abilene with their sister, Mrs. J. A. Thorp.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Walker are spending Christmas in Bula with Walker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Walker. They had as pre-Christmas guest, Walker's brother and his wife, the Rev. and Mrs. M. A. Walker of Seagraves; and their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Ficklin of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Shaw are visiting in Weatherford with the

Rev. and Mrs. Maurice Groves and Mrs. Jack Haines and children, Betty Kay and LaJune are in Holiday visiting with Mrs. Haines' mother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Warren will spend Christmas at home with their son, Loran. Also here for the Christmas holidays is their other son, Paul of Monahans.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Combs of Algona, Iowa and Miss Kathryn Combs of John Brown University in Siloam Springs, Ark. are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Gene Combs.

Holiday visitors in the Mesquite home are Mr. and Mrs. Mac Mead and children, Jane and Jim and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mead, Jr. and children, Mike and Steve

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To all our friends both old and new...

Greetings

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Phone 740

FROM ALL OF US—

It has been our good fortune to be associated with the people of this community for a long time. Each member of this organization is deeply indebted to our friends for their loyal consideration.

This message, therefore, is from every member of our institution. All of us join in saying to you, "SEASON'S GREETINGS."

KING'S GROCERY
800 11th Place

YULETIDE GREETINGS

In our joy and festivities during the Christmas Season, let us not forget that the Peace of Christmas and the opportunity to observe it, has been made possible only because Americans everywhere wanted it. Christmas is the symbol of peace—may we ever keep it so.



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Merry Christmas

NEIGHBORS

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good things we can wish for you and it is our sincere hope that the New Year will be one of innumerable blessings for you and those about you.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Dozier



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Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Miller and daughters, Ann and Nancy of Roswell, N. M. and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Combs.

Jimmy Meador is spending the holidays with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Axtell in Las Vegas, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. George Melear are in Waco visiting with Grace Melear, Mr. Melear's sister.

France Meier, student at Texas Tech and Billy Meier, student at Northwestern, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Meier.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Meier are spending the Christmas season with Mrs. Meier's sister, Mrs. L. C. Brookins and her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wheelon of Amarillo will visit with his sister, Mrs. R. V. Middleton and Mr. Middleton.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Reagan are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Mitchell in Eastland.

Patsy Kirk is in Princeton spending the yule season with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed West. Her father and mother, the Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Kirk of Perryton are visiting there also.

Christmas guests in the home of Mrs. Jack King are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kuykendall of Seminole; and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Kuykendall, Mr. and Mrs. Milam Parker and family Mr. and Mrs. Grover Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Smith and family of Seminole; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fuguy and family of Odessa; and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Milam of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Miller have as guests, Mrs. Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Goswick of Odessa. Other visitors in the Miller home are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lloyd Goswick of Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Stevens of Fort Worth are spending Christmas with their daughters, Mrs. Marvin Miller and Mrs. Frank McCleskey and families.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Mims are hosts to Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Mims and Mr. and Mrs. Lem Nations in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Steck are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Steck in Greeley, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mitchell have as guests his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Mitchell of Los Angeles, Calif.

Visiting in the C. R. Moad home are Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Clark, Jr. of Midland, Mrs. L. J. Clark, Sr. and Bob Clark of Pittsburg, Pa. Mrs. Fannie Campbell of Paradise, Calif. and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Campbell and daughter, Janan of Hammon, Okla.

Having Christmas dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Moore are their children Mr. and Mrs. Herman Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Mayo and children, Mr. Parker and family Mr. and Mrs. Odie Moore and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Holden, Mr. and Mrs. Roy O'Brien, Sr. are hosts to their children, Homan O'Brien of Lubbock and Mrs. Homan O'Brien and son, Bill, of College Station, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Laney of Crane, Mr. and Mrs. See YULETIDE Page 6

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Bitter vegetable
4. Winglike
8. Go by
12. Person addressed
13. Citrus fruit
14. Wide-mouthed jar
15. Chest bone
16. Advance
17. Feminine name
20. Lopsided
21. Little child
22. Biblical character
24. Smooth
25. Father
27. Distant
30. Goddess of discord
32. Food
34. Player

DOWN

37. First name of a famous painter
38. Auricle
40. Possessive
41. Scythe handle
42. Reduce in rank
45. Recital
47. Special
48. Myriad
50. Ball of thread or yarn
52. Head covering
53. Luzon native laborer
57. Party
60. Present season
63. And not
64. Optical glass
65. Central male character

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

67. Other
68. Finishes
69. Roguish
70. DOWN
1. Circuit court
2. Make muddy
3. Subconscious
4. High mountains
5. Italian coin
6. Soup plant
7. Take away
8. Cooking vessel
9. Diminished
10. Sailing vessel
11. Patron saint of 60 Across
17. Music drama
18. Fragrant
23. Devoured
24. Driver of the reindeer
27. Male sheep
28. Biblical judge
29. Compass point
31. Assertions
33. Urchin
35. Roasting chamber
36. Remainder
39. Sleep
42. Assists
44. Bug
46. Bull
48. Twin crystal
49. Feminine name
51. Grown girls
54. Aldar treat
56. Scotch
58. Ancient ornament
59. Unenthusiastic
61. Playing card
62. Danish food
69. Triaxial call

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May all the joys of Christmas be yours throughout the year.

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Here it is, Christmas again, and once more we say to you, "SEASON'S GREETINGS". May you receive the most bounteous remembrances and may you enjoy the holidays to the fullest extent.

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What better time than Christmas time... to wish you all the good things in life!

WALKER BAILEY

County Superintendent

Good Cheer Good Luck

May this Christmas find you happy and contented and enjoying life to its fullest extent.

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Our holiday wishes go forth to greet you! Merry Christmas, everyone, Merry Christmas! May the new season glow with an abundance of all good things!

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Our fondest wish is that the laurels of happiness and peace --- wreath your home this Christmas.

MACOMBER AUTO SUPPLY

113 E. Second Phone 308

MERRY CHRISTMAS

C. M. TROLINDER
COSDEN SERVICE STATION
 12 Scurry Phone 61

Yuletide Season Is Observed In Many Ways By Local People

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C. B. O'Brien and family of Cisco, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. O'Brien and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Marchant, Jean, Betty Jo and Carol O'Brien of Big Spring.

Mrs. Sid Oliver is having her children as guests this season. They are Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Oliver of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Oliver of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Graham of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Boyles of Big Spring.

Pauline Hanson is spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Alice Hanson in Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Yardley of Iran are visiting Mr. and Mrs. David Orr. Mrs. Yardley and Mrs. Orr are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Page are spending Christmas with their children, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barnard.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Parks are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Parks in Snyder and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jenkins, in Wink during this holiday season. Mrs. Eunis D. Myers is spending the holidays in Liberal, Kansas. She is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Myers.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dosier of Midland are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Dalton.

Mrs. J. R. Neuman of Indianapolis, Ind., is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Fisher, Mrs. B. Eckhaus, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fisher, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fisher.

Visiting in the J. D. Nicholson home are Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Wolcott, Jr., and Eldon Wolcott of Austin; Mary Nicholson of Lake Jackson; and Mrs. W. D. Rawlins of Cawley, La.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Caldwell are in Sudan visiting with his sister, Mrs. F. C. Broyles and Mr. Broyles. Mr. Caldwell's mother, Mrs. Susie Caldwell, will be there also.

Donald Williams has arrived home from North Texas State Teacher's College to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams. Here visiting with the Williams family during the holidays will be Mrs. Williams' sister, Mrs. Eula Covin, of Edgewood.

Mrs. G. G. Sawtelle and son, Gilbert, spent last week-end in Hobbs, N. M., visiting with friends. While there Sawtelle was entertained at a holiday dance.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne K. Williams and children, Gary and Dan Kent, will spend the holidays in Big Spring at their home.

Pfc. Robert Wilson was expected home from his station in San Antonio to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wilson and sister, Frances.

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilson will include Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Sheppard and children, Patricia, Jeanetta and D. J., Jr., of Wichita Falls and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Francis and daughter, Sherry of Midland. The Sheppards are former residents of Big Spring.

Taking a pre-holiday trip to Dallas for the Odessa-Highland Park football game Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilson, and daughter, Beverly, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilson and children, Carolyn and Billy Bob, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson and daughter, Patsy, Mrs. Arthur Caywood and Lawrence Wilson.

Mrs. J. L. Bilings left this past week-end to spend the holidays in Bourbon, Mo., with her husband. Spending the week here with their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Berlie Fallon and daughter, Judy, of Brownfield, who are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fallon and Mrs. Viola Bailey. Also guests here with Mrs. Bailey are another son, Bill Bailey, and family of Odessa.

Holiday visitors in the P. D. Ausmus home are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Orr of El Paso and T. J. Ausmus of Morton. Spending Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Autrey will be her sisters, Mrs. Dee Sanders and Minnie Darwin and a niece, Mrs. Joe Chapman. Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Collett of Carlsbad, N. M., are expected in later this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tip Tidwell of Midland are spending the Christmas week with Mrs. Tidwell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Axtens. Leaving early tomorrow for Louisiana will be Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Baird, who will spend the day with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baird.



STATUARY CLEANUP—E. J. Burkitt, veteran of 16 years in the Royal Mews, cleans the gilt statuary which surmounts the carved state coach used by the British king on ceremonial occasions.

Having Christmas dinner here at home with Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Baker will be Mrs. Baker's mother, Mrs. W. G. Orenbaum, and her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Orenbaum.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kyle and children, Kay and Tommy, Sweetwater arrived Sunday to spend a week here with Mr. Kyle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Baker. Here to spend the 25th with their mother, Mrs. J. M. Barley, are Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Barley and children of Kermit, and Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Burns, who reside on a ranch in Sterling county.

Mrs. J. C. Graves will have as her holiday guests her son Jack and Mr. and Mrs. Good Graves. Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Brinner and children, Sandra Kay and Shyrell Ann. Out of town guests will be her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Poe and children, Betty Jon, Tommy Jean and Virginia Lynn of San Angelo and another daughter and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Campbell and children, Gwendolyn, Joe Wayne and Jerry Ann of Midland. The Graves' plan to have a party Christmas eve, complete with Santa Claus.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Green plan to spend a quiet Christmas at home, but will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Deam Green in Quanah during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pierson will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wales.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Green and Mrs. Aaron Taylor will have as their holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Willis and family, Elsie and Cyril, Jr. of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Green will have as their holiday guest their sons Bobby and Mac, and Mr. and Mrs. John T. Anderson, Jr.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Green will be Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Lloyd of Plainview, Mrs. Raleigh Davis and daughter, Angie Lee, of San Antonio and Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Greene will entertain Mr. and Mrs. William Greene and Mrs. Paul Shannon of Colorado City and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pond and children, Priscilla and Cynthia. Christmas and they will all spend a portion of the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Tole in Snyder.

Eleanor McNeely is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. McNeely in Abilene.

Enjoying the holiday at home will be Mr. and Mrs. M. Weaver and their children, Aubrey, R. H., Ramona, Sonia, Marcellous, James, Mary Jane and Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Chapman.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Webb this Christmas will be Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Miller and daughter, Frances and Mr. and Mrs. John Miller and children, all of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Webb and children of Colorado City; and Darrell, Jr. and Jimmy Webb of Big Spring.

Mrs. Ola Franklin and her brother, Lee Burrow, of Knott are visiting relatives in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Webb and son, Cedric, are in Jefferson City, Mo., visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wentz and son, Frank, are in Burlington, Kansas visiting with Wentz's relatives during the Christmas holidays.

After Christmas, Mrs. A. B. West will leave for Gladewater to visit with her mother, Mrs. Ella Sturgur and her sister, Mrs. Samuel Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Whaley will spend Christmas in Big Spring and their guests will include Mr. Whaley's mother, Mrs. Etta Whaley of Anson and their daughter, Jean Whaley of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Bryant and daughter, Nancy of Fort Worth are holiday visitors in the homes of Mrs. Beulah Bryant and Mrs. Mary Straughn.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Whipkey will spend the holiday in Colorado City visiting with Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Whipkey and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Halbrook plan to remain at home this

and Mrs. Hall's sister, Mrs. Lucille Steers.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Hall will spend a quiet Christmas at home with their children, R. B., Jr., Perry Mac and Leatrice Ann.

Christmas dinner guests of Mrs. Shelby Hall will be Mr. and Mrs. Ulysses Hall and Marvin, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Broughton and Larry, Jess Hall and baby, Raymond Edward.

Mr. and Mrs. Odie Wilson will spend Christmas visiting in Stanton with Wilson's mother, Mrs. Charlie Canterbury.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Wilson, Jr., are visiting in East Texas with friends and relatives at Marshall and Texarkana. Their pre-holiday trips included visits in El Paso and Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Vaughan from Waco and Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Rice of Texon, George, David and Carol Rice all of Texon will spend Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Vaughan.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Galladay of Midland are expected for a Christmas visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wolcott, Helen and John Wolcott.

A Christmas party has been planned for this evening by Mrs. Bob Wolfe. Attending will be Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brown of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Brown of Lamesa, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fortson of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. Charley Brown and family of Vincent.

Dr. and Mrs. Otto Wolfe and family are especially looking forward to a happy Christmas this year with Dr. Wolfe's mother, Mrs. Lina Selforth, here to help celebrate. Mrs. Selforth observed the holiday in the Russian zone of Germany last year, but is now

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Gladsome Tidings



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to all our Friends and Customers

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For a MERRY Christmas

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CLAY'S NO-D-LAY CLEANERS

207½ Main Phone 70

Christmas with their children, Bessie Pearl, Randall and Dickie Lee.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hair are Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Billings and daughter, Sylvia, of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hale and son, Terry, are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sate Farmer in Novice and his mother Mrs. Zula Hale at Baltinger.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hall, Jr. and children, Sam and Karen, will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Fulford in Lubbock and his mother, Mrs. Nora Culp in Slaton.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hall are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Henry of Hermleig.

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hall are their brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Garvie and children, David, Jr. and Harriet of Kansas City, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Diller of Wichita, Kans., their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Reeves and Rinda of Comanche, her niece from Texas Christian University, Sue Steers, their sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Hall and Linda and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hall and Donny



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To our many friends, we extend our wishes for a Yuletide filled with all the good things in life—good health, happiness, peace and prosperity.

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Pleasant Yuletide Thoughts

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400 E. Third

Phone 688

Trips, Parties, Visitors Are Making Joyful Holiday Season In Big Spring

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making her home here with her son. Line Jane Wolfe arrived home Sunday from Albuquerque, N. M., where she is a student at the University of New Mexico, and will remain here during the holidays with her parents.

It will be Sylvia Whitehorn's first Christmas and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Whitehorn, and Michael are centering their activities around the newcomer.

Luan Wear is home from Texas Tech visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Schwarzenbach, Jr. A Christmas dinner will be served in the Schwarzenbach home and attending will be Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Schwarzenbach, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Howard Schwarzenbach, Mrs. Florence McNew, Mrs. Mary Isaacs and children, Carrie Scholz, Bertha Schuchert, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Whitney and family, Mrs.

Anna Dorr and Mrs. Anna Whitney. Spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Bart Wilkinson will be their children, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Miller and Mr. and Mrs. James Edwards and son, Benny. Miller is a student at A. & M. Also visiting in the Wilkinson home is Mrs. Cordelia Wilkinson of Lubbock, Wilkinson's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Gregg plan to spend Christmas at home with their daughter, Troydine.

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Evans and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grice are Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Grice.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Griffin and son, William D., are spending the holidays in Clyde with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Griffin and in Fort Worth, visiting Mrs. Alice Brewdew.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Griffin will spend Christmas at home with their children Donald, Peggy and Sue.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Griffin and children, Kenny and Sharon, are her mother, Mrs. Elmo S. Giles, Jr. of Dallas and his mother, Mrs. Lewis Lieber of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Griffith and son, George True, will spend Christmas with her father, Dr. G. S. True.

Mrs. Hazel L. Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Saunders and son, L. R. Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Elvins Caudill will spend Christmas together at the home of Mrs. Griffith.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Griffith will spend Christmas with her brother, D. E. Ory, in Stanton.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Grifford and son, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Grifford and baby, David, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Side will spend Christmas together.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted O. Groehl and children, Teddy and Mozelle, will spend a portion of the holidays with her mother, Mrs. D. D. Smith in Brownwood and in San Antonio, with his mother, Mrs. H. C. Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Guiley will spend the holidays in Ranger, with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Donley and Mrs. Hattie Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Glaser will have Christmas dinner with his mother, Mrs. Bob Glaser.

Spending Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Womack will be Mr. and Mrs. Roy Womack and daughter, Lee Ann, and Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Womack and daughter, Jo Lynn.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Woods will have as Yuletide visitors their sons and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Woods and Mr. and Mrs. Odell Woods of Houston. Other guests will include Mr. and Mrs. James Crook and children, Kenneth, Louise and Wanda Sue of Eldorado, Ark. The Arkansas guests will also visit with Mrs. Lula Satterwhite, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Satterwhite and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Satterwhite.

Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Wood will spend the holidays at home with their children, Woody, Harry and Lynn.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Rowe and their family will be in Denton Christmas day to participate in the golden wedding anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Headies, Mrs. Rowe's mother. Planning to attend are Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. Burt Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Rowe.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Oliver Wood, Jr., and sons, Jerry and Johnny, of San Angelo will spend the holiday here with Mrs. Wood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wood. Also expected home during the holiday week is J. L. Wood, Jr., of Dallas.

Out-of-town guests visiting with Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Wooten are Wooten's brother and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Dupree Wooten and son, Dennis, of Chicago, Illinois, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wooten of San Antonio.

Dr. and Mrs. P. D. O'Brien are entertaining members of her family this Christmas. Her mother, Mrs. M. A. Matthews of Colorado City, formerly of Cisco, is here and all of her brothers and sisters. They include Mr. and Mrs. Lawson King and family of Scranton; Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Harrison of Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. John Nichols and family of Carbon; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker and family of

Dublin; Mr. and Mrs. Dave Fambrough and family of Cisco; Mr. and Mrs. Mack Reed and family of Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Fox and family of Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Millington and children of Comanche; Maudie Faye and Jane Matthews of Odessa; and Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Matthews of Moran.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Ledbetter and sons, Clarence and Edwin of Houston are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sanders. The Ledbetters are Mrs. Sanders' parents.

Christmas guests in the home of Mrs. Oliver Reed is spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Fessie Ivory in Fort Worth and her sister, Mrs. Gazolio Cobbs of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Reed and son are visiting Mrs. Reed's mother, Mrs. R. F. Cole, in Austin and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. W. Reed in Bertram.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Doty and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bet Pruitt and family of Pecos; Thomas L. Payne of Kodiak, Alaska; and Mr. and Mrs. Al Cipriani and daughter Barbara Nell, of Big Spring are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reed and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Johnson, Jr. and children, Lane and Kenny, plan to spend a quiet Christmas at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Collins at Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Johnson have as their holiday guests, Herbie, Jr. of the University of Texas, Austin, Mary Evelyn, of West Texas State Teachers college, Canyon and Mrs. C. A. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Johnson will have as their Christmas guests, Mrs. Linden Boren and Mrs. B. E. Johnson.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eb Hatch and family are Mr. and Mrs. Pete Johnson.

J. W. King, Jr. will spend a portion of the holidays in Lubbock and will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. King, Sr. in Lorraine.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew M. Jones have as their holiday guest his sister, Edna Marie Jones of El Paso. The three will spend Christmas with Mrs. Ann Jones in Abilene.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Jones are Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Hilliard and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Dozier of Lamesa.

Norris Smith, teacher in Pyote Public school, is a holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smith.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Jones are their sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll R. Jones of Wichita Falls and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jones and daughter, Jan, of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Miller of Austin will be holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bailey and Mrs. J. B. Naul.

Clara Bender left Saturday for Tulsa, Okla. to spend the week with her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bender.

Having dinner the 25th in the M. H. Bennett home will be the Bennett's daughter, Louise Ann, home from Texas U. Mrs. Bennett's mother, Mrs. A. W. Leeper; Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Robb and children, Janet and Ike.

Gary Bivings, student at Princeton University, Princeton, N. J., is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Lillian Bivings.

The W. D. Berrys will spend Christmas Day at home. Roy Wayne Webb leaves Christ-

mas Eve for De Leon to spend the Yuletide with his mother-in-law, Mrs. J. W. Hodges, and his son, Billy Jo Webb.

Pre-holiday visitors in Robert Lee and San Angelo were Mr and Mrs. Otto Havings.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bates and daughter, Billie Jo who are home for the holidays from H-SU, are spending several days in Midland with Mrs. Bates' brother, W. J. Hannaford.

Among others planning the old-fashioned "Christmas at home" are Mr. and Mrs. Chester Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Merritt H. Barnes and children, Joetta and Buster; and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Barton and their daughter, Gladys Moore. Mrs. Frank Barton of Alpine made a pre-holiday visit with her parents-in-law last week.

Having dinner in the home of their mother, Mrs. Joe Barnett, are Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Davidson and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bass have planned a Christmas Eve dinner and party for their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Prentis Bass, and their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Baird of Sweetwater. Christmas Day the family will spend with Mrs. A. C. Bass' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. O'Daniel, in Coahoma.

Guest in the R. L. Beale home is Dan Ragsdale, who is a student at A. & M. The Beales' two daughters, Rosalind and Jane, are also home from TSCW for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Barron of Lubbock will arrive this evening to spend the 28th with Barron's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Barron, and his brother, Jackie.

Evelyn Nell Barron of Oklahoma City is spending the Yuletide here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Barron.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Bean will spend Christmas Day at home.

The water in Lake Titicaca is very cold even in summer, but never freezes.



It is time for all of us to pause for a moment or two, that we may exchange friendly Christmas Greetings and to wish all the good folk in this community a Christmas of good cheer.

To these greetings, we wish to add our sincere appreciation to each of you for your kind consideration and your courtesies in the past.

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Merry Christmas to All

May your Yuletide be enjoyed with good cheer, good health and good friends.

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Merry Christmas

To one and all go our sincerest and best wishes for this Yuletide season. Happiness, good health, good cheer and the merriest of Christmases to everyone.

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Heartiest Thanks

to All of You at Christmas!

Your cooperation and patronage, your goodwill and friendship, have been splendid. We hope that we deserve the good things that have come to us.

Thanks many times over and Merry Christmas.

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Merry Christmas



MARK G. GIBBS, D.C.



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'Tis the Night Before Christmas

...time for us to turn from our daily routines... and join good, old St. Nick... in wishing a Merry Holiday

To All Our Friends And Patrons.

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Optometrist and Staff

JACK AND JUDY

WHERE ARE YOU GOING, GOOD SHEPHERDS? ARE YOU TRYING TO FIND YOUR FLOCK?
 HE HAS COME! HE HAS COME! THE SAVIOUR HAS BEEN BORN!
 HOW DO YOU KNOW? TELL ME... HOW DO YOU KNOW?
 WHILE WATCHING OUR SHEEP, THE ANGELS OF GOD CAME AND TOLD US TO HURRY TO BETHLEHEM.
 WHERE IN BETHLEHEM WILL WE FIND THE SAVIOUR? WE SEEK HIM TOO!
 THE TOWN IS JUST AHEAD, FOLLOW US!
 JUDY, THE SHEPHERDS ARE GOING INTO A STABLE!
 SHHH, JACK! DON'T MAKE ANY NOISE!

AND SHE BROUGHT FORTH HER FIRST BORN SON AND WRAPPED HIM IN SWADDLING CLOTHES, AND LAID HIM IN A MANGER; BECAUSE THERE WAS NO ROOM FOR THEM IN THE INN.

PATSY

HA!... THAT TAKES CARE OF MR. CASBAH AND FRIEND.
 HEAVE HO... MEN OF ACTION!... PULL IN THE TRACKS!
 WE HAVE PULL CASBAH OUT OF MANY MESSAS CAZZA.
 BUT NEVER SUCH A MESSY MESS AS THEEZ, BLANCA!
 IT WORKED, TEDDY!

PATZEE! TEDDEE! ZEY SAVE US!
 ...AND ZE MEN OF ACTION!... HA! TODAY WE MAKE ZE PLANS FOR REVENGE ON ZAT RAT, GUMBOA!
 OH, NO YOU DON'T! TODAY IS THE DAY TO MAKE PLANS FOR "PEACE ON EARTH, GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN!"
 YOU THAD IT, PATSY!... AND THITH TH WHAT WE ALL THAY--
Merry Christmas to all!

DICKIE DARE

SO I SPOSE YA FEEL GOOD NOW THAT YOU'RE A FERBY FOR BORNIN' TROUBLEKE?
 I DON'T FEEL BIG KID.
 AN' I WITTED TO HER NOISE FOR CHRISTMAS EVE!... AN' HEEDS SHE IS TH' GIRL FOR DAY.
 SHE SAID SHE WANTED ME TO MEET SOMEONE... I WONDER WHO?
 ONE THING SURE, IT WON'T BE A GIRL!... OH! STORMY'S NOT THAT DUMB.
 MERRY CHRISTMAS! MEET MY DAUGHTER, SHARON!

YOUR DAUGHTER?
 BUT--
 NOW YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GIVE ME THAT OLD LINE ABOUT IT'S LOOKING MORE LIKE SISTERS!
 WE DON'T HAVE MUCH NOTICE, BUT I THINK YOU'LL FIND SANTA LEFT SOME THINGS FOR YOU TWO UNDER THE TREE!... LET'S OPEN THEM!
 NOW YOU'RE TAKIN' MY LARGES, MISS--EE--HEE--STORMY-- BUT FIRST LET'S WISH ALL IN GAWG OUT THESE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

OAKIE DOAKS

I KNOW! IN YOUR CRYSTAL BALL YOU'VE SEEN A GIRL RIDING A HORSE THROUGH THE AIR!
 WAL, I'LL BE HORNSWOGGLED!
 HAVE YOU SEEN HER TOO, YOUR MAJESTY?
 NO! BUT ALL THE NIGHT-FLYING WITCHES IN THE KINGDOM HAVE SEEN HER!
 MURDOCK, WHY IS IT THAT I HAFTA GET TMS NEWS FROM A WITCH INSTEAD OF YOU?
 YOUR MAJESTY, AT FIRST I COULDN'T BELIEVE THAT MY CRYSTAL BALL WAS TELLIN' TH' TRUTH--SO I MADE VARIOUS TESTS, AN' NOW I AM CONVINCED THAT THIS EVENT REALLY OCCURS!
 FOR TH' GOOD OF EVERYBODY I WISH I COULD SAY IT AINT SO!

GEE, NELLIE, THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I EVER FOUND ANY USE FOR A DRAGON!
Merrie Christmas!

SCORCHY SMITH

PRETTY, HINE... BUT NOT A BIT LIKE THE CHRISTMAS EVES I HAD AS A KID!... TO HANG UP MY SOCKS ON THE OL' WANTLE AND IN THE MORNING THEY'D BE FULL OF THE MOST FASCINATIN THINGS!
 BUT NOW THAT WE'RE IN A JAM LIKE THIS... MANY MEAN MILES FROM NOWHERE...
 THERE'LL BE ONLY TWO FASCINATING THINGS IN YOUR SOCKS TOMORROW!... BUT YOU'LL BE GLAD TO HAVE 'EM!
 YEAH, WHAT?
 ...YOUR FEET!

ON A DAY LIKE THIS I JUST WISH I COULD TEAR INTO A BIG TURKEY WITH CHRISTAL STUPPIN AND FRAYS, OLIVES, STUPPID DATES, PLUMPUDDING WITH HARD SAUCE, A SLAB OF NICE PIE ON THE SIDE, A GALLON OF CIDER...
 STOP IT! STOP IT!... THAT IMAGINATION OF YOURS'LL GIVE YOU A HEAVESTON!
BURP
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BUZ SAWYER

HI, DEE, HARRY, OLD BOY, YOU SENT FOR ME?
 I DID!
 YOU'RE A POOL, GOOL! AN ARRANT POOL!
 HEY! WOT'S DA BIG IDEA? WOT'VE I DONE NOW?
 YOU MORON! YOU WITLESS IMBECILE! YOU'VE IGNORED MY EXPLICIT INSTRUCTIONS, YOU'VE PROVOKED A BRAWL WITH MR. SAWYER, THE VERY PERSON I SO CAREFULLY WARNED YOU TO AVOID.

LOOKA HERE, SPARRON, I DON' LIKE YOU SLAPPIN' ME! I DON' LIKE IT, SEE!
 YOU'LL DO WELL TO LEAVE THE COMPLAINTS TO ME, GOOL, AND MAY I REMIND YOU AGAIN TO ROLL DOWN YOUR SLEEVES WHEN IN MY PRESENCE--THOSE UGLY ARMS DISGUST ME.
 OH, DEY DO, DO DEY?
 FURTHERMORE, CHANGE YOUR SHIRT, WASH YOUR NECK, GROOM YOUR NAILS, WELL DO YOU KNOW THAT THE SLIGHTEST GRIME REVOLTS ME.
SAW! DAT DOG! DAT BALD HEADED DOG! SOMB DAY I GONNA SPLINTER HULL DAT'S WOT I GONNA DO-- SPLINTER HIM!

SNUFFY SMITH

CHICKEN-LIVERED YAWKLEY!! WHAT ON AIRTH VE DOIN' TO VORE SHOOTIN' AR'N'!
 I'M A-FIXIN' IT, VALLER.
 NOW I CAN SHOOT AROUND' TREES WIFOUT RISKIN' MY PUNKIN' HAIR.
 SNUFFY'S COUSIN!!
 HAIN'TS KEEP OUT

SNUFFY!! CHALK UP ANOTHER VALLER YAWKLEY-- I--UH--HEY, SNUFFY!!
 DURN VORE HIDE!! GUZZLIN' THEM CORN SQUEEZINS WON'T HELP VORE AIM NONE, YE SHIF'LESS SKONK!!
 NOPE-- BUT TWO-THREE MORE JUGGS, AN' I WONT GIVE A HOOT IF I GIT KILT OR NOT!!
 YOU'RE SNUFFY'S COUSIN!! I'LL WASH YOUR MOUTH OUT WITH SOAP!

BLONDIE

I'D LIKE TO SPEAK TO MR. BUMSTEAD.
 NOPE, YOU'LL HAVE TO COME BACK LATER--HE'S TAKIN' HIS BATH.
 PAPA'S IN THE BATHTUB AND HE CAN'T COME DOWN NOW.
 GET OUT WHILE DADDY'S TAKIN' A BATH.
 THANKS, COOKIE, FOR SEEIN' THAT MY BATH IS UNDISTURBED.
 THANKS, NOTHING! I EXPECT TWENTY-FIVE CENTS FOR THIS.

BLONDIE SAID SHE'D LEAVE THE KEY IN THE MAILBOX IF SHE WENT OUT.
 I THOUGHT YOU WERE OUT.
 I CHANGED MY MIND.
 HAVE WE GOT ANY DYNAMITE IN THE HOUSE?

ANNIE ROONEY

I SAID YOU WERE LUCKY-- LAST NIGHT I HAD A LONG TALK WITH DEUCES WILDE, A RICH GAMBLER-- HE BELIEVED MY STORY--
 WELL, NOT EXACTLY A GAMBLER-- LET'S SAY HE'S A SPECULATOR-- A MAN WITH MONEY TO INVEST-- HE AS MUCH AS PROMISED ME HE'D BACK ME IN THE VENTURE TO FIND THE WRECK OF--
 WHAT'S GOIN ON IN MY KITCHEN?-- WHO IS THIS LITTLE RAGAMUFFIN?-- WHO ALLOWED A STRANGE MONGREL TO ENTER MY HOUSE?
 EASY DOES IT, ADMIRAL-- DON'T CHANGE YOUR COURSE UNTIL YOU KNOW WHICH WAY THE WIND'S A-BLOWIN-- I CAN EXPLAIN--
 THEN START EXPLAININ-- AN' MAKE IT GOOD--

THE NERVE OF YOU, DICK DICKENS, INVITIN A STRANGE LITTLE GIRL INTO MY BOARDIN' HOUSE!
 AXIN' YOUR PARDON, ADMIRAL-- IT WAS THE ANGELS THAT SENT HER HERE--
 I SIGHTED THE LITTLE CRAFT A-DRIFTIN IN STORMY WATERS WITHOUT A COMPASS OR A PILOT--
 I HAD NO PLACE TO GO AN' I WAS SLEEPIN' UNDER YOUR KITCHEN STEPS--
 HONEST, IT WASN'T MR. DICK'S FAULT-- PLEASE DON'T BLAME HIM-- ME AN' ZERO WILL GO WAY--
 NOT SO FAST, YOUNG LADY--
 YOU'LL GO WHEN I TELL YOU TO GO, AN' NOT A MINUTE BEFORE-- I'LL HAVE TO DECIDE WHAT'S BEST FOR EVERYBODY--
 GEE-- I THINK THAT WILL BE SWELL--



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SHIFT SEASONS

Field Broadens As Winter Vacations Gain In Favor

Want to give yourself a different type of vacation next year? Then switch seasons. That's what an increasing number of Americans are doing simply by skipping the traditional summer month trek and saving for a pleasure outing during the winter. And when would a vacation be more welcome than

right after the press of the Christmas rush? During the war years, of course, this was hardly possible for most people, but resort operators are well aware that the winter vacationist is back in the driver's seat. The reason is a constant and rapid broadening of the field, plus availability of the various modes of

transportation today. No longer can the operator simply jack up his prices with a take-it-or-leave-it attitude, for the customer can go somewhere else.

Not only is this true in the United States, but in Canada, Mexico, South America and Europe as well. Add to this the return of the tropical South Pacific tours which Caribbean, the West Indies and are now blossoming again. The term winter vacation generally conveys a retreat to the sunny climes, but this overlooks the fact that more and more Americans in the sunshine belt want something different, too. Thus it is that traffic is pointing in heavier volume to the winter sports resorts.

New Mexico, close at home, is spreading out in this direction, catching a large number of men who love to hunt in snow-covered mountains and a host of people who like to be able to say that they have streaked down a mountainside on a pair of skis.

More and more areas are making bids for a slice of the national recreation and travel bill which may amount to as much as \$15 billion by 1950—and a growing share of it going to the winter months. Advertising programs are waxing warmer, extolling the virtues of various territories and resorts.

To mention a few of the most widely publicized, here are some: The Pacific Northwest, including Sun Valley in Idaho, Yosemite National park, the Hawaiian Islands, Southern California, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Florida, New England, and even Texas with its mild climate and warm sunshine in the southern half of its immense spread.

For those who wish to go outside the borders, Mexico is booming as a favorite spot. Canada still attracts thousands upon thousands who wish to go into a winter wonderland. Cuba, South America and the Indies are crooking a beckoning finger. And then there are the Swiss alps, the sunny shores on the Mediterranean.

In respect to winter vacations, people of this area are fortunately situated. They are in reasonable proximity to either the ultra-mild climate of the lower Rio Grande Valley or the snow-blanketed slopes of the mountains in southern and northern New Mexico. For that matter, they have, as a general rule, balmy weather at home—and maybe an opportunity to cash in on the growing winter tourist crop, too.

SON OF PIANO TUNER

Jose Iturbi Taught Piano When Seven

By United Press

Jose Iturbi, son of a Spanish piano-tuner, was a child prodigy who grew to become one of the best-known pianists of his day.

Born Nov. 28, 1895, to Ricardo and Teresa Turbi at Valencia, Spain, Iturbi led a turbulent life, flew more than 1,000,000 miles for his world-wide piano concerts, was a licensed pilot at 32 and frequently appeared in court over matters small and large.

Before becoming a movie star and settling down in a Beverly Hills, Cal., mansion, Iturbi was a piano teacher at sea, headed the Conservatory of Geneva piano faculty, composed noteworthy music, including "Siloquy" and "Fantasy," and conducted symphonies.

Iturbi married Maria Gimer June 8, 1916. She died. They had a daughter, Maria, from whom Iturbi took his two grandchildren because, as he told the court, "she was not a fit person." The daughter subsequently shot herself to death in Iturbi's home.

His Movies Popular His flashing dark eyes, ready wit and mastery of the piano found a ready market for his first movies, "As Thousands Cheer," "Dear Barbara" and "Anchors Aweigh," in 1943.

A classical musician fundamentally, he would often break into "boogie woogie" with a puckish grin to captivate his audiences.

Before entering the movies, Iturbi conducted the Philadelphia Orchestra for a week in 1934, played concerts with the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra at Hollywood Bowl, and was guest conductor of the Rochester Philharmonic and the Detroit Symphony Orchestras. For a time he was permanent conductor of the Rochester Philharmonic. He also composed "Spanish Dance" and "Cradle Song."

Besides a bitter court battle over his grandchildren, Teresa and Tonis Hero, Iturbi's many lawsuits included litigation over a loan to an art dealer, a breach of contract suit against his manager and a suit against a plumber for making off with his hot water heater.

Fight Over Children Iturbi won custody of his grandchildren by charging his daughter was not a fit person to bring them up. During the hearings, father and daughter blew kisses and talked in Spanish with each other.

After her death, violinist Stefan Hero, Iturbi's son-in-law, took his children with him to New York. Iturbi swore out a child-stealing complaint and had Hero arrested as he stepped from a concert stage, but the charges were dropped and the children went to their father.

Many classical musicians would hardly speak to him, at one time, Iturbi reacted, because he played Gershwin and boogie woogie.

"But everything has its place," he said. "I resent narrow people. Why not democracy in music?"

Becomes Citizen Iturbi took out his first citizenship papers in Los Angeles in August, 1941, after first coming to this country for concerts in 1929. In January, 1942, he enlisted in the Civilian Air Patrol, in which he served as an air courier and pa-

trolled inland areas.

Rendition of Chopin's music in "A Song to Remember," in which Cornel Wilde starred as Chopin, but played a dummy piano while Iturbi did the actual recording, made that film one of the hits of 1945 and brought a flurry of popularized Chopin music to the country.

Iturbi's other pictures included "Two Girls and a Sailor," "Music for Millions," "Holiday in Mexico" and "The Birds and the Bees."

Kousevitzky's Yearnings Are Seen In Records

NEW YORK (U.P.)—Serge Kousevitzky is 73 now, and in the 41st year of his service to music. At least 300 times has he conducted Beethoven's third symphony ("Eroica"), but never quite as he conducts it in the six records of RCA Victor's new recording, a fact which surely has relation to it being the year 1947.

From these records you sense a deep yearning in the heart of the venerable master while he and his Boston Symphony Orchestra were making them. Yet simultaneously you are transfixed by an abundant fulfillment of yearning—your quite as much as his.

The yearning is for faith in man in 1947, when he has the means of his own destruction and is as quarrelsome as ever. The fulfillment of yearning is thrice-sufficient while the music is proclaiming man's god-like stature and his infinite capabilities, all of them good.

It is a passionate celebration of the heroic in man, this symphony. Dr. Kousevitzky seems to conduct it hungrily, as though famished for the very last syllable of its serene assurance.

Among the Christmas records are two sets of excerpts from Tchaikovsky's ballet with the Yule setting, "The Nutcracker." One set is the suite the composer himself arranged, the one you've heard many, many times. It is respectfully and intelligently played by Andre Kostelanetz and his orchestra. (Columbia; three 12-in. alb.) The second set is of five other excerpts which you probably never have heard unless you're familiar with the ballet score. They're well played, too, by the Boston "Pops" Orchestra under Arthur Fiedler. (RCA Victor; two 12-in. alb.) And they have the charm of the familiar ones.

Particularly moving at this season is Contralto Marian Anderson's singing of Schubert's "Ave Maria" which she has re-recorded for RCA Victor. On the other side of the 12-inch single is her distinguished rendition of Schubert's "My Abode."

Also for Christmas listening is an RCA Victor 12-inch of Leopold Stokowski conducting his symphony orchestra in the Christmas music from Handel's "The Messiah" and the traditional "Russian Christmas." As for "Silent Night" and "Come, All Ye Faithful," RCA Victor gives you a choice of artists. Tenor James Melton sings them on one 12-inch single and Soprano Lotte Lehmann sings them on another.



The Christmas ideal of Peace and Contentment is more in evidence this year than ever before. We owe this to our friends in this splendid community. It is an honor indeed, to send our greetings and respects to each of you.

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FAIR ENOUGH

NEW ALBANY, Ind. (U.P.)—Hoosiers and Kentuckians who live in one state but work in the other were cheered by news that reciprocal income tax agreement had been reached by the two states. Kentuckians may get a refund from Indiana for taxes paid there, and vice versa for Hoosiers.

PETRIFIED FOREST

BUFFALO, Wyo. (U.P.)—A newly discovered petrified forest lies east of Buffalo in northern Wyoming. Many of the trees are standing upright and many still have their roofs. One large tree in the forest stands 12 feet above the ground.

PROSPERITY HITS

ADA, Okla. (U.P.)—After searching through all his pockets, a customer had to ask a friend to lend him a nickel to buy a copy of the Ada Evening News. Employees of the newspaper said the man wasn't broke. They couldn't change his \$1,000 bill.

The language of Egypt under the Ptolemies is still used by Coptic priests in parts of their ritual.

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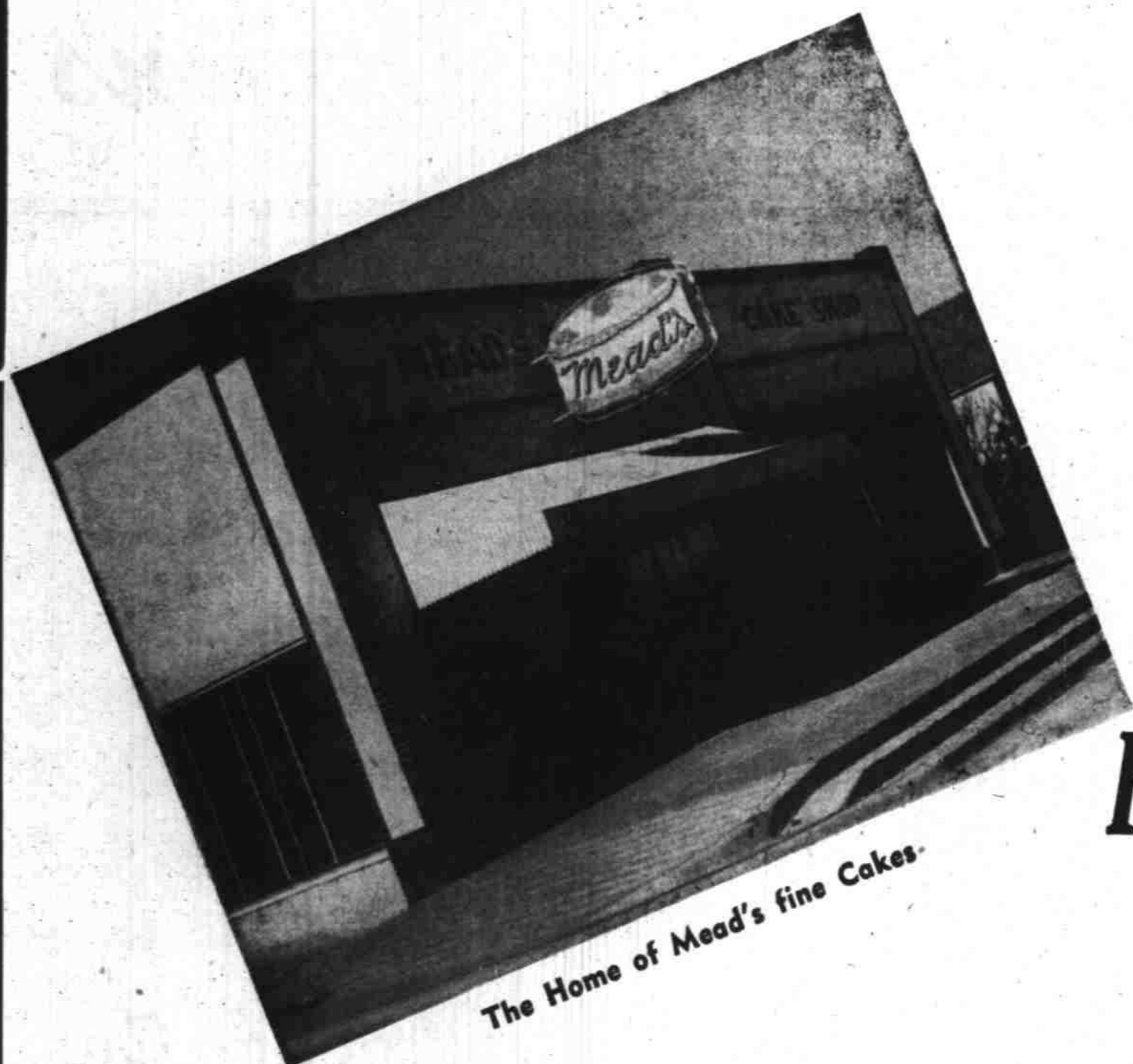
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Buick Makes Big Expansion Of Facilities

Buick has announced completion of its huge post-war reconversion, expansion and modernization program comprising 12 new buildings and more than two million square feet of new floor space, according to an announcement received here by McEwen Motor company.

According to the statement, issued from the office of Harlow H. Curtice, general manager of the company, the program, which required two years to complete, adapts all facilities for reproduction of half a million of the cars annually. Before the war the peak production was 378,000 machines in one year.

Largest of the new buildings is a sheet metal plant with 753,000 square feet of floor space for stamping, welding and painting hoods, fenders and other sheet metal parts. The four-story building is a half-block wide and 1,536 feet long and has what is believed to be the first factory escalators for employe convenience.

In addition to spending millions for buildings, some 2,500 new machine tools have been added. The set up now gives Buick 6,819,000 square feet of floor space on its 226-acre tract. The sheet metal unit alone uses more than 625 tons of metal per day.

Freedom's Confining

RAPID CITY, S. D., (AP)—A state-wide alarm was broadcast when a soldier escaped from the guard house at the army airfield here. Fourteen hours later the soldier surrendered. He'd spent his hours of "liberty" huddled under a nearby building.

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CHRISTMAS CLASSIC

Writer's Answer To Question Of Santa Claus' Existence

One of the classics of the Christmas season, Frances Parcellus Church's brilliant answer to a child's letter about Santa Claus is the type of thing that people enjoy reading and re-reading, and clipping to file away among the other gems they accumulate through the years.

Here, once again, is the child's letter and Church's human reply:

"Dear Editor:
I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa said, 'If you see it in The Sun it's so! Please tell me the truth. Is there a Santa Claus?'"

Virginia O'Hanlon.

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its



KEEPS HER FAITH IN SANTA CLAUS—Mrs. Edward Douglas, 58-year-old principal of Public School 31, New York City, who, as Virginia O'Hanlon, 50 years ago wrote the New York Sun to "Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?" keeps her faith in the answer she received by helping David Rosen, six, a pupil in her school, to write a letter to Santa. A now famous editorial by the late Francis F. Church answered her question and left her no doubts. (AP Wirephoto).

highest beauty and joy. Alas—how dreary would be the world if there were not Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We would have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus? You might as well not believe in fairies. You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the

UNIQUE PLAN

Indiana Village Has Answer To 'Is There A Santa:

Where else but in the United States would it be possible for a big-hearted town and a big-hearted organization to make up its collective mind to be Santa Claus—and square it with the postal department?

The story of how that very thing happened is related in the December American Legion Magazine in an article written by P. D. D. Sheridan.

There actually is a Santa Claus, individual Santa Claus, as many do not know. To the grown-ups he is Jim Yellig, Commander of American Legion Post 242, but to the youngsters he is the Santa Claus who answers the multitude of letters addressed to that jolly old gentleman.

Story Recounted
As Mrs. Sheridan recounts the story, years before Abraham Lincoln's father moved his family to Hoosier soil, a small group of early settlers migrated to the hills of Southern Indiana, there to build a village which they named Santa Fe.

As time went by, the little village grew by a few families and a few cabins each year, and in 1855 the settlers decided the village should have a post office. An application was made and the office of Santa Fe hoped to hear from Uncle Sam before Christmas of that year.

They did, on Christmas Eve but the news was bad—the postal department declared that since there was already another Santa Fe post office in Indiana, this one would have to be requested under a different name.

Determined to get their post office as quickly as possible, the citizens decided to discuss the matter that very night—Christmas Eve. As was the custom in those days, the meeting was held in the building which served on Sunday as a church, and of course there was a Christmas tree, garlanded with red berries and glistening popcorn.

New Application
Inside all was cheer. The youngsters sang the old Christmas songs and played the games popular at Christmas time. Suddenly the door burst open, and Santa Claus, stopping on his rounds about the town, entered on the scene of festivity.

A thought—name the village Santa Claus. The choice was unanimous. A new application went off to the postal department, and this time the application was approved. Santa Claus was granted the next year.

So, as another Christmas approaches, this famous Hoosier village again becomes a focal point for thousands of Americans who have emerged from a World War to discover the peace and hope of the future dwelling in a childhood dream—and the answer to that time-honored question, "Is there really a Santa Claus?"

Letters Received
Thereafter, Santa Claus, Ind., charitable organizations willing to receive hundreds of letters each year from children writing to "Dear Santa Claus". When the volume of mail outgrew the ability of one person to handle it, the Legion post, commanded by Jim Yellig, stepped in and agreed that it and other posts and auxiliary units would answer them.

Game Multiplying In Moscow Oblast
MOSCOW, (AP)—Wild boars and elk are multiplying in the forests of the Moscow oblast as they did 800 years ago. A census for 1943-1944 showed the oblast had about 1,500 elk. Last year the number reached about 2,000.

The boars are increasing. They were brought here a number of years ago from the south.

"Eighteen of us used to go crazy trying to give realistic sound effects for those shows," McParland said. "We had rock crushers, steam whistles and fire bells back of the screen and a 35-piece orchestra out front."

"We had a war picture one Sunday. I got hold of the adjutant general of the state national guard and he loaned me a Gatling gun. There was no blank ammunition for the gun, so he had an entire company stay up Saturday night digging the slugs out of the bullets. The theater even smelled like a battlefield after that show."

The National Library in Paris is generally considered to be the finest in the world. It contains almost five million volumes aside from maps, periodicals and other printed matter.

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Churches Join In Nationwide Support Poll

BY SHERRY BOWEN
AP NEWSFEATURES WRITER
NEW YORK—Churches in hundreds of communities throughout America are combining their resources in the United Church Canvass to promote religion spiritually and financially.

Denominational lines are forgotten in community-wide programs designed to urge every citizen to attend and support his own church. Sparkplug of the program is Earle B. Pleasant, national director of the canvass with offices in the Federal Council of Churches building in New York. He says 18 denominations, Protestant and Jewish, are formally allied with the canvass on a nation-wide basis, but many other denominations join the individual community programs, including Roman Catholic congregations.

Pleasant, who assumed his duties as the first full-time director of the canvass last April, is busy helping 250 communities arrange campaigns. More than 50 others are scheduled to go into action next spring and 182 others have asked for help in setting up a canvass.

The National canvass started in some places on Nov. 16, and will be underway in all points by March 7. Pleasant explains that these date settings by the national organization were based on practical considerations stemming from success of previous campaigns. Also national support in the form of public addresses, publicity releases and programs are available at these times.

Each church conducts its own campaign, but also participates in the community-wide program. Most of the churches also conduct their financial campaigns at this time.

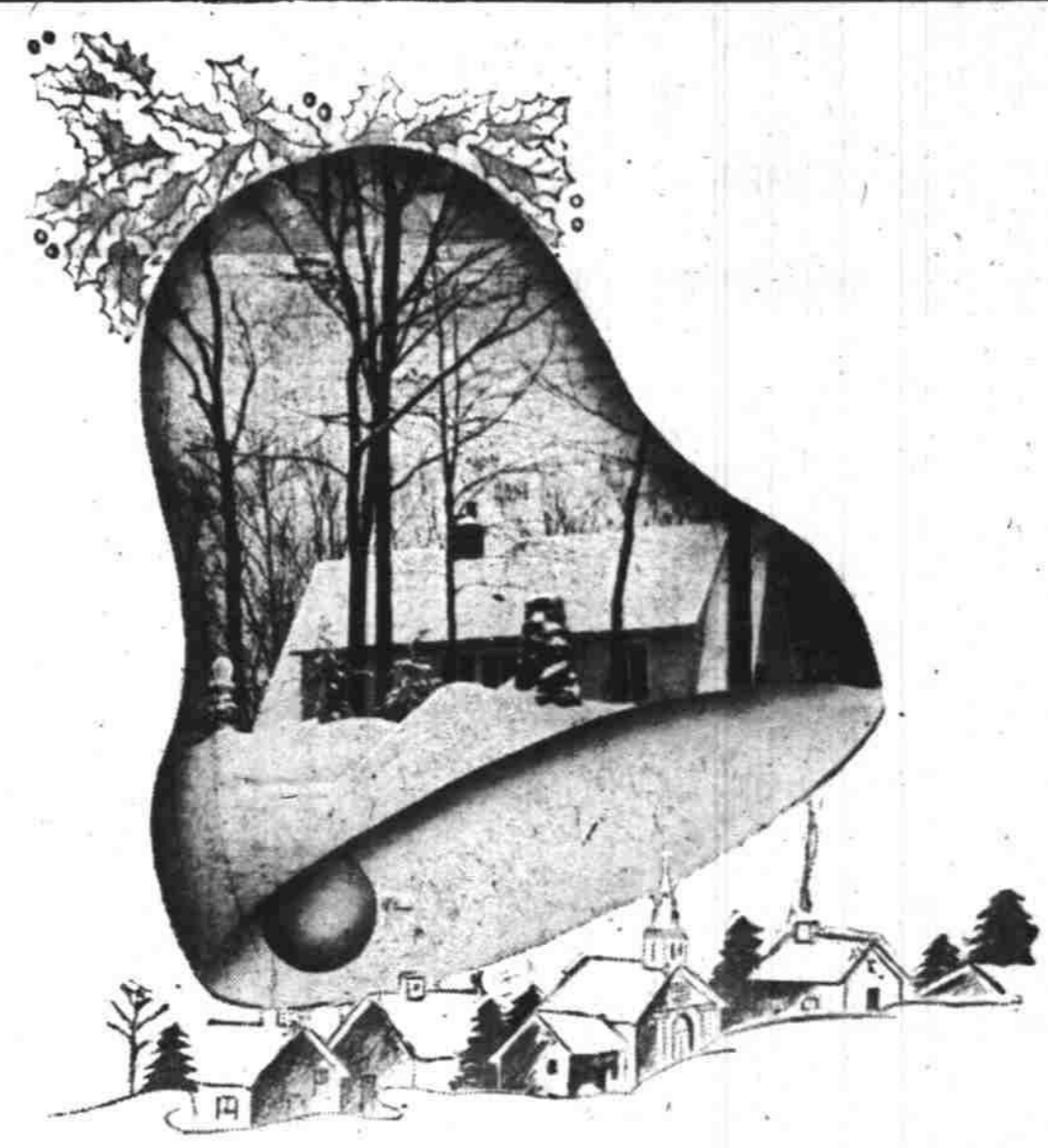
The national office provides typical theme poster each year and suggests a slogan, which Pleasant regards as highly important. Church going and church support are stressed in advertising, speeches, newspaper reports, meetings, and door-to-door solicitation. Merchants, theater managers, publishers, factories and other agencies are asked to cooperate.

"In every possible way, each citizen is reminded it is a good idea to support his church," Pleasant says. "The value of religion and of church organization to the community is stressed. And the results have been highly gratifying."

Angels Are Help For Traffic Police

HAMBURG, (AP)—Pretty school-girls between 12 and 14 years old dressed as angels helped Hamburg traffic policemen during road safety week.

Stationed at busy junctions, they helped old ladies, cripples and children across the road and warned youngsters to obey traffic rules.



A Joyous CHRISTMAS

We could offer you a few suggestions on how to be happy this Xmas—but instead, we are wondering if it wouldn't be better for us to look around and hunt up someone who has had some adversity and see if we couldn't help them carry their load, just for one day—maybe it would develop into a good habit to practice the year around—



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Merry Christmas

All of us are wishing all of you the best the season has to offer! That covers good health, good friends, good times and good fortune!

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OLD TRADITION

Mistletoe Is Parasite But Magic Deeds Credited To It

Mistletoe, that distinctive Christmas green so common in many parts of America is usually thought of as good decoration or as a creator of open season on ladies fair for otherwise bashful swains. Mistletoe did not always hold this position in our lives. The Dirsdau called it "all-heal," and thought it held many miraculous virtues. The Scandinavians dedicated it to their goddess of Love, Friga. Probably this goddess of Love is responsible for the custom of kissing under the mistletoe.

The power to heal, to protect against sickness, to perform magic deeds all these and more are the qualities ascribed to this plant in legends, traditions and even in ancient histories and literature.

Mistletoe is a parasite which infests branches of various trees, both hardwoods and conifers, but mainly on hardwoods. One species is found exclusively, however, on conifers.

Among the Celts and others, mistletoe which grew from the oak was considered to have peculiar magical virtues not possessed by that from other trees. Some even considered it so rare as to be only cut with a gold knife.

Another old tradition is that mistletoe supplied the wood for the holy cross, as previous to that time it was a forest tree but after the crucifixion was condemned to exist only as a dwarf parasite.

Mistletoe was taken over into the Christian tradition in due course and dedicated to the Christ Child. An old rhyme reads:

"The mistletoe bough
At our Christian board
Shall hang to the honor
Of Christ our Lord."

Many Practiced Early Shopping

"Do your Christmas shopping early" has been flaunted before us for so long we're actually heeding the advice, or so the indication is.

A survey of local stores reveals that Christmas shopping really did begin early this year, although a rushed business was expected clear up until closing time tonight.

Even before Thanksgiving Christmas business was rushing and one store manager stated that the more expensive a gift, the earlier it was purchased. Many women shoppers, buying for their families, started making selections for "lay-a-ways" even back in September, paying out the gifts by Christmas.

Among the notable libraries of colonial America were those of Elder William Brewster, Governor Winthrop and Dr. Cotton Mather.

CLICK, CLICK - NOT RUB-A-DUB

Machines Take Many Aches Out Of Washing, Ironing

If clothes could talk, they might tell a most interesting tale of their experiences while visiting a local laundry.

Unless the wearer visits a cleaning establishment and follows a family bundle through its paces he has no idea just how it's taken to a cleaning.

When bundles are received they are first tagged with laundry marks and sorted. Then they are placed in large mesh bags, caught with a huge numbered safety pin and put in large washing machines. Eight different waters surge through the clothes before they are removed and placed in spin driers. Sufficiently dried, they start on the last leg of their journey. Sheets, threaded through a large drying press, are folded with rhythmic turns by experienced workers. Shirts are segregated for the pressing of their lives. Six machines are required for the process which begins by placing the garment over a yoke-like apparatus for pressing cuffs and collars. Then the shoulders are steam pressed on another iron. The front is finished on still another and the back is steamed on a curved

press. Onto twin upright machines go the garment for a final touch on the sleeves and over to a steaming neck machine to achieve a flatness on the inside collar. At last turned over to a hand finisher, minute creases are ironed out by hand and the garment is folded on a special machine with cardboard collar inserts. Approximately 400 shirts go through this process each day.

A worker keeps a three press unit going at one time handling four garments on the machines simultaneously. It takes around 15 minutes to press khaki trousers but production time is met through operation of several machines and the skill and speed of pressers.

Pressed and folded, clothing is then taken into the sorting department and stacked according to a number assigned when the bundle was first received.

Ordinary time for handling an average family bundle is three days.

When Abraham Lincoln's family moved to Indiana in 1816 they settled in what is now Spencer County.



WE EXTEND TO YOU
OUR
Cordial Christmas GREETINGS
AND BEST WISHES
FOR THE NEW YEAR

S. M. SMITH BUTANE CO.
Lamesa Highway Phone 2032

Greetings

We send our warmest greetings to all our patrons for a very happy Yuletide holiday.

FRANKLIN'S
220 Main



May yours be a Merry Christmas

Just as simple, straightforward friendship is a fine relationship — there is no finer way to say what we feel than is expressed in these simple, straightforward words: "Merry Christmas!"

DIAMOND IMPORTERS
ZALE'S
Jewelers
Corner 3rd & Main

Merry Christmas

Every member of this organization joins in extending you heartiest Christmas greetings. May you meet the Yuletide with thoughts of happiness and may we all continue to have faith in our fellowman.

And from this complete understanding of those about us may we gain confidence and courage with which to meet the problems of the New Year.

The things you have wished for, and which are deservedly yours, may they come to you in abundance.

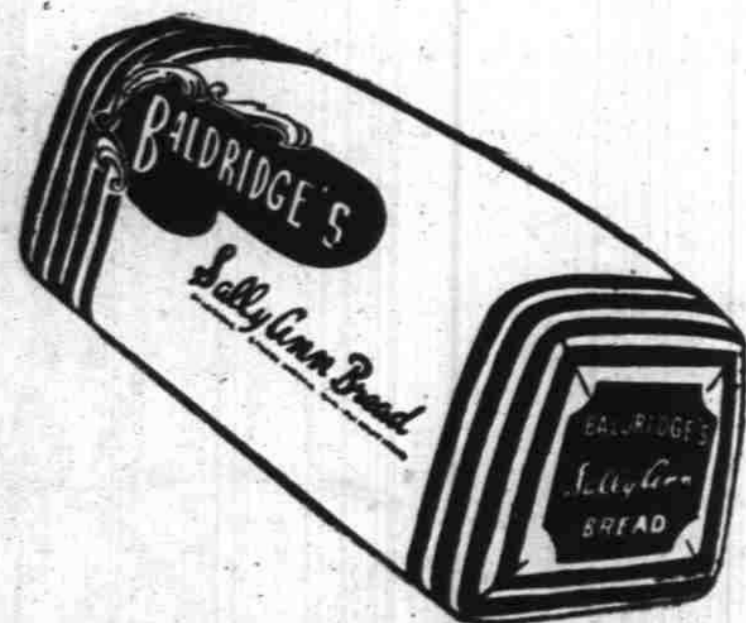
DOUGLASS FOOD MARKET
1018 Johnson Street Phone 78

MERRY CHRISTMAS

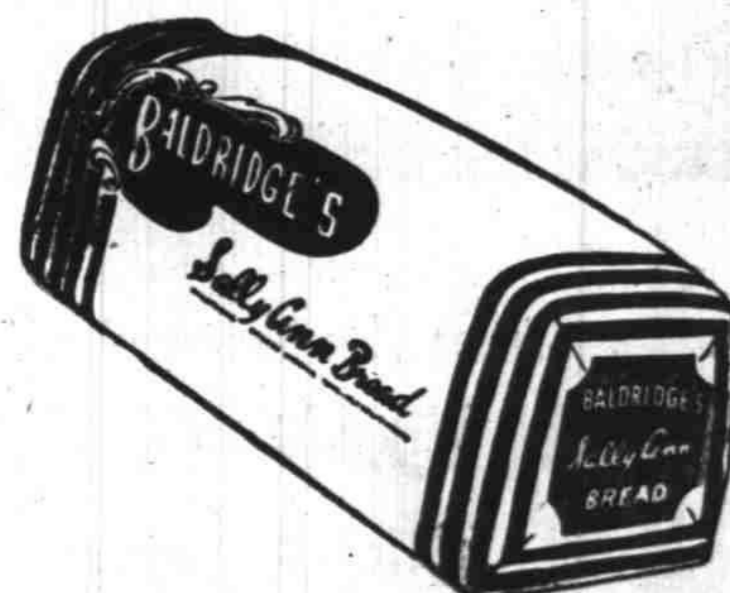


BALDRIDGE'S

Sally Ann BREAD



P. S. Happy New Year—Make A Resolution
To Try Baldridge's Sally Ann Bread



DISTRIBUTED IN BIG SPRING BY NEIL'S PASTRY SHOP

304 W. 18th

Phone 2609



We're sextons this Yuletide... We're climbing to the belfry and ringing those joyous, silver-toned bells till everyone of our friends hears the peals of Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

HOMER'S GROCERY & MARKET
201 RUMBLE - PHONE 236



The Season's Greetings to All

The Record Shop

211 Main

Phone 280

The George Oldham Implement Co.

On The Lamesa Highway



Takes This Opportunity To Extend
HOLIDAY GREETINGS

To Their Patrons and Friends

OLD TRADITION

Street Singers Cover Every Block In City Of St. Louis

Newsfeatures
ST. LOUIS — Approximately 40,000 St. Louisans, or nearly six times the population of the town of Bethlehem, are continuing a 24-year-old tradition by singing Christmas carols through an organized city-wide endeavor.

No. 1 caroler is 77-year-old William H. Danforth, who is chairman of the board of the Ralston-Purina Feed Company. He has been affiliated with the St. Louis Christmas Carols Association since its inception in 1911 and its president since 1926.

St. Louis, he says, is the only major city which has organized Christmas caroling on a large scale.

The 40,000 carolers, who disregard such things as creed or color barriers, cover nearly every block in the city on Christmas eve. One group visits the mayor's office where a brief interlude of carol singing officially opens Christmas caroling week.

From then on other volunteer groups, wearing identifying red hoods and capes, sing carols in hotel lobbies and restaurants, department store tea-rooms, the library, union station and many other stations and many other public spots.

Then on Christmas eve these 40,000 rehearsed carolers, of all age groups, move along residential streets while St. Louisans invite with lighted wreaths in their windows the familiar strains of the beloved carols.

The city has taken the project into its heart. Singing groups are welcomed into homes along the way. Entire families move to their porches to listen until the strains die away down the street.

Contributions are accepted, but not solicited, and last year the carolers turned in more than \$30,000 in what Danforth refers to as "little money," nickels, dimes and quarters.

Collections, which have totaled more than a quarter of a million dollars since 1924, go to approximately 35 charity groups. The money provides for new crutches, milk for undernourished children, dental work, eye glasses, braces and summer camps.

Churches, fraternities, sororities, business men's luncheon clubs, high school glee clubs, and similar groups register with the association's office for singing assign-

ments. Hostesses accompanying each group are the season's current debutantes and members of the city's Junior League chapter.

A volunteer committee of housewives, business executives, bankers, clergymen, university professors meets monthly from October through January to plan the Christmas week activities.

This year for the first time groups of carolers are appearing in a week-long series of television broadcasts.

Bethlehem Has Christmas At Three Times

Newsfeatures
BETHLEHEM—Celebration of three Christmases each year is part of the official duties of Issa-Effendi Bandak, Christian Arab mayor of this hilltop village where Jesus Christ was born.

Use of different calendars by western Christians, the Greek Orthodox and the Armenians, account for the three dates. But the mayor himself hangs his stocking but once, on the Christmas of his own church, the Greek Orthodox.

"Preparations for these great occasions, when the Church of the Nativity and the Manger Square in front of it is jammed with people, are not difficult," says the mayor. "For years traditions and customs have established set ceremonies which are carried out rigidly."

The mayor, who says he is "fond of collecting things about the Holy places," keeps a detailed diary and in his first year in office quickly became acquainted with the rigorous schedule of Christmas duties.

Bethlehem, a Hebrew word meaning "House of Bread," is the home of 9,000 Christians and 2,000 Moslems, all of them Arabs, and many of them believed to be descendants of the Crusaders. Across the Square from the Church of the Nativity is the Mosque of Omar, a smaller version of the Islamic shrine of the same name in Jerusalem.

The Christmas observance of the three largest Christian groups in Palestine, Greek Orthodox, Roman Catholic and Armenian, begins with the procession of their respective patriarchs from Jerusalem on the six-mile winding road along the top of the hills.

The mayor meets them in Manger Square and escorts them in solemn procession to their respective sections of the Church for Christmas Eve services.

Sirius Steals Some Thunder Christmas Eve

AP Newsfeatures
None to Yuletide stargazers: That bright star you're likely to notice in the east on Christmas Eve isn't the Star of Bethlehem. It's Sirius, a winter star, the brightest in the sky and the one which uniformly catches the attention of people who confine their astronomical observations to Dec. 24.

Star experts, amateur and professional, are accustomed to hearing Christmas Eve reports of a brilliant star in the east which "just must have been the Star of Bethlehem." But the only reason it isn't reported at any other time is that nobody pays much attention to stars in the east during the rest of the winter—except the people who know what they're seeing.

It has never been satisfactorily explained why so many persons have the idea a yearly appearance is made by a star which religious tradition says was sent, especially to guide Wise Men to the crib of an Infant Saviour nearly 2,000 years ago.

Some astronomers have theorized the Star of Bethlehem was in reality a close conjunction of the planets Jupiter and Saturn—perhaps accompanied by a nova which is a sudden and temporary flare of light from a previously faint star.

Mathematicians have calculated the two planets were very near each other as seen from the earth in May, October and December of the year 7 B. C. By itself, Jupiter is an extremely brilliant object when well placed for observation. Saturn is not so bright but the two of them together probably provided quite a spectacle.

How To Travel

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP)—If you're enterprising, it's possible to take your wife on a year-long trip to the tropics at no expense.

Catching their breath here before heading southward again, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McBride, of Los Angeles, told how they did it.

In a small boat they traveled down the California coast. The boat was sold in Mexico for "a big price." With that stake they went prospecting.

The gravel deposits of British Guiana paid off with about 60 ounces of gold and 250 carats of diamonds, McBride said. That balanced the books.

Soviets Develop Powerful Microscope

MOSCOW (AP)—A 100-Kilovolt microscope able to magnify 200,000 times has been produced in the Soviet Union.

An announcement says members of the electron and microscope branch of the Ministry of the Electric Industry have been working on the mechanism for a year and a half.

Prisoners Help Santa Remember All Children

DEER LODGE, Mont. — Warden John E. Henry and his boys at state prison, along with civic groups throughout the state, are seeing to it that no underprivileged child in Montana will be without a few surprises from Santa on Christmas morning.

The civic clubs collect hundreds of used toys, a group of prisoners rebuilds them like new and they are distributed to needy children on Christmas by members of the clubs participating in the plan.

Warden Henry, who began the

project last year, says it's the only one of its kind among the nation's penal institutions. He hopes the idea will spread.

The work is especially good for the men, too, says Henry.

Handicapped by lack of materials, the prison workers have rebuilt or repaired more than 1,800 dolls, pandas, teddy bears and animals of all descriptions in an old 160-foot long cell block.

You Can Get Tires For Holiday Trip

Not that they will be found dangling from your Christmas tree, but one "gift" of production which has eased shortages of a short time ago is the good old automobile tire.

That means that you may make

that little holiday trip with greater ease and safety than at almost anytime since the end of the war.

From the time tires were frozen right off the bat when war was declared until this year, supply has been a problem.

The end of the war in 1945 left production geared at a good rate. But there were some work stoppages, some problems of conversion, some of getting back raw rubber supplies to blend into synthetic stocks.

All in all, it added up to a race to catch up with demand in 1946. This year, however, the supply, in general caught up with demand and has remained close to staying abreast even in the face of stepped up new vehicle production.

To Greet You

We wish you all the joys of the Christmas season and a very happy New Year too!

Settles Beauty Shop

Settles Hotel Ina McGowan, Prop. Phone 43

WITH EVERY GOOD WISH FOR A
Happy Holiday Season

All that makes for a merry, merry Christmas... the voices of carol singers filling the air, the bells pealing melodiously, the holly wreaths hanging in the windows... all these things plus joy and happiness in your heart we sincerely hope is yours on this glorious holiday.

PENNEY'S
J. C. PENNEY CO., INC.



FAYE'S FLOWERS

120 1/2 Main

Phone 1877



In keeping with the gay spirit of the holiday when greetings pass from friend to friend, we hope that your Christmas will be a merry one and that the New Year will bring you true happiness.

Builders Supply

210 W. Third

Phone 1516

ONCE RIDICULED

Custom Of Sending Cards On Christmas Is 100 Years Old

Colorful Christmas cards today seem as much a part of Christmas tradition as does Santa Claus. Yet the custom of sending cheery Yuletide cards is only a little over 100 years old—and it met stubborn popular resistance during its early days!

Early Christmas card designers, back in the 1850's, met widespread public ridicule. Like Fulton and his steamboat, they were warned that the custom of sending Christmas cards "could never win popular support."

Today post offices are buried under the landslide of Christmas cards every holiday season. More than 1,500,000 Christmas cards will be exchanged in the United States alone this year, according to an estimate by the National Association of Greeting Card Publishers.

The first known Christmas card was designed in 1842 in London, England, by William Maw Egley, a sixteen-year-old engraving apprentice. He printed only one hundred copies, and sent them to his friends.

His quaintly cluttered card printed in black ink on white paper, showed a formal banquet, a party dance, skaters, and a typically English pantomime performance. Underneath the illustrations he wrote, "A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year To You"—still the most popular Yuletide greeting among all those ever composed.

The card won no fame for William Egley, and nothing is known of what happened to him when he

grew up. Four years later, in 1846, Sir Henry Cole asked an artist friend, J. C. Horsley, to design a Christmas greeting card for him. The drawing featured a decorative trellis covered with a grapevine including two small illustrations of acts of charity plus a larger panel picturing a merry family party, the celebrants all holding wine-glasses filled to the brim. One thousand copies were lithographed and sent to Sir Henry's friends.

The cards raised a storm of public criticism from crusaders for the temperance cause, who claimed that Sir Henry's design "promoted wine bibbing." Taught discretion, Sir Henry never issued another card.

In 1862, a London publisher, Charles Goodall & Sons, courageously began issuing cards, and they won rapid acceptance. During the intervening twenty years, Prince Albert had presented Queen Victoria with the first Christmas tree in England. Charles Dickens' jolly writings had popularized Yuletide festivities, and the stern English attitude toward Christmas had mellowed.

Meanwhile, the first Christmas card in the United States had been published by R. H. Pease of Al-

bany, N. Y. It was a commercial card picturing a family group, toys, a Christmas dinner, a wash-bowl, and advertising Pease's store. The card is not dated, and since Pease was in business in Albany from 1834 to 1855, it is possible that this card was even earlier than William Egley's.

Louis Prang, who issued his first cards from his litho shop in Boston in 1874, is known as the "Father of the American Christmas Card." Within a few years his cards were world-famous for their beauty and craftsmanship, and were being sold all over the United States.

Reproduced in as many as twenty colors, the Prang cards are unsurpassed by even the modern Christmas cards. Many were large in size and trimmed with a luxurious silk fringe, and sold for several dollars apiece. Unlike the present-day cards, however, Prang's cards pictured few of the traditional Christmas scenes, using instead designs featuring spring flowers, children playing, harvest scenes, birds and animals.

The richest, most vivid colors ever to appear on holiday greetings keynote 1947's gaily-hued Christmas cards. Eye-stopping reds and luminous green are especially prominent.

For the first time in six years, designers have been able to give full sway to their ingenuity, with the overcoming of paper shortages, printing facilities and manpower, and decorative materials. Plastic materials will be freely used in the latest cards.

THE GREATEST STORY OF THEM ALL

The story of the Nativity is the greatest of them all and as we observe this magnificent occasion, we pause to extend—

Season's Greetings

J & H DRUG

1712 Gregg St.

HERALD WANT ADS GET RESULTS

Dabney Warns Of Christmas Fire Hazards

A word of caution, urging local families to guard against fires in their homes during Christmas celebrations has been voiced by Mayor G. W. Dabney.

"The joy of opening gifts and participating in festive celebration can easily be transformed to sorrow by a small act of carelessness around the Christmas tree," the mayor reminded.

All families should guard against bringing open flames near their respective Christmas trees or other flammable decorations, the mayor continued in appealing for city-wide precautions.

Fire Chief H. V. Crocker echoed the mayor's appeal. Although the practice of decorating trees with open-flame candles has long since passed, the fire chief reminded that combustible materials are still used extensively in virtually all homes during the Christmas season. While such decorations are in place in the homes, proper care must be exercised, and no decorations should be placed near stoves or any other appliances which might ignite the Christmas materials, the fire chief concluded.

Big Spring Seldom Has Sled Weather

Sleds are not very high on the priority list of Christmas gifts for children in this section, and with reason. The kids find they can put the storied toys in use but about five or six times a year at best, for sleds must ordinarily be operated in snow and snow rarely visits Big Spring.

Local children have seen "white Christmases" but rarely—as a matter of fact, the last time the ground was covered in white on Dec. 25 was in 1939, when a light fall was in evidence at daybreak and a heavy fall occurred during the afternoon for a six-inch covering.

Last year's Christmas weather was not made to order, at least not according to tradition. Temperatures ranged as high as 72 in some sections of West Texas and the day here was clear.

The "sledding weather" was to come less than a week later, however, and extend over New Year's Day. Many of the local people who had planned trips to bowl football games or other places on that day had to remain home because of icy roads.

The "bad streak" of weather started on Dec. 29 when the temperature dropped to 29 degrees. By morning of the 30th, the ground was covered with a heavy fall. The temperatures continued low and the moisture became frozen—providing a solid base for the sleds but miserable underfooting for the persons who wanted to get to and from work.

In fact, many people remained away from work because the buses and taxis stopped running, and their automobiles could not function on the slippery pavement.

During the winter of 1939, when Big Spring experienced its last real "white Christmas," the city had snow falls at nine different times. Local residents apparently got their fill of snow that year.

On Dec. 20-21, 1941, it snowed but the moisture had dried by Christmas day. There was three inches of snow and sleet Dec. 24, 1943 while in '44 the white downpour arrived the day following St. Nick's day. Previous to the recent flurries, the other "white Christmas" occurred in 1904.

Merry Christmas...
and may all your dreams come true

The sweet trust, with which children turn to Santa for fulfillment of their wishes, is the very essence of the season's spirit. In sharing the dreams of childhood and bringing them to life your joy is ours!

WAITS

DIAMONDS WATCHES JEWELRY

115 East 3rd
BIG SPRING'S TRUSTED JEWELER SINCE 1930

Every facility of our store and every effort of our personnel is directed to make your shopping wholly enjoyable the year round.

*Not for just an hour —
Not for just a day —
But always . . .*

*Our best wishes
For a Merry Christmas
And a New Year
That will bring you
Every happiness.*

Best Wishes

LAKEVIEW GROCERIES

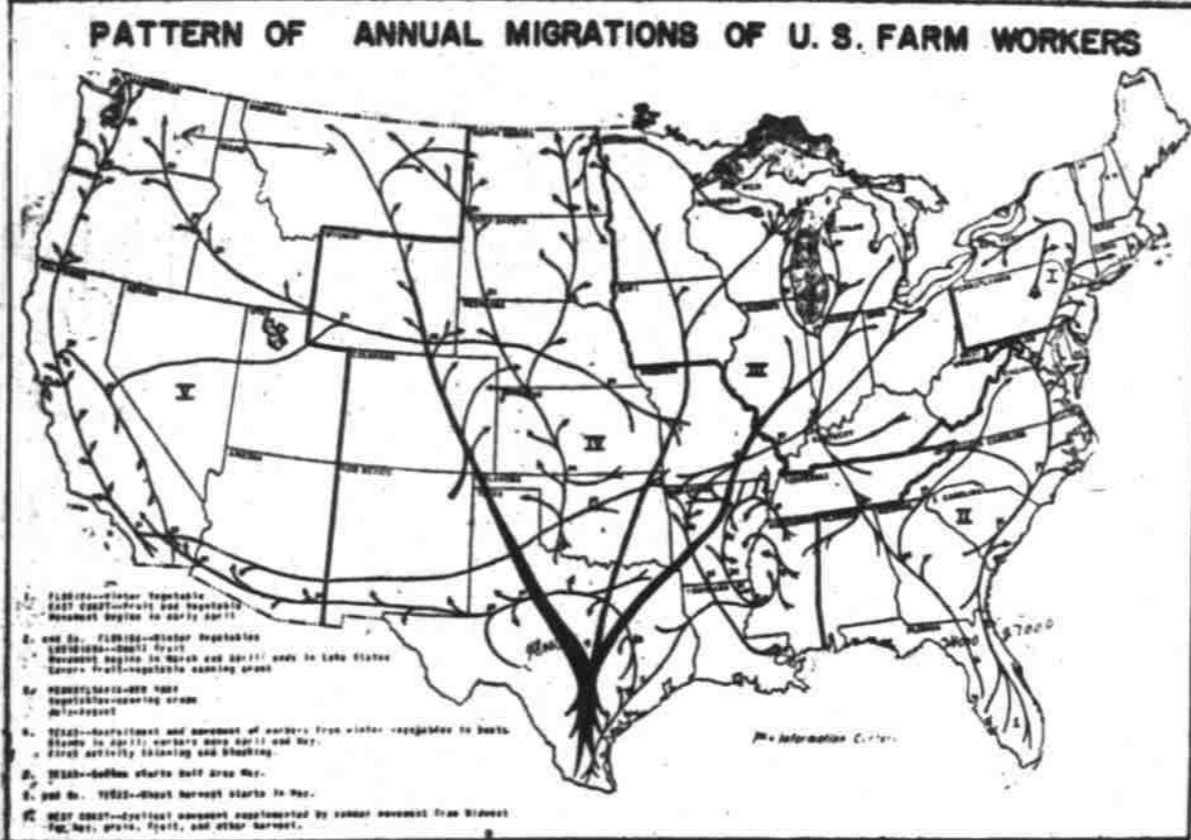
No. 1
2000 W. 3rd

No. 2
Lamesa Highway



May your Christmas be bright as a song and radiant with the warmth of neighborly hospitality and joyous good fellowship.

HOME CAFE
125 E. Third Phone 117



MIGRATION PATTERN—Texas has a big stake in the National Farm Labor Program as shown in the above migration pattern. In 1947 twenty-four states used Texas migratory farm workers. On January 1, 1948, the Texas Employment Commission will again take over the program from the U. S. Department of Agriculture to which it was transferred as an emergency measure in 1942. First migration takes place about April 20 and is followed by other major migrations as late as December. Texas Employment Commission's 102 full-time local offices and 87 itinerant are located in the arcas of heaviest agricultural activity, from which the flow of interstate and intrastate farm labor supply and demand will be controlled.

FEDERAL CONTROL TO END TEC Will Handle Placement Of Farm Labor After Jan. 1

Placement of farm workers in Howard, Sterling, Mitchell and Scurry counties will be handled by the Big Spring office of the Texas Employment Commission after Jan. 1 when the general program over the state will be returned by the U. S. Department of Agriculture to the TEC, L. O. Connolly, local manager, has announced.

Word already has come from the Texas Employment commissioner that Texas farmers' labor demands will come first, since the Lone Star state plays an important part in the national farm labor picture. Connolly said cooperation of all farmers, works and farm groups is now being actively solicited by his office, and that within the next 60 days he hopes to be able to explain the commission's aims, objectives, policies and methods to interested groups.

Our farm labor problems are largely restricted in this area to cotton and grain sorghums," he said, "and labor demands are usually highest during cultivation, planting and harvesting seasons during August, September, October and November. We are now compiling the total acreages planted and this will be reduced to the number of workers needed and checked periodically for seasonal changes."

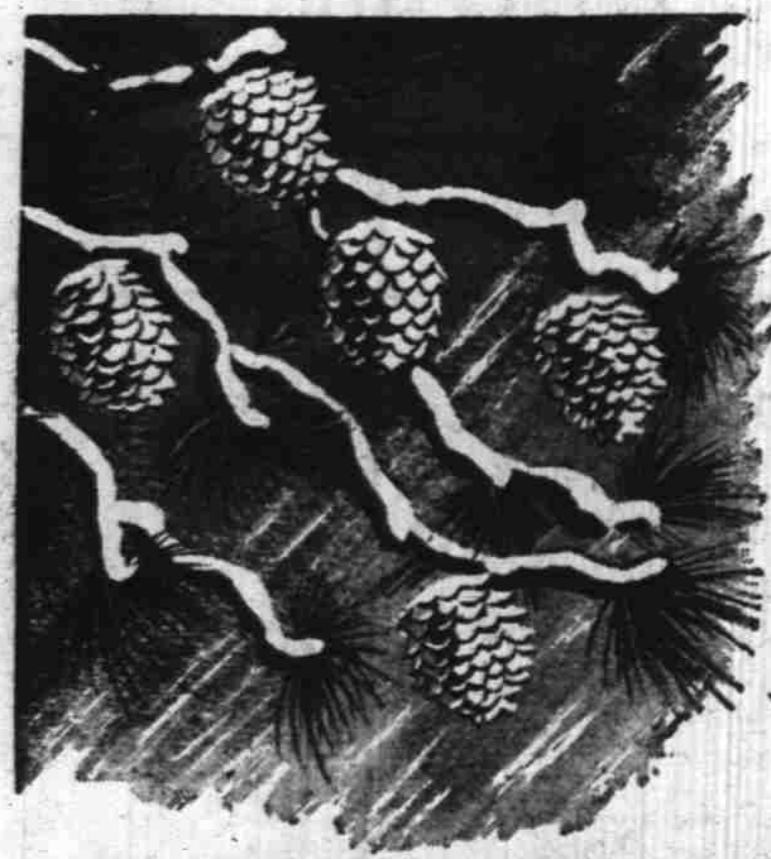
Connolly said any farmer requiring hands or any farm workers looking for jobs should get in touch with the employment service office, 112 W. Second street in Big Spring at the earliest possible moment. He pointed out that accurate demand and supply information in advance of actual needs would help prevent confusion and disappointment when the big rush begins.

Connolly already has met with chamber of commerce officials and the county agent, and working agreements on the handling of farm placement problems are now being worked out.

"Our office will make every effort to serve both farmers and workers satisfactorily and if we are given the confidence of both, I am sure we can deliver the goods," Connolly concluded.

As for the farm labor picture over the state, R. M. McKinley, Texas Employment Commissioner has declared that "Texas farmers will come first in getting farm workers in 1948."

"Farmers needing one or 1,000 hands will get exactly the same service from each of our offices, and when and if our Texas demands are met we will route the surplus to other states proving the greatest need. We intend to use local labor in all counties first, and to route only as much extra labor into a community as is actually needed. We intend to route that labor out of communities when the job is done."



SEASON'S *Greetings*
May good cheer and contentment be yours on this joyous holiday.

H. B. REAGAN AGENCY

217 1/2 Main Phone 515



"They pealed the bells more loud and deep,
God is not dead, nor doth he sleep!
The Wrong shall fail,
The Right prevail
With Peace on earth, good will to men"

HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW

WALKER AUTO PARTS

409 E. 3rd St. Phone 145



Heartiest Yuletide Greetings to all our friends

Army Surplus Store

114 Main Telephone 1008



We sincerely offer you our cordial good wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS and at this time take the opportunity of thanking you for your consideration and patronage and friendship.

During the oncoming year all our resources and ingenuity and efforts will be incorporated in our efforts to serve you better and more efficiently.

Best Wishes



VAUGHN'S SWEET SHOP

103 Main

Phone 146



THE BELLS OF CHRISTMAS ring out, filling the air with their sweet, melodious tones . . . filling men's hearts with overwhelming joy. Voices are lifted up in happy unison. Bells and people join in chorus — pealing out — singing out the merriest greetings of the Christmas season. Familiar music to all ears — music that proclaims "unto us a Savior has been born" — music that inspires happiness . . . music that carries from one to the other the very best of wishes — good health, good cheer, good fortune and above all — a message for a most wonderful Christmas.

West Texas Compress and Warehouse Co.

'DAY OF ACCOUNTING'

Let Us Have A Merry Yule, Tomorrow Comes Inventory

Let us be merry at the Yuletide, gentlemen, for tomorrow we shall face inventory.

Fortunately, this "happy" thought at Christmas eve may chill the marrow of only three or four thousand souls in the county, for mostly it holds prospects of drudgery for those engaged in distribution.

By and large, it affects those engaged in selling of one kind or another, and in the case of other businesses those who carry stocks and supplies. Thus, even industries are, in some instances, involved,

especially if the fiscal year concludes with the calendar year.

It is work, for in the case of a grocery store every item must be counted, whether by case, can, box, bottle, or pound. The clothing establishment must count by yards, garments, pairs, dozens, spools, etc. The jeweler must tabulate by pieces, gems, trinkets, dozens, etc. The poor hardware man, may he rest in peace, has about as vexatious a time as anyone, what with counting nuts, bolts, screws, measuring feet of pipe, pounds of

ropes, water hose, sucker rods, wire, and a welter of other things. Industries as well as businesses may take stock of equipment and fixtures as well as rolling stock and raw materials on hand.

All of this serves a definite and useful purpose. By putting a cost value against all the items in stock and in use, comparing it to the inventory at the previous Jan. 1 (or whatever the date), and taking into consideration the things which turned over (sold) during the year, the heads of the business are able to determine more accurately where they are in reference to operations and profits.

Moreover, they are able to note increase (or loss) in capital goods and equipment, to ascertain if there has been undue leakage in handling of goods and services, and if so to locate and take steps to plug them. It is, in a sense, the day of accounting.

Aside from the wisdom of the practice for those in charge of businesses, inventory answers many questions Uncle Sam may ask in the not distant future when tax payments come due. Businessmen, too, are required by law to render their goods to other agencies. And if someone should walk in the front door sometime during the year and say, "What will you take for this place?" the businessman can have a fair idea of what his answer will be.

The practice of perpetual inventories (checking daily against the amount withdrawn from stock against the amount put into stock) lightens the load in many instances, but even in many of these cases there must be an inventory on the inventory sometime during the year.

All in all, it's a great deal like that Saturday night bath—inevitable but useful.

HAS OWN PLAN

Maben Is Ardent Backer For Idea Of World Government

George G. (Bill) Maben, 57, 504 E. 4th street, who once announced himself an avowed candidate for president, would like nothing better than to be a "peace envoy" to the world.

"They say a rolling stone gathers no moss," declared Maben, "but I've picked up a lot of ideas in my roaming which has covered 37 states."

Like the late Will Rogers, he says that all he knows is what he reads in the papers, and reading has convinced him that the only solution to unsettled conditions of today is in a world government. He has set down some concrete points in this direction:

1. That the chief executive of each nation name a representative with full authority to elect a member of representatives of all nations as temporary president of the "United Nations of the World" (until Jan. 1, 1951).

2. The president of UNW to become commander-in-chief of the UNW armies, broadcast an appeal for full military support and move against recalcitrant nations.

3. The UNW to freeze all gold and silver, to issue gold, silver and paper money negotiable at its face value anytime and anywhere in the world; to possess the right to levy against land and water anywhere in the world for tax purposes of necessary; to draw up a universal bill of rights, guaranteeing anyone the right to establish a home anywhere he chose; to impose a six per cent transaction tax with the city where the transaction took place to get one per cent, the county, state, Nation and UNW to get a like amount and the final one per cent to go into universal social security fund.

If Maben can get to Washington, he plans to seek audience with high government officials to lay his plans before them. He'd like the privilege to stump anywhere at anytime for his ideas, believing

that they offer the means of breaking up this business of verging on war.

It was back in 1932 that Maben announced he was running for the presidency. At the time he was more than a little displeased with the way things were going in the last days of the Hoover administration. He had one plank, and it was a proposal to utilize the Mississippi river for mass irrigation, believing that this would automatically solve flood control problems while opening new vistas of productivity.

In his time he has covered a lot of ground. Born in Fisher county he punched cattle for years, even following his trade to Sonora and Chihuahua in Mexico. In intervening years he has trekked over most of the nation, beating a path from here to California, and to Colorado, Utah and Nevada.

Maben saw service in World War I in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg, and during the last war was a plant guard in Arizona, California and other points.

"Some of my ideas may sound far-fetched," he says, but he does not figure that anyone has a monopoly on ideas. And when one gets consuming control of him, he is not one to be silent; like as not Maben will take to the road to seek out those whom he believes would be in a position to do something. Bad health has slowed him physically, but he still likes to "figure things out."

Yule Activity In Swing At State Hospital

Yuletide activities have been in full swing at the Big Spring State hospital which is observing the Christmas holiday with a week's program of activities.

Gifts were being wrapped by patients early today in preparation for a Christmas tree and party which will be held this afternoon. Gifts will be distributed by Santa Claus and patients who do not get gifts from home will receive presents from the hospital. The annual Christmas dance is scheduled for this evening and for all patients who care to participate.

Early Christmas morning fruits, nuts and candy will be distributed and a carol program will be conducted before shut-ins are visited.

A tempting meal has been planned for Christmas day and served will be the following menu: roast turkey, southern dressing, giblet gravy, cranberry sauce, buttered peas, creamed potatoes, pineapple salad, stuffed celery, pickles, lettuce, olives, hot rolls and butter, fruit cake, coffee, tea and milk.

Patients will attend a movie in town in the afternoon, and Friday, carrying festivities through the week, a morning program will be held outside on the hospital grounds. Also scheduled is an afternoon party.

Christmas plans got underway last Saturday with choir rehearsal and Sunday afternoon special services were conducted by the Rev. Aubrey White and a choir from the Wesley Methodist Memorial church.

Monday the hospital Christmas tree was decorated and buildings ornamented, and in the afternoon patients went on a downtown shopping tour.

Catholic mass was said Tuesday morning and activities in the afternoon included a Christmas tree and party for the occupational therapy department. Tuesday evening a show was presented for patients.

DEAD ARE REMEMBERED

The spirit of Christmas has even extended to the local cemetery where a number of graves bear markers of the holiday season.

Bright wreaths, arrangements of holly and cedar are in evidence with bouquets of fresh flowers.

Several stores have displayed special arrangements for holiday decoration of graves and markers range from crosses of cedar to wreaths in silver with pine cone trimmings.

The Navy's 1946-47 Antarctic Expedition flew over an area half as large as the United States, 340,000 square miles of which had never before been seen by man.

A BRIEF MESSAGE BUT ONE OF SINCERITY....

COMPLIMENTS

of the Yuletide Season!

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Phone 2213



THIS Christmas, as in all past Christmases, our thoughts and affection for our friends remain bright. So, our best wishes of the season to you—and hopes for a happy New Year!

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A SEASON

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Lamesa Hwy. Phone 2126



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Bring out all the tinsel and tree trimmings! Sing out the gayest of Carols! Have Christmas in your heart and share it with everyone you know!

L. I. STEWART

APPLIANCE STORE

Butane Gas And Equipment

306 Gregg

Phone 1021



Merry Christmas to All!

It's Christmas Eve. Everything lies in wait for the Big Day... the stockings ready for the filling... a tree adorned with multicolored balls prepared for the laughter and joyous voices of all who search 'neath it on the morrow for splendid gifts... warm, roomy chairs awaiting visitors to share Yuletide with the family... On this night before Christmas, we wish one and all, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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"Quality Furniture For Those Who Care"

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FLIGHT INTO EGYPT
Lu Hung Nien

ORIENTAL CHRISTMAS STORY — Christmas themes are vital all over the world wherever there is Christianity. But the ideas of the Christmas story are conceived in terms which are familiar to the individual worshipper, says Daniel Johnson Fleming in his book, "Each With His Own Brush." Although he finds Christian art in its infancy throughout the Orient, his book contains a number of pictures from India and China stressing the Christmas symbolism, but containing many of the features associated with other Oriental art. Four of the pictures from the book, published by Friendship Press, are reproduced here. The artists often received encouragement from missionary leaders, but Fleming says the pictures frequently are representative of deepest emotional realities for the men who created them as well as for those who see them. (AP Newsfeatures).

HIGH COST OF LOVING
GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (UP)—The cost of making love in an automobile, like everything else, is going up. New traffic regulations include a boost in fines from \$3 to \$5 for "embracing or being embraced while a car is in motion."

CAMPUS NOTES
COLUMBUS, O. (UP) — Capt. Bob Jabbusch, Ohio State footballer, was presented with a baby carriage by members of the squad when he became the father of a son.

TAKES LONG LOOK
OKLAHOMA CITY (UP) — Robert Schiebert, 32, county jail trustee, told guards he was leaving garbage detail to go to a cafe for a "package of cigarets." When he was arrested 7 days later, he said he was "still looking for those cigarets."


PHEASANT IN LUCK
WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE, O. (UP)—A pheasant astonished Sheriff Orland Hays by walking into his office at the courthouse. However, it was out of season and the bird was released in the country.

NOW WE KNOW
ST. PAUL, Minn. (UP) — Hjalmar Carlson, a tailor, often wondered how many stitches there were in a suit of clothes, so he counted them. Carlson says there are 29,888 in a coat, 9,591 in pants, and 7,740 in a vest.

IDAHO CURTAIN LIFTED
MOSCOW, Ida. (UP)—The University of Idaho will drop its bars against non-Idaho residents next semester. President J. E. Buchanan said the big rush of veterans appears to be leveling off and construction of additional housing facilities permitted enrollment of selected non-residents.

Lilacs were brought to America by early European colonists.

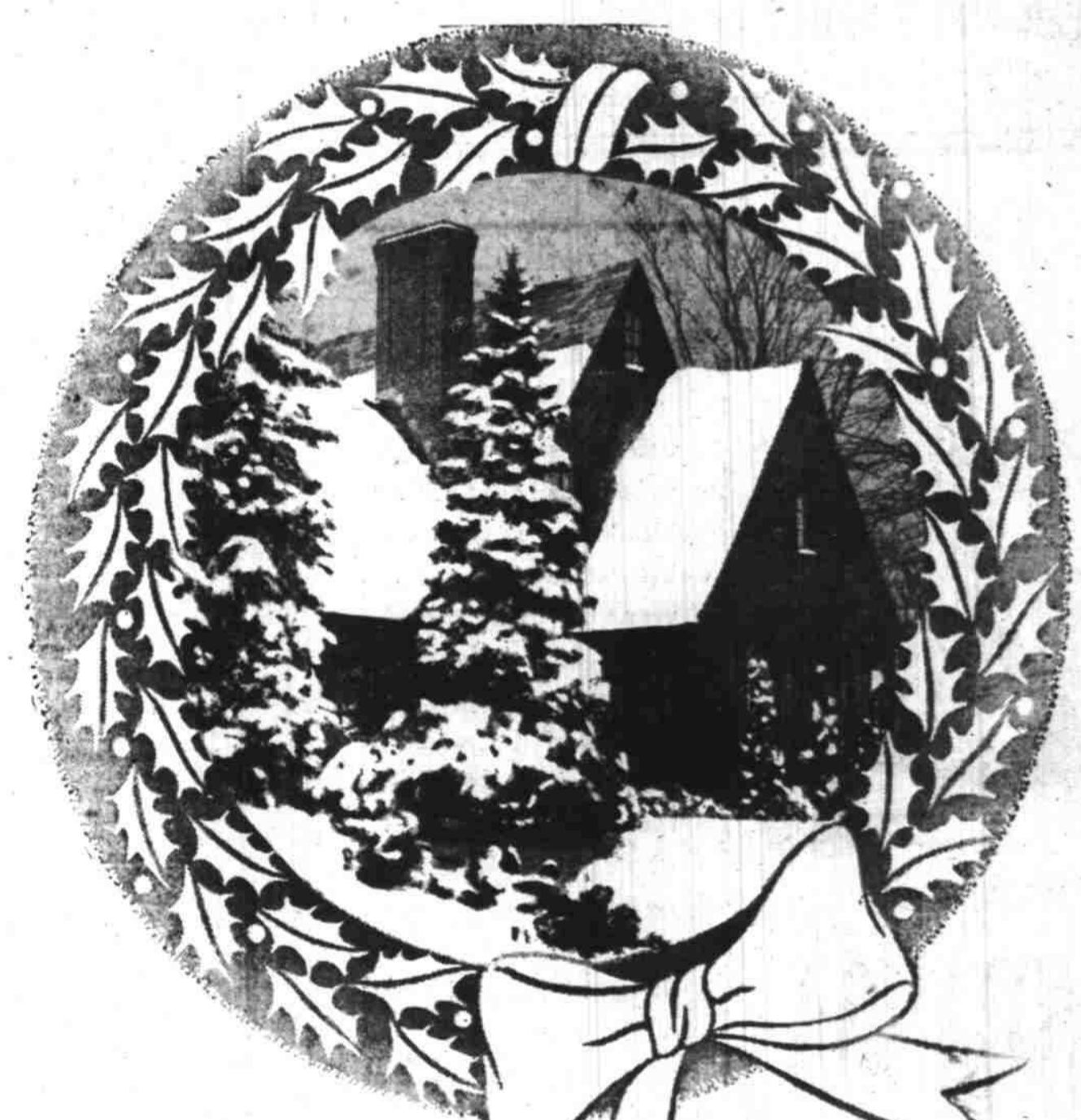
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A Merry Old Fashioned Christmas

Tinkling sleigh bells and soft white snow . . . holly wreaths and mistletoe . . . roasted turkey and pumpkin pie . . . the friendly handshakes of visiting friends and gay voices wishing you well . . . Blend all these together and you have our Christmas greetings! Good old fashioned greetings that mount in meaning each year as we say MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.

ROY CARTER
GROCERY & MARKET
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Greetings

We express to you Yuletide wishes as bright and gay as the lights on your Christmas tree. And a very happy New Year, too.

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THOMPSON GROCERY

West Highway 80

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Merry Christmas



May the glow of Christmas blessings rest upon your homes and light your paths for health, happiness and prosperity throughout the coming year. Merry Christmas, all!

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Phone 138

CHRISTMAS CHEER



This is the season for good will and good cheer, to be shared by new friends and old. Our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year go forth to all on this gay occasion.



THE ARMY STORE

205 Main

All signs point to a Very Merry Christmas

All of us send you our best wishes. May you enjoy the full beauty of this most joyous of seasons.

"Merry Christmas"
Lee Jenkins
TIRE SERVICE

3rd and Gregg Phone 1050

Five Strangers Remember True Meaning Of Christmas

By Leatrice Ross

The small structure a family called "home" had been erected—or more correctly, put together—on a gently sloping hillside, several hundred yards from the roadway in suburban Big Spring in a sparse settlement of half a dozen such dwellings. Tattered, grayish clothing of doubtful utility flapped in a chilly wind from a line suspended between two gnarled tree stumps. The five passengers in the 1947 DeSoto looked about disdaintfully. . . .

These five expected that here they would find a meager household wanting of all the necessities of a comfortable life. They had graciously come to the abode as a part of their study in a modern college class in an attempt to understand these wants. But they found instead something that they themselves lacked—that feeling of expectation once synonymous with Christmas. A tall blonde girl, scarcely 18 years old, met them hospitably, invited them into her ill-furnished "living room" out of the cold, even before she asked their names. She sat near a "wood" range and talked smilingly about her two sons, about the third child she was expecting, about her husband who for many months had been too ill to work. The handicap of three children in her extreme youth, and deprivation of even a few luxuries for their sakes, never even occurred to her. There would be no elegantly ornamented Christmas tree for the two slender boys, but they would know that it was Christmas—and know what that meant. And no mother could have been happier over the simple celebration she was planning for her family. . . .

cause to her they were but a part of living. She wanted the guests to know what she planned for, these handsome offspring, what they would do when they grew up, and of what she must do to help them. And Christmas. How fortunate they were that there was such a day—a day to especially be thankful for the things she was grateful for all the days of the year! There would be a yule observance in this household too. . . .

And the five young people came away. They were not thinking of the absence of Christmas trees and of turkey feasts in these homes; they were remembering Christmas at their own home where these things were present. And they knew they were not present because they were thankful for the warm home and family and their own health. . . . They weren't pitifully counting the lacks in the two

homes they had just visited; they were remembering what their own homes had that they had never thought much about before. . . .

Wrapping Of Gifts Reaches New Heights

If gift wrapping popularity keeps growing the time will come when the outside covering and decoration might equal or even surpass the contents of the package. Each year gifts become more elaborate in their outside dresses and yards of ribbons, plus sprigs of cedar, holly and mistletoe are used to enhance their beauty. . . .

It was around 12 years ago when shoppers began to note that the gift wrapping department had had its face lifted. Up until that time, Christmas cord variegated with tinsel was used by the majority of package wrappers, who achieved their decorations by adding Christmas seals. . . .

With the introduction of larger, more elegant bows and the overwhelming popularity of cellophane, came a new era in gift wrapping. Department stores, drug departments and all business houses with Christmas gifts for sale, offered a new service of gift wrapping. Special employees were brought in to handle nothing but gift wrapping and even mailings and today the business is still flourishing. . . .

A boon to busy housewives at Christmas time, the service has become very worthwhile. Special gift boxes (usually bearing the name of the store) have been put into use and an expert job is accomplished with various patterns of twining ribbons and lacing package streamers. . . .

Miniature Santa Clauses, Christmas boots and reindeer attached with string to the package ribbon are used in ornamenting gifts, while others may jangle with small Christmas bells. . . .

Men shoppers particularly like the service of gift wrapping as they take their "Christmas" home complete with the prettiest wrappings available and are no longer faced with the all-thumbs job of making bows. . . .

PLANNING TRIP?

Facilities For Travel Good Here

If you are going somewhere or expecting someone today or during the Christmas holiday season, you have at least 48 chances a day so far as public carriers operating here are concerned. . . .

Four bus companies lead the list in numbers of schedules, with 34 trips going in four directions each 24-hours. This, of course, is the minimum, for many have been operating double sections for several days now. Air carriers rank second in number of schedules, offering 10 flights daily out of Big Spring, and here again double sections have been employed when the traffic load warrants. . . .

Operating only four passenger trains daily from Big Spring, the T. & P. railroad nevertheless is a volume carrier, for long trains are the rule around holidays. Any train might be carrying 300 or more passengers at one trip, and as trains grow longer each car will mean about 50 more. . . .

Add to all this the thousands of private automobiles which might be pressed into service and transportation isn't the bottleneck around holidays that it was during the war. Then gasoline rationing eliminated most of the private travel, and few other than military personnel got accommodations on public carriers, and most of the civilians who braved the throngs were wives and families of servicemen. . . .

So this year, prospects are good for those who want to be home for Christmas—provided they play it safe. . . .

THERE'S A CATCH

Holiday Bills May Reach New Heights But ---

When you total up your Christmas bills, as you may have already done or doubtless will do within another week, the figure may set some sort of a record. . . .

And your mind may run back a dozen years. It was a buyers' dream. Things for your table were hams at 28 cents, shortening from 12 to 21 cents, small apples at 15 cents a dozen and small oranges at a penny each. . . .

Butter ranged from 19 to 25 cents, jumbo stalks of celery went at 12 cents a stalk, potatoes at about a cent and a half a pound, sweet potatoes for your candied yams at two cents a pound. . . .

Lemons brought 17 cents a dozen, three small cans of crushed pineapple were yours for 25 cents, and five cents a pound was the only controlling factor on the amount of sugar you bought. . . .

Other things, such as the turkey, hen or beef were proportionately low, none over 25 cents a pound. Clothing, toys, cosmetics, garments and all other gift lines were in line and a dollar was the accepted limit except for some highly personal gifts. . . .

Good old days? Well, hardly. There's one catch. A lot of people were bringing home \$15 a week, and the fellow with a \$25 per week job was pretty well hitched. And appeals for charity had a real ring, for on many blocks there was a family whose head was out of a steady job. Stores stayed open until 8 p. m. from Dec. 1 until Christmas, many until 10 p. m. or later the day before. . . .

So when you count your bills, this year you may not be so bad off after all. . . .

Racket Uncovered

NEW ORLEANS (UP) — The newest magazine subscription racket here uses as bait the returned war veteran. The Veterans Administration has warned New Orleans housewives against door-to-door agents taking subscriptions for periodicals "to be sent to our boys in the veterans hospitals." VA says its hospitals provide ample library facilities. . . .

Greek Navy Gets Supplies From U. S.

ATHENS (UP) — The navy group of the American Mission for Aid to Greece has imported into Greece naval clothing, supplies and spare parts, valued at \$423,854, for the Greek navy since the first shipment last year. . . .

Seven ships delivered a total of 271 tons of supplies. About \$180,679 of this sum was spent for clothing, \$89,872 for general store supplies, and \$153,303 for minesweeping spares. . . .

L. George Kost, of Chicago, assistant supply officer of the navy group, indicates that of the \$12,000,000 allocated to navy requirements \$4,229,813 has been obligated for additional purchases of clothing and general stores, ordnance, engineering equipment, public works, naval construction fuel and medical stores. . . .

If the birth rate in the United States during the 1930s had been long continued the number of people in the country would have declined, barring heavy immigration. . . .



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On Christmas Eve, Behold The Sight;
A Single Star Is Shining Bright,
With Silver Rays, To Point The Way
To Warmth And Love On Christmas Day.

Lee Hanson

126 East Third



Our greetings go out to you for the merriest Christmas

ever. May yours be a holiday overflowing with happiness

and good cheer. With our Yuletide greetings and

best wishes for a happy New Year go our heart-felt thanks

for your kind patronage of the past — for your

continued patronage in the future.

The Shroyer Motor Co. & Employees

(Your GMC & Oldsmobile Dealer)



All the pleasant thoughts a gift can bring... all the happy wishes, too... are cheerfully offered in our Christmas greeting to you.

The Waffle Shop

China Purchases Radio Equipment

NEW YORK, Dec. 23. (AP)—The Radio Corporation of American announced recently the purchase by the Chinese Government of a substantial quantity of equipment for use in a program of modernizing that country's communications. Meade Brunet, vice-president of RCA and managing director of the RCA international division, said the radio communications equipment would be used for operations between Shanghai and six other Chinese commercial centers, as well as Manila and New York. He added that some of the equipment already has been delivered and is being installed with the help of RCA engineers.

TULIPBURGERS

MILWAUKEE (U.P.)—The John Drees family thought the hamburger sandwiches with sliced onion tasted a little odd, but no comment was made. The next morning Mrs. Drees discovered she had sliced up some of her husband's tulip bulbs instead of the onions.

TOASTMASTERS TRAIN

DENVER, (U.P.)—Toastmasters from four western states met in Denver to train themselves in the ability to speak well in public and to promote community welfare. Member clubs of the Toastmasters International represented at the Denver meeting came from Wyoming, Washington, California and Colorado.

Too little potash in the fertilizer of a tobacco crop may result in inferior burning quality.



BELL OF BETHLEHEM — This is one of the bells of Bethlehem which will peal on Christmas Eve, reminding the world of the birth of the child Jesus. In the background is the field of shepherds where the angel appeared and spoke to the shepherds of the birth of the child. (AP Photo).

PECULIAR ECONOMICS

Australia Hits Back When U.S. Won't Buy Her Wool

SYDNEY, Australia (U.P.)—Australia is busily chopping American imports to the bone and talking about austerity. Mostly, the Australians are blaming dwindling American purchases of her wool, the nation's primary industry and biggest dollar earner.

Australians, eager to resume buying of such "Yank" goods as cigarettes, automobiles, corsets, ayons, typewriters and fountain pens, are wondering why America is not buying more of their famed wools. Especially they wonder since the recent 25 per cent slash in the U. S. imports duty of 34 cents a pound.

In recent months, Britain has displaced the United States as the biggest wool customer. Stockpiling during the war led to the use of Australian wool on a large scale by United States fabricators.

During the four months July to October, 1947, sales were down between 33 and 40 per cent compared to the same period in 1946. The United States took an estimated 20 per cent of the \$106,276,000 value of wool sold at auction in Australia in those four months. For the 12 months ended June, 1947, the United States bought 1,139,000, or 27 per cent of the bales sold. (A bale of greasy wool weighs between 310-315 pounds.)

TWO REASONS GIVEN

In none of the 10 pre-war years did America take more than 10 per cent of the Australian crop. In the year ended June 30, 1939, the United States bought only three per cent.

A director of a leading wool firm believes American demand has dropped for two reasons—increased Australian wool prices and because the United States is using up more war stock piles.

In the fall of 1946, when American buyers were active, greasy wool sold at auction in Australia averaged about 28 cents per pound, the wool firm director explained.

Rates for medium grades were lower than for wool of comparable quality produced in the United States, he said.

But in the ensuing 12 months, wool values in Australia rose steadily, bringing an average greasy wool auction price in October, 1947, of 46 cents per pound. As prices rose, United States demand slacked off.

TARIFF CUTS DEMAND

The imposition of the 34-cent per pound tariff also cut demand.

Various other factors contribute to the steady loss of Australia as a market for a great variety of American goods, many of which became popular during the war years.

"The government is restricting dollar expenditure, not because it likes doing so, but because it has to help Britain," it was explained by Senator Courtice, minister for trade and customs in the labor government.

Australia is part of the British dollar pool and consequently shares with other dominions Britain's economic ills. Prime Minister Joseph B. Chifley has a dread fear of another world depression which has also affected Australian economic policy. His feeling has been reflected in a determination to conserve dollars by limiting imports.

ALL LIT UP

DALTON, Ga. (UP)—A safety drive is under way to require that night-riding boys and girls fasten red and white reflector type tape to bicycle handlebars, forks and fenders.

GOOD NEIGHBORS

TUNBRIDGE, Vt. (UP)—Ralph Wike had a sample of the good neighbor policy in action when he was confined to bed with illness. Thirty-five neighbors arrived and had 12 cords of wood in his woodshed.

SOBER SUFFER

BOSTON (UP)—An estimated 10 per cent of the 1,500 children under the care of this city's child welfare division had to be separated from their parents because of situations resulting from excessive drinking.



MERRIEST Christmas

May this Christmas be a season of good cheer, friendliness, and hopes fulfilled. May the unquenchable mirth of eager youngsters, the crackling warmth of the early Yule log, and the invigorating scent of holly and pine, make this Yuletide a truly pleasurable one for you, your families, and your friends.

Roger's Food Store

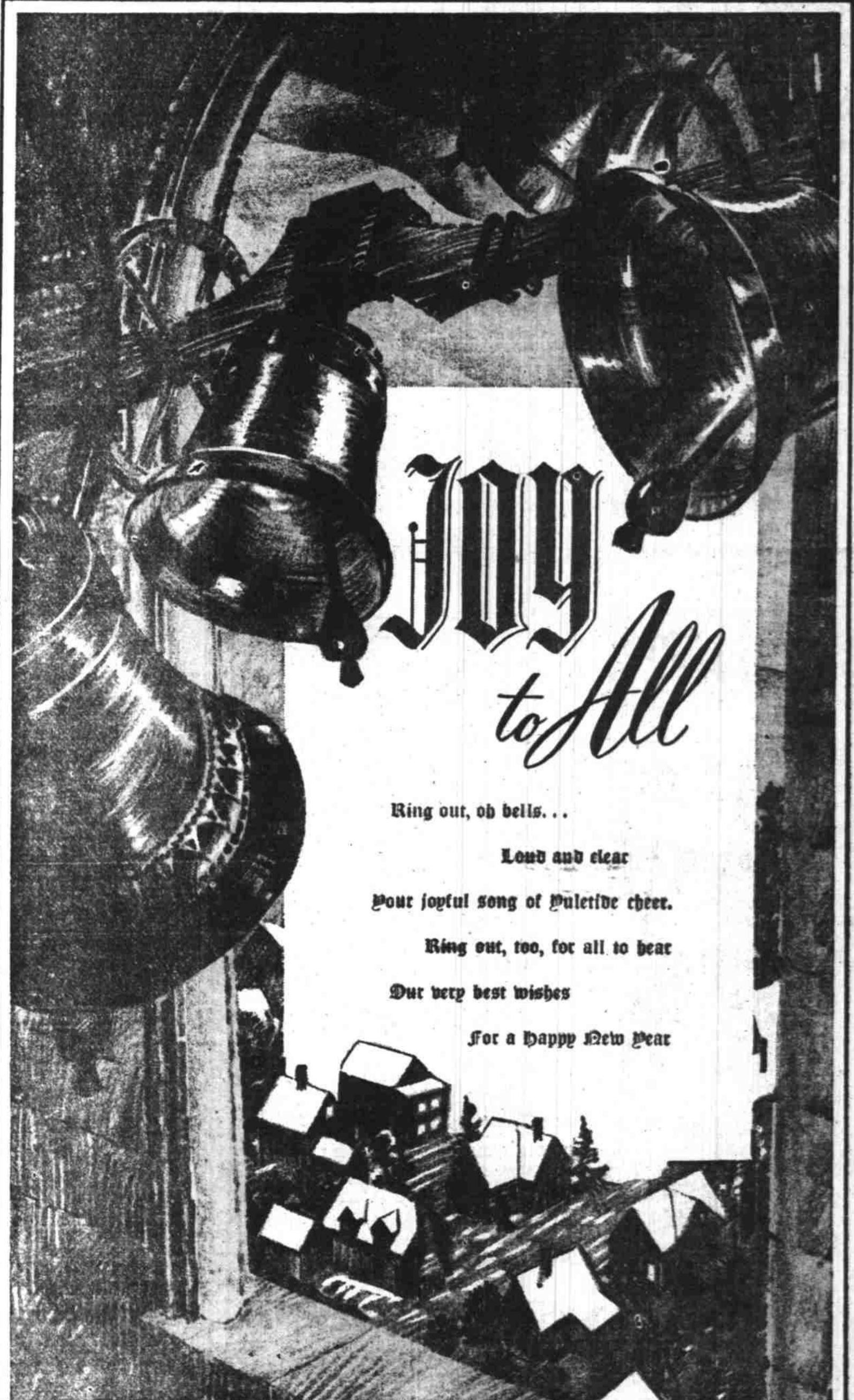
504 Johnson

Phone 1769

the Thrill of Christmas

The thrill of Christmas is electrifying! The warm glow of true friendships and associations with loved ones, the blessings of good health, good cheer and good fellowship inspire each of us to greater things and a better understanding of those about us.

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JOY to All

Ring out, oh bells...

Low and clear

Your joyful song of Yuletide cheer.

Ring out, too, for all to hear

Our very best wishes

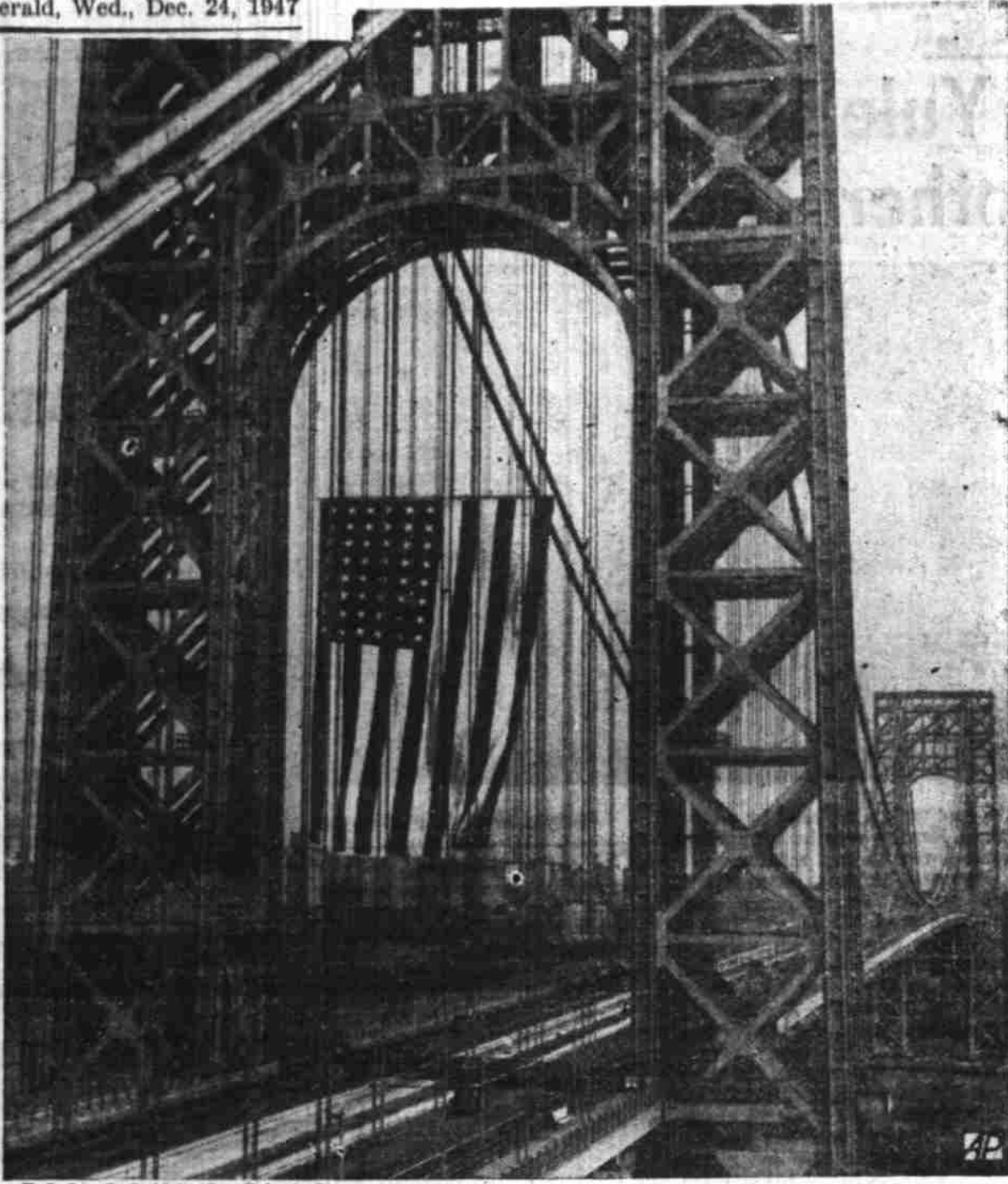
For a Happy New Year

HILLTOP GROCERY

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Phone 824

Baking soda is an effective fire extinguisher. If grease in a frying pan catches fire, never put water on it, as it will simply spread the flame. Sprinkle a handful of baking soda on the burning grease to smother the fire.



500-POUND FLAG—This United States flag, called the biggest ever made, is displayed over the George Washington bridge between New Jersey and New York on holidays when wind conditions permit. It weighs 500 pounds, measures 60 by 90 feet, and requires 19 men with four winches and equipment weighing 2½ tons to raise it.

Islander Likes U.S. But Thinks Tahiti Paradise

ST. LOUIS (UP)—Tahiti is still the paradise it always has been, and Chief Charlie Mauu of the Pacific island can't see why anyone would want to live in the United States.

"Politics? United Nations? We cannot worry about such things," the six-foot, two inch islander said in halting English.

Then he gave his philosophy for happiness. "Plant more, I tell my people, love more, and have more fun."

Charlie says it works.

"Swimming and outrigger canoeing and fishing. There is plenty for everybody," he said happily.

Charlie is a direct descendant of the Polynesians who ruled the island when the famed mutineers from the Bounty came ashore. He was in the United States and for the first time, visiting a friend, Cruvant Altman.

When asked if the Tahitian natives really wore sarongs, Charlie said, "Oh, I put on sandals and the women wear dresses when we go to the city of Papeete, but otherwise one wears only a sarong. Why more?"

Bank Of America To Raise Interest Pay

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24. (UP)—The Bank of America, world's largest bank announced that it would increase the rate of interest paid on savings accounts to 1-1/2 per cent for the semi-annual period starting Jan. 1. The current rate is 1-1/4 per cent and in 1946 it was 1 per cent.

The new rate will apply to accounts up to \$10,000. Any portion over that amount will receive 1-1/4 per cent.

Do not stack rubbish or trash so close to the heating plant that it will catch fire on a cold night when the furnace is being over-worked.

Charlie, whose real name is Aruteurira Terutahi, admitted he liked the United States. "I like your ice cream and your buildings. And your girls are very nice, even if some of them put too much paint on their faces. Dorothy Lamour is very nice, and Rita Hayworth—ah!"

He owns a 400-acre plantation on the island that produces vanilla, coconuts, copra, grapefruit, bananas, oranges and fruit called the Tahitian apple.

Asked why he was so anxious to return home, he quoted a line from the island's ancient love song: "No matter how far you wander, you always think of Tahiti."



To Our Many
Personal Friends...
and Customers

We'd like to visit each and every one of you personally, to spread the glad tidings of the season but instead we're extending our heartfelt wishes through this message. And looking forward to 1948. We hope it brings you the realization of every aspiration.

HARTLEY BROS. CLEANERS

116 Main

Phone 420

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Merry Christmas

"May the Yuletide season and the days to follow glow with an abundance of good things"... is our wish to one and all.

BROOKS-WILLIAMS CO



With true appreciation of all you have done for us, we extend our best wishes for a Holiday that will bring you untold pleasure and happiness.

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Wool Executive Says Government Policies Up Costs

NEW YORK, Dec. 24. (UP)—Curt E. Forstmann, president of Forstmann Woolen company, has attributed high wool textile costs to "inflationary policies of our own government and the aftermath of war, not excessive profits."

he has said in a statement outlining costs and selling prices of wool textiles:

"Seventy-five percent of the cost of a yard of cloth consists of raw materials and labor."

Since 1932, he said, costs of raw fibers have risen 180 percent and average labor costs have increased 171 percent, whereas selling prices have advanced only 75 percent.

He said the government "has encouraged increased wages and higher labor costs" and he added, in reference to the cost of raw materials:

"We have the almost incredible situation where our own dollar credits make it possible for competitor nations to increase world wool prices to such an extent that American buyers hesitate to buy in the world wool markets."

"Thus our own government, by following a policy which has permitted loans without restrictions or designated end uses, has made it possible for a virtually bankrupt Europe to outbid the solvent United States."

Southern Cotton Mills Still Lack Needed Capital

ATLANTA, Dec. 24. (UP)—Trade sources roughly figured that cotton mills in the South need to spend well in excess of \$375,000,000 more than they have been able to accumulate in reserves to replace overage machinery, buildings and equipment.

The estimate was based on a survey of the whole industry just completed by Textile Information Service, which reported that half of all equipment needs replacing. The amount in excess of reserves the entire industry needs to spend was placed at \$500,000,000.

The survey said that depreciable assets such as machinery and equipment cost more than a billion dollars but that to replace them now would cost two billion. Reserves set aside during the useful life of equipment were based, in accordance with tax regulations, upon the original cost.

The average life of textile machinery and equipment is figured at 27 years, the information service said, and for the entire 27 years previous to the end of the war, profits in the industry were only a billion dollars.

"It is estimated that half of all equipment needs replacing today," the survey said. "This is partly because of unavailability of new replacement equipment in the depression years, but more particularly because of unavailability of new machinery during the war years and the terrific strain of continuous operation."

Almanac Cracks Joke

DUBLIN, N. H. (UP)—The Old Farmers Almanac, which has been published annually since 1793, now offers a life subscription for \$5.

In announcing the offer, the Almanac added:

"No discount for youngsters of 80 or over, as it is well known that Almanac readers live forever and we have no desire to get stuck."

There are almost 60 species in the lily family, all confined to the northern hemisphere.



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Phone 655

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Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year

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GRAVER WILEY
LEE SINGLETARY
ROY SHEPHERD**

Market:
**L. M. WILLIAMS
GRADY STEVENS
ROBERT REED**

PIGGLY WIGGLY



Greetings are peeling your way; for we are tolling the golden bells of the Yuletide Season to wish everyone the Merriest, Gayest and Most Jubilant Christmas ever.

TAYLOR ELECTRIC

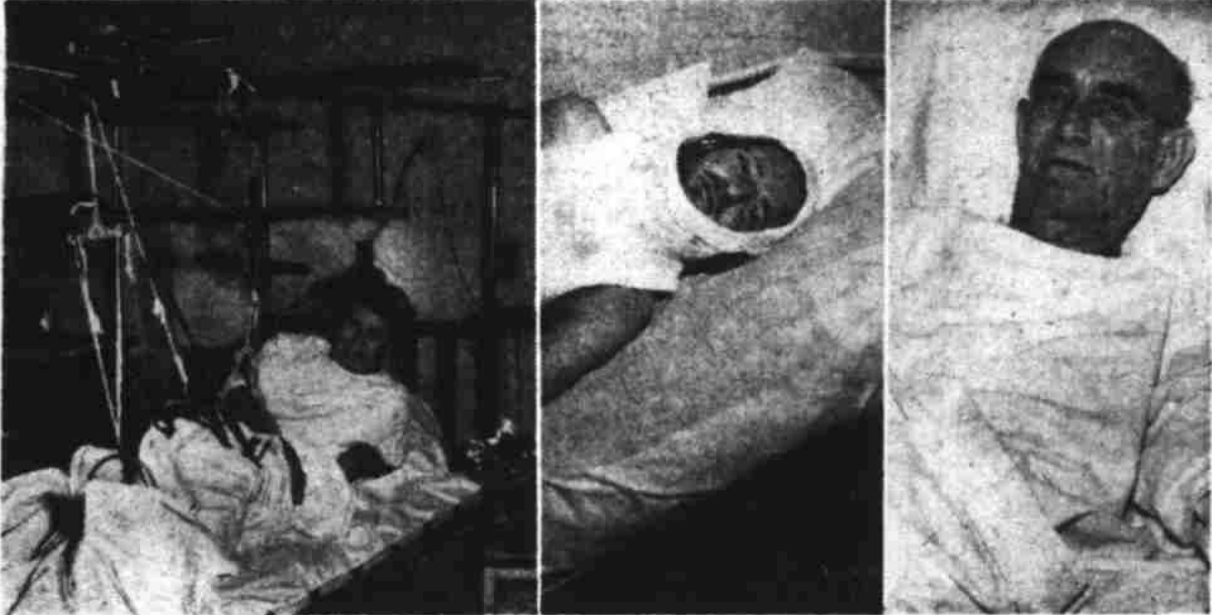
Frigidaire Dealer

IT WOULDN'T BE CHRISTMAS WITHOUT Friends...

It is appropriate in the observance of the Christmas season to acknowledge the friendships which we have enjoyed in the past. It just wouldn't seem like Christmas unless we express again our thanks and wish you the Merriest Christmas of them all.

Runyan Plumbing Co.
508 East 6th Phone 535

MAKES NO DIFFERENCE
Spending Yule In Hospital Won't Bother These People



"If you must be hospitalized, it's just about as good one day as another," is the opinion of several local residents who will spend Christmas propped up in a hospital bed.

Typical examples are Barney Hensley, pictured center in panel with Miss Ora Morrow left, and Louis Roberts at right. Hensley has been in the hospital since Nov. 7, receiving treatment for serious injuries sustained when he was involved in a traffic mishap south of town. When brought to the hospital he suffered from a broken neck and partial paralysis because of the injury. Today, 47 days later, he's still going strong and is even able to joke about his plaster of Paris shell which extends to his hips and holds his head back as far as it will go. Because of the position he is unable to eat anything but soups and fruit juices. Thanksgiving, he looked longingly at his tray of turkey and dressing but was not able to eat. Even medicine in pill form has trouble making it over the hump and down his throat because of the position of his neck. He has regained the use of his limbs but is extremely uncomfortable. To pass the time he reads and looks forward to the day when the cast will be replaced by a steel brace. Hensley may be hospitalized from three to six months.

Miss Ora Morrow, pictured left, has walked on crutches since she was a child. At the age of three she was stricken with infantile paralysis and her right leg became useless. Bad luck struck again on November 2 when she fell at her home, 611 Galveston, and broke her left leg.

Handicapped as she is, the other limb will take longer to mend, but Miss Morrow still remains cheerful and loves to entertain hospital visitors. Friends drop by almost daily with flowers, baskets of goodies and other small remembrances. She particularly enjoys her radio and keeps up with different programs throughout the day.

Louis Roberts, shown at right, also ran into an unlucky streak. Working as a ginmer at the Planters Gin company on Sept. 5, Roberts' arm was caught in a drive belt and almost jerked from the socket. He was brought to the hospital and the arm was amputated. There were complications and he later developed pneumonia. Recovering from this, he was stricken with phlebitis. "Now I'm just wondering what else can hap-

(Photos by Jack M. Haynes)

Peace on Earth

Christmas is more than a day or a season. It's spirit lasts forever with an ever deeper, stronger faith in "Peace — Good Will — To all Men."

Merry Christmas to one and all.

BIG SPRING INSURANCE AGENCY
106 W. Second Phone 173

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Holiday Greetings

WITH OUR BEST WISHES

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NO RECORDS—James C. Petrillo, (above) president of the American Federation of Musicians, announced union musicians would make no kind of recordings after Dec. 31.

Nuclear Ores Found In China Mountains

SHANGHAI, Dec. 24. Mineral ores containing uranium and plutonium, both used in the manufacture of atom bombs, have been discovered in large quantities in the mountains near Chungshan and Hoshien in the East Kwangsi Province, according to Chinese press reports.

Gen. Pal Ching-hsi, Chinese Defense Minister, has given orders to the Kwangsi Provincial Government to form a special committee to conduct "on-the-spot" investigations.

Department Store Sales Show Increase

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Department store sales throughout the nation increased 7 per cent during the week ended Dec. 6 compared with the corresponding week of last year, the Federal Reserve Board reported.

Percentages of increase, by Federal Reserve districts, were listed as:

Boston 3, New York 2, Philadelphia 10, Cleveland 11, Richmond 1, Atlanta, 7, Chicago 10, St. Louis 8, Kansas City 6, Dallas 8 and San Francisco 7.

This reflected the tempo of buying which made this one of if not the biggest Christmas business volumes.



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"MERRY CHRISTMAS"

AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

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After all is said and done, we have had a bountiful share of good things in Big Spring during the year, and what is equally important, those interested in community building have established some foundations upon which we can all step forward to better things for all of us if we but put our minds and energies to it. May this be a joyful season for you and yours.

K. H. MCGIBBON, President
J. H. GREENE, Manager
FRANK CAMPBELL, Ass't Mgr.
EDITH GAY, Secretary

YOUR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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MEMORIES

Many Big Springers Recall Christmas That Was Special

Everyone remembers a certain Christmas during their life that stands out with special significance and is recounted with pleasure anew.

Preparing Of Food For Cafe No Simple Task

Have you ever had a hankering to know just what goes on in a cafe kitchen and to know if there's a recorder behind the flour bin to take down the steady stream of orders barked through the window? It's interesting to watch the workers in action and to see them get in high gear when hungry customers crowd tables out front, but there's little time for interviews so we stood out of the way during the rush hour and just observed.

It seems there's all sorts of cooks, including pastry cooks, fry cooks and of course, His Majesty, The Chef, who is distinguishable because of his high cap. The chef we interviewed didn't know just where the caps originated, nor why the crowns were so high, but he said that various shaped caps were worn by various workers.

Steam tables held the day's menus while steaks, veal cutlets and fish sizzled on the mammoth griddle. The dish washer raced the cooks in a never ending struggle to clean more plates than were dirtied, and waitresses scurried in and out carrying more dishes in one hand than the average housewife does all day.

After the lunch hour rush, the chef stopped for a chat and explained that the easiest way to master the art of remembering orders is to separate them with their waitresses. He handles as many as 50 orders at one time without too much confusion and says that when you know the menu it's fairly easy.

He admitted that several times he had salted the gravy twice but repaired the damage by adding liquid and simmering for a longer period of time.

He determines the flavoring of his food by tasting it, and has his favorite recipes which sometime become specialties of the restaurant.

To make a dinner stew, he measures his food by allowing a quarter of a pound of potatoes to one pound of meat. For one day's serving, he makes up something like 10 pounds of meat with four pounds of potatoes for around 35 orders.

Preparations for lunch start around 8 a. m. and everything is made ready early for the mid-day rush.

A number of Big Springers interviewed gave various instances of their favorite yuletide seasons. Nat Shick, local postmaster, says that every year seems more outstanding to him in that the pleasures of his family becomes more bountiful as the years go by. The Shicks celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Dec. 19 with open house at their home. Therefore the holiday season this year holds special significance. The family has never spent the holiday away from home and has always had a decorated tree in their home at Christmas time. The postmaster also believes that his Christmas is made merry each year by local residents cooperating in mailing packages early so that postoffice employees can spend their Christmases with their families.

Capt. Olvy Sheppard of the Salvation Army recalls his favorite Christmas as the year 1941 following Pearl Harbor. "I was in San Antonio and we had a \$1500 quota to raise at Christmas. That goal was well reached and over \$3,000 was raised."

Coy Nalley dutifully says that his favorite Christmas was the year he married on Dec. 3, and the Nalleys spent their first Christmas together.

Margaret Christie, home demonstration agent for Howard county, remembers that her favorite Christmas was when she was 12 years old and her father presented her with her first wrist watch. She particularly enjoys the holiday season which she always spends with her family in Miniola.

Ann Houser recalls that her favorite Christmas was her first year away from home when she was attending school in Chicago, Ill.

Care Needed For Ornaments On Your Tree

What is to be done with the Christmas tree decorations as well as the other decorations?

Just a little time and effort now in the storing of these will save much time next Christmas when it is time to decorate again. Remember the cute little star that you had last year and searched in vain for at the beginning of this year's season. Wonder what did happen to that?

Here's a suggestion or two. Plan to spend plenty of time in doing this and do it correctly. Take all the lights down and untangle the cords. Uncrowd the bulbs and put them back in the boxes after wrapping them up so that it will avoid danger of their being broken. Put away all breakables in boxes correctly labeled.

If you are saving the tinsel which doesn't take but a little time to do, put it around a piece of cardboard and cover it so that it will be as pretty next year as it was when you bought it. This prevents it from becoming matted and tangled and tarnished so badly that it cannot be used.

Sort all of the decorations into logical classifications to store together so that when you are ready for them again and want to bring down one box at a time next year you won't bring in a box that has one string of lights, half enough cotton, a bit of tinsel, and you end up bringing all of the boxes down at once with not enough room to work—what with digging into one box for one thing and into another for something else with no system at all. After everything is correctly labeled and sorted and packed, it is a good idea to make a list of the articles in each box, then after each box is packed seal it with heavy brown tape to keep out all dust and sand. Put the delicate decorations in strong sturdy boxes which can be sealed tightly. Then put all the boxes together in the cellar, attic, that extra closet or anywhere out of the way, until next Christmas.

In this manner, it is easy to accumulate decorations that you are proud of this year and will be proud to own next year.

And as for the star you hunted for, maybe you can find one just like it some other Christmas.

and was able to spend vacation holidays at home in Kentucky. "Nothing outstanding happened that Christmas as I remember, but it was just wonderful to get home."

Jack Thompson's best Christmas was in 1925. He spent the holiday with his father, James N. Thompson in Greenville and the holiday is exceptionally well remembered for it was the last for the elder Thompson, who died just before Christmas the following year.

Mrs. J. B. Nail says that the best Christmas by far that she remembers was last year when both her grandsons were out of service and home for the holidays. Johnny Miller served in the China-Burma-India theatre and Raymond Lee Williams was in Europe. Williams, who resides in San Angelo, will be home again this year as will Miller, student at the University of Texas. His brother, Robert Nail, also attending the University, will be home.

Poinsettias Owe Fame To A Diplomat

Poinsettias, which have come to be a "must" for home Christmas decorations, owe their name and popularity to an early American diplomat, botanist and scholar—Jocel Roberts Poinsett.

Nearly a century and a quarter ago, Poinsett, then U. S. ambassador to Mexico, first brought cuttings of the "fire plant" to his South Carolina home. Carefully he tended the transplanted tropical beauty. Under his skillful hands the flower thrived and improved.

Soon the fame of this colorful new plant spread to other states and Robert Buns, a Philadelphia botanist, bought some cuttings from Poinsett. He named them euphorbia poinsettia.

Since that day enthusiasts not only in the United States but throughout the world continued to improve the poinsettia, until today there are a score of varieties from giant six-foot stalks to diminutive dwarfs, double and single varieties, green poinsettias with red veins, white varieties and a gradation of reds from the traditional flaming scarlets to pale pinks.

Besides serving as ambassador to Mexico, Poinsett was a member of congress from South Carolina and served as secretary of war in President Van Buren's cabinet. He was a personal friend of Presidents Madison, Monroe, Jackson and Van Buren.

Nearly Everyone To Rest On Yule

Come closing time tonight and employees will swarm out of local stores with a sight of relief for another Christmas rush tucked neatly on the shelf.

Right behind them will come the maids and janitors who will also take it easy with never a worry of the clutter behind them.

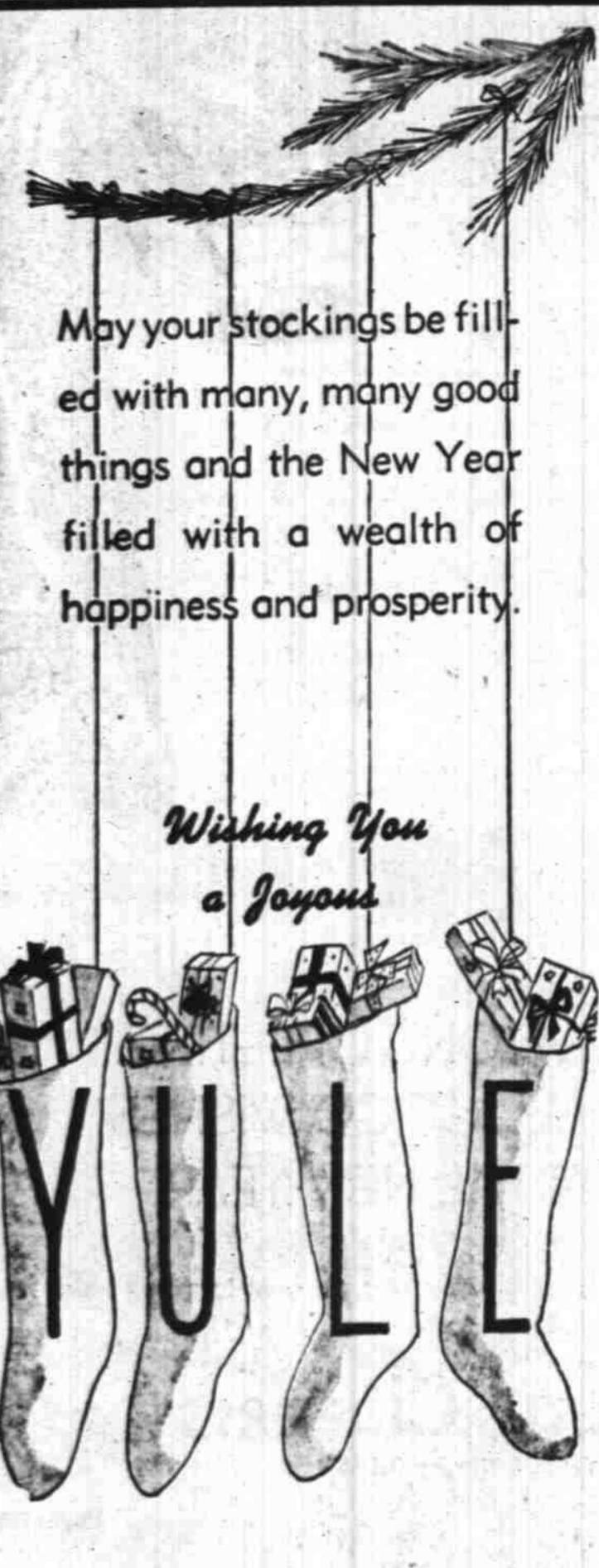
The majority of local stores report that their janitors will not be asked to stay behind to sweep and tidy the building. What can be straightened before closing time will be and the remainder will be taken care of Friday when all employees return to work.

The first real life-boat was constructed in the middle of the 18th century by a London coach-maker who converted a Norway yawl into a "unimmergible boat."



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the year ahead

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White's to all of you who
Have made this a wonderful
year for us, we say
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AH PARIS!

All Forces Of Nature Are Allied Against Short Skirt

Hang it all, you can't win with a short skirt when all the forces of nature are pulling against you. At least that's the consensus among average women these days who wear these so-called new creations in self defense.

In almost every poll taken over the radio, in fashion magazines and newspapers, the majority of women like their present skirts and slenderizing styles, yet they don't dare buy them for they realize that the longer they stall, the farther behind they will get in the

eternal struggle of long and short skirts that fly up and down like a window shade on the loose.

The gals are even dreaming of the controversy and here's a typical nightmare.

The pink awnings on Miss Huff's shop were 14 inches from the cement and shoppers were forced to crawl under because of its new look. Display windows were being changed constantly as Miss Huff sat fingering her ear phone and receiving orders from Paris.

I sidled up to a little raisin of a woman who wore purple powder and pink lip stick. She kept humming "Easter Parade" as she re-adjusted the padding in the hips of her skirt, and flicked the ostrich feathers, caught in her pompadour away from her nose.

"I'd like to see a dress," I murmured quietly.

"Why yes, my dear," she chimed, strumming her pearls in accompaniment as she sized up my build and my bill-fold. What sort of costume did you have in mind.

"I don't want a costume, I want a dress," I said innocently, but that shot got me, for right then and there I was signed, sealed and delivered as 'the old look.'

"I'd like to look through your size 14's," I said placidly, advancing all the while to a rack of dresses which caught my eye.

"Those aren't for sale my dear, they're last year's stock we're turning over to the state museum, but over heah I have just loads of lovelies." Blinding rays of the setting sun have never struck me with such intensity as the mass of color convulsing in front of me. Obediently I followed as she dared to reach out and touch the thing.

"This has just arrived and is the most exquisite creation to be shown at market," she chirped.

Well, apparently I was to choose between a costume and a creation. I'd take a costume for this creation was more than I could bear.

We played through the dresses and each became more horrible than the other, but I had to choose so several were selected by my little helper either because the fashion experts said it was in good taste or the government conservation committee thought that 22

yards in the skirt could also be used as Sunday's dinner cloth.

She screamed in delight as the folds of the mustard colored satin fell down over my body and I just plain screamed. Really the image in the mirror looked like an hour-glass squeezed so tightly that either end might burst into a million particles. There were so many folds and drapes I never discovered where my feet came out.

By then other sales ladies had joined us in the dressing booth. Each was busy at his task—one telling me how ravishing I was, another plopping a bucket of a hat down on my head, and still another telling me that it would take only six months to pay it out. Weary and beaten, I finally said I'd buy and that's when they let go the hammer lock and got down to alterations. First I told them defiantly wanted the dress a little below the knees and it was several minutes before the seamstress was revived. They ridiculed me, shamed my bad taste and pointed me out to the other customers. Eventually I surrendered.

Heart sick and penniless, I left Miss Huff's shop knowing full well that I was the smartest-dressed woman on the street, but children hollered and dogs bayed as I went on and on through the endless nightmare.

Pakistan Products Keep British Label

KARACHI, Pakistan (U) — Exports from Pakistan still carry the label "Product of British India" and will continue to carry it until the world has come to learn more of this new dominion, the Ministry of Agriculture and Marketing reports.

Then a new label, "Pakmark," will be employed and coupled with a program of compulsory grading, the spokesmen said.

The spokesmen said their department was aware that too many shippers love a sharp deal, sometimes changing their names and victimizing the same foreign buyer a second time. He added that legislation making grading of export goods compulsory will be needed.

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FOR THE NEW YEAR

May you have, on every day of the New Year, the same happiness which we are sure will be yours on Christmas Day.

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May the joy and prosperity they bring remain with you and yours throughout the coming twelve months.

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To all our friends whom we have been privileged to serve—our hearty good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year to you and your families.

Ben McCullough

Lamesa Highway

Phone 306

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--- And "Pleasant Listening" Too
To All Of You — From All Of Us

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"A Christmas Carol" 10:30-11:30 P. M.
"Santa Claus Rides Again" 11:30-12:00 P. M.

CHRISTMAS DAY

"Thanksgiving This Christmas" 1:15-1:30 P. M.
"Christmas Carols" 6:30-7:00 P. M.
"Kay Lorrain Carols" 7:30-7:45 P. M.
"The Gift Of The Little Shepherd" 7:45-8:00 P. M.

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Bill Cox
Lloyd Wooten
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HITLER'S AIR RAID SHELTER DESTROYED — Adolf Hitler's personal air raid shelter (top) in the garden of the Reichschancellery lies in ruins (bottom) after it was blown up in Berlin by a Russian Army demolition squad. Ruins of the Reichschancellery are in the background. The entrance to the shelter was the large square block of steel and concrete. The concrete cylinder with conical top was an observation and ventilating tower. (AP Wire-photo).

WHERE DOES IT GO?

B' Spring Might Float Off If All Water Used At Once

a month in this manner. Add to that 10 gallons for each bath with an

average of 50 baths in a family of three for a month's period.

The majority of housewives today either send their laundry out or do their wash at washstoves and our tested family comes in this category. Still there's a hand washing now and then so we'll throw in 200 gallons for that. Miscellaneous uses including shaving, shampoos, brushing teeth, watering plants and other small uses might use up 400 gallons per month.

It's winter and there's no lawn to water so let's see what we end up with. Umm, that's roughly 2000 gallons for a 30-day period and 790 short of the water card's estimate, but at that it's much more.

The man on the other end of the line sputtered, held the telephone closer to his ear and bellowed "Whad'd you say?" "How much water does it take to flush a commode?" We weren't stabbing at a ribald comedy, but it was part of our research which all began when an innocent postman left a water card in our mail box and we happened to notice that 2800 gallons of water was consumed during the previous month.

That's a lot of buckets of water if you think of it that way so we got to figuring. Taking a small family of three and 2800 gallons of water we set to work.

First in the kitchen. The task of dish washing was checked and allowing plenty, it worked out that the average housewife uses around three gallons. That's nine gallons per day and for good measure let's throw in another bucket and make it an even ten gallons per day for dishwashing. Course that's 300 gallons for 30 days. Then maybe you just flat waste two gallons per day in the kitchen, that's 60 gallons and that's 150 gallons in a month's time.

It was estimated by the man on the telephone that around three gallons of water was used to flush an average commode. A family of three uses 300 gallons of water in water consumed than seems possible when you glance at last month's reading.

Then you can allow for a car wash now and then, letting water run warm when you wash your face, pouring a glass of water emptying it and refilling before you drink and a dozen other little wastes. Probably the greatest of these are irritating leaky faucets which aid in making us waste almost as much water as we actually use.

Truants On Spot

HARRISBURG, Pa. (U.P.) — When a Harrisburg school kid skips class these days, he rarely goes to the movies. That's because the theater managers have agreed to co-operate with Edward Brubaker, probation officer and be on the watch for suspected truants.

Meters Aid Hobby

BATTLE CREEK, Mich. (U.P.) — City Treasurer Harry Atkinson gets fun out of taking money from parking meters. Besides providing revenue for the city, the meters make interesting additions to Atkinson's hobby—coin collecting. Atkinson has found coins from 15 foreign countries.

Although about one-fifth of U. S. people live on farms, it was estimated that in the 1947 boom season they received only one-ninth of the U. S. income.

It is estimated that about one-seventh of all hog feed in the United States goes to pigs which die before they get to market.

Students Like Present Setup For Holidays

Pupils in the Big Spring Independent School district would be willing for the calendar to retain its 1947 structure indefinitely.

The position of Christmas and New Year on the chronological chart of days this year all but guarantees the pupils a Yule vacation of no less than 16 days. At least that is the only way out for those who make up the school program if they intend to plan an orderly arrangement and schedule the holidays so that pupils will be free of class room burdens on both Dec. 25 and Jan. 1. And they planned it so this year, with holidays beginning on Dec. 19 and ending on Jan. 5.

Some other schools in the county will resume classwork on Dec. 29, but several are following the schedule used by Big Spring.

Students at the Howard County Junior College will be called back earlier than the Big Spring public school students, but even so the collegians are getting two days more than they expected original-

This Knife Could Make Ham 'Cheap'

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24. (AP) — A new knife that whirls at 800 miles an hour speed could slice you an invisible ham sandwich just four-millionths of an inch thick.

It works somewhat like a delicatessen meat-slicer, but goes so fast that the actual cutting may be done by a super-sonic shock wave travelling ahead of the blade.

It spins faster than the speed of sound in air, and cuts so fine you need a microscope to find the slivers of metal, bone, other materials it slices off. It could snip a few cells off your fingertip without any pain, taking fewer cells than you would lose by rubbing your finger firmly on a table top.

The knife is an ultra-microtome for cutting extremely thin sections of many different kinds of materials for examination of their structure under the powerful eye of the electron microscope.

It was demonstrated and described to the electron microscope society of America recently by Harvey B. Merrill of custom scientific instruments, Arlington, N. J., the makers, and Ernest F. Fullam of the General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y., who has been conducting experiments with it.

The blade, made of a special steel alloy, is an inch long and has a cutting edge as keen as a razor blade.

Post-holiday classwork at H.C. JC will begin on Jan. 2, two days later than the college calendar provided earlier. However, faced with circumstances such as prevail this year, colleges can clip off a few days easier than public schools, since college programs are usually mapped so that class work may be suspended or resumed in the middle of the week without confusion.

Thieves Walk Off With Seven Tons

BUTTE, Mont., (AP)—Thieves in the Butte area have added a Paul Bunyan twist to their operations. Mining equipment, weighing from 12,000 to 14,000 pounds, has been disappearing in large quantities in recent weeks. Undersheriff William T. Dee said

specialized knowledge of the machinery, a crane and some heavy duty trucks were probably needed to cart off the machinery.

So far, Dee says, officers have had no luck in tracing the machinery.

The Provincetown Playhouse in New York City was one of the earliest art theaters in the nation, founded in 1916.

Each flicker of the Yuletide candles lights the way for us to wish you a wonderful Christmas abundant with health, happiness and prosperity. And may we include in our greeting our sincere thanks for your appreciated patronage of the past year. We look forward to serving you in 1948.

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

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Be glad that it's Christmas because holly and evergreen, mistletoe and candlelight make a cheering sight — and greeting cards are a joy to collect! Here is our message to add to your collection — "Merry Christmas!"

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COLD WAR AND MARSHALL PROGRAM

Misunderstanding Must Be Cleared Up On Aid Plan

By Walter Lippman

The anti-American campaign in Europe feeds principally upon a misrepresentation of the Marshall plan—namely that it is a scheme which will perpetuate the division of Europe and the partition of Germany. Unfortunately too many Americans are playing right into the hands of this anti-American propaganda by presenting it as a kind of lend-lease operation in the cold war. They have, I believe, misunderstood the plan which the European governments worked out in Paris in response to Secretary Marshall's suggestion.

This misunderstanding enables the Russians to misrepresent it, and if the misunderstanding is not cleared up, the plan will become unworkable. As one Englishman said to me: "If your money is to be had only by dividing Europe, we are like thirsty men in a shipwreck who drink salt water, knowing that it will drive them mad." American diplomacy in Europe will be defeating American aid to Europe. If on the other hand, the Marshall plan is presented truthfully and accurately to the world, and our diplomacy co-ordinated with it, the anti-American campaign will fail. For the United States will be the sponsor of an immensely generous and disinterested plan to bring peace and happiness to mankind.

The fact of the matter is that the European governments which are participating in the Paris program

assume the economic unity of Europe, the reduction of political barriers to commerce and mutual aid between eastern and western Europe, and if not a political settlement then at least a modus vivendi between the east and west. Quite contrary to the Russian propaganda and to so much that is being said here at home, the Paris program envisages a restoration of intercourse, not a showdown and a final separation. On this crucial point, once it gets down to the hard facts and figures, the Harriman committee's report confirms the findings of the Paris committee.

"The final determining factor in the size of a prudent program," says the Harriman report, "is the availability of commodities in this country. The committee has canvassed such availability in detail. At the Paris conference it was concluded that the Western Hemisphere simply did not have the food resources to supply all of the estimated needs." Where then are western Europe and western Germany to obtain the supplies which cannot be obtained in the Western Hemisphere?

The answer, as given in the Paris report, is that they will have to be obtained from eastern Europe: "A substantial and steady resumption of eastern European food, feeding stuffs and timber supplies is assumed in this report; pre-war flow of cereals from eastern Europe is assumed to be restored by 1951, and the supplies of timber are assumed to reach 75 per cent of pre-war by 1951."

The estimates in the Paris report about coal are no less significant. The European authors of the plan assumed that "the required imports of United States coal will likewise fall fast, as United Kingdom and Ruhr outputs expand, and as increased supplies come forward from Poland." By 1951, they say, western European imports of coal from America will fall from 41 million metric tons to 5 million, and during this same period the imports of Polish coal will rise from 17 to 31 million tons. "These figures," says the Paris report (Vol. II, Chapter IV, Paragraph 106) "are probably on the high side, as they assume Poland's ability to carry out her present long-range plans for the rehabilitation of her mines, and to procure from abroad (including the United States) a substantial volume of mining equipment."

Thus on food and fuel, the two most urgently needed supplies, the Paris report requires an increase of production in eastern Europe and a rapid resumption of economic intercourse. "Certainly," says the report, "the participating countries intend to do what they can to encourage its resumption."

A very interesting thing happened in Europe this summer which is not perhaps fully appreciated here. Every one knows, of course, that Mr. Molotov, accompanied by a large delegation, went

to Paris for the preliminary meeting with Mr. Bevin and Mr. Bidault, that Poland and Czechoslovakia had accepted the invitation to participate and had appointed their representatives, that other countries in the Soviet orbit were preparing to follow suit, and that suddenly Mr. Molotov broke off the negotiation, and that the Soviet allies were forbidden to participate.

But what I for one did not know until I had read the Paris report, particularly the conclusions cited above, and had made special inquiries was this: That though the eastern countries were not present at Paris, they were treated in essential calculations as if they were present. They were not written off. They were counted in. Though they did not formally offer information on what they needed and what they could supply, this information

was obtained—obviously with their knowledge and apparently with their consent—through other channels—through the economic committee for Europe in which they and the Russians are participating at Geneva.

That was how, and that is in fact why, the authors of the Paris program were able to make the critical assumption they did make about the resumption of trade with eastern Europe. And that is why, regardless of the iron curtain and the cold war, a whole network of trade agreements are being negotiated between east and west.

Secretary Marshall and the State Department are, therefore, faced with an important decision. If the program which they are presenting to Congress is to work, they must give their moral and political support to the policy of the sixteen nations who say that "certainly the participating countries intend to do what they can to encourage" the "resumption" of trade with the Soviet orbit. They cannot at the council of foreign ministers accept a final division of Germany and of Europe, followed by a separate "peace" with a western German puppet state, and an aggravation of the cold war. The Marshall plan, whether we like it or not, commits us and our European

friends to a policy of ending the cold war by a negotiated peace and not by unconditional surrender.

For the hard facts and figures of the Paris report and of the Harriman report show that western Europe and western Germany cannot be supported from North America. The supplies do not exist in the Western Hemisphere even if the American taxpayer were prepared to keep buying them for Europe in order to give them away. Western Europe can only be aided over for a while, helped to eke out a precarious existence at a low standard of life, enabled to buy time in which to restore the ruptures and dislocations of the war.

Was Beautiful Christmas Tree

BROOKLYN, N. Y. (AP)—It Clarence Horn, Jr., wakes up this Christmas and finds an iron railing around his Christmas tree, you can't blame his father.

Last year, Clarence, Jr., at the age of 3, didn't want to go to sleep on Christmas Eve, preferring to stay awake to see Santa Claus. This created a serious handicap for Clarence Horn, Sr., faced with a seasonal decorating job. But the Sand Man finally prevailed over Santa Claus and Pop was able to get that job done. It seemed to Horn that he had just got to sleep when he was awakened at 3 a. m. by Clarence, Jr., dragging into the bedroom a big Christmas tree leaving a wake of haubles. "Look, Daddy! What Santa Claus brung me!" cried the delighted youngster.

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AT THIS TIME, most wonderful season of all the year, we want to extend to each and every one our very best greetings; an abundance of health, happiness and prosperity.

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To our friends... one and all... go our sincerest and best wishes for the best Yuletide ever. May health... happiness... good cheer... and the best of everything be yours. And with the coming of 1948... may the new year bring you success and as many joys as there are Christmas lights on your tree. While the carolers sing of "Peace on Earth—Good Will Toward Man" let the spirit of Christmas glow with an abundance of good things and happy memories.

SWARTZ'S

EARLY DAY CUSTOM

Caroling On Christmas Eve Dates To Sixteenth Century

Voices heard on the frosty air the night before Christmas go back to the sixteenth century...

lutes, viols, citterns, hornpipes, anones and harps—later by singing. The hat was usually passed for a gratuity which was divided among the players.

terminology as we know it today. The carolers on Christmas Eve usually were taken into the kitchen of the big house and provided with bread, cheese and small ale before moving on to the next stand.

BIG BUSINESS

Most Christmas Trees Found Near Santa's Fabled Home

Santa's 'little helpers'—the people who provide the Christmas trees for the American home—have no direct connection with the bearded old man but the bulk of the trees are obtained from forests not too far from Saint Nick's fabled home, the North Pole.

live in the metropolitan centers, whose families ordinarily do not see a branch or a shrub unless it is growing in a park or a hot-house.

Over The Counter

NEW YORK (UP) — Gimbel's department store added a Shetland pony department for the Christmas holidays.

The trees ordinarily are retailed to the customer through grocery stores but the commodity has become such big business, markets that deal in nothing else blossom out here during the Yuletide season.

Take It Sitting

CHICAGO (UP) — Joseph O'Connor, a 63-year-old policeman just retired, says he will sit down on his new seat.

Took 30 Years

SPENCER, Wis. (UP) — When Mrs. Ed Meacham accidentally brushed her ring from a table in 1918, it rolled into a crack in the floor and she was unable to find it.

Papa Blushes

MILWAUKEE, (UP) — Lee Halstead was annoyed when his daughter, Dawn, 12, produced an English paper marked with a B minus instead of the usual A.

East Has 'Em

LOWVILLE, N. Y. (UP) — A dead wolf or coyote is worth \$25 in Lewis County. The board of supervisors placed the bounty on wolves and coyotes shot in the county and \$10 bounty on bobcats.

Picking On Him

NEW ORLEANS, (UP) — C. E. Davidson reports that in nine months his radio supply shop has been burglarized nine times at a loss of \$3,000, chiefly in radio sets.

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SYMPHONY OF SNOW — Jefferson park in Chicago puts on its winter mantle of white for Mrs. Gloria McMahon and daughter Diana, 2, interested observers of the snowy scene. (AP Photo).

PRICES HELP, TOO

Bursting Shelves This Season Making Gift Buyers Choosey

Although the fact that more merchandise has been available for Christmas shoppers this year than at any other time since the recent war got into full swing might naturally be expected to create more work for clerk's and other personnel in the stores, tired sales people have found that the time required to serve each customer also has increased considerably.

holding popular articles were picked bare during the traditional Christmas rush; to a certain extent customers realized the condition, and if a person received an item of wearing apparel that was a bit too snug or too large, chances were that he (or she) kept it and arranged for alterations.

THRILLING LIFE

Christ's Childhood One Of Great Stories In Literature

Considered in its purely human aspects, the story of the Nativity and the early childhood of Jesus Christ is one of the great stories of all literature.

that ran from the hills of Bethlehem down to the Nile and back again into Galilee. They would be watching the development of Jesus into young manhood and considering him as a model youth and dutiful son.

Of all the villages of that Israelite country, Nazareth was undesirable as a dwelling place. Its reputation was far from good.



The Fabric Mart 304 Runnels Phone 641

Merry Christmas The Kid's Shop. A large illustration of a smiling boy and girl looking at a large, happy-looking dog.

Day By Day Account Of 1947 In The News

A fast moving and newsworthy year was 1947, with many major developments on the business, agricultural and other fronts.
Erratic weather produced one rain, but a bumper cotton crop was harvested; bids were accepted on the Veterans Administration hospital; the schools faced several crises; the army air field buildings finally were disposed; transportation hit new peaks; prices bobbed and soared. And there were dozens of other stories you will want to remember, too. Here is the top of the 1947 news calendar for your convenience.

JANUARY

1—County officials take office for 1947-48 terms; Freda Evelyn Hart first Big Spring baby born in '47; Billy Williams former resident, killed on west coast; snow and coldest weather of season hits, stopping mail delivery temporarily.
2—Big Spring basketball Steers win first round game in San Antonio tournament; Lt. M. H. Cravens, Big Spring, chutes to safety in Shetland Islands.

3—Temperature hits seven degrees, four-year low.
4—High school cagers lose to Sidney Lanier in San Antonio tournament, 36-33.
5—Dr. Dick O'Brien starts fifth year as pastor of First Baptist church.
6—Man arrested in California confesses to having committed two burglaries here; water meter school underway; ground work laid for additional school buildings.
7—Fans meet to discuss baseball park; John Coffee named to Big Spring school board.
8—City officials, WAA authorities confer in Midland on AAF buildings; Wayland JayCee de-

feats HCJC basketball team, 54-36; Mrs. Ira Thurman named acting librarian at HCJC.
9—Junior college maintains fund balance; Lt. Col. Teddy Sanford visits here.
10—Ray Griffin installed as American Business Club president; second baseball parley held; Judge James T. Brooks succumbs.
11—Phone Workers union lists demands with Southwestern Bell Telephone company; Cosden special trainload lot freight rate announced.
12—A. Holmes, 70, former resident, dies in Abilene; Mrs. Gail Seale named to head Y theater group.
13—Local pastors leave for Baptist convention in Dallas; James H. (Hub) Underwood, long-time resident, dies.
14—First National bank directors re-elected.
15—City Manager Herbert Whitney informed work to start on Veterans hospital by mid-June.
16—Buffalo Trail Boy Scout meeting and banquet staged here; Price of Ford automobiles reduced; Plumbers association officials visit; Rep. Peppy Blount attends Chicago meeting on state governments; 135-block paving program outlined at commission meeting.
17—Snow blankets city; Barber union meets; Mrs. Larson Lloyd named president of Big Spring Girl Scout association.
18—James C. Tonn, welcomes English-born wife and child.
19—Twelve deacons ordained in First Baptist service here.
20—Douglas coffee shop opens; city collection of taxes lags.
21—City Judge Rupert Ricker, City Attorney Tracy Smith resign; seven indicted by grand jury; Roy Acuff and Grand Old Opry group give performance here; Jack Roden named Country Club president.
22—Last link in road to Lenorah okayed by state highway commission; three Illinois youths arrested for store robbery at Fairview.
23—\$74,000 allotted for county soil conservation practices by USDA.
24—Bertram E. Giesecke, commander of American Legion Department of Texas, honored at banquet; Big Spring rodeo dates set for Aug. 6-7-8-9; 4-H club boys to Houston show.
25—Federal Public Housing Authority asks return of emergency housing development to private owners.
26—Drought, frost cut small grain prospects.
27—High school track team begins workouts.
28—Local contractors attend regional meeting in Midland; two California boys sought in car

theft picked up here.
29—J. R. Rogusa, former convict, asks to be returned to prison; terrific dust storm hits city.
30—Poll tax purchases 1 a g. peace officer from neighboring town lands in jail here on drunkenness charge; city zoning proposals heard.
31—J. B. Hill, resident of city for 25 years, dies.

FEBRUARY

1—Veterans urged to buy living memorials (trees and shrubbery) for World War II dead; price of automobile gasoline hiked one cent; two Big Spring entries win matches in Golden Gloves meet at Abilene.
2—County library gets donation of quantity of books.
3—Final examinations held at Howard County Junior college; Big Spring egg market broken by federal order; new lighting units turned on; Mrs. Lilly Smith, pioneer resident, dies; Billy Whittington defeated in Golden Gloves finals at Abilene.
4—David R. Lusk named Pioneer Air Lines depot manager; Pres-

byterian "Men of The Church" group formed; John Dibrell resigns as coach at high school; high school basketball Steers win eighth 3AA victory by defeating Lamesa.
5—Lions launch drive for funds for construction of baseball park; Anartica films shown; City Attorney Charley Sullivan, City Engineer E. L. Killingsworth go to Fort Worth to attend conference on paving.
6—First trainload of gasoline shipped from Cosden refinery under special rates; Little Theatre group completes casting for initial production; two additional evening classes planned at Howard County Junior college; Golden Gloves tournament starts; 50th anniversary of PTA observed at South Ward.
7—Freeze grips wide area, temperature drops to 33 here; slight changes made in city zoning plans.
8—Radio equipment installed in Pioneer Air Lines office; insurance men attend parley at Odessa; John Albers renamed coach at Coahoma.
9—First ordinances for city pav-

ing pronounced ready; Big Spring boy Scouts start special anniversary week.
10—Howard County Junior college enrollment up to 185; additional safety aids planned in improvements at airport.
11—4-H Club livestock show held; Big Spring on health honor roll for second consecutive year; accident near refinery kills McKinney man; three Big Spring fighters leave for state Golden Gloves tournament at Fort Worth; Big Spring Steers clinch first place in 3AA basketball league by beating San Angelo.
12—R. G. LeTorneau speaks here; 36 cents a pound paid for steer at local livestock show; Westward Ho motel sold for \$82,242; extension of water lines to cemetery requested.
13—Auction of cattle here sets record; Gordon Worley, Department of Education official, visits; K. H. (Chub) McGibbon elected Chamber of Commerce president.
14—Painters' Union holds banquet; Howard County Hereford Breeders' association holds third annual sale.
15—Jones Motor company opens

doors; Library Advisory group planned; Coahoma voters okeh school improvement proposals; Joe Holliday named director of Howard county track meet; John Patric, famed writer, stops here; two Latin-Americans shot in affray.
16—Howard County Junior college enrollment rises to 215.
17—Red Cross drive opens; re-
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Season's Greetings

Best wishes for a joyous Christmas, a bright and prosperous New Year.

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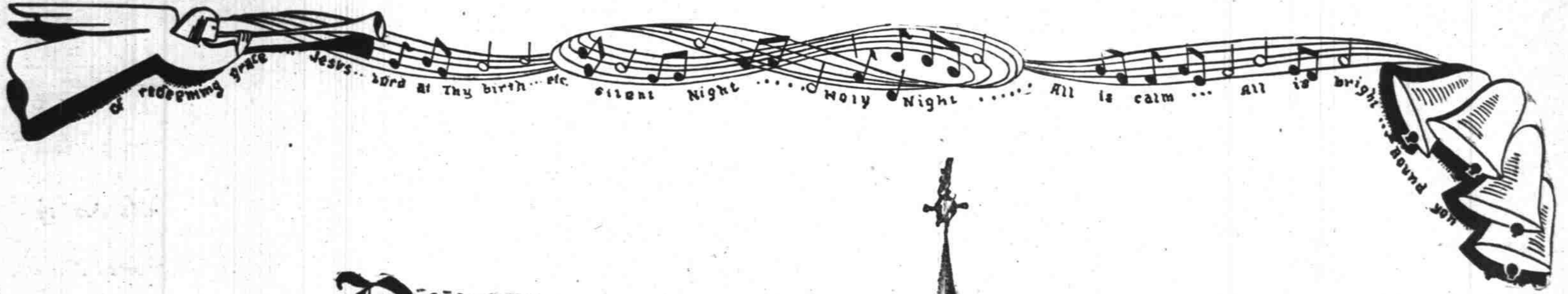
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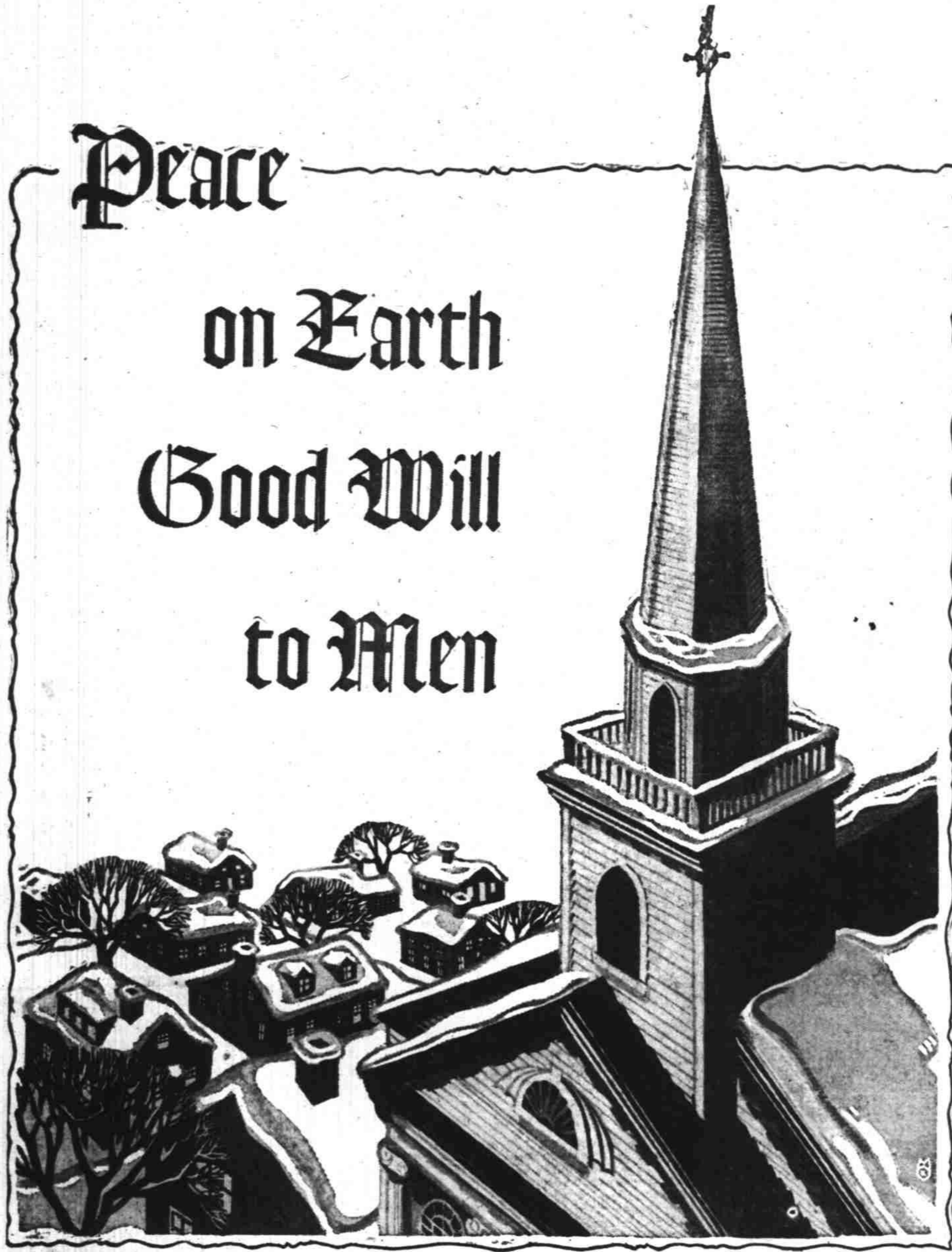
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The Year In Review

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vival starts at Church of God; Sol Glickman, state DAV chief, visits; San Angelo named sight of 3AA basketball tournament; local meet return from YMCA regional meet in Dallas.

18—Health board holds first meeting; H. W. Stanley speaker at Chamber of Commerce banquet; Mrs. Mary Ann Berry passes away; local chapter of disabled vets organized; Mrs. Florence Caylor, wife of famed Big Spring artist, dies.

19—Pioneer Air Lines service starts; year-around employment for Howard County laborers set; resolution honoring memory of James T. Brooks introduced in state legislature; Mrs. R. E. McKinney new Hyperion Club president.

20—Red Cross gets first \$10,000 in campaign; HCJC defeats Lorraine in Sterling City basketball tournament; Friends of Library sets up constitution.

21—Dangerous pump fire at Westex oil bulk plant doused; Big Spring loses to Abilene in 3AA cage tournament at Angelo; E. L. Deason observe 50th wedding anniversary.

22—Belly landing made by Navy plane; four women involved in wreck 20 miles east treated for injuries; Mrs. B. L. LeFever named president of Friends of Library; first T&P diesel engine arrives; \$35,000 fire at U&S airport destroys 12 planes.

23—Amarillo bowlers cop top money in Cosden Sweepstakes.

24—Capt. John Quinn, U. S. Navy, given letter of commendation by Navy Secy. Forrestal.

25—Rep. Peppy Blount introduces first measure in legislature; YMCA meeting on youth fund held; green light given for school expansion program; Pat Murphy gets offer to coach high school football

team.

26—Paving job bids opened by city; Forsan promised dial telephone system; Jerry Rogers steer wins honors in Abilene show; North Side cab franchise okeyed.

27—Local public officials attend Midland luncheon honoring Fred A. Wemple, member of the state highway commission.

28—Border patrol picks up railroad section gang for deportation back to Mexico.

MARCH

1—Architect's perspective of proposed VA hospital is released; high school coaches hear discussion of T formation at Clarence Fox coaching school; Zale interests purchase Iva's Jewelry store.

2—Frank Kimbrough, head coach at West Texas State, named instructor for Fox coaching school in 1948.

3—School census workers begin annual scholastic enumeration; chamber of commerce approves budget of \$23,318 for the year.

4—Stanton boys basketball team closes season with 29 victories in 33 starts, losing final game to Monument, N. M.

5—Emanuel Mansfield, Negro tenor, presents concert at Municipal auditorium; site north of football stadium tentatively selected for baseball park location.

6—Snow blankets Big Spring and most of West Texas; T&P opens recreation center at Toyah.

7—War Assets Administration says surplus sale to be held at Big Spring Army Airfield at early date; snow blanket builds up to four and a half inches.

8—Cecil Thixton and Jack Y. Smith announce for city commissioner's race.

9—Red Cross fund campaign reaches \$6,000.

10—Telephone service here curtailed to emergency calls, as Big Spring workers go into continuous session as result of Odessa personnel dispute; O. R. Bollinger announces for city commissioner race.

11—Willard Sullivan and L. Y. Moore announce for city commissioner; two men hospitalized after knitting straps west of town; local rifle club affiliated with National Rifle Association.

12—Schools dismissed for afternoon to permit teachers to attend West Texas Teachers Association meeting in Lubbock; site committee named to select location for baseball park after tentative selection protested.

13—Texas Tech band in concert at Municipal auditorium; Stanton girls basketball team advances to semi-finals of state meet by trimming Mesquite, 22-19.

14—Big Spring telephone workers return to job.

15—Rupert Ricker and Paul Liner announce for city commissioner; race completing ballot; Lubbock man killed in car mishap 35 miles south; Amarillo Sandies win annual Big Spring Relays; Stanton girls basketball team nosed out in state finals by East Chambers.

16—Local Girl Scouts complete observance of anniversary week; Big Spring Colored Civic League organized.

17—Howard county 4-H club boys enter steers and lambs in Midland livestock show; best rain of year, averaging one inch, falls in county; absentee voting begins in city election.

18—Howard county 4-H boys win two championships with steers and one lamb championship at Midland; Lewis Price named district chairman of National Federation of Small Business.

19—Chamber of commerce withdraws from selection of baseball park, leaving matter to school board.

20—Representatives from Tuberculosis associations of several West Texas counties begin two-day regional session here; High school basketball team honored by Kiwanis club at banquet.

21—Annual Big Spring girls invitational volleyball tournament underway.

22—Coahoma wins district 10-B track meet at Steer stadium; district 2-T Lions cabinet meets here; Paul H. Griffith, American Legion National Commander, visits Big Spring.

23—Estimates indicate 100,000 acres of cotton in count; Mary Titus, president of Classroom Teachers Association, speaks here.

24—Western States Theatres sold to John E. Hays of Houston; Women's Society of Christian Service, Northwest Texas conference, begins session at First Methodist church.

25—Judge Cecil Collings grants temporary order restraining school trustees and others from constructing baseball park north of football stadium; Big Spring Motor and Legionnaires open softball season.

26—Rev. James Roy Clark resigns East Fourth Baptist pastorate; WSCS conference budget of \$28,000 pledged; city softball league organized.

27—State and Texan theatres sold to J. Y. Robb and H. B. Robb estate; five Cuban baseball players arrive here to join Big Spring Broncs; injunction against baseball park construction denied; attorneys for plaintiffs file notice of appeal.

28—Cantata "Big Spring" presented by T&P male chorus before capacity crowd.

29—City and chamber of commerce plan clean-up drive; high school baseball schedule of 12 games announced.

30—Broncs arrange to practice at bombardier school diamond; community theatre presents "Dust of The Road."

31—First quarter building permits total \$200,000.

APRIL

1—Girls softball team organizes; G. W. Dabney and Willard Sullivan roll up large margins in city commissioner election; annual field day held at South Ward school.

2—School trustees plan expansion of plant; Howard County Junior college admitted to full membership in Association of Texas colleges.

3—First school census tabulation shows 3,706 scholastics; chamber of commerce endorses plan for opening Second and Fourth streets to through traffic.

4—First quarter rail car loadings show gain of 50 per cent.

5—John A. Coffee, Dr. J. E. Hogan, Dan Conley elected to school board from field of six candidates; Steer track team champs of San Angelo meet.

6—Over 2,000 attend Easter sunrise services in City park amphitheatre.

7—Final tabulation shows 10,464 bales of cotton ginned in county from 1946 crop.

8—Broncs play first exhibition game with Ballinger Cats; resignation of A. G. Mitchell as police chief accepted by city commissioners.

9—School board reorganizes, with Ira Thurman new president; L. H. Thomas named president of Howard County Junior college board; Broncs meet Abilene in exhibition match.

10—City commissioners adopt plans for encouraging voluntary paving projects; 50 attend zoning hearing.

11—War Assets Administration assumes custody of Big Spring Army Airfield from engineers.

12—Pete Wiley, Negro janitor, injured in gas explosion at city hall; local high school runners set three new records at area meet.

13—Broncs continue exhibition series with Sweetwater; local baseball club acquires Bobby (Pepper) Martin from Lamesa.

14—Fifteen past presidents of chamber of commerce honored at luncheon; Coach Pat Murphy and Big Spring Steers begin spring training.

15—Local citizens start raising funds for emergency relief of Higgins tornado victims.

16—Anxious relatives in Big Spring await word from Texas City following ship explosions.

17—Several citizens announce plans to push voluntary paving program.

18—Big Spring begins organizing relief for Texas City blast victims.

19—Freeze takes heavy toll of area's young fruit crop.

20—Big Spring's fund for Texas

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Top Of 1947 News

JUNE

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City victims reaches \$1,000.

21—South Plains Bankers Association convention opens here; Nat Shick observes 14th anniversary as Big Spring Postmaster.

22—Local Lions club members attend meetings in Loraine and Midland.

23—Evaluation of Big Spring High school launched by visiting teachers and administrators; Broncs lose Longhorn-league opener to Midland, 8-7.

24—Variety Revue held at Municipal auditorium for benefit of Texas City relief.

25—Twenty-first annual Boy Scout Roundup underway with 600 registered; school evaluation summarized by educators.

26—Judge T. Whitfield Davidson addresses 70th judicial district bar association; Howard county Hereford Breeders Association reelects officers at annual meeting.

27—T. A. Thigpen named 19th district vice-chairman for American Legion at Snyder convention; new north side residential district for Negroes proposed by Colored Civic league.

28—Baseball injunction suit begins in district court.

29—Howard County Tuberculosis Association reelects officers at annual meeting.

30—Local merchants plan to close their places of business early for the Broncs' home opener.

oil furnace at Cosden Petroleum corporation; candlelight ceremony features formal installation of officers at joint meeting of Parent-Teachers Association.

9—Possibility of securing building from Bombardier school to convert into dressing rooms at the high school is taken under consideration; standard 18 hour American Red Cross first aid course begins; Senior Day at HCJC underway with local clubs assisting in welcoming high school seniors of surrounding areas.

10—Severe spring drought broken as over two and one-half inches falls on Big Spring area; parents and pupils meet to plan band for the coming year; local livestock markets stronger after faltering trend, reflecting benefit of rain.

11—Programs today mark beginning of annual Music observance week; Coahoma seniors complimented with school reception held in the homemaking department; American Legion to contribute \$100 for relief of Texas City area.

12—Sixteen injured, one fatally, and property severely damaged from freak tornado which hit Knott and Lenorah; preliminary plans made for the Balloon parade by chamber of commerce to open Christmas season in December.

13—"Good Neighbors" mobilize to help clean up storm damage in surrounding communities; tornado victim, Leonard Calvin Foreman, dies at Stanton; City plans regular DDT spraying in battle against insects.

14—Student program consisting of concert by Steer band and choral numbers by two local choirs presented in connection with annual music week; new regulations in effect for local tourist courts; Howard county farmers benefit to about \$94,000 through AAA.

15—Merger of local American Air Lines and Continental Air Lines fails to materialize.

16—Troop One of Girl Scouts participated in court awards with mothers as guests; 28 graduate from Stanton high tonight; lightning, thunder come with second soaking rain.

17—Most of Big Spring telephone workers back on job after work stoppage; 400 high school pupils in local area get diplomas; Eastern Star school of instruction held at Masonic temple.

18—Eight choirs to participate in choir festival at city auditorium; records show real estate activities on increase.

19—Sheriff's office busy tracing bogus checks passed in city; Toots Mansfield nosed out by Royce Sewall in matched event.

20—Twenty fifth birthday observed by Presbyterian Ladies auxiliary; American Airlines granted new route in California.

21—One of first all-Negro juries in Texas picked here for city court trial of Negro; all day program for Howard County clubs underway here; approval of 25 HCJC academy credits asked.

22—Local eighth grade students promoted to high school; town meeting to discuss rising costs over KBST.

23—Commencement at Ackerly held; 46th Big Spring high school class graduates; 28 local Girl Scouts to attend summer camp.

24—Yen of local tailor, G. C. Potts for own emblem in clothes pays off; new instructor, Imogene Wells named to high school English department.

25—Dallas softball team splits double header with Big Spring; Norma Ray chosen as Miss B's Spring at opening of City pool in contest sponsored by High Heel Slipper club.

26—Seventy-five piece White Oak band gives concert in Municipal Auditorium; Todd W. Nedd m of Colorado City receives fatal burn in pipeline fire near Iatan.

27—Auto drivers to be stopped for traffic count; Marita County farmer and son killed on highway; Lloyd H. Wooten named president of Junior chamber of commerce.

28—Mrs. Nancy Crow dies when home burns in Martin County.

29—Totem pole in City park gets ace lifted.

30—Delegation of Fort Worth business men visit here on trade development tour; American Business Club initiates six new members.

1—Graduating activities start for first class from HCJC; J. L. Hudson, ex-resident dies suddenly at Laramie, Wyo.; local Boy Scout troops attend summer camp.

2—Over 400 visit Memorial Museum as it is reopened after several years; W. L. Porterfield and Dr. C. A. Long, pastors of both Methodist churches returned here for another year; Rev. Lloyd H. Thompson conducts baccalaureate services at HCJC; Bill Campbell, Forsan man listed as pilot on Ethiopian line in recent Saturday Evening Post edition.

3—Bill Cox, past president of local chapter elected state director; West Texas Livestock Auction company observes first birthday.

4—Willard Sullivan, member of city commission urges support for zoning plan; H. V. Crocker re-named head of I.O.O.F. lodge.

5—School of special instruction held here for Order of Rainbow for Girls; closing exercises set for Baptist vacation Bible school.

6—Gloria Strom of Big Spring advances to semi-finals in golf meet.

7—Cosden contracts with Texas and Pacific to sell more fuel; J. D. Elliott develops apartment center of 16 units.

8—Harvey Wooten Produce observes 12th birthday; I. S. Weather-spoon and J. R. Parks, two Texas and Pacific veterans receive pins for over 50 years of service; police break up milling crowd after series of fights in northwestern section of city.

9—L. W. Longshore lams top Fort Worth market; six local boys arrive in Austin for one week's demonstration in government sponsored by American Legion; swimming and life saving courses start at city pool.

10—One thousand or more at 4-H rally held at city park; Soil conservation demonstration held at J. Y. Robb farm; city holds budget hearing.

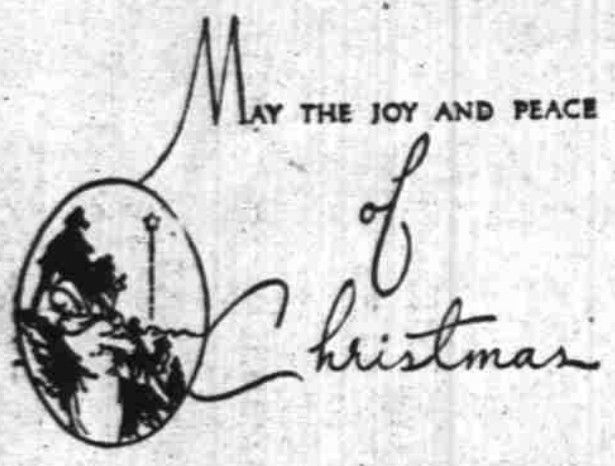
11—J. H. Greene, K. H. McGibbon and J. B. Mull attend highway meeting in Denver; Howard county calves shown at city park in field day sponsored by junior chamber of commerce.

12—Vincent road up for paving bids; Shine Phillips named on com-

mittee to aid displaced persons; guards placed at Big Spring Army Air Field to protect property act as government disposal agencies; 13—C. Y. Clinkscales succeeds Ray Griffin as American Business Club president; Rev. Aubrey White assumes pastorate of Wesley Methodist church; several items formerly associated with early West Texas government disposal agencies submitted to City Memorial Museum by Shine Phillips; Ham-ilton Flying Service expands to add complete commercial and instru-

ment training. 14—Significance of colors outlined in brief addresses when American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars present joint flag day

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Major Happenings Of Year

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15—Frank Amos selected president of Howard County Rifle and Pistol club; Sonny Edwards nosed out in roping match with Troy Fort.

16—Bluebonnet street up for paving; responsibility of financing a roof for baseball park assumed by chamber of commerce directors; summer enrollment at HCJC reaches peak of 90.

17—Lamesa school head, V. Z. Rogers, resigns after 22 years; Toastmasters club study speech craft course; crude oil shipments boost T & P traffic to new record.

18—Cecil C. Collins re-elected president of 70th district bar; Dr. T. C. Root speaks to Young Adults of YMCA at united forum; Clyde Sanders, former resident, found alive in California several days after plane crash.

19—All quiet on June "Teenth" in Big Spring; Howard county over top in over-all bond buying, but short on E-Bond figures.

20—Park program summer series opens with variety show; Lamesa charters Kiwanis club with members from Big Spring helping in organization plans; increase shown in E-Bond sale; first water melons appear on fruit stands.

21—Local schools get cafeteria equipment; summer officially here with sun shining 14 hours and 15 minutes.

22—Officers and trustees of Northwest Texas Hospital association in meeting here; American Business club names new governors, Merrill Creighton, V. A. Whittington, Horace Garrett and R. E. McKinney.

23—DDT sprayer purchased by city to help fight polio.

24—Seasonal drive of Chamber of Commerce launched for new members; bid date set back on Veterans Administration hospital; J. R. Parks honored at Texas and Pacific banquet in Dallas.

25—Howard county scholastics total is lower than previous figure; curb and gutter work started for paving of West 17th St.; army advisory setup planned for Big Spring to aid military personnel in matters pertaining to peace time activities.

26—First day of Electric show draws crowd of 4,000; Jean Reimer, woman pilot, stops in city on experimental cross country flight from Van Nuys, Calif. to Wright Field, Washington, D. C.

27—Fog spraying machine arrives, city prepared to apply insecticide immediately; 1904 Hupp mobile displayed at West Texas Memorial Museum.

28—Temperature up to 106 degrees; final attendance figures at Texas Electric show tabulated at 14,600; Howard county wheat crop estimated at 75,000 bushels.

29—The Rev. James Parks, Waco, accepts pastorate at East Fourth Baptist church; daily water consumption reaches new high for season totaling 3,940,000 gallons for the day.

30—City gets first bath of DDT as new fog spraying machine goes into operation; building permit totals for month announced at \$120,385.00.

31—Local Alcoholics Anonymous opens headquarters at 910 Johnson St.; grain harvest exceeds estimates; Bob Satterwhite is named chairman of the Big Spring Invitation Golf Tournament committee.

6—Hotel rates here show little change after price controls in that category are lifted; Jose Cindan tops Longhorn league hurlers; pleasure seekers throng park, swimming pool and golf course.

7—C-C directors urge campaign to settle disposal of surplus property at the bombardier school; arrangements are completed for a Cub Scout day camp to be held in the city park; Airport Baptist church opens revival with Rev. Travis Bedford of Odessa in the pulpit.

8—Big Spring is given its initial spraying with DDT with special machine; W. D. Green is named new police chief; Broncs hold official "opening day", beat Balingier 10-7; local scout leaders attend special meeting at Midland.

9—One of two men is shot in attempted jail break, other is captured; R. M. Hull is honored by the Lions Club for his driving safety record—not one accident in ten years of driving through downtown Big Spring; 116 cub Scouts register for day camp at city park.

10—HCJC is given membership in the American Association of Junior colleges; swimming pool is closed for cleaning; area is whipped with 50 m.p.h. winds and an inch of rain; Harold Steck is re-elected local Legion commander.

11—No rent increases are noted under new Federal rent controls; Mary Louise Porter wins first prize at city park amateur show with piano selections; 300 cub Scouts and parents attend barbecue climaxed day camp.

12—Mrs. Ida Hilburn, 85, takes first airplane ride—a long one to Los Angeles; Cosden signs agreement to load crude for Shell Oil Corp.; 4-H boys study grasses in preparation for judging contests at district encampment.

13—Sweetwater salvages final game of series 10-9; 10 Big Spring girl Scouts return from week at Camp Tonkawa near Abilene.

14—Seven Broncs are named to play in the Longhorn League's all-star game; Lois Eason is elected head of the Classic bowling league.

15—County shows \$21,000 drop in finances; Mrs. G. P. Gressett dies in local hospital; William Dawes resigns as secretary of the YMCA here.

16—Three juveniles are questioned about theft from car at the baseball park; spirited bidding recorded at local livestock auction with good calves bringing \$20.00.

17—Homer Petty, J. W. Arnold, Joe Shannon, John Rodriguez say they spot flying disc; 4-H boys conduct farm safety survey; state school board announces Big Spring schools will receive \$3,000 in aid for the coming year.

18—Legion baseball team dis-

bands when no suitable diamond for practice and play can be found. Howard county is selected for a cotton survey by the bureau of agriculture; school board accepts new bond issue for building program.

19—Hamilton airfield is approved by the CAA for charter flights; HCJC completes first half of summer term.

20—T&P passenger train rams back of freight between Big Spring and Sweetwater with little damage and no casualties reported; Pat Stasey leads Broncs batters with an average of .408; Bert Baez is runner up with .377; Midland cuts Broncs' league lead to 1½ games with 10-5 win.

21—Cosden declares a dividend of \$1.25 per share as officers are re-elected; city jail bulges; Broncs' lead is slashed to a thin ½ game by rampaging Midland, 12-6.

22—Jimmy Parks assumes pastorate at the East Fourth Baptist church; Legion starts sale of General Marshall's "Victory Report"; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Cook report that they have spotted a flying disc.

23—Panche Nall is named director for the coming rodeo parade; Big Spring gets its second DDT bath.

24—B. R. Van Leer, a former Big Springer, is chosen to remain as head of Georgia Tech; local police are harried by wave of burglaries; Cindan, other Big Spring players pace West to win in Longhorn league's all-star game at Balingier.

25—Box seats for annual rodeo go on sale; Colorado City enter-

tainers present amateur show at amphitheatre; 11 AAF buildings are deeded to HCJC by city.

26—Toots Mansfield wins \$40,000 in roping at Cheyenne rodeo; voters approve HCJC tax boost.

27—C-C representatives visit RFC office in Dallas regarding priority bids on AAF buildings at Big Spring Army airfield; Broncs take Midland series with 14-3 win, increase league lead to 1½ games.

28—Federal Works agency gives shop equipment, eight beds to HCJC; 28 4-H boys leave for district encampment at Fort Stockton.

29—Rodeo boosters visit cities to the east and north of Big Spring; volunteer Naval unit organized here for Seabees and civil engineer corps; knot-hole gang is formed to root for Broncs.

30—RFC officials say AAF buildings must be used for business and commercial purposes only; rodeo boosters make tour of cities to the west.

31—M. J. Fields, dean at HCJC, is appointed to the state committee on elementary education; rodeo arena is renovated as facilities receive fresh coat of paint and new reflectors are placed in lighting system.

AUGUST


1—Deadline announced on AAF building bids; Broncs return from road with two game league lead; Sterling Price named "oldest settler" at Old Settler's Reunion; vet hospital faces delay due to costs;

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JULY

1—Law officials inquire into death of woman on Highway 87; Charles Sikes, drum major of the Hardin-Simmons Cowboy band, goes with that group to San Francisco; Ohio lad who ran away from home is held here, Toastmasters plan speech course.

2—Election called for vote on tax increase for HCJC; M. H. Ulmer is named outstanding farmer in the Martin-Howard soil conservation district; local bank deposits are off and loan totals are higher; Coleman ranch well is completed.

3—Schools are awaiting a half

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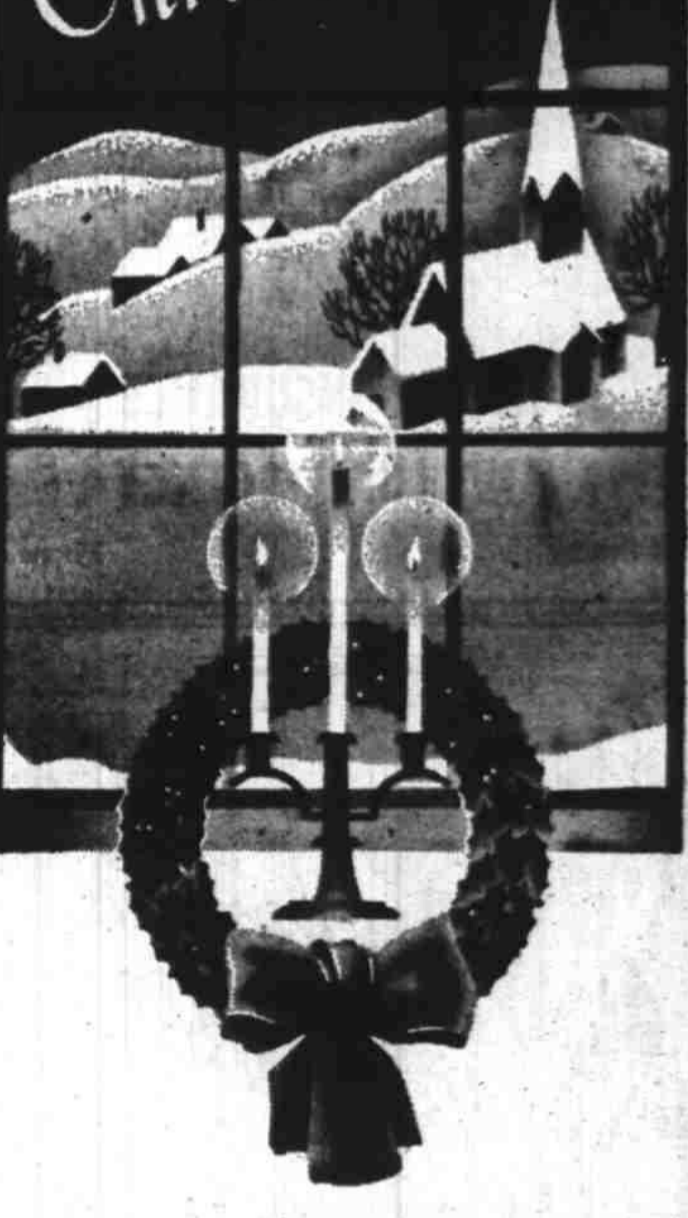


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The Year In Review

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Humberto Baez is honored by Klwanians.

2—L. M. Wright T&P man, knocked unconscious by switch engine; RFC announces priority system for surplus building sale.

3—Hot weather lessens insect danger to county cotton; local livestock markets show more strength with fat yearlings selling at \$23 cwt.

4—New polio case listed in county; purchases made on all surplus AAF buildings; E. C. Evans hurt in car smash-up near Midland; Pat Patterson wins double header 7-1, 5-1 before leaving Broncs for Fort Worth Cats.

5—City acquires 25 airfield buildings; school board calls election on bond, tax increase.

6—Joe Haddon resigns as high school band director; J. W. King succeeds him; high marks set at opening of rodeo with crowd of 5,500.

7—HCJC trustees meet to study proposed budget; tough stock thrills second night rodeo crowd.

8—Seven AAF buildings earmarked for local schools; L. G. Lewis awarded Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal by Navy; new vapor street lamps installed on South Gregg; HCJC board or-

ders \$35 tax levy.

9—City Commissioners decide to study each AAF building; Bill Weeks named champ cowboy of annual rodeo; 12 receive high school diplomas.

10—Company D holds annual reunion; insect damaging cotton near Knott causes controversy as to its identity; Stasey, McClain pace Bronc hitters with .412 and .372 averages, respectively.

11—Report shows county balance skids \$2,000 during July.

12—Price Daniel addresses Rotary, hits tidelands decision; county purchases \$9,000 road maintainer; Knott, Fairview farmers alerted for boll worms; HCJC board passes budget.

13—Trinity Baptist church and IOOF lodge purchase surplus buildings.

14—Big Spring FFA included in Midland district under new arrangement; Lions club honors early members.

15—Library switches to staggered schedule with Miss Jean Ellen Chowns serving as librarian while Mrs. Bennie Collins is on vacation.

16—State reserves approval on Big Spring School report because of minimum salary requirement; cattle market hits 1350 head total; Cindan wins 20th game for Broncs; Mary Wright wins city junior golf crown.

17—Honors begin for Mother Zinn who will be 101 Tuesday; Midland gains 1 1/2 games on Broncs as they clip Sweetwater twice while Steeds lose to Odessa by 15-1 count.

18—Rev. Fred Walker of Abilene opens youth revival at Main St. Church of God; C-C assists with petitions calling for bonds, tax increase for local schools; placards honoring vets removed from courthouse lawn; Broncs clinch play-off spot with 6-5 win over Odessa.

19—Donald Williams awarded Scout heroism medal for saving Robert Caughn from drowning; William Dawes named assistant principal for high school; Mrs. Clifford Hale named elementary principal; Mother Zinn celebrates 101st birthday.

20—County sins begin to roll as rush of "first" sales recorded; distributive education and industrial education courses added to HCJC curriculum; thundershowers cool county; city studies possibility of long range paving plan.

21—HCJC students seeking jobs urged to see Mrs. Sally Lewis; livestock market boom continues; Cosden Pipeliners win Muny softball crown.

22—Cosden extends trainload haul to new terminal at Abilene; West Texas survey experts work here; "Y" swimmers meet tests given at Fort Worth.

23—County votes 6-1 against college building amendment; Lamesan found dead on highway; Dr. Miller finished survey plans here; W. R. King dies from auto accident injuries.

24—McGreen and Holt pace early qualifiers for Big Spring Invitation golf tourney; Odessans beat Broncs 12-5.

25—County heads review budget; Sterling gets Ellenburger pool opener; Continental Oilers win Forsan softball league championship on coin toss.

26—City heads accept paving contract for 65 blocks; proposed school bond, tax increase given public hearing; AAF buildings suggested as possible exhibit facilities; Obie Bristow leads in medal play for Hall and Bennett Trophy team, Roden qualifies for National Amateur golf meet with 143 at Odessa course.

27—Interest shown in HCJC course in merchandising; victory medals arrive for Howard county vets; city extends lease on HCJC land.

28—Range conference is held here; residents in Highland Park section are jittery over prowler who has been roaming neighborhood; equalization board starts tax hearings; Billy Maxwell tops Byron Nelson in golf exhibition with 66 as he and Foy Fanning beat the Roanoke rancher and Jake Morgan, city champion; City Hall and Bennett Trophy golf team loses to outsiders captained by E. C. Nix.

29—Scouts put on show at park amphitheatre; equalization board completes hearing.

30—Red Roden and Obie Bristow reach quarter finals in Big Spring Invitation golf; Pat Stasey honored by local fans, given shotgun.

31—Edgar Dennis Holcomb, Lubbock, dies of injuries in motorcycle mishap; Red Roden upsets Billy Maxwell with 3-2 win to enter Big Spring Invitation finals; Jeff Good, Yeso, N. M., son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Good of Big Spring wins \$18,000 in steer roping event at Levelland.

Stasey, Joe Cindan named to Longhorn all-star team; Hereford Breeders buy AAF building.

5—Double-day sections for 36 classes seen; Lloyd Robinson wins 4-H record award; state uniform traffic code goes into effect.

6—Mac Miers named manager as S&S Wheel Alignment takes over J. W. Croan shop; Cosden announces new tire, battery jobbing service; Montgomery Ward observes 75th anniversary.

7—Mrs. E. O. Robertson wins chamber of commerce craze mystery contest; three arrested after wave of car thefts.

8—Coahoma schools open; showers out northern part of county; Jack Gill new Borden manager, succeeding Gene Gross.

9—Skyway No. 1 delegation from Los Angeles-Washington assured Big Spring to put in markers; Dr. C. W. Deats sworn in as member city commission; Big Spring tops Longhorn loop in attendance; city tax rate remains at \$1.70; Abilene fair boosters here; contract paving plan adopted; school tax proposal loses 399-398, bonds down 441-390.

10—Pioneer Air Lines suspends Lamesa landings; Pepper Martin's homer wins Sweetwater series.

11—Water chlorination course held; school enrollment pegged at 20; Hereford breeders start third annual fall tour; fire department rushes to Colorado City when refinery fire feared; showers fall here, heavy ones in east end of county; area No. 2 VA teachers here; Ed Cross named FFA chapter prexy at Big Spring.

12—Jack Pope grand chancellor for Knights of Pythias, here for re-organization meet; Big Spring-Ballinger final series opens here; Hereford breeders complete tour; school enrollment at 2,953.

13—Howard County Junior college installs \$20,000 laboratory; cotton harvest starts; South Ward safety patrol organized.

14—BZ (Big Spring) WACs hold reunion in Middleford, Conn.; Rosh Hashana observed by orthodox Jews.

15—Baptist association draws 300 here; Garden City school retires debt; Mexican independence celebration starts; band goes to Abilene for West Texas Fair opening; Dr. Lee Rogers named head of zoning board of adjustment; VA itinerant contact service discontinued.

16—Horace Fort lectures on alcoholism; pastos start drive for high school Bible fund.

17—Three break jail at Colorado City; AAF building sale inspection starts; E. H. Boulter, deputy state superintendent, says revision of salary schedules may save affiliation; E. V. Spence re-appointed to state water board.

18—P-TA district board meets here; Arab Phillips and Anna Smith named interim YMCA directors; HCJC enrollment at 165 on eve class sessions; L. I. Stewart and John Butler, Forsan, win with

tries in Fort Worth Palomino show; Ballinger wins Longhorn loop title.

19—Fundamentalist Baptist youth fellowship of area meets here; Jaycees, turn "cops" for new traffic code enforcement; Steers win opener from Cisco 25-6; Nancy Hooper crowned band queen; Southwestern Bell lets contracts for mobile, telephone facilities near here.

20—Mrs. James Crosland telephones of Gulfport, Miss. hurricane devastation; Ted O. Groehl and others file notice of school election

contest; teachers serve notice they will not continue to teach for less than state minimum; two cars derailed at Colorado City; Col. Ira H. Trestler here in interest of national guard unit; Jaycees raise \$293 on traffic stunt; Cosden makes first shipment of oil to Orme station.

21—Yellow Cab applies for two-way radio; Claude Hendricks risks life to avoid serious gasoline transport fire damage; East Fourth Baptist votes for \$100,000 addition.

22—HCJC enrollment at 175, Mr.

and Mrs. Sam Van Gelder observe 50th wedding anniversary; Joe Pond needs TNG group.

23—Farmers have welding course here; Dr. June Hyer, Houston, here for AAUW meeting; HCJC offers tax accounting course; Vincent road job makes progress.

24—West Texas Restaurant association meets here; County Agent Durward Lewter urges good relations with farm laborers.

25—Ted O. Groehl and others

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SEPTEMBER

1—Average water consumption at new high of 107,739,000 gallons in August; rail shipments hit peak of 1,839 cars; Frank Campbell named assistant chamber of commerce manager; city observes Labor Day holiday; Steers begin grid practice; Toots Mansfield wins \$14,000 plus in Clovis, N. M. steer roping; Bill (Red) Roden wins country club golf tournament; Broncs end Longhorn season with double win over Vernon.

2—Schools reopen; J. W. King announces new band program for elementary schools; 460 GI's cash terminal leave bonds in amount of \$103,000.

3—FBI school for officers begins; school enrollment nears 2,800; Big Spring-Sweetwater play-off starts; 100 T&P employees affected by 15% cent hourly raise; Toots Mansfield leads in Colorado City roping; 171 GI's cash \$38,900 bonds as trend tapers off; grand jury indicts 17.

4—Plymouth No. 1 Frost, north central Sterling deep wildcat,icides; Armando Traspuesto, Jake McClain, Orlando Moreno, Pat

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file election contest petition.
 26—Jeep caravan here; gins cease "hog round" buying.
 27—W. C. Blankenship advanced for teacher retirement board post; ginning season in full stride; city tax values pass \$10 million mark for first time; Louis Thompson and A. L. Cooper buy Big Spring Lumber company.
 28—Jimmy Eason demonstrates sprinkler irrigation system; Cecil Wasson sells New Mexico ranch. Eiland Motor safe cracked at Stanton.
 29—Andres Perez dies of knife wounds; VA announces bids on Vet hospital to be asked Nov. 1; Gene Haston re-elected East Fourth Brotherhood president.
 30—At airport, 160 WAA buildings sell quickly for \$89,143; first meeting held on Community Chest plans; city commission moves to expedite contract paving; G. D.

is: Bible class fund reaches \$1,663.
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 10—Court rules \$1.50 school tax carried by 19 votes; Big Spring vocational agriculture district meet changes name to El Rancho district; Peter W. Agnell made air corps captain; Josef Zimmerman, Tel Aviv, Palestine representative, assigned here to study soil conservation; two arrested for assault on Preston Lovelace; Wayne Williams leaves for Navy seminar at M. I. T.
 11—School trustees set tax rate at \$1.50, minimum salary at \$2,077 per annum; CAA tower back on 24-hour schedule; G. H. Hayward heads Salvation Army advisory board; Rita Faye Murphy, state representative, confers with local TB association officials; second district Presbyterian youth fellowship convenes here.
 12—Rev. John Kolar begins pastorate at Main Street Church of God; Milton Cauley, Loraine, robbed of \$164.
 13—A 10 per cent interim freight rate hike goes into effect; school taxes come in at brisk pace; Rep. George Mahon thinks special session necessary on relief program; Orville Bryant heads First Baptist Brotherhood.
 14—City commissioners get few objections at paving hearing; traffic lights approved for 18th and Gregg, 18th and Park, Eleventh Place and Johnson; Tom Good re-elected rodeo president.
 15—E. L. Daniels, truck driver, hijacked near Ackerly; Mrs. G. S. True dies; H. C. J. C. enrollment reaches 225, including 40 in evening school; Garden club organized; chamber group attends West Texas chamber referendum district meet in Lamesa.
 16—Cosden announces 20-cent crude oil hike; Barbara Janice Lee, 3, dies in fall from car near Pecos; M. A. Rowe, Houston, state realtor head, visits here.
 17—Guy Cravens given trip to New Orleans by T. & P. for more than 40 years service; Colorado River Municipal Water association meets here, learns that a year may be required to clear up salt problem on upper reaches of river; Big Spring bids for Texas Chamber of Commerce Managers convention.
 18—A. Swartz remodeling program completed; used car auction runs \$100,000 volume at opening sale.
 19—Frederico Tijerina-Villareal killed in crash 17 miles south here; 15 others injured in series of crashes; officers deluged by accidents and violence; two men killed in shooting at Patricia, near Lamesa; Mrs. Woodie W. Smith, former resident and renowned hymn writer, dies in Fort Worth.
 20—Bob Crosby, "king of cowboys," killed in Roswell, N. M. crash.
 21—Jaycees vote to incorporate; Rev. Lloyd Thompson named president district No. 4 of Christian churches.
 22—Cotton volume deluges compress; 48 calves delivered for Experiment Farm tests; T. L. Kupper resigns as deputy sheriff.
 23—Farm Bureau launches membership drive; Joseph Roberts, 78, dies at Coahoma, where he lived for 42 years; Robert Eberley, for 48 years a Big Spring resident, dies; Postmaster Nat Shick announces extended free delivery to 85 blocks; commissioners pass paving ordinances for 50 blocks.
 24—Two held in hijacking of James Falter, merchant seaman; J. H. Greene leads group to Colorado River Basin meet in San Angelo; T. & P. directors spend hour here; Floyd Martin taken to Temple for treatment of grid injury; heavy showers fall in north part of county.
 25—H. V. Fletcher, Kansas City, dies of injuries on crash three miles west of Stanton; Colorado River Basin selects Big Spring for 1948 meeting place; ABClub collects clothing for local needy.
 26—Local Gideon camp wins state meeting for 1948; Ritz theatre observes 19th anniversary; Toots Mansfield ties for roping honors at Madison Square Garden; Howard Greene re-elected Longhorn league president.
 27—Bread advances one cent a loaf; chamber of commerce begins membership drive; non-veteran clause relaxed at Ellis Homes, says Dan English, manager; Rep. George Mahon speaks at Stanton; Fred Childers, Seminole oil man, dies in plane crash 22 miles northwest of here; Community Chest to incorporate.
 28—City commission hears Tennessee Dairy application to distribute milk; Athletic association

OCTOBER

1—Rail shipments reach record of 2,103 cars; Nathan's observes 17th anniversary as business, year and half in Big Spring; Otis Grafa tells Lions of ceramic opportunities; September building permits at peak with \$142,820; Robert and Richard O'Brien call parents from Tokyo on their birthday, parents wedding anniversary, yet different days; 10 of 4-H club boys leave to display steers at Dallas fair.
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 11—School trustees set tax rate at \$1.50, minimum salary at \$2,077 per annum; CAA tower back on 24-hour schedule; G. H. Hayward heads Salvation Army advisory board; Rita Faye Murphy, state representative, confers with local TB association officials; second district Presbyterian youth fellowship convenes here.
 12—Rev. John Kolar begins pastorate at Main Street Church of God; Milton Cauley, Loraine, robbed of \$164.
 13—A 10 per cent interim freight rate hike goes into effect; school taxes come in at brisk pace; Rep. George Mahon thinks special session necessary on relief program; Orville Bryant heads First Baptist Brotherhood.
 14—City commissioners get few objections at paving hearing; traffic lights approved for 18th and Gregg, 18th and Park, Eleventh Place and Johnson; Tom Good re-elected rodeo president.
 15—E. L. Daniels, truck driver, hijacked near Ackerly; Mrs. G. S. True dies; H. C. J. C. enrollment reaches 225, including 40 in evening school; Garden club organized; chamber group attends West Texas chamber referendum district meet in Lamesa.
 16—Cosden announces 20-cent crude oil hike; Barbara Janice Lee, 3, dies in fall from car near Pecos; M. A. Rowe, Houston, state realtor head, visits here.
 17—Guy Cravens given trip to New Orleans by T. & P. for more

than 40 years service; Colorado River Municipal Water association meets here, learns that a year may be required to clear up salt problem on upper reaches of river; Big Spring bids for Texas Chamber of Commerce Managers convention.
 18—A. Swartz remodeling program completed; used car auction runs \$100,000 volume at opening sale.
 19—Frederico Tijerina-Villareal killed in crash 17 miles south here; 15 others injured in series of crashes; officers deluged by accidents and violence; two men killed in shooting at Patricia, near Lamesa; Mrs. Woodie W. Smith, former resident and renowned hymn writer, dies in Fort Worth.
 20—Bob Crosby, "king of cowboys," killed in Roswell, N. M. crash.
 21—Jaycees vote to incorporate; Rev. Lloyd Thompson named president district No. 4 of Christian churches.
 22—Cotton volume deluges compress; 48 calves delivered for Experiment Farm tests; T. L. Kupper resigns as deputy sheriff.
 23—Farm Bureau launches membership drive; Joseph Roberts, 78, dies at Coahoma, where he lived for 42 years; Robert Eberley, for 48 years a Big Spring resident, dies; Postmaster Nat Shick announces extended free delivery to 85 blocks; commissioners pass paving ordinances for 50 blocks.
 24—Two held in hijacking of James Falter, merchant seaman; J. H. Greene leads group to Colorado River Basin meet in San Angelo; T. & P. directors spend hour here; Floyd Martin taken to Temple for treatment of grid injury; heavy showers fall in north part of county.
 25—H. V. Fletcher, Kansas City, dies of injuries on crash three miles west of Stanton; Colorado River Basin selects Big Spring for 1948 meeting place; ABClub collects clothing for local needy.
 26—Local Gideon camp wins state meeting for 1948; Ritz theatre observes 19th anniversary; Toots Mansfield ties for roping honors at Madison Square Garden; Howard Greene re-elected Longhorn league president.
 27—Bread advances one cent a loaf; chamber of commerce begins membership drive; non-veteran clause relaxed at Ellis Homes, says Dan English, manager; Rep. George Mahon speaks at Stanton; Fred Childers, Seminole oil man, dies in plane crash 22 miles northwest of here; Community Chest to incorporate.
 28—City commission hears Tennessee Dairy application to distribute milk; Athletic association



Joyful Wishes

We join in the chorus of happy young voices that sing out, "A Merry Christmas to One and All!"

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THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS
 and every happiness for
THE NEW YEAR

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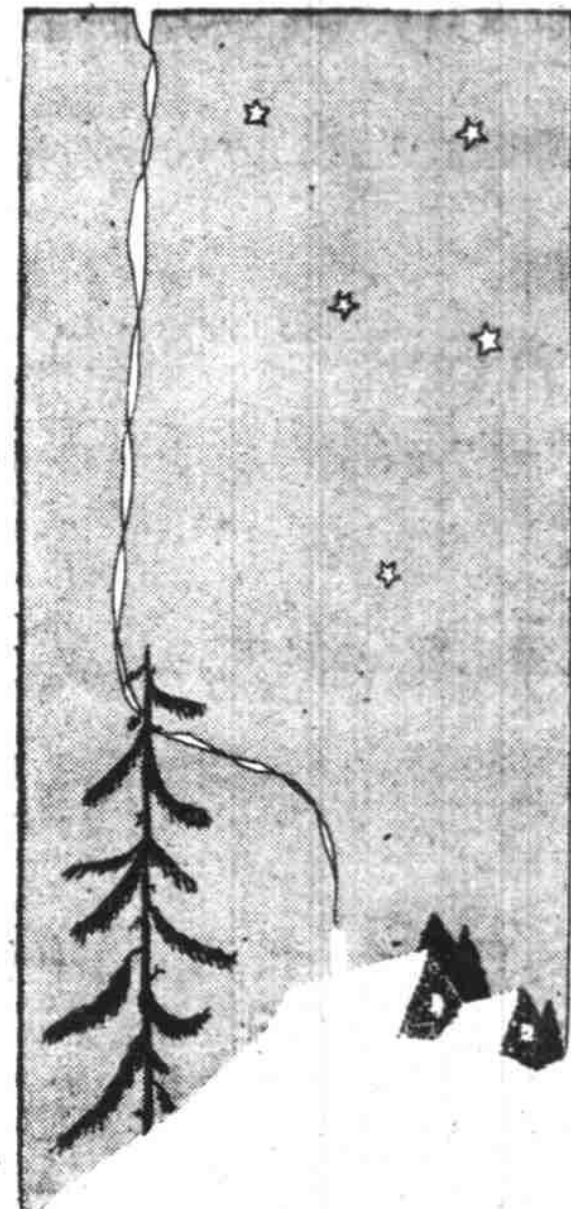
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As Christmas carols once again fill the air with the spirit of friendliness and good will, we wish you and yours a very MERRY CHRISTMAS with the sincere hope that the coming New Year will be one of your happiest.

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It Is Our Duty

With patience, with love for our fellowman, with faith in the future, it is our duty to keep each Christmas star shining brightly so that the true spirit of Christmas may reign throughout the world and that "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men" may be everlasting.

Our sincere good wishes are for you this Christmas and every Christmas.

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Motor Inn Grocery
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Edward Heights Grocery
 1910 Gregg St.

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The Symbol of peace...
... A MERRY CHRISTMAS

The untroubled hush of snow-laden, starlit streets; the free abandon of song and laughter in warm, guest filled households; the love in our hearts for one and all — these make for the very spirit of peace and good will.

BIG SPRING HARDWARE CO.

117-19 MAIN STREET  BIG SPRING TEXAS

The Year In Review

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28—Rev. Charles Abele resigns St. Mary's Episcopal pastorate to go to Portage, Wis.; Horace Ivey heads Vocational and Industrial club; Walter D. Coffee dies in Hayward, Calif. crash.

30—St. Mary's Episcopal church host to regional North Texas mission meeting; Second district Medical Society meets here; Elizabeth

C. Smith conducts FCC hearing on 1230 band here.

31—Jeff D. Ray, Fort Worth, rounds out meeting here after 67 years in ministry; orderly Halloween observed here.

NOVEMBER

1—W. E. Gibson, former Cosden sales manager, dies in San Angelo; city gets new police patrol

ear; short maize crop moves rapidly; Cunningham & Phillips Drug observes 28th anniversary, bids advertised for Veterans Administration hospital here.

2—Big Spring Independent School district safe burglarized.

3—Ground broken for \$16,000 paving project in Stanton; Elrod Ranches of Big Spring and Odessa sell 62 quarter horses here for \$9,825; HCJC basketball practice begins.

4—Louie G. Bradley, U. S. Engineers representative, arrives here to aid in hospital bids; Pioneer Air Lines office burglarized; police begin four-weeks school under W. D. Beasley, Texas A. & M. specialist; Rep. Mahon leaves for Washington; Lorenzo Pineda killed in Stanton burglary; Tennessee Dairy wins approval for milk distribution here.

5—Mrs. Viola A. Caughey, long time resident, dies; Harold Plum says 189 firms cooperating in rat eradication program; city puts new street sweeper into operation.

6—Big dust storm sweeps on 26-mph wind over area.

7—Billie Blount, brother R. E. Blount, injured seriously as Mrs. Billie Blount dies in crash near Greenville; two men hurt in traffic mishap 15 miles south of here.

8—U. S. 87 blocked two hours

two miles north as cotton seed truck overturns in road; combined fair program proposed here; Legion auxiliary conducts poppy sale.

9—Six persons injured in traffic crash at Ellis Homes.

10—Elizabeth Koch, NEA representative, addresses teachers and Howard County Schoolmasters; HCJC has open house, attended by 300; Roy A. Eradt, Maytag vice-president, visits; state approves Big Spring school salaries.

11—City observes Armistice Day as holiday, perhaps for last time.

12—Mrs. Victor Mellinger dies, city host to state pharmacy board for first time, Lee Stinson, Snyder, sworn in as new member; Col. Charles A. Dodd, state Salvation Army head, confers with advisory board here; city commission calls referendum on civil service options for Dec. 16; bus fare of 10 cents (two cent increase) approved; city and school board ponder park land proposal in-Birdwell tract.

13—Home demonstration clubs complete tours; A. J. Stallings, Lomax heads county Farm Bureau; parents become pupils in Education Week program at high school; Dr. David L. Cooper, Biblical Research president, speaks here.

14—Country Club directors call for enlargement bids; Mrs. Chas. F. Morris, prominent Methodist worker, dies; Rev. Ad H. Hoyer arrives to assume St. Paul Lutheran's pastorate.

15—Lee R. Milling, Houston, accepts appointment as YMCA secretary; pink bollworm infestation shows alarming gain.

16—Tom McWhorter, resident area for 58 years, dies; Child Book week starts; First Baptist carillon bells dedicated.

17—Chamber of commerce sets up special project committees; 20-30 club temporary officers named; .79 inch rain falls; Douglas Orme made C o s d e n vice-president; Cosden announces six-months profits of \$504,701, declares \$2.50 dividend on preferred stock on account of arrears.

18—Texas Railroad Commission examiner opens three-day hearing here on truck applications; B&PW club has bosses banquet; Rites held here for Claire Royce McNalley, 18, former resident who was fatally injured in Carlsbad, N. M. crash.

19—Three traffic crashes occur in murky weather; A. V. Karcher re-elected Red Cross chapter chairman; fire destroys home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Burns and nine children; Lions announce \$587 raised for Friendship train; plans announced for Salvation Army lodge.

20—Army advisory committee moves to make organization permanent, Chairman H. W. Whitney announces; Sears Foundation banquet held at Settles.

21—Twenty-two 4-H pigs sell for \$3,000, champion for \$1.06 1-2 from Cosden; Chest special gift workers launch drive; Jimmy and Anne White entries win at pig show.

22—Dick Hooper is first Texan to contact Alaska and England on 50 megacycle band; chilling mist covers area; Western Auto Store opens here; Shell-Texaco pipeline job reaches U. S. 87 south; building passes million dollar mark for year; F. D. Rogers announces purchase of Morris System grocery.

23—District No. 19 Legion delegates here resolve for early start on local VA hospital project; locomotive explosion west of Odessa kills B. O. Bunn, T. A. O'Brien, B. R. Wilkerson, all of Big Spring

24—J. H. Greene attends organi-

FAR BACK IN HISTORY

Yule Customs Originated In Many Different Countries

Ever wonder how the custom of celebrating the Christmas season with fireworks originated?

Most folks in Texas and Louisiana and the other southern states look on fireworks as an essential to the proper celebration of the Yuletide season but not so others who live greater distances from New Orleans.

It all dates back to an old French custom which entered this country with New France settlers.

Before it was introduced here, however, Italians were using colored fire on Dec. 25 and there is abundant evidence that the Spaniards also indulged in early pyrotechnics.

The paganistic motif hobs up again in the burning of the Yule Log which is certainly tied in inextricably with Christmas but which can be traced back to the word Jul and the Goths' festivals commemorating the winter solstice.

Mistletoe is another Christmas custom which goes back to the

white-robed Druids who revered it. In the early ages, if two foemen met under mistletoe they dropped their arms and embraced—hence the modern practice of kissing under the mistletoe.

The Christmas tree is entirely Germanic and first made its appearance at Strasbourg in 1605. It was not until 1840 that the Princess of Mecklenberg introduced it in England immediately to become a Christmas fixture.

But one little known fact is that the Christmas tree was a current Christmas fixture in America before it was in England because immigrants to this country from the Black Forest brought the idea with them. Immigrants also introduced the story of Kris Kringle—a vulgarization of the German words Christ Kindlein (the little Christ child).



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LIGHT UP YOUR TREE!



May it reflect the full glory of Christmas and brighten the season with a cheerfulness never to be forgotten.
Good cheer, good luck and Merry Christmas!

Gregg Street Dry Cleaners
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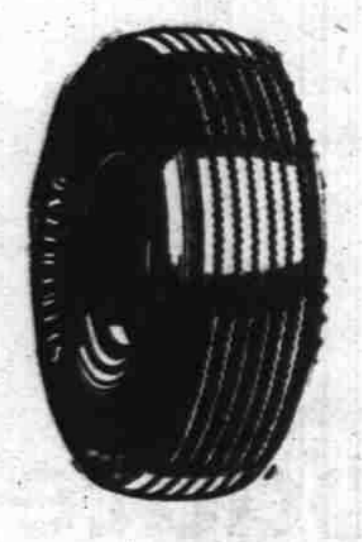


Greetings
May the Good Cheer and Peace of Christmas be with you on this day and always.
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This organization is happy to extend its most heartfelt Christmas Greetings to the people it serves. May continued success and happiness be yours in the New Year.



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CHRISTMAS
and happiness throughout the coming year...
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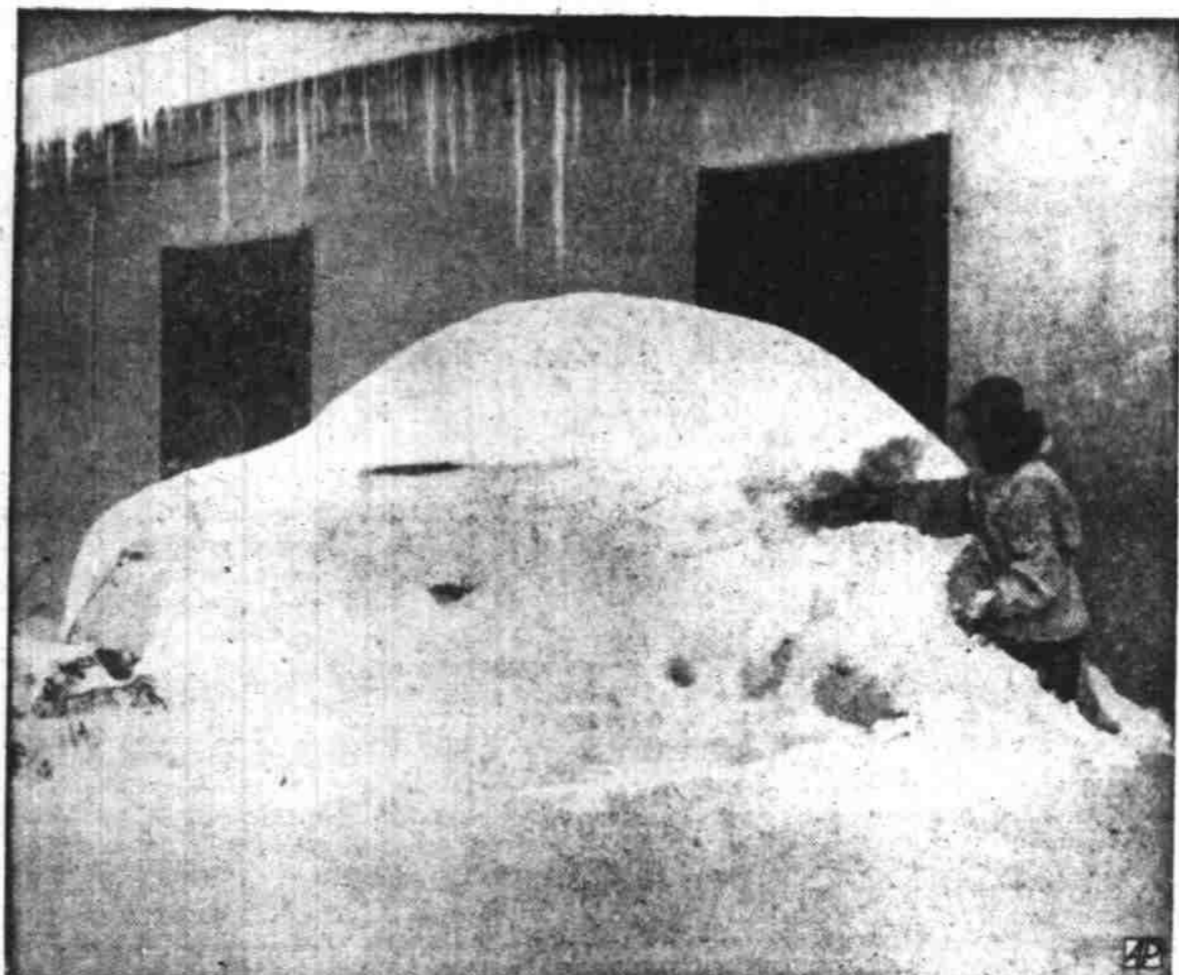


Greetings

AND KINDEST WISHES FOR
THE NEW YEAR

TALLEY ELECTRIC CO.

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EARLY WINTER WORKOUT—William Jewell gets an early start on the winter's battle with snow as he extricates his auto from a snowbank at Hamburg, N. Y.

CHRIST PROCLAIMED

Christmas Season Abounds With Many Timeless Songs

Perhaps every season of the year has its tailor-made music, but none abounds with such an abundance of timeless favorites as Christmas.

Of course these are stock-in-trade for the caroling groups, which frequently depart from the familiar strains for those tricky ones which get in a few spirited "tra-la-las."

The greater proportion of the best loved and most oft-used are religious songs, proclaiming the birth of the Christ child.

For all classes, No. 1 on the Christmas hit parade is "Greuber's 'Silent Night,' a song composed on a moment's inspiration for a rural Christmas party in Germany and shelved for a time of years before it was presented before royalty and became an instantaneous popular success. Not only is the melody captivating, but it lends itself beautifully for harmonics. The tempo is slow enough for all to sing and the words easy to remember.

"Adeste Fideles" ("Come All Ye Faithful") is another imperishable almost always included on any program of Christmas music. "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" is another favorite in this category along with "Joy to the World."

Like "Silent Night," there are other favorite melodies which are good for duets, choral or congregational singing, such as "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day," and "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear."

More intriguing in its musical construction and tempo is the celebrated "First Noel," a favorite of choral groups. Less frequently used now than in the days of a generation ago is the sweet, child-like song, "Away in a Manger." Remember—"Away in a manger, a crib for his bed, The little Lord Jesus lay down His sweet head."

An abundance of cantatas have come into being for Christmas presentation, many embodying one or more of these melodies if not the words. Then there is the superlative "Messiah," and a host of celebrated masses which are sounded at Christmas tide.

Folk songs, too, figure in the Christmas musical spirit with such proven songs as "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," and "Deck the Halls with Holly," the latter possessing one of these good "tra-la-la" twists.

Folkish but more of the popular type is "Jingle Bells," which probably will come nearer being a Christmas theme song than even the most famous hymn. School children like such simple ditties as "Santa Claus is Coming to Town," "Old Saint Nick," (up on the house top, click, click, click, etc.), and "Santa Clause Loves You and Me," (ah ha, ha! He he he!)

Strictly in the popular field, Irvin Berlin's "White Christmas" already has rooted itself and considerably overshadows almost everything else in this class, which abounds with endless listings, among them the plaintive "I'll Be Home for Christmas," a war-time creation which happily is worded so that it isn't necessarily dated by the war.

But whatever the music, it all adds up to the same thing—generation of the season's spirit of joy, of giving, of mellow good will.



A Merry Christmas to You

This year has been a pleasant one—maybe not quite as profitable as we would like with high prices prevailing, but we have been able to eat well and sleep well. Our policyholders are a grand bunch of people to work with and for. We only hope that they like us half as well as we like them. And now with the holiday season approaching we wish to thank them for the business entrusted to our care, and to wish every man, woman and child in this community a good old fashioned Merry Christmas.

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L. S. PATTERSON

Christmas



Rejoice!

It is the time for rejoicing. There are so many things for which each of us should be grateful.

We rejoice with you, happy in the knowledge that this year, indeed, will see you enjoy the finest Christmas ever.

Greetings

Salle Gunn

215 Main

HERALD WANT ADS GET RESULTS

Police Break In

NEW YORK (UP)—Police of the Clinton Street station were rather embarrassed when they had to call the emergency squad from police headquarters to open the door of a cell in the station house. The cell had not been used for two years and it took the squad half an hour to open it.

Brings Them In

CHICAGO (UP)—Pfc. Thomas P. Zarris was termed the champion recruiter of the Illinois National Guard by Gov. Dwight H. Green. Zarris was responsible for enlisting 281 men in the guard during a two-month recruiting campaign.

Money For Mercy

CHICAGO (UP)—Former Mayor Edward J. Kelly, chairman of the Friends of Mercy committee, expects a spring Mardi Gras here to raise \$6,000,000 for a new Mercy Hospital. It will be held on the lake front or in the Chicago stadium about May 1.

Liming materials were used on the soil long before the beginning of the Christian era.



CHIEF—Lt. Gen. Willis D. Crittenger (above) is in charge of a unified command for the Caribbean defense system announced by the U. S. joint chiefs of staff.



to wish you all the Joys of a Happy Yule!

Westerman Drug



The Season's Greetings

May this Christmas bring you gladness and a full measure of contentment. And may the New Year open up new vistas of happiness!

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SEASON'S GREETINGS



The candles burn no more warmly than the spirit of our wishes for your Christmas happiness. To all our many friends we say "A very Merry Christmas to you and yours."

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Christmas Cheer

To All Our Friends and Customers

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Slum Deaths Up

CHICAGO, (UP) — The Cook County Hospital and the Metropolitan Housing Council report the general death rates in slum areas today are about six per cent higher. The infant death rate is 5 per cent higher in the city's blighted areas.

Crime, Punishment

MONON, Ind. (UP) — The theft was small, but the fine was big. William O. Kelley, 24, was arrested for snatching a woman's purse containing 20 cents. He was fined \$510 and sentenced to serve 180 days at the state farm.

Opportunity Lost

ALBANY, Ga. (UP) — B. C. Gardner, a senior at the University of Georgia law school, arrived here as court-appointed attorney for several prisoners having no money to hire a lawyer. Gardner found his clients had taken matters in their own hands and freed themselves by sawing out of jail.

Busman's Holiday

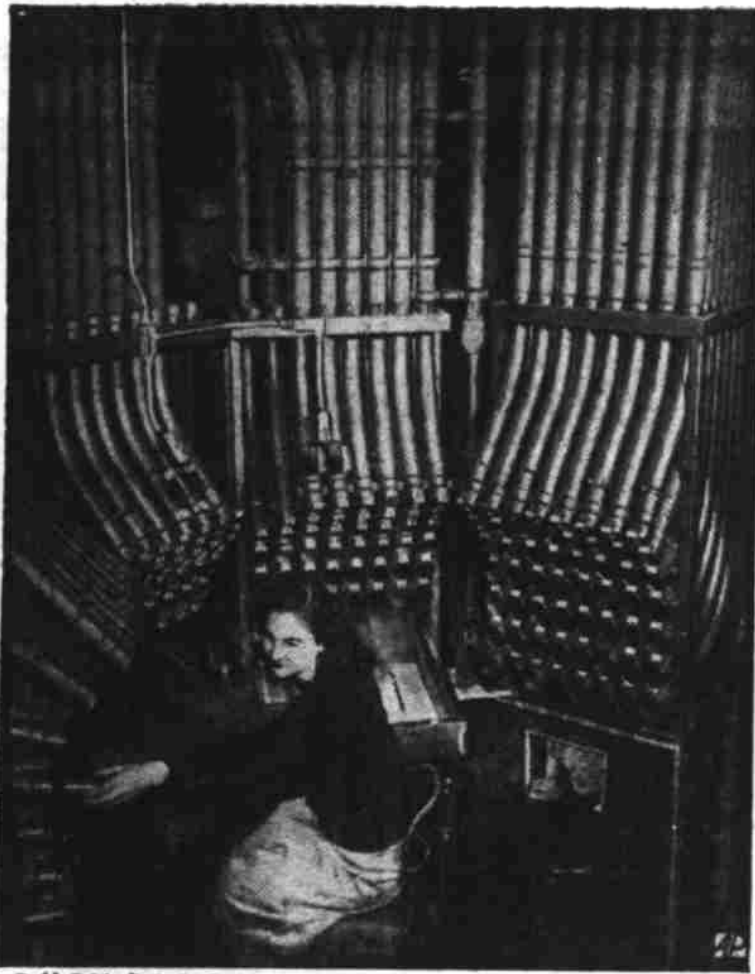
ALBANY, N. Y. (UP) — Sherwood L. Williams, naval veteran who tired of driving a bus, turned his favorite hobby into a business. Williams opened a tropical goldfish store. "I like fish," he explained. "Besides, this is better than driving a bus in all kinds of weather."

Vanity, Vanity

ALLIANCE, O. (UP) — The craze for collecting radiator ornaments from automobiles has bothered Alliance motorists. More than 34 were reported stolen recently. Police questioned several teenagers, who admitted they stole the ornaments and gave them to their girl friends for bracelets.

Quite A Car

COLUMBUS, O. (UP) — George W. Fields reported theft of his car to police here and placed its value at \$400. Later he amended his report to say the value included \$310 in cash in the glove compartment of the automobile.



BUSY 'ORGANIST' — Helen Sarros sits at the "console" of the enlarged tube room in the Marshall Field & Co. store in Chicago, through which cash sales transactions can now be completed in an average of 90 seconds.

ALL ARE RELIGIOUS

Christmas Observances Vary In Different Parts Of Earth

Throughout the Christian world, the peoples of many lands have their own way of celebrating the birth of the Lord.

Exotic? Yes. But in all of them, whatever form the fantasy and symbolism may take, paramount always is the deep-seated religious urge which requires of the season the profoundest respect to tradition.

Borne up on the tide of immigration which swelled to a flood during the latter years of the nineteenth century, many of the Old World practices are still a living part of the holiday season to many Americans whose roots are fixed in another continent.

The Swedish Yuletide celebrations begin traditionally on the morning of Dec. 13, anniversary of the medieval figure Saint Lucia, who gave her dowry to the needy. The eldest girl in many Swedish families still tiptoes through the house wearing a crown of candles and bearing a tray of coffee and coffee-cakes to sleeping members of the family.

The holiday celebrations end on Christmas Eve with a lavish meal of typical Swedish dishes "lutefisk," jellied codfish served with hot cream sauce; a roast suckling pig with an apple in its mouth; "jul-glogg," hot spiced wine; and "jul-grot," rice pudding with almonds. The gifts are opened at the same time, each sealed with red wax. Many Italian families still celebrate the Christmas holiday with a meal of fish, eel and squid on the menu instead of turkey, a heritage of the warm Mediterranean which laps the shores of the mother country.

Gifts are distributed by La Befana, a little old lady who occupies the role of Santa Claus in the typical North American celebration.

The religious impulse finds its expression in the "presepio," with miniature figures of the Holy Family, angels, shepherds and Wise Men grouped about a miniature manger.

Among the families of Greek extraction, a high point of the celebration is the anniversary of Saint Basil, on Jan. 1. In some, Saint Basil brings gifts to the children on New Year's Eve, and in others on Christmas Eve, but the celebration is not complete without cutting the "peta," or cake, on Saint Basil's Day.

The round, flat sweet cake provides pieces for various religious figures, members of the family in order of seniority, and latterly, according to custom, for both the Greek and United States governments.

Dressed in native costume, the children go from house to house on Saint Basil's Day singing traditional songs in honor of the fourth century bishop who was helpful to all mankind and to children in

particular.

Another method of celebrating the holiday, though not of another continent, is that practiced by many Mexican families who still symbolize the quest of Joseph and Mary for lodging in "las posadas." Candlelight processions through the streets start nine days before Christmas.

A necessary part of the observance is "bunuelos," or big stacks of flat pancakes shimmering with brown sugar syrup. Afterward, the youngsters get their presents from the "pinata," or huge brown earthenware pot hanging from the ceiling. Each youngster, blindfolded, gets three whacks with a stick at the pinata. When the lucky one breaks the earthenware pot, down tumble the presents.

Christmas has many expressions.

In general most crops grow and produce best when the soil is slightly acid to neutral. Only about one hundredth of one per cent of the earth's crust is copper. Because of the configuration of the country, the Union of South Africa has no navigable rivers.



Best Wishes for the Season

May your Christmas Day be gay, and many the gifts that come your way. And as the New Year follows through, we wish you joy and warm friendships too.

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CHRISTMAS JOY TO ALL



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Merry Christmas

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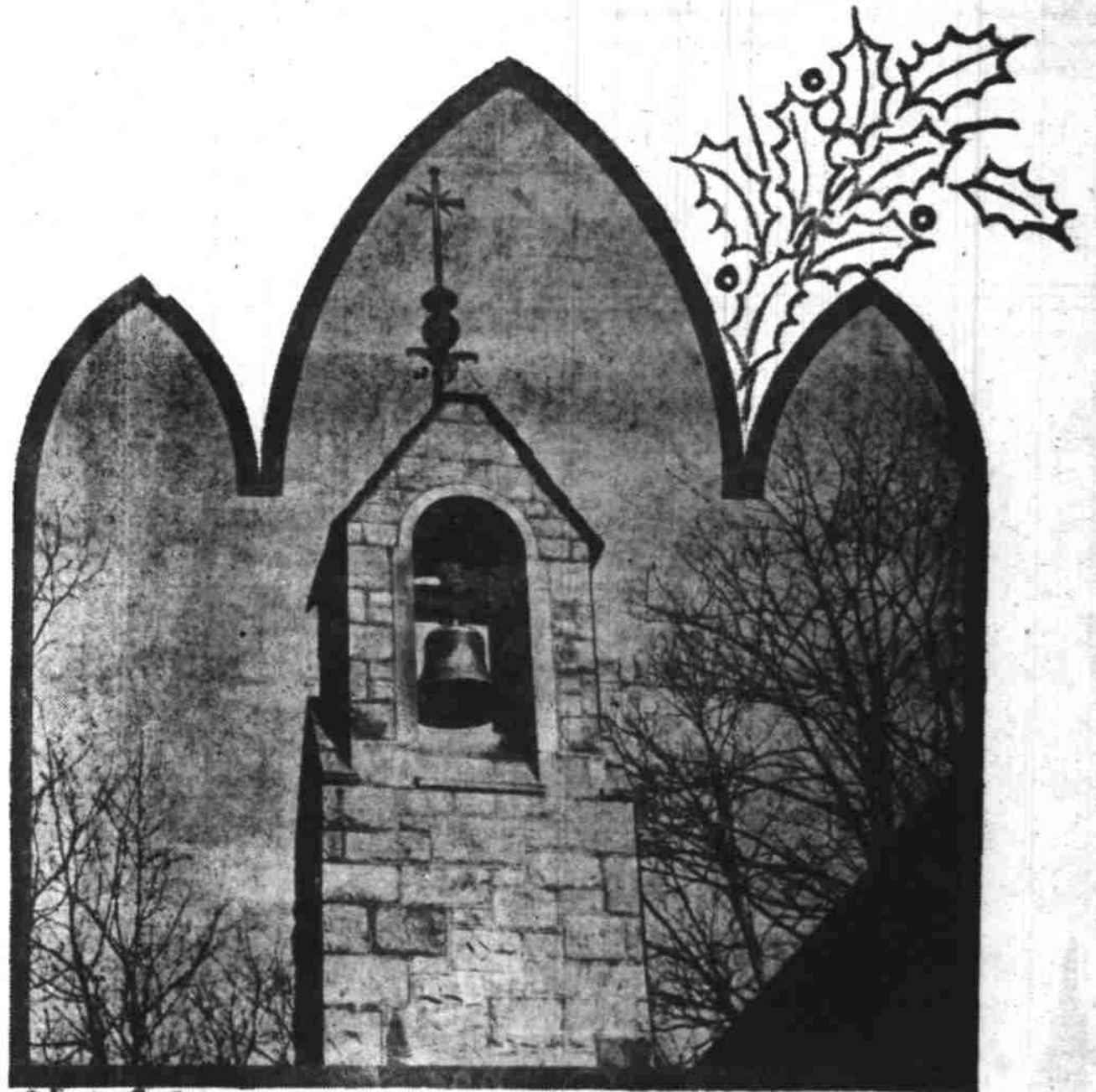
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SINCERE GOOD WISHES

For a most enjoyable holiday occasion and a New Year of happiness.



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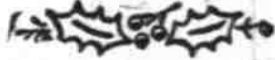
AT Christmas

We think of our friends with deep affection and wish for them the very merriest of Yuletide celebration and a New Year filled with good health and contentment.

Banner CREAMERY

L. F. POWELL, Manager




*It came upon the midnight clear
 That glorious song of old,
 From angels bending near the earth
 To touch their harps of gold;
 Peace on the earth, good-will to men,
 From heaven's all-gracious King
 The world in solemn stillness lay
 To hear the angels sing.*

Christmas Greetings

We of the Cosden family hope that the sound of Christmas bells, the glad tidings of carols, the warmth of handshakes and friendly season greetings all will serve to bring you a genuine feeling of appreciation for the hope of "peace on earth" and "good will toward men". May you be able to look back upon a rich and joyous year, forward to happiness and confidence to the good things that lie ahead.

All the folks at Cosden — those many represented by the symbol of the Traffic Cop — thus hand the holly wreath and light the colored candle to say, with special emphasis this year, that we are happy for another American Christmas season which enables us to wish the best for all our many friends.

**COSDEN
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 Cosden Wish Their Friends Everywhere the Full
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R. L. TOLLETT, President

