



CABINET AT AIRPORT FOR MARSHALL ARRIVAL — President Truman and members of his cabinet stand before the Sacred Cow airplane in which Secretary of State George Marshall arrived from London in Washington. Left to right: Lewis B. Schwelb, labor; John W. Snyder, treasury; Clinton P. Anderson, agriculture; the President; Tom Clark, justice; Marshall; Julius A. Krug, interior; James E. Forrestal, defense; W. Averell Harriman, commerce; and Jesse Donaldson, post office. (AP Wirephoto).

Many Tips Reported On Speculation

Ferguson Says Worthwhile Ones Will Be Checked

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—Many tips that government officials and other public figures have been speculating on the grain market were reported arriving at the Capitol today as committees of both the Senate and House made ready for broad investigations.

Word Awaited On Telegraph Strike

Man Is Found Hanging In Cell At Jail

Frank Mendoso, about 25, was carried to a hospital for treatment after he was found hanging in a cell at the city jail at 6:30 p. m. Saturday.

CARRIERS CREAK AS THOUSANDS BID TO BE 'HOME FOR CHRISTMAS'

Carriers — bus, rail and air — creaked under possible record loads Saturday as thousands made their bid to be "home for Christmas."

Thousands Of Workers Ready For Walkout

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—Fifty thousand Western Union workers, members of the AFL, awaited momentary word tonight from their top officials on whether to begin a nation-wide telegraph strike.

Changes Made In Hospital Specifications

An addendum to specifications for the Big Spring Veterans hospital, providing for several minor changes to various sections of the plans, was received Saturday by City Manager H. W. Whitney.

CRACK-DOWN IN GERMANY Soviets Fire Two Christian Demos

BERLIN, Dec. 20. (AP)—The Soviet military administration moved swiftly tonight to solidify its hold on eastern Germany for whatever eventualities the failure of the Big Four foreign ministers conference in London may bring.

Reviewing The Big Spring -Week-

This Christmas season already is in the books as the biggest yet from a business standpoint. Many factors have contributed, among them a bumper cotton crop, general unabated business activity, a better and more complete store of merchandise.

Arabs Fight Jewish Convoy

JERUSALEM, Dec. 20. (AP)—Enraged Arab fighters fought a running gun battle with a Jewish convoy tonight. The engagement swirled close to the borders of Syria and Lebanon where Arab guerrilla forces have been reported massing to fight Zionists.

Chest Stocking Far From Full

On the last week end before Christmas, the Community Chest stocking was still far from full. Saturday tabulations showed the over all total just short of the \$25,000 level, leaving the campaign \$11,000 short of the goal for six agencies including the Chest's emergency and contingency fund.

Postal Employees Face Exceptional Volume Of Mail

Big Spring postal employees were confronted with another exceptionally heavy volume of Christmas mail Saturday as receipts for the day at the local post office approached \$2,000 and cancellation figures soared upward.

Family Apparently Beaten To Death

JASPER, Dec. 20. (AP)—Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Rushing and their 12-year-old son were found dead in their home two and one half miles from Jasper today.

WITH FLAT IRON

NO PROGRESS WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—1 Day-long government efforts to win a settlement and prevent a country-wide strike of 50,000 AFL employees of the Western Union Telegram company were recessed just before midnight tonight without a sign of progress.

Leaders Differ Over Anti-Inflation Plan

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—Speaker Joseph W. Martin said today the anti-inflation program whisked through the special congressional session is just the start of a determined Republican drive to bring down the cost of living.

Three Killed When Car, Train Collide

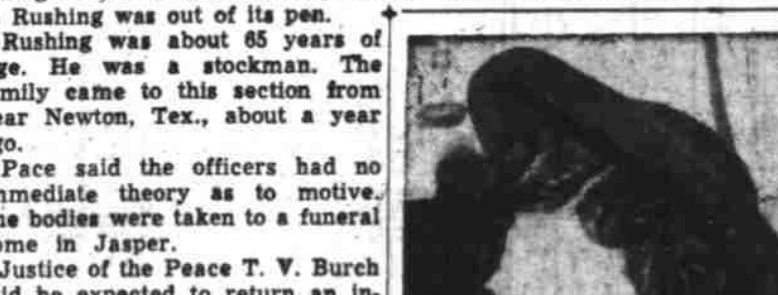
TEMPLE, Dec. 20. (AP)—Three persons were killed and one injured four miles north of here late today when the M. K. & T.'s "Katy Limited" collided with a small car on the Pendleton crossing.

DESIRE FOR PORK CHOPS, YULE PACKAGES ENDS PRISON STRIKE

ANGLETON, Dec. 20. (AP)—Darrington prison farm inmates, combining strong appetites for pork chops with a desire to receive their Christmas packages, today called off a hunger strike that began late Wednesday.

Aid Cut May Force Slash In Shipments

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—The \$75,000,000 cut which Congress made in winter aid funds for France, Italy and Austria may force a sharp reduction in shipments of raw materials to those countries, officials said today, but every effort will be made to maintain a heavy flow of food.



HEARS OF FIANCE'S DEATH Maria Formicola, 21-year-old Italian girl, weeps after being informed on her arrival in New York aboard the Vulcania that the ex-serviceman she came to marry, James H. McIntosh, of Querrant, Ky., had been killed in an automobile accident Dec. 6, the day before she sailed from Italy to join him in the United States. (AP Wirephoto).

Italy Troubled By New Fighting

ROME, Dec. 20. (AP)—Fifteen persons were injured in new outbreaks of fighting in Italy's labor disorders today and Italians faced the possibility of a spaghetti-Christmas as the result of a communist-led national strike of 300,000 food workers.

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MOST STORES IN SOUND POSITION Big Spring Shopping Season Is Pointing Toward Old-Fashioned Last-Minute Rush For Presents

Already roaring to a new record, the 1947 Christmas shopping season in Big Spring was pointing Saturday night toward a resumption of an old-fashioned last-minute rush.

City Heads Slate Last '47 Meeting

Big Spring city commissioners will conduct their last regular meeting of 1947 on Tuesday afternoon at the city hall, and prospects were Saturday that the session will be brief.

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STATE GOP HEADS MEET

HOUSTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—The state executive committee of the Republican party of Texas held a "brief, routine business" meeting here today and selected Carlos G. Watson of Brownsville as secretary.

SHIPPING DAYS LEFT

BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

See THE WEEK, Pg. 6, Col. 6.

Keaton Home Scene Of Allegro Annual Christmas Tea

Allegro Music club members entertained with an annual tea in the home of their sponsor, Mrs. H. G. Keaton, Saturday morning and their mothers attended as guests.

Mrs. G. T. Hall, co-sponsor, assisted, and receiving guests were Susan Logan, president; Mary Beth Keaton, vice president; Sylvia Brigham, secretary; and Marie Hall, treasurer. Joyce Anderson presided at the register, and a program of piano numbers was presented. Guests were introduced and Christmas carols were sung.

The tea table was laid with white lace and centered with white poinsettias. White tapers were on either side and the yuletide motif was furthered in decorations of the party rooms. Presiding at the tea table were Marie Hall and Susan Logan.

Attending were Sylvia Ann Brigham, Marie Hall, Joyce Anderson, La Juan Horton, Margy Keaton, Susan Logan, Janice Nalley, Lila Jean Turner, Barbara Ann Coffey, Mrs. J. E. Brigham, Jewel Moad, Mrs. C. R. Moad and Mrs. John A. Coffey.

Mrs. R. E. Lomax, Radna May Lamb, Mrs. C. O. Nalley, Mrs. E. A. Turner, Barbara Lewter, Cecelia McDonald, Jacqueline Ruth Smith, Mrs. Cecil McDonald, Mrs. Jack Y. Smith, Anna Belle Lane, Mrs. W. D. Driggers, Phyllis Driggers, Mrs. W. N. King, Betty Anderson, Billie Jean King, Treva Johnson, Mrs. W. L. Johnson, Mrs. Henry J. King and Kay King.

Mrs. Lawrence Robinson, Jane Robinson, Betty Jo Earley, Mrs. Bill Earley, Sue Ellen Barnes, Mrs. Chester Barnes, Edith Jan Tillinghast, Mrs. George Tillinghast, Linda Kay Wehner, Mrs. Fritz Wehner, Mrs. Omar Pitman, Nancy Ellen Pitman and Mrs. G. T. Hall.

Juniors Attend Seasonal Party At Local Church

A movie, "The Night Before Christmas," was shown Friday evening at the First Methodist church when the Junior Sunday school department was entertained with a seasonal dinner party.

Other entertainment included the singing of carols, and dinner was served by candlelight from banquet tables centered with red and green bells and sprigs of cedar.

Hostess committee for the affair was Mrs. H. G. Keaton, Mrs. C. R. McClenny, Mrs. K. H. McGibbon, Mrs. H. M. Rowe, Mrs. Robert Hill and Mrs. J. P. Baird. Gifts were brought for a needy family.

Those attending were Mary Jane Alexander, Bobby Bluhm, Julian Baird, Betty Faye Cain, Joe Dawes, David Dibrell, Judy Douglas, Billy Dillon, David Ewing, Sandra Flowers, Norma Gound, LaJune and Betty Kay Haines, Marie Hall, Meta Jo Heddleston Lois Hood and June Hill.

Bobby Hindley, Mary Lee James, Charles Johnson, Margie Beth Keaton, Janelle Moad, Kinda McGibbon, Burt Plant, Jeanine Price, Julia Ann Rainwater, Jackie Ridgeway and Shirley Jane Robinson. Freddy Simpson, Mary Lou Stages, Anna Mae Thorp, Colleen Vaughn, Shirley Ward, Jane Watson, Harris Wood, Billy Windham, the Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Long, Mrs. H. N. Robinson, Mrs. A. C. Moore and Patsy Kirk.

Former Resident Here Is Married In Jasper, Ark.

Announcement has been made here of the recent marriage of Mildred Lowe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Q. Lowe and a former resident of Big Spring, to Leland Starkey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Starkey. The double ring ceremony was read in Jasper, Ark., by the Rev. T. C. Huff, pastor of the First Methodist church of that town.

Wilma Henson and Jess L. Starkey, Jr. attended the couple.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was attired in a Picasso gray suit, with cerise and white accessories and her corsage was of white roses and carnations.

The bridesmaid wore a smoke gray suit, with black accessories and carried white roses and carnations.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony.

Mrs. Starkey is a graduate of Levelland High school, and attended Draugham's Business school in Lubbock. She was formerly employed by the Southwestern Telephone company here.

Starkey graduated from Elmisdale high school, Elmisdale, Kans. and attended F. T. Hays Kansas State College. He is now a farmer.

Two Girls Receive Scout Pins Thursday

Willie Mae White and Lillian Smith were presented with scout pins at the party given for Troop 16 at the First Christian church Thursday.

Mrs. Paul Darrow, troop leader, then took the members of the troop to her home for a Christmas tree, gifts and songs.

Those attending were Lydia Mae Axtens, Lavelle Harrison, Juanita Holt, Billie Grace Lauderdale, Lillian Smith, Louise Smith, Lois Hood, Jean Duley, Colleen Vaughn, Cora Lee Gregory, Willie Mae White, Mary Lawson, Mrs. W. N. Norred, troop chairman, Mrs. James O'Neal, assistant leader, Bill Norred and Bill Darrow.

Party In Logsdon Home Honors Happy Stitchers

A party was given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Logsdon Thursday night in honor of the members of the Happy Stitchers Sewing club and their families.

Gifts were exchanged. Members played bingo as entertainment.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Pershing Morton, Kakie and Jeff Morton, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hull, Lynette and Helen Hull, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Logsdon, Mike and Margie Logsdon, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Daugherty, Terry Daugherty, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Klahr, Sharon and Sandra Klahr, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pierce, Jimmy and Ronnie Pearce, Mrs. Johnny Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Tyree, Cliff Tyree and the hosts.

Mrs. T. J. Robinson Hosts Yule Party For Dorcas Class

Mrs. T. J. A. Robinson was hostess at a Christmas party given Friday at her home for members of the First Baptist Dorcas Sunday School class.

The hostess presided over a short business meeting which preceded the social. Mrs. B. Reagan gave the devotional and plans were discussed for giving a basket to a needy family.

Mrs. Reagan, teacher of the class, was presented with a silver offering in honor of Lottie Moon, and gifts were exchanged.

A salad plate was served and guests introduced were Mrs. W. R. Creighton, former teacher who now resides in Dallas, and Mrs. Theo Andrews.

Others attending were Mrs. Bennett Storey, Mrs. Lizzie Campbell, Mrs. A. T. Lloyd, Mrs. Nellie Barton, Mrs. Fannie Walton, Mrs. Annie Beasley, Mrs. W. M. Gage, Mrs. C. M. Chesney, Mrs. Mildred Jones, Mrs. B. Reagan, Mrs. W. B. Buchanan, Mrs. Joe Barnett, Mrs. C. E. Coursen, Mrs. R. C. Hatch, Mrs. D. C. Maupin and the hostess.

Party Is Held At Green Den

Dr. P. D. O'Brien gave the devotional at the Christmas party of the Homeaker's class, with Mrs. Roy Green as hostess, Friday night.

The party was held in the den in front of the open fireplace in the Green home. Christmas decorations were used, with a lighted tree from which the gifts were exchanged. Mrs. M. E. Harlan, teacher of the class, was presented with a gift.

Mrs. Ethel Bartlett led in prayer. Christmas carols were sung by the group, with Mrs. G. C. Brooks accompanying on the organ.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Martin, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Harlan, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Stulting, Mr. and Mrs. George Melear, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Skalicky, Mr. and Mrs. C. Spears, Mr. and Mrs. H. Snyder, Mrs. Ethel Bartlett, Mrs. Ida Collins, Mrs. G. C. Potts.

Mrs. J. R. Laysath and visitors, Mr. and Mrs. Ben T. Mays, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Choate, Sr., Dr. and Mrs. P. D. O'Brien, Mrs. R. C. Hatch, Mrs. A. T. Lloyd, Wayne Bartlett and Doylean Coats.

East Fourth Group Has Annual Dinner

The Young People's and Senior departments of the East Fourth Baptist church held an annual Christmas banquet in the church basement this past week.

The room was decorated with a red, green and white color scheme, and a miniature Christmas scene was displayed.

The Rev. Jimmie Parks told the story of "The Bishop" and the Rev. George McLeellan acted as toastmaster. The program also included a duet number by Bettie Sue Leonard and Mrs. Keats Watts with Lila J. Smith playing piano accompaniment.

Mrs. A. W. Page, senior department superintendent, and Mrs. Tom Buckner, Young People's department head, welcomed guests, and Otto Couch gave the invocation. Benediction was offered by Buck Tyree.

Dinner was served by candlelight to 53 persons attending.

Mrs. W. F. Heckler Hosts R-Bar Club

Mrs. W. F. Heckler was hostess to the annual Christmas party of the R-Bar Home Demonstration club Friday night.

Christmas decorations were used in the party rooms and Christmas gifts were exchanged. The evening was spent in playing 42.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hull, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Baugh, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Engle, W. L. Eggleston, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Mortin, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rogers, Mr. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Reid, Leila Birkhead, Royce Hull, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Heckler.

NBC Has Its Most Successful Year

NEW YORK, Dec. 20. (AP)—Mark Woods, president of the American Broadcasting company, reports that the network had its most successful year in 1947 with gross billings of \$43,548,057 for network time. That was an increase of 7.2 per cent above 1946.

The network added 32 affiliates during the year, said Noble, and now present programs over a total of 265. He added that the network further developed "pattern programming" during which certain nights are devoted to one type of program.

Oil Equipment Sold

WARSAW, Poland, Dec. 20. (AP)—The Polish oil and gas industry has bought approximately \$1,500,000 worth of oil production equipment from a Texan—George W. Walton of Dallas, vice-president of the International Derrick and Equipment company.

There are few mines which contain more gold than is contained in the vaults at Fort Knox, Ky.

Holiday Season Party Entertains Legionnaires

Members of the American Legion and Legion Auxiliary were entertained with a holiday season party at the Legion hut Saturday night.

The hut was decorated with mistletoe, candy canes and the traditional tree.

John Stanley was chairman of general arrangements for the party. Mrs. Winifred Booher was chairman of decorations. Helping her were Mr. and Mrs. John Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Blount, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Spears, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Barnaby.

Entertainment consisted of singing carols, playing games and dancing.

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ABC Observes Brotherhood Anniversary

The local chapter of the ABC club commemorated the anniversary of the national brotherhood Friday with a special program in observance of American Business Club Day at Hotel Crawford.

Arranged by Douglass Orme, who acted as toastmaster, the program included interpretation of the three stations of the American Business club creed. Members of the XYZ Auxiliary were present as special guests.

In explaining Station A—the American station—Charles Girdner listed ideals set out at the organization of the club and commented on the unity which the national group has developed throughout the nation. Station B—the business station—was discussed by Jake Morgan, who told of the basic civic purposes and operations of the ABC. Out-going officers, members of the board of directors and committee chairmen received recognition. The origin, history and aims of the local American Business club, organized in 1935, were outlined by Roy Reeder in Station C. Reeder listed projects of the club since that time, and in a lighter vein called to mind social affairs among the members.

Copies of the American Business club constitution, revised during the past term, were distributed. Announcement was made that the group would forego its Friday meeting Dec. 26, resuming sessions Jan. 2. A joint meeting of the ABC club and XYZ Auxiliary has been planned in connection with installation of 1948 officers Jan. 9. The club presented a gift each to Helen Duley and Leatrice Ross, sweethearts. Each guest present received a single rose corsage. Preceding the luncheon, Joyce Howard, accompanied at the piano by Miss Duley, sang Christmas selections.

LOOPS LEAVE PILOT LOOPY

SWEETWATER, Dec. 20. (AP)—Carl Crawford, Sweetwater pilot, looped the loop 1,004 times yesterday and then decided he wasn't ready physically to go ahead with an attempt to break the world's record of 1,633, set in 1928 by Charles (Speed) Holman.

Crawford said today he probably would be ready for a new attempt "sometime next week."



AT CAPITOL LUNCHEON — Rep. Robert Grant (R-Ind.); Sen. Homer E. Capehart (R-Ind.); Rep. Wright Patman (D-Texas), and Henry Kaiser, the industrialist (left to right) talk at a luncheon at the Capitol in Washington when Kaiser said that he had put up \$500,000 to help start production at the Lone Star Steel Co., plant in Daingerfield, Texas. (AP Photo).

Swedish Tycoon Buys Mexico Phone Systems

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 20. (AP)—Swedish multimillionaire Axel Wenner-Gren, wartime immigrant to Mexico, announced last night that he had arranged to buy control of Mexico's two telephone systems, valued at \$300,000,000 pesos (\$60,000,000).

Wenner-Gren, who was on U. S. and British "black lists" during the war, said his newly formed company, Telefonos de Mexico, S. A., in which he holds 51 percent of the stock, would take over the Mexican Ericsson Telephone company Jan. 1.

Wallace Urged To Run For President

NEW YORK, Dec. 20. (AP)—Former Vice President Henry A. Wallace was urged last night by Rep. Vito Marcantonio (AL-NY) to head a third party ticket in next year's presidential election "in the interests of peace and against the interests of war and depression."

Asserting that his views were personal and did not necessarily reflect those of his party, the congressman told an American Youth for Democracy meeting that the "only way to fight fascism and reaction is to build a third party and elect Wallace president."

WINGS OVER B'SPRING

December Is Busy Month For CAA

December has been a busy month for the Civil Aeronautics Administration district airport office here. At the end of the week, J. D. Church, engineer in charge, announced that transfer had been completed on airport sites for Wellington and Shamrock. Runways and taxi strip paving have been completed at Plainview and administration building plans are on the drawing board in anticipation of an early contract.

Contract is to be let Dec. 26 for paving of runways at Mason, and approval has been granted for paving of runways and taxi strips at Monahans, together with a new administration building. Bids were opened on Dec. 12 for paving of runways at Andrews. Church flew to Fort Worth and El Paso on business trips during the week, and plans to leave possibly Monday for El Paso to confer with the city commission on plans for installation of two new hangars on the municipal port.

Cal Lewis, Rotan rancher, put in at Hamilton Field during the week on one of his routine hops on business to New Mexico. He patrols his pastures with his Cub plane.

Ray King and Thomas Harwell bought a Cessna 140 from Big Spring Flying Service last week. King, who is completing his work on his commercial, took his partner's father for his first plane ride last week. The younger Harwell is well along on his private pilot lessons.

Skyway No. 1 markers are in immediate prospect. In fact, the first marker, identifying the Muny port with the transcontinental route, has been painted on the apron and arrangements made for markers about 10 to 15 miles north and south of the field. A safe sign is being painted on top of the Airport Cafe so fliers can spot it from the air.

Santa Claus made a surprise visit to Pioneer Airlines Friday. Riding aboard a regular Pioneer flight, Saint Nick, red suit, beard and all, brought presents for children of Pioneer employees.

The Muny port received another certificate of merit from the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association last week, its second consecutive such citation for exceptional service. Charles Nelson, Big Spring, and Jerry Coomer, Garden City, were graduated with private pilot license by Big Spring Flying Service during the week and L. R. Wood, Stanton, training with the BSFS auxiliary department at Stanton, made a cross-country to San Angelo and Abilene. There are four students at Stanton who take their ground school and part of the flying instruction at Big Spring and the remainder of training at Stanton.

Donald McKinney made a cross-country from Hamilton Field, northeast of town, to Carlsbad, N. M. and Pecos; Clyde Wood to Abilene and San Angelo, and Jiggs Holcomb, Forsan, to Wink and McCamey. Allen Shaffer made a short cross-country.

Mule Kayser plans to fly to the Spade ranch on Christmas. Last week he took his four-and-half-year-old son, Ray, through dual spins. Ray has put in about 15 hours of dual with his dad and is longing for the time when he will be old enough to solo.

Price Composite Shows A Decline

NEW YORK, Dec. 20. (AP)—Registering its first Friday-to-Friday decline in seven weeks, the Associated Press composite of 35 wholesale commodity prices stood yesterday at 205.12, compared with 206.05 a week earlier and 169.37 a year ago. In the index the base year 1926 equals 100. Although textiles climbed to a new 1947 high of 244.32 and livestock also advanced, declines were registered by food, industrials and grains and cotton.

Punishment Ends For Three Sisters Under An Old Law

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 20. (AP)—Three sisters convicted as "common scolds" are out of jail today because the neighbor who prosecuted them told a criminal court judge he thought "they've been punished enough" and should be released "in time for Christmas." The sisters, Helen Znosko, 29; Betty, 24, and Alizabeth, 20, shook hands with Francis Pastor after he had pleaded with Judge John P. Egan to parole them after serving two months and 11 days on sentences running 13 to 22 months. Pastor brought charges under an old Pennsylvania law because he said the sisters vilified him during an argument over some shrubbery. His son, Frank, Jr., was the star witness at the trial. He played before the jury a home-made recording which he said he made while the sisters were "telling off" his Dad.

Politician Is Dead

BELFAST, Ulster, Dec. 20. (AP)—Sir William Allen, 81, unionist member of Parliament for county Armagh since 1922, died tonight of injuries suffered when he was hit by a truck two weeks ago. He was an officer in the First World War.

WEEK'S BUSINESS

Building Activity Only Factor To Suffer In Local Barometer

Building activity apparently was the only factor in the local business barometer to suffer last week from the encroachment of holiday interests, as other yardsticks compared favorably to previous reports. In fact, livestock prices held to high levels easier than expected. One load of stocker animals brought \$25.70 cwt. at a regular auction, virtually snuffing out the last flicker of hope for lower priced meat in future months. Prices for other types of cattle were correspondingly high.

Property transactions maintained a steady pace, based on warranty deeds filed in the county clerk's office. Thirteen instruments filed during the week involved \$44,715, advancing the 1947 total to \$1,967,576. At the same time new automobile deliveries continued at an increased tempo. The county tax assessor-collector's office issued licenses for 19 passenger cars, four trucks and two motorcycles.

City building activity was limited chiefly to repair work and moving projects. A dozen permits totalled a mere \$7,150 in estimated costs. The current building total for the year is \$1,083,045.

Strong Demand Is Made For Broilers

AUSTIN, Dec. 20. (AP)—Strong demand early in November for broilers encouraged a \$2,000,000 - chick output in Texas chemical hatcheries last month, the United States department of agriculture reported today.

The month's production is 200,000 chicks ahead of November a year ago and compares with an average of 1,300,000 for the month for the five-year period 1941-45. Scarcity of hatching eggs continued to limit the operation of some hatcheries supplying the broiler trade, USDA said.

A five percent drop was reported in November egg production from Texas farm flocks.

Texas Mishaps Kill 141 In November, '47

AUSTIN, Dec. 20. (AP)—November traffic accidents in Texas claimed 141 lives and injured 1,474 persons, the Texas department of public safety reported today.

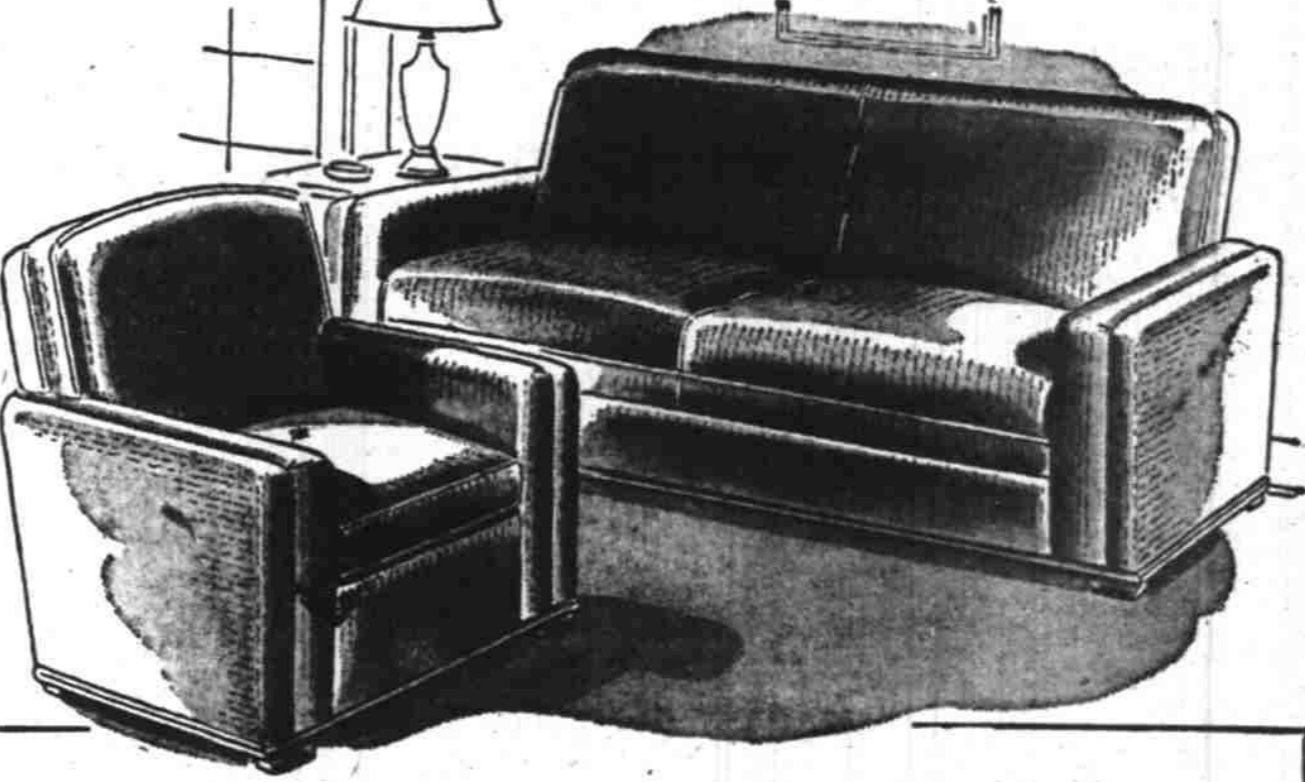
The fatalities were under the 194 reported for the same month a year ago.

There were more accidents and more injuries last month, however. Accidents totaled 3,345, compared to 2,639 a year ago, the 1,474 injuries compared to 1,409 for the same month a year ago.

The November statistics brought total deaths for the eleven months of 1947 to 1,733, or 1 percent under the 1,759 deaths for the comparable period in 1946, the department's report showed.

Injuries this year totaled 40,318. Economic loss estimated to have resulted from 146,105 traffic accidents this year was placed at \$69,906,187.

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Three Ships Are In Danger From Storm

HONOLULU, Dec. 20. (AP)—A north Pacific storm placed at least three ships in new peril today. High seas which had bucked deck plates, stove in hatches and jammed rudders further battered

the 7,176 ton S. S. James F. Harrell, the 10,172 ton Army Tanker El Caney and the 130 ton Army barge DSP-866.

In all, six ships have felt the fury of two storms this week but one is safe in an Aleutian harbor and two others are believed out of the path of this latest storm which has gusts up to 75 miles.

The Harrell, latest to run into trouble, radioed the Coast Guard here it had three hatches stove in, a foot or more of water in the hold, and a wet and swelling cargo of maize. It was in the Aleutians.

The Army Barge DSP-866, with possibly 10 or more crewmen aboard, ran into trouble about 250 miles west of Adak off Amchika with porches smashed, the galley flooded and the cargo shifted.

About 800 miles from Midway, the El Caney with a crew of 42 was under tow and right on the rim of the storm.

The ship lost its rudder in another storm earlier this week.

'Slowdown' Is Again Charged Against ITU

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—A statement that printers employed by newspapers have conducted "slowdowns" bobbed up again today in the unfair labor practice case brought by the American Newspaper Publishers association against the AFL International Typographical Union.

The hearing before Arthur Leff, a trial examiner for the National Labor Relations Board, will be resumed here Monday.

At that time the office of NLRB General Counsel Robert N. Denham, which is prosecuting the case, will seek Leff's permission to add the slowdown charge to its official complaint against the union. Leff removed a similar charge from the complaint Dec. 9 on technical grounds, and now the language has been revised and expanded.

Lawyers for the publishers and the union said today that the Denham office has already given them copies of the proposed amendment.

The amendment does not name the newspapers at which the printers are alleged to have slowed down their work.

The Denham office and the publishers expect to offer evidence on this and other matters early in 1948.

German Diplomats Plead Innocent To War Crimes

NUERNBERG, Germany, Dec. 20. (AP)—Twenty-one former German diplomats and high ranking officials in the Nazi government pleaded innocent today to charges that they committed crimes against peace and humanity.

The defendants, arraigned before an American military tribunal headed by Judge William C. Christianson of Red Wing, Minnesota, were accused of marshaling German financial, economic, political, psychological and propaganda support behind Adolf Hitler's efforts to wage aggressive war.

Another American tribunal, hearing the war crimes case against the Krupp armaments works, rejected yesterday a plea by the chief defendant, Alfried Krupp, that he be given the right to have an American attorney. The ruling opened the way for a challenge of the tribunal's legality.

Two Divorces Are Granted By Court

Two divorces were granted by Judge Cecil C. Collins in 70th district court proceedings Saturday morning.

E. T. Chrane, who originally had been the defendant in a suit filed by his wife, won a decree from Ann Chrane. Custody of a minor child was given to the defendant. The original suit was dismissed.

Celia Anguiano won marital freedom from Louis Anguiano and custody of two minor children.

In other cases, application of Horace Rankin to have his disabilities as a minor removed was granted.

Mexican Papers Seek Rockefeller's Help

LAREDO, Dec. 20. (AP)—Officers of Periodistas Unidos de America, composed of representatives of small town dailies in Mexico, today were looking to Nelson Rockefeller for a solution to their newspaper problem.

Three of them telephoned Grantham Jamison, assistant to the former co-ordinator of Inter-American affairs, asking that Rockefeller look into the problem.

Efrain Hidalgo Salazar, president of the group, said small Mexican papers had been paying up to \$250 a ton for newspaper that normally costs \$96 a ton.

France Willing To Negotiate Treaty

PARIS, Dec. 20. (AP)—France is willing at any time to negotiate with any of the other occupying powers on Germany's future, Foreign Minister Georges Bidault declared today.

The foreign minister's statement was made at a closed meeting of the National Assembly's foreign affairs commission and a transcript of his remarks was distributed after the session.

Shoppers Evacuated

CHICAGO, Dec. 20. (AP)—Between 20,000 and 25,000 Christmas shoppers were evacuated from the Goldblatt brothers' department store today after a fire started in an escalator. Firemen extinguished the blaze.



TEL AVIV'S DISPLACED JEWS LIVE IN TENTS — Residents of the Jaffa-Tel Aviv border area in Palestine, who have left their homes because of clashes between Jews and Arabs, wash their dishes at the communal watering place in a tent city where they are being housed. (AP Wirephoto).

Two Completions Are Noted In East Howard Pool During Week

Two completions were noted in the East Howard pool during the week and an extension in the Chaik area was preparing to take potential test. Sun completed a shallow venture in the Howard-Glasscock area.

Dr. W. H. Cooper No. 2 Percy Jones, section 13-30-1s, T&P, pumped 188 barrels in 16 hours and Cecil Guthrie No. 1-B W. R. Read was finished for 160 barrels on an eight-hour run for the two completions. Dr. W. H. Cooper No. 1 Scott, section 86-29, W&NW, in the Chaik area, set pumping unit for test. Cecil Guthrie moved in cable tools for his No. 2-H W. R. Read in section 48-30-1n, T&P.

A. J. Slaughter No. 1 Foster, northeastern Glasscock wildcat three miles southwest of the old Conahasset settlement, spudded and was at 1,580 feet on its 4,000-foot venture. It is 990 feet out of the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of section 40-30, W&NW. Ray Albaugh No. 1 C. G. Stewart, 350 feet out of the southwest corner of the east half of section 107-29, W&NW, drilled at 2,558 feet in lime.

Other Howard-Glasscock operations included American Maracaibo No. 3-D Settles at 1,915 feet in sandy lime; Lion Oil No. 4-R. C. Coffee, section 15-33-1s, T&P, at 1,280 feet; and Sun Oil No. 9 Hart Phillips completed for 94 barrels natural as a shallow test.

H. L. Hunt rigged up rotary for his No. 1 E. Brindley, section 18-34-1s, T&P, a test in the Moore pool southwest of Big Spring.

In the east Howard area Sergeant, Rutter & Wilbanks No. 3 Percy Jones was at 2,828 feet with an unreported amount of oil.

Court Collects \$150 In Fines

Fines totaling \$150 and costs were collected in county court Saturday morning from two persons charged with driving while under the influence of intoxicants.

They were Wyndell Ray Bunn and Homer Patsy Gent, each of whom paid \$75 and court expenses. Driving privileges of each party were suspended for the ensuing six months.

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FIVE-WEEKS OLD PUPPY DUE TO BECOME TOP DOG IN THE NATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (AP)—A five-weeks old puppy was due to become the nation's top dog today.

Feller, a silver buff Cocker Spaniel, was scheduled to move into the White House tool shed formerly occupied by Fala, the late President Roosevelt's scotty.

The new presidential pet was en route to the capital by air freight as a gift from Mrs. Peter J. Marsden of Galena, Ill. Mrs. Marsden once was a nurse for President Truman's mother, the late Mrs. Martha E. Truman.

Brig. Gen. Wallace H. Graham, Mr. Truman's physician, got the job of raising the pup.

WAR STOCKS DISTRIBUTED

Probe Shows Jap Militarists Tried To Buy People's Favor

TOKYO, Dec. 20. (AP)—Japanese militarists at the time of surrender sought to "buy the people's goodwill and to prepare for an eventual comeback" by distributing hundreds of billions of yen worth of war stocks throughout the country.

Rep. Kanju Kato, chairman of a Diet investigating committee, declared today.

Kato's committee climaxed four months' investigation with a sharp condemnation of the whole affair, announced earlier today by House Speaker Komakichi Matsuoka.

In an interview with the Associated Press, Kato added that much of the political activity under the occupation had been financed by fortunes made through disposal of wartime military stocks. Those who profited by the deals, he said, include many high ranking members of the government and parliament, as well as local government officials, former Army and Navy officers and leaders of the Zaibatsu and other business concerns.

Kato's committee was dissolved after it made its report. A new committee will be appointed with augmented powers to continue the inquiry. The justice department has allocated 70,000,000 yen (\$1,400,000) to finance the probe.

The Diet investigation has led to a complexity of difficulties in assessing the value of the military stocks, which were scattered through the nation, but the total is well over 100,000,000,000 yen (\$2,000,000,000) Kato said.

"At the time of surrender the militarists were afraid the public would turn against them," Kato explained. "So the Suzuki (Premier Baron Kantaro Suzuki) cabinet on Aug. 14, 1945, decided to distribute military supplies almost free throughout the country. The militarists wanted public goodwill and thought in their feudal way they might be able to make a comeback when the occupation was over."

An indication of the extent of the distribution, Kato added, could be obtained from the fact that "The

TO WALK AGAIN

Boy Receives Most Wanted Yule Present

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 20. (AP) Jimmy Wisehart, 11-year-old former Chicago boy, can walk again and thus has his most desired Christmas gift.

He is recovering from severe leg burns that almost made him a permanent cripple.

During his long struggle to regain use of his legs President Truman, Gov. Sidney P. Osborn of Arizona and others wrote him letters of encouragement.

Gov. Osborn himself is suffering from progressive muscular atrophy and is confined to a wheelchair.

Jimmy's right leg is still bandaged but he is expected to make a complete recovery.

The family moved to Phoenix because of the health of the father, Ray Wisehart.

The boy was burned in a freak accident resulting from the ignition of a match by the propeller of a toy airplane.

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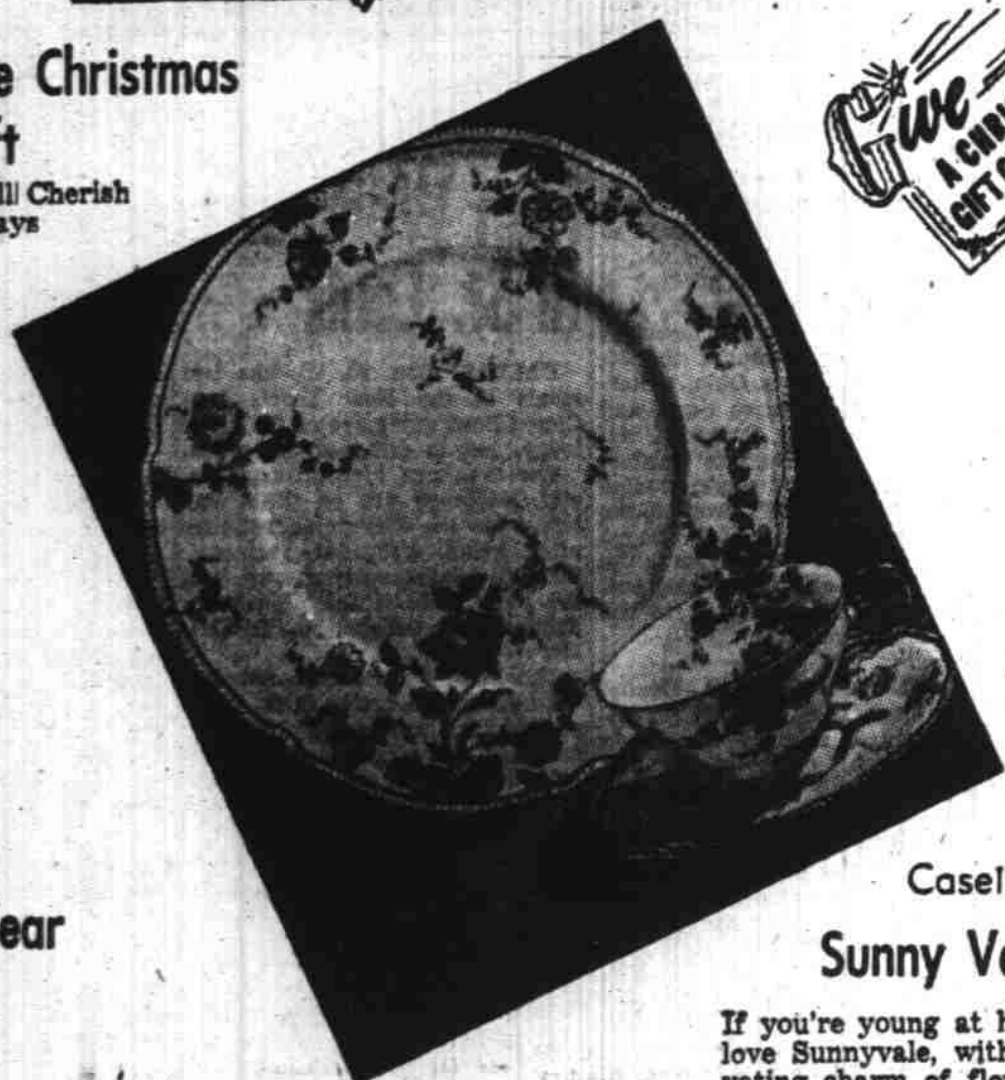
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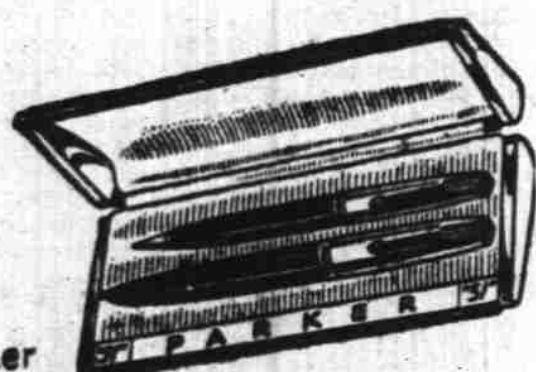
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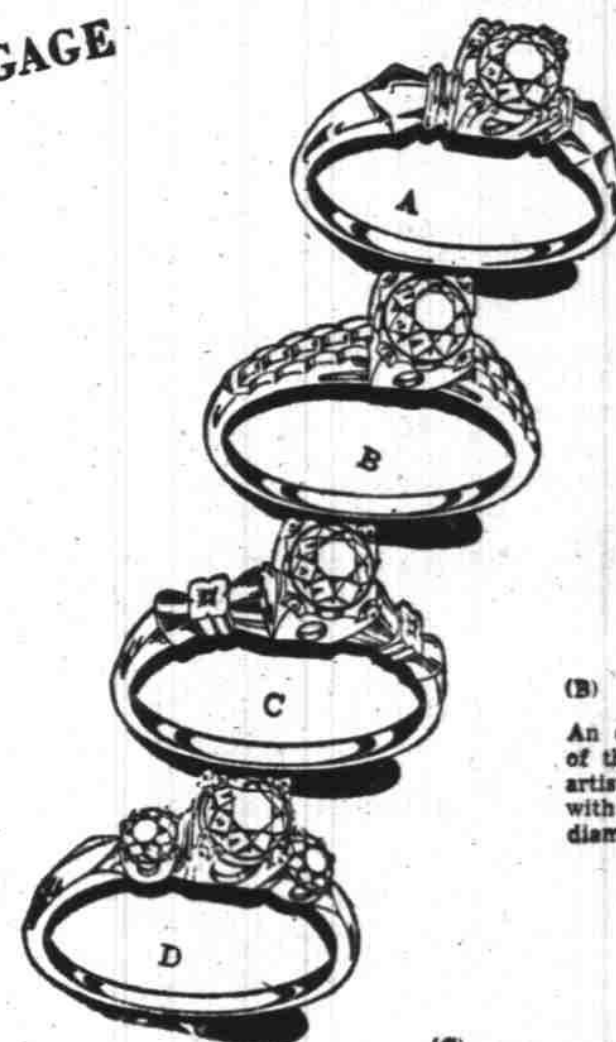
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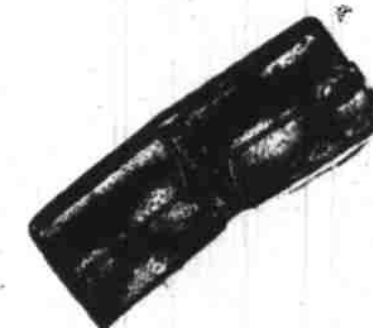
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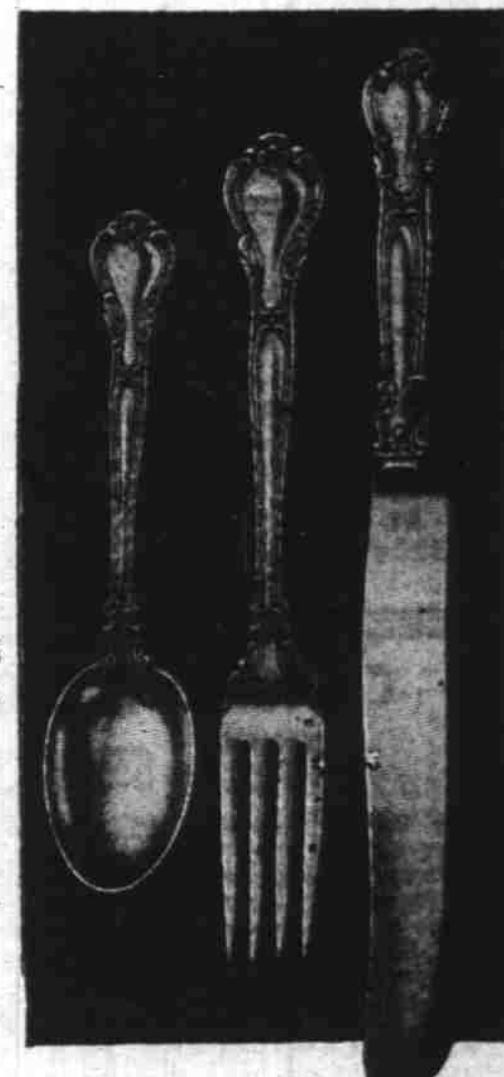


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Three Children Die In Flames

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 20. (P)—Three children who were playing with matches while their parents were away died in a fire which razed their two-story frame home here last night.

Charred bodies removed from the ruins were identified as those of Louise Banning, 9, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Banning; Irvin Osborn, 2, grandson of the Bannings; and Mary Jane Milan, 9, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Odar Milan.

A fourth child, ten-year-old Hilda Banning, Louise's sister, leaped to safety from a second story window and hospital attendants said her condition was not serious.

Assistant Police Chief V. H. Loofer said all adult members of three families which lived in the house were away from home when the fire began. Firemen, who reported the whole house was afire when they arrived, said the inferno was touched off by matches with which the children were playing.

Cotton Ginnings Top 10 Million Bales

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. (P)—The census bureau today reported that cotton ginnings of the 1947 crop prior to Dec. 15 totalled 10,596,350 bales. The figure was 7,782,862 at the same date in 1946.

The 1947 total includes 959 bales of American-Egyptian and 20 of Sea Island.

Ginnings by states included: Arkansas 1,130,983, Louisiana 481,552, New Mexico 143,811, Oklahoma 291,783, Texas 2,968,480.

Hayloft Fire Fatally Burns Two Children

GILMER, Dec. 20. (P)—Three children and their dog were playing in a hayloft near here late yesterday when somehow or other the place caught on fire.

Two of the children and the dog perished in the flames.

The bodies of the children, Linda Lay, 4, and her cousin, Harmon Daley Lay, 3, were carried out of the flaming structure by volunteer firemen from Gilmer.

The survivor, a six-year-old brother of Harmon got out alive, but badly burned.

What started the fire was not immediately learned. The six-year-old boy tearfully explained they had not been playing with matches.

Owen Lay, uncle of the children, suffered severe shock and burns when he tried to rescue them.

The hayloft was situated three miles from here on the farm of Mrs. Tom Lay, grandmother of the children.

The little girl was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Lay. The boys' parents are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lay. Both families live at Gilmer.

Three Students Recover From Mishap

DALLAS, Dec. 20. (P)—Three college students were recovering in Baylor hospital today from injuries received last night when one car attempting to beat a train at a crossing, was bumped by the train and skidded into another car waiting for the train to go by.

The injured were Leonard C. Ivey, Jr., 22, student at North Texas State College, Denton, head lacerations; Scott Snodgrass, 21, an SMU student, fractured nose, and Keith Westerman, 21, also of NTSC, head lacerations.

Duncan Company Bonuses Total Over \$200,000

Herschel M. Duncan and Charles W. Duncan, owners of the Duncan Coffee company, Houston, authorized a gift bonus to establish a real Santa Claus fund of over two hundred thousand dollars, to be distributed among salary and wage employees. Thus, for the thirtieth consecutive year, on an ever-increasing amount, the Duncan brothers have divided the earnings of the company among their employees.

This is one of the largest bonuses ever to be given by any company in the Southwest, being something in excess of \$212,000.00.

Among the first advocates of the bonus plan, the Duncan brothers have joined other progressive leaders in the Southwest to urge strongly the division of a portion of the greater profits made possible by better and more productive employee-employer relationship.

"This policy", Herschel Duncan said, "has been one of the bulwarks of our business since its inception, and will contribute to the greater success of any business."

State Releases Money For Schools

AUSTIN, Dec. 20. (P)—Dr. L. A. Woods, state superintendent of public instruction, yesterday reported the release of warrants to pay schools their third per capita apportionment of the current school year.

Calculated on a basis of 1,509,668 school children as of the Dec. 8 school census, the payment totalled \$5,565,575.

The next payment will be made in January, and future payments will be mailed monthly between the 20th and 25th of the month, Woods said.

Naples Riot

NAPLES, Italy, Dec. 20. (P)—Five persons were wounded here today in a riot set off by an argument among workers as to whether to accept a Christmas unemployment dole which some held insufficient.

The casualties were two demonstrators and three policemen. Some gunfire sounded during the fighting.

WILL IT WORK?

Debate Over Aid To China Ignores The Vital Question

By The Associated Press

Current American debate over aid to China largely has ignored the vital question: "Will it work?"

The dominant theme of congressional talk was sounded last week when Lt. Gen. A. C. Wedemeyer testified that he favors aid to the Chinese central government. He said that whether or not Gen-

FFA Planning For Contests

The Big Spring Future Farmers of America chapter, composed of vocational agriculture students at the High School, is making progress in plans for competitive events with other chapters in the El Rancho district.

At a recent meeting in Seminole, the Big Spring chapter's team took third place in the junior division of a chapter conducting contest. Other junior placements included Seminole, first, Seagraves, second, and Midland fourth. In competition for senior teams, Seagraves won first place, Seminole second, Loop third, Midland fourth, and Coahoma fifth. Big Spring did not enter a senior team in the event.

Members of the local chapter's junior team included Spencer Wolfe, Pat Lamb, Jerry Sanders, Hollis Yates, Elton Wallace, Don Spencer, Linda Newton, Alvin Shroyer, Roy Bailey and Joe Jabbor.

Next events on the El Rancho district's calendar are contests in news writing, public speaking and farm demonstration, scheduled for Jan. 28 at Coahoma.

SA Christmas Fund Tops \$600

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 20. (P)—Gordon L. Scheig, 47, native of McAlester, Okla., independent oil operator in Texas and Oklahoma, died at a hospital here this morning after a long illness.

Texan Takes Post

WARSAW, Poland, Dec. 20. (P)—First secretary and consul-general of the American embassy here is a Texan — John Modenne of Waco. He recently succeeded George D. Andrews, who was assigned as consul in Vancouver, B. C.

eralissimo Chiang Kai-Shek is "a benevolent despot, which he practically is," the important fact is that he fights communists.

Regardless of how this argument sounds to Americans, it does not necessarily click with Chinese — not even Chinese whose need is desperate.

That is, from the Chinese standpoint, Americans are not proposing to aid the Chinese people because they need it and will for a long time, but instead may aid the Chinese central government simply because it wages civil war against communists.

In Nanking itself the Chinese press for some time has been noting that the question of aiding China has become an internal political issue in America.

Specifically, Chinese papers have asserted that the only political pleas for aid to China have come from Republicans with an eye on 1948, and at a time when the Democratic administration has been pressing the Republican-dominated Congress to vote stop-gap aid for Europe.

The question must now be asked: What has Nanking done since getting a billion dollars in American aid?

Regardless of humanitarian or other aspects of that question, the purely military answer is this: Nanking has waged civil war against the communists contrary to American advice. It now finds itself seriously on the defensive against growing communist strength, which mounts because of the capture of American arms and the bewilderment loyalty of a peasantry which sees no other practical choice at this time.

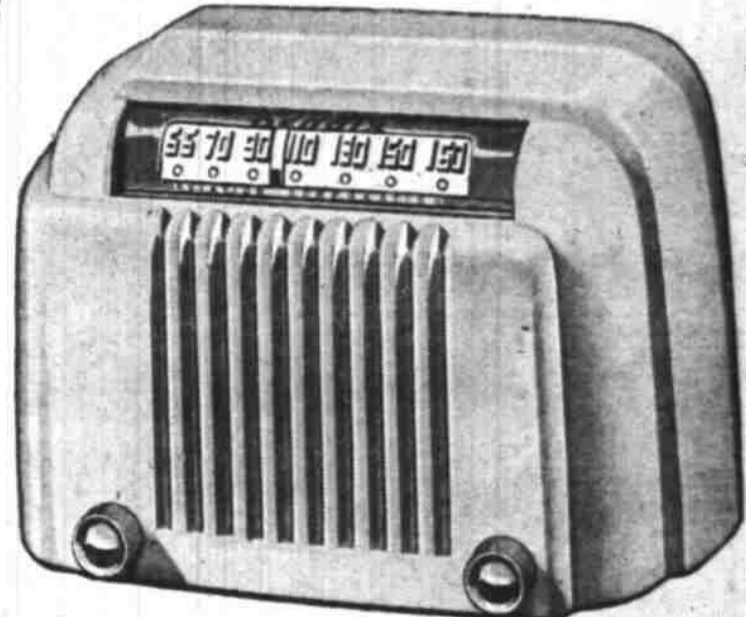
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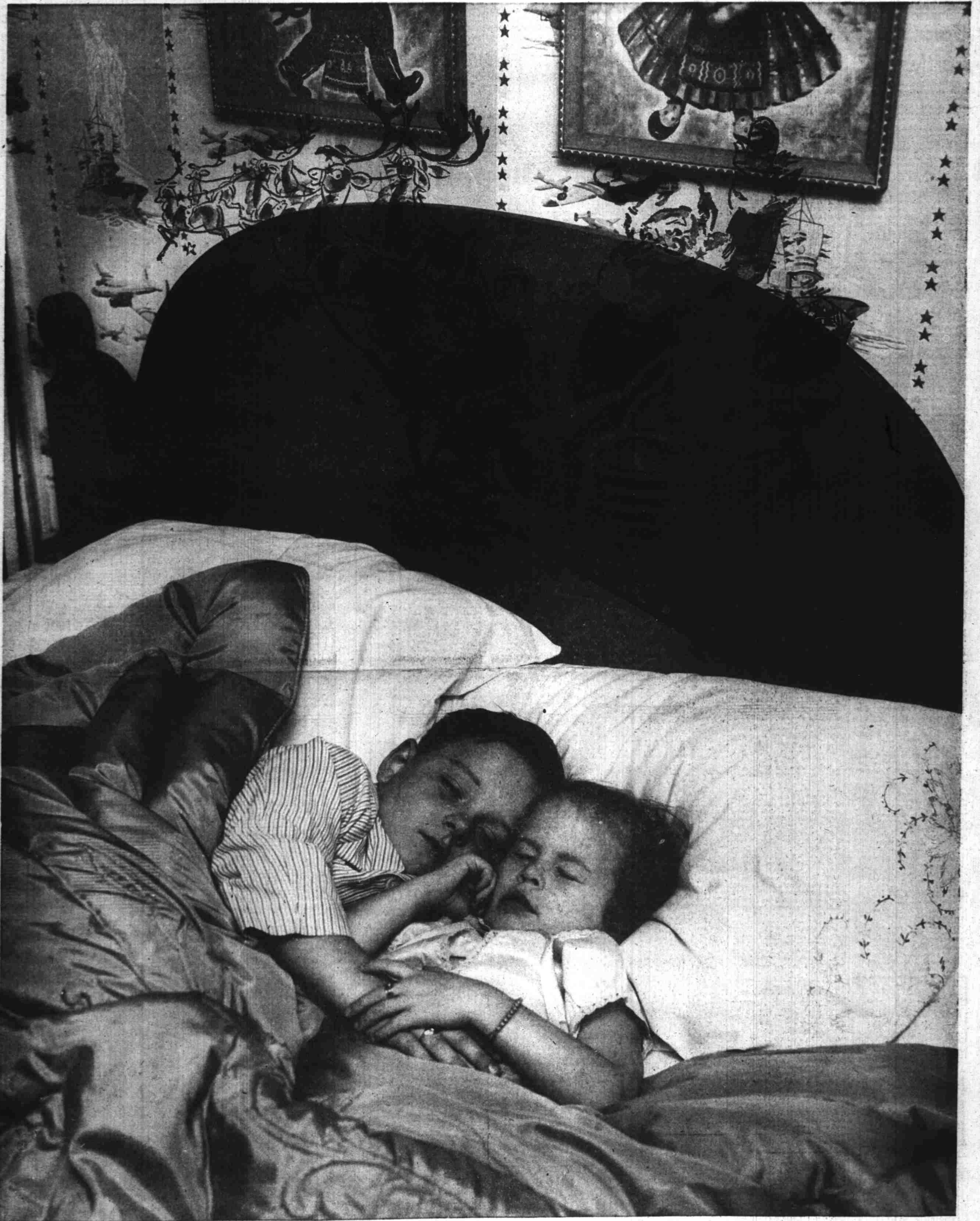
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In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced through their heads x x x"
(Poem by Dr. Clement C. Moore)

BIG SPRING DAILY HERALD

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PORTRAYING CHRISTMAS EVE DREAMS of children everywhere are
Teddy and Mozelle Groehl, children of Mr. and Mrs. Ted O. Groehl
of 615 Dallas street. The "visions of sugar-plums" will thus
be dancing through many a lovely little head Wednesday night,
until x x x "He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of the thistle."
(Photo by Jack M. Haynes)



Members of the Sub-Deb club will be hostesses at an annual formal presentation of pledges, or new members, Monday evening at 8 p. m. at the Settles hotel.

Pledges who will be presented as new members of the Sub-Deb club at the formal ceremony Monday evening are, back row, left to right, Vevagene Apple, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Apple; and Patty McCormick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. McCormick.



Annual Christmas Revue Will Be At Auditorium

The pupils of the Farrar Pre-School will present an annual Christmas Revue and rhythm band concert this afternoon at the Municipal auditorium at 4 p. m.

Mrs. Leatherwood Is Yule Party Hostess

The home of Mrs. Cecil Leatherwood was the scene of a holiday party for Junior Girls of the Assembly of God church this past week.

Attend Odessa Party

Local members of the Beta Kappa chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma attended an annual Christmas party in the club room of the Ector county Library in Odessa recently.

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Mr. And Mrs. Nat Shick Observe 40th Wedding Date With 'Open House'

Wedding bells and Christmas holiday wreaths typified the theme of a celebration at the Nat Shick home Friday evening which marked the 40th wedding anniversary of the couple.

A host of friends called at the Shick home for the open house which was co-hosted by their daughter, Lillian Shick.

Party rooms were filled with large bouquets of flowers from various friends, and a general yuletide motif predominated.

Cherry tapers flanked a table centerpiece which included clusters of holly and twin red streamers bearing the inscription, "Nat and Hollie," and "1907-1947."

The Shicks still reside at the home they came home to as newlyweds from a formal ceremony

Troop 23 Entertained With Holiday Party

Brownie troop 23 was entertained with a holiday party by Mrs. Pete Harmonson and Mrs. G. E. Peacock in the Peacock home Friday afternoon.

Assisting was George Peacock, and entertainment included Christmas carols, recordings and a story by Mrs. Harmonson.

Refreshments were served, and those attending were Caroline Dietz, Janet Dietz, Freda Domic, Loretta Bennett, Terra Hardy, Peggy Hayworth, Frances Weinkauf, Martha Sue Medley, Martha Sue Dorton and Margaret Weinkauf, a visitor.

Mothers Are Guests At Primary Social

Mothers were special guests at a Christmas tree party and program presented by the primary department of the East Fourth Baptist church Friday.

Gifts were brought for a needy family and the program opened with Virginia Ann Cain telling the story of Christ's birth. A song was sung by J. D. Adams. Portraying angels in a Christmas manger scene were Linda Echols, Brenda Patton and Virginia Ann Cain.

Carols were sung and gifts distributed.

Those attending were Mrs. H. A. Rogers, Eddie Merle Rogers, Mrs. J. J. Richardson, Don Richardson, Mrs. T. E. Osborne, Geneva Pearl Taylor, Mrs. C. Cunningham, Kathalene Culwell, Mrs. T. E. Hale, Gordon Montgomery, Mrs. R. L. Anderson, Mrs. T. B. Clifton, Mrs. L. O. Johnston, Mrs. Caradine Burchett, Mrs. Ernest Richter, Miss Marguerite Cooper, Miss Jeanette Mansfield, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Lealand Edwards.

Jimmie Dearing, Modena Stover, Vida Lou Richter, Virginia Ann Calne, Tommie Williams, Tommie Darrel Williams, Margaret Jane Osborne, Elaine Taylor, Linda Echols, Brenda Patton, Mary Kay Cunningham, Jimmie Croan, Cliff Tyree, Billie Croan, Margaret Croan, Janette Culwell, Jimmie Dan Williams, Marie Ann Smyrie, Neida Echols, J. D. Adams, Karen Montgomery, Elaine Beene and Kay Beene.

Dance Tuesday Night

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars is sponsoring a dance at the VFW home Tuesday evening, Dec. 23 at 8 p. m.

Music will be furnished by Manuel and his orchestra and refreshments will be served for members and their guests.

Lillian Shick and Granville Dawson are in Sweetwater attending an annual Christmas banquet and party of the International Harvesters company.

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Marriage Of Miss Tommie Kinman And Delbert Shultz Is Solemnized

The marriage of Tommie Kinman, daughter of Mrs. Frank Fortino of Chicago, Ill., and Robert M. Kinman of Big Spring, and Delbert V. Shultz, son of Mrs. Dale Hart, was solemnized Thursday morning in Roswell, N. M.

The Rev. Orbin M. Turner, pastor of the First Methodist church in Roswell, N. M. performed the ceremony in the parsonage.

The bride wore an aqua blue suit with gray accessories and a corsage of gardenias. As something old, she carried a handkerchief; as something borrowed, pearls from her sister, and as something new, a compact.

The couple was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Jack G. Cathey of Roswell, N. M. Mrs. Cathey is the bride's sister.

Mrs. Shultz is a member of the High Heel Slipper Club and will graduate from Big Spring high school in May. She was majorette for the band in 1947.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Big Spring high school and is adjuster for Commercial Credit Corporation. He has attended Teachers College, Texas University and Howard County Junior College. He is a member of the American Business Club and American Legion. He served with the Navy during the war.

The couple will be at home in Big Spring after a wedding trip in Albuquerque, N. M.



MRS. DELBERT V. SHULTZ

Frank Timmonses Were Hosts To Sewing Club

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Timmons acted as hosts to members and husbands of the Bubble Sewing Club Thursday night in their home.

Recreation for the evening was 42 and distribution of gifts.

Mrs. E. H. Sanders will be hostess at the next meeting on Jan. 1.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Neefe, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Vaughan, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Ratliff, Mr. and Mrs. Winsett Nance, and Mr. and Mrs. Eulis McMillan of Odessa.

Home Demonstration Club Meets Tuesday

KNOTT, Dec. 20. (Sp1) — Mrs. H. E. Barnes was hostess to the Christmas party of the Home Demonstration club Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Elsie Smith led in the opening prayer and Christmas carols were sung by the group.

Games were entertainment. Gifts were exchanged, secret pals were revealed and secret pal names were exchanged for the coming year.

Attending were Margaret Christie, Mrs. J. D. Kendrick and Mrs. Robert Riddle, all of Big Spring; Mrs. J. B. Sample, Mrs. P. P. Coker, Mrs. A. H. Self, Mrs. W. A. Jackson, Mrs. Robert Brown, Mrs. O. B. Gaskin, Mrs. Elsie Smith.

Mrs. Oliver Nichols, Mrs. H. R. Caffey, Mrs. L. C. Matthes, Mrs. C. A. Burks, Mrs. E. G. Newcomer, Mrs. Fred Roman, Mrs. Jim Furdue, Mrs. R. H. Unger, Mrs. E. L. Roman, Mrs. W. A. Burchell, Mrs. J. T. Gross and Mrs. J. E. Barnes.

Mrs. O. B. Gaskin will be hostess at the next meeting.

Handel's Oratorio, "The Messiah" To Be Presented By Choir Tonight

G. F. Handel's celebrated oratorio, "The Messiah," is to be presented by the choir of the First Baptist church today at 8 p. m. under the direction of Ernest C. Hock.

Edited because of the time element, the abridgement of the complete score nevertheless captures the peak of Handel's incomparable creation. The first part is virtually complete, and the second will show selective rearrangement to permit use of the stirring "Hallelujah" chorus as a finale. The unexpurgated score requires three hours for presentation, hence the abridgement to bring the program length into the scope of an hour.

Mrs. Ernest C. Hock will be featured as the soprano soloist. Mr. Wayne Nance as the tenor, Mrs. Marion Beam as the contralto and Mr. Marion Beam as the basso. At the console will be Mrs. C. W. Norman, joined in accompaniment by Mrs. H. M. Jarratt, pianist, Mrs. J. E. Hardesty, violinist, and Roy Rogan saxophonist. Mrs. Jarratt is to interpret the overture and the pastoral symphony.

Passages from the first part, featuring tenor, bass, soprano and contralto solos as well as choir.

numbers, extoll in song the prophetic Scriptures concerning the coming of the Christ. It is climaxed with the choir's "Glory to God in the Highest, and Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men," and culminated with the descriptive moods telling of the gentleness and nature of the Saviour. "Behold, the Lamb of God, that Taketh away the Sins of the World," a chorus, will open the second part of the oratorio interpretation," followed by the familiar passages "I Know that My Redeemer Liveth" . . . and "Now is Christ Risen from the Dead."

For the finale, the choir sings the exultant "Hallelujah! for the Lord God Omnipotent Reigneth."

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Gift Sacks Filled At Class Party

STANTON, Dec. 20. (Sp1)—Sacks of fruit for the Sunday school Christmas tree were prepared, when members of the Friendship class of the Stanton Methodist church met with Mrs. Jas. Jones.

The group sang Christmas carols and exchanged gifts. Refreshments were served to Mrs. Dee Rogers, Mrs. Flora Rogers, Mrs. Morgan Hall, Mrs. O. B. Bryan, Mrs. Bland Cross, Mrs. Nobye Hamilton, Mrs. Ray Simpson, Mrs. Arlo Forrest, Lela Hamilton, Nadine Cross, Jo Ann Jones, Janell Jones, and Bill Clements.

Five Are Hostesses At Party For Teachers

Mrs. V. L. Perkins, Mrs. Ellen Isaacs, Mrs. Lee Baber, Mrs. Lois Coston and Nancy Boswell were hostess at a Christmas dinner given in the Perkins home for the West Ward teachers.

Gifts were exchanged. Attending were Mrs. Zoe Gibbs, Mrs. Junia Mizell, Mrs. Virginia Blackburn, Mrs. Katie West, Mrs. Ruth Ruthenford, Mrs. Jeta Plant, Mrs. Flora Nobles, Mrs. Martha Fielder, Mrs. Jim Anderson, Mrs. Zollie Mae Rawlins, Mrs. Hazel Lawrence, Mrs. Sara Pennick, Natalie Smith and the hostesses.

Ernest Hock Shows Movies At Social

Ernest Hock showed movies to the children of the Beginner's class of the First Baptist church, at their party held at the church Thursday night.

Mrs. R. D. Ulrey told, "The Christmas Story," while Mrs. Gene Choate drew figures on the flannel board. John Parker Haynes read, "The Night Before Christmas."

Christmas decorations were used throughout the party rooms and Santa Claus presented gifts from the lighted tree.

Approximately 30 mothers and children attended the party.

W. L. Mead Hosts Bakery Employees

Upwards of 150 persons participated Saturday at 7:30 p. m. in a gay Christmas party at Mead's Bakery for employees and their families of both the bakery and Mead's Cake shop.

Host for the evening was W. L. Mead, owner and operator, and entertainment featured a short address by Dr. P. D. O'Brien, First Baptist pastor. With the appearance of Santa Claus, gifts were distributed, including those from the management to each employee.

Besides the families of some 50 employees of the two Big Spring plants, out-of-town employees attending included Elvis Hughes and Jeff Mithollon of Midland; Earl Prince, A. J. Richardson, J. W. Longino, Don Ashley and Bob Looney of Odessa; Verne Donaldson of Monahans; J. P. Morris of Pecos.

KILLED BY ENGINE
SAN ANGELO, Dec. 19. (Sp)—Lynn Mayes, 51, San Angelo, was killed here yesterday when struck by a switch engine.

C. S. Ross Home Is Scene Of Bridal Shower

KNOTT, Dec. 20. (Sp1) — Mrs. Jack Cauble, formerly Nova Jean Williams, was honored with a bridal shower Monday, in the home of Mrs. C. S. Ross, with Nina V. Shortes as co-hostess.

Fifteen favors were match folders engraved with, "Jack 'n' Jean."

Attending were Mrs. Leo Cole, Mrs. H. B. Feugh, Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Shortes, Mrs. L.M. Roberts, Mrs. C. A. Burks, Mrs. J. W. Shortes, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Shortes, Ruby Roberts, Faye Williams, Johnny Shortes, Gerald Bennett, Mrs. Don Raspberry and Curtis and Wilda, Mrs. E. G. Newcomer and Eva Ann, Mrs. Otis, Jack Cauble and C. S. Ross and children.

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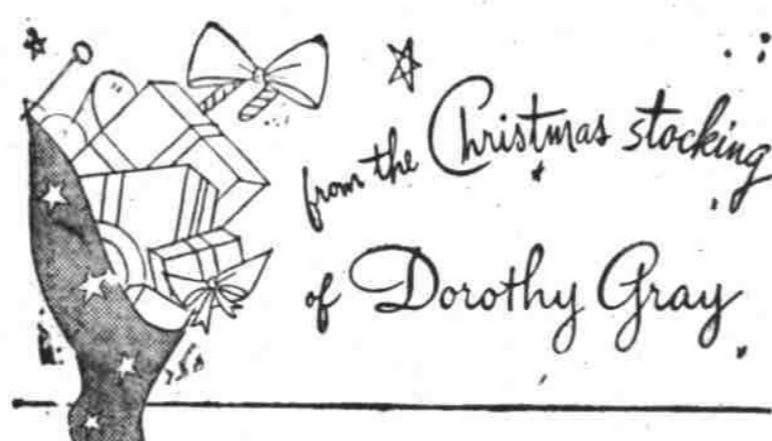
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Too Generous
MILWAUKEE (U.P.)—Peter U'bert, a church usher, was puzzled when the parishioners flocked back to the church, waving the collection envelopes he had just passed out. He discovered the envelopes all contained money contributed at previous collections.

Proves Realistic
GOSHEN, Ind. (U.P.)—Sheriff's officers hurried more than usual when an accident call reported that "there's lots of blood on the snow-covered pavement." The "blood" turned out to be strawberry pop which had been on a truck, one of the vehicles involved in a collision.

Gets Bigger
NEW YORK (U.P.)—Population samplings conducted by the Regional Plan Association indicated the metropolitan area of New York City, extending also into New Jersey and Connecticut, now has a population of 13,380,000. It represented a gain of 1,072,000 since the 1940 census.

Big Spring (Texas) Herald, Sun., Dec. 21, 1947

'Revenoor' Licked
ATLANTA, Ga. (U.P.)—Marion H. Allen, U. S. internal revenue collector, who has taken in many thousands of dollars in liquor taxes, forfeited \$200 of his own earnings as bond for failure to appear in court on charges of drunkenness.

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BOSTON (U.P.)—Birthmarks can be erased within a year if treated with X-rays and radium soon after a child is born. Dr. Bernard P. Widmann of Philadelphia disclosed during a meeting of the Radiological Society of America.

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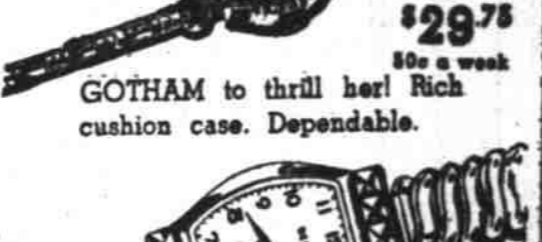
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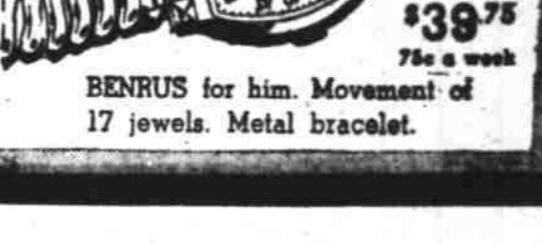
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Cornelia Frazier To Be Heard On Yule Broadcast

Cosden employees are inviting their friends to listen to the Cosden concert over KBST from 3:30 to 4:30 in the afternoon on Christmas day. Cornelia Frazier of New York and Big Spring will star on the program, which will also include Berlie Fallon, violinist, and R. E. "Peppy" Blount, Jr., speaker.

James V. Alred, former governor of Texas, and his brother Raymond S. Alred, Cosden jobber in Odessa, were visitors in the office Friday.

Truett Thomas and family recently returned from a business and vacation trip to Mansfield, Akron, and Cleveland, Ohio. Thomas visited the home of the Mansfield Tire and Rubber company. Freeman and J. W. Denton were called Friday to Rule, to attend the funeral of their uncle, Barto Freeman.

Mrs. J. T. Morgan returned to her home from the hospital this week in an improved condition.

Mrs. D. V. Prater is in the hospital convalescing from injuries received in an automobile accident Wednesday.

Mabel Dean Anderson spent the latter part of the week in the hospital with a throat infection.

W. D. Griffin's son, William Allen, was in the hospital part of this week.

J. A. Pagan's son, Gary Don, was in the hospital last week.

B. T. Bridges will be returning to work soon after having undergone a tonsillectomy.

J. A. Coffey and family left yesterday on a two-week vacation which they plan to spend in Sulphur Springs visiting relatives and friends.

Florence Mosely left yesterday for Wichita Falls to spend Christmas with her family.

We welcome the following new employees: James R. Chaney, Doris J. McKee, Gordon M. Marchant, Charles A. Dickson, Jr., and Billie M. Stuart.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Peters, Sr., have received word that their son, Huff, will arrive December 23, from Rifle, Colorado via Continental Airlines. They will also have their son, Eugene and family, from San Angelo, as guests.

C. A. Flynt was called to Dawson this week to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. G. N. Flynt. Olan Wilkerson will be confined to his home for a few days due to an ankle injury received this week.

The following refinery employees are on vacation: Johnnie Hobbs, Jr., J. B. Leslie, Ray Groseclose, C. A. Flynt, and Olan Wilkerson.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul P. Ennis announce the engagement of their daughter, Pauline, to J. R. McMurray, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. McMurray of Lomax.

The wedding will be January 23 at the Airport Baptist Church with the Rev. J. J. McElreath reading the ceremony.

The bride-elect graduated from Big Spring high school and is employed at the Big Spring hospital.

McMurray graduated from Forsan high school and served with the Army for two years. He is working for the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Bedell will attend the couple. Mrs. Bedell is a sister of the bride-elect.

Following the ceremony, the couple will live in Big Spring.

Forum Members Visit Shop

Members of the Junior Woman's Forum and their guests were guests of Lucelle Bullion in her decorator's shop Friday afternoon following a luncheon in the home of Mrs. L. D. Chrane.

Mrs. Don Burke was hostess to the club in the decorator's shop. Mrs. Bill Edwards was co-hostess to the luncheon.

Lucelle Bullion discussed the new fabrics and trends in decorating. Mrs. Joe Pickle received a bouquet of gladiolus as a prize.

Guests of the club were Mrs. Preston R. Sanders, Mrs. Austin Burch, Mrs. Jack Y. Smith, Mrs. Matt Harrington, Mrs. Roy N. Bruce, Mrs. J. C. Morgan, Mrs. L. E. Phillips and Mrs. A. J. Haines.

Members present were Mrs. E. H. Strauss, Mrs. A. L. Tamplin, Mrs. L. D. Chrane, Mrs. Bob Adams, Mrs. Zollie Mae Rawlins, Mrs. Harold Talbot, Mrs. Travis Carlton, Mrs. Knox Chadd, Mrs. Cecil McDonald, Mrs. W. K. Edwards, Jr., Mrs. Don Burke, Mrs. Joe Pickle, Mrs. Arnold Marshall and Mrs. R. R. McEwen, Jr.

In World War II, Costa Rica was the first American republic to declare war on the Axis.

Latin Club Member Sing Christmas Songs

Members of the second year Latin club of the Big Spring high school went carolling last week and then had a wiener roast in the City park.

Attending were Maxie Dee Younger, Jo Jo Alexander, Laurence Wilson, Kenneth Curry, Lavonne Trolinder, Culin Grigsby, Clarice Terry, Marvin Trolinder, Marilyn Guitart, Omar Pitman, Jr., Wayne Horne, Ellen McLaughlin, Tex Massey, Margaret Ann Hurt, Patricia McCormick and Jimmie Jones.

Mary Gerald Robbins, Wayne Bartlett, Elizabeth McCormick, Evelyn Bass, Rita Faye Wright, Janelle Beene, Woody Wood, Pearl Mae Clanton, Dee Jon Dee, Sue Wasson, Viron Hartin, Marietta Staples, Elizabeth Kinsey, Jean Selier, Lowie Rice, Peggy Lamb, Tommy Porter, Jerre Reaves, Joe Rhodes and Lillian Shick.

Dinner Party

STANTON, Dec. 20. (Sp1)—Mr. and Mrs. Dale Kelly were hosts at a dinner party given in their home Tuesday evening. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. James Jones, Janelle and Jo Ann Jones, Setty Bennett, John Dale and Patsy and Charles Kelly.

Classes In Forsan Have Yule Parties

FORSAN, Dec. 20. (Sp1)—Peggy Painter was hostess to the Future Homemakers of America class of the Forsan high school in her home Tuesday night.

Gifts were exchanged and Christmas carols were sung.

Betty Jo Roberson gave the reading, "The Night Before Christmas." Billy Sue Sewell sang a Christmas carol.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the party rooms. Miniature red and white bells were given as favors.

Attending were Deffie Merworth, Doyle Gilmore, Ruth Overton, Mary Howard, Evelyn Martin, Sara Chanler, Betty Calley, Betty Lynn Oglesby, Patsy McNallen, Norma Daves, Johnita Griffith, Billie Lou Gandy, Betty Jo Roberson, Billy Sue Sewell, Peggy Painter and Mrs. C. H. McClusky.

Members of the Couple's class of the First Baptist church were entertained with a party in the Home Economics department of the high school Tuesday night. Betty Rose is class teacher.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Whittenburg, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Theime, Evelyn Monroey, Laura Whittenburg, Mrs. C. H. McClusky, Wayne Monroey, Bobby Cowley, Henry J. McElreath and LeRoy Dolan.

Three-fourths of the active volcanoes of the world are in the Pacific half of the globe.



MRS. ARLIS YATER, pictured, has just returned with her husband from a wedding trip to Shreveport, La. and other coastal cities to be at home in the Fairview community.

The marriage was an event of Sunday, December 14 in the home of the Rev. P. D. O'Brien, who read the ceremony.

The bride is the former Dorothy Jean Phillips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Phillips. Yater is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Yater.

Stanton WSCS Has Christmas Tea

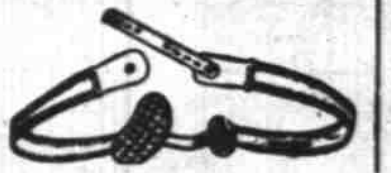
STANTON, Dec. 20. (Sp1)—Annual Christmas tea for members of the WSCS of the First Methodist church of Stanton was held in the home of Mrs. I. A. Smith with Mrs. B. F. Smith, Mrs. Creil Bridges and Mrs. Arlo Forest as co-hostesses.

A Christmas tree, from which gifts were exchanged, highlighted decorations with Christmas colors being used throughout the entertaining rooms.

Mrs. James Jones played an accordion solo and Mrs. O. B. Bryan read a Christmas story. Refreshments were served to Mrs. Lula Metcalfe, Mrs. W. T. Caldwell, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Dav-

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Entries For Contest Of Garden Club Are Still Being Accepted

The members of the Garden Club are puzzled because of the lack of entries in their contest to select the most artistic Christmas yard decoration.

By Saturday noon, only three persons had submitted entries in the contest that had been announced for two weeks.

The club is sponsoring the contest in order to stimulate interest among the citizens in their yards and especially at this yuletide season when so much emphasis is being placed on decorations.

The contest is open to everyone, and not members of the Garden Club only, even though members who are not actively engaged in the contest may enter. Hospitals, churches and private homes are eligible to enter.

There is one "spot" prize which will be given for the best "spot" entered. This "spot" may be the best decorated door, tree, mantle, or any one part of the house that

is particularly clever. Only one "spot" prize will be given and every "spot" entered will compete against all others.

There is no entrance fee. All anyone has to do to enter the contest is to notify Mrs. James T. Brooks, who is chairman of Civic affairs of the Garden Club.

The club is planning to make this an annual affair and as time progresses, to make it a larger event.

The deadline on the date of entry has been changed from Sunday Dec. 21 to Monday Dec. 22 and the judging will be on Christmas night, Dec. 25. The judges will be selected later.

Names of the persons having yard decorations or spot decorations will be published in order that everyone may know where to see and enjoy them for the holiday season.

First prize for the yard decoration will be an electric clock donated by Carl Bloomfield and second and third prizes will be crape myrtle shrubs, the official flower of Big Spring.

All persons in Big Spring are urged to call Mrs. Brooks and give her their name and address so that the judges can know where to find the entries for the contest.

A. J. Haines Is Program Leader

A. J. Haines presided as master of ceremonies at the annual Christmas party of the Couple's class of the First Methodist church Friday night.

Mrs. Joe Pickle accompanied by Mrs. E. L. Ellis gave a musical reading. Arnold Marshall sang Christmas carols and Betty Haines read the Christmas story from the Bible.

A trio, composed of Joyce Howard, Donnie Roberts and Patsy Kirk sang, "Song in the Air." C. P. Ward gave a Christmas reading and Shirley Ward sang, "Uncle Remus Says."

Santa Claus presented gifts from the lighted tree.

Mrs. J. P. Boswell, Mrs. E. A. Williams and Mrs. W. H. Gray acted as hostesses at the party. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Morgan and children, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Johnson and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Salisbury and Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Don Burke and Jim, Mrs. Toots Mansfield and Deanne, Mrs. E. P. Driver and Skipper, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Phillips and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stephens and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wyatt and Gayle, Mrs. E. A. Williams and Danelle, Mrs. L. A. Webb and son, Mrs. W. T. Bradberry and children, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Honca and Gwen, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hughes and Janell, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Murdoch and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Saunders and son.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Haines and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Wood, Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Long, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Grounds, Mr. and Mrs. Paine Shown and children, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Boswell and children and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Borens.

Six Births Announced At Local Hospitals

Six births were recorded at the local hospitals this past week.

At Cowper-Sanders clinic, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kimbrough are the parents of a daughter, Teresa Nan, born Dec. 17 at 10:12 p. m. and weighing seven pounds and seven ounces.

At Malone-Hogan clinic, a daughter, Pamela Marie, was born to Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Grissom of Forsan Dec. 14 and weighing seven pounds, 13 and one half ounces. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl J. Cooper Dec. 14 a daughter, Pat Elizabeth, weighing six pounds, 11 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Rollins are the parents of a son, Marsalis Lester, born Dec. 15 and weighing five pounds and eight ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lambers, a son, John Kenneth, Dec. 18 and weighing seven pounds and one half ounce.

Old records show that between 1674 and 1714, a total of 1,332 vessels were built in this country.

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KNOTT, Dec. 20. (Spl) — The United States flag now flies over the Knott school, the Parent-Teacher Association having bought a flag and others combining to furnish a pole.

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Visits-Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Drum have returned to Albuquerque, N. M. after visiting a week here with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Drum. Just before they left, they were in on the presentation of a console radio, the gift of Settles and Crawford hotel employes, to Manager Bill Drum.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Engle will have Christmas dinner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Sorrels, at Knott Sunday.

Robert Naul Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bailey and Mickey Butts, son of Mrs. Violet Butts arrived home from the University of Texas, to spend the holidays with their parents.

Mrs. Maude Leonard of Midland was a Big Spring visitor this weekend and participated in an anniversary celebration held at the Shick home Friday evening.

Mrs. Jones Lamar, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Vieregge, Mrs. May Darrow and Mrs. Velma Cain are in De Leon attending dedication ceremonies of the carillon bells given in memory of the Key family by Mrs. John A. Key.

Mary Louise Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, and Eugenia Kay Tollett, daughter of R. L. Tollett, are spending the holidays with their parents. They attend Hockaday Junior College in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Aaron and children will be in Whitesborough this week end to attend the military funeral of Mrs. Aaron's brother, Pvt. Lloyd M. Hale. Hale was killed in France and is one of the returned war dead. Interment will be in the military cemetery in Sherman.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bass and Mrs. Leroy Echols of Coahoma and Mrs. J. E. Brown of Knott spent Friday visiting with Mrs. Bass's aunt, Mrs. J. L. Wright in Rule. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Baird in Sweetwater and Mrs. J. M. Terry in Colorado City.

Mrs. W. E. Buckner, who has been critically ill in a local hospital for 28 days is improving and has been moved to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sides of Lubbock is visiting with Mrs. A. Glenn this weekend.

Jerusalem is midway between the Mediterranean and the Dead Sea.

Four Members Are GIA Hostesses

Mrs. A. M. Ripp, Mrs. P. P. Van Peñ, Mrs. Ned Boyle and Mrs. R. D. Ulrey were co-hostesses at the GIA's annual Christmas party held in the WOW hall Thursday night.

Mrs. D. C. Powell, president, conducted the business meeting and officers for the ensuing year were installed.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the hall, with a lighted tree from which gifts were exchanged.

Attending were Mrs. Max Weisen, Mrs. S. M. Barbee, Mrs. D. C. Pyle, Mrs. Zack Mullins, Mrs. F. K. Owens, Mrs. G. M. Burrows, Mrs. Charles Vines, Mrs. A. B. Wade and Mrs. G. C. Mims.

Stanton Music Club Presents Program In Christmas Theme

STANTON, Dec. 20. (Spl) — A Christmas program was presented at the regular meeting of the Stanton Music club, which met in the home of Mrs. James Jones Wednesday.

Mrs. P. G. Smithson, president, conducted the business meeting. "Little Town of Bethlehem," and "Silent Night," were sung by the group, with Mrs. W. C. Houston accompanying on the piano.

Mrs. Edmond Tom and Mrs. Houston played two piano duets, "O Holy Night," by Adolph Adam and "Medley of Christmas Hymns," by John Courtland. Recordings from the "Nut Cracker Suite," were played.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. W. C. Houston, Mrs. Edmond Tom, Mrs. Arlo Forrest, Mrs. P. G. Smithson, Mrs. Bill Clements, Mrs. Joe Gray, Lorene Brumley, Mrs. W. L. Clements and Mrs. Ernest Pittman.

Mrs. W. C. Houston will be hostess at the next club meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Kelly and children left Saturday to vacation in California, Arizona and Mexico.

Granville Graves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Graves, underwent an appendectomy at the Big Spring hospital Friday.

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Newlyweds Feted With Gift Party

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Thompson, newlyweds, were honored at a shower in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Thompson Jr., Friday evening.
The bride is the former Roma Chatwell.
Hostesses for the party included Mrs. S. J. Robertson, Mrs. C. H. Hill and Mrs. O. C. Robertson.
Those attending were J. M. Thompson and family, Mrs. Larry Knox, Mrs. C. H. Hill, Mrs. O. C. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Thompson, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Robertson, Mrs. For-

HD Office Conducts Training Schools

Training schools will be conducted in the Howard County Home Demonstration office, with Margaret Christie instructing the classes Dec. 30, 31.
Leaders of the Home Demonstration clubs are urged to attend. Cooking classes will be conducted in the mornings and various other subjects will be studied in the afternoon. Luncheon will be served.
tenberry, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Thames and family, Jouldeen Thompson, Mary Frances Hollis, Billye Robertson.

Brutons Entertain With Yuletide Party

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bruton entertained friends with a yuletide party and Christmas tree Friday evening.
Those present included Mrs. R. R. Fields and children, Bobbie, Robbie Junior and Alton Lloyd; Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Sanderson and children, Jerry and Gerald; Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Sanderson; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sanderson, and Freddy; Mrs. L. C. Gibbs and boys, L. C. Junior and Charles Ray; and the hosts.

Christmas Parties Highlight Social Happenings In Stanton

STANTON, Dec. 20. (Sp1)—Mrs. A. L. Ledbetter was hostess to a Christmas party for the Martin County Home Demonstration Council Thursday evening.
Games were played and gifts were exchanged.
Attending were Mrs. U. H. Butler, Mrs. W. L. Clements, Mrs. C. A. Castleberry, Mrs. Lewis Carille, Mrs. W. P. Reid, Mrs. J. B. Howard, Mrs. Joe Stewart, Mrs. Lee Castle, Mrs. Ben Hale, Verla Anderson and Ron Ledbetter.

by Mrs. Claud Houston. Gifts from under the lighted tree were handed out by Sandra Brown and Larry Turner. Dominos and 42 were played during the evening.
Refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Renfro, Mr. and Mrs. W. Haynie, Mr. and Mrs. D. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Brewer, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Tant Lindsay and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Brandt.
Mr. and Mrs. Martin Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ethridge, Mr. and Mrs. James Webb, Mrs. Claud Houston, Mrs. Raymond Bennett, Mrs. Doris Brown and daughter, Sandra, Mrs. Jack Turner and son, Larry, Mamie McDunnon, Billy J. Carlie, Mrs. Margaret Hauber, James Bullard and Sarah Hasily.

Sammie Sue McCorn Celebrates Birthday

Sammie Sue McCorn celebrated her seventh birthday with a party in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McCorn Friday afternoon.
Christmas stories and songs entertained the group.
Birthday cake was served to Sarah Holdenbaum, Julius Glickman, Charles Dunningan, Linda Kay Wehner, Jan Hickman, Jan Tillinghast, Joy Perry, Lynn McMahan, Dorothy and Donna Mabe, Dorrie and Neida Garrison, Alice Ann Martin, Nancy Strahan, Rita Kay Rogers, Dickey Madison, Sammy D. Meador, Dan and Nancy Douglas, Lynda Gale Glenn and Gale Gray.

Woman's Auxiliary

Woman's Auxiliary of the St. Mary's Episcopal church will meet Monday at 2 p. m. for a short business session and to begin decorating the church for the Yule season.

Adult Department Has Yule Social Friday

Members of the Adult Department One of the East Fourth Baptist church played games as entertainment at the Christmas social Friday night.
Each person brought a gift to be given to needy families on Christmas.
Taking part in the social were Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Malone, the Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Parks, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Nuckles, Mrs. Bill Pate, Mrs. Joe Chapman, Mrs. Howard Beene, Mrs. Hubert Dyer, Mrs. Bernard Mayo, Mrs. Herman Taylor, Bob Mothershed, George McLellan, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Gafford, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Tyree, Mrs. Bill Stead, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Burns, and Mrs. Johnnie Boyett.

Christmas Party of the 4-H Club

Hoyt Britton was host to the Christmas party of the 4-H club, which included both boys and girls, Thursday night.
Mrs. R. S. Higgins is the 4-H club girls' sponsor. Hoyt Britton is the boys' sponsor and J. D. Eiland is the county agent.

Games were entertainment and gifts were exchanged.
Approximately 35 persons attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wright entertained friends with a Christmas party in their home Thursday night.
Gifts were exchanged and 42 was played during the evening.

Refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. Willard Turner and children, Pattie and Johnnie, Mr. and Mrs. Lemar Henson, Jerry and Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Kelly and children, Sandra and Bobby, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Senter and Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Ohmer Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hull, Louetta and Dorothy Jean Homer, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Kelly and Carolyn, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Turner and Sheila, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Howard, Mrs. Nadine Stephens and Joie and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Turner and Larry.

BSH Homecoming Dance Is Dec. 26

Plans are underway to establish an annual Homecoming date and program for graduates and exes of Big Spring High School.
This move is being sponsored by the American Legion and auxiliary. A "Homecoming" dance has been scheduled for Dec. 26 at the Legion Hut, and all exes are urged to attend.

Plans are for the exes to organize that night and begin functioning.
All high school students are invited to attend the dance on Dec. 26. Members of the Legion and auxiliary are considering scheduling dances for the teen-agers once a month—depending on the enthusiasm shown by this group and the way they respond to this dance.

N HOSPITAL
L. G. Gibbs has been admitted to the Big Spring hospital for observation.

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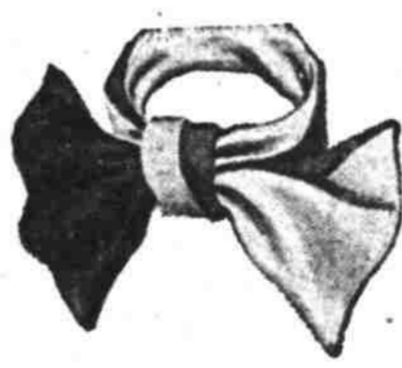


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plans to ship up to 600 cars per month under the special structure, frequently referred to as the "pipeline on wheels" rate because it is based upon the equivalent (a train load) of a reasonable tender through a four-inch pipeline.

refinery here as a means of putting fuels to marketing points and thus replace Mid-West markets which dwindled during the war. The T&P, however, asked leave to quote a rate which would be comparable to the cost of pipeline construction and operation, and in co-operation with Cosden officials came up with the unique train load principle.

PETROLEUM ROUND-UP

Greater Oil Demand Predicted For '48

HOUSTON, Dec. 20. — The economic advisory committee of the interstate oil compact commission recently predicted a 6 per cent increase in 1948's petroleum demands over 1947.

can operate at their most efficient rate of flow, even though that rate is greater than the regular new discovery scale.

The commission will permit additional production from discovery wells upon showing that such wells are capable of increasing their flow without waste or damage to the field.

Commission members and engineers said it would be impossible to estimate immediately the possible production increase that would result from the order but added that it was expected to be considerable.

As explained by Col. Ernest O. Thompson, commission chairman: "If a new discovery is made at 3,500 feet, the discovery allowable now is 180 barrels per day, but under this new order it may be that the new well could produce 500 barrels per day more efficiently. If that can be shown to be the case, it will be permitted."

The commission's order on discovery will production came the day prior to the setting of the January prorated order, which was designed to produce 2,368,268 barrels of crude oil daily.

No change was made in field allowables, all fields except East Texas continuing to operate without shutdown. The East Texas field will remain on 20 producing days.

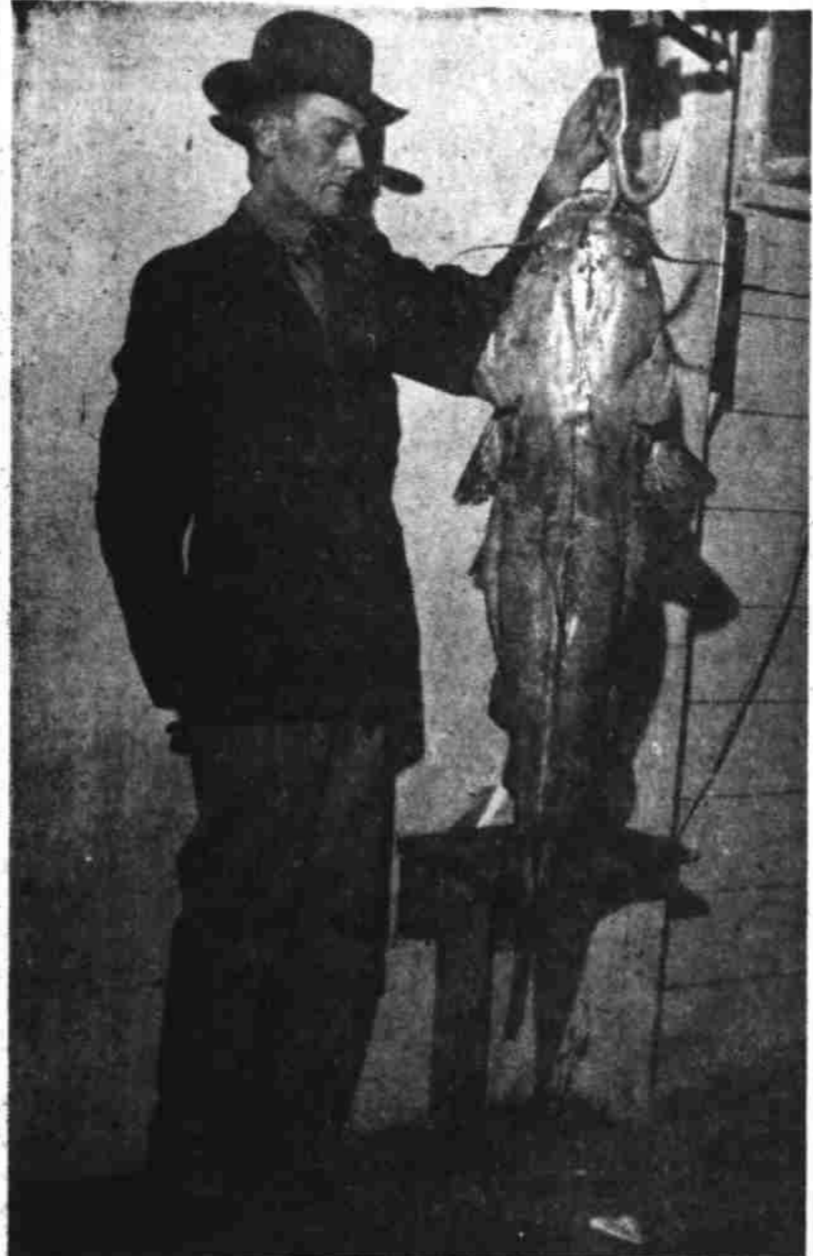
Net allowable for January was placed at 2,368,262 daily, with an anticipated under-production of 7.88 per cent of 197,014 barrels.

Prior to the Texas company's announcement late Thursday night, there had been little activity in Texas last week on price increases resulting from the general 50-cent per barrel crude hike.

The Texas increase of 1 1/2 cents per gallon in gasoline and kerosene prices, however, was expected to bring similar announcements from the other majors with little delay.

Only earlier developments in Texas had seen Cosden Petroleum corporation make a similar increase in gasoline prices, and saw Gulf oil make its first increase in prices of premium and house brand motor oils in 10 years.

Although not affecting Texas, Magnolia petroleum boosted Arkansas gasoline prices from 1.1 to 1.7 cents a gallon to match earlier hikes by Standard Oil of New Jersey.



NOT THE GRAND-DADDY — A. B. Mason, Cosden employe, doesn't regard this whopping 51-pound catfish as the grand-daddy, for he has done even better. Once he hooked a 55-pound fish and another time a 66-pound monster. On one occasion Mason caught three fish weighing between 35 and 48 pounds on one run of his trotline. The cat shown above was hooked on a trotline a week ago today by Mason on the upper lake of Devil's river near Del Rio. In miserable weather that brought several inches of snow. In company with Rufus Morton, 602 Lancaster, he professed that luck was not so good otherwise, "only 11 bass and five small channel cat." (Adrain Vaughan Photo.)

PROJECTED FOR 1948

West Texas Due To Receive Six Million Road Program

AUSTIN, Dec. 20. (Spl.)—Numerous West Texas projects are in the \$6,330,000 rehabilitation program launched this week by the Texas Highway department. The work will begin next spring. Here are the projects: Coke county, new surfacing on Highway 70 from the Nolan county line to Tom Green county line, 28 miles, to cost \$378,000.

Kendall and Kerr counties, additional surfacing on 12.4 miles on U. S. 87 from Comfort to Gillespie county line to cost \$23,000; additional surfacing on 8.1 miles on Highway 16 from Kerrville to Gillespie county line, to cost \$16,000.

additional base on Highway 127 from farm road 187 to Sabinal, 8-10ths of a mile, to cost \$4,500; 18 miles new surfacing on U. S. 83 from Silvermine Pass to 1.3 miles north of Uvalde. Zavala, additional base material and resurfacing on Highway 76 from Maverick county line to Le Pryor, to cost \$48,700. Val Verde, 3.3 miles additional surfacing on Highway 277 from SP railroad to the International Bridge, to cost \$10,700; 8.4 miles new surfacing on 277 from 8.8 miles south of Vinegarone to Highway 41, to cost \$10,500. New surfacing on highway 90 from 0.5 miles west of Shumba to 1.6 miles west of Pecos river, 5.5 miles, to cost \$5,700; new and additional surfacing on Highway 90 in section.

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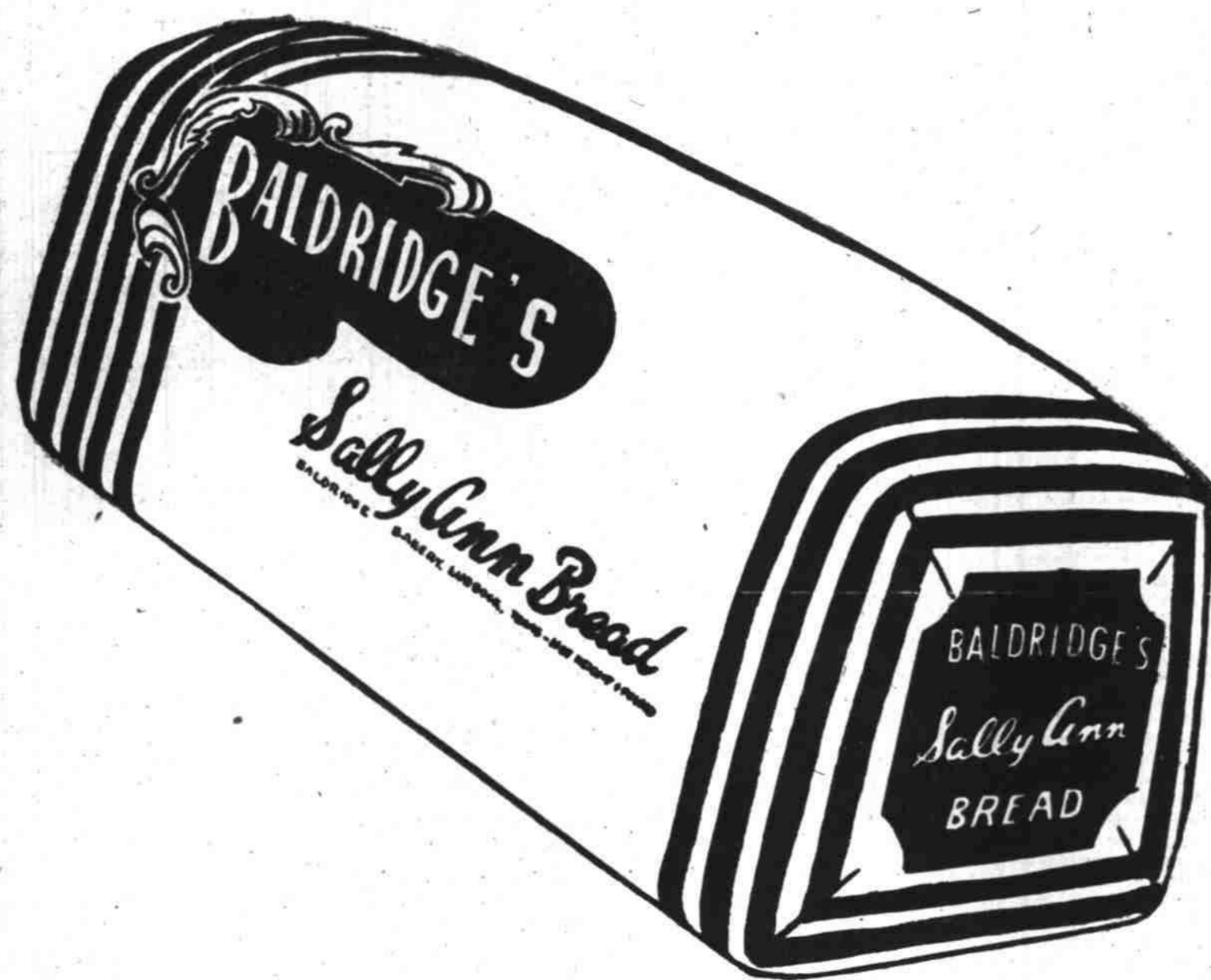
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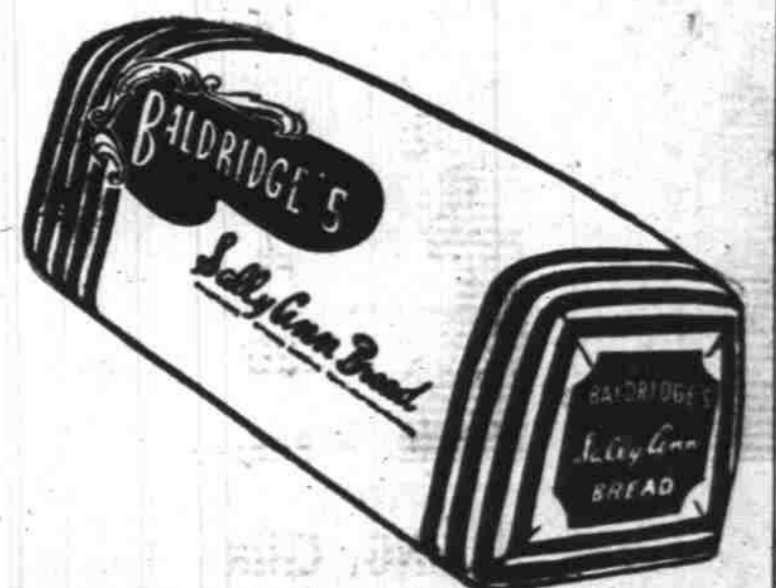
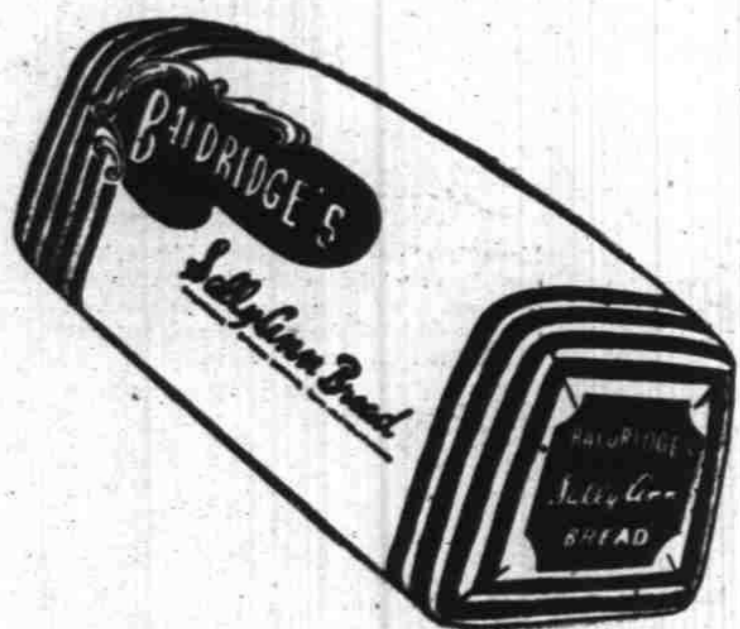
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J. P. Fell Down
CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (U.P.) — Harvard records reveal that the century-old Hasty Pudding Club show lost money in 1935—the year J. P. Morgan was business manager.

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PROTEST PALESTINE PARTITION — A huge crowd of Egyptians, protesting UN partition of Palestine, gathers in Cairo's Opera Square and listens to Arab leaders speaking from roof of building (right foreground). (AP Wirephoto by Staff Photographer Thomas Fitzsimmons).

TEXAS POLL
Texans Vote Down White Christmas

AUSTIN, Dec. 20. — If Texans of voting age could handle the weather like they do candidates, they would elect sunshine instead of a White Christmas for December 25.

The Christmas card, with the snow scene, the popular song, and Bing Crosby evidently haven't set most grown-up people to dreaming of a White Christmas. More than half of them—if they had any choice—would prefer a sunny day to snow or rain on the Yuletide.

That's the verdict of a representative cross-section of the adult population in the newest statewide survey of The Texas Poll. Interviewers operating north, south, east and west found this preference by asking the following question:

"If you had your choice of snow, rain, or sunshine on Christmas, which would you prefer?"

All Texans	100%
Snow	37%
Rain	4
Sunshine	54
No preference	5

About four out of every ten women would like snow as compared to three out of every ten men.

Only one section of the state could be found where a majority of the people would prefer a White Christmas—the Panhandle and South Plains. Almost half the people in North Texas vote for falling flakes, but the majority preference eases over into the sunshine column. Sunshine proponents are found in the greatest numbers in Central, East, and Southwest Texas and in the Rio Grande Valley.

Fewer people in the rural districts prefer a snowy Christmas than do people in the towns and cities. Twenty-nine out of every 100 rural Texans would take snow if they could get it as compared to 36 out of every 100 in the small towns and medium-sized cities. Forty-five out of every 100 in the big cities vote for snow.

Getting into the realm of reality, more than a third of the people indicate they are not as well off, financially or otherwise, as they were last Christmas, but a big majority of the whole people — 61 out of every 100 — say they are as well off or better off than they were, the past Christmas season.

Texas Poll interviewers found this out by asking the same representative cross-section a second question:

"Financially and otherwise, do you think your family this Christmas is going to be as well off, not as well off, or better off than last Christmas?"

All Texans	100%
As well off	49%
Not as well off	35
Better off	12
Undecided	4

People in rural districts and in small towns and medium-sized cities are more inclined to say they are as well off or better off than do people in the metropolitan centers. Along the line of geographical areas, Panhandle and South Plains people indicate they possess the greatest feeling of well-being.

Despite inflation and cold wars now and the certainty of Christmas bills and income taxes just ahead, an overwhelming majority of Texas adults say they are as happy or happier than they were a year ago.

Silly Thing
CHICAGO (U.P.)—Victor Kerko, Chester, Pa., sawed off a tree limb on which he was sitting and fell 20 feet, the National Safety Council reports.

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Not Native Sons
CONCORD, N. H. (U.P.) — Neither New Hampshire's governor nor its two U. S. senators are natives of this state. Gov. Charles M. Dale came here from Brown's Valley, Minn., while Sen. Styles Bridges was born in West Pembroke, Me., and Sen. Charles W. Tobey is a native of Boston.

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XB-47 OVER AIRFIELD — This aerial picture shows the new Boeing Stratojet bomber XB-47 as it circled over the Moses Lake, Washington, Army Airfield near the end of its first test flight. (AP Wirephoto).

WEST TEXAS OIL

**Ector Extensions
 Pace Developments**

By John B. Brewer
 SAN ANGELO, Dec. 20—West Texas oil developments this week were marked by a southeast extension to the Wheeler Devonian field in Ector county and logging of the third pay, the Simpson, middle Ordovician, in a north-northwest outcrop to the Jordan Ellenburger field in southern Ector county.

A Cochran county wildcat showed improved prospects of production after acidizing the San Andres and the second well in the Jordan 4500 (Clear Fork) pool in northwestern Crane county was completed. Wildcat locations included one each in Ector and Reeves counties.

Locations through the forty-ninth week in the year swelled to 2,106 in fields and 201 for wildcats, a total of 2,307 and a weekly average of 47.08. During the same period in 1946 proven area starters numbered 1,447 and wildcats 177, a total of 1,624 and a weekly average of 33.14.

Skelly No. 1 Alma Thomas, extending Wheeler Devonian production in Ector county one-half mile east and one-half mile south, flowed 28.22 barrels of oil the first hour and 25.10 barrels the second hour on a drillstem test from 8,405-63 feet. It drilled ahead to test the Ellenburger. Location is the C SE SW 14-46-15-T&P.

Gulf No. 20-E-B W. E. Connell, seven-eighths mile north-northwest of Gulf No. 1-E-A Fogelson, University, opener of the Jordan Ellenburger field in Ector, flowed on a drillstem test in two hours on a 3,835-65 feet. It entered the Ellenburger at 8,721 and showed nothing on the first test of that formation to 8,745 feet. The well flowed oil from the Tubb and Silurian. It is 558 from the south, 2,140 feet from the east line of section 26-B16-psl. Gulf staked No. 21-T-B W. E. Connell 555 feet out of the southwest corner of the southeast quarter of section 26-B16-psl, a twin to No. 20-E. B. Connell, to be drilled 5,300 feet to seek production in the Tubb.

Atlantic No. 1 F. O. Maston, Cochran county wildcat six miles west of the north end of the Dean sector of the Slaughter field, swabbed four to five barrels of fluid—98 per cent oil—hourly after acidizing the San Andres in open hole at 4,959-5,050 feet with 8,500 gallons of acid. It is 660 feet out of the northwest corner of labor 15-132-Carson CSL.

Second well in the Jordan 4500 field in Crane, Texas No. 32 W. E. Connell pumped 38 barrels of oil in 24 hours for completion from acidized pay between 4,665 and 4,701 feet. It is in the C SE SW 20-B16-psl, three-eighths mile southeast of Texas No. 31 Connell, the discovery.

J. D. Haynes of Odessa and associates planned to start Saturday a slated 4,000-foot, rotary wildcat in northern Reeves county, 330 feet out of the southeast corner of section 11-2-H&GN, one mile south of Dixieland. The test is on a farmout by Sun, which retained an override. It is one mile north and 860 feet west of C&B Oil Co. of Odessa and H. G. Hansbro of Houston No. 1 C. L. Monroe, wild-

Record Parallel

KENDALLVILLE, Ind. (U.P.)—Eighteen months ago Robert Reade and Donald Shippy, both of this city, entered the army together. They were sent to the same basic training camp and then were assigned to the same engineering battalion in Japan. They both became sergeants. They were discharged together in California.

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Time Catches Up

ATCHISON, Kan. (U.P.)—The 67-year-old Atchison union depot, weathered by time, two fires and a flood, is a "discredit to the city," the city commission and planning board asserted in a joint resolution. The two bodies want the old depot torn down and replaced by a modern structure. It is owned by four railroads serving Atchison, the Burlington, Missouri Pacific, Rock Island and the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe, which drew part of its name from this city.

About 3,500 years ago Jerusalem was an Egyptian village.

Wholesale Prices Reach New Highs

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24. (U.P.)—Most major wholesale prices reached new postwar highs during the first week of December the bureau of labor statistics reported. The BLS wholesale price index advanced to 161 per cent of the 1926 average, less than four per cent below the record peak of 167.2 in May, 1920. Prices in average primary markets rose 0.8 per cent in the week. The new index was two per cent higher than four weeks ago and 15.7 per cent above a year ago. Since the end of June, 1946, when price controls were virtually abandoned, the wholesale price index has advanced 42.9 per cent. Food prices increased an average of 0.7 per cent and were 1.9 per cent above a month ago and 11.1 per cent above a year ago.



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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 Sciotti, 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 for 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, and in 1946 to be elected as representative from the 91st district and become the youngest member of the legislature.

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And Thou, Bethlehem

This is Bethlehem as it appears today, built upon the ruins of the ancient town in Palestine. The highway in the foreground follows approximately the course of the old road running south from Nazareth.

Along this ancient thoroughfare trudged Joseph and Mary, on their way to Jerusalem to be taxed. Wearied with their journey, they spent the night in a khan at Bethlehem. Here Mary's child was born, and they called his name Jesus.

For the prophet had said: "And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, art not the least among the princes of Judah; for out of thee shall come a Governor who shall rule my people Israel."

The incidents at Bethlehem that first Christmas morning when Jesus was born, have more profoundly affected human life than any other event in world history. For the spirit of that humble child has become the most potent influence in modern life.

Millions of churches, dedicated to the worship of God, are founded upon the faith born at Bethlehem. And countless millions of people turn to that faith for strength and comfort in life, and for hope of a better life beyond the grave.



THE CHURCH FOR ALL ... ALL FOR THE CHURCH

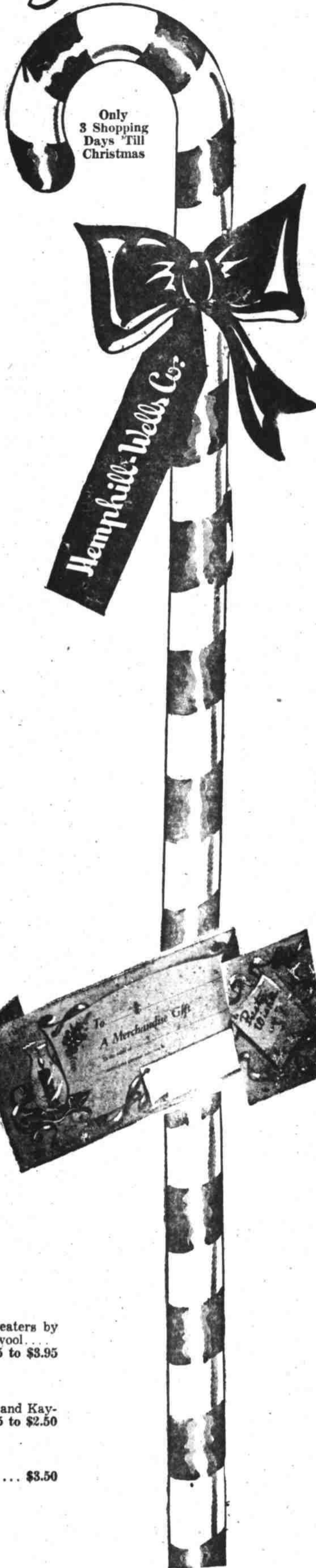
The Church is the greatest factor on earth for the building of character and good citizenship. It is a storehouse of spiritual values. Without a strong Church, neither democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four sound reasons why every person should attend and support the church of his choice. They are: (1) For his own sake. (2) For his children's sake. (3) For the sake of his community and nation. (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and material support. Plan to go to church regularly and read your Bible daily.

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Ash Trays \$1.50
- Dop Kits
Dop Kits \$6.95* & \$9.25*
- Brushes
Clothes Brushes \$1.00 & \$2.00
- Tie Racks
Tie Racks \$1.00 to \$3.50
- Pipe Racks
Pipe Racks \$1.00 to \$5.00
- Pipes
Marxman Pipes \$3.50 to \$10.00
- Lighters
Zippo Lighters \$2.00 to \$4.00
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Handkerchiefs . . . white or fancy . . . cotton or linens 50c to \$1.00
- Gloves
Men's Hansen Gloves . . . all leather lined and unlined \$3.95 to \$10.95
- Ties
Ties by Superba, Van Heusen or Arrow . . . stripes, patterns \$1.00 to \$5.00
- Socks
Socks by Interwoven . . . in rayon or rayon and nylon combination . . . solids or fancy styles 55c to \$1.10
- Pajamas
Pajamas in cottons and rayons \$5.00 to \$8.50
- Shirts
White Shirts by Van Heusen and Arrow \$3.25 to \$4.50
- Billfolds
Billfolds by Prince Gardner and Buxton \$4.00 to \$10.00*
- Jewelry
Swank Men's Jewelry . . . Tie pins, clasp and clips \$1.50 to \$5.00*
- Scarfs
Scarfs in all wool or rayon . . . solids, Paisley prints and plaids by Superba \$2.00 to \$3.50
- Belts
Men's Pioneer Belts \$1.50 to \$7.50
- Hats
Knox Hats \$7.50 to \$20.00

* Plus Tax

FOR HER

- Robes
Ladies' robes, hostess coats and negligee and gown sets . . . in satins, rayons and quilted rayon \$8.95 to \$39.95
- Gowns
Gowns by Lady Duff, Terris in nylon satin, rayon satin and rayon crepes also sheers . . . in white, egg shell, blue and pink \$6.50 to \$16.95
- Slips
Ladies' slips by Rhythm, Lady Duff, and Terris . . . rayon satin or crepes in whites and tearose \$2.50 to \$14.95
- Panties
Munsingwear nylon and rayon panties in white or tearose 65c to \$2.50
- Skirts
Ladies' Skirts in all wool . . . plaids or solids . . . ballerina styles, and gored styles \$4.95 to \$16.95
- Blouses
Blouses in silk, jersey, cotton and rayon crepes . . . whites and solid colors and floral designs \$4.95 to \$19.95
- Petticoats
Petticoats in plaid or solid black taffeta to be worn as a skirt or petticoat either one . . . ballerina style with wide ruffle around bottom \$7.95
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Sweaters in assorted colors . . . Cardigans or pull-over styles \$1.99 to \$7.95
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Daniel Green Houseshoes \$4.00 to \$6.00
Oomphies Houseshoes \$2.95 to \$4.00
Children's Houseshoes \$1.50 to \$3.50

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If you've thought and thought and can't think of what to give the family or some individual, here might be a solution to your problem . . . one of our Gift Certificates . . . May we help?

- Handbags
Handbags in black calf, plastic calf or patent also reptile \$4.95 to \$49.95 plus tax
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Ladies' Hose in sheer nylon . . . \$1.50 to \$2.95
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Perfumes and Colognes \$1.25 to \$20.00
- Stationery
Stationery by Montag 59c to \$2.95
- Candy
Candy by Judson \$1.50 to \$3.50 Box
- Playing Cards
Congress playing cards 95c & \$1.95
Kem Plastic playing cards \$7.50
- Greeting Cards
Gibson Christmas Cards 5c to 25c
- Towel Sets
Martex Towel Sets . . . 2 bath towels, 2 hand towels and 2 wash cloths . . .
White and colored border \$3.95
Solid Colors \$4.95
- Vanity Sets
Vanity Sets \$1.95 to \$5.95
- Bridge Cloths
Bridge Sets \$2.49 to \$12.95

FOR THE BOY

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sport Shirts
Boys' sport shirts by Kaynee . . . \$2.50 to \$4.95 Gloves
Boys' gloves . . . in leather and fabrics \$1.25 to \$2.50 Handkerchiefs
Handkerchiefs 25c | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sweaters
Boys' Sleeveless sweaters by McGregor . . . all wool . . . \$1.95 to \$3.95 T-Shirts
T-Shirts by Gordon and Kaynee for boys . . . \$1.95 to \$2.50 Robes
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