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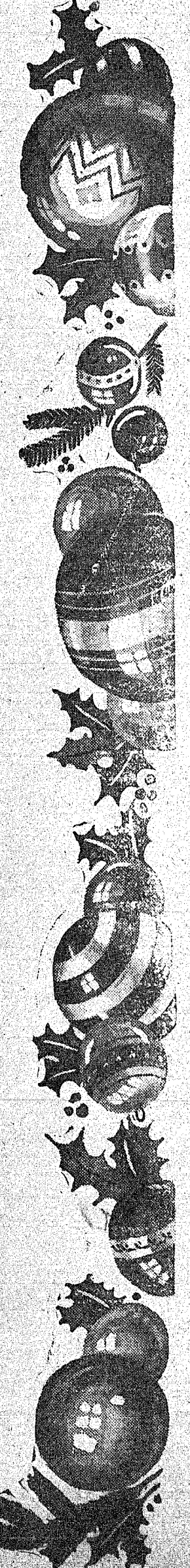
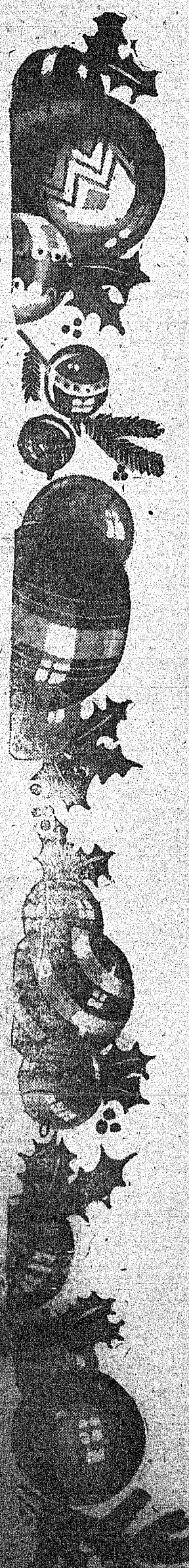
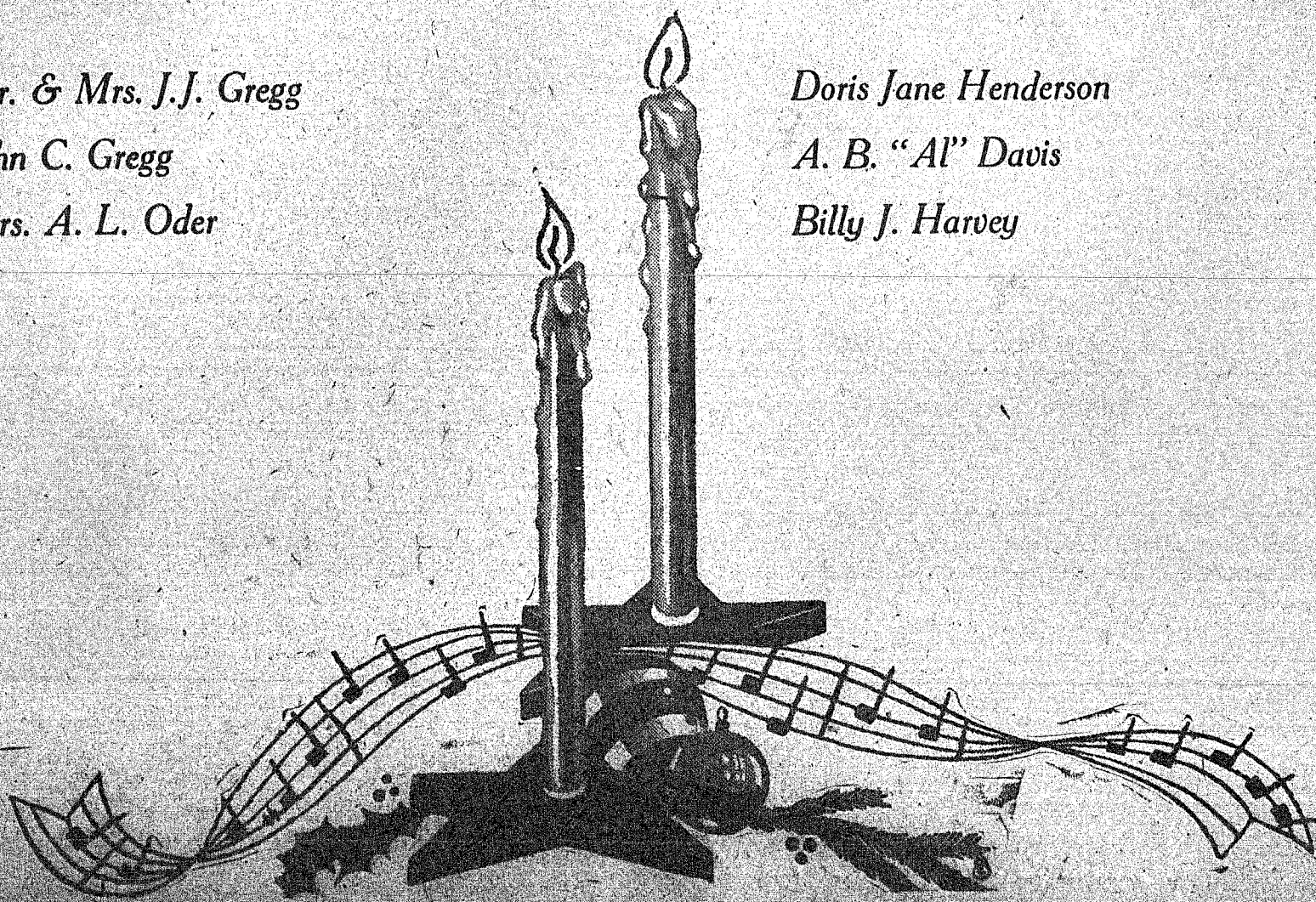
Wishing You a Merry Christmas

**Our Heartiest Good Wishes To You
and Your Family. Everthing You Want
Is What We Wish For You This Xmas.**

Santa Anna News

*Mr. & Mrs. J.J. Gregg
John C. Gregg
Mrs. A. L. Oder*

*Doris Jane Henderson
A. B. "Al" Davis
Billy J. Harvey*



Whon News

Mrs. Tom Rutherford

Mrs. Etoile Cozart gave her husband a birthday party last Tuesday night. "42" was enjoyed by the following: Mr. and Mrs. Dick Deal and children, Dixie and John Richard; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Benge and family; Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Deal, Mr. Ebb

Rutherford and son, John Henry and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Deal. Refreshments were served.

Our school will be closed Friday for the Christmas holidays. The school tree will be Friday night at the school house following a short program.

Morris Gene Wallace spent Sunday with Wilfoed Rae Schulze.

Mr. George Rutherford and Mr. Glomillion Montgomery went

to Pearsall to visit relatives of Mr. Montgomery over the weekend.

Mrs. George Rutherford, Mrs. Glomillion Montgomery and Dumpy Rutherford and Sammie Shields were Sunday dinner guest with the Tom Rutherford family. Mrs. Buster Wallace visited in the home Sunday afternoon.

Quite a few families from our community have been Christmas shopping in Coleman, Brady, Brownwood and Santa Anna. Old Santa seems to be quite busy this Christmas.

The Home Demonstration Club had their Christmas tree and program last Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Louie Adkins in spite of the weather. A large crowd attended and new officers will soon occupy their respective places in the Club. The Whon club has been inactive during the war years. Mrs. Ann Bryan will be the new president she urges every one to do their share to make the club interesting.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Maness visited with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cozart Saturday night. Mrs. Maness is a sister of Mrs. Cozart.

Mr. Jack Haney came for his wife early Sunday morning who was with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Rutherford. He drove through from Harlingen Saturday night. Their future home will probably be in Santa Anna.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smith and children went to Brownwood Sunday after Sunday School to visit with Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Dara White.

Louise Averett and Linda Sue Cotton spent Sunday with Billie Ruth Wallace. The girls visited Sunday afternoon with Jane Switzer.

Ernest and Walter Lee Halcolm motorcycled out from Brownwood Saturday to visit their sister, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Wallace and children.

Mrs. Stella Johnson spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs.

Bert Turney. Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Turney were shopping in Brownwood, Coleman and Santa Anna Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Wallace and children visited until bedtime in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smith last Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson and son attended the singing at Bangs Sunday.

Mrs. George Rutherford, Wagie Montgomery and Alta Benge visited with Mrs. Alec Cooper of Rockwood Monday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Alec Cooper are the proud parents of a new baby boy.

Miss Corrine Benge of Santa Anna spent Sunday with her parents here.

Football Boys Entertained With Party

Mrs. George Cobb, Mrs. Carol Kingsbery, Mrs. Hardy Stewardson, Mrs. George England and Mrs. Basil Gilmore, were hostesses at a party honoring the football boys with their dates or mothers on Saturday night, December 14, at the Guthrie building. A stringed orchestra furnished music for the occasion. The table was decorated with a bouquet of gold flowers on a doily of black, and candles were gold colored, carrying out the school colors of black and gold.

Refreshments were served, consisting of chicken salad sandwiches, potato chips, olives, cookies and soft drinks. The cookies were chocolate and gold, carrying out the colors. Napkins were gold and black, with Santa Anna Mountaineers written on them. All had an enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ashmore spent last week-end in Fort Worth, shopping and visiting with Mr. Ashmore's brother, T. A. Ashmore, who has been ill.

R. B. Gregg, wife and little daughter, Helen Louise, of San Antonio, and Mrs. Jack Gregg of Brownwood, spent the week-end in the J. J. Gregg home.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bass and Benny Bass attended an appreciation banquet given for Cub Masters, Scout Masters, and Senior Advisors of the Chisholm Trail Council of the Boy Scouts.

of America. The affair was held in Abilene, Friday night, December 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Conley are having their sons, Winston and wife of Temple and Ralph and wife of Abilene with them for the holidays, which is the first time all of them have been together for four years.

Advertising doesn't cost—it pays

Wishing You a

SEASON of HAPPINESS

We heartily wish that the comforting thoughts of Christmas will remain with you for many years to come.

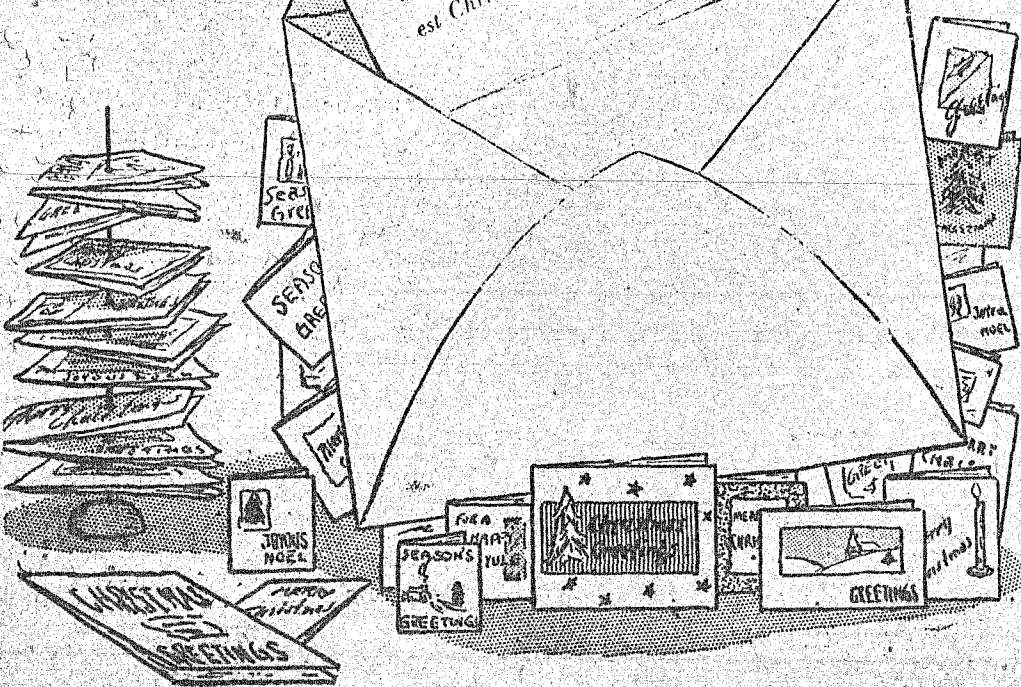
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MAY WE INCLUDE OURS?

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D., Of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

Lesson for December 22

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A MESSAGE OF LOVE (CHRISTMAS LESSON)

LESSON TEXT—John 3:16; Ephesians 3:14-21. MEMORY SELECTION—Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift.—II Corinthians 9:15.

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem there were only a few men and women of faith who could see in the Babe of the manger the glory and the power of Christ. It was a dark and unbelieving age into which he was born—and who will say that it is different in the day in which we celebrate Christmas, 1948.

Indifferent, ignorant and sinful people are glad to try to capitalize on the spirit of Christmas, but they will despise and turn away from the Son of God, Jesus the Saviour.

It behooves us, therefore, to present once more the message of the Saviour who came at Christmas, that all men may hear of him.

Our lesson speaks of God's great gift of love and tells what manner of men and women we should be because he did give his Son for us.

I. God's Christmas Gift to Us (John 3:16). God loved—so God gave. Love prompts the heart to give. One may give without loving. It is true, but one cannot love without giving.

God's love for man existed from all eternity. It provided a way of redemption for man and in due season the Saviour came, to live, to love, to die for all mankind.

It was no chance event, no accident in history; it was the heart of God speaking in his "unspeakable gift" (II Cor. 9:15) of his only begotten Son.

That leads us to our second Scripture and our second point. We who receive gifts try to express our appreciation in a polite and proper way.

II. Our "Thank You" to God (Eph. 3:14-21). Paul's prayer for the Ephesian church (and for us also who are in the "family," v. 15) tells us how we may by our lives as Christians express our gratitude to God.

The church of Christ, made up of those who are believers in him, should show its relationship to God, and its appreciation of his grace by its

1. Strength (v. 16). It does not honor God nor is he properly represented in the world by those who are spiritually weak and ineffective.

It is the privilege of the believer to be "strengthened with might" (v. 16) and this takes place as the Holy Spirit has liberty "with power penetrating to your inmost being," as Weymouth translates it. No part of man's inner being is then left weak or without the light and grace of the Holy Spirit.

2. Love (v. 17). This is the strong foundation of all spiritual development and usefulness. Roots are set down deep (as we change the figure of speech) to hold the life steady, and to provide the nourishment for spiritual living.

This is all possible because Christ makes his home in the heart. Think of the privilege of making such a guest feel at home in our hearts! Let us be grateful, and let us recognize him and honor his presence.

3. Knowledge (vv. 18, 19). The believer has to know not only the knowable, but also that which passes knowledge, namely, the love of Christ.

We shall grow in grace as we grow in the knowledge of the love of Christ (II Pet. 3:18). We with all of God's people—what a great and delightful company—are to comprehend, to really grasp, the depth and breadth and height and depth of his love.

We say with the psalmist, "Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain to it" (Ps. 139:6). But then we remember that it is as Christ dwells "in our hearts by faith" (v. 17) that we are able to comprehend such truth.

Most Christians live on a very low plane, going along with a limited and unsatisfactory Christian experience when all this is available to them by faith.

4. Faith (v. 20). Here we see why it is possible to do the impossible, to know that which passes knowledge, to see the unseen. It is by faith in him who "is able to do infinitely beyond all our highest powers and thoughts" (Weymouth, p. 20) that we attain into this blessed realm of being.

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Church Notices

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Bible School 10 A. M. Geo. P. Richardson, Supt.
Communion and Preaching service 11 A. M.
Ernest H. Wylie, Pastor.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church
Sunday School at 10: a.m.
Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

Preaching Services first and second Sunday evenings. Fourth Sunday morning and evening.
J. W. Burgett, pastor.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Church School 10:00 a.m., Mr. Hardy Blue, Supt.
Morning Worship 11: 00 a.m.
Evening Worship Services 7:00 p. m.
Methodist Youth Fellowship 6:15 p. m.

the unbeliever to turn to him in faith, and the believer to really be what he ought to be and can be in Christ. Then a man's whole life will say, "Thank you, Lord, for saving my soul."

For the tenth successive year the writer of these notes expresses to his readers everywhere his good wish for a most blessed Christmas both in heart and home. May the Lord give us all special grace this year to thank him for his great Christmas Gift by a life wholly dedicated to him.

"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord."
HENRY PRICE, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m., 2nd and 4th Sundays.
Ladies Auxiliary, Mondays following each 2nd Sunday.
Choir Practice, 6 p.m. each Friday.
Ben H. Moore, pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Preaching services 11:00 a.m.
Training Union, 6 p.m.
Preaching Service 7 p.m.
Prayer Service, 7 p.m.
S. R. Smith, pastor.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evangelistic Service 7:00 p. m.
Sunday Young People's Service 6:00 p. m.
Thursday and Saturday Services 7:00 p. m.
You are cordially invited to attend.
James C. Nelson, pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Upton visited Sunday afternoon with their son, Newman Upton and family in Brownwood. Newman is employed at the Brownwood Airport. He and family moved to Brownwood from Coleman several weeks ago.

Sunday Program At Presbyterian Church

The Young People's Choir of the First U. S. A. Presbyterian Church under the direction of Miss Gale Collier, will present its annual program of Christmas music at 5:30 P. M. the evening of December 22, 1948. Following is a list of numbers to be presented by the group.

Silent Night, Gruber
Choir behind closed doors
PROCESSIONAL, Joy to the World, Watts Choir
Scripture
Invocation, Reverend Ben H. Moore
Little Town of Bethlehem
Words by Reverend Ben H. Moore, Choir
It Came Upon The Midnight Clear, Willis Choir
We Three Kings of Orient Are, Hopkins
Misses Patricia Davis, Margaret McCaughan, and Betty Ann McCaughan and Choir
The First Noel, Traditional
Miss Paula Ruth Holt and Choir
Away in a Manger, Luther Duet, Miss Carol McClellan and Master Bill McClellan
He Lies Within His Cradle, Austrian Carol
Duet, Misses Joan and Frances McClellan
Christmas Bells, Huhn

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FOR SALE:—1930 model Ford, 1939 Plymouth Delux 4 door sedan. 1941 2 door Plymouth sedan. See Arthur Talley. 51-2p

FOR SALE:— 5 room house with bath, 4 rooms sheet rocked. To be moved from lot in Coleman. See John Gregg at Santa Anna News.

Fanfare for Christmas Day, Shaw
The Christmas Glory Song, Tillotson Choir
Sweet Little Jesus Boy, MacGimsey
Solo, Miss Gale Collier
Gesu Bambino, Yon
Mr. Bob Henderson and Choir
The Holy City, Adams (by request of Presbyterian Congregation)

FOR SALE: — My house, 4 rooms and bath, located 2 miles northeast of Santa Anna. The house to be moved. Phone 46. 49p

FOR SALE: —Tractor and complete equipment, also cows, chickens and feed. 100 acres land to rent to purchaser. 10 1/2 miles Southeast Santa Anna. E. A. Kelley. 51p

FOR SALE: —Farmall 12, cultivator, planter, triple disk. 12 miles South Santa Anna. Joe G. Clark. 51-2 & 1p

FOR SALE: —My house with 6 rooms and bath; located in West part of town. Phone 90 or contact P. M. Wilburn. 51-52p

Planting Time: —Roses, shade and fruit trees. Pecans, evergreen and various shrubs. May Nursery, Bangs, Texas 50-1p

To our many friends, we send a cordial invitation to attend open house on December 22, between the hours of 2 and 6 p.m. in celebration of our silver wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Freeman.

quest of Presbyterian Congregation)
Miss Novelle McClellan and Choir
Cantique De Noel, Adam
Miss Gale Collier and Choir
RECESSIONAL Come All Ye Faithful, Wade
Choir
Benediction, Reverend Ben H. Moore



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Trickham News

By Mrs. Beula Kingston
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sheffield
honored her mother, Mrs. J. S.
Laughlin, and also all the other
Laughlin's whose birthday came
in December with a family dinner,
Sunday, December 8.

Mrs. Stella Johnson and Mrs.
Milton Johnson spent Friday
with H. B. James, wife and baby
Buck Mitchell and family
made a quick trip to Fort Worth
last Saturday to see his brother
Bill and found him improving
nicely following an emergency
operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Zenor and
family are anxious for Christ-
mas to get here as they are hav-
ing a twenty pound turkey for
dinner, given to them by Mr. and
Mrs. Jack Dockery.

The Deans visited Mrs. Deans
sister and husband Mr. and Mrs.
Oscar Peters of Kingsville, Tex-
as last week and also visited in
Corpus Christi and several other
towns of the Rio Grande Valley
and saw hundreds of acres of
citrus fruit being harvested.
They also went across into Old
Mexico at Reynosa.

Friends regret to hear of the
illness of Mr. O. J. Martin, and
wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Newman
and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Burney
and Willie Evans spent Sunday
in the John Pearce home.

Miss Pearl Ford of Brown-
wood spent Sunday night with
her sister Mrs. C. F. Shields.

Mr. and Mrs. John McClatchy
were dinner guest of their son,
Wiley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Downs of
Coleman and Truman Price
spent Saturday night and Sun-
day somewhere near Mason deer
hunting, but failed to get one.
Sorry to hear of Bill losing that
good milk cow. It pays to be sure
the barn door is shut.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Haynes
spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs.
Glenn Haynes and Nancy Jo.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean, Mr. and
Mrs. Walter Stacy attended the
seven-county singing conven-
tion at Bangs Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Thompson
are in Brownwood today sorry
to hear their son Vassar has had
a relapse.

Mrs. Lewis Burney visited with
Mrs. Page Stacy and Kingston
Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Miller and
Sandra Kay were supper guest
of her parents Mr. and Mrs.
Ben McIver Saturday night.

Mrs. Malcolm Wilson of Mt.
View and her sister, Mrs. Bettie
Henderson Cole of Ranger were
brief visitors with Mrs. Kingston
one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stacy
visited Mrs. George Bobo in the
Ben McIver home Sunday night.

Mrs. Lenard Bartshe and
daughter, Sheron from Douglas,
Wyoming, visited with Mr. and
Mrs. Chleo James and Roberta
last week. Mrs. Bartshe is the
former Louise Perry, daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry. As
you know Mrs. Perry passed a-
way about two weeks ago.

Mrs. Chleo James and Roberta
spent the week-end in Brown-
wood, she with Mr. and Mrs.
Tom Cole and Roberta with Min-
nie Martha at the Howard Pay-
ne Dormitory. She also attended
Sunday School and church with
Minnie.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Boehlke
and Mrs. C. F. Shields attended

Church in Santa Anna Sunday
had dinner with Mrs. Oder going
from there to Bangs to the sing-
ing.

We were glad to have a few
visitors at Sunday school and
Church Sunday. Mr. and Mrs.
John McClatchy of Coleman,
Mr. Edd McClatchy and Mr.
Avery Stewart of Mt. View; Mrs.
Sellers and son, Leo; Gene Rice
of Rockwood; Miss Pearl Ford
of Brownwood; and Mr. and Mrs.
R. D. Kirkpatrick of Zephyr,
Sunday night.

Rev. Burgett brought us two
good messages Sunday morning
and at night and was dinner
guest of Mrs. Featherston, John
and Lou.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs.
S. E. Reed had had another
light stroke of paralysis.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Laughlin
and Jackie Ray of California,
arrived here Sunday night to
spend Christmas with his par-
ents and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson
spent Sunday afternoon with
Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lindley and
Mrs. Daniels of Santa Anna.

News was received here this
morning that Mrs. Virgil Lan-
caster of Leaday was ill and in
the Coleman hospital. Her par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hay-
nes went immediately to Cole-
man to see her.

Filmore Stearns who is in the
McClosky Hospital in Temple
writes his friend, Mr. Shirley
that he won't be able to come
home for Christmas. Why not
send him a Christmas Greeting?

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wood
and son from Regency and Mr.
and Mrs. Gene Talley of Gould-
busk spent Sunday with the
Curtis family.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bradley
of Brownwood spent Sunday with
his brother Key Bradley and
family.

Mr. John Pentecost visited his
brother, W. S. Pentecost of San
Angelo last week. His brother is
in very ill health.

Mrs. Kilmer of Santa Anna,
her daughter, Mrs. Bertha Spen-

ce and son Weldon of California,
are spending the week with Mrs.
Will Featherston.

Of interest to us old timers
was a short news item in the
Coleman Chronicle where Sam
Gilliland of Coleman had cele-
brated his 88th birthday. He and
Mr. L. E. Page here were born the
same year. Mr. Page is the oldest
citizen here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Whitley
of Santa Anna drove by Sunday
afternoon and took Mr. and Mrs.
Marvin Whitley and Mrs. May
Rutherford and they all drove
to Eden to visit Mr. and Mrs. J.
Y. Seward and Mr. and Mrs. T.
C. Rutherford.

Mrs. Eddie Zenor visited a
short time with Mrs. Kingston
Sunday morning.

Believe it or not, but some one
family here are already enjoying
a gift from Santa Claus, a new
car, who is it? Gordon-Alma
and Tommie Stearns.

And as Christmas will be here
and gone before I bring you my
news again may you have a merr-
y Christmas and Happy New
Year and may the Lord bless
and reward you for your friend-
ship and help to me this year.
It is wonderful to have friends
and brothers and sisters in
Christ Jesus our Lord.

Rockwood News

(Mrs. Ray Caldwell)

Greeting to each of you, I am
happy to be back with you after
an absence of some two weeks.
I have just returned home from
Houston where I have been with
my daughter, Mrs. Albert Seb-
esta who has been seriously ill
with a sinus infection. She was
improving when I left.

Mr. R. L. Steward visited this
past week with his son Captain
and Mrs. Robert Stewart and
Frieda of Fort Worth.

Raymond Harkey of Los Ange-
les, California, is here visiting
his sister, Mrs. Boss Estes and
Mrs. Claude Box.

Bruce Estes, son of Mr. and
Mrs. Leffel Estes is ill in the
Coleman Hospital with Peronitis
caused from a ruptured appen-
dix. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Estes
and family spent the week-end
in Fort Worth with relatives.

Miss Edrene Crutcher return-
ed home after an extended visit
in Oklahoma with Mr. and Mrs.
L. J. Andrews and Bettie Sue.
They returned home with her for
a brief visit.

Visitors in the home of Mr.
and Mrs. A.L. Crutcher Sunday
were, Mr. and Mrs. Lampert
Andrews and daughter of Cor-
dell, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. James
Bell of Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs.
Wilburn Garner and son of Cole-
man; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Adair
and Pat; Mrs. J. A. Hunter, Nor-
ma and son and Miss Minnie
Jean Byran.

Miss Lillian Bible of Okla.,
was greeting friends here Mon-
day.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Floyd and
Mrs. Minnie Floyd of Brown-
wood were business visitors here
Monday.

Miss Ina Grace Johnson, stu-
dent of McMurray Abilene, vis-
ited her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
R. E. Johnson.

Miss Billy Wise student of
Hardin Simmons Abilene spent
the week-end here with her par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Wise.
Alvin and Edd Bostick, stu-
dents of J. T. A. C. spent the
week-end here with their par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bostick.

Mrs. Claude Box and Mavice
were business visitors in Abilene
Monday. Miss Billy Wise return-
ed to school with them.

I wish for each of you, where-
ever you may be a very Happy
Christmas.

**P. T. A. Have
Xmas Party**

The tea table was centered
with an arrangement of cedar
and nandina and red candles
and a group of grammar school
girls served the plates when the
P. T. A. met in their December

meeting Tuesday.

Mrs. A. D. Donham, Jr., presi-
dent was assisted by Mrs. M. D.
Pinkerton, Mrs. Kent Martin,
Mrs. C. A. Crump and Mrs. F. C.
Williams.

Mrs. C. D. Bruce, program
chairman, announced the num-
bers, and Mrs. Norval Wylie told
of Christmas customs and their
origin. Mrs. Elgean Shields
spoke on Exchange students,
and carols were sung by the
group, led by Janette Lovelady,
Rose Zella Rushing, and Joanne
McCary. Mrs. Preston Bailey
gave a talk on faith in our time.

Refreshments of open sand-
wiches, candies and caramel
squares were served, and Patsy
and Peggy Crump and Neva
Earnheart poured coffee and tea.

Those present were Mrs. J.
Frank Turner, Mrs. Tommie
Starnes, Mrs. Mark Davis, Mrs.
Earl Hardy, Mrs. Tom Simpson,
Mrs. J. L. Harris, Mrs. Burl
Sparkman, Mrs. Martin, Misses
Mary Gladys Pope and Frankie
Holt, and Rev. J. W. Burgett.

**H. D. C.
Luncheon**

The Home Demonstration
Club were entertained Wednes-
day, December 18, with a lunch-
eon by Mrs. Claude Conley and
Mrs. W. E. Vanderford at the
home of the latter. The menu
consisted of baked pork ham,
candied sweet potatoes, mash-
ed potatoes, English peas and
carrots, cranberry jelly, chow
chow, hot home made rolls,
fruit salad, assorted candies,
pumpkin pie with whipped
cream, and coffee and hot choc-
olate. After the luncheon a short
business session was held, and
Mrs. Arthur Talley, Mrs. Louis
Zachary and Mrs. Edd Jones
sang White Christmas. Ellen
Richards conducted games, then
Santa Claus appeared with bags
of fruit, candy and nuts for all
present. Then he called names
for the gifts from the lovely
Christmas tree. All received nice
gifts, and the Club officers re-

ceived some extra ones in ap-
preciation of their services. Mrs.
W. A. Standly, the Club Mother, gave
each one present a nice pickle
dish. Those present besides those
mentioned above were Mrs. Lillie
Ray, Mrs. Roy Stockard, Mrs. J.
F. Goen, Mrs. E. W. Douglas,
Mrs. Grover Daniels, Mrs. Doug
Moore, Mrs. I. E. Haney, Mrs.
Clifford Stephenson, Mrs. John
Lowe, Mrs. Richard Smith, Mrs.
S. K. Moredock, Mrs. A. L. Oder,
and Mrs. J. K. Harrison of
Brownwood, formerly a very
active member of the Club.

**Mrs. W. M. Morgan
Entertains With
Birthday Supper**

Mrs. W. M. Morgan and Mrs.
E. B. Morgan entertained with a
birthday supper Sunday night
honoring E. B. Morgan, Mrs. H.
W. Simmons, Jhonie Duffy and
Mrs. E. M. Simmons. The living
room was decorated in the tradi-
tional Christmas greenery. An
old fashion Christmas scene was
placed on the serving table and
different colored candles were
on the birthday cakes. There
were one hundred and thirty-
nine candles in all. After the
group sang Happy Birthday,
gifts were presented to the hon-
orees. A chicken supper was then
served to the following: Mr. and
Jack Duffy and son, Jhonie; Mr.
and Mrs. H. W. Simmons, Sed-
onia and Lankford; Mr. and Mrs.
E. B. Morgan and Wayne; Mr.
and Mrs. E. M. Simmons; Mr.
James Brannon; Mr. W. M. Mor-
gan and the hostess, Mrs. W. M.
Morgan.

Mrs. Leman Brown and
daughter, Mrs. Odell Collins,
and little son, Odelle, of Coleman
were shopping in Santa Anna,
Monday.

Mrs. Murray McBurney of
Zephyr visited Sunday and Mon-
day with her mother and sister,
Mrs. Alice Daniel and Mrs. Edd
Sewell.

Merry Christmas!

The words are old,
the wish is old,
But timelessly sincere—
The threadbare phrase
grows fresh and new
With every passing year.

Merry Christmas, everyone!
A day of joy and mirth,
Where men may walk
as brothers
Upon a peaceful earth.

Close with the warmth
of Christmas,
The world grows snug
and small—
Merry Christmas, everyone!
Merry Christmas, all!

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

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our privilege to extend Season's Greetings
to our friends in this area. May the old
time joyousness of the occasion never be
subdued and may it always be in evidence
for each of you as you observe this glad
occasion.

The hope of your happiness and well-
being is ever before us and it is our sincere
wish that you will enjoy life to its fullest
extent. We are proud of the friendships
that have been ours the years past, and in
this pride we can properly say to you—
"Merry Greetings, friends!"

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- Betty Ann McCaughan Editor-in-Chief
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- Ruby Jane Humphries Junior Reporter
- Donelta Robinett Sophomore Reporter
- Pauline Little Freshman Reporter

LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS
(continued from last week)

In the Sophomore class, dear Santa, we have several very special requests to make. First of all, Santa, please bring our president, Stanley Cobb a cute little girl friend. He is running all the girls nuts being "on the loose". Next, bring Ann Priddy a steady boy friend. Bring Kelley Wise another '47 class ring. Her finger looks sort of cold since Raymond has his back. Here is a very special request Santa bring Beverly and Cleo a great big trap. Big enough to catch two good looking boy friends. (From T. C. U.) And last but not least, I, the editor from the Sophomore class, want a long list of topics for editorials for the rest of the year.

Dear Santa, the Freshman class reporter, will make some very special requests for our class. First of all, Santa, come the request from our sponsors, Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Sowell. Mrs. Evans would like some brighter students in Algebra class. (Including myself). Mrs. Sowell wants brilliant science students. Next, Santa, for the whole class, please bring some report cards full of nice, pretty A's. From certain individuals of the Freshman class, come these requests. Please bring Genieve a good looking boy from Coleman. All Helen wants is that tall, light and good looking Stanley Cobb. Julia says that Jonie Hartman will be enough for her. Martha wants a rope to lasso Del Ray with. If you can't bring a rope, a nice, big, bear trap will be just fine. James Milligan and Al-brus, both, want Jane Russell. I guess one of them will have to take Betty Grable. Joe Hal and Don want a jet plane. Of course if that is not available, just bring a helicopter. As for me, dear Santa, if you will just bring me Gregory Peck, that will be enough.

Personality Of The Semester
This is not just a personality, it is the personality. For 25 years this highly efficient woman has taught in the School system is Mrs. W. C. Evans.

Mrs. Evans was born and received her education in Giddings, Texas, which is sixty miles east of Austin, Texas. Mrs. Evans took her college training at Howard Payne College. She holds a B. S. degree.

The career of school teaching began for Mrs. Evans in a country school in Howard County. She later taught at Novice, Cole Springs, and Lexington. After her arrival in Santa Anna, she married Mr. W. C. Evans and lived on a chicken farm near Santa Anna. Mrs. Evans began teaching school and for twenty five years has been with the

faculty of this system. For 18 and one half years of that time she taught mathematics in grammar school after which she came to high school as math teacher. From 1944 to 1946 Mrs. Evans served as high school principal.

Mrs. Evans says that her avocation is working with flowers. She likes most of all teaching, any kind of flowers, and nice students in Geometry. Her one and only dislike is grading papers. The student body and citizens of the town express their gratitude to Mrs. Evans who has for twenty five years been faithfully serving this school.

SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

To get the Spirit of Christmas you must first know what the title means. Spirit of Christmas is like the spirit of school. To have the spirit of anything you must put your whole self into it. It takes work, thought, and time. The next word, of, is a preposition which does not have too much to do with the title as you could say Christmas Spirit and not need the two letter word. The last word is Christmas. This word makes the title. All of us should know what Christmas means. But to call your attention to it I will name a few things. The most important thing is that it is the birth of Christ. Next, it is a day for feasting and giving of gifts. Also, the singing of Christmas Carols.

Now that you know the meaning of Christmas Spirit it should not be hard to get the Spirit of Christmas. It is easier for some people than the others. A few people have to force the Christmas Spirit into their lives. But others receive it as they send out Christmas cards. There is a warm feeling in your heart. Do not get frightened. It is not high blood pressure. It is just the Christmas Spirit. As you decorate your Christmas tree with

colors of splendor the same thing will happen. For those who think it is hard to get the Christmas Spirit just remember as you are decorating the tree and have come to the last step of placing the Angel in the top of the tree just give what you are doing a little thought. Sit down and think about it and I am sure your body will be filled with Christmas Spirit. Always remember it is not the gift but the Spirit of the giving.

GOSSIP

No introductions, I'll go ahead with the news.

Some of those couples we hardly ever see we saw at the banquet Thursday night. Margaret and Kenneth, Gladys and James Goodwin, and this I've got to tell, Beverly and Frank Holt. Hmhmhmhmhm

Saturday night was super and some of the surprises. Did you see Barbara with David Hunter? The Fish sure get around. Speaking about Saturday night and Freshmen, seems as though R. L. got his locket back from Elaine on that eventful night. Some of the couples at the dance were Sarah Frances and Howard, Bob and Betty Ann, Margaret and Kenneth, Jackie and Jean, Jerry and Virginia, Gene and Tommie Sue, Hilton and Reba, and a whole lot of others I can't remember.

Who is it that smiles so sweetly at Lora in fifth period study hall? Information, please.

What or who blew out the flame between Del Ray and Martha? Does Del Ray find Science more interesting than a girl? Oh, yes, Martha was with Don Woodruff Saturday night.

Back to the banquet, there were some of the best looking "stags" there. Freddie, Olin, King, H. L., Raymond and Bob. That must be a habit of Raymond's and Bob's. They were stag Saturday night, too.

Who was Earl Jean with at Church Sunday night? From a good source it was R. L. I'll repeat myself to say, "those Fish".

Look for our little column in our holiday edition.

Anonymously yours,
The gossip editor

Football Boys Entertained

On Thursday, December 12, at 7:00 p.m., the Football Boys of Santa Anna High School were entertained by the Young People's Department of the local Baptist Church, in the Santa Anna Lunch Room with a banquet honoring them and their guest.

The Lunch Room was beautifully decorated with red and green crepe paper. The tables were adorned with poinsettias, branches of evergreen surrounding the red candles in their crystal holders. Strips of red and green crepe paper were intertwined on each side of the evergreen and candles. Red and green crepe paper streamers were hung from the lights. The windows were decorated with lattice work strips and strips served as a curtain between the kitchen and the large room which served as the banquet hall. The napkins were also carrying out the Christmas theme, being white with large red poinsettias in their corners. The main centerpiece was red and white poinsettias.

The meal carried out the Christmas spirit. The appetizer was tomato juice, following was the main course of chicken and dressing, gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, potato salad, vegetable salad, cranberry sauce, and rolls, the dessert was fruit topped with whipped cream and cookies. Coffee was served also.

After everyone had finished, a welcome was given by Wanda Henderson, president of the Young People's Department; the Response was given by our football captain, Gene Sherrod. The co-captain was then recognized as James England. Next on the program was White Christmas and The Old Lamplighter sung by Jean Rowe, Virginia Lewellen, Sue England, and Barbara Bruce. An interesting talk on Ethics of Football was given by Coach Robert Russ of Coleman. Mr. Russ is coach of the District, Bi-District, and Regional Champs, the Bluecats of Coleman. The pep-leaders led the group in several songs. The surprise of the evening was the showing of colored motion pictures of the Coleman-Santa Anna Thanksgiving game by Coach Russ. We wish to extend our thanks again to the Young People for the enjoyable time

that was had by all at this lovely banquet.

ROVING REPORTER

Question: What do you want most for Christmas?

Helen Day: Hang me a good looking boy on the tree.

Billy Campbell: Would like to have a "New Ford Convertible" very much.

Tommy Sue Holmes: A certain Sophomore boy for keeps.

Jackie Watkins: Permission to take a Junior girl to Corpus with me Christmas.

Elaine Burgett and Anne Priddy: To go "dear" hunting.

Donelta Robinett: To go to Taylor or to have Taylor spend Christmas here.

Sue England: Billy Campbell on my Christmas tree.

R. L. Mackey: For Elaine Burgett to be sociable.

Jerry Fulton: To sleep.

PERSONALITY

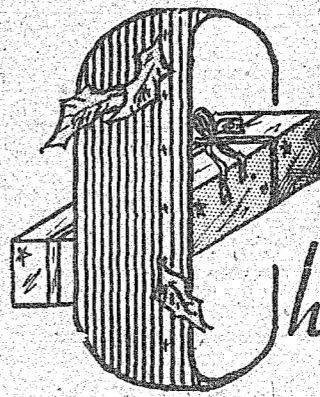
Buzz, dot, dot, dash--What's that ringing-I hear? Oh, it's a radar wave from Mars, now I wonder what on earth it's trying to say! Well, here it is, it seems

to be saying something about a boy that played halfback on the B-string. R. L. Mackey is the boy. He weighs 135 pounds and is 5' 8" tall. R. L. has grey eyes and brown hair. He happens to be a Freshman and also 15 years old.

Mars tells us R. L.'s favorites are: Teacher, Mrs. Davis; subject, Algebra; writer, Terhune; actor, Alan Ladd (sigh); actress, Jane Russell; and food, ice cream.

Mars won't tell us about his future, seems that he has not made up his mind yet. But Mars does tell us his ambition is to get out of school. The wave is leaving now, wait!! Goodness, it is already gone, oh well we wish R. L. many more wonderful years in S. A. H. S. (but not more than three) and lots of success after he has graduated.

Mrs. E. H. Wylie of Santa Anna and her daughter, Mrs. Lonnie Sikes and Virginia of Bangs, visited Tuesday with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Aubrey Petree and family at Merkel.



Christmas

GREETINGS

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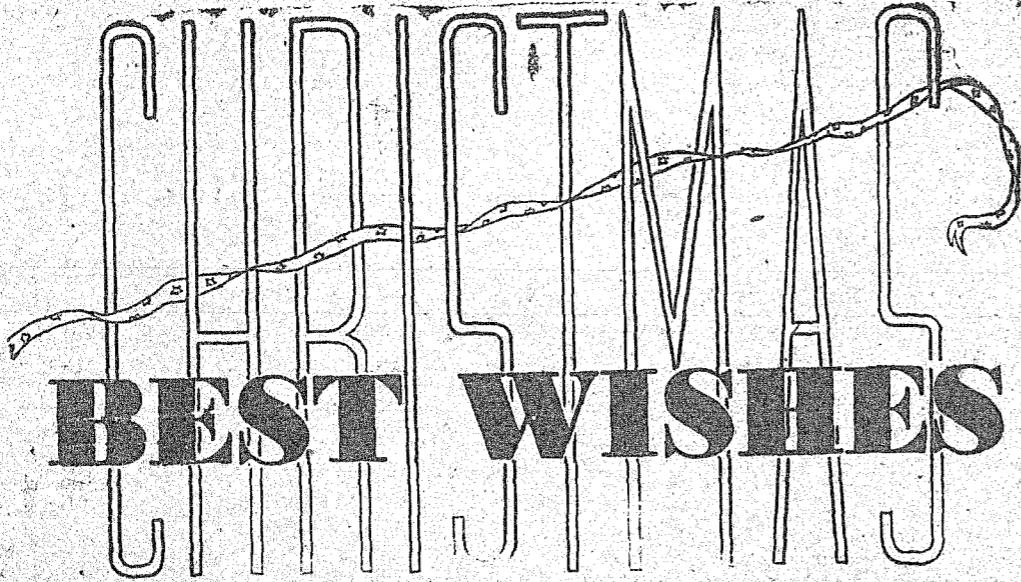


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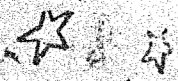
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For all your Tomorrows...



As we extend our Season's Greetings to each of you, the prospects of the coming year are bright and cheerful. For this we are immeasurably grateful. The future is distinctly encouraging and it is our ambition to have a part in this progress. To this end we pledge our untiring efforts.

In this gesture of good will we wish particularly to salute our friends and to wish them a season of good cheer and fellowship and a New Year of success and happiness.

Banner Creameries

The Lions Roar

Several Christmas Carols were sung accompanied by Mrs. E. D. McDonald at the piano.

There were 56 Lions present for this regular meeting. The following guest were present: Ira Grounds of Talpa, guest of H. M. Pratter; R. E. Mathis of Lubbock, guest of W. B. Griffin; and Gene Hensley, guest of Neal Oakes.

Gene Hensley discussed the organization of new units of the National Guard.

Mrs. J. B. Bowen of Brownwood visited over the week-end with her sister, Mrs. I. E. Haney.

Schools to Close December 20

The schools will close Friday, December 20th for the Christmas Holidays. Monday, December 30, the schools will take up and have regular classes for two days and then will observe New Years Day as another holiday. Thursday, December 2, the school will resume regular classes again.

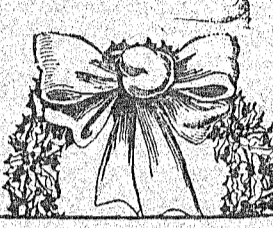
Mrs. Sam Presley and Paul of Dallas are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Caton during the holidays.

Cpl. James R. Eubanks of Co. C, 185 Eng., Battalion C, Camp Campbell, Ky., arrived at the week-end for a visit until after Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ozro Eubanks.

R. C. Tatum, quarter-horse man of Junction, spent Saturday week-end in Abilene, visiting night as a guest of C. D. Bruce, with friends.

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Holiday Greetings

MERRY
CHRISTMAS
And
HAPPY
NEW YEAR

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this Christmas

LET'S BE

CHEERY

The urge to make Christmas more gracious lies deep-rooted in the hearts of Americans everywhere, as they pause to observe the Christmas season.

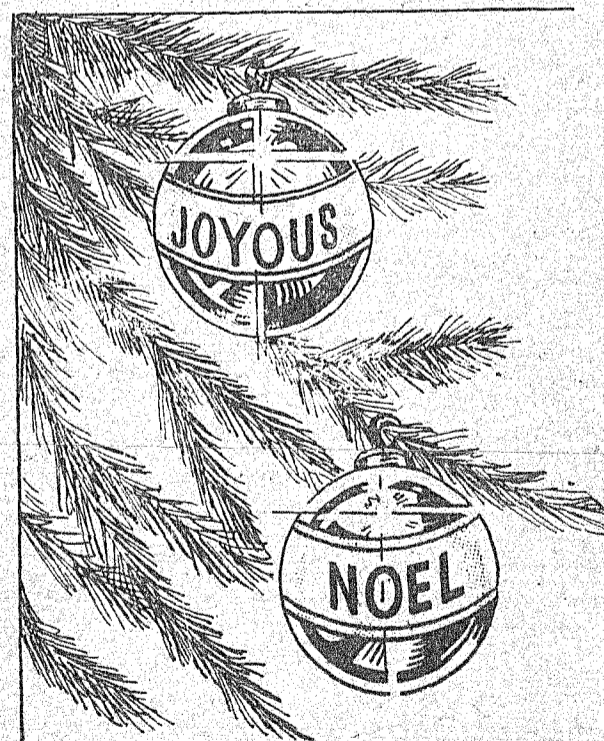
May happiness be yours to enjoy this Christmas and may it give you the inspiration and guidance to meet the coming year with a cheerful heart.

Rogers Humble Service Station

THE BLESSINGS of CHRISTMAS

As we herald the approach of another Christmas season, we count our blessings in good friends and pleasant associations.

It is appropriate, then, that we extend our warmest greetings and add the hope that the coming year will be the best you have ever enjoyed and that from the experiences of the past we may gain strength for the problems of the future.



Hope is justifiably strong as another Christmas draws near—that out of the mistakes of the past will come a better understanding of the problems of others, truly worthy of the sentiments men voice at Christmas.

Greetings to you, one and all

Roger Holt, Garage

Sniders Magnolia Service Station

National and International News Hi-Lights of the Week

The powerful United Nations political and security committee Friday approved the general principles of a world-wide arms reduction program and at the same time rejected proposals for an immediate international troop census.

Shortly after the 54 nation committee had agreed unanimously on a resolution for setting up arms reduction machinery, it decided to toss the troop inventory question into the hands of the security council along with the arms limitation program for detailed consideration.

A United States Army estimate that the Soviets still hold 3,000,000 Germans as prisoners of war in Russia and satellite countries came to light Sunday from the files of the Senate war investigating committee.

The estimate made no mention of the use the Russians may be making of their captured enemies 19 months after the wars end.

A top labor-management committee Sunday night strongly opposed creation of any government "super machinery" for handling labor disputes.

Instead of legislative compulsory arbitration, the committee—representing the AFL, CIO, National Association of Manufacturers and United States Chamber of Commerce—advocated a policy of letting unions and employers settle their own affairs with the government in the role of an assisting-by-stander.

The National Municipal League reported Sunday that this

year's survey of American cities show the greatest increase in tax rates in eight years.

The survey says the property tax likely will continue to bear the largest share of local government cost, which have increases due partly to a rise in prices for equipment and other supplies and partly to a resumption by many municipalities of public construction which was retarded by the war.

John L. Lewis won a double victory Monday preliminary round of his legal battles with the government and the coal mine operators.

1. The Supreme Court granted his petition to broaken the arguments on his appeal from the contempt of court conviction against himself and the United Mine Workers. This enables him to seek the refuge of the Norris-LaGuardia anti-injunction act in the arguments to be heard January 14.

2. The United States Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the recognition granted to Lewis' union of mine foreman in the existing contract between the government and the United Mine Workers. The circuit court rejected a challenge interposed by the Jones and Laughlin Steel Corp.

The Armed Services announcement Monday unification by President Truman of land, sea and air force commands in which General McArthur heads the Far East command rather than the entire Pacific.

The announcement said the

general or admiral assigned to command an area "will be responsible for the unified planning for defence and in case of emergency for the conduct of operations."

The order of President Truman as commander in chief was seen as a long step toward synchronizing the armed services in the light of modern warfare.

The eight top leaders involved are responsible to the joint chiefs of staff in carrying out this assignment.

Satisfying more and more merchants, veterans, small town and county governments in their purchases of surplus government property is the prime aim of Karl E. Wallace, Fort Worth regional director of WAA Assets Administration. This week he established a new Customer Service Division on the 6th floor in the regional offices in the T & P Building, Fort Worth.

Headed by Bill Bishop, the Customer Service Division will aid buyers in filling out orders for all goods now in inventory and, as an added service, if the desired goods are not in the 105 counties of Texas comprising the Fort Worth region, Bishop will channel orders to any of the other 32 WAA regions where desired property may be on sale. It will make buying from WAA simpler, faster and more satisfactory in every respect.

If you have the coal-WAA has the stoves. WAA is offering 2800 surplus army barracks stoves at \$5.78 each—in minimum lots of five—to veterans in business and others Dec. 20th. Orders from priority groups and commercial dealers will be filled after Jan. 3 in priority sequence. The sale is being conducted by the Kansas City WAA office.

The Veterans Administration has received about one and a half million dollars worth of surplus hand tools from WAA for use in its apprentice training and rehabilitation program.

The tools will be distributed

free to G. I.'s in hospitals with prevocational training programs requiring tools for skills such as watchmaking or leathercraft WAA officials said. They will also be given to veteran apprentices to be machinists, painters, carpenters, metal-workers and skilled workers in similar trades.

Fire extinguishers, tool boxes, navigation watches, telescopes and a 35 mm film developing machine are among the items being offered by the Fort Worth WAA office in a sale which closes December 23. The surplus property is located at Amarillo AAF, Camp Hood, Childress AAF and in Fort Worth WAA warehouses.

Sale of \$240,000 worth of Bailey Bridges to the Texas State Highway Department was announced this week by the Fort Worth WAA office. The bridges are to be used in emergencies to keep highways open where temporary crossings over streams where new construction of bridges is under way or in cases where "flash floods" might wash out existing bridges. They are of the portable type and can span streams as wide as 600 feet.

The disastrous fire that destroyed 12,220 square feet of the Tipton Orphans Home at Tipton, Oklahoma, enabled the Ft. Worth WAA office to show how quickly it can act. To allieviate the suffering of 500 children, who were left without housing or schooling facilities, D. D. Myers, chief of the Public Interest Division, slashed red tape and started making deliveries of badly needed surplus property within 72 hours from the first request made by W. I. Yaoum, dean of the boys at the home. Kitchen equipment, bedding, furniture and other dormitory needs, school supplies, wood working shop equipment and sewing room equipment were speedily located and shipped to enable the school to resume operations.

The United States failed Tuesday in an attempt to bring a-

bout an immediate vote of approval in its proposals for international control of atomic energy.

Soviet Delegate Andrei A. Gromyko charged that the American resolutions was not in complete conformity with the historic disarmament decision of the United Nations General Assembly and asked more time to study it.

United States Delegate agreed to postponement of the commission's deliberations until Friday.

OPA's consumer advisory committee resigned Tuesday with a final plea that "the efforts of real estate and land lord interests to wreck rent controls be resisted firmly."

In a statement issued at its last meeting, the committee said that some land lords are justified in asking for higher rents but added that a blanket percentage increase of all rents is the sound or fair way to meet the situation.

Pilgrim's Progress was written by John Bunyan while he was in Bedford jail, in England, where he had been imprisoned because of his religious beliefs.

The Holland Tunnel, connecting New York City and Jersey City, and built under the Hudson River, is the most expensive automobile road ever built in this country. It is only 1.6 miles long, but cost \$48,000,000.

It was Mark Twain who said "Cauliflower is nothing but cabbage with a college education."

A hand grenade will explode in four seconds after the ring is pulled.

Three sets of American Presidents have had the same last names. They are John Adams and John Quincy Adams; William Henry Harrison and Benjamin Harrison; Theodore Roosevelt and Franklin Roosevelt.

It was Will Rogers who said "Everthing is funny as long as it is happening to some one else."

Vernetta Stephenson, Gerald Pruitt Wed December 15

On Sunday morning December 15th at nine o'clock at the First Christian Church, Miss Vernetta Stephenson became the bride of Gerald Pruitt, Rev. E. H. Wylie, pastor of the Church, reading the impressive double ring ceremony. The couple exchanged vows before an altar banked with white cysanthemums and Maiden Hair fern. Before the ceremony, Jack Pruitt, brother of the groom sang "Always", accompanied on the piano by Miss Marie Blewett who also played Lohengrins Wedding March. Only the immediate families of the couple and near relatives were in attendance. The bride wore a blue wool gabardine suit, with black accessories and a corsage of white carnations, for something old she wore a gold stone brooch of her great-grandmothers, and for something borrowed, she carried a linen handkerchief of her grandmothers. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Stephenson, and a graduate of the 1946 class of Santa Anna High School. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pruitt of Dallas, formerly of Santa Anna. He returned home and got his discharge in October after serving one year in France. Immediately after the wedding the couple left on a honeymoon trip of several days, after which they will make their home in Dallas, where the groom is employed. The couple were friends in childhood, this friendship ripening into love and culminating in marriage.

"I saw two clouds at morning Tinged with the rising sun And in the dawn, they floated on And drifted into one".

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GREETINGS

May the season of good will remain with you next year and all the years to come.

Santa Anna Produce Company

U. D. C. Has Luncheon

The U. D. C. had a delightful luncheon at noon Tuesday with Mrs. Ollie Weaver, all members bringing food. The menu consisted of chicken and dressing, gravy, hot home made rolls, five kinds of salads, including, fruit salad with whipped cream, and home made coconut cake for dessert, and coffee after the repast there was an interesting program. Mrs. Fannister told of the "Origin of Christmas". Silent Night and O Come all the Faithful, sung by Bing Crosby, were played on a record player. Mrs. Seth Risinger read a most interesting Christmas story, and Mrs. Norval Wylie conducted a Quiz from the Old Testament. There was a gift exchange from a nicely decorated tree, and gifts were sent to Confederate widows and to some shut in members. Present besides those mentioned were (Mr. Henry Campbell, some of the members of the organization could not get to the meeting but for his kindness with his car) Mrs. Henry Campbell, Mrs. J. W. Collier, Mrs. J. J. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. G. W. Teagle, Mrs. A. L. Oder, Miss Louella Chambers, Mrs. A. U. Weaver and Edward and Pete Wylie.

The Libesatos war plane is technically known as the B-24. P-61 war planes was nicknamed the black widows.

Methodist Women Met Dec. 16

The Womans Society for Christian Service, of the Methodist Church met Monday afternoon, December 16, with Mrs. Arch Hull, her two daughters, Mrs. N. C. Watson and Mrs. Bill Griffin being co-hostesses. Mrs. Dan Blake led the devotions and Mrs. Henry Price and Mrs. Chap Eeds rendered an interesting program on "Christianity Like a Rice Field". After a short business session there was a gift exchange. A Christmas plate, consisting of candle salad, spice cake topped with whipped cream, and coffee was served to the 14 ladies present.

An overwhelming majority of the 5366 students enrolled at Texas Technological College are either Baptists or Methodist, from the office of the registrar.

Baptists are leading the field with 1781 members, and Methodist are close behind with 1701. Presbyterians are third with 430 members. Although most of the students are Protestant, 162 are Catholic, nine are Jewish and one student is a Moslem. Memberships of remaining students are distributed among 18 other denominations and sects.

The P-39 war plane is popularly called the Airacobra. Mark Twain, the famous author, was red headed.

Bobbie Fuller Honored Thursday

On Thursday afternoon, December 12, Mrs. Garland Powell, entertained with a gift tea, honoring her niece, Miss Bobbie Jean Fuller, bride elect of Everett Waldrum, whose marriage has been announced to take place, Sunday, December 22. Mrs. Traylor met guest and received gifts at the door and Bettie Sue Todd presided over the register. In the receiving line were the hostess, Mrs. Powell, the honoree, and her mother, Mrs. Calvin Fuller, the sister of the groom to be, Mrs. Alvey Fuller. Mrs. Roger George ushered guest into the dining room where refreshments consisting of heartshaped sandwiches, cookies, mints, nuts, and fruit punch were served from a lace laid table decorated with white carnations with service of crystal. Mrs. Bill Stiles poured punch assisted by Mrs. Calvin Campbell and Mrs. John Allen Todd. Guest were then ushered into the gift room where the many lovely presents were admired. The register contained the names of 54, either attending or sending gifts. Mrs. William Brown said goodbye to the departing visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffcoat and little daughter have moved to the Lowe place recently vacated by the S. A. Boardman family. Her sister, Freddie Rowe, is staying with them.

Income Tax Time Coming

Thousands of Texas farm and ranch operators must soon bring out their pencils and record books and start figuring income tax reports.

All farmers with a gross income of \$500 or more are required to file a return. C. H. Bates, farm management specialist of the Texas A. & M. College Extension Service, reminds the farmer that he has this choice in paying income tax: he can file a declaration of his estimated 1946 net income by January 15, followed by a final return by March 15, or, he can make a final return by January 15, in which case he does not have to file a declaration.

While a record number of farmers will pay income taxes for 1946, the average tax bill will be less than in 1945, due to a reduction in rate and the combination of the normal tax and surtax levies, Bates says. Farm income taxes should average about 17 percent less than in 1945 predicts the farm management specialist.

A change in the tax law permits deduction, as a business expense, on reasonable wages paid by a father to a minor dependent actually employed on the farm on ranch.

Under certain conditions, only 50 percent of receipts from sale

Boyce House Gives You Texas

BOYCE HOUSE COLUMN I'm getting tired of looking at half-page ads in the Sunday papers, advertising new automobiles. I'd just like to see some new automobiles. And, by the way, since the so-called manufacturers don't seem to be manufacturing any automobiles, where do they get the money from to pay for those ads?

A young man was sitting in the T. & P. station in Ft. Worth holding a baby in his arms. The baby began to cry, attracting everyone's attention. A man walked over with a smile of pity on his face and asked, "A woman gave you that baby to hold while she went to see about her baggage, didn't she?"

"Yes." The man began to laugh and of breeding cattle may be taxable. Bates advises farm operators to consult their county agricultural agents for information on this point or contact an Internal Revenue deputy.

The tax reporting job will be greatly simplified for operators who have kept record books through the past year, Bates says. The Texas Farm Record Book, which is available at Texas A. & M. College for a small cost, is a complete and simple form with spaces for recording all necessary items for income tax reports.

then remarked, "I stumbled on the fact as soon as I saw you. You expect her, I suppose?"

"Of course." Again the other laughed, "This is rich! Looking for her, any minute?"

"That's right." Once more the man laughed and then said, "I had a woman play that same trick on me once. Young man, you've been played for a hick. I would advise you to turn that baby over to a policeman and get out of here before some newspaper reporter gets hold of you."

The man holding the baby insisted, "She'll be back."

"What makes you think so?"

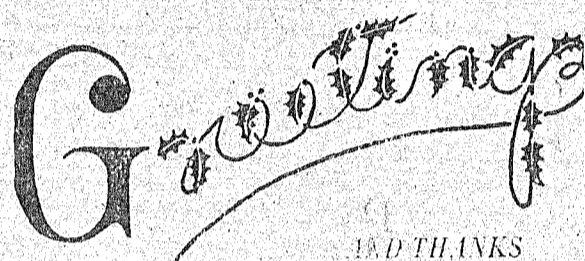
"Because she's my wife and this is our baby."

The crowd roared and the man slunk away. And wouldn't you like to live long enough to read a newspaper interview with just one railroad man who, on retiring from work, doesn't say, "I'm going to catch up on my fishing?"

Scurvy, pellagra, and beriberi are three of the recognized diseases that are directly traceable to a lack of sufficient vitamins in food.

Fresh milk, butter, fresh fruit juices, yolks of eggs, meat juices and cereals are foods particularly rich in vitamins.

John Bunyan's Pilgrims Progress has been translated into more than 100 languages and dialects.



The approaching Holiday Season heralds the end of a busy year for this organization but, we are not too busy to pause and wish the season's best to our many friends for a MERRY CHRISTMAS. We look forward with confidence in the future.

Phone 99

Santa Anna Beauty Shop



Hunter Bros.

To our friends of this community, to our friends in other communities and to the friends of our friends, we say, "MERRY CHRISTMAS." The old year has been a good one. We cannot count our multitudinous blessings but we know we have much for which to be thankful. It is with heartfelt feeling and gratitude that we send each of you these greetings.

May this Noel see you happy and contented and may the New Year be one of genuine happiness for you and yours.

Season's Best!

Phone 333

James Price Radiator & Welding Shop

Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes for the New Year

May your circle of friendships remain unbroken during the coming years and may the blessings of Christmas extend throughout the days to come.

Big reduction on all Ladies coats, suites and dresses.

Purdy Mercantile Company

SEASON'S GREETINGS TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS

Voss Electric Shop Philco Dealer

The ideal of this organization would be a Holiday Season at which the old-fashioned personal greetings could be said, man to man. In that spirit then, our best wishes always.

Season's Greetings

Gifts for every member of the family at

Hosch Furniture & Undertaking Co.

Letters To Santa Claus

Winchell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl 7 years old. I have been a good little girl, so please bring me a scooter, a rubber doll, a pair of house slippers and some colored crayon also fruit, nuts and candy.

Please bring my brother, R. C. who is in the Army; a bath robe and a pair of house slippers. With lots of love

Your little friend
Frances Stearns

Shields, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 5 1/2 years old. I would like for you to please bring me a black board, a wind up train, cap gun, and a knife.

I would also like to have some candy, fruit and nuts. Please bring all the other little boys and girls some toys, fruit, nuts and candy, too.

Thanks a lot
Winiford Roy Williams

Santa Anna, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl six years old. I have been a good little girl, and I would like for you to bring me a doll with sleepy eyes and brown hair, a telephone and a piano, also fruit, nuts, and candy.

Love
Sandra Gilliam

Dear Santa,
I want a pair of skates, a ball, candy, apples, nuts and oranges.

Donnie Cummings

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a pair of skates, a doll, a set of dishes, a girls bicycle, apples, nuts, oranges and some candy.

Your friend
Mary Cummings

Santa Anna, Texas
Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Jackie Phil. I am 3 1/2 years old. My sisters name is Willene, and she is 20 months old.

Please bring me a tricycle, gun, truck, small train and please fill my little sock with candy and oranges.

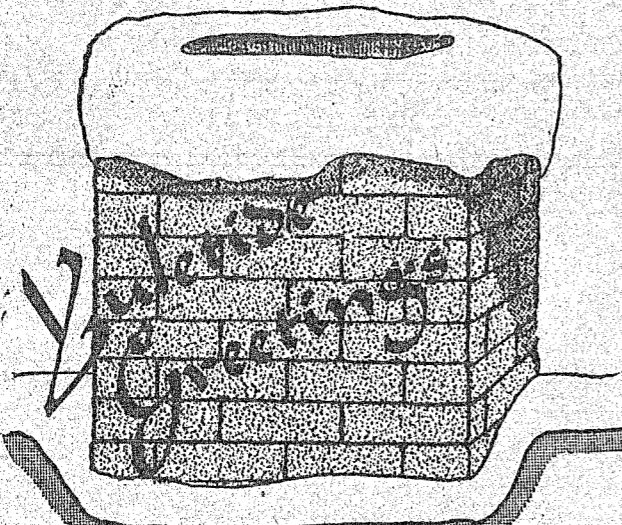
Please bring Willene a doll, dishes, a little red wagon, comb and mirror so she can primp as little girls like to do. Also fill her little sock with candy and oranges.

Our tree is all ready for you. We thank you very much for the things you brought us last year.

Please remember all the other boys and girls everywhere and please come soon.

We love you
Jackie and Willene Schulle

Go to Church Sunday.



Extending our Sincere Wishes for a
CHRISTMAS OF GOOD CHEER
and a
NEW YEAR OF HAPPINESS

Hosch Grocery Co.

Greetings

Merry Christmas

B. A. Parker's Auto Supply

Mrs. Ford Barnes' Mother Succumbs

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Barnes were called to Pharr, Texas, last Thursday to be at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Zora Christi, whose illness had become critical. Mrs. Christi had been afflicted for several years and passed away on Friday, December 13, and was laid to rest at McAllen on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Barnes returned home this week.

American Legion Entertains Auxiliary Post

Thursday night December 12, 1946 the Jack Laughlin Post 182 of the American Legion entertained the Auxiliary to that organization with a supper served in the Coffee Shop of the Santa Anna Hotel. The group met in the dining room of the hotel and was served a nice supper consisting of chicken salad sandwiches, potato chips, olives, chocolate chiffon pie, and coffee after which each organization had a business meeting and adjourned after a delightful evening of good fellowship. Members of the Legion and Auxiliary present included the following: Hays Hefner, Captain Peacock, Sid Blanton, O. W. Gray, Add T. Walker, Boss Estes, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Smith, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Price, Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Blue, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Caton, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bass, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hemdon, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Burden, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hyatt, Mrs. Travis Hays, Mrs. M. L. Guthrie, Jr., Mrs. John

Needlecraft Club Meets

A gift exchange was the feature when the Needlecraft Club met with a Christmas luncheon in the home of Mrs. John Brown Tuesday.

A Christmas centerpiece was on the buffet table and the quartet tables were centered with bowls of candies. A turkey dinner was served.

Those present were Mrs. A. F. Brown, Mrs. W. E. Wallace, Mrs. Elmo Wallace, Mrs. Earl Watkins, Mrs. O. A. Etheridge, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. L. O. Garrett, Mrs. W. R. Kelley, Mrs. Dennis Kelley, Mrs. Scott Wallace, Mrs. C. D. Bruce, Mrs. Emzy Brown, Mrs. L. E. Abernathy, Mrs. Tom Wheatley, Mrs. J. R. Gipson, Mrs. Arch Hull, Mrs. Lillian Pettitt, Mrs. Fred Turner, Mrs. Eunice Longbrake, Mrs. T. H. Upton, Mrs. John Pearce and Vera Shield.

Harrel Banks has received a letter from E. J. Howell, dean, notifying him he is on the Honor Roll at John Tarleton College.

W. Taylor, Mrs. Thomas Wristen, and Mrs. Sue Walker.

The one gift that's always treasured...

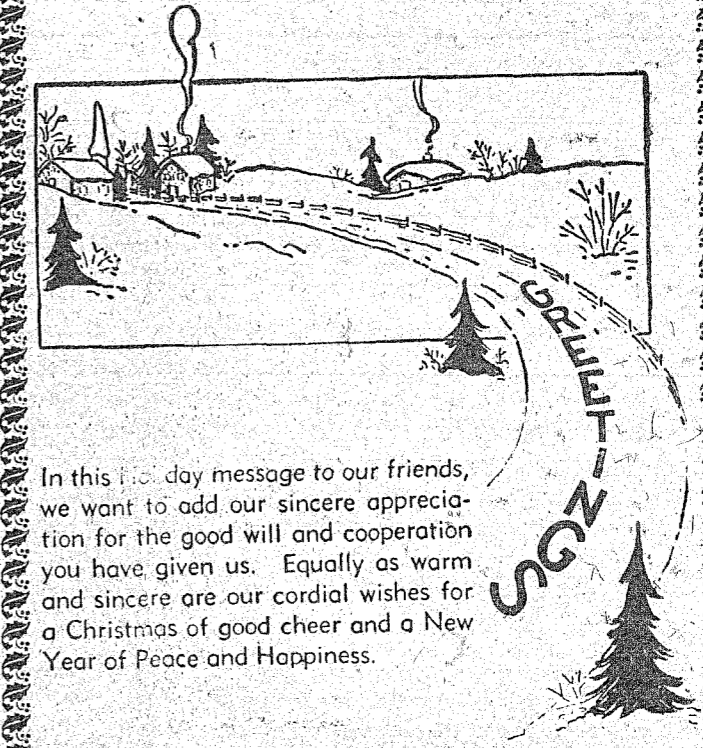


Bulova Watches priced from \$25.00 to \$2500.00



Keepsake ROSEMARY Engagement Ring 175.00 Wedding Ring 62.50

Only A Few Days Left To Shop For Christmas Hundreds of Gift Suggestions At



In this holiday message to our friends, we want to add our sincere appreciation for the good will and cooperation you have given us. Equally as warm and sincere are our cordial wishes for a Christmas of good cheer and a New Year of Peace and Happiness.

Wristen Service Station

Season's Greetings

may your christmas bring good cheer and the new year much health happiness and peace

Phillips Drug Co.

ORANGES

Texas Seedless

10 lb. Mesh Bag

.39



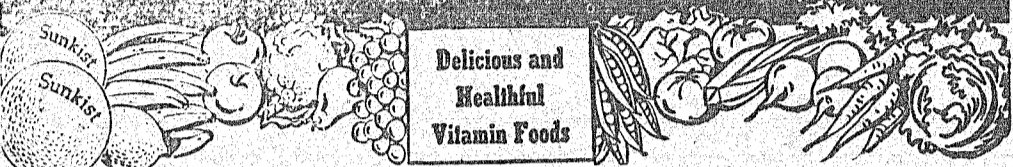
Grapefruit

Marsh Seedless

10 lb. Mesh Bag

.39

Fresh FRUITS and VEGETABLES



Delicious and Healthful Vitamin Foods

Cauliflower Each **.28**

CELERY Large Krisp Stalk Bleached Stalk **.18**

Plum Pudding Package **42**

Ready to Serve

Date & Nut Loaf Can **.43**

XMAS NUTS

Large Paper Shell WALNUTS ALMONDS and PECANS

FRUIT CAKE MIX LB. PKG. **.46**

Prince Albert

1 Pound Xmas Can

.89

SAVE ON **SMOKES** Cigarettes FAVORITE GIFT

CARTON **1.74**

ALL POPULAR BRANDS EASY TO BUY

APPLES Delicious A Basic FOOD

Lb. **.12**

Box **4.49**

Candy Bars Hersheys Milky Way Snickers

SAUCE Cranberry' Ocean Spray Can **.29**

COCKTAIL Hunt's Fruit 2 1-2 Can **.41**

PEACHES Heart's Delight Sliced or Halves In Syrup 2 1-2 Can **.33**

PEAS Phillips, Early Garden Can **.14**

TOMATO JUICE Heart's Delight 46 oz. Can **.29**

COCOANUT Shredded & Sweet. 1-2 lb **.59**

Lettuce Large Firm Heads **.12**

Tangerines A Ball Of Juice Pound **.09**

Cocoanuts Fresh Each **.23**

Chocolate Candy

1 lb. fancy assortment Christmas Box **1.19**

Candy Candy Gum

Mints Drops

Pecan Caramels

They are fine 1 lb. box only **.89**

Prices Good Saturday Monday Tuesday

DESSERTS MINCE MEAT Pecan Valley 14 oz. Pkg. **.18**

PINEAPPLE Crushed & Sliced While It Lasts

Fruit Juices Orange or Grapefruit Can **.14**

Coffee Admiration

1 lb. vacuum Seal Jar **.43**

YAMS Kiln Dried Pound **.09**

CRANBERRIES Eatmor Quart **.39**

Dressed Hens

LB. .46

Oysters PINT **.79**

Pork Chops Nice and Lean **LB .49**

BACON

EASY TO FIX EASY TO EAT

Sliced Bacon **.69**

Pork Roast Choice Shoulder Cuts **LB .39**

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MEET YOUR HOLIDAY MEATS **HAMS** Half or Whole **Pound .64**