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SANTA WILL VISIT GORMAN WITH CANDY FOR CHILDREN - DEC. 19th

Business Houses To Close Saturday After Christmas

Feeling that most folks will be too busy enjoying their gifts on Saturday morning after Christmas, including the personnel of the stores in Gorman, merchants have decided to help Santa out by extending the Christmas holiday through Saturday December 26th. Stores will close Thursday night, December 24th and reopen Monday morning, Dec. 28.

It's Christmas Time In The City

"Silver Bell, Silver Bell, It's Christmas Time in the City," and Gorman is the city.

Gorman may well boast of the beautiful Christmas windows that have been arranged by the merchants. Some Texas Cities are awarding prizes for the prettiest windows. The judges for such a contest in Gorman would find themselves with a most difficult task for the owners of the stores have not spared expense in decorating.

It doesn't cost a cent to look but it is only fair to warn that window shopping at Mehaffey Drug, Shelley Variety, Frossard's, Higginbothams, and Bibby Variety Store almost inevitably draws the shopper inside.

Here is a hint. From now until Christmas Eve the shopper will find many special gifts listed with their prices in the pages of the Gorman Progress.

BIRTHS

William Leston McCay born to Mr. and Mrs. William Seldon McCay of Rt. 1, Comanche on December 1 weighed 9 pounds and 2 ounces.

Patsy Jane Rankin born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lawrence Rankin of Rt. 2, Rising Star on December 1 weighed 6 pounds and 11 ounces.

Deborah Elaine Keith born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill John Keith of Eastland on December 3 weighed 7 pounds and 9 ounces.

Judith Katherine Williams born to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Finis Williams of Houston on December 4 weighed 5 pounds and 15 ounces.

Ora Kay Roberts born to Mr. and Mrs. Hershell Owen Roberts of Woodson on December 3 weighed 6 pounds and 7 ounces.

Melvin Harry Hudman born to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Darrel Hudman of Albany weighed 7 pounds and 15 ounces.

Announcements

The Eastland County Livestock Association will meet with the Gorman's Business Men's Club on Monday evening, December 14th at 7 p. m. in the Fire Hall. A Chili supper will be served.

Mrs. Tommy Gray will present her pupils in a recital on Monday night, December 14th at 7 p. m. at the First Baptist Church. The public is invited.

Mrs. Virgie Dennis Selling Insurance

Mrs. E. L. (Virgie) Dennis has accepted a position with the Rio Grande National Health and Life Insurance Company. She will collect premiums in the Gorman and De Leon area.

Folks will be missing Virgie down at Emersons Cafe. But everyone will wish her success in her new venture.

enriched our lives.

The world will go on, people will work, play, cry, laugh, fuss and fume.

But, as he walks by this shop, the citizen of Pine Bluff pauses to wonder and chuckle. The bootblack has enlivened the day, thrown a lilt in the air, created a tinkle of joy.

Isn't it

Santa Claus is coming to town! He will be here Saturday, December 19th. That's not many days away.

Santa will come riding in on his big red truck.

His pack will be loaded with candy for the kiddies.

The lights have been strung across the business streets and we understand a Christmas Tree will be decorated and set up at Roberts and Kent.

Santa's visit is sponsored by the Business Men's Club.

Please Read This Post Office To Open Saturday Afternoons

The Post Office will be open each Saturday afternoon until 4:30 p. m. until Christmas. It is requested that when you mail Christmas cards in large quantities that it will be appreciated if you would hand them in at the window instead of putting them in the drop box.

Unsealed Christmas cards may be sent anywhere for 2 cents.

Christmas cards mailed at the Post Office, to be delivered at the Post Office bearing 2 cents postage, may be sealed.

Placing 3 cents on a Christmas card makes it first class mail thus making it possible for forwarding or returning.

When uncertain as to address it is suggested that 3 cents postage be used.

Neighbors Are Moving Around

Mrs. A. M. Allen has just up and left Gorman, just because she likes De Leon. She is going to be missed especially her alto in part singing.

The Ben Burdettes have moved into Mrs. Allen's house.

The Thurman Jays have moved into the house on the 26 acreage they have bought from Julius Underwood.

The Underwoods have moved into the C. J. Thompson place.

Mrs. C. Pittman has moved into the green cottage on West Coke vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kinser and family.

Smith Bros. To Present 1954 Chevrolet

DETROIT - Chevrolet introduces its 1954 model passenger cars Friday, (December 18).

More than 7,000 retail dealers nationally will display a variety of body styles in events that range from annual open houses to elaborate entertainment programs.

The showings come near the close of one of the company's most successful years. A statement by W. E. Fish, general sales manager, reported 1953 retail sales will be topped only by the record-breaking volume of 1950, once again out-selling all other automotive makes.

Fish described the new models as "greatly improved" and "fit successors to the cars that have led the industry in sales for 18 of the last 19 years."

"This is a record of popularity," he pointed out, "that can be matched by few products of any kind in the last quarter century's highly competitive American markets."

The dealer exhibits will be held simultaneously across the country and follow the 1953 model pattern when two days rather than one were designated for "announcement showings."

GORMAN FOLK PLAN TO ATTEND COMANCHE ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE

A number of Gorman folks plan to attend the Annual Christmas Pilgrimage sponsored by the Garden Club at Comanche.

The pilgrimage begins on Thursday, December 10 at 7:30 o'clock at the Central Christian Church. It will be repeated on Friday evening.

Judy Burns Needs Blood - Surgery Completed At St. J.

Judy Burns is in need of blood. Twenty-two pints is the designated amount.

Her skin grafting operations were completed on Friday.

The St. Joseph Hospital, where she is a patient, stated that blood donated need not necessarily be the same type as Judy's, that the blood could replace the proper type taken from their blood bank for Judy.

It is the custom of hospitals to allow the blood to be replaced as donated. Otherwise the blood must be purchased.

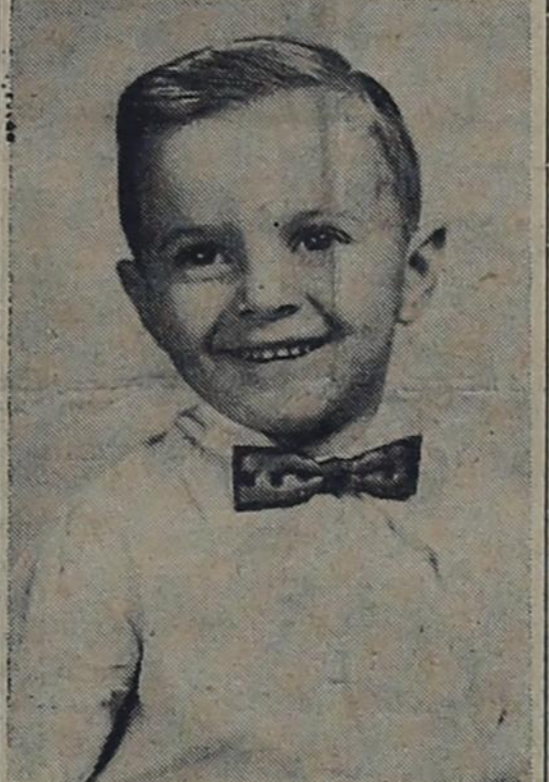
Miss Buena Van Winkle and Mr. Stub Poynor planned to take their cars with a number of folks on Tuesday of this week. Mrs. Daisy Peveto and Mrs. Frankie Jo Harper expected to accompany Miss Van Winkle.

Donors must not be more than fifty years of age. Other qualifications are the same as those for regular blood donations.

Anyone who will give blood may contact Bill Burns, Mrs. Bill Burns, Ray Burns, Stub Poynor, or Miss Van Winkle.

The Gorman Progress will be glad to pass the name along to the above parties of anyone who wishes to go to St. Joseph's as transportation will be furnished.

Stephen Murray, 4 Celebrates Birthday



Stephen Phillip Murray celebrated his fourth birthday Saturday, December 5th at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Murray of Desdemona. Steve has a new sister of which he is very proud.

The young daughter of the Murays was born at 3:45 a. m. Wednesday, December 9th, at Blackwell Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds at birth.

Mr. Murray is Superintendent of the Desdemona Public Schools.

Joe Wilson Is Agent For Abilene Reporter

Royal Joe Wilson has accepted a job as agent for the Abilene Reporter-News in Gorman. He began work on Saturday and has begun the job of making house to house calls, soliciting subscribers for the paper.

Joe was in the Progress Office on Tuesday telling us about his job. He said that the paper could be received six days a week for a year at the subscription price of \$9.95. The daily with Sunday for a year is \$10.95. A daily paper is five cents and the Sunday paper is 10 cents.

The new agent, Joe, will appreciate new subscriptions or renewals to the Abilene Reporter-News.

Mrs. Fairbetter will be glad to edit any news for the Reporter-News that patrons may desire to have sent to the paper.

RUNEZ WRACHFORD TO JOIN HUSBAND IN FRANCE

Mrs. Joe Wrachford, the former Runez Gregg, and her young daughter, Elaine, are anticipating a trip to De Bussac, France where they will join their husband and father, Sgt. Joe Wrachford, who is stationed with the Occupation Forces.

Runez went to Abilene last Saturday to apply for her passport. Passports usually take a matter of weeks in reaching applicants.

Gorman - Desdemona Girls To Open Little Papoose Trail Tournament At Gorman Gym, Friday, Two O'clock

The initial Basketball Tournament of the Indian Papoose Trail will begin on Friday afternoon 2:15 o'clock, December 11th and continue through the Saturday night play-off.

Trophies will be presented the winner and runner-up in each division.

Coach Deavenport stated that the tournament played by grade school students was a new maneuver which he hoped would prove successful.

In the boys line-up are Corky Brown, Jack Abbe, Johnny Earl Rodgers, Kenneth Joiner, Leo Harrison, Eddie Gregg, Delbert Smith, Robert Walker, and Bobby Standridge.

Girl Basketeers are: Ruth Rodgers, Judy Beth Skaggs, Beth Hart, Lula Fay Welch, Sandra West, Anne Kate Blair, Mary Cloninger, Linda Cloninger, Barbara Ezzell, Patsy Rodgers, and Mary Cozart.

Mrs. Mamie Clements coaches the Girls Team.

Funeral Service Mrs. Wimberley Held Nov. 28th

The funeral service of Mrs. Mary Jane Wimberley was held at the Methodist Church in Desdemona on Saturday, November 28 at 2 p. m. Rev. R. D. Coles, church pastor, conducted the service. Interment was made in the Desdemona Cemetery.

Mrs. Wimberley, who had been familiarly known as Granny Wimberley, passed away November 26 after a protracted illness. She had been a resident of Desdemona for the past 31 years.

Her husband, the late T. J. Wimberley, had preceded her in death on July 15th, 1950.

She is survived by two sons and three daughters: J. M. Wimberley of Rio Linda, California, Bill Wimberley, Mrs. J. R. Quinn of Desdemona, Mrs. Lena Rogers of Pampa, and Mrs. George Whitlock of Desdemona. There remain also a number of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Illness In Gorman

Jackie Sue Burns, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Burns, has been suffering with a severe case of tonsillitis.

Mrs. Wilbur Williams of Walnut Springs is reported to be making satisfactory recovery following a major operation sustained at the Blackwell Hospital last week. Mrs. Williams is sister to Mrs. C. J. (Marcella) Thompson. Gorman folk will remember Mrs. Williams as the former Hallie Beth Scales.

Mrs. Morgan Roberts of Desdemona is a patient at Blackwell.

Mrs. Ford Arledge was registered as a patient on Tuesday.

Mrs. W. D. Sessums continues to be a patient at the hospital.

ED HARRISON BUYS GRAND CHAMPION HEIFER AT WTHA ABILENE SALE

Ed Harrison bought the Grand Champion Heifer of the West Texas Hereford Association Sale held in Abilene Monday, November 30th.

The female was consigned by the Arledge Ranch in Seymour.

Harrison has agreed that the heifer continue with the West Texas Hereford Association Show until after the showing at Denver and Houston.

A second heifer purchased by Harrison at the November 30th sale was consigned by the McBridge Ranch at Blanket.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT COMPLIMENTED

The many attendants at the school's Christmas Concert have made numerous complimentary criticisms of the December 3rd presentation of the annual event.

A Thank You to Directors, Mr. Charles Nicholls, Miss Nelle Grimshaw, and Mrs. O. R. Buchanan, the boys and girls and others who had a part in the presentation.

Carbon Editor Injured in Collision

Merritt Dunn, editor of the Carbon Messenger, has experienced surgery at the Eastland Hospital. Mr. Dunn entered the hospital on Monday night following a traffic accident in which he suffered a broken knee-cap and other injuries.

It is reported that the sudden application of brakes by the driver of a Van Line Truck, due to the cutting in of a driver, caused Dunn to run into the rear of the truck. The driver of the offending car did not stop.

The accident took place at the opening of the four-lane highway out of Eastland.

Simmons Pecans Wins Top Honors

C. D. Simmons, Route 1, Gorman farmer, was the winner of the Grand Champion Award at the Eastland County Annual Pecan Show in Cisco on Saturday last. Simmons' Western Schley topped 134 entries of the several varieties entered by pecan growers of Eastland County and surrounding counties.

The win was the third for Simmons, who won with the Schley, at Gorman showing and the Eastland showing in previous years.

For his John Garner entry he also won a blue ribbon.

His Schley pecan, which remained on exhibit at the Thurman building through Tuesday of this week, has become the property of the A & M College which school sent judges for the show.

Simmons has 12 acres of pecans which he seeded, budded and re-set during a period of 24 years.

WINDOW PICTURE WINS PRIZE FOR BROWNING

Last September W. C. Browning, while winding up his summer business and getting ready for fall, decided to enter the Philco window display contest.

Calling in local photographer M. H. Fairbetter he asked for a couple of pictures of his window which contained just about all of the Philco products.

Fairbetter looked at the window with its six paneled glass, studied the difficult light and reflection problems and said, "W. C., I'll try but I can't figure how we're going to get much of a picture."

Browning, need the pictures, "Now."

After a few hours Fairbetter brought in the pictures. He had been able to show what was in the window.

W. C. sent the picture to the Philco Company.

Much to Fairbetter's surprise Browning won the fifty dollar prize and 5 dollars for photography.

George Washington's first employer was Lord Fairfax, whose lands he surveyed.

KING THEATRE THURSDAY - FRIDAY

Gary Cooper - Roberta Haynes

In Return To Paradise

Also That Man Rickey

SAURDAY Wild Bill Elliott

In THE HOMESTEADERS

And Johnny Weissmuller

In VOODOO TIGER

Also Color Cartoon

SUNDAY - MONDAY Jeff Chandler - Marilyn Maxwell

In EAST OF SUMATRA

Also Color Cartoon

TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY Frank Lovejoy - Joan Weldon

In THE SYSTEM

Also Popeye Cartoon - Pro Football

THURSDAY - FRIDAY Stephen McNally - Julia Adams

In STAND AT APACHE RIVER

Also Color Cartoon



PROGRESS DISCONTINUED

TIL FURTHER NOTICE

Source of Supplies cut off due to labor strikes induced by Communist leaders.

With the new DPOWA union aiming a foothold on the coast of Texas this could easily happen - not only to the Progress but to industry as a whole.

While this is happening we continue to read of the atrocities committed by the Reds. Yet glibly US, WE or whatever pronoun you care to use, continue to appease. We permit racketeers foreign agents and other enemies of our country to go free and continue with their work because it is not permissible to make them pledge allegiance to our country although they are hiding behind the very law they are seeking to destroy.

Must we be forced to close our doors and go underground like other nations before we awaken to the termite-menace of these people who are striving to tear down the very foundation upon which our way of life is built.

The following was clipped from the Hamlin Herald:

A young girl in Hamlin High School is reported to have prepared this essay on men:

Men are what women marry. They are divided into three classes—husbands, bachelors and widowers. A bachelor is a man whose mind is filled with obstinacy and whose soul is filled with suspicion. Husbands are of three varieties: Prizes, surprises and consolation prizes. Making a husband out of a man is one of the highest arts known to civilization. It requires science, patience, persistence, hope, faith and charity. If you permit him to make love to you, he gets tired of you in the end; and if you don't, he gets tired of you in the beginning. If you believe all he tells you, he thinks you are foolish; and if you don't, then he thinks you a cynic. If you join the gaities and approve of his smoking and drinking, he says you are driving him to destruction; if you don't approve, he vows you are snobbish.

To Keep Pace with the changes of time, we offer this new allotment of definitions of the time.

Laundry - A place where clothes are mangled.

Lawyer - One who defends our estate against an enemy in order to appropriate it to himself.

Liberty - Consists in giving everyone full right to mind everyone else's business.

Life - First half ruined by our parents and second half by our children.

Love - The feeling that makes a woman make a man make a fool of himself.

Man - One who wishes he were as wise as he thinks his wife thinks he is.

Only a couple of weeks, or is it three, and the hub-bub of commercialized Christmas will be over. With it all I believe the average person in these United States really appreciates the true spirit of Christmas and does pause now and then to thank God for the Son whose birth we celebrate.

Stores and homes in Gorman are beginning to have a real Holiday look. Looks as though Smith Bros. Chevrolet outsmarted us all by leaving their string of colored lights up all year.

From the house organ of E. C. Palmer Paper Co.:

A bootblack's sign in Pine Bluff Arkansas reads:

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In other words: Shoes Shined — 20 Cents.

the hitherto unsuspected, for he has

Keeping Up With Our Friends - -

Mrs. Jennie McCroan has returned to her home in Dallas after having visited with Mrs. Florence Butler for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moates and son, Otis visited with Mrs. Butler Friday. They were returning to their home in Houston from California where Mr. Otis Moates experienced an eye operation. The operation has proven successful and he has regained his sight after having been blinded for some time by the effects of a cataract.

Mrs. Fred Higginbottom came in Sunday and visited with her brother Tom Bennett and her sister, Mrs. Susie Ellison. She also visited Mrs. Florence Butler.

Mrs. Frank Dean is visiting in Waco with her niece Mrs. Bill Wood and Mr. Wood. She also visited with a friend Mrs. McLean.

Jack Bennett of Fort Worth visited his mother, Mrs. Mollie Bennett Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harrison visited in Dallas with her mother, Mrs. O. M. Clark Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Edward Eppler of Abilene visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Batron Eppler and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. O'Neal over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Edmondson visited in Breckenridge Sunday with her niece Mrs. John Pitts and their new daughter, Trudy Ann. Mrs. Pitts has not as yet been released from the hospital.

W. C. Browning was a business visitor in Fort Worth Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. T. G. Jackson visited in Bartlesville, Oklahoma last week with Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Jackson Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Mauney attended the funeral of Mr. Sid Brumbelow held at Round Rock Sunday afternoon.

Interment was made at the Victor Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Pendarvis visited in Lorena during the week end where Mr. Pendarvis attended a Masonic Meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kimble and John Edward visited in Comanche Sunday.

Mrs. Laura Westmoreland, Mr. and Mrs. U. E. Westmofeland of Odessa and family have been visiting in Gorman during the past week. They returned home on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hagood visited with their son, L. T. Hagood and family in Comanche Sunday.

Mrs. Leland Warren and daughter, Miss Marjorie Warren of Fort Worth, who has been vacationing with her parents, visited in Levelland last week with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Warren. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Eulless Sawyer at Cross Roads, N. M.

Becoming Steve's Grandmother

Few are the times that I have enjoyed so much popularity what with the telephone calls, the neighbors dropping in, the church and the townfolk congratulating me.

By this time if I hadn't already been walking on air, I should begin to stick a feather in my hat. After having a week's visit with Steve and his parents, I stepped over in Ft Worth to chat

yer at Cross Roads, N. M.

Mrs. Bob Hicks of Cameron visited Mrs. Florence Butler on Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Gene Ainsworth and children of California are visiting her mother Mrs. Lou McMullin and other relatives.

Pfc. and Mrs. Calvin Maxwell of Holloman, AFB, New Mexico visited over the week end with Mrs. Maxwell's mother, Mrs. Gladys Lucke and Betty Sue. They also visited her sister Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Cooper of Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Cornwell left Monday for their home in Ventura, California, after having visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cornwell and other relatives in Texas.

with my sister, Mrs. V. L. Regan, who became grandmother last January. She immediately began to dangle before me a gold link bracelet having one charm at the same time boasting, "It's my grandmother bracelet. The charm is for Jack, my first grandchild. It's a Halton Special. You'll just have to stay over tomorrow and get one. We can call your order in this afternoon."

Just like that she decided one thing that Granddaddy Fairbetter can give me for a Christmas present.

Stephen Lynn's mother, Adele Russell, was a hospital patient for six days during which time she enjoyed having as her nurse, Mrs. Horace Autrey who was her play mate and school chum at Winters, Texas for the first twelve years of their lives. They had not met since August 1945.

These city hospitals are a bit hard on young fathers. Wade touched his son for the first time when he carried him from the hospital. Previously he had seen him twice each day through a plate glass window.

I left everyone doing fine on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Whit Russell, Jo Russell and Mr. Fairbetter went to Denton on Sunday for a visit. Mrs. Russell will remain through out the week.

Adele, Wade, and Steve expect to spend the Christmas Holidays in Gorman.

JACK BENNETT TO ATTEND PHILADELPHIA SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

Jack Bennett of Ft Worth, formerly of Gorman and a frequent week end visitor, will be off to Philadelphia next Sunday for a three-day school of instruction.

Bennett is being sent by the West Texas Appliance Company, Philco Dealer, a firm of which he is the Parts and Accessory Supervisor.

Supervisors attending school will be trained in complete business transactions of purchasing, display advertising and sales.

Jack visited in Gorman on Saturday and was the guest of his mother, Mrs. Mollie Bennett.

Measuring Values Is Good Business -

... The average American like you and me drifts along from day to day without giving much concern to the question of values. We buy anything, go where we please (sometimes too fast), and enjoy an almost unrestricted freedom unknown in any other land, without thinking. But the folks who are getting somewhere today are beginning to consider and measure values for what they are. Modestly, we suggest you do this before buying real estate without an abstract. It's a step in the right direction.

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Ukulele \$4 50	Car & Trailer Set \$2 25
Student Clarinet \$2 23	Buck Rogers Flashlight 1 49
Cowboy Guitar 98c	Dump Truck \$1 10
Ice Cream Freezer \$1 87	Copper Craft Set \$3 73
Croket Set \$5 98	Microscope Set \$2 98
Toy Bead - Jewelry Set 77c	Electric Pinball Game \$6 71
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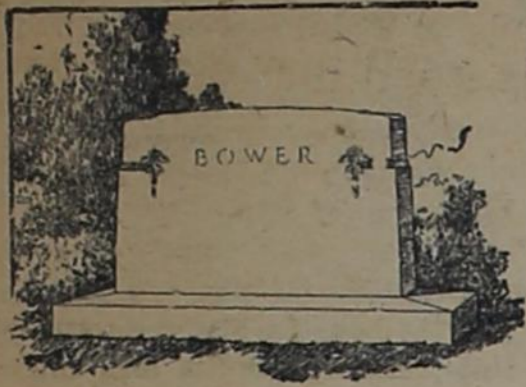
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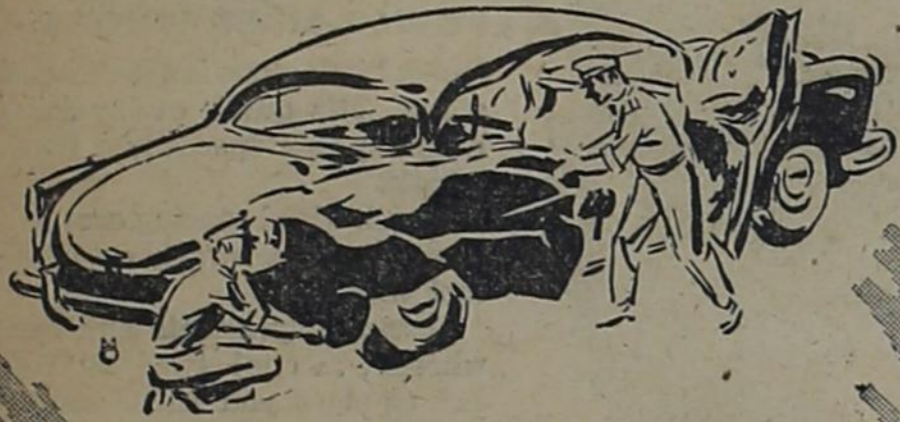
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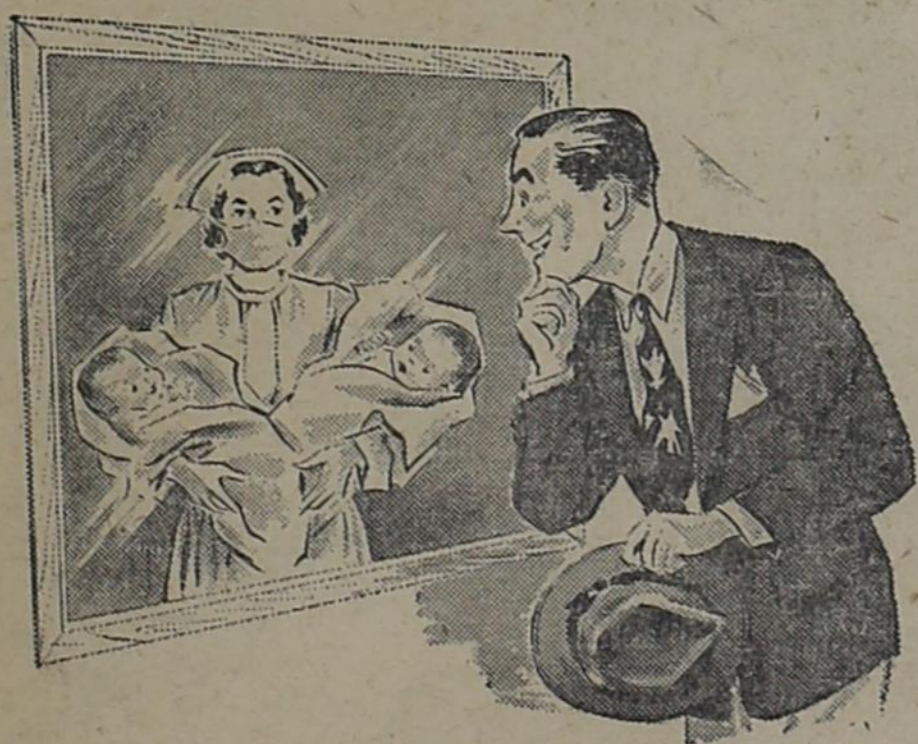


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DESDEMONA NEWS
Reporter, Mrs. Ethel Keith

Mr. Joe Merrell became suddenly quite ill Saturday afternoon and was rushed to the Gorman hospital where he is resting at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Kullenburg of Austin were visitors part of the past week with her parents, the Tom Northcutt family.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Williams motored to Brownwood Sunday and attended church at the Baptist Church in Gorman Sunday night.

The R. H. Abels visited Sunday evening in Comanche with his mother, Mrs. Abel, who is a bed patient.

Mrs. Nina Lohman of Gorman visited home folks here for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Northcutt of Rising Star spent Monday with his parents, the T. H. Northcutts.

Mr. and Mrs. Chubbie Foreman spent the week end with her parents, the Roy Gutherys.

The Jr. Moores of Ft Worth spent the week end with the Floyd Moores and Hyson Echols.

Mrs. Lena Rogers left for her home in Pampa Thursday after spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Joe Quinn and family, helping care for her mother, Mrs. Wimberly, who passed away the day after Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Eaton of Corpus Christi spent the week end of last week with his mother, Aunt Sally Eaton, and his sister,

meliegh, Texas and William (Teel) Love of Snyder, together with their families, Bob Cresswell and children, Bryan, Bobbie Dee and Mike, and Mrs. Nan Love and Martha Dale of Odessa.

Nova Dee and William are children of Dave Love.

Mrs. Lewis Mitchell, nee Mrs. Odessa Elliott, former Cheaneyite, tells that her U. S. Navy son, Wesley Elliott, is home for an extended leave. Wesley has traveled many sea miles since enlisting in the Navy, touching ports in Europe, the Mediterranean, and South America, Wesley will also be remembered as the Ranger student pilot, who crashed, and lived to tell how it feels to fall.

Fair sailing from here on, Wesley, old chap!

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JOE BENNETT, Shop Foreman
Fairbetter, Apprentice

Church Women Pack Clothes For Korea

Women of the Willing Workers Class and the Friendly Ladies Class of the Methodist Sunday School were in the offices of the Gorman Progress on Monday evening packing boxes of clothing to be sent to Korea.

They filled seven corrugated cardboard boxes with the clothes that had been piled in the Progress window. The estimated weight of the parcels was about 500 pounds. The boxes included about every item of apparel from longhandles to caps.

Mrs. Nina Lohman, and Juanita. The H. C. Abernathys and the Jessie Spargmans were out of town on a Christmas Shopping trip this past Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Gosdin and Miss June Jacobs of Ft Worth were week end visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Jacobs.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wells and daughter of Best, Texas spent Sunday through Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Rube Miles.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Harper of Belton are visiting her mother, Mrs. Chas. Genoway, and family this week.

RANGER COUPLE WED IN WEATHERFORD

Mrs. Eva Kathlene Milmo of Ranger, daughter of Mrs. Eugene Baker, and Mr. O. B. Poynor of Ranger, were married in the Methodist parsonage in Weatherford Tuesday, December 1st.

The wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. Garland Lavender, who formerly pastored the Ranger Methodist Church of which Mrs. Poynor is a member.

Mr. Poynor is a former student of Gorman Public Schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Poynor spent their honeymoon at Western Hills

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FIRST GRADE

We have our Christmas Tree decorated and are enjoying it. We drew names Friday. Martha Foster has been ill and absent from school. Jo Townley has been in school but suffering with the toothache.

SECOND GRADE

We have finished decorating our room for Christmas. All of us are working hard enough for

Santa to visit us.

Bobby and Thomas are really proud of their new glasses. Several more of us are waiting to receive new ones.

THIRD GRADE

We are happy to report that we had a card from Judy Burns and that she is doing better. We hope that she can soon return to Gorman.

E. C. Bramlett, Jr brought us a beautiful cedar tree for our room.

FOURTH GRADE

One of our members, Larry Campbell, visited in New Mexico for several days last week. Larry Rodgers and his family moved back to their farm over the week end. We are sorry that he has moved out of town but are happy that he still goes to school here.

We are also sorry that our Grade School basketball team did not win the tournament in Carbon, but we know they will do

We thank him very much. It is surely nice to have such thoughtful students.

We have made Christmas Posters and Poinsettias for our room. We enjoy them.

This is the third week on our Third Six Weeks of school, and we are trying to keep in mind that we want to have our work half done at the end of this Six Weeks.

better next time. Janice Day celebrated her 10th birthday on Sunday afternoon. She received many nice gifts.

FIFTH GRADE (Mrs. Wilson)

In art we are making scenes with angels. We are also working hard on gifts hoping to finish them in time for Christmas. Mrs. Wilson has made plaster molds and we are coloring them with water colors and glazing them.

In music we have a new pianist Linda Lee Speck. We are learning to march to the music "Joy to the World" and "Oh, Come All Ye Faithful."

Gary Poyner sent his Santa Claus letter to the South Pole, and got two erasers.

We do not want to go through our door as we have some mistle toe over it and we know what will happen if we are caught.

SIXTH GRADE

We are looking forward to Christmas with all its activities. The music classes are having a Christmas Play December 21st.

The Little Papoose Trail Tournament for Grade School will be held at Gorman this week end.

We have a new student in our room, Shirley Jean Wood.

SEVENTH GRADE

Have you heard? The Gorman Grade School is going to have a Basketball Tournament December 11 and 12. The teams that are entered are: Eastland, May, Olden, Carbon, Gorman, Desdemona, De Leon, and Dublin. We'll be looking for you!

Christmas Holidays are coming soon. We already have our Christmas Tree and are going to draw names sometime this week.

The football boys and their guests had a party at Rodgers Lake on Monday evening. Everyone surely had a good time.

EIGHTH GRADE

Grade School Basketball boys and girls played in the Carbon Tournament last week end. Friday night both of our teams defeated Rising Star teams, but on Saturday morning both of our teams were defeated by Olden.

Friday at 2:15 the Little Papoose Trail Tournament will be

gin at Gorman. We hope to see all of you here.

Christmas is much in our minds - We drew names Monday and are going to decorate our tree this week. Our thanks and appreciation goes to Mr. Bramlett for getting our tree and putting a stand on it for us.

F. F. A. NEWS

The vocational ag classes have been working in the shop this week. The work has been very interesting. We are working on several projects including gun racks, chairs and scoops and most of them are turning out real well.

This week we had a nice surprise. The state president paid us a visit. The vice-president also accompanied him. These boys are the ones who make out the business programs etc. They gave us much information on state farmers. The president of F. F. A. is John Hagler, a Senior student at LaGrange High School. The Vice-President is Damon Campbell who is now enrolled at Tarleton State College.

F. H. A. NEWS

The Future Homemakers and Miss Shaw met at the Homemaking Cottage Monday, December 7 for a Christmas Party. The cottage was beautifully decorated by the Sophomore girls. The girls exchanged gifts and were served. The homemakers will have another meeting the second Monday in January.

BAND NEWS

We want to thank everyone for coming to our band concert. We are practicing on several new pieces, most of them marches. Mr. Nicholls is giving us a Christmas Party Thursday night which we are all looking forward to.

SOPH SUDS

Well, we got the band concert off and have something else big coming up pretty soon, CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS. I've heard that we get out the 22nd of this month. We appreciate Mr. Bramlett getting all the teachers in grade school a Christmas tree. He also School Christmas Party.

I think everyone is proud that Mrs. Underwood is back this week. I think that everyone who hasn't seen the trophy for our football team should come by and see it. This District Trophy was presented last Friday morning. The boys are all looking forward to getting jackets. Some of them are looking forward to starting basketball. Well that's all for now.

Every Boy Faces 8 Year Military Obligation

John A. Hannah, Assistant Secretary of Defense, deplors the fact that young men are not appreciatively conscious that they have an eight-year military obligation.

Hannah in an interview with the United States News and World Report stated, however, that he would not recommend a change from Selective Service to Universal Military Service for training is not enough. Men must

continue to be in active service atleast two years.

If the boys considered their obligation with enough respect to enlist for a longer duration this would, in a manner, aid in the solving of atleast a part of the defense problem.

To promote this sense of obligation he suggests improvement of benefits and the resumption of former benefits and higher pay in comparison to civilian life.

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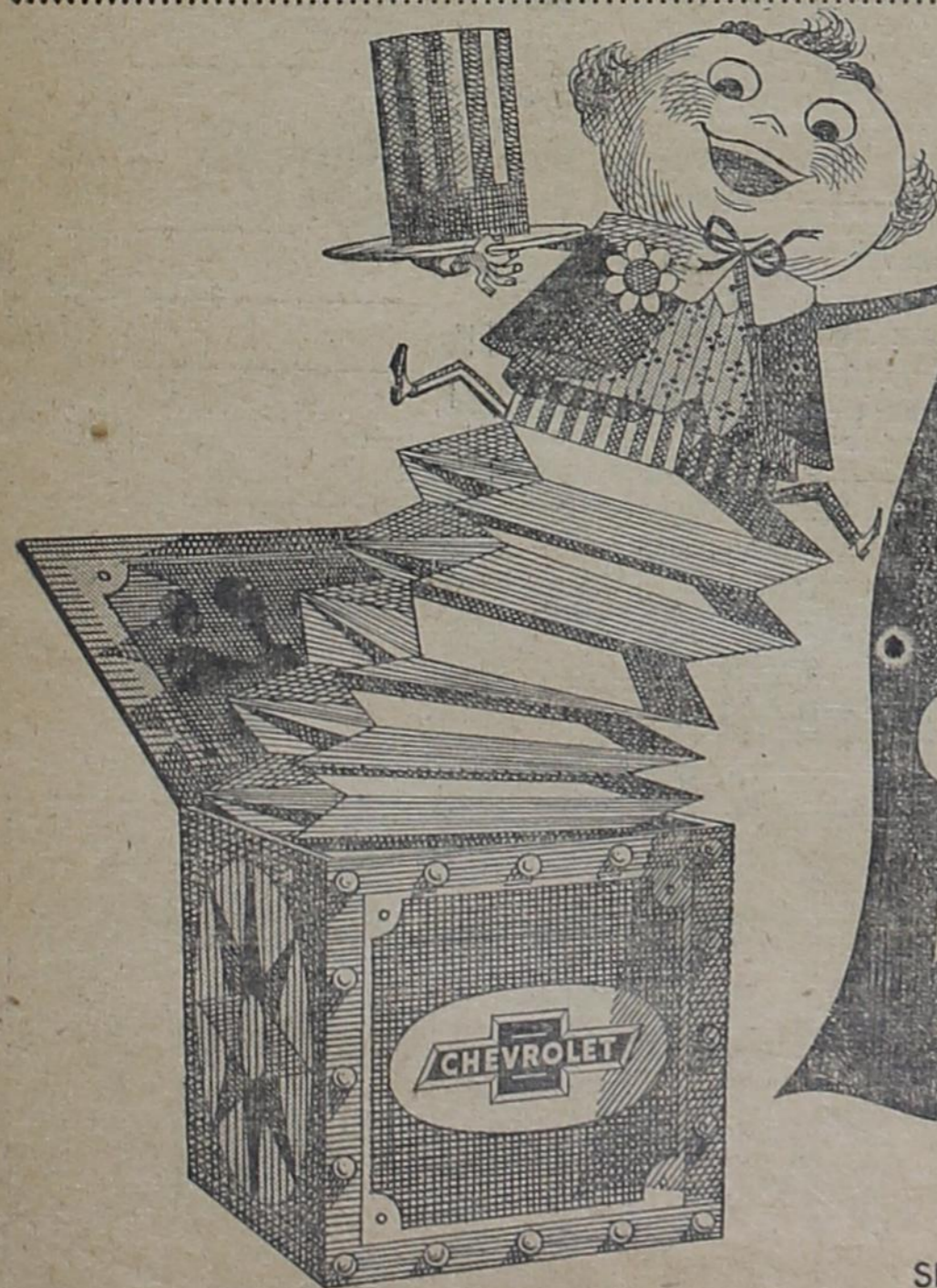
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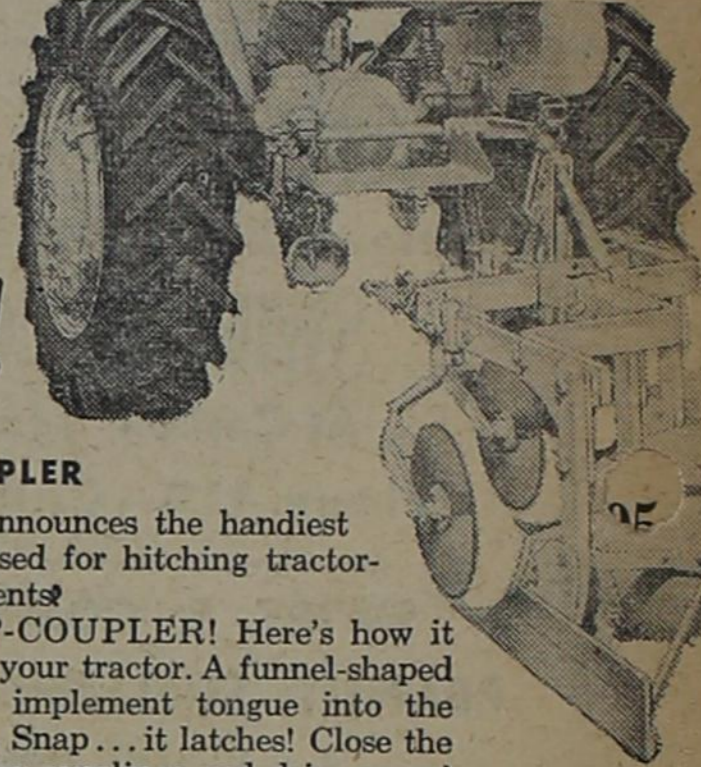
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Mrs. Edna Nunnally

DUSTER ROCK BLUFF NEWS

Mrs. Lorene Johnson, Reporter

Rock Bluff Baptist had good attendance with several visitors for Church and Sunday School.

Duster Church of Christ had regular attendance, Bro Don Fraser of Dallas will preach at this church next Sunday. You are invited.

We are sorry to report Mrs. Nora Lee Smith is still on the sick list. We hope for her a speedy recovery. Her son, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Smith and children of Farmington, N. M. visited them a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Quinn and their son, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Quinn, and children of Fort Worth, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Skaggs Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cotton Joiner and girls of Odessa visited his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Gray, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Norton and Mr. and Mrs. Deryl Johnson of Comanche Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Smith visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bowen of Victor Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Nugent Haynes of Rising Star visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Haynes Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lendall Coan and son of Ft Worth visited her sister, Mrs. Gladys Pounds and family, over the week end.

Luncheon guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Pounds on Sunday were Mrs. Beulah Warren, Mrs. Vera Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Molbrooks of De Leon, and Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Warren of New Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Miller and children of Odessa visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Fraser, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Coan of Ft Worth visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rye Coan, Sunday.

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These books are: GROWING SPIRITUALLY by E. Stanley Jones and THE RECOVERY OF FAMILY LIFE by Elton and Pauline Trueblood.

METHODIST NOTES

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Worship at 11 a. m. The pastor will preach on the subject: "When the Word Became Flesh."

Worship at 7 p. m. The young people of the church will have charge of the evening service. Every member of the church is urged to attend the service and give encouragement to our youth. The MYF meeting will be held at 6 p. m.

The sub-district meeting of the MYF will be held at Dublin on Monday evening at 7:30. All who can go are urged to be at the church ready to go by 6:45.

Plans are being made for a White Christmas Service on Sunday evening, December 20. Every member is requested to bring a gift of food of some kind to go into baskets for some needy families or a cash offering to be used in buying clothing for the children. All gifts should be wrapped in white paper and cash offerings placed in white envelopes. A program of Christmas music is being arranged as a part of this service.

The Christmas Holiday Coffee of the Friendly Ladies Class will be hosted by Mrs. William Brogdon in her home at 10 a. m. on Thursday, December 17th. Member and associate members are being reminded to keep this date in mind.

Members of the Friendly Ladies wishing to place a gift in the Gracie Holden Christmas Box to be sent to the Methodist Home should leave the gift at Mehaffey Drug with Pauline Mehaffey by Friday, December 11th. That's tomorrow.

The Christmas Party of the WSCS is being held at Mrs. Bertie Crawleys on Monday, December 14 at 3 p. m.

Women of the church attending should bring a gift for exchange and a gift suitable for a baby or its mother. The latter gift will be sent to the Texas Mission and Training Home in San Antonio.

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Mrs. Bill Jessop of Eastland, who also is an artist, visited here during Miss Belvin's stay and the three women enjoyed several afternoons painting local scenes.

HOMEMAKERS TO MEET WITH MRS. C. COOK

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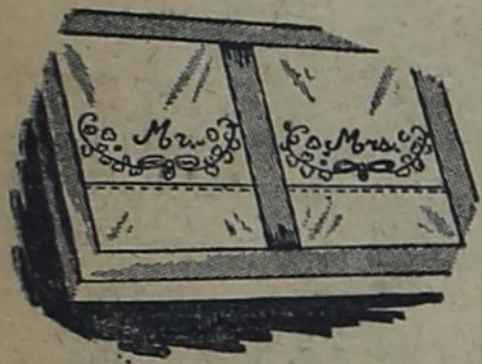


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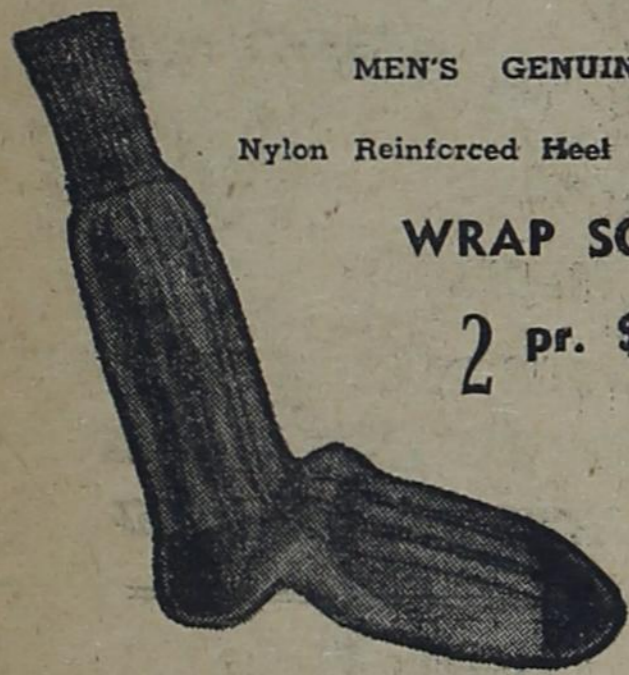
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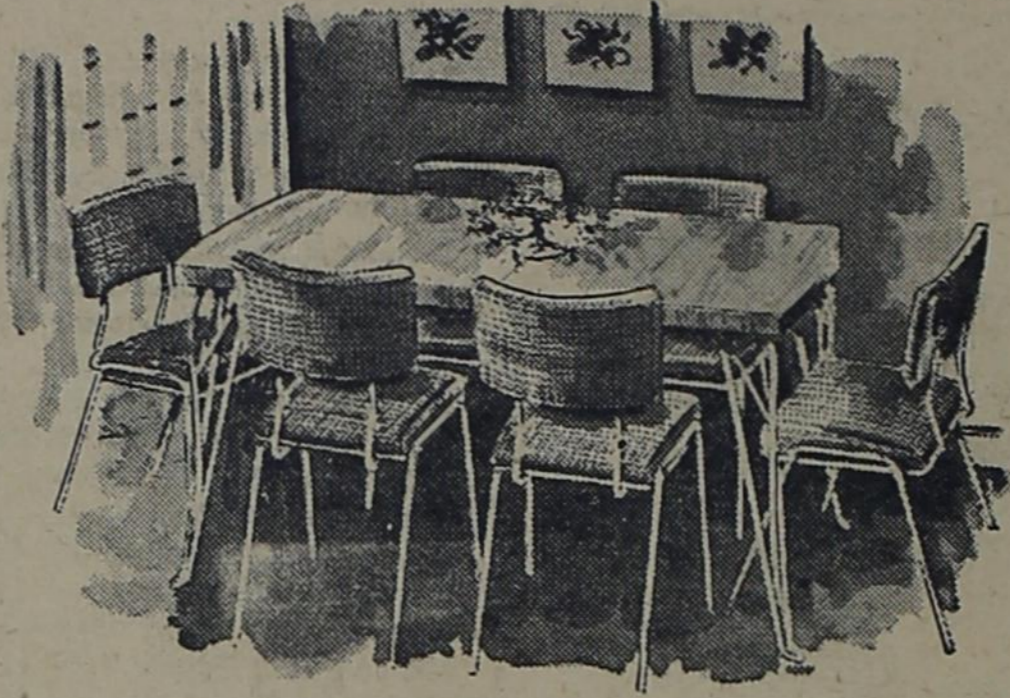
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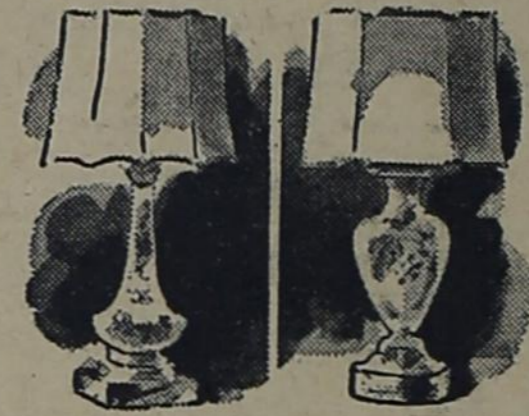


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