

Stage Band To Greet Santa Claus Saturday, December 24th - 1:30



By
Kernel Gene, aPe

If possible the Progress will be published a day early next week to give Joe and Jerry a chance to look for Santa Claus.

School Trustees receive lots of criticism but little praise. Tuesday I availed myself of the opportunity of seeing some of our Trustees at work.

One of the school patrons whose child has a slight physical handicap appeared before the School Board and requested that the bus drive by their house which is a short distance off the highway.

Tuesday morning Melvin Shell and W. C. Browning accompanied by Superintendent Ross Wilson drove to the patron's home and finding the road leading to his house in passable condition assured him that the bus would pick up the children at his door the following morning.

If you haven't spent all of your money and hocked the family jewels to boot be sure and buy a poll tax. urYo vote could be the deciding factor in an election next year - we will have city, county, state, and national.

E. E. Todd is handling poll tax receipts again this year to save you a trip to Eastland... which gives me a thought -

Folks could save themselves lots of headaches, bent fenders, parking tickets, etcetera by shopping in smaller towns. Gorman merchants offer you a standard variety of merchandise at comparable prices.

Mrs. Lawrence stopped by to tell us that ginning season is about over. In fact, the Gorman Gin is only going to open Tuesday and Thursday (20-22) next week. The week following Christmas they will open on Thursday.

Student Council To Present Panther Band In Concert

Director Ken Worsham and his Panther Band, under sponsorship of the Student Council of Gorman High School, will add to their laurels for musical entertainment a Christmas Concert.

This Concert will be presented to the public at the High School Auditorium, Monday night, December 19th at 7 o'clock.

Jack Wheeler, member of the Student Council, will be Master of Ceremonies.

PROGRAM

- Introduction of Band Master
- Band Numbers -
- Symbol of Honor - March
- Folk Song Blues - Light Overture
- Si' Trocadero - Latin American Novelty
- Unchained Melody - Vocal Solo by Barbara Maupin
- Business in B Flat - Jazz
- Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer
- Christmas March
- Introduction of Song Leader
- Christmas Songs - Audience
- O, Come All Ye Faithful
- It Came Upon A Midnight Clear
- Christmas Story - Luke 2:1-14 - Max Pierce
- O Little Town of Bethlehem
- Hark The Herald Angels Sing
- Silent Night
- Closing Prayer - Freddie Clark Rodgers

Gorman popular Stage Band directed by Ken Worsham will be on hand Saturday near the bank to give Santy a musical welcome when he rides into town to pass out candy to the youngsters and the grown-up (kiddies).

James E. Butler Weds Miss Audrey Slopey Of Pennsylvania

Miss Audrey Slopey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Slopey of Penn State, Pennsylvania, became the bride of James E. Butler, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Butler of Gorman, on December 11, 1955.

The ceremony was performed at the Butler residence at 2 p. m. by the Rev. M. A. Pennington of the First Baptist Church of Gorman.

The bride wore a blue satin brocade dress with a matching blue hat. She carried out the traditional something old, something new, something borrowed, and something blue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Barron of Gorman, and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Butler of Rising Star attended the wedding.

The bride, who for the past year was a student at Penn State University in Pennsylvania, flew to Love Field in Dallas Saturday, December 10 where she was met by her fiancé.

Mr. and Mrs. Butler will make their home in Gorman at present with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett and Lonnie Eugene visited the Pat Collins in Stephenville Wednesday night.

After a tour of the United States, a European was being interviewed on his impressions. The man had seen skyscrapers, inspected our factories, and visited our natural wonders. But when reporters asked what had impressed him most, he replied, simply, "The size of the American garbage can." - Cheer

Ma Shugart has opened her photo studio again only this time she has moved into the corner office of the Gorman Hotel. The Shugarts have a reputation all over Texas for their photo work.

Santa Claus is due to arrive at 1:30 p. m. Saturday.

Volunteer Firemen will be on hand to assist Santa Claus and also find out from him if they can assist him in distributing toys and gifts on Christmas. The Firemen are going to give their calf away Saturday as soon as Santa Claus finishes passing out his candy.

This picture of the Stage Band was taken a short time ago at the Fire Hall where the Band entertained at a civic luncheon.

Front row: Annye Kate Blair, Baritone Saxophone; Linda Cloninger, Alto Saxophone; Janey Thompson, Alto Saxophone; Stanley Bell, Clarinet; Barbara Maupin, Clarinet and soloist.

Back row: John Kimble, Drum; Kay Lynn Ramsey, Alto Saxophone; Jeanette Bunting, pianist; Charlotte Hilley, Alto Saxophone; Ken Worsham, Trumpet, Director; Johnny Earl Rodgers, Trumpet; and Frances Kellogg, Trumpet.

This group is part of the regular high school band that will present the Christmas Concert Monday night.

Williams-Shultz Wedding To Be In Old Mexico

Berry Williams, formerly of Gorman, sent word to the Progress office by an uncle, Mr. C. E. Simms, that he will be married to May Ruth Shultz of Eastland on December 17th. The wedding will be in Juarez, Mexico.

Berry is the son of Mrs. R. W. Williams and lived on a farm four miles west of Gorman. He attended Gorman schools and was a graduate in the class of 1929.

For several years he has been associated with the Shell Oil Company and for a time he was stationed at Maracaibo, Venezuela.

Mrs. Shultz owned a photographic studio in Eastland. The couple will make their home in Kermit where Mr. Williams is now stationed.

Doris Sue Roberts Weds Marthon Hogan

Miss Doris Sue Roberts and Marthon B. Hogan were united in marriage Saturday evening, December 3, 1955 at 6 o'clock in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Roberts. Rev. Jesse Price of Garland performed the double ring ceremony.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a dress of white velveteen trimmed in white satin with white satin accessories. Her bouquet was of red roses.

The maid of honor, Mrs. Edward Roberts of Goldthwaite, wore a dress of blue velveteen with black accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

2nd Lt. Elton Glenn Hogan of Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, brother of the groom, was best man.

After the ceremony a reception was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Roberts. Refreshments were served from the dining room table covered with a lace table cloth centered with an arrangement of pink carnations. Mrs. C. E. Jarrett served the wedding cake and Mrs. A. V. Littlefield served the punch.

Doris Sue is the daughter of

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Will Jones Buried Monday Afternoon

Funeral services were held for William Rome Jones at the First Baptist Church in Desdemona on Monday, December 12 at 2:30 p. m. with Rev. Buel Bryan officiating. Interment followed in the Lowell Cemetery near Lingleville.

William Rome Jones was born February 14, 1887 in the Lowell Community, Rt. 3, Dublin, Texas where he resided 68 years, 9 months, and 27 days. He passed away on Sunday, December 11, 1955.

He was married to Miss Mary Ellen Simmons on December 24, 1911 who preceded him in death on June 6, 1951.

Mr. Jones is survived by two sons, LeRoy Jones of Dallas and his adopted son, Carl L. Jones of the Victor Community, five grandchildren, one brother, Marvin H. Jones of Dublin, Rt. 3, one sister, Miss Emma Jones of Ft Worth, and a number of friends.

He united with the Lowell Baptist Church in about 1910, afterwards moving his membership to the First Baptist Church of Desdemona about 25 years ago.

Pallbearers were R. P. Lewis, H. H. Williams, B. E. Belyeu, R. D. Lewis, C. E. Ragland and J. J. Grimshaw.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation to our friends and neighbors for the beautiful floral offerings, the food, the many kind words of sympathy during our bereavement.

May God bless each one is our prayer.

Mrs. T. H. Key
Tommie Key and Family
Jewel Hallmark and Family

SWPGA Statistics Show Increase In Peanut Production

Statistics furnished by Mr. S. E. Cloninger, manager of the Southwestern Peanut Growers Association, show that peanut production in the Southwestern States has increased greatly this year. The Southwestern States served by SWPGA are Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Arizona.

In 1954, the peanut crop for this Southwestern area was a total of 76,000 tons of peanuts. This year the total for this area will probably be around 176,000 tons. So this year the crop will be about 100,000 tons more than the crop of last year.

Mr. Cloninger further pointed out that there is a tremendous surplus of peanuts throughout the states in the South and Southwest. In the Virginia and Carolina Area the yield this year is about 235,000 tons. In the Southeastern Area, which includes Florida, Georgia, and Alabama, the crop this fall is about 458,000 tons. And, as was said before, the crop for the Southwestern Area is approximately 176,000 tons.

The normal average peanut crop for these three large areas is a total of 509,000 tons, in round numbers. The total output of the three areas this fall is 869,000 tons. So this means that there is a surplus this year of 360,000 tons of peanuts over the average year.

Mr. Cloninger said that the major problem this year would be in finding enough consumer outlets for this great surplus of peanuts.

Final Rites For Thomas H. Key

Funeral services for T. H. Key were held at the Higginbotham Funeral Chapel, Sunday, December 4, 1955 at 10 a. m. Interment followed in the Pearl Cemetery at Gatesville, Texas.

Mr. Key, at one time, a ginmer at Coryell, moved to Erath County in 1926 and then to Desdemona in 1934. In the early 40's he moved a gin to Gorman and until he was confined to his bed was actively engaged in business. Age did not prevent him from working with his son, Tommie, to give this community a modern, up-to-date cotton gin.

Thomas Henry Key was born in Navarro County, Texas on August 24, 1876 and passed away at 2:00 a. m. Saturday, December 3, 1955 in Blackwell Hospital, being 79 years, 3 months and 9 days of age. He had been in ill health almost two years. He was converted and joined the Methodist Church at an early age.

Mr. Key was married to Ellen Manerva Seaton on January 31, 1896. To this union three children were born. One son preceded him in death. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ellen Key of Desdemona, Tommie Key of Brady, Mrs. Jewel Hallmark, School Hill. There are also 11 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren, 3 brothers, 1 sister and a number of nieces and nephews who survive.

The Boy Scouts of America has Local Councils in Japan and Germany to serve sons of American personnel stationed there.

Physical handicapped boys may be members of the Boy Scouts of America.

Boy Scouts everywhere are engaged in a national conservation program.

Accident Near Desdemona Fatal To Earl Ott

Earl Ott of Route One, Minnis, was accidentally killed Tuesday about 1 o'clock on the Roy Parnell farm about three and one half miles Southwest of Desdemona.

According to Justice of Peace, Dave Harper, who held an inquest at the scene of the accident and ruled the death accidental, a truck backed into a large dead tree causing the top of the tree to break and fall on Mr. Ott. The top of the tree was approximately twenty feet from the ground. Mr. Ott died within thirty minutes after the accident. The body was taken to Strawn by ambulance.

Local Christmas Decorating To Be Judged Dec. 20-23

The Progressive Study Club, Woman's Study Club, Excelsior Club, Eastern Star, Quarterback Club and Business Men's Club have raised \$60 for prizes to be given for Christmas decorating of homes and business houses.

Prizes will be \$15, \$10, and \$5. Out of town judges have been asked to select the winners and judging will begin on the night of December 20th and continue through the 23rd. Prizes will be awarded Saturday afternoon of the 24th.

Basketball News

The Gorman High School Basketball teams encountered the De Leon teams last Friday night and journeyed to Dublin Tuesday night.

In the Friday night engagements the De Leon boys defeated Gorman 42-28 and the De Leon girls beat the Gorman sextet 41-37 in an overtime game. The regulation game ended 35-35 before the De Leon team hit six points to Gorman's 2 points in the overtime.

Pat Robertson hit 18 points for Gorman and Pat Terrill mashed 21 for the winners.

Tuesday night at Dublin the Gorman boys lost a close game by a score of 48-44 after the Gorman girls had beaten Dublin 47 to 43 in the opener.

For the girls Pat Robertson led the scoring with 17 points followed by Nelda Robertson with 16 and Annye Kate Blair with 12 points. Jeanette Bunting was outstanding on defense.

Both Gorman teams play Comanche teams in the De Leon tournament being held this week.

Indian Trail Tournament Set For December 28-31

The Annual Indian Trail Basketball Tournament will be unreeled on the Gorman High basketball court beginning December 28 and continuing through the 31st. The new grandstands seats on the south side of the gym have been completed, which will give the gymnasium a seating capacity of over 1,000.

Twelve towns will be represented with one or two more entries expected.

Twelve boys teams and nine girls teams are entered, making a total of 21 teams thus far.

The boys teams are: Abilene "B", Strawn, Abilene Christian College High School, De Leon,

Priddy, Eastland, Ranger, Clyde, Desdemona, Dublin, Carlton, and Gorman. The Abilene "B" team, ACC High, and De Leon boys teams are strong contenders to win the tourney in the boys division.

The girls teams include: De Leon, Strawn, Priddy, Desdemona, Eastland, Stephenville, Dublin, Carlton, and Gorman. Strong contenders which will be favored to win in the girls bracket are Gorman, Stephenville, and De Leon.

Teams entered in the tournament which will be in our basketball district this season are Ranger and Eastland. Basketball

teams in our district this season will be the same schools that Gorman played in football. District 7-A includes: Ranger, Cross Plains, Eastland, Wylie High of Abilene, Rising Star, and Gorman. The Gorman girls will be highly favored in district play this season.

Many of the teams in the tournament will be title threats within their own respective districts.

Trophies will be awarded to the first, second, and consolation winners in the girls and boys divisions. Individual awards will be made to boys and girls elected as outstanding players in the tourney. Coaches of each team will be presented with gifts.



EDITORS NOTE: - The above picture was taken at a meeting of the Woman's Study Club, November 28th in the home of Mrs. Keith Whitt. The ladies were guests of honor and exhibited keep sakes which had been passed down through the years.

Mrs. Callie (Hallmark) Clark is holding a white pitcher which belonged to her mother and is over a hundred years old.

Mrs. Mae (Denton) Dunn is holding a Bible which records her grandparents marriage in 1836. It also has a record of her father's license to be a Methodist

preacher, and a bookmark that he used. This cherished keepsake was in a basket which also held a blue back speller, baby dress and iron holder. All of these items came from Mississippi with Mrs. Dunn and her family by wagon train to Texas when she was only five years old. The iron holder (known as a Crippet) was made by her Dad's cousin in Mississippi before the Civil War.

Mrs. Nettie Coleman, mother of Mrs. Wilbur Shell, was reared on a farm in Pennsylvania, later moving to Virginia where the family

lived for 22 years. Mrs. Coleman moved to Cisco in 1942. She is now living with her daughter and family. She is holding an old hymn book on her lap.

Mrs. Craig Smith is holding a suction cup which was used during the Civil War in an attempt to draw a bullet from her Grand father Rodgers which he got during service in the Arm. Mrs. Smith moved to Texas from Mississippi at the age of seven. She stated that she was in company with the Goodloe Baker's family,

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Also
Color Cartoon

Thursday & Friday
Charlton Heston - Julie Adams
in
THE PRIVATE WAR OF MAJOR BENSON
Also
Color Cartoon

Adv.

DORIS SUE ROBERTS WEDS -
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Mr. and Mrs. Louie Roberts. After graduating from Gorman High in 1949 she accepted employment with the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in Eastland where she worked for four years before being transferred to Wichita Falls.

Marthon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Hogan of Eastland and is presently employed by the Southwestern Telephone Co. of Wichita Falls.

After a trip touring South Texas and Matamoros, Old Mexico the couple will make their home in Wichita Falls.

With Our Boys

Milford Fuller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Q. D. Fuller, Rt. 1, Gorman, has enlisted in the U. S. Army and is now stationed at Fort Ord for basic training. Milford was a member of the Texas National Guard prior to his enlistment.

Kernel Gene would like to hear from some of our young men in service. Perhaps you are wondering where your former school mates are? They may be thinking the same about you. I am sending the paper to most of the fellows who are in service. So drop me a note letting me know how you are doing - on KP, hikes, studies, promotions, etc.

**Christmas Program
Methodist Church**

DECEMBER 18TH 7:00 P. M.

Christmas Prelude	.....	Annye Kate Blair
Invocation	.....	Rev. J. W. Sharbutt
Beneath the Shimmering Tinsel	.....	Mrs. C. C. Acrea
Melody of Carols	.....	Beginners
Christmas in Verse	.....	Primaries
The Birth of Christ	.....	Junior Boys
A Christmas Story	.....	Junior Girls
Christmas Carol	.....	Intermediates
Piano Solo	.....	Myrna Sue Brightwell
Vocal Solo	.....	Mike Stacy
Accordion Solo	.....	Milton Fairbetter
Nativity Playlet	.....	Methodist Youth Fellowship
White Christmas Offering	.....
Benediction	.....	"Joy To The World"

Assisting the general chairman in preparing the program were Sunday School workers, Mesdeames Edgar Higginbottom, M. E. Shell, J. O. Thompson, Frank Rhymes, J. W. Ramsey, Donald Bolt and Messrs Othell Clark and Arlon Smith.

Members of the M. Y. F. will go caroling following the program and on returning will be served refreshments in the annex.



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FOR SALE - 76 Combine, Allis Chalmers Rake, 1949 Ford Tractor and Implements, one or two farms, 80 acres (no improvements) and 143 acres with improvements. See J. W. Brown, Rt. 2, Gorman. **12-8fnc**

WANTED - Lady to stay nights with Mrs. Mattie Jones. Call 166J after 5 p. m. **12-8fnc**

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STRAYED from my farm near Elephant Springs - One white face red yearling, half Jersey. Weight about 500 pounds. Suitable reward for information leading to recovery. Roscoe Reeves, Phone 36, Gorman. **12-15fn**

FOR SALE - Dining suite - table, buffet and 6 chairs. A-1 condition. C. L. Rogers, Rt. 2, Gorman. **1tp**

NOTICE - For the benefit of those who have not finished gath ering their cotton crop, the Gorman Gin will be open Tuesday and Friday of next week. The week following Christmas we will be open on Thursday. T. H. Key & Son **1tp**

**HIGHLIGHTS - SIDELIGHTS
From Your State Capitol
Vern Sanford, T. P. A.**

AUSTIN - One of the most startling events of the past week was the admission by Bascom Giles that he -- and he alone -- was responsible for the administration of the Veterans Land program.

Giles admitted not once but four times, during the past week -- in two criminal and two civil trials in Crystal City and Austin -- that he was solely responsible for the program - under the original policy set up by Board members Beauford Jester, Price Daniel and Giles, in 1949.

Gov. Allan Shivers and Atty. Gen. John Ben Shepperd had staunchly contended that such was the case, but Giles was silent on this point until last week.

Giles pleaded guilty to two indictments in Crystal City. He drew sentences of six years in prison or each. He did not contest the civil trials for money allegedly paid him as bribes.

A total of \$53,000 in cash already has been paid back to the state by Giles.

Still pending against him are 10 criminal indictments and civil recovery suits totaling \$171,427.

Cheatham Named DA
Wiley Cheatham of Cuero, whose aggressive prosecution of veterans' land scandals made him nationally famous, has won a double promotion. Governor Cheatham promoted

Chetham from county attorney to district attorney, effective January 1. Then Shepperd named him assistant attorney general to serve until January 1. In the latter post he heads the criminal division handling prosecution of veterans' land fraud cases.

Cheatham's appointment as district attorney brought on a flurry of complaints from Victoria, where top Democratic leaders wanted the place to go to City Attorney Weldon B. Mallette. Said Shivers, "There have been more attempts to bring pressure - - to prevent appointment of Wiley Cheatham than I have ever seen as governor."

The appointment led to resignation of State Democrat Executive Committeeman Gene Houchnins of Victoria; bitter denunciation of the governor by State Senator Wm. S. Fly; and editorial criticism by Victoria Advocate.

In announcing the appointment Governor Shivers praised the young DeWitt county attorney for his past work. He promised cooperation of state officials in further investigations.

Shivers May Run Again
Back in the limelight as a potential candidate for governor is Allan Shivers. He made it a point to remind newsmen that he is among the "possibles".

Governor Shivers promised to tell his 1956 political plans "about dogwood time." This, he explains, is usually between mid-February and mid-March.

Although Shivers has been expected to step out at the end of his present term, he never has definitely said so.

Meanwhile U. S. Sen. Price Daniel holds fast to his announced intention to tell no political plans until after January 1.

Added signs of life in Ralph Yarborough's law office indicate something developing here soon. The Austin attorney has brought newsman Lyman Jones back from California to work in the 1954 candidate's office.



Governor Allan Shivers presents deer hides to Mrs. Milton Smith, chairman of the State Advisory Council for Volunteer Services at Tuberculosis Hospitals, for use in occupational therapy at State TB hospitals.

SHORT SNORTS

— One death and one serious illness at El Paso, following administration of rabies vaccine, were the result of unfatly vaccine, reports Dr. Henry A. Holle, State health commissioner, after a quick statewide check.

— Texas cut its safe driving toll from the usual 7 to 2 but followed through on the week end with 10 traffic deaths in two days.

— The Democratic State Executive Committee held two days of closed sessions here, schooling leaders in convention procedures. There will 100 such seminars over the state in preparation for the fight to retain control of the presidential convention next May.

— One child out of every ten born in Texas will spend some time in a mental hospital, says the Texas Society for Mental Health.

— O. B. Ellis, general manager of the Texas Prison System, advises that he and the Prison Board will ask the Legislature for \$8 million at the next session, for a new five-yr building

program for the prison farms. — Texas supply of Salk polio vaccine may catch up with the demand by next April, asys Dr. Henry A. Holle.

— New certificates are being mailed to 63,000 Texas teachers under a law passed by the last legislature. Teachers with five years or more of college work receive "professional" certificates; those with only a bachelor's degree receive "provisional" certificates. Both types are permanent certificates. Of Texas' 65,000 employed teachers, only 2,000 do not have degrees.

— Garland Smith, chairman of the Texas Insurance Commission reports that the commission needs at least 52 more examiners. At present there are 39.

— Texas schools and health units received more than \$8,000,000 worth of surplus federal property the past fiscal year. So states C. Reed Granberry, chairman of the board of Texas Surplus Property Agency.

— Lease bids by oil companies on 23,679 acres of school lands last week enriched the permanent school fund \$1,552,284.

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Oliver Springs

NEWS

By Florence Richardson

Had a large crowd in church and Sunday School. Bro. Ellis Hilliard brought wonderful messages both morning and evening. We want to invite them back to be with us again.

Mr. and Mrs. George Penson of Dublin were visitors in the community Sunday.

Sorry to report that the little Barnes girls are entertaining the mumps. We missed them in Sunday School.

The Melvin Daniels were visitors in the Aubrey Wilson home in Ft Worth last week.

Mr. Baron Wallis and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Travis Wallis of Borger were visitors in the A. D. Bryan home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mears were visiting the S. E. Mears Saturday.

Rev and Mrs. Hillard, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Watson and son, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Hirst, and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Richardson were visitors in the D. L. Bond home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Johnson were visitors in our home Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Scitern and children were Sunday guests of the Melvin Daniels.

R. H. Watson and sons and B. A. Hirst attended the ball game in Breckenridge Saturday afternoon.

FOURTH GRADE NEWS

Barbara Smith has been sick a week, but she was back today. We are glad of this. The girls did not get to have the cookie making party because Mrs. Smith also had the mumps. We hope she is well soon.

We are sorry that Linda Meazell and Carolyn Cowan are absent. They also have the mumps.

Friday in Art class we made some Christmas bells and wreath out of construction paper. Today we drew names for our tree party. We are saving money for a shut-in friend who can't get out and have fun at Christmas.

We are glad to have a new student, she is Joyce Shipman. She was with us before but recently has been going to school in Decatur.

Bobby Rodgers, Terry Clark, and Richard Watson wrote to

Desdemona News

Anell McMaster, Reporter

To our sorrow Mr. Will Jones passed away Sunday and was buried Monday. Our sympathy goes to his folks.

On the sick list this week are Grant Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clydell Lewis, Mrs. Dossie Williams and Mrs. Helen Arnold.

Visiting with the R. A. Browns this week end were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Evans of Toronto, Canada and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown of Gainesville.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Snider and Nettie of Loop visited Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McMasters and Anell.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Ash Sunday night was their son, Johnnie Ray Ash.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Shipman and children of Decatur visited Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McMasters Tuesday night.

"The Early Birds" for our class on Friday and it was so early that most everyone in our class did not hear it. We enjoyed writing it.

Last week in our "Story Book Club" we had a hobby show, but most of the children did not have a hobby or did not bring theirs. Among those brought were: collections of shells, toy soldiers, dolls, mystery books, chalk figures, rocks and arrowheads, Barbara Jobe brought her weaving board. She is making pot holders for Christmas gifts.



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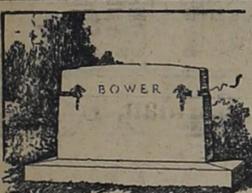
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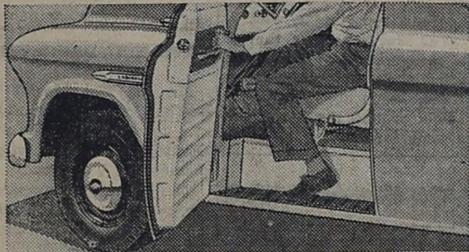
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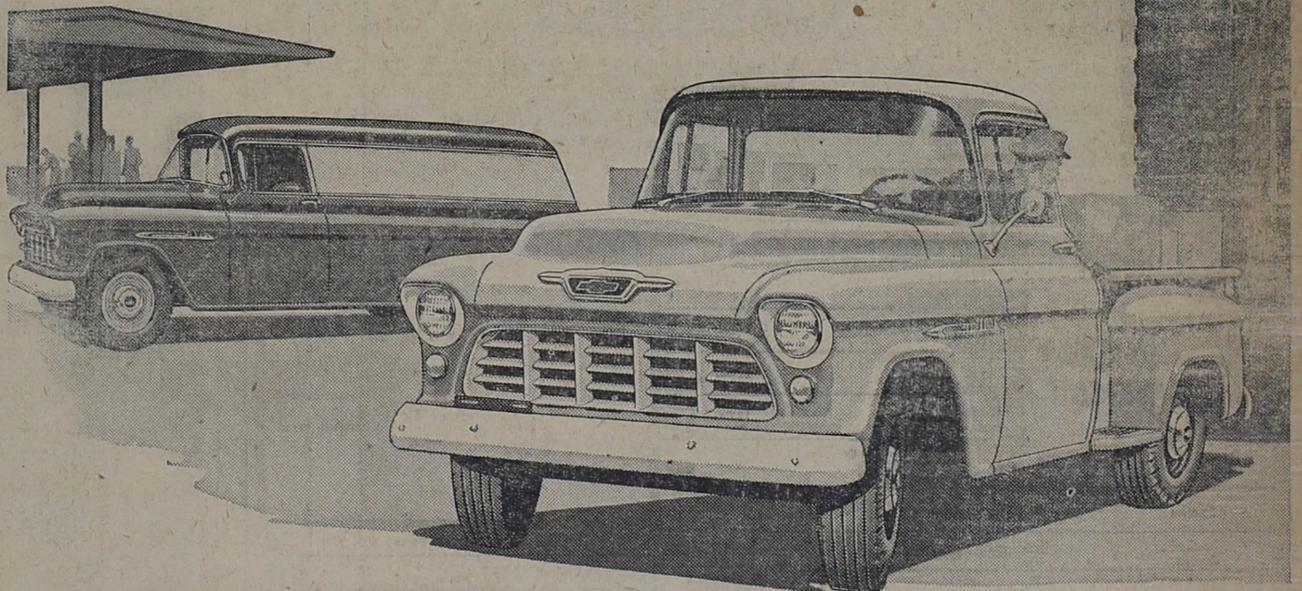
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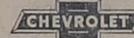
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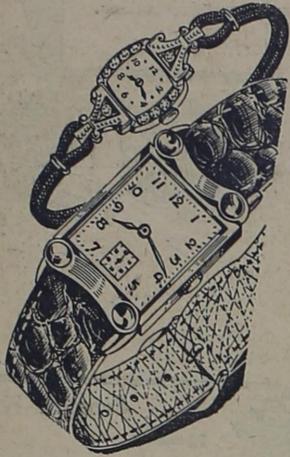
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WCS Celebrates With Worship And Festivity On Monday

Members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service celebrated the Christmas season with worship and festivity Monday afternoon when Mrs. Donald Bolt was host for the society's annual Christmas party at her home.

The spacious rooms with their twelve-foot ceiling brought reminiscence of Christmas long ago. But modern conveniences have long since replaced the Franklin hearth with encircling warmth. Arrangements creating atmosphere were the silver tree laden with gifts and the dining room center piece, spun glass ribbon shimmering about white tapers.

Mrs. Marvin Blair, president, welcomed members and guests, the latter being Mesdames Roy Parker, Nellie Ryals and J. W. Townsend.

Spiritual Life Secretary, Mrs. G. C. Acrea, gave the Story of the Nativity.

Mike Stacy, accompanied by Mrs. Bolt, sang "O Holy Night," a new and very lovely story, "The Toys of a Wise Man," was told by Mrs. M. E. Shell.

And then Mrs. W. G. Kirk assisted by Mrs. A. A. Brown and Mrs. Keith Whitt distributed the gifts.

Snow-white and snow-light angel food cake topped with sugar holly was served with coffee and a stick candy favor.

The members of the WCS extend Christmas throughout the year by participating in a vast program helping to feed and clothe the children of the world of every race and color. This program is an auxiliary to the plan of the great commission, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations."

Mr. and Mrs. Aubry Griffin and sons, James and Mike, visited Mrs. B. I. Griffin and the Lewis Anders last week end. Mike brought two of his friends the Jolly twins, who play on the Phillips football team. The group attended the Breckenridge football game.

Friendly Ladies Class Have Christmas Party

The Friendly Ladies Class of the First Methodist Church met Thursday morning, December 7th in the home of Mrs. Hubert Craddock for their Christmas Party. Mrs. Craddock's home was decorated in the spirit of Christmas.

Gifts were exchanged. The group presented their teacher, Mrs. M. H. Fairbetter, with a book "Famous Women of the Bible."

Twenty members were present for the occasion and two guests, Mrs. Ed Clark and Mrs. Donald Bolt.

BIRTHS

Ronny Hoyt Hardin, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Hardin of De Leon born December 6 weighing 7 pounds and 9 ounces.

Janet Lee Chandler born December 8, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Chandler, Jr. of De Leon weighed 7 pounds and 4 ounces.

Bobby Lnn Andrews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Andrews born December 9 weighed 7 pounds and 9 ounces. The Andrews are from Comanche.

William Hardy Browder, born December 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Browder of Carbon weighed 7 pounds and 1/4 ounce.

Terry Lee Racliff, born December 12, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bruce Racliff of Graham weighed 7 pounds and 8 ounces.

Deborah Lee Rich, born December 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Rich of De Leon weighed 7 pounds.

J. O. JACKSON REPORTED AS RECOVERING NICELY

Bill Parr, reporting a visit to see J. O. Jackson, says that J. O. is recuperating at home and growing about the confinement. However, he is able to get up and walk around the house and have some company.

Rebekahs And Oddfellows Have Christmas Party

On Tuesday night, December 13th the Rebekahs and Oddfellows Lodges held their annual Christmas Party. This is an annual affair and it seems to be one of the most enjoyable occasions of the year.

There is no business transacted on this particular night. Every one gathers to exchange Christmas gits and enjoy the good food.

The menu consisting of baked turkey, dressing and all the trimmings was enjoyed by all.

The Christmas tree was beautifully decorated by the Rebekahs B. M. B.

Illness In Gorman

Patients registered on Wednesday at the Blackwell Hospital in Gorman were R. V. Underwood, Gorman, Mrs. Bob Browder, Carbon, C. R. Ltham, Stephenville, Mrs. Marvin Rich, De Leon, P. J. Easley, Comanche, Mrs. Geo. Rollins, De Leon, Mrs. Marcel Files, Eastland, Mrs. L. E. Latham, Stephenville, C. T. Parker, B. E. Edwards, Cisco, Mrs. Geo. Daniels, De Leon, Mrs. F. C. Newton, Cross Plains, Mrs. W. L. Branch, Eastland, Mrs. Della Brown, Rising Star, J. L. Barnett, Carbon, Arlene Fay Andrews, Comanche.

J. L. Little, Eastland, B. F. Clement, Gorman, Mrs. A. L. McDonald, Gustine, Mrs. Patsy Hogan, Abilene, Mrs. Robert Hughes, Comanche, Mrs. Russell Dill, Rising Star, and Mrs. O. C. Payne of Carbon.

MR. AND MRS. MARCEL FILES HAVE NEW DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Files of Eastland are the proud parents of a new daughter. She was born December 14 and weighed 6 pounds and 7 ounces.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thompson of Gorman and the paternal grand father is Frank Files of Gorman.

Both Fay and Marcel graduated from Gorman High, Marcel is a scout for Lone Star Gas Co. at Eastland.

Billy Pointer Suffers Neck Injury

Billy Wayne Pointer, 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pointer, received a neck injury last Saturday when he fell while playing in the Pointer yard. It was found that he could not move his head, so he was rushed to Blackwell Hospital.

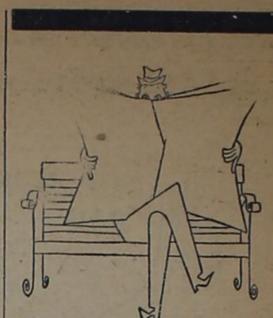
After observation and examination, local doctors thought it necessary for a specialist in Abilene to see Billy, since it was feared that Bill might have some dislocated vertebrae. So the Pointers took Billy to the specialist in Abilene on Monday. The specialist reported that Billy had received a severe strain in the muscles of his neck.

Little Billy has recovered sufficiently for he and his mother to make a trip to Greeley, Colorado, where they will spend Christmas. It will be the first trip for Billy to see his maternal grandparents, although they have visited with him and his parents in Gorman.

Announcements

Stated meeting of the Gorman Chapter, No. 443 O. E. S., will be held Monday, December 19th at 7:30 p. m. Christmas Party at 8:00 o'clock. All members and families invited.

Nora Bennett, W. M.
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Love, Juanava

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll that can walk and I want a doll bed and a diaper bag. And Santa bring me some candy, fruit and nuts. I have tried to be a good girl.

Love, Brenda Lee Bryant

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me an electric train, gun and holster set and some dominoes and please bring me some candy, fruit and nuts. I have tried to be a good boy.

Love, Wesley Don Bryant

NOTE: This letter was first published in the San Antonio Express during the Christmas Season of 1952. The writer was Miss Lois Weekes, then Society Editor, and now an Odessa housewife. It has a universal appeal and is especially fitting in these days when we sometimes tend to forget the real meaning of Christmas.

- John C. White
Commissioner of Agriculture

Mr. Santa Claus
C/O Childhood Hearts
North Pole

Dear Mr. Claus:

I hope you will remember me, Santa. It's been a long time. You'd have to blow the dust away to look up my name in your files.

The last time I wrote you, I spelled Bicycle with a "k" - and I've been singing "Jingle Bells" an octave lower for several seasons now. My stocking size and my Christmas lists have changed considerably - and I now recognize the values of a little mistletoe in the decor.

It isn't that I've underestimated you through the years, Mr. C., or forgotten our relationship. I've been giving your letters to my father to mail and its worked out beautifully since the Christmas he inquired as to my knowledge of your identity. My affirmative answer brought a "Well, start being a little nicer to ME, then", from him. And we laughed and my mother cried.

I still believe in you, you see. I've followed your activity each Yuletide in the nation's press. I know you don't have time to read all the papers, but December's headlines - lots of them -

belong to you. Annually, you crowd out the day-by-day boys who fade from year to year.

Although this is more a delayed "thank you" for other Christmas than a suggested shopping list, there are a few things I'd like when you rein in the reindeer at my house this year.

Could you put the light from the children's faces, pressed against countless frosted window panes, into the hearts of the world? Could you transplant a little of the feeling of holly, the glistening tinsel, the angels atop the Christmas trees, the off-key Noels and the hushed hymns, to those who are spending their first Christmas away from all that? And especially, to those who never noticed it before?

Could you remind us all that it is a Birthday we are celebrating, not just an expense respite from the rest of the year? Could you put in our Christmas Cards

and our packages, the messages and the warmth we really mean instead of the showworn sentiment and the same old gifts?

Most of all, Mr. Claus, could you make sure that we'll never outgrow you - that Christmas will always be a way of life and that you'll be staging it always?

I think you will because, though you've seen central heating replace the chimney you've learned that America's front door is left unlocked each Christmas Eve. There is still room for the manger and the sleighbells in this age of automobiles and atoms. So don't ever go mechanized, Mr. Claus.

Sincerely yours,
Lois Weekes

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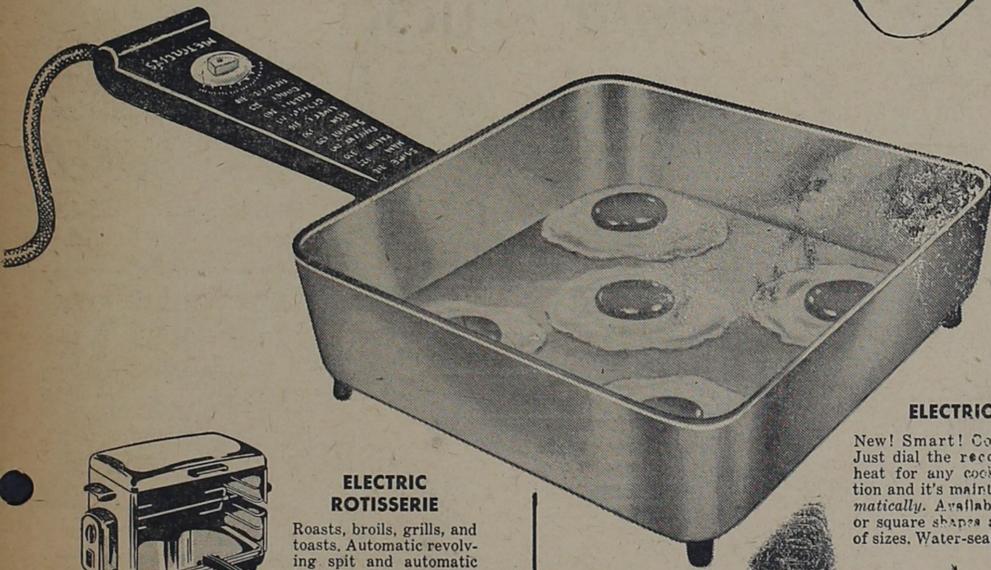
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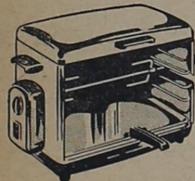


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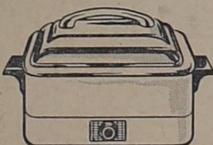
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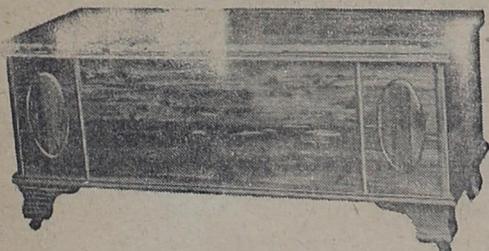
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