



# Santa Claus To Visit Here On Saturday At 2



NIGHT SCENE IN ??? Several people looked at this picture before publication. One person said there were too many tall buildings for it to be Gorman. Another said, I just don't know. Jay Staggs, KERC, Eastland, who was visiting the Progress Wednesday, said it looked like Cisco. Kernel Gene considers that a compliment. The picture was taken from the north side of the railroad about 9 p. m. Saturday night . . . and it is OUR TOWN!

## Mrs. Glenn Jordan Is Reserve Champ In Co. Bake Contest

Baking entries judged Friday in the Annual Eastland County Pecan Show held in Ranger Friday and Saturday. Grand Champion in the adult division went to Mrs. Herbert Wende of Nimrod for a pecan pie and Mrs. Glenn Jordan of the Gorman HD Club was named Reserve Champion winner on her entry of pecan fudge. Susan Griffin, 18-year-old Carbon High School senior, was crowned Miss Eastland County Pecan Queen at the Ranger Junior College Athletic Building Thursday night. Approximately 300 attended the annual event which was sponsored by Ranger Junior College. The winners were chosen from 14 entries. Miss Judy Morehead, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Morehead of Eastland, was first runner-up.

## Bands To Present Christmas Concert On Monday Night

The Gorman School Bands will present their Christmas Concert on Monday, December 21 in the High School Auditorium beginning at 7:30 p. m. The program will feature the concert band, the B band and the Stage Band. The concert will consist of marches, Christmas numbers and special arrangements. The program will be under the direction of Mr. Herman Alsop, director of bands. Admission will be \$1.00 for adults and 50c for students.

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT PROGRAM

- THE HIGH SCHOOL BAND**
- The Star-Spangled Banner ..... John Philip Sousa
  - Jingle Bells ..... Hal Leonard
  - Them Basses ..... G. H. Huffine
  - A Trumpeter's Lullaby ..... Liroy Anderson
  - Solo - Milton Taylor
  - Talent Scout ..... Deke Moffitt
  - Solo - Brenda Butler
  - Amparito Roca ..... Jaime Texidor
  - Cotton Candy ..... John Verrall
  - 1. Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
  - 2. We Three Kings
  - 3. Silent Night
  - 4. Angels, From The Realms of Glory
  - Aggie War Hymn ..... J. V. "Pinky" Wilson
  - Glory To Georgia ..... George Briegel
- THE SIXTH GRADE BAND**
- Junior Jump ..... Fred Weber
  - Take-Off March ..... G. E. Holmes
  - Flagship March ..... G. E. Holmes
  - Jingle Bells ..... Kenneth Henderson
- THE STAGE BAND**
- Tonight ..... Leonard Bernstein
  - Cha Cha Cha For Judy ..... Marshall Brown
  - Rock Bottom ..... Marshall Brown
  - A Hard Day's Night ..... John Lennon
  - Paul McCartney

## JAMES A. HOBBS LAID TO REST ON SUNDAY

Mr. James A. Hobbs, 88, of San Saba, a retired farmer, died Saturday, December 12 in Blackwell Hospital. He had been in Green Acres Nursing Home for the past six months and was brought to the hospital here on Monday, December 7th. Funeral services were held in the First Baptist Church at 2:30 p. m. Sunday, December 13 with the pastor, Rev. Huron A. Polnac, officiating, assisted by Rev. Lee Fields of Carbon. Burial was in Murray Memorial Cemetery at Carbon.

Mr. Hobbs was born March 5, 1876 in Texas and was married to Lou Ivey on August 18, 1900. She preceded him in death in 1957. Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Marvin Lewis and Mrs. T. L. Acrea of Gorman; two sons, Bill Hobbs of Carbon and Cecil Hobbs of Brownwood; 27 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren. Pallbearers were Dean Bennett, Elmer Maupin, Rob Kinser, E. G. Henderson, Jesse Parker and Stanley Porter.

## BAND BOOSTERS TO HOLD BAKE SALE SATURDAY

Members of the Band Boosters Club will hold a Bake Sale on Saturday, December 19th. Orders for cakes, pies and cookies are being taken by Mrs. Charles Duran, RE 4-2296; Mrs. Frankie Jo Harper, RE 4-5510 day, and RE 4-5662, night; and Mrs. Travis Smith at Frossard's Dept. Store. Proceeds from the bake sale will be applied to the new band uniform fund.

## Carbon Invitation Bsk'tball Tourny Set For Weekend

The Carbon Invitational Basketball Tournament will get underway Thursday, December 17th at 2:30 p. m. with Tolar and an undisclosed team playing. Games will continue on Friday and Saturday, December 18-19th. Eight area schools have entered the tournament, including Eastland, Olden, Desdemona, Tolar, Carbon, Moran, and Rising Star. No other information was available at press time.

## Jr. High Cagers Win Over Putnam

The Gorman Junior High Girls and Boys basketball teams won their games played with Putnam Monday night.

John Felts is coach for both Jr. High teams. The girls won by a score of 31-22 with Sherry Jobe won scoring honors with 12 points. Katerina Watson scored 7, Barbara Williams, 6, Anna Jean Taylor, 4, and Kathy Wright, 2.

Doyle Shipman led the Gorman boys with 21 points to defeat the Putnam team 38 to 26. John Gilbert scored 15 points and Wayne Huff got 2.

The next games will be played with Olden here on January 4 at 6:30 p. m.

## T. G. Grays to Mark 90th. Birthdays

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Gray will have as their guests during the Christmas holidays their daughters and families. They are Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Maddocks, Denton, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Matthews, Corpus Christi, and Mr. and Mrs. Preston Lightfoot, Sweetwater. Also included among the holiday visitors are two of their four grandchildren.

The Grays, long time residents of Gorman, celebrated their 67th. wedding anniversary on November 14th. In 1965, Mr. and Mrs. Gray will celebrate their 90th. birthdays on January 16th. and and March 18, respectively.

Both of the Grays moved from Arkansas to Eastland County as children. She is the daughter of the late John Percy; and he is the son of the late Dr. G. W. Gray, two early day families in the Gorman area.

Mr. Gray is currently engaged in peanut buying for the Gorman Peanut Company. The couple was active in the First Baptist Church until recent years.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

All proceeds from the sale of five pound boxes of peanuts by the Gorman Peanut Company on Saturday, December 19 will be sent to the Methodist Home in Waco.

Third Sunday Singing will be held at the Congregational Methodist Church Sunday, December 20, beginning at 1:30 p. m.

A Christmas Program by the children and youth of the First Methodist Church will be presented at 6 p. m. Sunday, December 20th. Santa will be there following the program and gifts of fruit and candy will be given to each child present.

On December 24th. Alter Prayer Service will be observed from 6 to 8 p. m. Come as families, pray and leave at will.

New Year's Eve Singing at Oliver Springs will be held on Thursday, December 31. Everyone is invited.

Refreshments will be served. Come and bring your friends.

Regular Friday night singing at Sand Hill will be held Friday, December 18th. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Ex-Student's of Alameda, 1940 to 1944, are planning a reunion in Ranger, Texas in 1965. Please contact Marge Calvert Lamb, 3701 22nd. St., Lubbock, Texas.

The Friday Afternoon Duplicate Bridge Club meets each Friday at 1:30 p. m. at the Fire Hall.

The Gorman Duplicate Bridge Club meets each Thursday at 7:30 p. m. at the Fire Hall.

### NOTE OF THANKS

A Merry Christmas hello to our many friends and thanks for your kindness and thoughtfulness of us while I have been sick, and thanks to the Gorman people for being such a good host to the many visiting singers from other counties. The visiting singers have helped put our singing in the top bracket in this part of the state. I will not be at singing this coming Sunday but I will have the New 65 Stamps Quartet books, also the New Stamps-Baxter books there.

Mr. G. O. Boyd and Mrs. Juanita Fuller will be in charge and you will be assured of a good program.

Thanks to the doctors and hospital personnel who are making our stay here at the hospital very pleasant. Bless their hearts.

Wishing all of you all of the season's Good Cheer and hoping you will have a most wonderful year.

H. A. (Pete) & Louise Tyrone

## LAST RITES FOR TURNER COLLIE HELD MONDAY

EASTLAND (RNS) — District Judge Turner Morris Collie, 65, died in Eastland Memorial Hospital at 8:15 a. m. Sunday. He had been hospitalized several days.

He had been judge of the 91st. District Court for the past 12 years and had been elected to another four-year term in the last election.

Judge Collie was elected to the state legislature from Eastland County in 1946 and served three terms. He had also served as county clerk here.

Born March 2, 1899 in Cisco, he attended high school in Gorman and married the former Zula Overby of Eastland. He was a graduate of the Cumberland Law School in Cumberland, Tenn.

Judge Collie was a member of the Eastland Methodist Church and was a former teacher of the 9:49 Men's Bible Class. He was formerly Scoutmaster for Eastland Boy Scout Troop 103.

He had membership in the Texas Bar Assn., the American Bar Assn., Eastland Masonic Lodge (for which he served as master), Knights of Pythias, and the State Judges Association.

Funeral services were held at 3:30 p. m. Monday in the Eastland Methodist Church with burial in Eastland Cemetery.

Survivors are his wife; one son, Rev. Robert Morris Collie of Kentwood, La.; one granddaughter; two brothers, W. M. and W. B., both of Dallas; and four sisters, Mrs. T. F. Morrow, Mrs. J. E. Walker and Mrs. Don Rodgers, all of Gorman, and Mrs. T. J. Haley of Eastland.

## Business Houses to Take Long Holiday

The Business Men's Club, at their regular monthly meeting on Monday night, voted to close on December 26th. Christmas Day falls on Friday this year, and of course, the day after on Saturday, December 26. This will provide a three-day holiday for most employees and owners.

May we remind you to stock up early on the home supplies needed for the long weekend as shops and stores will be rushed at the end of the week.

Officers elected to head the Business Men's Club for the new year were W. T. Shell, president; W. C. Browning, vice president; E. G. Henderson, secretary; and E. R. Arnold, treasurer.



NEW FAMILY IN GORMAN — Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dennis and their children, Danna, age 12, and Dale, age 11, who recently moved to Gorman from Abilene and are now associated with Mr. L. F. Kellogg and have formed a partnership known as the K & D Plumbing & Service.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis have lived in Abilene since 1946 where he was employed as a mechanic.

K and D Plumbing have leased the former Burnet Eison Garage building for their headquarters and Mr. Dennis will continue the repair service as well as plumbing.

Don't forget !! Saturday, December 19th. at 2 p. m. Santa will arrive in Gorman and he will be looking for all the boys and girls, and will want to talk with each one of you, and you can tell him about your conduct the past year and let him know what you want for Christmas. He will have some bags of candy for you, too.

Following Santa's visit a drawing will be held for a number of gifts and one girl's and one boy's bicycle, for the children only thru the eighth grade. Children above the eighth grade and adults will not be eligible as winners.

## Display Shower On Saturday Honors Linda Harrison

The home of Mrs. George Blackwell was the scene of a display shower on Saturday evening honoring Miss Linda Harrison.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harrison, Linda will be married Wednesday, December 23 to Mr. Don Brumblow of De Leon.

Co-hostesses were Mesdames Joe Collins, Albert Hendricks, W. T. Shell, Bob Green, E. G. Henderson, Dean Kirk, D. V. Rodgers, George Rodgers, Keith Whitt, and W. M. Brogdon.

Miss Harrison was wearing a white silk shantung sheath with matching jacket and her corsage was a white orchid.

Mrs. Bob Green received with the honoree, Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Jack Brumblow, mother of the prospective bridegroom.

Presiding at the bride's table were Mrs. Joe Harrison of Stephenville and Paula Sue Eppler of San Angelo.

The refreshment table, covered with red taffeta overlaid with red net with centerpiece of white satin bows, lace and glitter entwined with lilies of the valley, with a miniature bride and groom, emphasized the bride's chosen colors of red and white. Appointments were milk glass and silver. Serving guests were Miss Sylvia Hendricks and Miss Laneta Rodgers.

Other members of the house party were Mesdames Barton Eppler, George Eppler of San Angelo, Jack Auvenshine, and Kenny Keith of De Leon.

An arrangement of white chrysanthemums in a milk glass vase flanked by white tapers in silver candle holders adorned the buffet. A unique white driftwood tree decorated with Christmas ornaments made of styrofoam balls covered with antique jewelry and lace, handy work of Mrs. Blackwell, and a snow scene with mirror effect pond and miniature deer and a mantle covered with snow with a red Christmas wreath of greenery enhanced the living room decor.

You must be present to win and only one gift will be given to any one person in the drawing for the gifts. All children through the eighth grade will be eligible to win a bike. In case an adult name is drawn, the names will be discarded and draw until a child's name is drawn. Some adult names were placed in the registration boxes before it was understood that the drawing was for children only. However, adults are eligible to register for a child, either a relative or friend. (Check merchant's store windows displaying registration cards.)

Merchants sponsoring the gift give-away are: Higginbotham's, Hotel Coffee Shop, Henderson's Variety Store, Brown Jug Cafe, Mehaffey Drug, Frossard's Dept. Store, Wright Implement Co., Rankin's Army & Navy Surplus, Smith Drug, Burfeind Novelty & Gift Shop, Shelby Corner Drug, and the Gorman Progress.

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## Entry Deadline In Christmas Lighting Contest Is Dec. 21

Several have already entered the Residential Christmas Lighting Contest sponsored by the Business Men's Club. Remember the deadline for entry is Monday, December 21 at 5 p. m. at the Progress office.

The contest is restricted to the residential areas of the city limits of Gorman. Texas Electric Service Company employees will not be eligible for the first prize, but will be eligible for the other prizes.

Entry blanks may be obtained at the Texas Electric office or the Progress office, or clip the blank printed in the Progress, and mail or bring to the Progress office.

The contest will be completed by December 22 and winners will be announced in the December 31 edition of the Progress.

All entries should be lighted between the hours of 6 to 10 p. m. December 21st. and 22nd. for the judging.

A Reddy-Lite will be given as first prize by Texas Electric Service Company. The other prizes, \$15 for second and \$10 for third, will be given by the Business Men's Club.

The contest committee urges everyone that has a lighted display to enter the contest regardless of how small or elaborate. Its originality, artistic merits and lighting techniques that will be judged.

Out-of-town judges will be obtained by the sponsoring organization.

## R. M. BUNTIN COMPLETES WATER SUPT. SCHOOL

Mr. R. M. Buntin, Water Superintendent of the City of Gorman, has completed a ten-day course in Unit Three Water School held in Hico. The course included all phases of water works operation, sanitation and water treating techniques.

The school was conducted by the Engineering Extension Service of Texas A&M University in cooperation with the Texas Education Agency.

Buntin also holds a Sewage Works Operator Certificate issued by the Texas Department of Health. This certificate was issued to him following a study course and test taken last year.

He was in Hico Tuesday for the Unit Three test.

We join the citizens of Gorman in welcoming this very nice family to Gorman.

**DESDEMONA FHA NEWS**  
Vickie Lewis, Reporter

The Desdemona FHA Chapter held its regular meeting December 9 at 3:30 p. m. in the Home-making Department.

Gerry Sharp, vice president, served as president due to the absence of Brenda Roberts.

The meeting was called to order. Opening Ritual was given by the group. Song of the homemakers was sung by all.

Linda Wisdom, secretary, called the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting.

Old business was a report of the Christmas Cards and stamps mailed to Abilene State School.

New business was to have a Bake Sale in January to raise money for the Sweetheart Banquet to be held in February.

**KOKOMO NEWS**  
By MRS. GLENN JORDAN

May I take this opportunity to wish each one of you a very Merry Christmas!

Peanut harvest is just about complete here in the community.

Mrs. W. F. Bryant's sister, Mrs. J. C. James, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. L. F. Pittman of De Leon, visited with her on Wednesday. A brother, Mr. W. E. Pittman of Fort Worth, visited with Mrs. Bryant on Tuesday.

Mrs. Carra Sessum of Roby visited with her son, Mr. Eulice Sessum, and with friends, Mrs. W. F. Bryant, Mrs. J. C. Caraway and Mrs. W. N. Stephen, on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. John Kiker of Roby brought Mrs. Sessum by enroute to Dublin to the funeral of a relative. Mrs. Sessum returned to Roby with the Kikers.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Rodgers and children of Midlothian visited with his grandmother, Mrs. J. C. Timmons, on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. George Eppler and children of San Angelo were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks and Sylvia on Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Nat Meares and children of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph O'Neal of Ft Worth visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. O'Neal on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fuller and children spent Sunday in De Leon at the bedside of her aunt, Mrs. Stone, who is critically ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hallmark and Becky of Abilene spent the weekend here visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Garrett.

Mr. and Mrs. John Donaldson are visiting with relatives in Big Spring.

Mrs. Ben Rollins and her daughter, Mrs. Ron Cross and Michelle all of Warren, Arizona, are visiting this week with Mrs. Rollins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McNeely.

Visitors at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning were Mr. and Mrs. Nat Meares and children of Snyder, Mrs. Jerry Hallmark and Becky of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Eaves of Gorman. Mrs. Meares brought the special music at the morning service.

Visitors at the Sunday night service were Mr. and Mrs. Ode Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. Q. D. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Eaves, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Crawley, Mr. and Mrs. Anglin and Bro. and Mrs. Marks.

There will be a Christmas program and tree at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday night, December 20th. at 6:30 p. m. Visitors are welcome.

Those going to the nursing home at Gorman on Sunday afternoon for the church service were Rev. J. W. O'Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jordan, Mrs. Glenn Jordan, Mrs. Wayne White, Mrs. Bertha Hazard and Mrs. Chester Henderson.

**MR. & MRS. R. M. BUNTIN ATTEND X-MAS BANQUET**

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Buntin attended the annual Christmas Banquet of the Association of the Texas Water Sewage Works Association and Bosque River Water and Sanitation Association held in Granbury on Tuesday.

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I will not say it is with regret that I leave Gorman, because after being away from home for nearly eight years we are looking forward to being back home again. I guess you might say you can take a person out of England, but you cannot take England out of the person.

We would like to thank everybody, who at one time or another, helped us. Your names are too numerous to mention, but you, yourselves know, and we pray God's richest blessings on you.

One cannot live in a community such as Gorman without rubbing somebody the wrong way. If we have done that then we are sorry if we have not lived the way we were expected to. It could be, maybe you were expecting too

**LETTER TO SANTA**

Dear Santa:  
I have been a pretty good boy and I'll try real hard to be better next year. So would you please bring me a pellet gun with no bolt action and a army machine gun.

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Brent Foster

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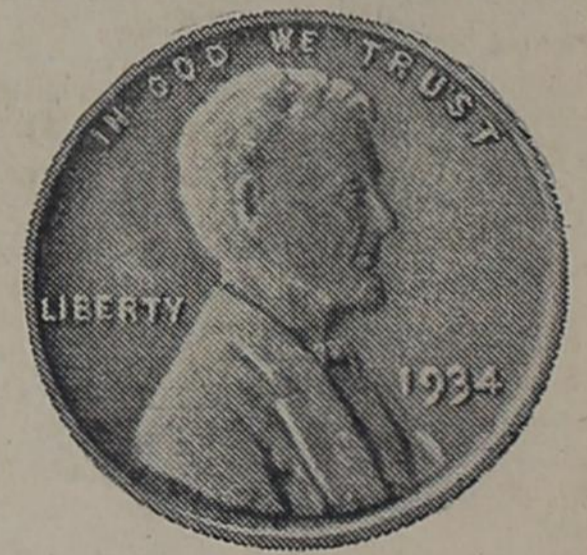
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## DESDEMONA NEWS

By MRS. ETHEL KEITH

Mrs. Vasta Richards, sister of the Genoways, who has been in the Temple hospital for the past few weeks, was released Sunday and returned to her home in Breckenridge, and is reported to be about the same.

Mr. Bill Parks of Azle spent Monday night here with Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Lane and attended the Masonic program of 25 year pin awards. Quite a number from here and others from out of town received pins.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Harper of Post visited the weekend with the Ott Raglands and Genoways.

Mr. Bill Abel of Oklahoma spent Saturday night with his uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Abel.

Visitors in the Earl Lane home Saturday night were their son, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Lane and daughter, Candy of Sweetwater.

### A THANK YOU NOTE

Words are inadequate to express our appreciation to everyone for being so nice to us while Arlin was in the Gorman hospital, and also while he was at Scott and White at Temple.

We want to thank each one who sent cards, letters flowers, phone calls, and for your visits and prayers.

A special thanks to those who had a part in seeing that our crop was harvested and for those who cared for our livestock.

We also want to especially thank the doctors and nurses and the entire staff at both hospitals for your excellent care.

May the Lord's blessings be upon you and yours during the coming holidays and throughout life.

Arlin and Cleo Clement

## Browsing with Bev

By Beverly R. Nicholson,  
Eastland County HD Agent

I've had several requests for the "Christmas Time At Home" bulletin. If you would like your free copy, write me at Box 495 Eastland or call me at MA 9-1729. Here are a couple more of the recipes from the bulletin you might like to try for Christmas.

### APRICOT BALLS

1 pound dried apricots  
1 medium orange  
2 cups sugar  
1 - 8-ounce package coconut  
1 box confectioners pwd. sugar  
rind apricots and orange together in food chopper, using fine grind blade. Cook apricot-orange mixture with sugar in top of double boiler until all sugar is dissolved. Remove from heat and add finely chopped coconut. Cool on tray. Shape into balls the size of small walnuts and roll in powdered sugar. Store several days in a closed container. Roll again in powdered sugar. Serve as a confection or with boiled custard for dessert. Yield: 40-50 balls.

### CREAMY PECAN PRALINES

1/2 cup sugar  
2 cups sugar  
2/3 sup milk  
2 cups pecans  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
2 tsp. butter or margarine  
In small heavy skillet, over medium heat, caramelize 1/2 cup sugar until melted, stirring frequently. In the meantime, cook sugar and milk in 2 to 3 quart saucepan, stirring frequently; add caramelized sugar and pecans. Cook on medium heat until mixture will form a soft ball when dropped into cold water (236 degrees). Add vanilla and butter or margarine - do not stir. When cool beat until it begins to hold shape. Drop into mounds on waxed paper. Makes 40 pralines.

### CARD OF THANKS

We would like to take this means of expressing our sincere appreciation to everyone for their every kindness extended to our loved one, Mrs. J. H. Hicks, during her long stay in the Blackwell Hospital and at the time of her passing. A very special thanks to the doctors, nurses and hospital staff for the excellent care given her, and to the blood donors, Mr. Graydon Baze and Mr. Rex Kinser. To those who sat up, for the food and to Rev. Huddleston and Rev. Dennis.

For every kindness shown we will always be grateful.

The family of  
Mrs. J. H. Hicks

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The test will be held at the Gorman Hotel in Gorman, December 21st. from 3 PM to 5 PM.

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The sincerity of the young actors touched the priest. After the play he went to the top of a hill that overlooked the tiny village. Alone, he pondered the wonders of the universe. It was a still, clear night . . . a silent night.

The next morning Mohr called at the home of Franz Gruber. Besides being schoolmaster, Gruber played the church organ . . . when it was in playing condition. Mohr handed Gruber a carol he had written. He might have it as a Christmas present

. . . and shyly suggested that he try his hand at setting it to music.

That night, December 24, 1818, Father Mohr went to his little church for Christmas Eve services. The organ fixer was there with apologies for not having completed his job. Franz Gruber was there . . . with his guitar and a melody he had written for Mohr's carol. They were young men, the priest and the musician . . . 26 and 31 respectively. Neither had written a song before and, so far as is known, neither wrote another.

Gruber called Mohr to his side. He plucked the strings of his guitar and the two men sang a new Christmas carol. The organ fixer memorized it. Back in Salzburg he sang it for the Strasser sisters. The famous concert singers added it to their collection of native mountain songs . . . and started it around the world. Translated, English speaking countries know it as . . .

Silent night, holy night,  
All is calm, all is bright.  
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child,  
Holy Infant so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night,  
Darkness flies, all is light,  
Shepherds hear the angels sing,  
"Alleluia! hail the King!  
Christ the Savior is born."

Silent night, holy night,  
Guiding star, lend thy light;  
See the eastern wise men bring  
Gifts and homage to our King!  
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Wondrous star, lend thy light,  
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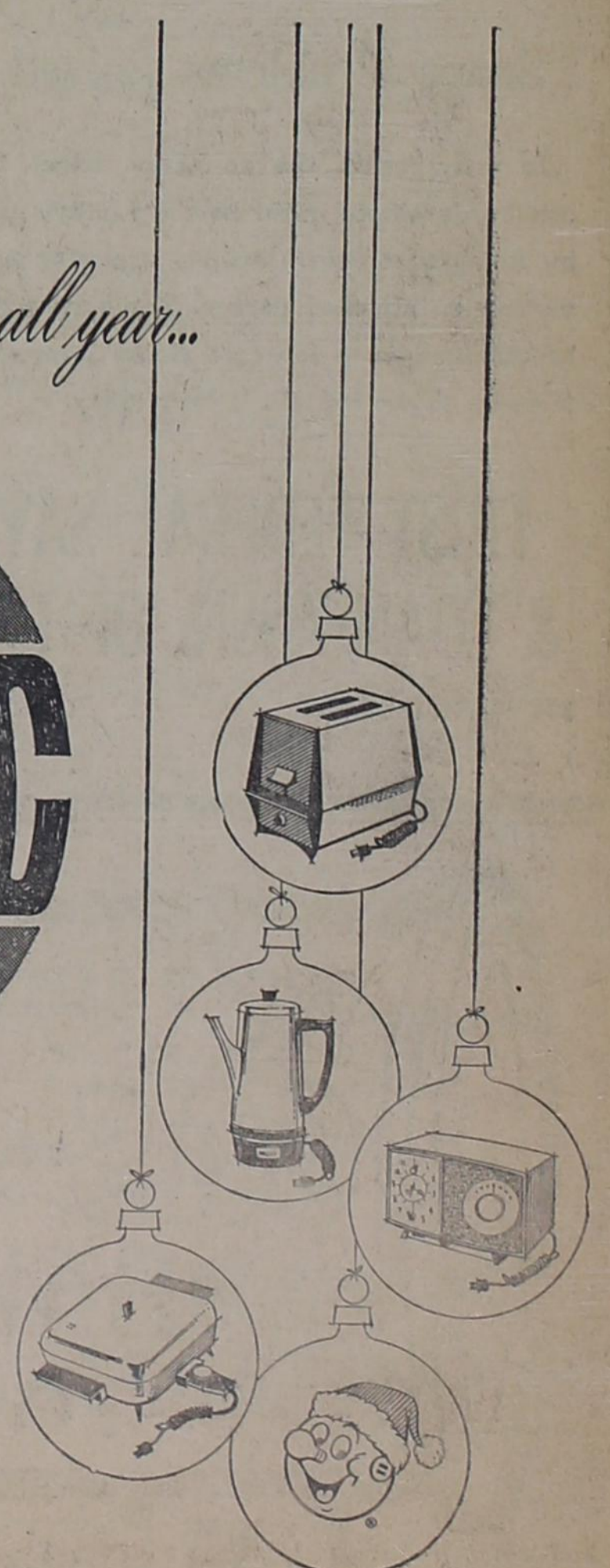
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# The True Meaning Of Christmas

By Darwin Farquhar

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coming. Which coming is it they prepare for? Not only His coming as a Child in Bethlehem but also His second coming at the end of the world, is obvious from the texts used during Advent. "And then they will see the Son of Man coming upon a cloud with great power and majesty." John the Baptist frequently heralded the coming of the Saviour as he made ready the way for our Lord's public life.

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Both Testaments, old and new, are used to arouse in the people a holy longing for the Savior, "to make straight the way of the Lord." The Churches use Scripture Readings from Isaiah, the ancient prophet who spoke so clearly of the coming Savior. "There shall come forth a rod out of the root of Jesse — predicting the Savior's descent from the family of David; "Behold your God: behold the Lord God shall come with strength"; "The land that was desolate and impassable shall be glad."

### The Tradition of The Wreath

The Holy Scriptures, the prayers the sacraments—these are the center of Christian worship, but their spirit overflows into the daily life of the people and many pious customs spring up around them. One of these is the Advent wreath—an evergreen wreath, symbol of the living light of the world, the living light of the world. The wreath stands in a place of honor in the home; and, as the family gathers to pray, one candle is lit each week until all four are burning before Christmas when the Lord brings His light into the world.

### The Tradition of St. Nicholas

Another old custom, somewhat distorted today, revolves around Saint Nicholas whose feast comes on December 6. He was a bishop around 325 A. D. who brought gifts to the poor, especially to children. His charity was an example of the true Christmas spirit of giving and for centuries, children received small gifts on Saint Nicholas' Day—often from someone dressed in red robes of a Bishop. From this holy figure developed the modern myth of Santa Claus who dominates Christmas for many children.

### Tradition of the Christmas Tree

The Christmas tree, evergreen and fresh, symbol of the living Lord. It is a remnant of the German Mystery plays when a lighted "Paradise tree" was often the symbol of the coming Savior. It belongs to Christmas.

For even the youngest, Christmas is centered around the coming of the Christ Child. It is a day of rejoicing. "Rejoice in the Lord always, again I say rejoice . . . for the Lord is near." The organ plays, flowers decorate the altars, and colored vestments are worn in pageantry, partly for variety but mostly to remind Christians why they should "rejoice always" because "The Lord is near" coming to His people again.

Isaiah's plea is a golden ritual used during Christmas week, golden because of the precious gift of God's Son. "Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the just; let the earth be opened and bud forth a Savior." And then Isaiah makes a prediction: Behold a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel." The great day draws near and Mary brings the Savior to sanctify John the Baptist, still in his mother's womb.

### CHRISTMAS EVE

Christmas Eve is not meant for parties or hectic activity but for quiet meditation on the great mystery of the Incarnation which will be renewed the next day. "This day you will know that the Lord will come and save us: and in the morning you will see His glory."

The prayer on this day is that the Lord will "lighten the darkness of our minds with the grace of His coming." December is a period of darkness when the winter solstice brings the shortest day of the year. But what happens almost immediately afterwards? The days lengthen and the light grows stronger. And He Who is the true light is born to us, to grow in us "lightening our minds" as the light of nature brightens the earth.

### NATIVITY SCENES

Nativity scenes go up in Christian homes, and Christmas trees are decorated everywhere. Both of these pious customs have long traditions behind them. St. Francis of Assisi in the thirteenth century popularized the nativity scene to spread understanding of the humanity of Jesus—God becomes man for the love of us. The figures of the Christ Child in the manger, Mary Joseph, and the Shepherds—these are an important part of the Christmas celebration. Christ comes first as a Child in Bethlehem; He will come also as the mighty Lord returning in triumph at the end of the world to gather all His members for Heaven. Christmas makes both of these coming present for us.

### THE GOSPEL STORY

"Christ is born to us, come let us adore." The Gospel indicates Jesus was born at night "while shepherds were keeping their night watch." The Churches use every art, every material means to give a splendid welcome to the Lord and King. Listen to the familiar Christmas story in the Gospel: "And she brought forth her first-born Son and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes and laid Him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn." Jesus Christ is born at Bethlehem—humble, poor, approachable, but still the eternal Son of God. He speaks; "The Lord said to Me: You are My Son; this day I have begotten You." Why does the Son of God now come to men? St. Paul's Epistle explains: that they may "live soberly and justly and godly in this world" looking for the glorious coming of our Savior.

The Gospel tells of the shepherds, representing all men, hastening to the stable to see the Savior. St. Paul's Epistle to the Hebrews and the Prologue to St. John's Gospel portray Him as the eternal Son, the eternal Word of God "By Whom all things were made" now come to men.

### Doctrine of Incarnation

The doctrine of the Incarnation makes Christianity a joyous faith. Jesus Christ has come to save men, and they have reason to

be joyful. So when the great day arrives which renews His coming, how can they help but rejoice? Families and friends get together because their joy must be expressed in some way. Similarly, the gifts they exchange express their love for each other—a love that comes from God's love for them. Music and gaiety spring naturally from the Christmas celebration.

"Rejoice, the Lord has come!" May the joys of the Christmas Season be yours and remain with you throughout the New Year.

Darwin, Germaine and Charles Farquhar

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**PROUD SON** — E. C. Ragland of Eastland, who was made a Master Mason in 1953, Desdemona Lodge 1147, AF&AM, had the honor of presenting his father, C. E. Ragland, a 25-year pin on Monday evening, December 14, 1964.

E. C. is a Past Master of the Desdemona Lodge and has also been a District Deputy of the 73rd. Masonic District.

**OLIVER SPRINGS NEWS**

By FLORENCE RICHARDSON

**Our Thought For The Week:**  
 After you get all wrinkled up from worry and care, it's a good time to get your Faith lifted.

Mrs. Mamie Love of Dallas spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Setzler.

**PEANUT COLESAW**

Add 3/4 to 1 cup chopped peanuts to coleslaw for six.

**PEANUT DEVILED EGGS**

Add several tablespoons of chopped peanuts to the filling for 6 deviled eggs.

**PEANUT-POTATO SALAD**

Add 1/2 to 3/4 cup peanut halves to potato salad for six. Peanut butter may be used.

**TRY** - Peanut butter, mayonnaise, chopped crisp bacon, sliced tomatoes, lettuce, bread.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Mears were visiting the Rawls family Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stark and children and some friends of Fort Worth spent the weekend here with the Domineys and did some hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Mears were visiting in De Leon on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Setzler and Mrs. Gregory spent Tuesday with Mrs. Sam Tunnell.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Hirst spent Friday in Eastland shopping and visiting.

Elmer Watson and son were here over the weekend visiting Mrs. J. N. Watson.

Visiting in our home Saturday night were Mr. and Mrs. Alton Watson, the B. A. Hirsts, Jess Goodins, Buel Bryans, Mrs. Bond and Mrs. Watson. Thursday night visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Dominey and the H. T. Rawls family and Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Mears.

**KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS**

Mrs. Pearl Gilmore visited in Eastland from Wednesday to Saturday with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Ardis Porter. While there they visited in Cisco with Mrs. Eugene Lankford and Grandma Rochell at Green Acres Nursing Home.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Todd on Friday were her aunts, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Thomas of Fort Worth, Mrs. O. H. Vonn and Mrs. Ed Thomas of De Leon. Week end visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Shugart, Kathy and Darla of Granbury, and Monday guests were Mrs. B. Grisham and George of De Leon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Kellogg and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coker of Gorman and Mr. and Mrs. Hulon Coker and son and Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Coker of Sidney enjoyed a week end family Christmas get-together in the home of their uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Coker of Lubbock.

Pfc. Ryan Preston of Fort Bragg, North Carolina arrived home Monday for the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Preston. Ryan is with the 503rd. Military Division and his visit will extend through December 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcie Allen visited last weekend in McKenney with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Allen, and in Fort Worth with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Love.

**LATE BASKETBALL NEWS**

The Gorman Girls won Second place in the Eastland Tournament December 10-13.

They lost to May 63 - 12, Tuesday night. Their next game will be with Rising Star January 5th at R. S.

The Northern Lights appear in the atmosphere at heights ranging from 50 to 500 miles high.

Around the year 1915 the Northern lights were seen in Texas. Kernel Gene recalls this time as he was living in Dallas and many people drove for miles thinking a nearby town was on fire.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Iona Adcock from Saturday to Monday were her son, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jene Adcock, and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Mackey, Ann Marie and David of Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Corkey Brown of Austin spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bennett, Reta and Ronald of Grand Prairie, were weekend visitors of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gail Bennett and Mr. Holland Kirk.

Visiting Sunday in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Lynn Clark were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Clark and Tommy, Estelle Craddock and Miss Lorena Clark.

Mrs. Mae Knight of Dallas was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cole of Kermit are visiting this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Grice, and his sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Lasater.

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Mrs. Brown presided over the short business meeting. Mrs. Merle Miller gave a very interesting program on flower and centerpiece arrangements, using dried materials such as flowers, dried grains, leaves and weeds, gathered about the countryside, and plastic flowers and fruit.

Mrs. J. W. O'Neal was in charge of the recreational period and led in a very enjoyable Christmas game. The group then gathered around the piano to sing Christmas Carols with Mrs. Brown at the piano.

Gifts were exchanged from the beautifully decorated tree. Mrs. Brown was presented a gift from the club as a token of their appreciation for her work as president of the club this year.

Coffee, spiced tea and Christmas cookies were served from the lace covered table with a Christmas candle centerpiece. Crystal appointments were used.

Others attending were Meses. J. L. Morrow, J. B. Williams, J. F. Alderman, Albert Hendricks, Bertha Hazard, Glenn Jordan, Wayne White, Bob Hamilton and Gary Hamilton.

A good time was had by all and everyone left for home with the spirit of Christmas in their hearts.

### ARTISTS EXHIBIT WORKS AT MEHAFFEY DRUG

The two-man art show at MehaFFEY Drug is the work of local artist, Maude Renick (Mrs. W. L.) Underwood, and Macie Hyatt of Cisco, open to the public through January 1st.

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In the 24 paintings exhibited there are an equal number of still-life and landscape.

Commanding a second look are scenes of old houses in Eastland County in which Hyatt has used an unusual technique in reproducing kodochrome in oil. "Autumn on the Sabana" and "Harvest Time Near Moro Mountain" are among those quick to catch the eye, work of Mrs. Underwood.

## Mrs. Newby Hosts WSC Christmas Party Monday Nite

It's an annual event, the Woman's Study Club Christmas Party,

and Monday night was the time. About 7:00 p. m. club members laden with gaily wrapped gifts began arriving at the brightly decorated home of Mrs. Mike Newby. Gifts were placed under the big tree in anticipation of "having the Christmas tree." Eating together at Christmas is

## It's Christmas! Can We Afford - -

To miss seeing the Christmas scene portrayed in a backdrop at the First Baptist Church. An unique, we think, and most beautifully told message. A dove is shown, carrying the Peace Message from the Christmas Star to earth.

also an annual event for this group, so everyone brought a favorite food and an enormous appetite. Ham, congealed salads, green beans, pickles, celery, cake, pie - everything good to eat was crowded onto the big dining table. Mrs. Newby had arranged quartet tables centered with gay Christmas candles. Dinner was served buffet style, and after Mrs. E. R. Arnold gave the invocation, every one filled plates at least once.

After dinner everyone gathered in the living room to exchange gifts. Roll call was answered with a Christmas decorating hint. Some brought handiwork to exhibit, and everyone enjoyed seeing new ideas. Mrs. James Mears acted as Santa by passing out the gifts. Confusion followed with everyone "oh-ing" and "ah-ing."

And, later, the group departed, each calling out "Enjoyed it - Merry Christmas."

The scene was created by Rev. and Mrs. Polnac, Mesdames Ray Rankin, B. E. Brown, president of the WMU, W. D. Preston, O. R. Buchanan and Martha Preston, Carole Rae Rankin and Rob Kinser.

To fail to be in Kokomo for Sunday night's annual Christmas Program.

To stay away from your church and thus miss hearing the Christmas Story written by the Masters of manuscript.

To miss joining in the real

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## Shower Honors

### Mrs. Gene Snider

Mrs. Gene Snider was honored with a pink and blue shower in

Christmas Spirit at churches in Oliver Springs, Desdemona and other places 'round about.

To fail to render thanks at our bountiful boards? ? ?

the home of Mrs. J. W. O'Neal on December 10th from 2 to 4 p. m.

Co-hostesses were Mesdames Cullen Rodgers, Calvin Brown, Glenn Jordan, Odis Rodgers, and Wayne Eaves.

Punch, cookies and nuts were served from a lace covered table with a floral centerpiece. Milk glass appointments were used.

The many gifts were beautifully displayed in a bedroom.

**NOTICE!**  
All proceeds on the sale of Five Pound Boxes of Peanuts sold Saturday, December 19th will be sent to the Methodist Home in Waco.

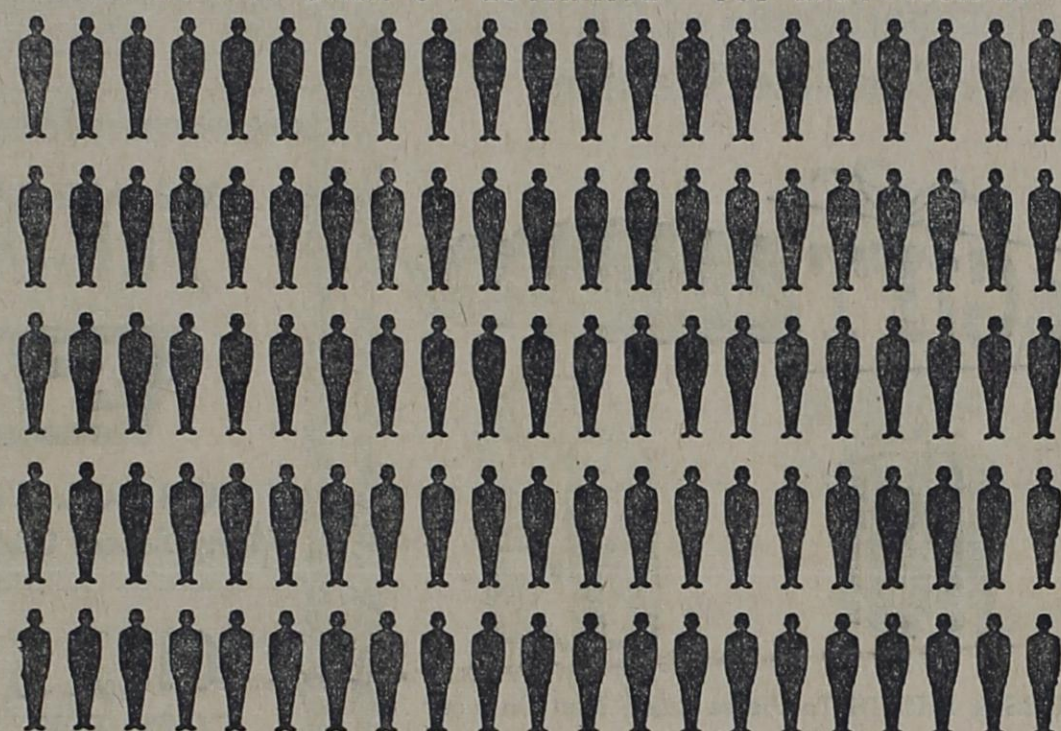
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## OPERATION "DEATHWATCH" DEC. 24 thru JAN. 3 ESTIMATE 105 MOTORCIDES



The figures above represent the estimated toll of 105 lives expected to be lost in Texas traffic accidents during the 11-day holiday period from December 24 through January 3. During this period, the Texas Department of Public Safety will tabulate these tragedies as they occur and make periodic releases in an effort to focus public attention on the added dangers of holiday travel. A special appeal has been issued to Texans to do their part in proving the estimate is too high.

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TO THE LADIES

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SPORTY TO FRILLY  
\$3.98 to \$9.98



### Stretch or Tapered

### Pants

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SLIM TO ACCORDIAN PLEATS

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BUY ONE SWEATER, SKIRT, BLOUSE OR PANTS BY BOBBIE BROOKS AND GET \$1.00 OFF ON EACH ADDITIONAL PIECE

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DIAMOND CATSUP 12 oz. 6 - \$1

AUSTEX NO. 300 CANS  
TAMALES 2 - 49c

SUPREME 1 LB. BOX  
CLUB CRACKERS 39c

MOUNTAIN PASS 8 OZ. CANS  
TOMATO SAUCE 3 - 29c

Swift's or Foremost  
MELLORINE  
1/2 Gal. Cartons

3 - \$1

1 lb. Can

75c



BACON Armours  
Star  
Pound .49

HAM Armour's  
Star  
3 LBS. 2.29

Short'in Mrs. Tucker  
3 lb. Can .69

Bananas Pound .10

TREND Giant Size .49

SWEET - (Lemon, White, Fudge)  
FROSTING MIX 39c

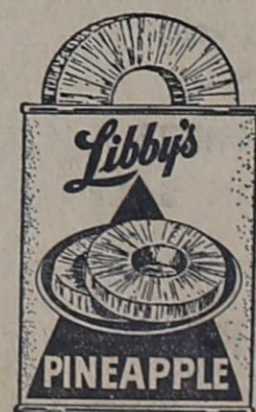
HIP-O-LITE PINT JAR  
MARSHMALLOW CREME 2 - 49c

GLADIOLA BOXES  
CAKE MIXES 4 - \$1

LIBBY'S CANS  
VIENNA SAUSAGE 5 - \$1

LIBBY'S NO. 300 CANS  
APPLE SAUCE 2 - 39c

LIBBY'S NO. 303 CANS  
FRUIT COCKTAIL 5 - \$1



Chunks - Crushed  
No. 211 Cans

5 - \$1

CHRISTMAS TREES