

Merry CHRISTMAS GREETINGS to all



Southwestern Peanut Growers' Assn. Will Build New Facilities

B & W Construction Co. of Bryan has been awarded the contract for construction of the Southwestern Peanut Growers' Association's proposed new headquarters here, Ross Wilson, association manager, announced on Thursday.

Base bids for the single story, 8,000 square foot building was \$123,000-plus, Wilson stated. The expenditure of an extra \$10,000 for such items as pavement is also scheduled.

Richard Buzzard of Abilene is the architect for the project.

The new building will be located about a block and a half from the present building. Construction will begin the first part of January and is expected to be completed within six months.

The contract was awarded on Thursday night at the Association Directors meeting held at the Sheraton-Dallas Hotel in Dallas.

President of the grower's group is D. B. Warren of Gorman. Vice-President is Jesse Leach of Holdenville, Oklahoma. Secretary-Treasurer is B. D. Green of Gorman.

Others on the board of directors are Roy Gentry of Shawnee, Oklahoma, Barton Scott of Binger, Oklahoma, Cecil M. Bynum of Pleasanton, Texas, Johnnie Rollins of Granbury and E. A. Walker of De Leon.

The association, formed in 1937, has as its primary role the operation for the peanut support program for the U. S. Department of Agriculture in the peanut areas west of the Mississippi River.

In addition, it fosters promotional and educational activities relating to the peanut industry in this area.

This work is all headquartered at Gorman.

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By KERNEL GENE, aPe

The Progress force is trying to get this edition out early. This being the time of year when our advertisers say thanks to you for your patronage. So, as soon as the paper is printed and ready to mail all but the Kernel has the rest of the week off.

Have fun. Be careful . . . and remember . . . by the will and goodness of God we have survived another year.

THE GOLDEN RULE IN SEVEN WORLD FAITHS

Christianity: All things whatever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so unto them.

Hinduism: Men gifted with intelligence . . . should always treat others as they themselves wish to be treated.

Buddhism: In five ways should a clansman minister to his friends and families: by generosity, courtesy and benevolence, by treating them as he treats himself, and by being as good as his word.

Taoism: Regard your neighbor's gain as your own gain, and regard your neighbor's loss as your own loss.

Confucianism: What you do not want done to yourself, do not do unto others.

Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

Islamism: No one of you is a believer until he loves for his brother what he lovse for himself.



Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Norris To Observe Golden Wedding Anniversary On Christmas Day

Children of Mr. and Mrs. George Ernest Norris will host a reception Sunday, December 24 at their home honoring them on their golden wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call between two and five o'clock.

The couple were married on December 24, 1916 in the Methodist Church at Kokomo by Rev. O. C. Hightower.

Mrs. Norris, the former Vesta Nolen, was born near Hot Springs Arkansas August 13, 1897. She came to Texas at the age of two months with her parents, the

late Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Nolen. They moved to a farm at Ellison Eppings. Mr. Norris was born October 15, 1897 in Johnson County. He was two years old when he moved to Eastland County with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Norris.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris farmed for 17 years before Mr. Norris began selling Maytag Washing Machines. He is semi-retired, it seems people just won't let him stop work. They don't think anyone else can repair a washing machine.

Their children are Mrs. Evelyn West of Morton Valley, Mrs. Willadean Henneke of Lahoma, Oklahoma, and Mary Lou Storey of Mineral Wells. There are eight

Business Firms Here To Take Two Holidays

The Monday following Christmas and the one just after New Year's, will be holidays for all of the Gorman business concerns.

The holidays will be observed by the merchants on Monday because of the holidays falling on Sunday.

The Gorman Chamber of Commerce designated the two dates as full holidays is the list of regularly scheduled holidays.

grandchildren and all are expected to be present for the Christmas afternoon's festive occasion.

Katharyn Duff And Don Blakely Visit In Gorman Wednesday

In case you are wondering who the two strangers were in town last Wednesday visiting the various business firms, the schools and hospital, etc., it was none other than Katharyn Duff, assistant editor of the Abilene Reporter-News, and staff photographer Don Blakely. Katharyn Duff was in town to get material and pictures. Gorman will be featured in a profile article on progress in a small town by Miss

Duff. The article will appear in the near future in the Reporter-News.

Many of the business men and women had lunch in the Brown Jug Cafe dining room with Miss Duff and Mr. Blakely.

Those attending were Charlie Garrett, Robbie Robertson, W. C. Browning, E. G. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Erich Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. James Mears, Mrs. Berenice Jeffs, Mrs. Dorothy Hatcher, Mrs. George Blackwell, Ross Wilson, Buel Bryan, Buddy Blair, Frankie Kimmell, M. E. Shell, W. M. Brown, Jr., Mrs. Mozelle Rhymes, and Estelle Craddock.

NEW SON FOR MR. & MRS. J. S. RIPLEY

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Ripley announce the arrival of their son, Jeffrey Paul, born at 10:35 p. m. Saturday, December 3, 1966 in Hico Hospital. He weighed seven pounds and thirteen and one-fourth ounces.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ripley of De Leon and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Pittman of Comanche. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Pittman and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Adams of Comanche.

A GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER FOR MRS. FRANK DEAN

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Moulton of Irving announce the arrival of their daughter, Michele Renee, born December 12. She weighed seven pounds and one ounce.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fleet Moulton of Mount Vernon and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Neal Rose of Morton. Mrs. J. Frank Dean of Gorman is the great-grandmother.

For **COLDS** take **666**

Preston Florist Named To Membership Of International Group

DETROIT, MICHIGAN — Florists' Transworld Delivery Association, (FTD), the world-wide flowers-by-wire organization, announced today that Preston Florist of Gorman has been selected as a member in the Association. Through FTD's guaranteed service, flowers may be wired to any place in North and South America and to practically every country abroad.

There are over 11,000 FTD members in the United States and Canada, and over 18,000 members in Interflora, FTD's international affiliate. The FTD service is so popular that a flowers-by-wire order is sent every other second of every day.

Buel Bryan Attends Annual Convention Of P. C. H. A. In Austin

Buel Bryan, Administrator of Blackwell Hospital, Inc., attended the 20th Annual Convention of Private Clinics and Hospitals Association of Texas, December 8th and 9th, held at the Driskill Hotel in Austin.

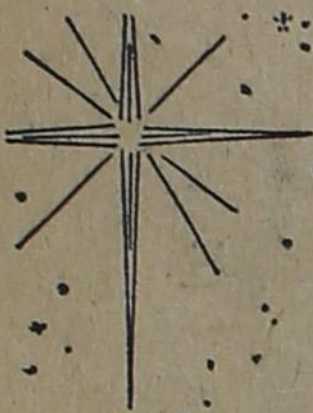
Some of the highlights of the convention was the impact felt by hospitals and doctors for the first 150 days of Medicare under Title 18. Then the possible expansion of the Program with Title 19, also a law, some authorities predict within two or three years approximately 42% of the nation's population will be under Medicare either by Title 18 or Title 19. Also on the program was the discussion of the Wage and Hour Law that is to affect hospitals February 1, 1967.

Another highlight for privately owned hospitals was discussed by the Executive Secretary of the American Federation of Hospitals - the proposed and passed legislation of 7 1/2% of Net Equity to be paid Proprietary Hospitals. This 7 1/2% of Net Equity is above reasonable cost reimbursed by the Medicare Program.

Many other items of interest were discussed by able speakers such as lawyers, bankers, public relation men of Blue Cross State Licensing Division, insurance representatives of Malpractice Liability and Doctors.

Mr. Bryan stated the climax of the convention was the Annual Banquet on Friday night in the Driskill Ballroom. He invited Richard Watson, his nephew, and student of Texas University, as his guest. The speaker for the evening was Honorable Crawford C. Martin, Attorney General-Elect of Texas. He held the convention spell-bound by his address.

The outgoing president of P. C. H. A., Doctor H. A. Baker, Willis Point, Texas, presented the membership of the Association with the incoming president of P. C. H. A., Dr. Gene Rogers of Dallas.



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FOR SALE - 114 acre farm north of Gorman near intersection of FM 571 and 2214. 80 acres cultivation. 40 acres bottom. Contact L. C. Williams, Box 146, Grafado, Texas, Phone 664-2755. 4-12-29p

FOUND - Green billfold with 15 or 20 pictures of children, \$2.04 in money and a pair of gold earrings. Identify and claim same. J. R. White, Gorman.

FOR SALE - Shelled Burkett Pecans, \$1.25 lb.; 1/2 lb., 65c. Call after 4 p. m. Mrs. John West, RE 4-5719. 2-12-15p

FOR SALE - The Gorman Hotel. Consists of beautiful living quarters on ground floor - fully equipped cafe. Seven rental apartments upstairs. Will sacrifice. Contact Helene Prater, 220 N. Main or Telephone 645-9874, Brownwood, Texas. 8-1-12-67c

FOR SALE - Second Hand Furniture. Men's second hand suits and many other items. May be seen at Progress Library. I also handle International Taylor Line Suit samples. See me for that new Suit. Don Rodgers.

FOR SALE - Nice large building lots on Lexington Street. Mrs. Nettie Isbell, RE 4-5308, Gorman. 12-15-fnc

FOR SALE OR LEASE - 140 acre farm, good peanut allotment, 20 acres new ground. Three miles west of Gorman. J. W. Brown, Rt. 2, Gorman, Phone RE 4-2212. 12-15fnc

FOR SALE - Hay for Sale. Call Lynn Elliott, Phone 7140, De Leon. 2-12-22c

FOUND - A pair of glasses in case with Dr. Lunds stamp in front of Paul McKinzie's home near Church of Christ.

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CJC Nursing Alumnae Hold Second Reunion

The second annual reunion of the Cisco Junior College Vocational Nursing program was held December 3rd at 7 o'clock in the Corral Room of the Victor Hotel.

In charge of the affair was Mrs. Venita Mitchell, R. N., Instructor of the Cisco Branch of the Nursing Program, with Mrs. Joyce Fore, R. N., Instructor of the Graham Branch, and her graduates and students attending as guests.

Mrs. LaVerne Allgood, president, was in charge of the program. Mrs. Jo Ann White gave the invocation. Mrs. Marilyn Wende, Secretary, read the minutes of last year's reunion. The members introduced themselves; telling the year that they attended, and concluded with where they are presently employed.

The next reunion is scheduled for the first Saturday night in December, 1967 at the Corral Room.

Newly elected officers are:

President - Mrs. Marilyn Wende of Cisco.

Vice-President - Mrs. Frances McCree of Breckenridge.

Secretary-Treasurer - Mrs. Lorene Arledge of Cross Plains.

Reporter - Mrs. Christell Gaines of Cisco.

Those attending including graduates and present students were: Abilene - Mrs. Lorene Dixon and Mrs. Lucille Evans.

Rising Star - Mary Smoot.

Cross Plains - Lorene Arledge.

Gorman - Ethel Sutton, Jo Ann White and Twyla Wallace.

Ranger - Norene Rourke, Margaret Speed, Evelyn L. Clark and Johnnie Wilson.

Breckenridge - Aileene Guy, Lida Stoker, Jeannine Willeford, Mildred Rickels, R. N., Frances McCree, Lucille McCarty, and Dorothy Dean.

Graham - Gene Jordan, Joyce Fore, R. N., and Doris Price.

Albany - Bonnie Woodfin.

Eastland - Juline Casey, Dorothy Gene Cox, Vada M. Lisenbee, Ozona Harper, LaVerne Allgood, and Goldie Taylor.

Cisco - Murel Stroebel, Louise Kimmell, Naoma Mahan, Marilyn Wende, Christel Gaines, and Mrs. Venita Mitchell, R. N.

Lone Star Gas Co. Employees Honored At Christmas Dinner

The annual Christmas party for the Lone Star Gas Company employees and their wives of the Cisco District was held Friday night at the Corral Room of the Victor Hotel in Cisco.

Employees were greeted by Mr. and Mrs. Gene Abbott, District Manager, of Cisco. The ladies were presented beautiful Christ-

mas corsages by Mrs. Abbott and Mrs. Weldon Locke.

The dining tables, centered with beautiful angels and holly, were the creation of Mrs. Abbott.

A delicious turkey dinner and all the trimmings was enjoyed by employees from Albany, Cisco, Eastland, Ranger and Gorman.

Those attending from Gorman were Mr. and Mrs. Rayford Burgess, Mrs. Frankie Jo Harper and Mr. and Mrs. Hillary Seay. Mr. Seay is an employee out of the Eastland office.



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again. We wish you and your
family a generous share of
all its many blessings.

THE SUTTONS

Homemaker's Hints

By Janet Meyers
County Home Dem. Agent

The annual Home Demonstration Club Christmas dinner and party was held on Wednesday, December 14 at the First Baptist Church's Fellowship Hall here in Eastland. Some forty women were present for the day's activities.

Home Demonstration Council met that morning with Mrs. L. B. Mayhew, chairman, presiding. Highlight of Council was Mrs. Lon Horn modeling her garment that won first place in the "Make-It With Wool" contest. Mrs. W. V. Fenter, THDA chairman, reported to the group that the annual training and planning meeting for Council and THDA Chairmen in District 8 would be held in Gatesville on January 16.

You may be interested to know that many flowering bulbs can be forced to produce flowers ahead of schedule. To do this use only the best bulbs available for indoor forcing. Avoid the temptation to purchase bulbs at the bargain table for this purpose. Bulbs that are good for indoor

forcing include crocus, grape hyacinths, daffodils, tulips, and hyacinths. Make your purchase of those bulbs as early as possible so that you can be sure of obtaining good strong bulbs.

Pot the bulbs as soon as they are available. Any good putting soil mixture will do providing it contains sufficient peat moss for good drainage. Place a one inch layer of gravel in the bottom of the pot, firm the soil around the bulbs leaving the tips of the larger bulbs showing just above the soil surface.

Move the potted bulbs to a cold storage temperature of 40 to 50 degrees F. An old refrigerator works fine for this purpose. Success with forcing bulbs depends upon good root development during the cold storage period. Keep the soil moist, but not wet. Leave the bulbs in cold storage for a period of six to ten weeks or until they have made good root growth.

After the cold storage period, bring the bulbs into the light and heat gradually. lace them in a cool semi-lighted location until the shoots show a green color, then move to a sunny location.

Do not place them in a hot room or near a heater.

For complete details on forcing bulbs and other hardy plants for indoor bloom call the Home Demonstration Office for a copy of "Bulbous and Hardy Plants for Indoor Bloom."

A recipe that you might like to try for the holidays is Apricot Balls. This is taken from the Extension publication "Christmas Time at Home."

APRICOT BALLS

- 1 pound dried apricots
 - 1 medium orange
 - 2 cups sugar
 - 1 - 8 ounce pkg. coconut
 - 1 box confectioners pwd. sugar
- Grind 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 walnuts and roll in powdered sugar. Store several days and roll again in powdered sugar. serve as a confection or with boiled custard for dessert. Yield: 40 to 50 balls.

Merry Christmas



..and the Herald Angels sing..

"On earth peace, good will toward men." So the herald angels sang. May this message of joy and hope, this glorious promise, sing in all our hearts today, and may we, at the Christmas season, gain new spiritual inspiration for all the days to come.

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Mrs. Bob Green Is Guest Speaker For LVNA Christmas Party

Mrs. Bob Green presented the Christmas Story for the Licensed Vocational Nurses Association Division No. 64 Christmas program held Monday night, December 12 in the Gorman Fire

Learn From Santa Claus

Again at Christmastime, the United States is at war and the

Hall. The hall was decorated with traditional red and green Christmas decorations, a green tree held the many gifts that were exchanged following the catered chicken dinner. Dinner tables were centered with lighted candle arrangements.

Present were twenty-nine members of the L.V.N.A. and guests Mrs. Ethel Sutton and Mrs. Ethel Harrell.

Goldie Taylor of Eastland was welcomed into the association.

The next meeting will be held January 9 in the Eastland Memorial Hospital conference room.

thought of peace on earth, good will toward men seems as much of a dream as ever. But nevertheless, Christmas is a day of family gatherings and good cheer, a period when we seek to be

Blackwell Hospital Staff Hold Annual Christmas Party

The lobby of the Blackwell Hospital was the scene Tuesday evening, December 13, for the staff's annual Christmas party.

Some 36 employees met for fellowship and the exchanging of gifts. Santa was on hand to assist in distributing gifts.

Home-made candies and cold drinks were served during the fellowship hour.

helpful to the afflicted and less fortunate.

But above all, Christmas is a time for the children. It is a great mystery of life to them. Fortunate are those who can believe in Santa Claus for a few years. What a thrill it is for them to go to bed looking forward to the morning when they will find a stocking filled with presents and candy and a Christmas tree shining with light. Just the smell of such a Christmas morning is something that stays through life. Doubly fortunate is the child whose stocking hangs in front of a fireplace on Christmas morning.

The visit of the unseen Santa means more than just gifts. It causes even the children to think of the less fortunate and to share their blessings with others.

Christmas dinner with family

and friends is a never to be forgotten occasion for young and old alike. So as you enjoy it this year in your home, think of the countless millions over the world who are not so blessed and re-

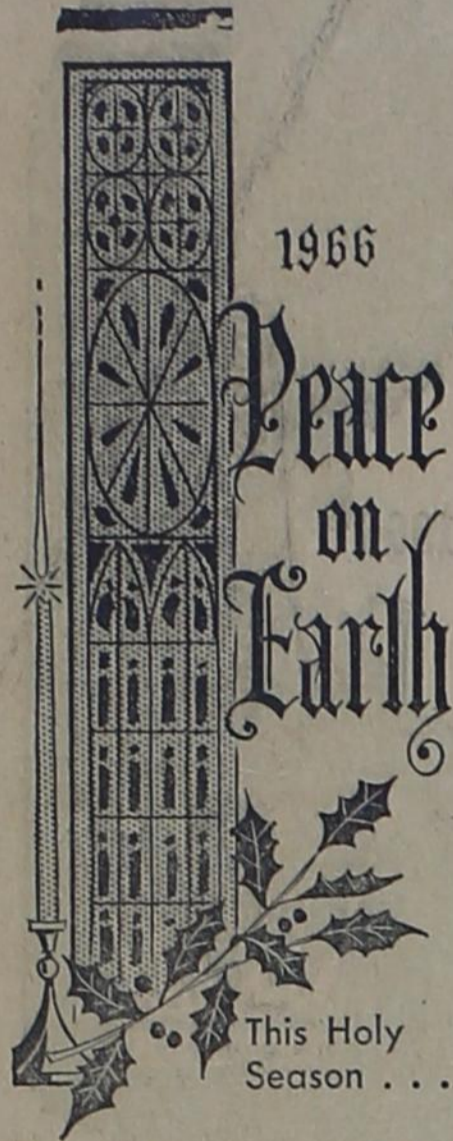
solve to do your best to make Santa Claus a reality for someone. In the meantime, if you gain humility from the good fortune that is yours, Santa Claus will not have called in vain.



Here's hoping you have a wonderful holiday . . .

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES — Members of the Board of Trustees of the Gorman Ind. School District, shown above at a meeting held on December 12, are (left to right): Arnold Butler, Vice President; James Brown, Secretary; Cecil Self; Gaylon Wright; Orval Treadway; Cecil Reeves; and Joe Bennett, President.



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Home for Christmas

By Mike Bennett

The wintry wind brought snowflakes and sent the flame of the campfire dancing up and down, creating eerie shadows against a background of water, pillings and overhead steel.

Billy Smith poked the fire with a stick. "I don't know, Teddy. Maybe we oughta go back home. I never been away from home at Christmas."

Teddy answered with something like a grunt. He had pulled his mackinaw over his head until only his nose and eyes were bare and was nonchalantly studying the flickering shadows on the framework of the railroad trestle overhead.

"I know we made a deal, Teddy. But I didn't think you would decide to leave home just before Christmas. Couldn't we wait a while? We can run away anytime. Let's go back, just for Christmas. Then, I'll be ready, anytime you say. How about it?"

No Dice

Teddy pulled down his jacket, sat upright, and pointed his finger. "We made a deal, little brother. You want to chicken out, you know the way home. Not me. I'm tired of working every



Teddy pointed his finger. "We made a deal, little brother."

day on a farm, tired of going to school, tired of being told to 'do this' and 'do that'. We both agree Aunt Alice doesn't care about us. She just took us on when Pa died so she would have some help around the place. We're going out and do something for ourselves."

"But, she is good to us, Teddy. You know that. And, I think she loves us. She doesn't know how to show it, never having had any family of her own. She acts like an old maid because that's what she has been all her life. Things were getting better, weren't they? You said so yourself."

Teddy began to poke the fire. "I think she knew we planned to run away."

The wind was even stronger now. The boys lapsed into silence. Teddy stood up. "I gotta find some more firewood . . ."

He paused in mid-sentence, transfixed.

"You kids got anything to eat?" He was a big man, tall and heavy. His voice was gruff and unpleasant. Neither boy could speak or move.

The man moved to the fireside. He reached down and lifted Billy with one hand. "Let's see what's in that pack you're sitting on, kid."

Billy moved to the side, almost into the darkness.

"Come back here, kid. Get back in the light where I can see you. You gonna try something? I don't recommend it."

Searching

The boys watched in silence as the man rummaged through the pack and began to munch greedily on the chicken and sandwiches he found there.

"You boys running away from home? Eh? You don't have to answer. I know you're not regular hoboes. You're just setting out to be, like me. I ran away, just about your age, too. Was gonna find a job and get rich, I was. Didn't work that way. Never does. A fella pulls up roots, never really sets 'em down again. I been in jail more times than you boys been to Sunday School."

The man finished eating, took the pack for a pillow and stretched out on the ground. "I'm gonna take a little rest. You boys stay put and stay quiet."

Moments later, he was snoring, and alone. The boys had disappeared into the darkness.

Deputy Sheriff Clint Parker dropped a nickel into the crossroads pay phone. "Miss Smith? Deputy Parker. I found 'em. When you said they aimed to catch a freight, I knew just where to look. I think they're on the way home. They'll probably be hungry . . . You're welcome . . . and a Merry Christmas to you, too."

G. W. GILMORE, USAF, RECEIVES PROMOTION

G. W. Gilmore, son of Mrs. Pearl Gilmore of Gorman, was recently selected for promotion to the grade of Master Sergeant. He assumed his new grade on

December 1st.

He received this promotion both in recognition of his outstanding past performance and of his exceptional future value to the U. S. Air Force.

The competition for promotion was extremely keen and

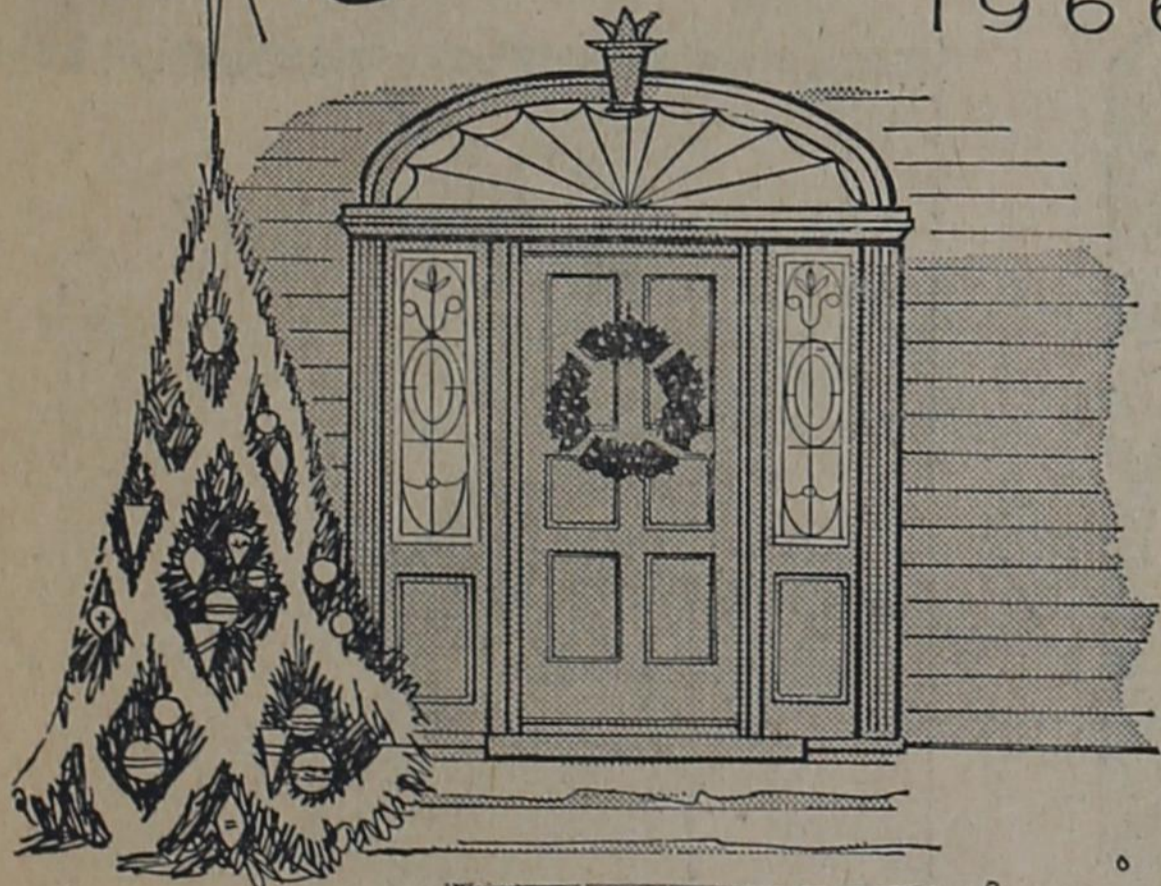
selections were made only after long and careful deliberation. G. W. was one of few men in this unit to be selected for this honor.

He is stationed with the 395th Strategic Missile Squadron (IC-BM - TITAN), Vandenberg Air Force Base, California.



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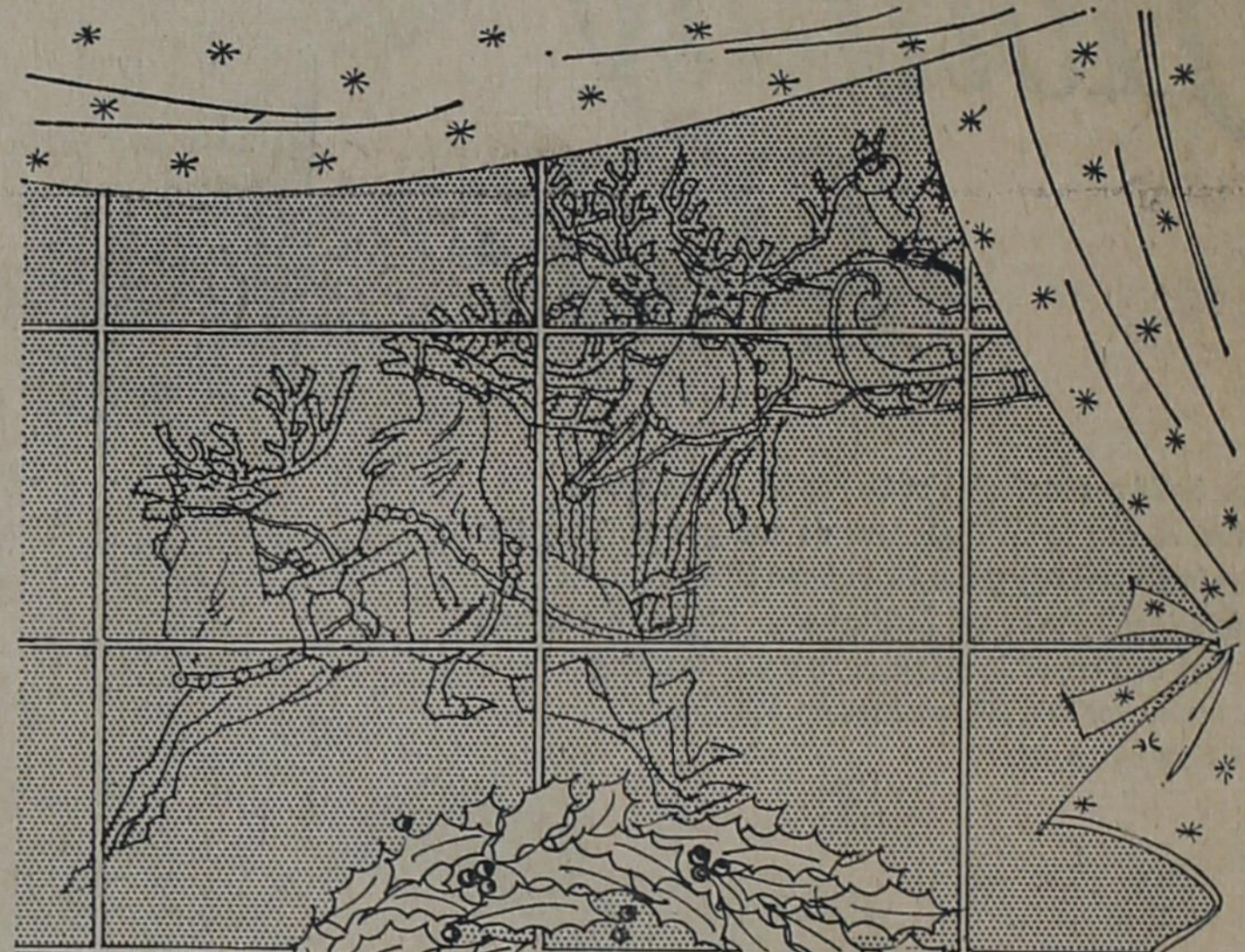
Merry Christmas!
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ROSS WILSON, Manager
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 Jan. 6 - De Leon - There - 6:00
 A&B Boys-Girls
 Jan. 10 - Rising Star - There
 Jan. 13 - Carbon * - There
 Jan. 17 - Putnam * - Here
 Jan. 20 - Olden * - There
 Jan. 24 - Moran * - Here
 Jan. 31 - Carbon * - Here
 Feb. 3 - Jutnam * - There
 Feb. 7 - Olden * - Here
 Feb. 10 - Moran * - There

* Denotes District Games

All games after Jan. 10 will begin at 7 p. m.

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To all...1966...

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Christmas JOY



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Junior Department Of First Baptist Enjoy Christmas Party

Christ was truly put back into Christmas on Thursday, December 15 when the Junior Department of the First Baptist Church met for their Christmas party.

They had voted themselves not to exchange gifts but bring what they would pay for a gift for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions. The girls and boys also brought fruit and candy that was sacked in plastic bags and they had the joy of again giving to others.

The 21 Juniors and 3 workers piled into three cars and started Caroling. The first stop was at the Lawndale Home For Senior Citizens. It was a thrill for the boys and girls to see Mrs. Seay and their other friends at the home. They sang several Christmas Carols and then, after leaving their fruit and candy with Merry Christmas To You, they raced to the cars for another place to bring joy to others.

They truly did bring joy in the hearts of four more homes as they were met at the doors with tears of joy from those they

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visited.

The group then returned to the church for refreshments of Christmas treats, cold drinks and candy.

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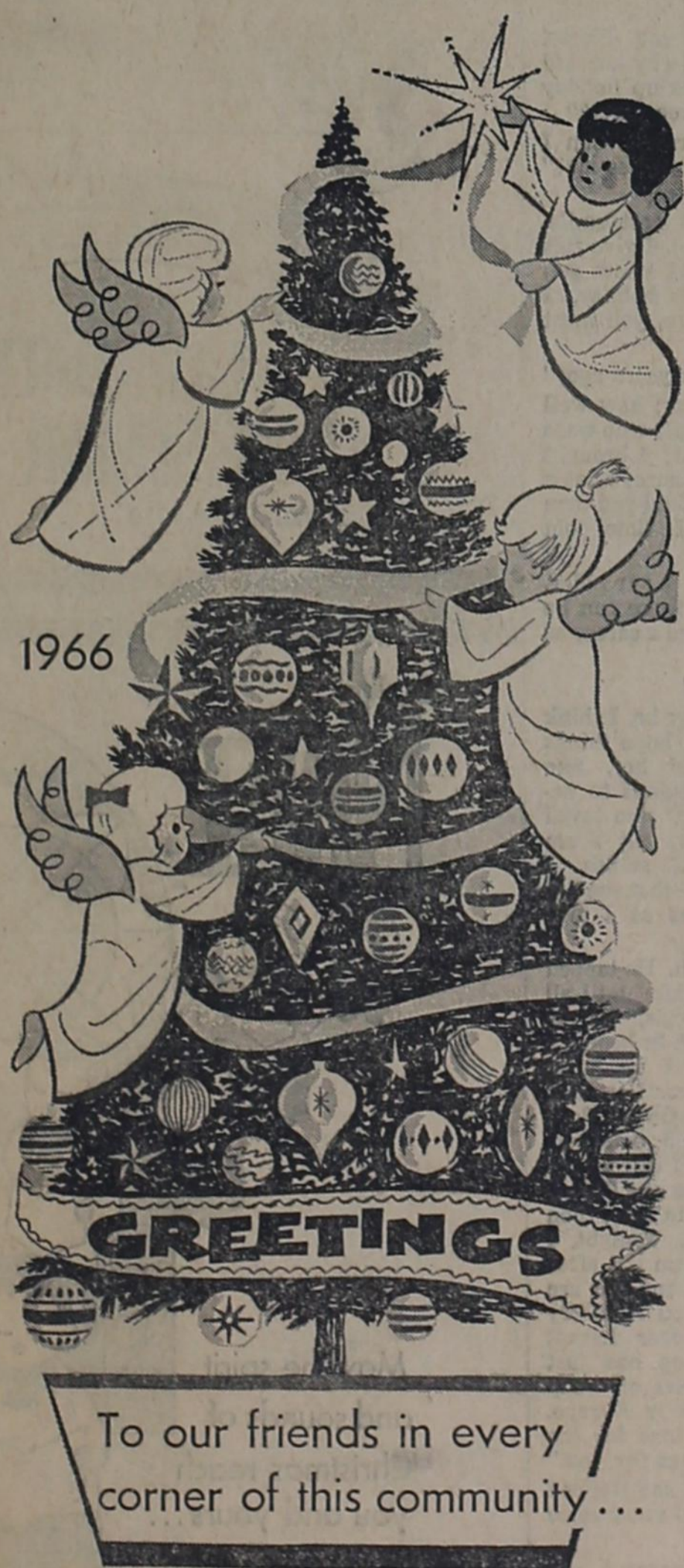
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Bernadine Campbell To Become Bride Of Richard Lee Donovan

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Campbell of Star Route, Carbon, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Bernadine, to Richard Lee Donovan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donovan of 1403 Liggett, Cisco, Texas.

Vows will be repeated at 7:30 p. m. on Saturday, January 28, 1967 at the First Baptist Church, Cisco. Rev. Harry Grantz of Carrizo Springs, Texas, cousin of the bride-elect, will officiate, assisted by Jesse Cassle.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Cisco High School and is attending Cisco Junior College where she is a sophomore business major. Mr. Donovan is a graduate of Cisco High School and Texas A&M University with a BS degree in Physics. He is a graduate student with an assistantship in the Physics Department of Texas A&M University.

Invitations are not being mailed locally, but the couple invites friends and members of the family to attend the wedding.



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HWY. 6 WEST GORMAN

Santa and Uncle John

By Chuck Pope

The big clock on the wall indicated that it was almost closing time for Stanbury's Department Store. No one could be more happy about this situation than Santa. He'd spent a long and tiring day. He'd talked to so many youngsters, heard so many requests that his head was spinning. Hours ago, it seemed, the children had started to all look the same.

Three more children were in line. Surely he could last through three more. The last one seemed a bit nervous. Maybe he wouldn't stay. Perhaps it would be two more. Yet, for some reason or other, this last one didn't look like all the others. There was something, maybe a twinkle in his eye, the half-smile on his lips. Santa found himself hoping the lad would not leave. Maybe he would finish the day as fresh as he started it.

The lad smiled and extended his hand. "Hello, Santa. My name is Johnny."

"Hello to you, Johnny. Where are your parents? I didn't see them come in with you."

"They're in the cafeteria, having coffee. They said I could have ten minutes to visit with you. We have to get back to the airport to see if our plane can fly yet."

"What's wrong with your plane?"

"It really isn't our plane. We're just riding in it. But it was grounded."

Santa smiled. "I'm not surprised. We've had a real winter storm today. Hope it clears before Christmas Eve."



The lad extended his hand. "Hello, Santa. My name is Johnny."

"Yeah, me too. I gotta get back to Three Corners before you get there with my sled and other things."

Santa sat upright. "Three Corners? Sled?"

"Sure, Santa, Remember the letter I wrote to you?"

"Sure, Johnny, I remember. From Three Corners. Is this the same Three Corners I used to know, Johnny? With the paper mill and the canning plant?"

"That's right. Like I told you in my letter, my dad runs the paper mill."

Forgotten

"I forgot about that. Did you tell me about your uncle, too?"

"I don't have any uncle."

"No uncle?" Santa seemed shocked.

"Well, not really. Dad says I have one somewhere. Uncle John. He's pretty rich and all that, but dad says they never got along. Uncle didn't like my mommy, or something. Anyway, dad says it's been more than ten years since he last saw uncle. Probably he ten more, he says."

"Has he tried to reach your uncle?"

"Don't think so. Mom says he's too proud. That he should learn to forgive ..."

"Particularly at Christmas time, Johnny. Christmas is the time for forgiving. I think I would like your mother."

Arrival

John and Mary Carter looked up from their coffee, each hesitatingly extended their hand as Santa was introduced.

Santa sat down without invitation. "I've been talking to your son — Johnny — surprised you named him that. He tells me about your plane."

John Carter smiled. "And Mr. Stanbury just stopped by to tell me about his old friend who likes to play Santa in the department store."

Santa laughed. "No secrets, then?"

John and Mary responded. "No secrets."

"Except maybe one," said Santa. "Someone also told me you folks will have a guest other than Santa this year. What do you think of that?"

The Carters, as one replied, "That would make it a merry Christmas indeed!"

"Uncle John?" asked Johnny.

"Indeed," the other three responded.



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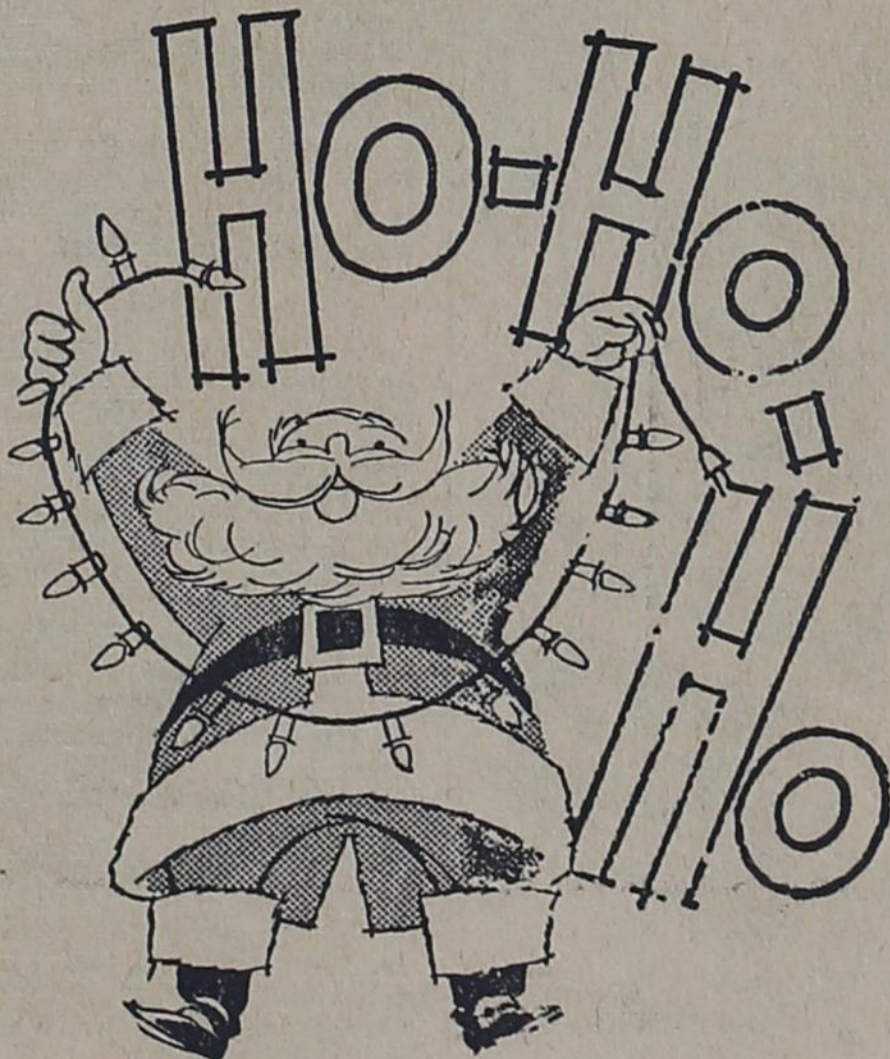
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By James Clyde

Pierre LeBlanc signaled with his finger and the head waiter locked the door behind the last customers. The waiter came back to the table where Pierre was sitting and waited patiently for the sign to be finished.

"Do you like it, Jacques?"
"If you will pardon my saying it, sir, you are not the best of sign painters."

"Indeed not, but it serves the purpose. Place it on the door."

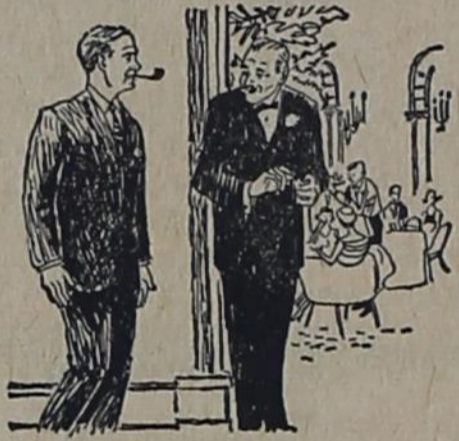
The head waiter obliged and soon customers were turning away after reading the message:

Pierre Closes Tonight Only 25th Anniversary Private Party

The party was not so private. Old friends, customers for many years, were entering by the back door almost as soon as the front was locked.

Pierre greeted each affectionately, wishing everyone a most Merry Christmas. They were old friends, all of them. As Pierre liked to put it, "We grew up together." Most of them were starting out, struggling artists, writers, young lawyers, and actors, when Pierre opened the small coffee shop that he was to build into a restaurant of international reputation.

For some, Pierre had a special greeting. Fred Addams was one. Fred was a writer, a good one. He had lived upstairs, over the



"It is my anniversary," said Pierre. "Cannot I play Santa if it pleases me?"

coffee shop long years ago. He had survived on donuts and coffee, mostly on credit, until his first novel had set him on the road to becoming one of the country's most popular mystery writers.

"Merry Christmas, old friend," greeted Pierre.

"Joyeux Noel, to you, Pierre. And then tell me why an old rascal like you gives up holiday business to give a free party?"

"It is my anniversary. Can I not play Santa if it pleases me?"

"You apparently can."

Pierre smiled his best smile. "Seriously, old friend, I give this party also because I know you will be in town this holiday. I say to myself, 'Pierre, you must play Santa...'"

"As you did seven years ago?"

"Ah, you remember; how well do I recall. Two people who were meant for each other. I brought them together. Romance, what a wonderful thing. Would you turn back the pages of time, old friend?"

"I would, Pierre. I am older, wiser. I know that there can be love and marriage and a career as well."

"And Anne..."

"Wherever she may be, I think she knows it, too. I hope things worked out well for her. She was so eager, so anxious to become a great singer. She loved me, as I loved her, but I am afraid we were both selfish. I hope—and I believe—that she has found her happiness as I still seek mine."

Pierre smiled again. He tapped on the table before him until all was quiet. "My friends," he began, "I have not been in business 25 years; only 23. I began in August, not December. I am also a poor sign painter. On the door it should say 2 plus 5, or seven, for seven years ago I introduced two wonderful people one Christmas Eve. They fell in love, then went separate ways. Tonight, I shall re-introduce them... after the orchestra plays and we are led in 'We Wish You A Merry Christmas' by my dear friend, Anne Grayson. Anne has just completed seven years of study in the finest schools in Europe. Tomorrow she auditions for the Met; tonight she sings for you."

Confident, radiant, she stepped into the spotlight and every voice was raised in song.

Pierre leaned forward and whispered into the ear of his friend. "What happens now, who knows? Santa only brings the presents."

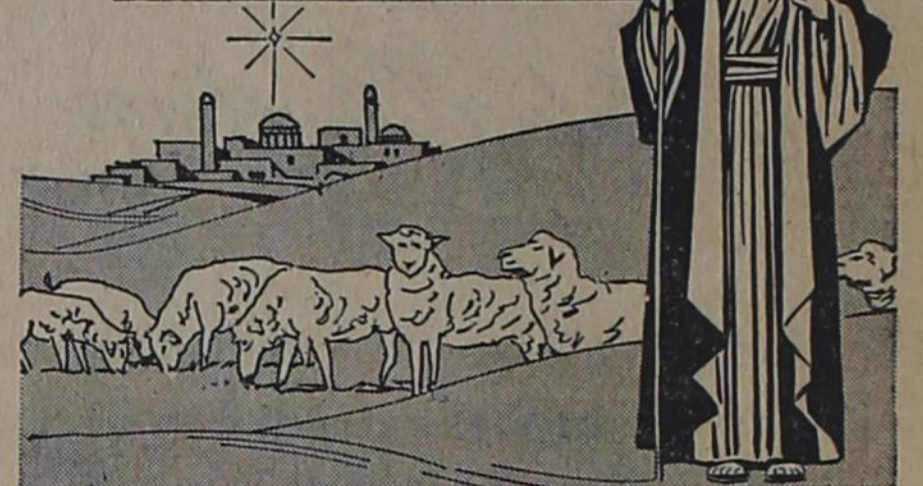
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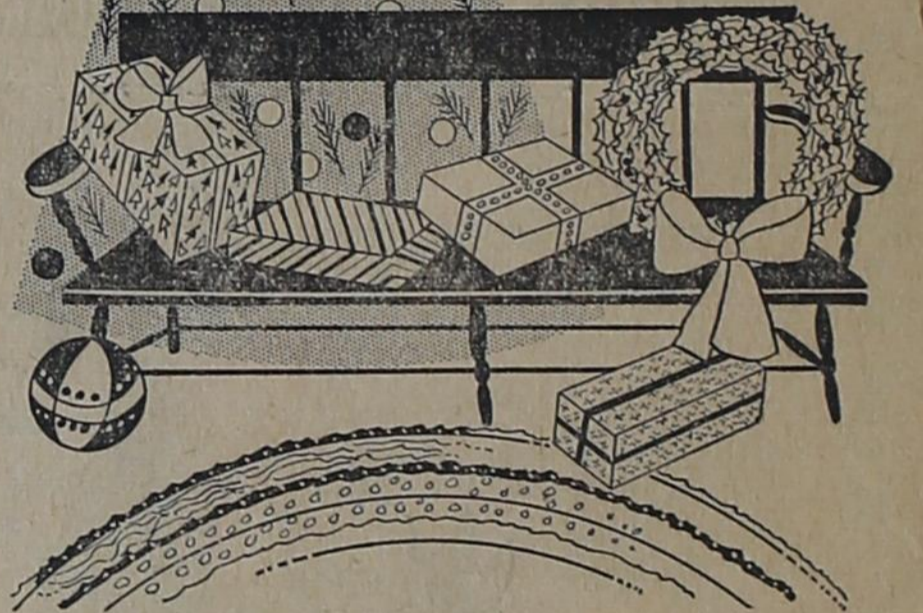


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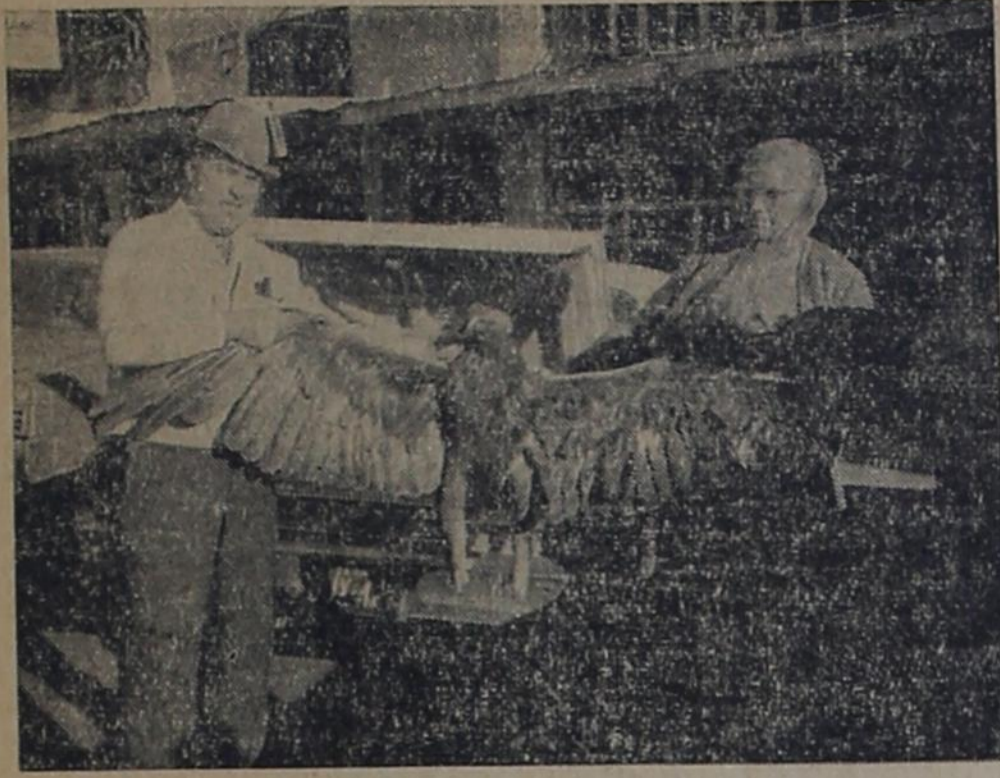


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GIANT EAGLE — Othell "Speedy" Clark assisting Mrs. Seth Hallmark of Desdemona display the Giant Golden Eagle killed on her ranch near Desdemona.

Giant Golden Eagle - Menace To Ranchers In Desdemona Area For Several Years

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Hallmark have been plagued for the past several years with the golden eagle on their ranch nine miles north of Desdemona. The large birds have destroyed many of their goats.

The golden eagle shown in the photo above weighed 10 pounds, had a wing span of 72 inches and

the feet measured eight inches with over an inch of steel-like claws.

The large bird created quite a bit of excitement among the school children who were on their way home at the time Kernel Gene was taking the picture. Many of them had never seen an eagle before. This one was a rather large species.

OLIVER SPRINGS NEWS

BY FLORENCE RICHARDSON

Our Thought For The Week: Everyone occupies some sort of pulpit and preaches some sort of sermon every day. Be sure the sermon you preach, you can live by it.

A. J. Stewart and son, Monty, spent the weekend in Odessa visiting and deer hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Setzler were visitors in the Johnnie Coan home Sunday. The Coans live in the Duster community.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Setzler and family spent the weekend in Oklahoma visiting Mrs. Setzler's mother and grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Warren and son of Fort Worth were visiting friends and relatives here on Sunday.

Visiting in our home Saturday night were the H. T. Rawls family.

The Kenneth Watson family of Eastland visited the R. H. Watsons over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Atchison were visiting in Goldthwaite with Mrs. Bob Atchison and the Irby Mauneys last week.

Mrs. Ed Gregory has moved from our community to De Leon. We are sorry to see her move, but hope she will be happy in her new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Wallis of Borger were visiting the A. D. Bryans Thursday night.

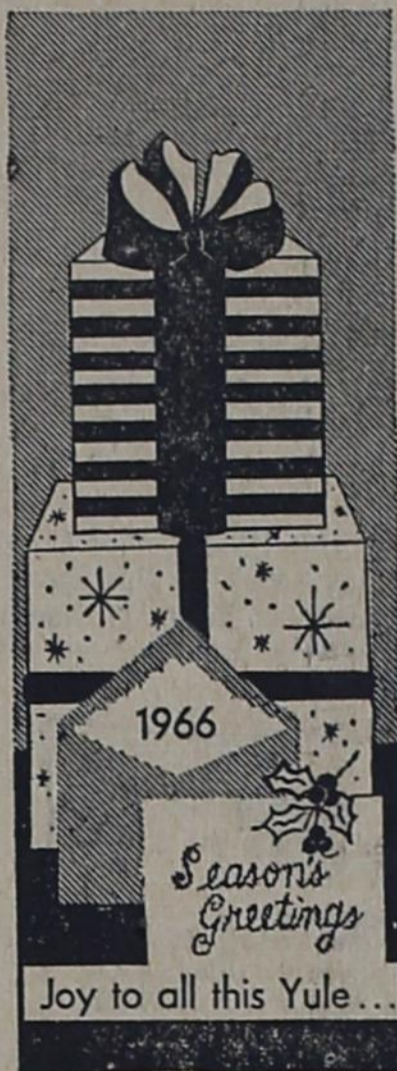
The Buel Bryans were visiting the A. D. Bryans Sunday night. Don't forget the New Year's Singing at Oliver Springs. Come bring someone with you!

Well Christmas is just a few days away. We want to wish each reader of this paper Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

CARD OF THANKS

Thank you for the Christmas gift, you (whoever you are) who struck the fender on my new Chevella at Hallmark Dairy King which cost \$172.80 for repairs.

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James Miears Family Hosts Higginbotham Employees Yule Party

Mr. and Mrs. James Miears were hosts Tuesday evening for a Christmas buffet dinner and Christmas party for Higginbotham Company employees and their husbands and wives of the Gorman store, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Johnson of Flatwood, who are Mobil Company employees of Mr. and Mrs. Miears.

The beautiful new home was decorated for Christmas. Heavenly blue lights outlined the outside of the house and a jolly door arrangement greeted guests, and a decorated tree with Christmas packages to be exchanged by the employees was in the foyer. A poinsetta and candle arrangement on the coffee table and mantel decorated with greenery and Christmas balls and Santa Claus in the living room and the background stereo music of Christmas selections, the poinsetta covered table cloth and napkins and other bits of Christmas lent to the spirit of Christmas.

Turkey for the dinner was baked by Mrs. Miears and guests brought assorted covered dishes to complete the dinner menu.

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KOKOMO NEWS

By MRS. GLENN JORDAN

I wish each of you that reads the Kokomo News a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. O'Neal spent Friday night and Saturday in Snyder with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Nat Mearse and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fuller, Christi and Ricky, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hendricks on Friday night.

Archie McAfee of Andrews and Buddy Eaves of Gorman were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Eaves and family on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Eaves, Johnny and Bobby, visited with Miss May Neill at Sanatorium on Sunday afternoon.

Several from Kokomo attended the singing at the Congregational Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon.

Glenda Jordan of Abilene visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan and Teddy, on Sunday.

Glenda Jordan and Mike Rodgers brought the special music at the Kokomo Baptist Church

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Preston spent the weekend in Fort Worth with their son, Ryan, and her sister, Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Ferrill.

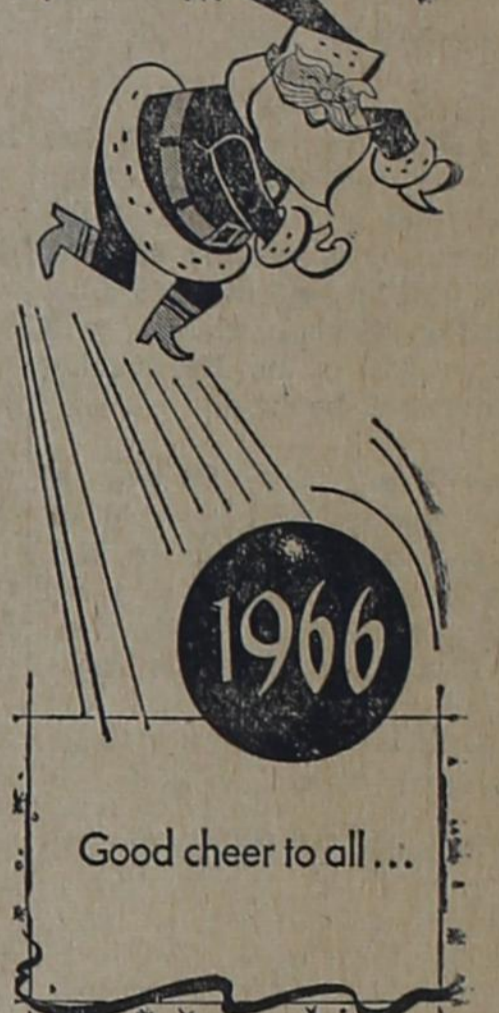
Mrs. J. Q. Eakin and Mrs. Burnett Eison visited Monday night and Tuesday in Wichita Falls with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Eison.

Mrs. Dorothy Hatcher spent the weekend in Sonora with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, and attended the Sonora and Schulenberg State Championship football game played in San Marcus Saturday. Sonora won the championship.

on Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. John W. Henderson returned home from Fort Worth, N. M. on Wednesday. They had been there to help care for Mrs. Henderson's sister, Mrs. David White, who is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jordan and Teddy visited with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fuller, Christi and Ricky, on Sunday night.

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We extend to you our warmest wishes for a Merry Christmas. May every holiday joy bless you and your family.

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Season's Greetings

The light of a bright and happy Christmas shines for you and your loved ones, surrounding you with every happiness the holiday can bring.

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CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my appreciation for the kindness shown me by the doctors and nurses of the Blackwell Hospital and to my friends for the visits and cards received during my illness.

I thank you.

Gene Barnett

Kay Ann Craddock of Eules was a weekend visitor with her mother, Mrs. Estelle Craddock.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rodgers and Vonnie are spending the Christmas holidays in Rincon, N. M. with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Callaway.



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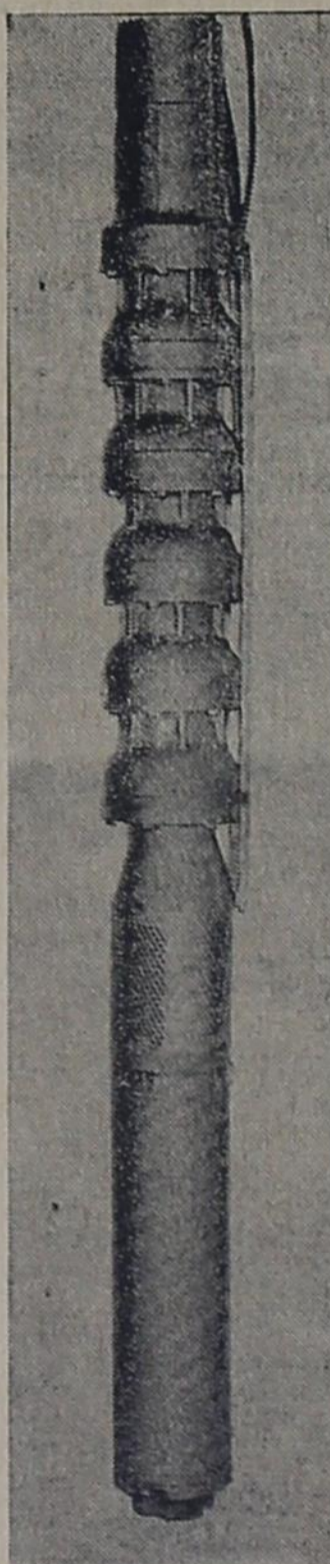
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ITEMS OF INTEREST

The following schedule of activities is announced for the Christmas weekend at the First Methodist Church.

Sunday morning worship service will be held at 9 a. m. and Sunday School classes at 10 a. m. There will be no Sunday evening services.

On Saturday evening Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service will be held from 7 to 8 p. m.

The First Baptist Church has announced that the Youth of the church will be in charge of the Christmas Day worship services which will be held at 10:20 a. m.

Sunday School classes will meet at 9:30 a. m. No evening services will be held.

New Year's Eve Singing at Oliver Springs will be held on Saturday night, December 31st. Come be with us and sing out the old year and sing in the new. Mrs. Florence Richardson

The Gorman Rebekah Lodge meets each Tuesday evening.

Lions To Distribute Christmas Baskets To Local Needy Families

The Gorman Lions Club Christmas Basket program fund is almost completed. The theme of the program is to see that every needy family in Gorman has a Christmas basket.

Food and clothes will be delivered to needy families for Christmas by club members.

The Lions have arranged several money-making projects in the past weeks to raise money for the some 25 baskets. A musical program was held at the high school auditorium Thursday night, December 15, Santa Claus collected contributions on Saturday morning in front of the post office, individual contributions have been collected, and canisters were placed in all business houses for collections.

The door-to-door campaign made last Friday netted \$52.16. Approximately 15 grade school students participated in this drive and included Bill Clark, Anna Lee Butler, Debora Smith, Maudine Aston, Cheryl Hudson, Rex Jobe, Reggie Underwood, Bobby Eaves, Sarah Kirk, Debbie Holliday, Tanta Eaker, Don Porter, Sharon Hallmark, Ricky Park, Wesley Rogers, and Gary and Bruce Smith.

Chairman for the Christmas Basket Program is Mr. Allen Morris, Lions Club Vice-President and principal of Gorman Grad School.

KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Graham Tuesday, who were here to attend the funeral of Dr. Howard J. Bateman in De Leon, were John and Jack Graham, Odessa Graham and Butch and Vay Jean Rachelle, all of Houston, and Opal Graham of Tom Ball. Jack and John Graham remained for a three day visit with their brother.

Mrs. Ray Thomas of Lake Havasu City, Arizona and Mrs. J. M. Martin of Morgan have returned to their homes following a visit with their mother, Mrs. Vera Hamrick, and brother, Whatley.

Mrs. John Sutton and Mrs. G. C. Acrea were in Austin Monday to bring Anita and Mack home for the Christmas holidays. Both are students at the University of Texas.

John Edward Clark and David Wayne Fulberg of Hurst spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. George Hollifield and Miss Lorena Clark.

Mrs. Bess Oliver is visiting this week with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Tyrone.

Miss Mable Trammell of Pine Mountain, Georgia arrived Sunday for the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Fairbetter and Milton Jr. They visited Monday and Tuesday in Fort Worth with their sister, Mrs. P. K. Scott, and in Mineral Wells with Mr. and Mrs. Wade Russell and family.

CARD OF THANKS

Friends and neighbors, For and near Listen closely, I want you to hear. For your get well cards, visits, gifts and prayers for the year. Then for you Christmas and New Year greetings, especially for the kiddos for the fruit and carols, a great big THANK YOU. God's blessing on you. W. G. Baker

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Lasater spent the weekend in Fort Worth with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Scitern. They returned the grandchildren, Brenda and Anita, home following a weeks visit with the Lasaters and their other grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Scitern.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben R. Townley were her mother, Mrs. J. H. Glasscock of Cisco, a sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Butts of Casper, Wyo., Mr. and Mrs. Rex Pollard and family of Grand Prairie, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pollard and family of Post, Mrs. Johnny Carmichael and son, Bart, of Lyons, Kansas, B. B. Gregory of Stephenville and Mrs. Ray Cox of Langley Field, Va.

A/IC LAWRENCE CATES ASSIGNED TO PHILIPPINES; MRS. CATES REMAINS HERE

A/IC and Mrs. Lawrence Cates, Mike, Tresa and Leslie of Roswell, New Mexico, are visiting his mother, Mrs. Elbert Denton. Lawrence has been reassigned to an air force base in the Philippines and will leave around January 15.

Mrs. Cates will remain in Gorman for six months until she is allowed to join her husband. Their children, Mike, a third grader, and Tresa, who is in the sixth grade, will enroll in the Gorman Schools following the Christmas holidays.

Weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhymes were her mother, Mrs. W. A. Williams of Rising Star, and Mrs. Otis Bowers of Abilene.

Jack and Hal Bingham of Corpus Christi are visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wallace.

Our Christmas Message...

In lieu of sending Christmas cards, we take this means of wishing all our friends a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!

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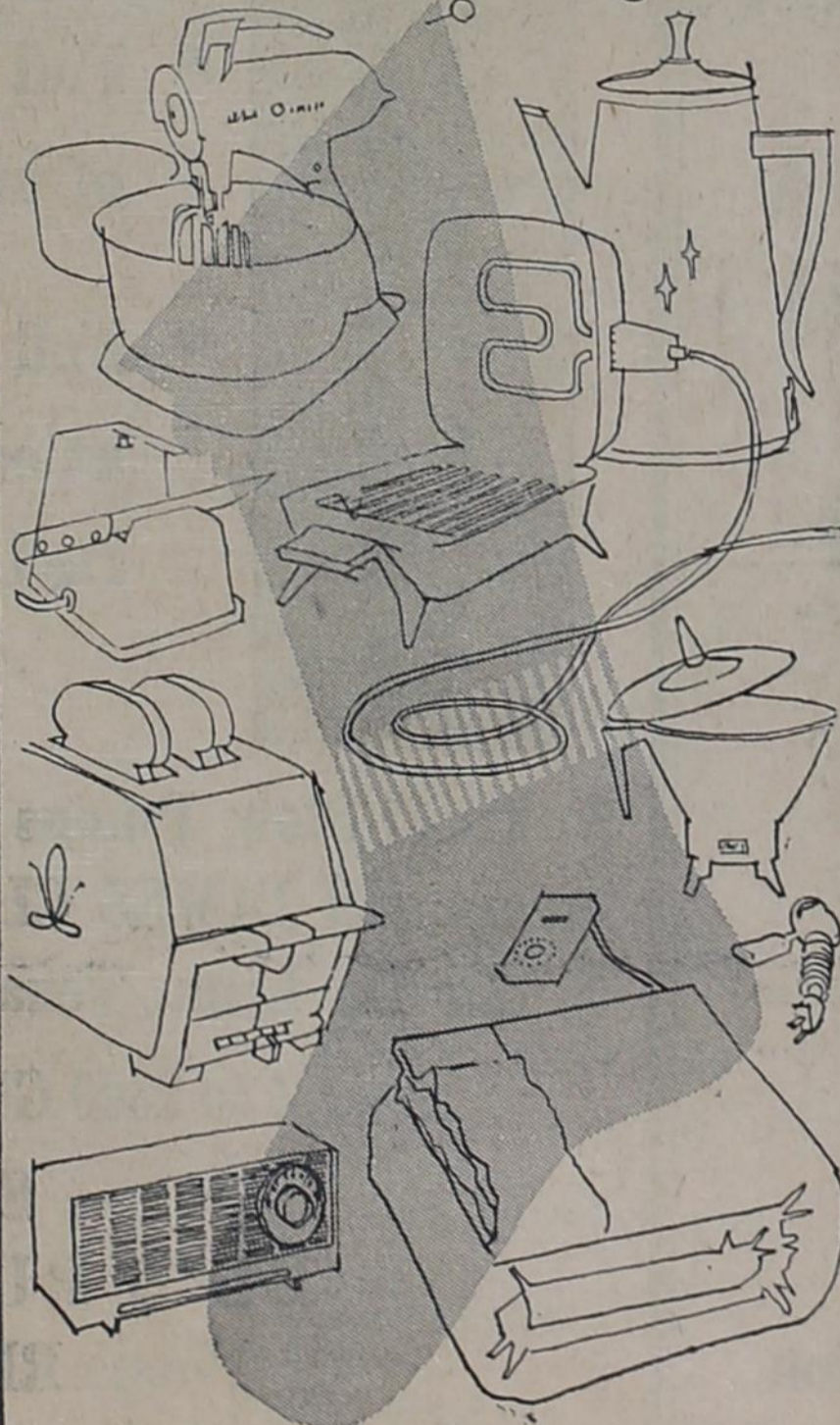
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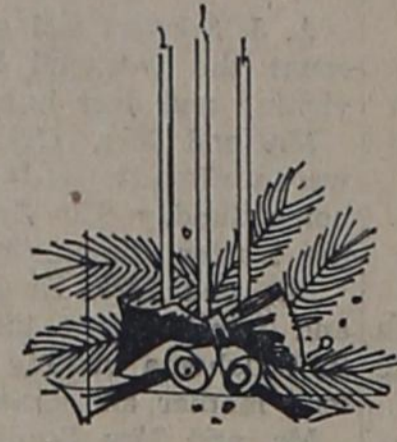
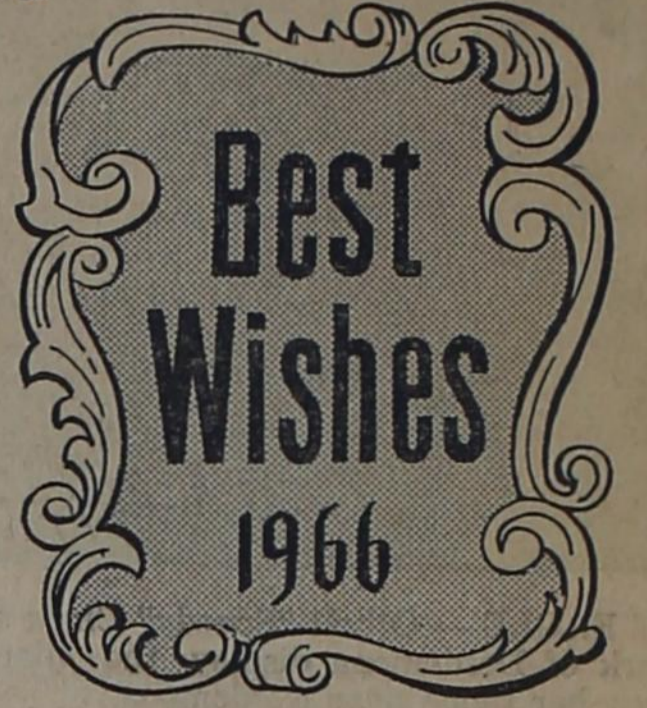
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Picnics Decker's Whole Lb. .39

Frozen - Mr. G FR. FRY POTATOES 2 Lb Bag - 29c

Borden's WHIPPING CREAM Half Pint - 25c

Turkeys & Hams

PAGES MILK Tall Cans - 7 - \$1

BACON DECKER'S QUALITY Pound .59

Frozen ORANGE JUICE 12 oz. Can - 39c

TEXAN LIQUID DETERGENT 32 Oz - 49c

CRISCO 3 LB. CAN .79



5 lb. Bag 49c
25 Lb. Bag \$1.98



1 Lb. - 69c
2 Lbs. - \$1.38

Mellorine Foremost Half Gals 3-\$1

SUPREME SALTINES 1 Lb Box - 37c

CELERY Large Stalk - 15c each

SYRUP KARO WHITE Quart Jar .59

CROWN SALAD OLIVES No. 32 - Jar - 89c

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