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THE COUNTY SEAT NEWSPAPER

Santa Draws Huge Crowd On Tuesday

Nearly 850 Children Are Given Bags of Generous Treats at 2 o'Clock Visit

Encouraged by pleasant weather more like that of early autumn than Christmas Eve, people of the Wheeler trade territory attended the visit of Santa Claus with treats at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon in one of the largest crowds seen in Wheeler for a long time.

Distribution of bags containing generous treats to 838 youngsters of 14 years and under was a great success and proved anew the popularity of this pre-holiday feature sponsored by Wheeler merchants, business and professional men and women. The treats themselves were more liberal this Christmas Eve than heretofore. Each bag contained one-third of a pound of candy, a quarter pound of fresh roasted peanuts, a good sized orange and an apple. The apple was an extra item this time.

Another proof of the drawing power of Santa Day was evident this year when it was held for the first time since its beginning, six years ago, on a day other than Saturday. Saturday is generally recognized, in this part of the country, as the day when rural residents "go to town" for their regular or special shopping and to visit and mingle with neighbors and friends.

Santa's visit was timed on Tuesday this year at the request of merchants who helped make the event possible and was prompted by perfectly laudable mercenary motives.

In addition to some doubt about the "off day" requested by its sponsors, the committee in charge was also a trifle skeptical of obtaining a representative crowd so early in the afternoon. But since the committee's desire was only to serve and not to question, the date and hour was duly publicized and the crowd came—to the delight of committee and sponsors.

Following Tuesday's splendid success, Wheeler business men have repeated previous expressions of satisfaction with Santa's visit and treats as a pre-Christmas attraction, both from the standpoint of their appreciation of shoppers in the surrounding trade territory and from the shoppers' response.

LARGE VOLUME OF SALES

Proprietors of several stores, merchandising various lines, have reported a large volume of sales Tuesday. In some instances, practically all holiday merchandise was disposed of and heavy sales of staple commodities made. Much of this business is attributed to published assurances of nice stocks and good selections at prices comparing favorably with any other town in the Panhandle.

Pleasing comment has been heard upon the smooth method of handling the crowd and distributing the treats; also the fact that not the slightest ripple of disorder or friction marred the affair.

A committee from the Lions club, composed of C. G. Miller, C. J. Meek, R. J. Holt, Lonnie Lee and Fred Ashley, was in charge of arrangements. In the solicitation of funds, A. B. Crump also rendered yeoman service in covering an appointed district.

Miller, as committee chairman, has expressed appreciation of those subscribing to the fund and also the group of men assisting Old Santa in handing out the treats. Names of all these are not available, but special thanks is due Virgil Tolliver for furnishing a truck to haul the treats and Santa to the usual place of distribution at the southwest corner of the square when another truck and driver which had been arranged for was otherwise engaged.

Sheriff Jess Swink and Constable McBee were also present to maintain order should their services be required.

In conclusion it should be emphasized that the whole pre-holiday program was entirely harmonious and received the widest possible general co-operation, resulting in an effort of which Wheeler may justly be proud.

MR. AND MRS. BEENE HAVE CHILDREN HOME CHRISTMAS

Atty. and Mrs. D. O. Beene had all of their children home for Christmas Day.

They are Mr. and Mrs. Pat Beene and daughter, Patricia Ann, Andrews; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Scott and children, Glenda and Bryan, Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Penick and daughter, Suzan, Lindrith, N. Mex.

The guests left today for their respective homes.

LOCAL MEN DRILL LOTS OF WELLS IN YEAR

J. F. Carter and Tom Crossland, Wheeler well drilling partnership, have just checked up on their year's work and ascertained they have drilled a total of 52 water wells. Of course these men wouldn't think of that angle while putting down tubes to aqua pura, but just think of the number of post holes that many wells would make, if cut up in the right lengths.

Well-Known Wheeler Lady Dies Wednesday

Mrs. A. J. Beasley, Resident Here 29 Years, Passes Away After Brief Fatal Illness

Wheeler lost another pioneer woman resident Wednesday, when Mrs. A. J. Beasley, 91, passed away following a brief serious illness. Although enfeebled by age, Mrs. Beasley had been able to care for herself and attend to limited household duties until her final illness. Stricken Sunday, passing into coma, she was removed Monday to the hospital where she passed away without regaining consciousness at 3 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Lettie Ann Vice was born at Newtonville, Ala., June 15, 1849, and died at Wheeler, Texas, Dec. 25, 1940, at the age of 91 years, six months and 10 days.

On Jan. 6, 1887, she was united in marriage with A. J. Beasley and to them were born two children, Colvin Beasley of Brownwood and Clarence Beasley of Wheeler, both of whom survive. The husband and father died here Feb. 2, 1934. Besides her two sons, Mrs. Beasley is survived by four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The deceased, who enjoyed a wide acquaintance, came to Wheeler with her family 29 years ago and had since lived here. She was a devoted Christian woman of splendid character whom her friends deemed it a real privilege to know and love.

Funeral services were conducted from the Church of Christ Thursday afternoon by the pastor, J. C. Stepp, assisted by Taft Holloway, former Baptist pastor here, who sang a solo. Flower bearers were Mesdames Millard Brown, H. E. Nicholson, O. O. Sandifer, Chas. Sandifer, Vera Tucker and Loyd Bolton. The pall bearers were S. D. Conwell, H. E. Young, Marl Jaco, Homer Pitcock, O. Nations and A. B. Crump.

Interment was made in the Wheeler cemetery under direction of the Hunt Funeral Home.

APPRECIATION DAY GROUP REPORTS THREE SESSIONS

As previously announced, the Wheeler Appreciation Day association has held three sessions in as many recent days. According to reports by C. J. Meek, secretary of the organization, the dates and dividends were as follows:

Saturday—Clois Jolly, 20% token, \$40.00.

Monday—Artie Lee Hunt, 20% token, \$32.00.

Tuesday—J. E. George, 5% token, \$6.40.

Another Appreciation Day session will be held on Saturday of this week at the usual time, 4 o'clock in the afternoon. All members urged to be present.

DAUGHTER-IN-LAW OF MRS. WILSON DIES LAST SUNDAY

Mrs. Susie Wilson of Marlow, Okla., who arrived Saturday evening to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Pendleton, and family northeast of town, received a sad message at 9 o'clock Sunday night announcing the death of her son's wife, Mrs. W. O. Wilson, at Electra.

Mrs. I. M. Passons and son, James, took Mrs. Wilson to Childress to catch an early Monday morning bus for Electra, where funeral services for her daughter-in-law were conducted and interment made that afternoon.

WHEELER-GROWN TOMATOES AT CHRISTMAS TIME!

It does sound like a mistake, we'll admit, but nevertheless the fruit is on display in The Times window. Judge A. C. Wood brought in three nicely-colored ripe tomatoes Saturday, declaring they were grown in his garden this year. He explained, however, that the plants bearing these tomatoes were taken indoors before killing frost, the fruit picked off and ripened after being wrapped in paper and placed in a box where they remained cool without danger of freezing.

Coordinating Council Will Hear Specialist

Federal Animal Industry Bureau Expert to Address Meeting Next Monday Night

Announcement has just been made of an additional interesting feature of the Wheeler County Coordinating Council meeting in the district court room at the court house here next Monday night, Dec. 30, by Mrs. Paul W. Stauffer, chairman of the organization.

Mrs. Stauffer says that in response to numerous requests by interested persons, a representative of the Federal Bureau of Animal Industry will discuss "Bangs' Disease Among Cattle." This subject should harmonize nicely with a talk by Dr. Paul Zeigler on undulant fever, widely accepted as a human manifestation of Bangs' disease.

Remainder of Monday night's program embraces the same topics and activities as stated in an article published by The Times last week. Among these are:

A report by Mrs. J. M. Porter, Health committee chairman, on how that activity is functioning in other Texas counties.

An outline of information obtained by an investigating committee concerning prospects for a county WPA library, by Joe Cooley, secretary-manager of the Shamrock chamber of commerce.

Accomplishments of the council during the past year will be included with reports submitted by its officers.

Election of officers and appointment of standing committee chairmen is also a number on the evening's program.

Special news emphasis has been requested by the chairman on two points: First, all county organizations heretofore working with the coordinating council and all others who may care to do so, are urged to have designated or accredited representatives at next Monday night's meeting, prepared to take part in the proceedings.

Second, the general public is cordially invited to attend and learn at first hand of the council's achievements, its program and objectives, thus becoming qualified to intelligently offer suggestions and assistance in shaping its future policies.

New Planning Policy Advocated for Texas

Would Encourage Efficient Use of and Conserving Agricultural Resources of State

A policy for encouraging and planning efficient use and conservation of all the state's agricultural resources was adopted by the State Land Use Planning committee at its recent meeting held in Mineral Wells.

The policy was approved "to the end that people engaged in agriculture in the state may have opportunity to provide for themselves a standard of living comparable with that available to persons engaged in other occupations," according to Director H. H. Williamson, director of the Texas A. and M. College Extension service, who is chairman of the committee.

Use of the state's resources without waste or unnecessary depletion is advocated in the new general policy which will be supplemented with statements of policy on water resources, wildlife and forestry—all supported by scientific investigations.

All of the policies are sufficiently general in nature to be applied in any of the 18 type-of-farming areas in Texas. They were framed by a sub-committee headed by E. O. Sieck, director of the Texas Forestry service.

Farm and ranch people representing various sections of the state on the committee assured agencies representatives at the meeting that rural people are willing to spend time making recommendations for sound land use practices if they are assured governmental agencies will assist in carrying out these recommendations.

Through the 252 county land use planning committees functioning in Texas and the numerous community committees, Texas farm and ranch people have learned about many ways farm people can help themselves, the committee was told.

MRS. I. B. LEE HOSTESS AT FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mrs. I. B. Lee had for Christmas dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Lee and daughters, Lonnell and Shara Gale; Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Lee and children, Harold Loyd and Nancy; Mrs. Artie Lee Hunt and daughter, Miss Maurine, and Miss Emily Lou, Junior and Dolores Ahler.

County Ginnings Take Big Drop in December

Special Agent's Report Shows 210 Fewer Bales on Dec. 15 than Same Date Last Year

Wheeler county cotton ginnings took a sharp drop in December, according to reports received by The Times from J. D. Walker of Shamrock, special agent with the bureau of the census, department of commerce. The greatest decline so far reported occurred between Dec. 1 and 15.

County ginnings for most of the season had held a lead—much of the time quite substantial—over that of last year. Even Walker's Dec. 1 report shows 7,774 bales ginned to that date from the 1940 crop, as compared with 7,389 from the crop of 1939, a lead of 385 bales. The Dec. 1 report was released on Dec. 12.

In unpleasant contrast comes the Dec. 15 report, released Dec. 22. It shows 8,750 bales from this year's crop as against 8,960 bales to the same date in 1939, a loss of 210 bales for this year.

Inquiry at the two Wheeler gins, today, Dec. 26, revealed a total of 1,011 bales ginned here to date. Figures of last year are not at hand for comparison, but this area undoubtedly shares in the county loss.

Inclement weather, with snow, sleet and ice early in December greatly hampered outdoor activities and farm work, such as cotton picking or boll pulling, especially. The loss in ginning, with a crop generally considered superior to that of 1939, is largely due to the bad weather mentioned.

Some cotton still remains to be gathered, but just how much is hard to say at this time. The same unfavorable conditions which hampered harvest also lowered quality of the cotton.

Truck Service Moves Much Texas Products

No Subsidy to Motor Trucks, Which Pay Heavy Road Cost, Says Association Manager

Uncle Sam himself has laid to rest the trumped-up story of subsidized motor trucks, with a report showing highway transportation as the only form of transportation paying more than its share of construction and maintenance cost, Lynn B. Shaw, general manager of the Texas Motor Transportation association, has just declared after a study of transportation subsidies.

Shaw said that of the four kinds of transportation available to the public: airlines, waterways, railroads and highways, motor transport is the only kind not subsidized. "Not only is highway transportation out of the subsidy list," he said, "but it is making a yearly over-payment far in excess of one hundred million dollars."

Also revealed was the fact that while taxes on motor vehicles have increased 48 per cent in the last 10 years, actual car operating costs have decreased 50 per cent since 1926 because of better roads, improved motor vehicles, tires and fuel.

Relying most heavily upon the motor truck in Texas is the farmer, who uses this mode of transportation to get 27 per cent of his butter to market, 39 per cent of his eggs, 65 per cent of live poultry, 40 per cent of fruit and vegetables, 62 per cent of cattle and 68 per cent of hogs.

Christmas Party for Light Company Folks

A delightful Christmas party was enjoyed last Friday night in the Methodist church basement by some Panhandle Power & Light company officials and their families from Borger and a number of company employes and families of this area. It was the second annual gathering of its kind at Wheeler.

Features of the evening's entertainment were a delicious turkey dinner, a tree, Santa Claus, treats and gift exchange. The company finances the banquet and treats and small gifts for the children up to 12 years old. In addition, the adults bring gifts and have an exchange. An informal program was presented.

Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Will Leslie and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Nelson and children, Borger; Mr. and Mrs. Watson Burgess and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cooper, Lefors. Some 10 couples and children were present from Jowett and these, together with the Wheeler employes and their families, all of whose names are not available, completed the group.

Christmas past; New Year's soon.

ALLISON YOUTHS CHARGED WITH MERCHANDISE THEFT

Some merchandise, stolen last Thursday night from the Cicero Smith Lumber company at Allison, has been recovered by Sheriff Jess Swink, that officer announced yesterday.

The sheriff stated that two Allison boys, each about 15 years old, were arrested and charged with the crime and later released on their own recognizance to appear in county court for hearing in the matter.

Regional Song Meet at Shamrock Dec. 29

Four-County Association to Hold All-Day Session Starting at 10 A. M. Next Sunday

Preparations are being made for an attendance of 1,500 or more song lovers of this region who are expected to gather at the Clark auditorium in Shamrock next Sunday, Dec. 29, for the quarterly convention of the Four-County Singing association, announces E. J. Cooper of the Davis community, president of the organization.

The Four-County Singing association, composed of Wheeler and Gray counties in Texas and Beckham and Harmon counties in Oklahoma, was formed slightly more than a year ago and this will be its second convention at Shamrock.

Class singing and special arrangements will afford variety in the all-day program, which starts at 10 o'clock Sunday morning and continues until 4 that afternoon.

Many singers from the four counties are expected to attend, as well as several from Hemphill and Grady counties. The Stamps-Baxter quartet has been invited and will in all probability be present.

President Cooper has requested persons who have "Sacred Harp" song books to please bring them to this meeting. These books were published many years ago and have not been used for a long time, and many singers have expressed a desire to revive some of the old-time selections which were once quite popular.

District Court Ends Fall Term Tuesday

According to previous announcement District Judge W. R. Ewing, about noon Tuesday, pronounced final adjournment of the autumn term of district court which opened a seven-weeks schedule on Nov. 11.

With only a light docket, in both civil and criminal divisions, little of public interest transpired during the session. But few petit juries saw service, and the grand jury's findings were comparatively few in number and of minor consequence from a criminal standpoint.

The next term of district court here will be held in April.

Deadline for Parity Applications Dec. 31

With only a few thousand cotton parity payment applications not yet signed by co-operating farmers, AAA officials this week reminded cotton growers that Dec. 31 is the final date to file applications for parity payments.

To date, 333,208 out of an anticipated 350,000 applications for parity payments have been received, Romeo M. Korth, state AAA committeeman and Karnes county farmer, announced. Payments totaling \$23,830,812 already have been made on 328,213 of the applications.

Approximately half of the anticipated 405,000 conservation payment applications have been received in the state office, Korth said, and payment has been made on 114,444, totaling \$16,414,041. Deadline for filing conservation payment applications is March 31. Under the range conservation program, \$1,655,499 has been paid on 5,505 applications.

No extension of the Dec. 31 deadline will be made, the state committeeman declared, urging that all who are eligible for payment sign their applications as soon as possible.

LAND USE COMMITTEES MAY AID COUNTY DRAFT BOARDS

Services of county agricultural land use planning committees in Texas are being offered to county selective boards.

Assistance of these local committees has been suggested by Director H. H. Williamson of the A. and M. College Extension service who is chairman of the state land use planning committee. The request has been also endorsed by the secretary of agriculture, the federal extension director, the director of the national selective service system and Governor W. Lee O'Daniel.

Road Signs Placed Near Blind Corner

Warning Markers Helpful at Highway Intersection but Lights Still Needed There

Following a vigorous campaign prosecuted by this paper with the sanction and support of numerous interested local citizens, some traffic protective measures have been installed at Wheeler's "blind corner," intersection of Highways 83 and 152 at the northeast corner of the square.

Stop signs have been erected at either side of the intersection on 152, the east and west road, and "slow" and "crossing" signs on 83, north and south of the crossing.

Placing of the signs is a step toward safeguarding traffic at this point and should be of material help. No one will deny this. But these roadside signs are not enough, say responsible persons familiar with travel over the two roads.

Taking into account the volume of travel, plus "peak" loads, it is the honest conviction of qualified observers that traffic lights are not only desirable but highly essential for adequate protection of the traveling public. In comparison with other towns and similar highway situations, this contention appears reasonable and logical and The Times heartily concurs and pledges its support to the project.

At the moment, there is little if any disposition by this journal or private citizens to "demand" installation of lights. Sentiment appears to favor more subtle methods of obtaining this favor; through showing proper highway officials the need for control light signals, either of the stop variety or of definite warning nature.

Because of its situation and surroundings, the crossing can be fairly termed a "blind corner." Buildings adjacent to the thoroughfare opposite the square and for some distance east from the intersection on Highway 152, together with the built-up terrace nature of the court house yard itself, greatly reduce visibility of traffic approaching the corner. The straight-away character of 83 with no traffic or other officers evident, is conducive to excessive and dangerous speeds.

A recent collision at the corner, when a car driven by H. M. Wiley, local man, and a Nebraska produce truck came together, crystallized dormant and indifferent sentiment toward seeking safety facilities designed to discourage future accidents of that kind. This particular crash was the most spectacular of a long series occurring at the corner, none of which—very fortunately—have resulted in loss of life.

Granting that no kind of device can positively eliminate all accidents, yet it is an accepted fact that proper measures can greatly reduce the hazards. When other places apparently no worse than this corner are seen to have warning lights, it seems only fair and reasonable to continue an appeal to the state highway department to so protect both local and foreign travel through Wheeler, most of which passes this "blind corner."

A. R. Meek Closes Deal for Hathaway Farm

Completion of a deal occurred here Monday in which A. R. Meek was purchaser of the Mrs. T. H. Hathaway farm, situated a mile north of the Jowett Power Station, northwest of Wheeler. The tract consists of 200 acres of land, with good improvements. Consideration was \$5,000.

Meek leased the property some two months ago with an idea at the time of purchasing it if satisfactory arrangements could be made. It will be remembered that the Meek farmstead, comprising a section of land located about five miles north of here, was sold last September to Mrs. Kathleen M. Blasdel of Amarillo. A son, Sherwood, has been residing on the farm.

Following the sale, Mr. and Mrs. Meek made a brief trip to Southern California. Upon their return, they continued to reside (by mutual agreement) in one set of improvements on the old home place.

They expect to move to the new purchase about Jan. 1.

WHEELER COMMUNITY MAN'S FATHER PASSES ON DEC. 19

H. J. George, 80, father of J. E. George who lives two miles south of here, passed away Thursday, Dec. 19, at the family home near Midway, 10 miles east of Hillsboro, where the aged man had resided for 75 years. J. E. George and J. R. Brown of Shamrock, brother-in-law of the deceased, attended the funeral the latter part of last week.

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WHEN THE PEOPLE KNOW

Possibly congressmen and some others are slightly premature in proposing laws to punish the business that lags in producing essential war material or to punish the labor union that terminates production by an abrupt strike.

Often an aroused and indignant public opinion will reach the people who are almost outside the pale of statutory regulations. Let the people know just what business is lagging or what union is impeding progress and the ensuing indignation frequently will obtain results that are beyond the punitive reach of any written law.

It was so in the grim but united days of the World War. Then the people forgot all about punitive laws. Usually they had no need for such laws. In the first place, it was nearly a universal pleasure to keep step with the other fellow in a resistless drive for national preparedness and national victory. In the second place, the naturally timid had no stomach for lagging since they knew that an aroused public would not tolerate lagging.

It is vastly different now, it must be conceded. The people are not aroused to the imminence of grave national dangers as they were in 1917. They are not wholly convinced that such a condition actually exists. They have been bombarded with a mass of fact all but smothered under a much greater mass of propaganda; there is too much political demagoguery for the medium of truth to carry conviction. They want proof of the alleged impending crisis. Therefore, much of the unity and fighting spirit that characterized the patriotic zeal of World War days is lacking.

Too many people still remember the sick phrase: "Make the world safe for democracy," which proved only to be sick.

But let them become convinced of a genuine danger and their lines will fuse and unity as they did when the fighting forces were moving to France. Then let them know that some business is slacking or that some union is a hindrance, and their indignation will accomplish more than mere statutory laws ever could do. For with all our freedom, America has never been a very healthy place for those who opposed the public interest at a time of real public peril.

It is more than possible that the people need more honest, frank enlightenment and not quite so many laws.

LEGISLATIVE PROBLEMS

The Texas Weekly has compiled a list of the measures most likely to come before the 47th Texas legislature and finds that there are practically no new matters in prospect. The list is a long one, but almost all the items on it have figured in the work of one or more previous sessions.

The list includes the vexatious revenue problem and its sub-problems of sales tax, pension payments, teacher pensions; the truck load limit; legalization of race track betting; legalization of by-the-drink liquor sales; abolition of the department of agriculture; creation of a new commission to regulate oil; the so-called fair trade law.

Legislative labors will center

ROGUE THEATRE

BILL BOYD
as
HOP-A-LONG CASSIDY
in
HIDDEN GOLD

"Hoppy" and "Lucky" return in another top-notch western!
Fri.-Sat. Dec. 27-28 Sat. Mat.

Tyrone Linda
POWER DARNELL
in

The Mark of Zorro
A story of California in its early days
—romance—love—adventure!
Pre.-Sun.-Mon. Dec. 28-29-30

Dick Joan
POWELL BLONDELL
in

I Want a Divorce
A sparkling new show that
will please everyone!
Wednesday Jan. 1-2 Thursday

SEASON'S GREETINGS!



Pertinent Paragraphs from Panhandle Press

Items of interest culled from newspapers on The Times' exchange list.

That Hall county will not issue \$500,000 in road bonds was decided last Saturday by county taxpayers when only 60 per cent of the voters cast their ballots for the passage of the bond issue. A two-thirds affirmative vote was necessary for the passage of the bonds. Only 541 votes of an estimated possible two thousand were cast. Of these 325 were in favor of the issue and 216 were on the negative side. With 216 in opposition, an affirmative vote of 432 would have been needed to carry the election.—Memphis Democrat.

The trouble with the American school system today is that there is too much stress on "white collar" jobs and not enough learning how to bring home the bacon. Statistics show that most big business executives rise from the shops and the operating departments, not the book-keeping and clerical desks. Book learning is fine but mix it up with skill with the hands and plenty of good old common "gumption" if you want to get ahead in this age.—Ochiltree County Herald.

Seven registered Jersey bulls, previously bought for this county, along with 20 registered Jersey heifers, have been received and distributed among farmers, W. K. Cottingham, county agent, stated Monday evening. Six of the bulls and 19 of the heifers came from the Hodgkins dairy at Fort Worth, the highest producing dairy herd in the state.—Wellington Leader.

Early Friday morning an oil truck from Follett was passing through Miami headed west, and in trying to avoid hitting the car driven by Tom Morris, who was making a U-turn at the intersection of Commercial and Mobeetie streets, the truck skidded into the pickup truck used by the H. & H. grocery for deliveries, and a practically new gray Chevrolet owned by R. E. Webster which were parked in front of the store.—Miami Chief.

The annual Greenbelt Poultry show will be held on Jan. 16, 17 and 18, 1941, according to J. R. Gillham, adviser of the local F. F. A. chapter which will aid the chamber of commerce as joint sponsors of the annual show. The Greenbelt is generally recognized as the largest sectional poultry show in this portion of the state. Sixty-three exhibitors exhibited 551 top birds in the 1940 show, and officials of the show expect this year's showing to be the best in the history of the event.—Donley County Leader.

Deaf Smith county vote was unanimous in favor of continuing the cotton marketing quota plan for another year. However, only two cotton raisers voted in the election held recently.—Hereford Brand.

The subject before the class was "The Cow." The teacher asked the class about the uses to which the parts of the dead animal were put, when it was brought out that the flesh was eaten, and from the hide leather for boots and shoes was made.

"And what do we make out of the horns?" the teacher queried. Up shot the hand of a small boy. "Well, what is it, my boy?" "Hornaments, sir."

The Hemphill County Commissioners' court has passed a resolution endorsing for appointment to the State Highway commission W. L. Boyles of Panhandle, it was announced this week. Judge E. C. Fisher and Commissioner Jess Lindley attended a meeting in Pampa Tuesday, boosting for Boyles' appointment by Governor W. Lee O'Daniel. Boyles, if appointed, will take the place to be left vacant Feb. 15, by Harry Hines.—Canadian Record.

A Missouri man tried to shoot his wife because she wouldn't return to him. It didn't help the situation any.—Paducah Post.

Sheriff M. E. Cantrell left Tuesday for Lincoln, Neb., to bring back Jim Thomas for trial on charge of bank robbery on Jan. 10, 1931. Thomas was indicted in connection with robbing the First National Bank in Canyon. Thomas has been in the Nebraska penitentiary for several years on a robbery charge. He will be tried on the charge in the January term of district court.—Canyon News.

Clarendon citizens who usually quit work when the noon whistle blows may have worked a few minutes overtime last Friday and Saturday before they realized their usual "stop-work" signal had failed them. The reason: the whistle had frozen up, and couldn't be blown. "Rusty" Gibson, who usually does the blowing, said that the whistle froze up a couple of times last year, but he'd do his best to keep it blowing the rest of the winter.—Clarendon News.

The time is drawing near when the people of Briscoe county will vote on the question as to whether the commissioners court will be authorized to issue bonds in the amount of \$180,000.00 or so much thereof as is needed for the purpose of completing highways No. 86 and No. 207. The question is directly up to the people to decide and it is hoped that each taxpayer will inform himself on the question so that his vote will truly express his sentiments in the matter.—Quitaque Post.

Lemon Juice Recipe Checks Rheumatic Pain Quickly

If you suffer from rheumatic, arthritis or neuritis pain, try this simple inexpensive home recipe that thousands are using. Get a package of Ru-Ex Compound today. Mix it with a quart of water, add the juice of 4 lemons. It's easy. No trouble at all and pleasant. You need only 2 tablespoonsful two times a day. Often within 48 hours—sometimes overnight—splendid results are obtained. If the pains do not quickly leave and if you do not feel better, Ru-Ex will cost you nothing to try as it is sold by your druggist under an absolute money-back guarantee. Ru-Ex Compound is for sale and recommended by

McDowell Drug Co.

Merry Christmas to All



AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Valuable assets cannot all be shown in figures. Among our most valued assets are the goodwill and friendship of patrons. The spirit of the season brings us renewed appreciation of old associations and the value of new friends. May you find the New Year of 1941 a very happy and prosperous one.

WHEELER GAS COMPANY

WHEELER, TEXAS

New Year's Greetings



It is with a great degree of pleasure that we present to our patrons of Wheeler and Wheeler county GREETINGS of the Season, and wish to tender our sincere thanks to each of you for your patronage given us during 1940 and we sincerely solicit a continuation of same during the New Year—1941.

To those who are not using our service we suggest that you place a telephone in your home or business house, and note the saving of TIME, many STEPS, MONEY, etc. After you try the convenience of a phone for a few months, you will not be without one.

With kindest regards and best wishes for a very prosperous and Happy New Year, we are, most cordially,

Southwestern Associated Telephone Company

Wheeler

Texas

Local News

Mrs. A. B. Crump and Garrison spent Monday with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Damarson, David, of Lefors were on Tuesday shopping and

Grainger McIlhany of spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. M. M. family.

Geoff McCrohan and Finsterwald and Rosa E. Rillo spent the week end with relatives and friends.

Miss Tommie Barton, daughter of Mrs. Barton, spent the week end with relatives during the holidays.

Mrs. T. P. Morton of Oklahoma City tomas with her daughter, Usery and Mrs. Ben other relatives.

Miss Marthalsy Wilk at T. S. C. W. at Denton Sunday to spend the her parents, Mr. and Wiley, and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Clovis, N. Mex., came spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. D. E. H. relatives, returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray, Monday to Shaw spend Christmas week ends, Mr. and Mrs. W. sisters, Misses Eunice

Miss Ruth Barr and Lula Barr, of Oklahoma Sunday to spend the C tion with their parents J. W. Barr, and other

Mr. and Mrs. Albert, Monday to Lov spent the day with husband, Mr. and L. peck, and daughter, J. ing that night.

Mr. and Mrs. Gore, children and Miss B turned home Monday. Kans., where Mrs. St a major operation. trip home nicely.

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Local News Items

Mrs. A. B. Crump and Mrs. H. J. Garrison spent Monday in Shamrock with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Damaris Holt and son, David, of Lefors were in Wheeler Tuesday shopping and visiting.

Grainger McIlhany of Pampa is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. McIlhany, and family.

Geoff McCrohan and Misses Betty Finsterwald and Rosa Byrd of Amarillo spent the week end in Wheeler with relatives and friends.

Miss Tommye Barton went to Wellington Saturday to visit with her mother, Mrs. Ruth Barton, and other relatives during the holidays.

Mrs. T. P. Morton left Saturday for Oklahoma City to spend Christmas with her daughters, Mrs. Perry Ussery and Mrs. Ben Benham, and other relatives.

Miss Marthalys Wiley, a student at T. S. C. W. at Denton, came home Sunday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wiley, and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Render of Clovis, N. Mex., came Tuesday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Holt, and other relatives, returning home today.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Fuquay motored Monday to Shawnee, Okla., to spend Christmas week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Short, and sisters, Misses Eunice and Jaxie.

Miss Ruth Barr and sister, Miss Lula Barr, of Oklahoma City came Sunday to spend the Christmas vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Barr, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hayter motored Sunday to Iowa Park and spent the day with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Coppock, and daughter, Jo Ann, returning that night.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stiles and children and Miss Beth Stiles returned home Monday from Halstead, Kans., where Mrs. Stiles underwent a major operation. She stood the trip home nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Dirickson of Matador came Sunday to visit her parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Lem Guthrie, and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Guthrie and son, Marion Lee. They returned home Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Miller and son, Bill, and Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Porter motored Sunday to Elk City, Okla., and spent the day with the former's mother and sister, Mrs. H. E. Miller, and Mrs. R. H. Cailloutte and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Williams and children, Carter and Careta, of Torrance, N. Mex., came Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Williams, and family and Mr. and Mrs. John Breedlove at Wellington.

Mr. and Mrs. Worth Beal and daughters, Patsy and Priscilla, of Austin came Monday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Miller, and family and Mr. Beal's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Al Watson, and daughter, DeLores, Pampa.

Joe Meek and Miss Mary Eunice Noah motored Friday night to Dallas where Mr. Meek was a house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde W. Hurt and daughter, Miss Sue, while Miss Noah spent the week end in Fort Worth with her aunt and uncle, Mrs. Ann Spencer and children and R. A. and Onie Noah. They returned home Sunday night.

**THE LION'S ECHO
KELTON SCHOOL NEWS**

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New Year's Day

The celebration of New Year's Day began as early as 3000 B. C. The Jews, the Egyptians, the Chinese, the Romans, and the Mohammedans all regarded this day as a day of special interest. The New Year celebrations in these different countries were on different days. This day was the first day of the month named after Janus, the god of beginnings. The Jews still celebrate New Year's Day near the first of September; the Chinese between Jan. 21 and Feb. 19, and the English have celebrated Jan. 1 as New Year's Day since 1752.

The early fathers of the country forbade any festive celebration and declared that certain day should be a day of prayer, fasting and humiliation. From as early as can be remembered, gifts have been exchanged on New Year's Day along with the fasting of olden times.

The writers of the Roman Empire described other observances, such as masquerading and feasting. These characterize the modern day celebration.

In many places, the New Year is celebrated with the tolling of church bells, whistles blowing, and any other thing to make noise. These noises occur at midnight, thus ringing out the old year and ringing in the new. This custom is still observed in the United States. Some religious groups celebrate the night before the New Year begins, in watching.

In our modern age, when the old year goes out and the New Year comes in bells toll, whistles blow, parties are at their fullest, and the whole nation celebrates in jubilant style.—IMOGENE BURRELL.

High School Honor Roll

Seniors: A's—J. D. Henderson, A's and B's—Evelyn Mason, Marvella Wallis, Francine Reed, Donald Carmon, Tom Price.

Juniors: A's—Celestial Lister, A's and B's—Louise Hembree, Gracie Mae Krug, Myrtle Krug.

Sophomores: A's—Stella Mae Lister, Marie Worley, A's and B's—Carol Killingsworth, Benita Mae Armstrong, B's—Dealva Austin.

Freshmen: A's—Theresa Pitcock, A's and B's—Bettie Jean Gipson, Joyce Killingsworth.

Senior Play

The senior class selected "No Foolin'" as the play which they will present Jan. 19. The following characters have been selected: Dinah, Marvella Wallis; Mr. Burton, J. D. Henderson; Prunella, Grace Garner; Joan, Norma Dee Robertson; Hal Merrick, Max Britt; Mrs. Merrick, Frankie Beaty; Gail, Evelyn Mason; Molly, La Verna Williamson; Malcolm, Donald Carmon; Frank, Weldon Armstrong; Tom, Bryan Burks; Lupe, Francine Reed; Phillip, Alvia Kenney; Mr. Beach, Tom Price.

No Foolin' is a comedy in three scenes. It is centered around a new city law that requires couples found conversing in the city park after 10 p. m. to marry. The senior class is already working on this fast moving comedy and they plan to make it well worth your time and admission.

Homemaking News

Kappa Theta Sigma held its regular meeting Dec. 12 in the homemaking department. A cup towel shower was given to the department, which received many lovely cup towels. Chocolate and popcorn-balls were served as refreshments.

The program was centered around Christmas. An interesting speech was made by Imogene Burrell on wrapping Christmas gifts. Joyce Killingsworth made a talk about gifts for children. "Sitting the Gift to the Person" was the theme of Juliette Richardson's speech. Through the comparison of two Christmas shoppers, Marie Worley explained how we could rate ourselves as Christmas shoppers.

Kappa Theta Sigma's next meeting will be held Dec. 19. The annual supper was served to the Kelton board members Dec. 18 at 7 o'clock. The homemaking department planned and served the meal. Christmas colors were carried out in the scenery. Sticks of peppermint candy wrapped in cellophane was used as table favors. The meal was served informally.

Before entering the room in which the meal was served the members were served spiced cocktail. Trustees served were A. A. Holcomb, L. T. Davis, T. J. Austin, Henry Hink, A. B. Pond and John Baird.

Senior News

The seniors are very pleased with their selection of No Foolin' as their senior play, because it is the best ever to be selected. It is very interesting, full of laughs, and we hope everyone will like it as well as we do.

We wonder why some of the seniors were making all kinds of faces last Friday. Could they have been imitating some of the proofs they had received of their pictures? All of the seniors have been wondering where Weldon Armstrong learned all of those great long words he uses. Which was it, Weldon, Webster's Dictionary or Wild West stories?

Junior "Scribbles"

The juniors have ordered their play books named "Aunt Samantha Rules the Roost." We hope it is as good as it sounds.

Did you know Leona was terribly down-hearted; she found out that E. M., her latest flame, was leaving the first of the year.

Hi Seeds is certainly losing points in English class with his talking. Celestial may have the big head over the mistake in the last issue of Kelton News. It was supposed to be "She was getting to be class beauty" instead of "She is."

We wonder what Loyd will do since the skating rink has left Shamrock.

There will be four girls left out of the junior play. Some of the girls are getting nervous for fear they will be the unlucky ones.

Everyone (almost) certainly has a relieved look on their face since six weeks tests are over.

Say, Juanita Garner is really flying her colors this week. We think a certain T. M. is in sight. That right, Juanita?

Marie is really getting her English III. Is it the person sitting in front of you, behind you, or across the aisle causing all this?

I wonder if Mr. Allen ever gets tired of a couple of junior girls giggling in the hall and trying so hard to talk and not get the teacher's attention.

Freshman News

We are all relieved that examination week is over and everyone made a good grade, too.

It seems Miss Traweck is having a bit of trouble teaching the girls to make yarn dolls and necklaces. Better luck next time, Jane.

The freshman girls have been cooking in home economics for the last two weeks. We are all going to be good cooks some day.

Annabel says she went into a department store the other day, and there was an immense crowd. She finally had to crawl upon the counter to get her breath. When asked what happened then, she replied, "Oh, I was sold for \$1.98 before I could get down again."

PERSONALITIES

Senior

Name—Weldon Armstrong. Age—16. Years in K. H. S.—4. Favorite Subject—None. Favorite Actress—Vivien Leigh. Favorite Actor—Henry Fonda. Favorite Sport—Tennis. Ambition—Study Law.

Junior

Name—Edward Poole. Age—15. Years in K. H. S.—2. Favorite Subject—History. Favorite Actress—Ginger Rogers. Favorite Actor—James Cagney. Favorite Sport—Football. Ambition—Civil engineer.

Grade School News

Eugene Mooney has been absent from school this week because of illness.

Mrs. C. C. Brown has been absent from school the past two weeks, due to illness. Miss Rena Johnson has been teaching in her place.

The four lower grades gave a Christmas program Friday afternoon for the entire school.

Those in the third grade making the A honor roll for the second six weeks were: Juanel Anglin and Bettie Rae Bullock. Those making the B honor roll were: Alfred Richmond, Cuelin Robertson, Lindon Sanders, Charlie Blevins and Barbara Nell Frye.

In the fourth grade, Dorotta Nell Mason made the A honor roll. On the B honor roll were: Bettie Brittain, Patricia Pitcock, Finis Harris and Joe Garner.

Bettie Rae Bullock had her tonsils removed last week, but was back in school again this week.

Corky Robertson said he was home entertaining relatives Wednesday and Thursday and killing hogs.

Bobbie Calote, Dave Vinson and Harold Gene Harris are back in school after a long absence.

The third grade is sorry to lose E. G. Mitchell, who checked out Friday.

Sam Britt has been absent from school the past few days on account of illness. Junior and Louise Crafton have withdrawn from school to enter school at Wheeler. We wish them much success there.

Ray Keelin has been visiting in East Texas this week. Elwanda Simmons and Ray Keelin are to receive prizes for having been elected the best citizens in their room the most times the first three months of school.

**Best Wishes for a
Happy and Prosperous
NEW YEAR**



ERNEST LEE HARDWARE

Sports

The Kelton teams were victorious in an invasion of the Briscoe gym last Thursday night, Dec. 19. The girls defeated their opponents with a score of 19 to 8. The boys won by a 16 to 9 margin.

This makes the fourth game for the Kelton teams and they have their chart of losses clear.

Fads and Fashions

The most exciting fad is the wearing of yarn dolls and corn necklaces. They bring out the colors that are developed in the wearing of the garment. They make attractive gifts for Christmas.

The girls seem to be wearing skirts and sweaters or blouses; also, jackets. They make a street costume, and also make an attractive school costume.

The knee socks are getting to be a fad in both school and street wear. The small girls wear them to protect their legs and reduce the danger of them taking a cold.—VERNA MAE PITCOCK.

Can You Imagine—

Weldon A. carrying his play book around with him all the time? Some of the English III students losing their notebooks?

Everyone making pretty good grades on all his tests? Glen Rives sitting in his seat correctly?

Thomas Joiner ever studying? You can't go on that way, Thomas.

Loyd Kenney making 94 on his geometry test? What's wrong Loyd? Max Britt ever getting his geometry paper in on time?

Berniece J. without Juliette on her coat tail? La Verne without a typewriter? Darlene Gaines ever liking anyone except B. W. W.? Well, we've heard she does.

Lonnie Lee Kenney not getting a dozen notes each day? Loyd Kenney wearing his hair straight? (Someone gave him a cute little curl).

Lois Fitch wanting a diamond ring for Christmas? (What's up, Lois?) Juanita Garner ever keeping her head still? Especially when she is talking.

Berniece saying she was not so dumb as she looked? Mr. Brawley whistling "You Are My Sunshine," all by himself, too.

Too Many Physically Unfit for Army Duty

"The results of the examination in connection with the World War draft disclosed that a general average of 32 per cent of the young men in this country at that time were either temporarily or permanently unfit for active service.

"While those being called before medical boards under the present selective service law include a greater proportion of acceptances than was the case 23 years ago, the percentage of rejects so far reported, despite the small sample from which figures to date have been obtainable, indicates that an approved physical condition is lacking in too great a proportion of the young men called," states Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer.

"If this age group, in the age bracket where the physical condition normally should be at its very best, indicates a certain amount of physical inefficiency, the question naturally arises: what is the physical status of the older men and women in America? In the present preparedness program, this query is important," Doctor Cox points out.

While there is no desire to imply that the general health of either adult America or adult Texas is unsatisfactory, there is reason to believe that, good as it may be on the average, there is room for improvement. Of course, it is not expected that physical qualifications for military service could be met by the majority of those of middle-age and beyond; nevertheless, it is not too much to ask that the best physical condition corresponding to age be attained by every one.

Barring fundamental defects and chronic conditions, the vast majority of middle-age men and women can achieve top-notch vigor, if lacking it. Moreover, it would be wise to maintain robust health not only for the zest that will be experienced, but for any eventuality that the future may bring.

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To these and to all friends everywhere, we want to admit our earnest efforts toward satisfactory service in all dealings heretofore and to pledge our utmost in maintaining the pleasant relations of days gone by as we enter upon the activities of 1941.

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Enforcement of Game Laws More Efficient

Fewer Wardens but New System and Closer Co-Operation Results in More Convictions

Although habitat improvement and restoration work with many game species are essential if Texas is to maintain its front rank in wildlife abundance, the enforcement of game and fish laws, a third vital factor, is just as essential as the other two, and reports to the executive secretary covering the recently ended fiscal year show game law violators "paid off" for their infractions to a greater extent than during the preceding year.

This was accomplished, the executive secretary pointed out, despite the fact that Texas has fewer game wardens on the job at present than was the case during the previous year.

Cause for the increase in the amount of fines collected was ascribed to the inauguration of the game warden captain system. When the game department in September, 1939, was restricted to 80 wardens, as compared to 110 formerly employed, the state was divided into six, and later into five regions, and game wardens in each were placed under supervision of a Game Warden Captain, chosen from the ranks of men then on the field force.

This step was necessary, the executive secretary explained, because with only 80 men patrolling the largest game ranges in the nation, close co-operation was the only answer to a serious problem that, in other states, is met with the hiring of many times the number of game wardens now employed in Texas.

The game warden captains during the past year have closely supervised work of game wardens in their regions, have engaged in considerable educational work, and where arrests and prosecutions were necessary, have assisted wardens in obtaining sufficient evidence.

The result has been, the executive secretary explained, that although fewer arrests were made during the last year (1,711 as compared to 1,790 the previous year) more convictions were obtained as the result of competent law enforcement, and more money was collected in fines. The past year \$25,173.29 was collected as compared to \$24,173.29 collected during the previous year.

The executive secretary emphasized that game wardens and warden captains co-operate to the fullest with biologists and game managers engaged in the technical program of game management and restoration, and, in fact, make the results of that program worthwhile by protecting game increases brought about by scientific work.

The wardens and warden captains in addition have as one of their major objectives the promotion of a friendlier feeling for wildlife, and a better understanding between landowners and sportsmen. Educational work is given first rank.

But where so-called sportsmen violate the law, enormous problems of law enforcement confront the game warden staff because of its limited personnel.

The game warden captain system appears to be a definite step in the direction of solving that problem, the executive secretary said.

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Local News Items

Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Anglin are driving a new 1941 V-8 this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Rowe and children of Pampa spent Wednesday in Wheeler with relatives.

Curtis Weeks of Dallas came last week to spend the holidays with his father, Dan Weeks, and children.

Mrs. Edith Carter was awarded a new Electric Magic Washer by the Clay Food store late last Monday afternoon.

Miss Marilyn Wiley came home today from Sugarland, where she is teaching, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wiley, and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Tolliver of Mangum, Okla., visited relatives in Wheeler Wednesday and were dinner guests of his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Tolliver.

Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Woosley and son, James, of Borger came Saturday night to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Greenhouse, and Miss Dorothy.

Mrs. Clint Wofford, Mrs. Emma Copeland, Mrs. E. A. Dillon, Mrs. Claude McMillin and Miss Minnie Mae Miller of Allison were in Wheeler Thursday of last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude S. Esslinger and sons, Kenneth and Cecil, of Roswell, N. Mex., came Sunday to spend Christmas with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Esslinger, and daughters.

Mrs. Albert Palm, Mrs. J. A. Wilson, Mrs. F. T. Monroe, William Lester and Miss Rosemary Black of Amarillo were in Wheeler today, visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Weatherly and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Bradstreet and children had for Christmas dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. E. Davee, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Keelin, Travis Bradstreet and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Cochran and son.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Black and granddaughter, Rita Merlene Leith, went to Pampa Sunday and visited Mrs. Black's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Patton, and his mother, Mrs. Mary Black, and other relatives.

Harley Mitchell of the 63rd U. S. artillery, now stationed at Fort Bliss near El Paso, came Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays with friends. Mitchell enlisted at San Pedro, Calif., and his company was moved to Ft. Bliss about three weeks ago.

Miss Alpha Gaines and sisters, Darlene and Otha, had for Sunday dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Gaines and children, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Herd and daughter, Georgia Gaye, Mr. and Mrs. Orblee Gaines and Mr. and Mrs. Buster Gaines.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazel Crowder and daughter, Jackie; H. E. Tolliver, Carlisle Robison and Miss Chelcy Bowles of Morton came Tuesday to spend Christmas with relatives. They were accompanied home today by Mrs. Robison and children, who had been here since Sunday.

Mrs. V. E. St. Clair and children, Betty, Sam and Billie, left Friday on a vacation trip to McKinney to visit her mother, Mrs. W. K. Long, and other relatives. They spent Friday night at Memphis with the former's daughter, Mrs. Harold Foxworthy, and husband where Sam is spending the week.

BOY SCOUTS AT CAMP KI-O-WAH



CAMPING—One part of the program of the Adobe Walls Council is to see that "Outing" is kept in "Scouting." Opportunity is provided at the summer camp of the council—Ki-O-Wah. Camp Ki-O-Wah is located just north of beautiful Lake Marvin in Hemphill county. This scene is of a typical troop camp on the council site. Approximately 300 boys enjoyed a profitable camping experience during the 1940 season.

WEST TEXAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PUSHES BETTER FINANCE CAMPAIGN

Regional Civic Body Seeks More Business-Like Handling of State Government

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce program and campaign for more business-like administration in the Texas state government has been taken directly to taxpayers' groups from 120 towns in the past three weeks. And the response, said WTCC Manager D. A. Barden in a statement from the Abilene headquarters, "has been gratifyingly responsive, fully up to our expectations."

The regional chamber is pushing for passage by the coming legislature of a bill covering its financial reorganization plan. The problem, the legislative remedy and the benefits expected to accrue have been explained to and discussed with taxpayers' groups in 31 regional meetings held throughout West Texas beginning Nov. 27.

The 31 meetings to date have been held under sponsorship of local chambers, joined by WTCC town directors; and the WTCC is asking the local chambers to, first, pledge support of the plan, and second, to take leadership in winning support of other community organizations. They are also asked to appoint committees to call upon their legislators, asking them to put the program through early in the session at Austin.

Need for Haste
"With the legislature's opening less than a month away, time is the all-important factor," said J. S. Bridwell, WTCC president. "We want our bill to be given the right-of-way. We want as many co-sponsors as we can get, strong blocs in the two houses, fast action in bringing about this vitally needed change in our state administrative departments. We urge all bodies concerned over the problem and believing in the soundness of this plan to at once send in their endorsements."

The bill will be introduced in the lower house by Rep. Joe Humphrey of Abilene. This new legislator majored in college in study of government. He holds a master's degree from Southern Methodist university.

The drive for better business methods in the state government will not be pushed by West Texas alone. The three regional chambers of commerce—East and South Texas as well as West Texas—are planning to "throw in" together; a united front. A joint statement to that effect was issued by their executives Dec. 2. Last week the South Texas chamber's board formally confirmed its participation, and on Dec. 17 the WTCC and ETEX presidents and managers will meet in Longview to plan future steps in the campaign.

Explanation of Plan
The reorganization bill, now being written, will provide for the continuous and responsible supervision of the state's receipts and expenditures through an executive budget. It will set up a closely thought out system for centralized purchasing of

supplies, materials and equipment; an integrated centrally controlled accounting system kept on an accrual basis; and better auditing and independent post-auditing of expenditures.

It will set up a system for closer coordination of the staff services of the state. It calls for a civil service system for state employees based on merit and competitive examination. It seeks reorganization of the state's administrative agencies, now numbering more than 100, into not more than 18 departments.

And it provides for complete information on administrative affairs to the legislature for policy-determining purposes.

Two new agencies are created under the plan. One is a governor's cabinet, an advisory board composed of the constitutionally designated executives of the state all of whom are elective officials except the secretary of state, and of the appointive departmental executives representing the major functions of the government. The bill provides that the governor will organize the cabinet and be its presiding officer.

The other new agency is a department of finance and control charged with the responsibility of carrying out the objectives of the act. By the act the commissioner heading the department will be an appointive officer, by the governor, to be confirmed by the senate.

The department will be composed of budget, personnel and purchasing divisions, also a division on reorganization and efficiency. Job of this division will be to study the constitutional duties of all state agencies; report on duplications, wastes and inefficiencies; submit plans for reorganizing and consolidating the administrative functions; and serve the legislature in an advisory capacity.

Governor and Legislature
"The very essence of the plan," said Jas. D. Hamlin, chairman of the WTCC's public expenditure commission, "is making the governor really the chief executive and giving him the machinery with which he can be a chief executive, as is very definitely prescribed in our constitution of Texas. At the same time the plan provides a sound system of checks against the misuse of executive authority by making the governor responsible to the people through the legislature, which is the other constitutionally designated policy determining agency of the state."

"Again," said Hamlin, "the plan is built within the terms of the constitution. Finally, it is not in any sense startling, revolutionary or even new. Mainly it is a composite of the best features of reorganization plans in practice in other states, notably Minnesota, Nebraska, Kentucky and Virginia. In these states inspiring results are being won, and we can do the same in Texas, in ending overlapping and duplications of effort, in checking of wasteful spending, in all around efficiency, and in tremendous savings to the taxpayers."

At the Churches

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
MURRAY FUQUAY, Pastor
Morning Services:
Sunday School—9:45 a. m.
Preaching—11:00 a. m.
Evening Services:
B. T. U.—6:30 p. m.
Preaching—7:30 p. m.
Wednesday evening service—7:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
J. C. STEPP, Minister
Sunday services:
Bible Study—10 a. m.
Preaching and Communion—11 a. m.
Young People's meeting—6:45 p. m.
Preaching—7:15 p. m.
Wednesday night prayer meeting at 7:15 o'clock.
You are welcome.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
WAYNE COOK, Pastor
Church school—9:45 a. m.
Morning service—11:00 a. m.
Leagues—6:30 p. m.
Evening service—7:15 p. m.

Briscoe-Allison Circuit
METHODIST CHURCH
EUGENE L. NAUGLE, Pastor
Sunday, Dec. 29, services:
WASHITA—11:00 a. m.
GAGEBY—7:15 p. m.
"It is not how long you live, but how well you live that counts."

Mrs. Harold Shively left Saturday for Brownfield to spend Christmas with relatives. Mr. Shively left Tuesday evening for Brownfield to spend Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Balch and daughter, Norma Jean, of Pampa were Wednesday evening dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Balch, and family.

New Year's DANCE

Tuesday Night, Dec. 31, from 9 till—

City Auditorium CANADIAN, TEXAS

Dance to the music of

Sunshine Baker and His 8-Piece Orchestra

Bring your best girl and—dance out the Old and

Dance In the New

Happy
New Year



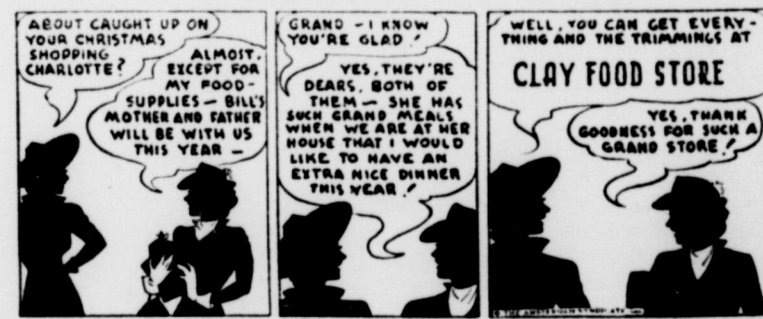
We hope Santa Claus brought you for Christmas the things you wanted . . . and we trust the New Year of 1941 will bring you everything your heart craves in Health, Happiness and Prosperity. As an exclusive farm machinery and implement firm in the town of Wheeler, we extend greetings to customers and friends whom we have already served and hope to add many more satisfied customers during the coming year.

John Deere tractors and equipment is our line.

W. E. Bowen Implements

Across Street South of H. S. Gym Wheeler, Texas

Our Neighbors Say—



ORANGES, California 25c
344 size, 2 dozen

CELERY 10c | **APPLES, Fancy 25c**
nice stalks, each | Winesap, 2 doz.

LEMONS, Sunkist 15c
432 size, dozen

PORK & BEANS 5c | **C. W. SOAP, 19c**
15-oz. can | giant bars, 6 for

Spiced Luncheon Meat 19c
Red Seal Brand, 12-oz. can

MATCHES 25c | **TOILET TISSUE, 21c**
2 cartons | White Fur, 5 rolls

BRIGHT & EARLY COFFEE, per lb. 17c

BEEF SHORT RIBS, per lb. 12 1/2c | **BEEF ROAST, 14c**
chuck center cut, lb.

PORK ROAST or PORK STEAK, per lb. 14c



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Bridge was played at with Mrs. Frank Wol high score and Mrs. St ond high.

Those present were A. Hunt, Joe Hyatt, Raymon Holt, Glen Wofford, Stina Cain, Ed Watson, Ansel M Fred Ashley and Miss

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1/2c BEEF ROAST, chuck center cut, lb. 14c

PORK STEAK, per lb. 14c

CECIL DENSON
MANAGER
LAY
WHEELER, TEXAS

WOMEN'S CLUBS AND SOCIAL EVENTS

METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S BANQUET FRIDAY NIGHT

The Methodist church is sponsoring its annual Young People's Banquet again this year. Tomorrow (Friday) night, Dec. 27, at 7:30 p. m., in the Methodist church is the date and place for this event. Last year about 50 young people attended the banquet and enjoyed the occasion very much. This time, as usual, the Methodist young people who have been away will be honor guests of local residents.

BRIDGE CLUB LUNCHEON AND GIFT EXCHANGE

Mrs. Inez Garrison entertained the Contract Bridge club Friday afternoon with a 1 o'clock luncheon and gift exchange.

Bridge was played at three tables, with Mrs. Frank Wofford winning high score and Mrs. Stina Cain, second high.

Those present were Mesdames D. A. Hunt, Joe Hyatt, Buck Britt, Raymon Holt, Glen Porter, Frank Wofford, Stina Cain, Bill Horchem, Ed Watson, Ansel McDowell and Fred Ashley and Miss Reba Wofford.

GUTHRIES HOSTS AT CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Guthrie had for Christmas Day guests Mr. and Mrs. Lee Guthrie and son, Marion Lee; Taft Holloway, Sanderson; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Jackson and daughter, Jovena, Lefors; Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Guthrie and son, Lamar, Jr., and Mrs. Lemmie Day and son, James Lee, of Erick, Okla.

ROPER FAMILY REUNION AND CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Roper, Mobeetie, gave a Christmas dinner and family reunion at their home Wednesday.

Those attending from Wheeler were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Willard and daughter, Miss Elva; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Roper and children; Mrs. J. B. Roper and daughter, Ruby Mae; Mrs. Luther Parks and son, Garland, and Mrs. H. M. Lesser.

MISS MCBEE HOSTESS AT CHRISTMAS PARTY

Miss Caroline McBee gave a Christmas party Thursday night of last week when the group sang Christmas carols during the evening. Lovely refreshments were served to Doris Hooker, Dorothy Elliott, Wanda Lee Hyatt, Louise Tillman, Betty St. Clair, Louis Martin, Carroll Pendleton, Chas. B. Sandifer, Lowell Pendleton, Billie Joe Wright, Alton Nations, W. E. Pennington, Tommy Hyatt, Millard Brown, J. C. Stepp, Bernard Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Lee McBee and the hostess, Miss McBee.

Women's Committee Reports Tax Program

MUMFORD—Here is how the Texas legislature will line up on the question of methods of financing old age pensions and the teacher's retirement system—a matter that has been hanging fire for some time and with which the last legislature failed to cope successfully:

Representatives—82 expressed themselves for a tax on natural resources, 68 did not answer—none expressed themselves as against.

Senators—16 expressed themselves for natural resource tax, 3 preferred not to commit themselves and 12 did not answer.

These figures, released by the Women's Committee on Economic Policy for Texas, are based on a canvass of candidates for the legislature conducted by key members of the committee prior to the Democratic primaries.

A few members of the legislature who did not take a stand on the question as candidates have since sent in their pledge, according to Mrs. Margaret Reading of Waller, secretary of the committee, and several others asked that their position as given in the canvass be reversed when found the totals were to be made public.

"Legislators often announced their stands on public questions during their campaign and then seem to change their minds after they are elected and go to Austin," Mrs. Jud Collier of Mumford, chairman pointed out. "One aim of the Women's Committee on Economic Policy for Texas will be to help senators and representatives resist the pressure of special interests and to fulfill the promises they made to the public."

The motto of the Women's Committee on Economic Policy for Texas is "We are tired of nonsense."

SPECIALISTS TO INVESTIGATE CAUSES OF UNDULANT FEVER

AUSTIN.—Two Eastern experts have arrived at the University of Texas to assist in the school's new laboratory to investigate bacteria causing undulant fever in humans and contagious abortion in cattle, Dr. Vernon T. Schuhardt, bacteriologist in charge of the research project, has announced.

Dr. Norman B. McCullough of Detroit, Mich., and Leo Dick of Marshfield, Wis.,—both former employees of Parke, Davis & Company, biological and pharmaceutical supply house—are the new staff members.

A laboratory will be completed soon for the project, sponsored jointly by the university and the Clayton foundation, of Houston.

Dr. McCullough received his master's degree from Michigan State college and his doctor's degree from the University of Chicago. Dick attended the University of Wisconsin, and secured his master's degree from the University of Maine.

SOUTHERN COOKING



PEPPERMINT CANDY

At every crossroads store in the South as in most other sections of the country, big striped peppermint sticks are still displayed prominently on candy counters. Always a favorite, a homemade variety of peppermint that the whole family will like is

Pulled Peppermint Candy

2 1/2 cups sugar
1 cup water
2 tablespoons corn syrup
2 tablespoons margarine
peppermint flavoring
green coloring

Put the sugar, water, corn syrup and cottonseed oil margarine in a saucepan over moderate heat and stir until dissolved. Cover and cook to long thread stage (248-254 degrees F.).

Pour into pans which have been greased with cottonseed oil margarine, and let cool until until it can be handled; then pull, adding peppermint flavoring and a little green coloring, if desired. While still soft pull in strips the size of little finger, and cut into desired lengths, dropping on waxed paper. Let stand until hard.

The longer this candy stands, the creamier the sticks will become. It can be stored in airtight tin boxes. Yields about 1 1/4 pounds.

Other favorite Southern recipes are presented in a large, full-color, 100-page free cook book, "100 Southern Recipes." Send to National Cotton Council, Box 18, Memphis, Tenn.

Co-Operation Boosts Farmer's Purchasing

Efficiency of the machinery which processes, transports and distributes farm produce, C. E. Bowles, extension co-operative marketing specialist for Texas A. and M. college believes has not kept pace with improved methods of production.

Buttressing his conclusions with demonstrable facts, Mr. Bowles contrasts the share of the consumers' food dollar received by farmers in the periods 1913-1917 and 1930-1938. In the former period farmers received an average of 55 cents of each consumer's dollar, but in the latter period this share had declined to 39 cents. Comparably, 45 cents of the 1913-17 dollar went to distribution, including processing and transporting but this climbed to 61 cents in the eight years after 1930.

"One of the most noticeable results of this loss of farmers' exchange," says Bowles, "is the piling up of surpluses of food and fibre in warehouses surrounded by needy people on farms as well as in the cities."

Check and recovery lies in co-operation because farmers can do little about the problem individually. Co-operatives now are being used to increase farm incomes by carrying farm produce through some of the processing and marketing steps. Co-operative gins have demonstrated they can add an average of about \$2.00 per bale to a farmer's return on cotton, and another \$2.00 may be added by co-operatively crushing the seed, records of some of the older co-operative Texas cotton oil mills show.

One-variety cotton production and co-operative marketing have paid still another \$2.00 or more a bale to members of cotton improvement associations in the state.

Co-operative gins at Munday, Childress and Quanah, averaging 21 years of age, have paid their members more than \$1,000,000 in savings since organization, in addition to paying for eight gin units.

Bowles says the blackland belt of north Texas has had more co-operative expansion in recent years than other parts of the state, and official records show 84 co-operative gins and 24 other co-operatives within 65 miles of Greenville.

"Farm people may well ask themselves who is going to break up the system of 'toll bridges' which has grown up in our complicated distribution machinery," Bowles suggests. "Relief through legislation usually has been disappointing. The simplest solution seems to be for farmers to own the bridges and pay the toll to themselves. Certainly they can own enough of the processing facilities to establish yardsticks by which the services and charges of privately owned enterprises can be measured."

Local News Items

Lute Funston of Allison was a Monday visitor in Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Reynolds and daughter, Miss Arlene, visited relatives in Shamrock Sunday.

M. M. Craig, sr., went to Miami last week to visit his sons, Harry and M. M. Craig, jr., and their families.

Albert Gunter of Fort MacArthur, Calif., came Monday to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. M. L. Gunter, and children.

Phillip Watts, superintendent at the Wheeler Cotton Oil Mill, left Tuesday for Hobart, Okla., to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Adams and children of Shamrock were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee McCasland, and son, Lindsay.

Theodore Conner of the Brooks Field Air corps detachment, came Monday to eat Christmas dinner with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Conner, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Badley and daughter, Delaine, motored Wednesday to Granite, Okla., and spent Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hollis.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Pearce and daughter, Sandra Jean, of Lubbock spent Christmas day in Wheeler as guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bowen, and family.

Pat Riley, who is attending St. Cecelia's School in Dallas, came Sunday to spend the Christmas vacation with his mother, Mrs. Olive B. Riley, nurse at the Wheeler hospital.

Miss Rutha Mae Conner, who is attending a beauty school in Lubbock, came Friday to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Conner, and family.

Corporal Bob Tillman of Brooks Field came Sunday to spend Christmas week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eb Tillman, and children and friends. He returned to his duties today.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Newkirk of Las Vegas, N. Mex., came Tuesday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Newkirk and children and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Robertson.

Mrs. L. D. Broome and daughter, Betty, of Borger came Monday night to spend Christmas week with the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eb Tillman, and children. Mr. Broome came for them Wednesday night.

Misses Ruth and Joyce Faust, students at Texas Tech, Lubbock, are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Faust, and grandmother, Mrs. H. Flanagan, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Tolliver motored Saturday to Lamesa and spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Perryman, and son, Jack, and also her sister, Mrs. Lynn Gilliland, and family of Kermit.

Herbert Tillman, who has spent several weeks in Hot Springs, N. Mex., with his sister, Mrs. Pope, and husband came home Wednesday night with Newman Pope and his sister, Miss Lucille, of Kelton, who had also been visiting in Hot Springs.

Mrs. M. C. Bradfute of Escalon, Calif., is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shirey; her sister, Mrs. O. L. Tuttle, and husband and nephew, Troy Tuttle and wife. Mr. Bradfute is visiting his father, W. R. Bradfute, who is ill at Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Huddleston and daughters, Misses Areta and Adelia, of Olney came Tuesday and spent Christmas with the lady's daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Tobe Giles, and children, Edward and Virginia Sue, returning Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farmer and daughter, Miss Marcelle, motored Wednesday to Childress and spent Christmas day with Mrs. Farmer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Meek. Miss Farmer remained for a longer visit while the others came home that night.

Bob Brigman of Houston came Saturday night to visit his grandmother, Mrs. E. J. Muse, and uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lewis, and children and other relatives for a few days. He went to Breckenridge Tuesday to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Jerome Brigman.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Holt and children, R. J., jr., and Margaret Ann, left Friday afternoon for Los Angeles, Calif., to spend Christmas with former Amarillo residents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Todd. The Hols also plan to attend the Rose Bowl football game and visit many points of interest on the West Coast.

Harold Shively returned home Thursday from Silverton and Happy where he had been working.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Winkley and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Totty and children of the Mobeetie community were shopping in Wheeler Friday.

Lowell Farmer, a student at W. T. S. C., came home from Canyon Saturday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Farmer, and children.

Jess Carver of Merced, Calif., came Tuesday to spend the holidays with his brother, J. R. Carver, and family at Shamrock and J. M. Burgess and other relatives and friends in Wheeler.

Mrs. Clifford Tillman and son, Wayne, came Wednesday to visit relatives for a short time. Wayne remained for a longer stay while Mrs. Tillman returned to Amarillo where she is attending San Jacinto Beauty school.



In keeping with the season, we wish to extend Happy New Year greetings to customers and friends and wish for them during 1941 health, happiness and prosperity. We also wish to express our deep appreciation for the many favors which have come our way during the year now drawing to a close.

As in the past, so in the future, our constant aim will be to supply quality merchandise at economy prices. You are invited to visit us often and inspect the new items received from time to time.

Again our sincere greeting is "Happy New Year!"

J. P. Green & Sons

RADIOS—HARDWARE—IMPLEMENTS—PAINT

Food Specials

FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

APPLES, Winesaps, per peck	29c
ORANGES TEXAS, per dozen	10c
Vanilla Wafers 1-lb. pkg.	15c
POTTED MEAT 6 cans	19c
Two pkgs. on washer.	35c
MAGIC WASHER	
RICE 3-lb. cello bag	18c
TAMALES 1-lb. can, 2 for	23c
Ranch Style Beans 3 15-oz. cans	25c

CRYSTAL WHITE SOAP

THE BILLION BUBBLE SOAP 9 bars for 25c

SYRUP, Steamboat 49c M E A L 45c
gallon 20-lb. bag

NAPKINS, asstd., 80 count, 2 pkgs. 15c

MEAT MARKET SPECIALS

SAUSAGE, Pure 15c STEAK, good and 17c
Pork, lb. tender, lb.

CHUCK ROAST 15c BACON SQUARES 14c
per lb. sugar cured, lb.

SLAB BACON, 1/2 or whole slab, lb. 20c

BOLOGNA 10c

per lb.

HAPPY NEW YEAR—1941

The favors you have so generously bestowed upon us during the past year are cause for real appreciation and we take this opportunity to wish each of you a Happy New Year. We wish for every one of you much happiness, peace and prosperity during 1941.

Puckett's Store No. 4

Phone 123 Free Delivery

WE WISH YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS New Year

We sincerely hope you have a truly happy, healthful New Year, following a really Merry Christmas.

MAY 1941 BE ALL YOU CAN WISH FOR!

R. & F. Store
WHEELER TEXAS

GOOD CHEER

Greetings and Best Wishes

To you who have been so kind and considerate throughout the year 1940 we give our very best regards. We feel that you are more than customers; you are our personal friends. We extend this greeting as a partial acknowledgement of the splendid patronage accorded this store during the past—and trust the same pleasant associations may prevail in the future. May our friendship continue and may you have happiness and prosperity during the holiday season and the entire New Year, is our sincere wish.

Harrell's 5c to \$1.00 Store

MRS. ALDRIDGE, Mgr. Wheeler, Texas

Local News Items

Gordon Tolliver of Morton came Monday to spend Christmas in Wheeler.

Aaron Meek of Pampa spent Saturday morning with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Meek.

Mrs. Paul Bell and daughters of Erick, Okla., were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Holt and son, Larry, of Lefors were in Wheeler Tuesday visiting relatives and shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Denver May and children of Allison were in Wheeler Tuesday, visiting with relatives and shopping.

Taft Holloway, pastor of the Baptist church at Sanderson, came Monday to spend the holidays in Wheeler with friends.

Miss Robena Atkinson of Mobeetie was in Wheeler Sunday, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pitcock and other relatives.

Mrs. John Dunn and son, George B., of Mobeetie were in Wheeler Tuesday attending to business and visiting relatives.

Mrs. Bronson Green and son, Jimmy, came home from Amarillo to spend the holidays with Mr. Green and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Johnson spent Christmas day in Erick, Okla., with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Johnson, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Callan and daughter, Lavonda, of Sweetwater, Okla., were in Wheeler Monday, visiting friends and shopping.

Miss Marguerite Ficke left Tuesday for Midland to spend the Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. John Ficke and children.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Zorns and daughters are spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Wellington, Decatur and Dallas.

Miss Marthals Wiley spent Friday night and Saturday in Wichita Falls where she was the house guest of the H. S. Hutchins family.

Mrs. LeRoy Williams and son, Lavell, of Laketon were in Wheeler Tuesday attending the Santa Claus day and visiting with friends.

Tommy Tolliver and Gene Swink of Mangum, Okla., were in Wheeler Saturday visiting the former's nephew, Virgil Tolliver, and other relatives.

Mrs. M. E. Red came home Sunday from Mountain View, Okla., where she had been with her son, Jewel Red, who has been quite ill for several weeks.

Mrs. Hoyt Judy of Dallas came Sunday afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Miller, and children and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Teague of Canadian came Tuesday night and took her mother, Mrs. Martha Aldridge, home with them to spend Christmas day.

A. B. Crump, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Farmer and Paul Farmer motored Saturday to Amarillo to attend the Amarillo high school versus Masonic Home football game.

Miss Gertie Haskett and niece, Dolores Wright, of Childress came last week to spend 10 days with the former's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Watts.

Harold Nicholson, who is attending medical college at Dallas, came home Sunday to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Nicholson, and friends.

Bill Perrin has been confined to his bed again this week. He was ill with the flu last week and returned to his duties at the tax collector's office and suffered a relapse.

Miss Edith Ashley who is teaching school at Darrouzett came Friday to spend the Christmas vacation with her sisters, Mrs. Jess Moore, and Mrs. Jack Guynes, and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Puckett, jr., and children had for Sunday dinner guests T. S. Puckett, sr., and sons, Bert and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Puckett, and children and Mrs. Armstrong of Sayre, Okla.

Roland Hugh Reynolds, a student in Texas Tech at Lubbock, came home Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Reynolds, and sister, Miss Arlene, and other relatives here and at Shamrock.

Mrs. W. E. Collins went to Hugo, Okla., Monday to spend two or three months with her daughter and sister, Mrs. Homer Nash and family and Mrs. T. M. Cook. Mrs. Collins went as far as Oklahoma City with Mr. and Mrs. Murray Fuquay.

Shelterbelt Planting Is Requested by Many

"Over 425 applications have been received for shelterbelts to be planted in Northwest Texas beginning next month," reports W. E. Webb, Wichita Falls, state director of the Prairie States Forestry project. Already farms have been examined and found satisfactory.

Approximately 135 applications had to be turned down because of unsuitable soil or for some similar reason. Only farms with sandy textured soils are being accepted as this is the best type for tree growth. There is less chance for drought killing the trees on this type of soil.

Many of the applicants for shelterbelts are "repeaters." They are from farm operators who have other older belts and have watched them grow and noted their protective influence on the soil and crops in adjacent fields. R. J. Tucker's statement that his belts saved him a dollar per acre of cultivated land is a common one. Tucker lives in Cottle county and states that he reckons this saving because he needs to sow his crop but once now where formerly it usually took three and sometimes as many as five sowings to get a crop established.

State Director Webb stated that at least half of the applications received were from farm operators who have had belts planted in previous years.

Applications are being received by all county agents in the shelterbelt area as well as by forest officers located in most of the county seats. Webb suggested that those interested in shelterbelts turn their applications in to the local news office, the banks or any of the local stores. A penny post card addressed to the U. S. Forest Service at most of the county seats in Northwest Texas will usually get action from the local forester.

WHAT THE CCC OFFERS

Many camp commanders and members of their staffs are being called into service, as are men in private life. Numbers of the enrollees are being given the opportunity to qualify for positions of great responsibility with increases in pay several times what they are receiving. Enrollees who have applied themselves and taken advantage of the opportunities available in each camp are reaping a rich reward for their efforts.

The CCC offers a boy who is ambitious and willing more opportunities for advancement than he can find in private employment.

Boys who are of good character, unemployed and needing work, 17 to 23½ years old, will find the CCC an ideal place to become skilled in many types of work and trades. With each boy now receiving \$15 of his \$30 pay (\$8 in cash and \$7 put aside for him, when he has dependents; or with \$22 saved if he has none) an opportunity is presented to become independent upon his leaving the corps.

Over 5,000 boys will be needed in January and every boy wishing to join the CCC should make application at the County Welfare office as soon as possible.

Movie Chatter

By a Rogue

Hidden Gold
According to the December calendar Hopalong Cassidy will be at the Rogue Theatre for Friday and Saturday, Dec. 27-28, in Doomed Caravan. Well, at any rate Hopalong will be there but the picture will be Hidden Gold. This change was made necessary because Doomed Caravan will not be released until Jan. 10, and of course we cannot run a picture before it is finished. However, we believe that you will enjoy Hidden Gold just as much, because Hoppy will be there. We will run Doomed Caravan Jan. 17-18.

Mark of Zorro
Way back in the days of silent pictures a striving young actor by the name of Douglas Fairbanks made a picture which was called The Mark of Zorro. It was a great success and Fairbanks was proclaimed a star. And now, 25 years later, this same story has been made into a talking picture with the well known names of Tyrone Power, Linda Darnell and Basil Rathbone in the stellar roles. This picture comes to the Rogue Theatre for Preview, Sunday and Monday, Dec. 29-30-31. And, if it is half as good as the silent version everyone, including R. H. Forrester, should be well pleased.

I Want a Divorce
Two of the old favorites will be at the Rogue Theatre for Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 1-2. Yes sir, Joan Blondell and Dick Powell are the stars and I Want a Divorce is the picture. And while we do not claim this to be a super-colossal picture, we do believe that you will be well entertained. As the title might suggest, it is a picture of domestic adversities, all of which are finally ironed out after many amusing and entertaining situations. We think you will be satisfied.

The minute a man sits down to think, his wife wants to know what he's sore about.

Mobeetie Happenings

(By Times Correspondent)

Order of Eastern Star Meets
The O. E. S. met Tuesday evening of last week for a stated meeting in the Masonic Hall. The hall was decorated in the Christmas motif to form a suitable background for the beautifully decorated Christmas tree. Gifts were exchanged among the 25 members and guests present. A program of games and a spelling match was conducted by the social committee. An old-fashioned taffy candy pulling was enjoyed before refreshments of sandwiches, coffee and popcorn-balls were served.

Mrs. Johnston Hostess

Mrs. E. E. Johnston was hostess to the Blue Bonnet Study club in her home Wednesday afternoon. The Christmas program began with the group singing Christmas carols. Following that, Mrs. M. Ball gave the "History of Christmas Music;" Mrs. John Dunn gave "The Prince of Peace," after which Miss LaRue Flanagan played a piano solo. Gifts were exchanged among the following members: Mesdames H. L. Flanagan, M. Ball, J. M. Brannon, French Bristow, Ralph Oldham, Jack Miller, Emmett Tabor, O. W. Elliott, G. W. Harris, G. L. Key, Horace Daughtry, John Dunn, R. C. Martin, H. E. Matthews, Willard Godwin and Toney Hardin. Three guests, Mrs. Fred Harris, Mrs. Ted Ewing and Miss LaRue Flanagan were present.

Senior Class Party

The senior class was entertained with a Christmas party Wednesday night in the home of Miss Maurita Dunn. The evening was spent playing ping-pong and other table games, under the supervision of the hostess and Miss Virginia Ball.

All members exchanged gifts. Those attending the entertainment were Misses Annie Faye Newman, Estelle Seitz, Wanda Bearden, Clara Corcoran, Dortha Bradley, Iweta Patton, Mary Ruth Bartram, Wanda Sims and Virginia Ball; Messrs. J. B. Oswalt, Leroy Robison, R. C. Parker, Wilbur Moore, Mac Thomas, Thurman Creekmore and Drummond B. Thomas; the sponsor, Mrs. J. H. Scribner; Mr. and Mrs. John Dunn, and the hostess.

Mrs. Clevel Laman, a teacher in the Miami school, came Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Laman, and family.

Walter Brannon of Houston came Thursday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Brannon, and other relatives for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Jones from Oklahoma are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee, during the holidays.

Miss Betty Louise Gilliam of Dodson has spent the past week visiting her brother, John Gilliam, and wife and friends.

Mrs. Austin Caldwell and children, Beverly and Geoffrey, of Canadian visited their husband and father, Austin Caldwell, last week. They were guests in the H. L. Flanagan home.

Chester Green, a student at Texas Tech in Lubbock, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Green, and family.

Miss Virginia Sue Crowell left Friday for her home in Crowell to visit her father and other relatives during the holidays.

H. F. Dyson of Mangum, Okla., visited his daughter, Mrs. G. L. Key, and family Saturday, then went on to Borger where he will visit other relatives.

Dick Crump of Pampa transacted business here Monday.

J. E. Moore and Wilbur Roberts of Arlington are spending the Christmas holidays visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. "Boots" Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Roberts, and families.

Raymond Hooker of Fort Sill, Okla., is here on Christmas leave, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Hooker, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Blankinship are spending the holidays in Conlen and Mineral Wells, visiting her mother and family.

Miss Ina Fay Robison of Wheeler was a week end guest in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Robison, and family.

George Lee and Horace Gordon of Brownwood came the latter part of last week to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gordon, and family in the Corn Valley community.

Misses Irvine Scribner and Zelma Elliott came Saturday from Lubbock to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Scribner and Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Elliott, and other relatives.

Snooks Mathers of Canadian was a business caller here Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sims and daughter, Wiletta Sue, and Fred Sims of Compton, Calif., came Saturday to visit the men's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Sims, and other relatives.

Floyd Long of Borger visited friends and attended to business here Sunday.

R. C. Martin and Bill Martin made a business trip to Eldorado, Okla., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller and daughter, Mary Kathryn, left Tues-

day for Pratt, Kans., to visit her sister and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lee of Wheeler visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Dunn, Sunday afternoon.

Roy Williams of Los Angeles, Calif., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Williams, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Rucker and family are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Gober, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Moore and children of Winstboro are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Baird, and other relatives.

Word of Appreciation by Canyon Journalist

Sincere appreciation for the generosity and co-operation of newspapers,

magazines, fellow publicity directors, and athletic departments during the last year was expressed in a Christmas-eve statement issued Tuesday by Olin E. Hinkle, director of journalism at West Texas State college.

"I am especially grateful," he added, "to those editors who have requested articles and pictures and have increased the opportunity to operate a news service—not a 'publicity' office merely."

He pointed out that two sports championships won by West Texas state had brought requests from Life Magazine, the New York Times and scores of other publications, but added:

"I doubt that we sent out any more important articles than the few lines to hometown papers on what Johnny or Mary is doing here on the campus. There is genuine

news in the more than 1,200 students and their activities. The growing demand for these releases has been a gratifying development of the last year."

Hinkle said that in spite of war and rumors of war the college had had the best "press" in its history. In appreciation of this generosity and in recognition of the supreme importance of a free press in America, he added, the division of journalism will this year develop a series of public programs on the meaning of press freedom in a democracy.

"I hope that newspaper men generally realize," Hinkle concluded, "that in journalism teachers, classes and publicity men they have spokesmen and champions on the campuses of America."

Times Wantads—5c a line.

Merry Christmas



Happy New Year

How can we bear to say "Merry Christmas" and "Happy New Year" when there is so much misery in the world? Look at Europe, the Far East, at South America, at our own country . . . hunger, death, war, unemployment, politics . . . it seems the world is mad!

Yet, down the street Mrs. Jones had her baby yesterday; an old man, a business man of many years, died; and in a nearby community, a young couple will soon be married; Wheeler merchants report an extra good holiday business . . . and are making preparations for a busy and prosperous New Year.

Nothing can stop this progression; neither wars, nor famine, nor depressions; and these homely things are the stuff of which life is made.

Birth and life; kindness; love; courage and faith—these things by far outweigh death and hate and cynicism—and they will always triumph.

It has been a Merry Christmas and will be a Happy New Year.

Such is the belief and the wish of your county seat newspaper—

The Wheeler Times

C. G. MILLER, Editor and Publisher

Phone 35

Wheeler, Texas

Home-Making

By MISS VERA Home Supervisor,

A Stew by Any Other Name

Be it ever so humble, like a good meat stew to feed hungry winter days. And when dumplings or some food to go with the hearty meal all in one.

Peeping into stewpans world would reveal humdrum—different meats, seasons, and even different cuisines, and even different names. The English stew, by the kidney stew, needs no introduction.

In America, all the come together. Many their stews by Old World handed down without a one generation to the good cooks use some traditional ingredients, but the modern scientific

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When choosing vegetable stew, think of the combinations you want is served. Carrots, onions are a favorite but only a starter for imagination. Lima beans and corn are used in a typically American after a county in Virginia rutabagas or parsnips vegetables that double.

To add a green color of sprouts, cabbage, peas or snap beans. Important as the meat is the backbone of stew. When buying you might choose the It's a well-flavored, bone above the hind shank of the fore shank is a for stewing. Although of bone, you can easily meat and cut it into The flank is an excellent even though the fiber. The neck, short ribs, ket are also suitable.

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Home-Making Hints

By MISS VERA MARTIN
Home Supervisor, F. S. A.

A Stew by Any Other Name

Be it ever so humble, there's nothing like a good meat and vegetable stew to feed hungry folks on cold winter days. And when there are dumplings or some other starchy food to go with the stew, it's a hearty meal all in one dish.

Peeping into stewpans around the world would reveal hundreds of variations—different meats, different seasonings, and even different names. Fricassee, ragout, goulash, tsche, chili con carne are some of the French, Hungarian, Russian and Spanish versions. The English set great store by their kidney stew, and Irish stew needs no introduction anywhere.

In America, all these good ideas come together. Many cooks make their stews by Old World recipes, handed down without a change from one generation to the next. Other good cooks use some of the traditional ingredients, but cook them in the modern scientific manner.

Most stews start with low-priced meats, which after all are just as nutritious as the higher-priced steak and chops. Less tender cuts, cooked long and slowly, make tender and savory stews. Tidbits and small pieces of tender meat can be used to advantage in stews.

No hard-and-fast rules bind the cook when making stew. But if she's wise, she'll start by browning the meat in hot fat. That's what gives the stew its rich flavor and deep brown color. Meat dipped in flour before browning has a special well-liked flavor.

Finish cooking the meat in water, barely enough to cover. A low temperature—simmering, not boiling—softens the connective tissue and makes the meat tender.

Long cooking for the meat, short cooking for the vegetables—is a good slogan to follow in making stews. Modern cooks know that food values disappear when vegetables are overcooked. So, wait until almost serving time before adding the vegetables, and cook them only until they are tender. Short cooking means full flavor, bright color and firm texture for the vegetables.

When choosing vegetables for the stew, think of the color and flavor combinations you want when the dish is served. Carrots, potatoes and onions are a favorite combination, but only a starter for the cook with imagination. Lima beans, tomatoes and corn are used in Brunswick stew, a typically American dish named after a county in Virginia. Turnips, rutabagas or parsnips are starchy vegetables that double for potatoes. To add a green color choose Brussels sprouts, cabbage, peas, green pepper or snap beans.

Important as the vegetables are, meat is the backbone of any good stew. When buying beef for stew, you might choose the heel of round. It's a well-flavored, boneless cut from above the hind shank. The meat of the fore shank is also a good cut for stewing. Although it has a bit of bone, you can easily trim off the meat and cut it into uniform pieces. The flank is an excellent stew meat, even though the fibers are coarse. The neck, short ribs, plate and brisket are also suitable.

Veal and lamb riblets, made by cutting between the ribs of the breast, are excellent for stew. So are small, very lean shoulders and irregularly-shaped pieces of veal, lamb or pork.

Quote . . . Unquote

"And let me warn you further, fellow-citizens, that our foreign-born population has reached such unwieldy proportions that if something isn't done and done quickly, our native-born American, the American who made this country what it is, will soon find himself unable to sell his vote at all."—Senator Snurlygoo.

She Knew the Approach

"I've wanted to ask you a question for weeks."
"And I've had the answer ready for months."



"All I can find in the ice-box Harry, is a turkey wing and a drumstick. Sandwiches would be good if we only had some of that fine WHEELER BREAD."



THE ROUNDUP

WHEELER SCHOOL NEWS

Editor-in-Chief—Mary Helen Jones
Assistant Editor—Beatrice Green
Society Editor—Thelma Hunter
Fashion Editor—Joyce Jones
Sports Editors—Ira Jo Derryberry and Elsie Weeks.
Class Reporters—Oleta Cordell, Edna Faye Mason, Faye McDonald, Kathryn Tinney.
Humor Editors—Ruby Mae Roper, Wanda Hyatt, Berneice Burrell, Marie Herd.
Faculty Sponsor—Mrs. R. Wm. Brown.

Senior Personalities

Name—Thelma Hunter.
Age—16.
Number of years in Wheeler Hi—4.
Favorite Subject—Speech.
Favorite Color—Blue.
Favorite Flower—Rose.
Favorite Food—Mince pie.
Favorite Actor—Lew Ayres.
Favorite Actress—Norma Shearer.
Favorite Dislike—Stubborn people.
Favorite College—Texas Tech.
Life's Ambition—Undecided.

Name—J. W. Cordell.
Age—19.
Number of years in Wheeler Hi—4.
Favorite Subject—Agriculture.
Favorite Color—Blue.
Favorite Flower—Carnation.
Favorite Food—Hamburgers.
Favorite Like—Bananas.
Favorite Dislike—Funny people.
Favorite College—A. & M.
Favorite Actor—Jack Benny.
Favorite Actress—Mary Martin.
Life's Ambition—Welder.

Guess Who—

Senior boy: Dark hair, with brown eyes. Plays in the band and wears cowboy boots most of the time. Likes a certain junior girl.
Junior girl: Light brown hair, with brown eyes. Very talented. She was a band majorette last year.
Sophomore boy: Dark brown hair, with blue eyes. Sporting a new wave in his hair.

Freshman girl: Has light brown hair and blue eyes. Popular with a certain senior boy. She hails from Twitty.

Answer to last week's personalities: William McNeely, Nina Merle Pond, F. B. Craig and Joyce Jones.

It's a Fact—

That the doll lapel ornaments are becoming popular.
Everyone is expecting Santa Claus to be good to them this Christmas.
That some of the home ec girls made candy Thursday.
That Mr. O'Briant ate a duck supper Wednesday night and he didn't have to furnish the duck.
Most all of the high school girls are playing basketball at noon.
So many of the students are sore? Was it the ice or basketball?

Sing Song Titles

"Cowboy Jack" was "A Happy Roving Cowboy" "On the Old Chisholm Trail" herding cattle for "The Gold Mine in the Sky" singing "Home on the Range."
"Josephine" was "The Lady in Red" who saw "Three Little Fishes" with "Alexander's Ragtime Band" in "My Little Old Home Down in New Orleans," starring "Frankie and Johnny," telling "The Same Old Story."

We Wonder Why—

All the bus students on bus No. 4 were laughing so Thursday morning? Everyone was glad when Friday came?
Wayne Rogers wanted to be a banker?
They call Alvin Hampton "Steamboat"?
"Speedy" can't get to plane geometry class any earlier?
Odena was all smiles Thursday? It couldn't have been the ring, could it, Odena?
Marie Herd didn't want to go to school Friday?
Nina Merle Pond was hunting a popcorn ball recipe Thursday?

Speck Correct English

"Granny grunt"—Inetta Maxwell.
"Good honk"—Juanita Sherwood.
"Shoot, I reckon"—Verta Warren.
"For garden seed"—Juanita Voyles.
"Oh piffle, Harriet"—Mary Ella Westmoreland.
"Pardon me while I snicker"—Joyce Jones.
"Search me"—Odena Hodges.
"You said a mouthful, Toots"—Doris Manney.
"By whacky"—Pauline Underwood.
"Oh heck"—Ira Jo Derryberry.
"Gee-whillikers"—Geraldine Williams.
"Why"—Arlie Ruth Waters.
"Pretty good, Johnny"—Melba Wiley.
"Land across the ocean, Chile"—Jake Trout.
"Dog blastit"—Harold Callan.

Mr. O'Briant's Favorite

The Night Before Christmas
'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,

While visions of sugar plums danced in their heads;
And Mamma in her kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had settled our brains for a long winter nap;
When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.
The moon, on the breast of the new-fallen snow,
Gave a lustre of midday to objects below;
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer,
With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name.

"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer and Vixen
On! Comet, on! Cupid, on! Dunder and Blixen—
To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall!
Now, dash away, dash away, dash away all!"
As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,
So, up to the house-top the coursers they flew,
With the sleigh full of toys—and St. Nicholas, too.

And then in a twinkling I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my head, and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.
He was dressed all in fur from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.

His eyes how they twinkled; his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry;
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow.
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath.
He had a broad face and a little round belly
That shook, when he laughed, like a bowl full of jelly.

He was chubby and plump—a right jolly old elf;
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself.

A wink of his eye, and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle;
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle;
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight:
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"

Why Don't They Invent—

Pencils that never misspell a word.
Fountain pens that never go dry or leak for over-ambitious students.
A device to pull off boys' hats as they come in the building.

Union News

(By Times Correspondent)

(Intended for last week)

Mrs. McDonald Passes Away

Mrs. Dora Bell McDonald, 80 years old, died at her home here Wednesday night, Dec. 11, after an extended illness. She had made her home here for the past 32 years.

Funeral services were held Thursday from the Christian church at Mobeetie and interment was in the local cemetery.

Mrs. McDonald, with her husband and family, moved here from Temple, in Bell county. Mr. McDonald preceded her in death in about 1935.

Surviving are four sons and four daughters: Hallie McDonald, Alabama; Walter and Jim, Temple, and Fayette; Mamie Rene, Temple; Nora Murrell, Mobeetie; Irene Webb, Miami, and Ira Lee Looney, Mobeetie.

Pallbearers were grandsons of Mrs. McDonald: Cecil, Johnnie and Carlton Murrell and Verna, V. C. and Clark Webb.

Flower bearers were Miss Mary Ruth Bartram, Mrs. Cecil Murrell, Mrs. Howard Brown, Mrs. Charlie Webb and Mrs. J. H. Roper.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Roper and son, Donald Wayne, and Dale Ladd spent Friday night visiting relatives in Shamrock.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Williams and children and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brown visited with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Roper Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Scribner and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Scribner shopped in Pampa Tuesday.

Mrs. Wayne Roper, Mrs. Howard Brown and Mrs. J. H. Roper attended to business and shopped in Pampa Tuesday.

Dale Ladd went to Shamrock Monday to spend a few days.
Gene Prather attended to business in Wheeler Monday.

(Intended for last week)
Mr. and Mrs. Claude Montgomery of Shamrock spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Roper.
Mr. and Mrs. Bud Webb and sons of Canadian and Mr. and Mrs. John Sims and children visited with Mrs. Fannie Bartram Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Ewing and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brown were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Roper.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Webb and children of Miami visited with Mrs. Lolla Webb Sunday.
Mrs. Foster Brown and daughter, Mary, of Wellington visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Roper Saturday night and Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Green and children were also visiting in the Roper home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Farris visited in the Guy Gabriel home Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Newman, who have been staying at the Gene Prather home, moved last week to Mobeetie to make their home.

Explained

A Scot on holiday in Palestine came to the Sea of Galilee, and on inquiring the price of a pleasure boat found that they were 3 s. 6 an hour.

"Three-an-sixpence," he exclaimed, "and we can get one in Aberdeen for sixpence!"

"Ah! but this is Palestine," answered the boatman, "and these are the waters on which our Lord walked."

"Nae wonder He walked," was the dry retort.

Don't Worry

Officer in charge of rifle range: "Don't you know any better than to point an empty gun at me?"
Raw Recruit: "But it isn't empty, sir, it's loaded."

Our Wish Is



During the past year we have been the recipients of good patronage and many favors by customers and friends throughout the Wheeler trade territory. And now, with the approach of a New Year, we wish to acknowledge these things and express appreciation for them.

We wish also to take advantage of this opportunity and extend sincere wishes for a happy and prosperous 1941 to all of you—customer, friend and acquaintance. We hope to merit your continued patronage and shall strive diligently to do so. Our growth and prosperity is closely linked with the goodwill and confidence of our patrons and to further develop and strengthen these assets during 1941 shall be our constant aim.

Nash Appliance & Supply Co.

Firestone Tires and Auto Supplies
Zenith Radios—Case Farm Machinery

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Wheeler

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Among the splendid things that add much to the joy of living are the friendly greetings of fellow beings. The handclasp, the smile and the cheery word of encouragement are rich blessings that live forever. At the beginning of a New Year, with all its hopes and promises of better things ahead, is a time for cheery greetings, of fellowship and good wishes. Our wish to you is that this spirit of friendly co-operation and goodwill may increase with each day of the New Year. We trust our business and social relations with every one of you will make this mutually possible.

Panhandle Power & Light Co.

FRED ASHLEY DEWARD WOFFORD TOBE GILES
AARON WILLIAMS EVERETTE COLE

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Porter had for Christmas dinner guests Mrs. Minnie Farmer and Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Porter.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Russ and daughter, Janet, spent Christmas day in Plainview with Dr. and Mrs. J. J. VanDervoort. Mr. Russ has returned home, while the family remained for a longer visit.

WANT ADS

FOR SALE—5 H. P. Fairbanks-Morse gas engine, in good condition. E. T. Beck, Wheeler. 113p

FOR SALE—Horse and filly colt, coming 3 years old in spring; pair weighs 2,500 lbs. Newman Riley, Twitty, Texas. 52fc

FOR SALE OR LEASE—500 acres farm and pasture land on the creek 1 1/2 miles southeast of Mobeetie. 3-room house, grove, fine water for house and stock. See A. G. Halliday at Mobeetie, or write H. L. L. Anderson at Trinidad, Colo. 2fc

FOR RENT—Attractively furnished apartment, conveniently located; includes refrigerator facilities; rates reasonable. H. M. Wiley, Wheeler. 43fc

WANTED—About coming 2-year-old beef breed bull to cross with Jerseys. J. B. Calrote, Wheeler. 212p

TRANSPORTATION—2 persons want ride to San Antonio or Dallas, Sunday or Monday. Notify J. E. Willard, Wheeler. 21c

DRESSMAKING and Alterations. See Mrs. Curtis Pond, 2 blocks south of square on highway. Wheeler. 48fc

MISCELLANEOUS
GENERAL NURSERY STOCK of shade and fruit trees, shrubs and plants in season. Will Warren, Wheeler. 50fc

FOR BETTER BARGAINS in new and used cars, see Walter P. Anglin, Wheeler, Representing Cooke Chevrolet Co., McLean. 11fc

IF YOUR RADIO needs attention bring it to our complete repairing and servicing department, in charge of trained workman. Prompt service, reasonable prices. Nash Appliance & Supply Co., Wheeler. 44fc

PUBLIC enemy No. 1—ALCOHOL 3150p



NEW YEAR JOY

May It Be Yours to the Fullest Extent

It is our hope that 1941 will bring you a bountiful fullness of peace, happiness and all the things of your heart's desire.

J. M. BURGESS

Shoe and Harness Shop



Merry Christmas Happy New Year

Just an old-fashioned greeting... yet one forever new in expressing to patrons and friends time-honored courtesies of the season... and wishes for a truly happy and prosperous New Year throughout 1941.

Russ Dry Goods

General Outfitters

"Always Something New"

Area Water Authority Holds Meet Last Week

Officers for Another Year Named by Panhandle Conservation Group in Pampa Meet

Joe Cooley, Gerald Mayfield and W. O. Puett represented Shamrock and Wheeler county at the fifth annual meeting of the Panhandle Water Conservation authority held at Pampa Tuesday.

The group stressed Panhandle unity, reviewed achievements and voted to continue its program throughout 1941, the local representatives reported.

Puett was named on the resolutions committee by President John McCarty, Amarillo.

New officers were elected as follows: John McCarty, Amarillo, re-elected president; Fritz Thompson, Borger; Herb Walker, Pampa; Judge J. A. Mead, Miami; W. A. Warren, Canyon; Judge Woodson Coffee, Jr., Briscoe; and Judge James T. Hale, Tulia, were elected to the vice presidential posts. Carl Hinton was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Meeting place for the next annual meeting and also the date were left to future action of the board of directors.

Survey Reported

Resolutions were adopted asking the Texas legislature for an appropriation of \$25,000 for the organization for the next two years and expressing appreciation to Soil Conservation service officials and other government officials and departments for their work on the program.

Appreciation was also expressed to the host city of Pampa and to Pampa Chamber of Commerce, the various boat clubs and sportsmen's organization of the Panhandle and the newspapers and radio stations for their co-operation with the organization and its activities.

A survey by Alan Furman, head of the land management division of the Soil Conservation service, and a report by Bert Powell, concessionaire at Lake McClellan gave the crowd at the luncheon some startling figures on the popularity of the lakes now in use, despite the handicap of low water, or no water in some of them.

Furman declared that based on actual count and on estimates made by government workers more than 10,000 persons visited Buffalo Lake in 1939. He said that from May 15 to Oct. 31, 1940, although the lake was very low due to drought conditions 78,000 persons were counted entering the gates of the lake. He estimated an additional 15,000 as a minimum number of visitors for the period not counted and said that 7,900 fishing permits were bought during the six-month period.

McClellan Creek Lake Popular

Lake Marvin in Hemphill county has had good fishing and more than 30,000 visitors since its opening in July. Wolf Creek has had excellent patronage while Rita Blanca Creek and Tule Creek have had only fair patronage due to lack of water.

Furman declared that McClellan Creek lake just off Highway 66 and near Pampa had been the best lake from the standpoint of its use by the people. He introduced Powell, who is concessionaire, and who told of patronage at the lake since its opening July 1, 1940. Powell said that 55,000 persons had used the lake, including 32 large company picnics, some with attendance of 400 to 500 persons.

He has sold 3,000 fishing permits, 2,500 swim tickets and has had 72 boats on the lake, only 21 of which were owned by the concessionaire. He said there were 387 picnic tables at the lake and that surveys had revealed all of the tables in use and many families using the ground on which to spread their lunches.

Cloviss Lake Pushed

Hinton in his annual report declared the department of agriculture had accepted the lake program, its building, operation and maintenance on a permanent basis. He lauded the Soil Conservation service for this step and predicted sound development of the program as advocated by the Panhandle Water Conservation authority.

He said that assurances had been given that the lake near Clovis for which land has been contracted would be constructed during 1941. He expressed the belief the program would go forward.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Lane, Mobeetie, are the parents of a baby son, born Dec. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Perrin announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Janette, born Friday, Dec. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Fish, Allison, are the parents of a new son, born Dec. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Burks, Kelton, are the parents of a baby girl, born on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Richards had for Christmas dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Herd and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dyer and Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Gaines and children. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Esslinger and daughters called in the afternoon.

SANTA LETTER IS LATE: MAYBE HE UNDERSTOOD

The following letter, in neat childish printed characters, was received by The Times yesterday, a little late to reach Old Santa in time through the columns of the paper—but maybe he understood and filled the order, anyway. We hope so.

Wheeler, Texas, Dec. 24, 1940
Dear Santa Claus:
North Pole,
Quebec, Canada.

Please bring me a doll and doll bed and a teddy bear. And don't forget my little sister; she wants a doll, doll bed, broom and some candy.

Sincerely yours,
MARGARET and BONNIE MOORE.
P. S.—We both want some candy.

Elderly Woman Leader Wants Old-Age Relief

Mrs. Ring, Regent at TSCW, Favors Young but Also Asks Old-Age and Teacher Help

"When you get to be along in years it seems to me that you should be able to meddle a little in public affairs without being accused of self interest," says Mrs. H. F. Ring, member Board of Regents Texas State College for Women, and well known leader.

"I have always been one who believed that young people should be given every chance to make their way in the world and that elderly people should not only encourage them but lend them active support. To that end I have devoted many years of my life.

"Now it appears to me that the time has come to do a little thinking about the old people, too. I notice that there is a lot of talk going the rounds that the Texas legislature will not be able to pass any additional tax measures because the government's national defense program is going to drain so much money out of the state.

"Actually the national defense program is going to bring money to Texas and put a lot of young people to work. Already, during the past five months, contracts totalling \$166,184.18 have been awarded to Texas firms and new construction has totalled \$220,598,000 in the past 11 months. We are undoubtedly going to be better able to afford some additional taxes now than we were a few years ago.

"I have talked with lots of people who are receiving old age pensions, and I find that the uncertainty of never knowing how much their next pension payment will be, or in fact if they will receive one at all, preys heavily on their minds. If we are going to pay old age pensions, we ought to do it decently.

"The same thing is true of the teachers' retirement system. For the past few years, in accordance with the law, the teachers have been paying 5 per cent of their salary into that fund. The law also provides that the state will match these payments, but that has never been done. So there you have the situation of the legislature itself violating the laws imposed upon the state by the people.

"I would like to have the knowledge, during these last years of my life, that my state could fulfill its obligations in a decent way, even if that annoyed the out of state interests that own our natural resources," Mrs. Ring concluded.

Panhandle Wheat Best On American Continent

A sample of Tenmarq wheat, grown by J. D. Wilbanks of Hansford county, Texas, recently won first prize in competition with the entire United States and Canada in the milling and baking contest at the International Grain and Hay show at Chicago. In the same contest samples entered by three other Hansford county growers: W. F. C. Eling, George Stewart and R. C. Chase, placed sixth, eleventh and fifteenth, respectively, according to J. M. Hutton, Hansford county agricultural agent.

"These four samples were the only ones entered from Hansford county and the fact that all won a place in the show in the face of the toughest sort of competition shows the high quality of our wheats. Too, it shows that the wheat improvement program started in the county three years ago is bearing fruit," Hutton comments.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Buck Henderson, Kelton, entered the hospital Dec. 19 for treatment. The small son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Taylor, Reydon, Okla., entered the hospital Dec. 19 for treatment.

Mrs. A. J. Brown, Mobeetie, entered the hospital last Thursday for treatment. Oda Bullock of Locust Grove was admitted to the hospital Monday for treatment.

Mrs. J. S. Sanders, Sweetwater, Okla., entered the hospital Tuesday. Melba Robinson, Mobeetie, was received as a patient Dec. 24.

Local News Items

Mrs. F. B. Craig has been quite ill this week with the flu.

Dr. H. E. Nicholson is driving a new 1941 Chrysler sedan which he purchased a few days ago.

G. W. Walters died Monday at his home in Houston after a long illness. Mrs. Walters is a sister of H. M. Wiley.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Holt and son, Larry, of Lefors were in Wheeler Thursday of last week, shopping and visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wofford left Tuesday for Drumright, Okla., to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hard.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Puett and daughter, Miss Orveta, of Shamrock were visiting in the Lee and Lem Guthrie homes Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Damaris Holt and son, David, of Lefors spent Christmas in Clarendon with her mother, Mrs. Carl Adams, and Mr. Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Williamsom and daughter, Sue, spent Christmas Day in Quanah with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, and other relatives.

H. E. Young, jr., of Kelly Field came Saturday to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Young, and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith and sons, Roy and Glenn, of Moran, Kans., came Tuesday to spend Christmas week with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Barr, and family.

Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Nicholson and son, Harold, motored to Shamrock Wednesday and attended a family reunion and Christmas dinner at the O. T. Nicholson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beasley, sr., had for Christmas dinner guests their sons, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Beasley, McLean, and Dr. and Mrs. Joe Beasley, jr., Kansas City, Mo.

Dr. and Mrs. Joe Beasley, jr., of Kansas City, Mo., came Monday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beasley, and a brother, Guy, and wife, returning home today.

Mrs. R. B. Hampton of Hamilton is spending the Christmas holidays with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. George Porter, and daughters, Georgie Gaye and Jo Ann.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Taylor and daughter, Janet, of Canyon came Saturday night and spent the week end with her parents, Supt. and Mrs. J. L. Gilmore, and brother, Earl.

Ted Farmer, a student at W. T. S. C., Canyon, came home Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Farmer, and brothers and sisters.

W. B. Wofford and son, Harry, and Mrs. Inez Garrison and son, Harry, motored to Shamrock Wednesday and ate Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McMurtry.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Lee and children, Harold Loyd and Nancy, motored Sunday to Pampa and spent the day with Mrs. Lee's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Burns.

Miss Clare O'Gorman went to Oklahoma City Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger O'Gorman, and spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Mike O'Gorman and Miss Mary O'Gorman.

Miss Irene Hunt, a student at W. T. S. C., Canyon, came home Saturday to spend Christmas and New Year's with her parents, Judge and Mrs. D. A. Hunt, and brother, Donald, and friends.

Miss Elva Willard, a student at W. T. S. C., came home from Canyon Saturday to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Willard, and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Holt had for dinner guests today, Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith and sons, Roy and Glenn, Moran, Kans., and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Barr and daughters, Misses Ruth and Lula.

Earl Gilmore, a student at the University of Texas, came home from Austin Saturday night to visit with his parents, Supt. and Mrs. J. L. Gilmore, and other relatives in this section until after New Year's.

Miss Marcella Farmer, a student at W. T. S. C., Canyon, came home Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farmer, and her grandmother, Mrs. Minnie Farmer, and friends during the holidays.

Mrs. H. E. Tolliver and children, Elmer and Wanda, went to Morton Friday and visited until Sunday when they were accompanied home by Mrs. Carlisle Robison and children who are spending the holidays at the Tolliver and Clarence Robison homes this week.



AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

This is a time-worn yet sincere expression, for which there is no better substitute, to express our appreciation to you—our customers. We feel that during this season of goodwill it is appropriate for us to tell you how grateful we are for the patronage and friendliness each of you have given us during the past year.

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A happy and prosperous New Year is our sincere wish. We hope that every day during 1941 will afford you and yours a new opportunity to seek the pleasant and beneficial things of life—and that such pursuit is handsomely rewarded.



Citizens State Bank

BEST WISHES

for This Happy Time

... and the ...

Best of Luck During 1941



Our holiday season wouldn't be complete unless we availed ourselves of this opportunity to express the hope you had a Merry Christmas and to wish for you a healthy, happy, prosperous New Year!

Garrison Service Station

H. J. GARRISON (Harry)

H. J. GARRISON, JR. (Jack)



Thank You, Friends!

The management of the City Drug Store is truly appreciative of the splendid way in which the people of Wheeler and community have favored us during the past year. We hope our service has been satisfactory in every respect and that you will continue the fine patronage of the past throughout 1941.

DURING THE NEW YEAR our motto will be, as always, SERVICE; and we expect to try harder than ever to bring you bigger and better lines of quality merchandise. To serve you will be our constant aim.

We'll be seeing you in 1941!

CITY DRUG STORE

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Busy Farm People Accomplish

Report from County Shows Activities During Past

The past year has been one, with much accomplishment, according to the annual report of the county agricultural agent.

"This year's program was most pleasant of any in years and shows growth with less trouble declared.

A summary of the shows that there are local leaders working in the county on various projects. This illustrates in which the extension accepted and how anxious they are in having continued.

The 4-H work, under guidance of M. J. Sims, county agent, has 11 new 4-H clubs were there are now 314 boys and girls.

The estimated value of cultural engineering work was \$488,940. Wings constructed and finished; 4,881 head of livestock and 4,780 acres of land the first time. These acres of crops grown during 1940.

The figures show acres of crops were strip method, feed growing crop alternate with cotton or other preventing crops.

The county agent made 1,519 farm connection with extension, 1,089 farm homes visited year. A total of 7,000 were received in extension, 1,802 telephone calls and received.

Tarter and Simms' individual letters, which clerks sent out 9,998 tended by either one workers totaled 589, 999 sons attending the general.

The report from the county was taken in review by the Co-Operative vice department of 2,000 and this year's record unusually large volume handled through the office here in Wheeler.

Nation's Farm Aid in Defense

Defense is the war nation and it is time to check their defense against natural enemies.

Tyrus R. Timm, economist in farm 1, Texas A. and M. college farm family should it will need in coming in the form of insect machinery obsolescence, equipment break stock diseases.

"Take an afternoon study the condition of your farm products. In the case of apples, ask yourself if holding up; what signs of washing; indicating deeper cover pastures?"

In the care of building equipment and supplies should note what necessary and potential of old equipment. Timm explains. New stock and quantities on hand, together with tion, should at least. Maybe some will be haven't enough feed stock on hand.

Cash owned and important captions statement, but to get increase in cash on hand, loss by additional without taking into creases or increases all property owned, conclusions, the economist.

This process is the storekeeper's annual without which the information concerning losses.

To assist farmers annual inventory, free from county a bulletin prepared vice specialists and to tell whether you backward on your A more detailed budget may be obtained D. A., Washington. Inventories."