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IONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS Supt. L. G. Kammerdiener of the Wheeler schools, this week an-

ounced the honor roll for the secnd six weeks of this school term. mose making the roll are as fol-

First Grade: A-Nancy Lee, regy Jo Weeks, Della Beth fright, Barbara Babb, Barbara Ann Revious

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Vercer, Virginia Woodruff. Second Grade: All A's-Glenda ath Weeks, Donna Greenhouse, ula Green, Phyllis Kay Puckett, arbara Mitchell, Donald Oglesby, ames Stone, Wanda Sue Waters. All A's and B's: William Whiter. Don Weeks, Loretta Brumley, ard Conner, Velma Davis, mald Lee Hardcastle, Donald Weeks, Harold Douglas, Mar-Sue Gaines, Katherine Hub-George Mize, Francis Pride, ene Ruff, Troy Richardson, s Stone, Beauford Shirey, al Shurfield.

d Grade: All A's - Janet Bonnie Dee Moore.

All A's and B's: Juanita San-Patricia Ann Pride, Katie Ada Pierce, Lonnelle Lee, Babb, Don Dison, Robert

ourth Grade: All A's-Pearlie

A's and B's: Curtis Clark, nham, K. D. Ford, Gary laxey Herd, Jerry Lewis, uckett, J. E. Rodgers, Clark, Martha Lou Goad, Red.

's: Maxine Richerson. Grade: All A's-Betty Jo REEVES RATES Viola Brown, Patricia

F Merry S Christmas To One and All

From The Staff of

The Wheeler Times

Albert Cooper

Mrs. Cliff Weatherly

Bobby Rodgers

M. O. McKay

LOCAL OFFICERS WORLD WAR

Wheeler County Exceeds Bond Quota By \$58,000

M. McILHANY **DIES SUNDAY**

Mortimer McIlhany, resident of Wheeler for the past 30 years passed away at his home Sunday following a lengthy illness.

Services were conducted at the First Methodist Church of Wheeler Tuesday afternoon with Rev. H. H. Hunt, pastor, in charge, assisted by Rev. A. C. Wood. Burial was in the Wheeler cemetery with Hunt Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mr. McIlhany was born in Monticello, Mo., on March 17, 1875. He was the son of Dr. Marshall McIlhany, president of Centenary College, which is today known as John Tarleton College in Stephenville. Texas.

Mr. McIlhany was married June 15, 1915, to Miss Golda Grainger. Soon after their marriage they moved to Wheeler, in February, 1916, from Fort Worth. For the past 28 years he had owned and operated the M. McIlhany Co. in Wheeler.

The pioneer Wheeler resident had been a member of the Metho-dist Church since he was 10 years stated. "We had never failed to dist Church since he was 10 years of age. He was a man of high principles, moral integrity and great generosity.

Serving as pall bearers at the final rites were: Floyd Pennington, Fred Farmer, Levi Reid, Jim Magruder, Rupert Faust and worked on the bond selling cam-Harry Wofford. Flower attendants paign as well as those who have were: Louise Tillman, Reba Wof- purchased so generously. ford, Virginia Lowrie, Mrs. A. B.

Crump, Mrs. Lloyd Lee and Mrs. Orville Koher. Survivors include the widow of

Wheeler, one daughter, Mary Lou McIlhany of Nashville, Tenn., and one son, Grainger McIlhany, who recently returned to Wheeler after at the First Methodist Church of more than four years service in Wheeler Sunday afternoon at 2:30. the Armed Forces.

He is also survived by three sisters, Mrs. A. M. Flynt of Long since 1886. Beach, Calif., Mrs. E. L. Stanford of Dallas and Miss Loutie McII- ed away at his home in Mobeetie hany of Shamrock, and four early last Friday morning. brothers, H. J. McIlhany of Mar-

Tuesday night, Dec. 11, the Kel-

Kelton Defeats Shamrock

Maj. Paul Wiley Is

Relieved From Duty

The Kelton Lions defeated the

The girls, who played without

The Kelton boys defeated the

Randolph Field, Dec. 14 .--- Major

Paul M. Wiley, 2415 Yupon street,

active duty at this AAF Separa-

tion Center after serving with the

Army Air Forces since August 15,

Prior to separation from service,

Wiley, son of Mr. and Mrs. H.

Wheeler County has exceeded her Victory Bond Quota by \$58,000, Bob Holt, chairman of the drive, announced this morning.

Be Sure To Get Your CHRISTMAS SEALS

READ STORY ON THIS PAGE!

The county's quota in the final bond selling drive was \$225,000, and \$283,000 worth of bonds were purchased during the campaign, Holt said. According to a report received from the State office Tuesday, Wheeler County sales totaled \$272,000, and Holt stated that \$12,000 worth of bonds had been sold since that time.

To off-set the gratifying news of having exceeded the over-all quota the county is lagging behind the "E" quota. The county's quota on "E" type bonds is \$140,000, while slightly more than \$95,000 worth of the small bonds have been purchased during the period.

A last-minute spurt of buying put the county over the top in the final drive, Holt declared. Two weeks ago, only \$145,000 worth of bonds had been purchased during the drive. Holt added that he sold \$18,000 worth of bonds during one day last week.

"It all goes to show what a fine bunch of people we have in Wheelmeet our quotas on War Bond Drives and I knew that we would not let down on the Victory Bond Drive."

Holt expressed his deep appreciation to all the persons who have worked on the bond selling cam-



Funeral services were conducto'clock for William Jasper John> ston, resident of Wheeler County

Mr. Johnston, 87 years old, pass-

Rev. H. S. Salley, pastor of the

's and B's: Marilyn Swink. Hardcastle, Waunetta

rley Moore, LaJune Mann, meeting of superintendents and ta Crowder, Earline Gar..er, coaches held in Wellington Mon-Johnson.

The Mustang who rated a posi-Sixth Grade: All A's-Carma-Brown, Richard Brown, David tion on the second team of the alldistrict was Donald Reeves, veter-

day night.

along with Wheeler.

awards.

an backfield man and one of All A's and B's-James Clark, largie Conner, Mary Bob Denson, Wheeler's greatest ground gainbnald Hunt, Margaret Moore, ers.

inita Reagan. the Herd, Juanita Tipton, Wanda on the first string and one on the Blevins, Billie Ruth Trayler, second club. Lefors Pirates rated Wheeler in 1911, and had operat-Maurice Pettit.

All A's and B's-Gene Sides, the second. Shamrock Irishmen alian Denham, D. C. Smith, placed one man on the first and write Gardner, James Alton four on the second. Memphis, aines, Leola Richerson. Eighth Grade: All A's-J. T.

All A's and B's-Dorothy Ess-Imogene Reid, Garland arks, Betty Brown.

High School Honor Roll Ninth Grade: All A's-Peggy Jo

All A's and B's-Patsy Hunt, Melba May, Georgia Porter, Doris Reagan, Harold Hardcastle. Tenth Grade: All A's-Lois May, Joyce Brown, Charlotte Smith. All A's and B's-La Verne Watts, James McCormick. Eleventh Grade: All A's and Bs-Ida Mae Martin.

leachers Honor Husbands Monday

Members of the Wheeler school aculty were hostesses to their Poynor, Lakeview, G; Clemmons, husbands, and the school board Lefors, C; Close, Shamrock, B; members and their wives at the Preston, McLean, B; Hughes, Le-Home Ec cottage Monday evening fors, Back; and Reeves, Wheeler, with a Christmas party and gift B. exchange. Games of 42 furnished the entertainment for the evening. The delightful evening was climaxed with the exchanging of To Play Samnorwood sifts from the beautifully decorated tree.

and Mrs. Fred Waters, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Puckett, Mr. and Mrs. K. Field. Teachers included: A girls. Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Kammerdiener, K. Field, Mr. and Mrs. George games," Coach Carrick declared. Weems, Mrs. Bert Kennedy, Mrs. nd Lela Ruth Watt.

TAKEN RY DEA CDUL ALL-JIMA Nadine Barton, Kay One Wheeler gridman was plac-Glen Farmer, Buddy ed on the second string All Dis-

resident of Wheeler, died in the ouise Weeks, Patsy Brum- trict 3-A football team, according St. Mary's Hospital in Shamrock Lou Kidwell, Jim Cow- to an announcement made at a on Thursday of last week.

MRS. E. WATSON

Funeral services were conduct ed from the First Baptist Church of Wheeler Sunday afternoon with Rev. P. D. Fullingim, pastor, in charge. Burial was in the local cemetery with the Hunt Funeral

Sam Martin

Home in charge. Mrs. Watson, the former Miss Jodie Foster, was born on June 25, 1884. In 1903, she was married Wellington Skyrockets, bi-dis-Seventh Grade: All A's-Mau- trict champions, placed seven men to Edd Watson, in Young County, and the couple moved to

> three first team men and two on ed the Wheeler Hotel for the past several years. The beloved Wheeler woman made a profession of faith in girlhood and had recently united with Lakeview and McLean placed one

> the First . Baptist Church of man each on the second team Wheeler. A banquet for the boys placed Surviving are the widower and

> > C. Groves S1|C, of Wheeler, is on

Groves is one of 2,000 high-point

veterans whom the "Magic Car-

his way home.

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on the all-district teams will be one son, Alfred Watson, his wife and daughter; three sisters and held in Wellington soon at which time they will be presented one brother. Out-of-town residents here to

pay last tribute were: Mr. and The boys composing the all-dis-Mrs. Earl Mitchell of Shamrock, trict teams were:

First Team-O'Neal, Welling- | Mr. and Mrs. Percy Rowe of Pampa, Mrs. Mattie Collingsworth of ton, E; Turner, Lefors, E; Cope-Amarillo, Mrs. Mollie True of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Jr. Jameland, Wellington, T; Vanderlinden, Wellington, T; Guthrie, Lefors, G; K. Winters, Wellington, G; son of Plainview, J. B. Forrester, Fulton, Wellington, C; Russell, Wellington, B; Hatch, Wellington, Mrs. Ida Black and Oliver Black, all of Olney, Mr. and Mrs. Smithee B; Stracner, Lefors, B; and Anof Amarillo. Mrs. Watson has left a host of

derson, Shamrock, B. Second Team-Clark, Shamrock, E; Covey, Wellington, E; T. Douglas, Shamrock, T; McQueen, Mem-

passing. phis, T; Martin, Shamrock, G; William C. Groves On Way Home Pearl Harbor, T. H .--- William

pet" is bringing back to the States aboard the USS Saratoga. The Wheeler basketball teams Delicious refreshments were will meet the Samnorwood clubs Merved to the following guests: here Friday night at 7 o'clock, Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Pettit, Mr. Coach W. O. Carrick announced

the Navy's famed "Magic Carthis week. There will be three games: Class pet" fleet, left Pearl Harbor, C. C. Johnson, Vernie Hardcastle, A boys, Class B boys and Class Thursday, November 29 and was

"The flu is letting up some and Mrs. Vernie Hardcastle, Mrs. L. we expect to win our part of these the Separation Centers nearest

their homes to complete the form-alities of obtaining their dis-The stand ware stand a Carrick, Mrs. Novella Vanpool, son, Gail, and Freddie Henson of

HELD BY FB Mrs. Edd Watson, prominent

Percy Wyly, special agent in meeting in Pampa Monday that

peace officers must anticipate order to apprehend them."

Speaking to over 100 peace officers and city and county officials from over the Panhandle, Wyly explained many new techniques of stopping the criminal before he commits the crime and effective methods of crime detection and apprehension of the criminal.

Also on the program were H. E. Plaxico, of the Dallas FBI office, and Jim Collins, special agent in

charge of the Amarillo office. The local conference was one of a series being conducted by the

FBI to acquaint law enforcement officers with new methods of

criminology. According to figures disclosed by Wyly, there has been nearly a

10 percent increase in crimes over the first six months of 1944. Special emphasis is being placed on bank burglaries and bank robberies.

Wyly stated that 270,739 perin the first half of 1945 constituted a 14 per cent increase over the first half of 1944. Persons under 21 years of age

numbered over 21 percent of the total. The age of 17 predominated

in the frequency of males arrestfriends in Wheeler and surrounded and the age of 22 was predoming area to mourn her untimely inant in the number of women arrested.

Those attending from Wheeler were: Judge G. W. Hefley, County Attorney Homer Moss and Sheriff Jess Swink.

Burl W. Chesher MAAM3|C arrived in Wheeler Sunday night from San Francisco where he landed Dec. 13 after 12 months of the Fleet Postoffice on Okinawa The USS Saratoga, one of more and Hawaii. He entered training than 250 carriers, battleships, at San Diego, Jan. 18, 1944 and Norman, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Guthrie went to Tipton Monday to spend the in October. scheduled to arrive in San Fran- holidays with their daughter, Mr. cisco about Tuesday, December 4. and Mrs. A. S. Edmondson, and Passengers will go directly to family.

some men they ought to stand a trade territory for their patron- Mrs. Holt Green and Mrs. Buford

Emmett Rimmer, 50-year-old E. McIlhany of Hayward, Calif., in charge of the last rites. Burial veteran of World War I, died at and D. F. McIlhany of Richmond, was in the Mobeetie cemetery with the home of his father-in-law, B. Virginia.

charge of the Dallas FBI office F. Crossland, in Wheeler last Fritold Panhandle peace officers day. Mr. Rimmer had been in ill **Kelton Splits With** health two years.

Sweetwater Dec. 11: Last rites were conducted from the movements of criminals in the First Baptist Church of **Beats Shamrock Friday**

Wheeler Saturday afternoon with Rev. E. M. Dunsworth, pastor of ton cage teams journeyed to the Calvary Baptist Church of Pampa in charge. Interment was Sweetwater, Okla., for a pair of there he moved to Montague in the Wheeler Cemetery by Hunt

but the boys were victorious. Funeral Home. The girls were defeated by a Mr. Rimmer was born February powerful Sweetwater team 44-22.

6. 1896 in Greer County, Okla-There is some difference in Oklahoma. He was married to Miss Jewel Crossland of Wheeler on Kelton girls were handicapped by December 18, 1927, and the couple this. had made their home in Wheeler The boys took a little sting out County much of the time since

of the girls defeat when they dethat date. feated the Oklahomans 39-27. Converted in 1908, Mr. Rimmer Britt, of the winners, was high united with the Baptist Church in point man with 21 points. A re-1927, and later was ordained as a deacon. He was a member of the Kelton in January.

Calvary Baptist Church of Pampa at the time of his death.

Survivors include the widow Irish of Shamrock in both ends of and an adopted daughter, Fay; the cage tilts played at Shamrock three brothers, John Rimmer of last Friday night. Marshfield, Mo., Elisha Rimmer, Stockton, Calif., Gordon Rimmer, the services of Dale and Worley, Gordon, Calif.; three sisters, Mrs. sons arrested and fingerprinted Rosa Moore, Cash, Okla., Mrs. R. defeated the Irish lassies 22-10. L. Williams, Clovis, N. M., and Shamrock boys 24-9. Garner of the Mrs. S. W. Carver of Wheeler. The Times joins the many friends of the family in their bewill be played in January.

Vernon Brown To **Manage Puckett's**

been connected with the Puckett's Food Store here for 16 years, has Houston, has been relieved from been transferred to Clinton, Okla., where he will assume management

1941. ably discharged from the Armed Forces, is taking charge of the Wiley was assigned at AAF Wes-Wheeler store. Brown, before en- tern Flying Training Command oversea service. Burl served with tering the service, was associated headquarters, Randolph Field, as with the Puckett's Food Store in a training liaison officer in the Shamrock. He is the son of Mrs. Training Division. He is a veteran Lucy Henderson of Shamrock. En- of five months' duty with the AAF cruisers, and attack transports in will receive a discharge Jan. 15 at tering the Armed Forces in May Personnel Distribution Command Camp Hood, Texas, and released M. Wiley, Wheeler, will return to

Mr. Brown and family have al the Texas Company in Houston as ready moved to Wheeler. petroleum engineer. Mr. Puckett, before leaving,

Troy F. Holly PhM2|C came Friday to visit with his sisters, wishes to thank his many friends Juding from the appearances of and customers in the Wheeler

lin, M. P. McIlhany of Dallas, J. Mobeetie Methodist Church, was Hunt Funeral Home of Wheeler in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Johnston was born in Barry County, Mo., in 1858. When he was 21, he and a brother, the late James F. Johnston, came to Texas, settling north of Gainesville in Cook County, where they resided for three years. From games. The girls were defeated County and in 1886, to Wheeler County where he freighted from Miami to Fort Elliot.

In 1890, he returned to Montague to marry Miss Mary Elizahoma and Texas rules and the beth White of Mallard, Texas. The young couple came back to the Panhandle to homestead northwest of Mobeetie, the site of their present home.

Mr. Johnston became a member of the Methodist Church in 1908. He lived an active life on his turn engagement will be played at ranch until a few days prior to his death.

Survivors include the widow and four children: Mrs. Pearl Bailey, Mrs. T. B. Mason, Henry K. Johnston, all of Mobeetie, and Mrs. H. B. Leake of Graham. There are seven grandchildren and two great grandchilldren, all of whom were present for the services except two grandsons, Pfc. Bill Bailey, and Captain Edwin Leake, whom winners was high point man with are serving overseas in the Armed 13 points. A return engagement Forces.

> Also surviving are three sisters: Mrs. Margaret Russell and Mollie Granger, both of Miami, and Mrs. Charity Tarvin of Purdy, Mo.

Mr. Johnston was one of Wheeler County's few remaining pioneers and his passing will be keenly felt by his many friends who respected and admired him.

Mrs. T. L. Ward Honored At Club Meet

Miss Bill Black was hostess to members of the Stitch and Chatter club at her home Thursday afternoon honoring Mrs. T. L. Ward with a handkerchief shower. The club is losing a fine member and she will be greatly missed by these ladies who have done so much work for the Red Cross.

Games in keeping with the Yuletide season were enjoyed by the group.

Delicious refreshments were served to Mesdames T. L. Ward, Frank Noah, H. H. Walser, E. G. Pettit, Annie Sivage, S. P. Hodrett, F. M. Robison, J. J. Ayers, Tom Cook and the hostess.

of the Puckett store there.

T. S. (Tony) Puckett, who has Vernon Brown, recently honor-

reavement.

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

Any erroneous reflection upon the to the editor personally at the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation, which may appear in the columns of this paper will be gladly corrected upon due notice being given office at Wheeler, Texas.

Christmas was once abolished by an act of parliament in England. That was in 1644 when the Puritans under Oliver Cromwell governed the realm. The Puritans' disbelief in holiday enjoyments was so intense that parliament ordered Christmas to be observed as a strict fast day. No roast beef, no plum pudding, no wassail were permitted.

Although turkey is the essential eature of Christmas dinner today, the bird was unknown in England in the 16th century. Introduced from America, it came into its present popularity in the early 1700s. . . .

In several states of the Union there is a definite law forbidding anyone from interfering with a child's belief in Santa Claus. . . .

Some European peoples have a superstition - dating from ancient times-that animals take on the power of speech at Christmas time.

Lewis Carroll wrote his famous book, "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," as a Christmas gift for a little girl who was the daughter of one of his friends.

How Our Allies They are usually hung in festoons over store counters. No Chinese cere-Observed Yule ers. The Christian Chinese have learned to love the carols of their

Here at home, the vacant place at the fireside or Christmas dinner table need not mean that the absent one is without friendly participation in the joys of the season. Our millions of American servicemen overseas in occupied countries or other places will find Christmas observed in almost any land in which they

find themselves and with a variety of customs that should be refreshing to a visitor. Our soldiers in the Pacific and Far East will find the climate the strangest part of their Christmas day. For

it will be midsummer in most places. On Pacific islands the G.I.s. will find a surprising amount of Christmas spirit expressed by the warm-hearted people.

In the Philippines, for example, Christmas is one of the loveliest times of the year and is one of the oldest traditions of the Filipinos, to



whom Christianity was breught in

the 16th century. The celebration starts with morning masses several days before December 25. These are called misa de galle (when the roosters are beginning to crow). Music by violins, tambourines and the organ adds to the impressiveness. On Christmas Eve the Filipinos fast before the midnight servicea very solemn ceremony in palmfilled and lantern-lit churches. The fast is broken with a Christmas dinner of ham, stuffed chicken, fruits and nuts and hot chocolate. Carol singers go from house to house with a Belen-a reproduction of the Nativity scene and children kiss the hands of their parents for blessings -followed, of course, by gifts. Often the holiday branches are taken from bamboo trees and every home takes pride in its colored lanterns of original patterns. Firecrackers in China.

Yanks in China will find more red firecrackers than are usually found on the Fourth of July in America.

brates anything without firecracknew faith. and sing them with Chi-Around Globe new faith, and sing them with Chinese words, as they exchange gifts around the tree. With so many G.I.s in China this year, Christmas will be a major festival.

In India, particularly in the large cities, American boys will find Christmas customs like their own, observed by European residents. In Australia and New Zealand, a white Christmas is unknown, but the customs are the same as in snowy American and English areas. While roast beef, turkey, plum pudding and mince pie are the substantial Christmas dinner much in the English tradition, the meal will be eaten on a warm summery day. Instead of poinsettias and green Christmas wreaths, the holiday blooms "down under" are pure white Christmas lilies, gladioli and delphiniums.

Allied troops still in the Middle East may find themselves near Bethlehem. Last Christmas many American boys from the Mediterranean made pilgrimages to the holy places and many left in that area may plan similar trips this year. If so, they may attend impressive services held by the Eastern Orthodox church on the Latin Christmas, beginning at



10 o'clock on Christmas Eve. The patriarch comes from Jerusalem with a troop of cavalry and ecclesithe reading of the gospel the people leave the church and follow the clergy along a rock-hewn passage to the site said to be that of the manger. In Europe many of our soldiers will worship in some of the oldest

cathedrals on the continent. At St. Peter's in Rome, at Notre Dame in Paris and at other historic shrines of Christianity solemn and impressive services will usher in the day.

In Belgium, the Santa Claus part of Christmas will have passed by December 25, for their St. Nicholas Day is 19 days before that date. The old saint rides a white horse in Belgium, instead of driving a reindeer and the children leave hay in their stockings for the horse to eat in return for what the good saint leaves for them.

MODERN INDUSTRY SERVES THE SPIRIT OF OUR CHRISTMAS

In a busy world, the Christmas card has assumed a definite place among Christmas customs and tradi-

tion - serving the spirit of friendship, echoing the promise of peace and good will. Reputedly, the first Christmas

card, properly socalled, was dispatched in 1845 when W. C. Dobson, one of Queen Victoria's favorite painters, sent lithographed scenes inscribed with greetings to his many friends dur-

ing the Christmas season. In 1846, John Calcott Horsley, Roy-

al Academician, designed a card for Sir Henry Cole. Thus the custom of sending Christmas cards seems to have been inauguratedalthough, even as far back as Queen Anne's reign, it was customary for children to write Christmas pieces. Such "Christmas pieces" were specimens of handwriting with elaborately engraved borders designed to represent some current event or subject studied by the children during the year, and were sold in shops and at bazaars until about 1840. Christmas cards were introduced

into the United States during the 1870s by Marcus Ward and Company of London and for a short while the English firm enjoyed a monopoly of the market.

The name of Louis Prang is outstanding in the history and development of the modern Christmas card industry. Mr. Prang, an exile from Germany following the revolution of astic guards in gorgeous array. At 1848, introduced the art idea into American public schools via the Prang method of education. In 1874. Prang invaded the Christmas card grotto of the Nativity. There a wax- field. Prizes were offered for the en image of the Infant is laid on the best designs and perfected litho-



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| ting Toss Game | 1.29 |
| Sow and Arrow Sets | .89 |
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| Double Six Dominoes | |
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Twins will spend Christmas with

PEACE AND GOOD WILL Allies. FOR THE NEW YEAR With deep gratitude for the blessings of

Peace the past year has brought and for your cooperation and patronage during the year past we greet you this Christmas.

We are anxious to show you we want a part in making your New Year a successful and happy one by serving you as often as we can.

PERCY'S GARAGE



Turkey, American

large tray-borne to the feast by a

lady of the court who was chosen

To serve him whole, the bird was

flayed-skin and feathers together; care was taken to leave the head

attached to the skin and the neck

Having been roasted and allowed

to cool, the peacock was wrapped in his feathers and propped upon a

tray-as he was wont to sit when alive, showing off his magnificent

tail; a sponge, saturated with spirits, was placed in his gilded beak

and lighted as the bird was being

served-but for all his good looks, the peacock was cold and dry when

Date of Nativity Fixed

By Roman Emperor

December 25 was decreed as the date of Christ's Nativity by

the Roman Emperor Julian who

began his reign as a Christian but

reverted to paganism before his

Julian based his decree on the

opinions advanced by the fathers

December 25 was, moreover,

acceptable to most churches and

peoples because the season of the

winter solstice had always been

celebrated as a festival period-

Roman Saturnalia, Scandinavian

Yule, the Mithrasian Feast of sol

Some Eastern churches, how-

ever, consistently claimed Janu-

ary 6 as Christmas and have con-

tinued celebrating Christmas

upon that date throughout the

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THE SEASON'S GREETINGS

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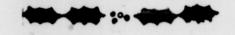
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A CHRISTMAS FULL OF JOY AND CHEER A NEW YEAR OF PROSPERTY



May we re-echo the message we have given you in years past with a new warmth for this Peacetime Christmas and renewed inspiration at the outlook on the year ahead.

It is deemed a pleasure by us to serve you at every opportunity possible.



Carols Replace Heathen Songs Carols, it is said, were early in-Style, Very Tasty troduced by the clergy into England rom Italy, probably soon after the Roast peacock is still the piece de rman conquest, as a substitute resistance of Christmas dinner in for the Yule and Wassail songs of the heathen origin, which, until then, In Medieval England, the peacock had been in use among the vulgar. was served with all his brilliant Christmas carols were in dance plumage in tact; sometimes, when measure at first. The word carol he was baked in a pie, his head apcomes from "corolla," a ring, bepeared from one end of the crust cause the song was for a ring dance. and his tail from the other; more often, he was served sitting upon a

The wife has developed the bad habit of staying up until two and three o'clock in the morning. She just won't go to bed until we get home.

The way some men's shoulder blades stick out of their suits you'd think they had forgotten to take the hangar out. Small, thin ears may be a sign of weak character; but large,

thick ones are a sure sign of a

weak defense.

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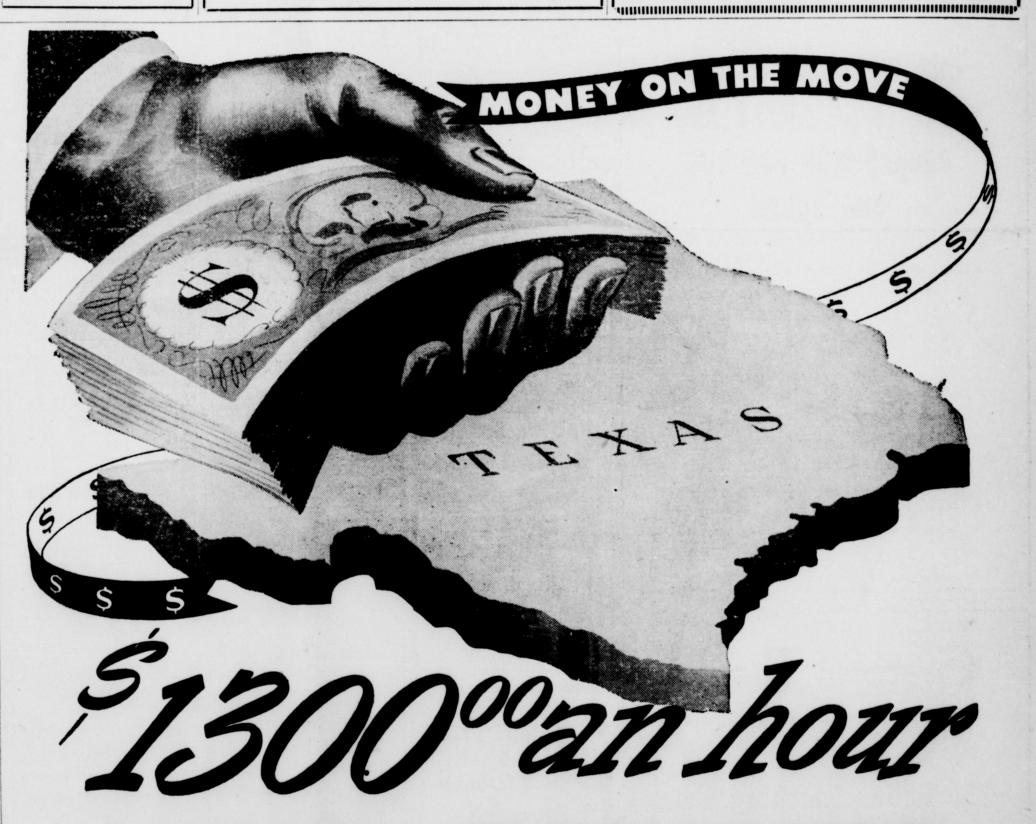
Grateful that we again live in a land blessed with peace, freedom, and with equal rights to pursue happiness as the individual so desires. Ours is a great land and we are thankful for it.

That the desires of your heart will be granted for Christmas and that the New Year will open its doors of success to you is our wish.

We are grateful to you as loyal patrons for the courtesies shown us during these years since 1941 as we have tried to serve you as efficiently as possible.

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A STAR IS SHINING

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AS WE GREET YOU THIS CHRISTMAS

The Star of Bethlehem is shedding its shining rays as it has been doing at this Christmas Season for years past. It seems to shine brighter than ever this Christmas with a gleam of hope that mankind will now live in a world of peace never again marred by the horrors of war.

May This Star shed its rays of Joy and Happines over you and yours this Christmas.

We are interested in your welfare and happiness and promise you our very best service in the New Year.

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In 1944, our operating expenses in Texas cities, towns and counties, reached the tall figure of \$11,556,000, or nearly a million dollars a month. Average that out by the clock, and you learn that last year the United Companies spent approximately \$1,300 every hour of every day and night, the whole year through ... "working money" that moved regularly out of our business and into others.

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Pauline Miller Weds Fred J. McCarroll

Miss Pauline Miller became the bride of Fred J. McCarroll Sunday, December 9, in the parlor in 1942. He recently received his of the Polk Street Methodist Church in Amarillo. Dr. Neal D. Mrs. Grady Dodd. Cannon read the impressive cereants were Mr. and Mrs. Grady at home on the farm near Briscoe. Dodd of Amarillo.

The bride wore a green wool suit with black accessories and Wheeler Thursday to visit her son her corsage was of pink carna- Mr. and Mrs. Otis Ford, and famtions.

Mrs. McCarroll is the daughter her daughter, Mrs. D. Whisenant of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller of of Corpus Christi. Mrs. Ford is Wheeler. She is a graduate of enroute to her home in Bakers-Wheeler high school and attended field, Calif.

THE NEW YEAR 1946 ARRIVES

With it the New Year brings its opportunities to you as individuals for success and happiness. That you may get the most pleasure and satisfaction from the year just dawning is our sincere desire for you.

We hereby extend a cordial invitation to each of you, both old and new friends, to visit us often in the days to come.

MR. AND MRS. O. NATION WHEELER

OUR WELCOME TO 1946 MAY IT BE HAPPY AND **PROSPEROUS FOR YOU** AND YOURS

1945 brought good tidings that war had ceased and we could begin to live peaceably and

college in Edmond, Okla. **Christmas Customs of** Mr. McCarroll, son of Mr. and Mrs. John McCarroll of Mobeetie, World Accumulation graduated from Briscoe high school. He attended Texas Tech By ELIZABETH BOYKIN before he enlisted in the Navy With internationalism the hope and prayer of all of us, whatever discharge. He is the brother of

our political faith, it is particularly stirring to think of the internation-After a short wedding trip to alism of our Christmas. It is not mony. The couple's only attend- Carlsbad Caverns the couple are only an international celebration but the midwinter holiday is one that man has commemorated since long

> before the Christmas era, almost as Mrs. C. F. Ford arrived in far back as we can trace his story. At first the midwinter holiday was ily, after several weeks visit with

a celebration of joy that the gathering darkening of the days had stopped and that the days were growing lighter and longer again. Early man had a terrible fear that there might come a time when there was no light left on earth. The christian era likewise was

ushered in with a symbolism of light in a dark world and so the celebration of Christ's birthday was set at this midwinter time in the fourth century A. D. But the church regarded as heathen the use of lights and ever-

greens to decorate for Christmas festivities. A vigorous effort was made to suppress their use and Tertullian writes: "Let the heathen kindle lamps-they who have no light. Let them fix to the door posts laurel branches to be burned, but thou, oh, christian, art a light in the world, a tree that is evergreen. Make not a pagan temple of thy own house door. But the love of man for light and

for evergreens, even to symbolize his new faith, persisted and during early American times, efforts to suppress the idea were still being made. Massachusetts in the 17th century enacted a bill reading, "Anybody who is found observing by abstinence from labor, feasting or in any other way, any such day as Christmas Day, shall pay for every such offense five shillings." But eventually the evergreens and the lights were accepted as a part

of the christian celebration of Christmas and they even acquired a christian symbolism. The holly berries came to represent the drops of Christ's blood, the leaves his crown of thorns, while the mistletoe berries became symbols of Mary's tears.

The gay home customs of Christmas are likewise an accumulation of many lands and many cultures. The American Santa Claus developed from Holland's St. Niclaes while our Christmas tree came from Germany. England gave us the tradition of the flaming plum pudding and many of our most beloved carols. Mexico is the homeland of the poinsettia, and the Latin countries of Europe gave us the creche and many of the loveliest of the religious pictures that we like best on Christmas cards. From Sweden we have the gracious gesture of the sheaf of wheat on the gate posts so the birds can share the holiday and the custom of gingerbread cakes in animal shapes.

'Good Tidings to All People'

Christmas literally means "Mass of Christ" and is celebrated to honor the Nativity of Jesus. Nevertheless, many Christmas customs have originated in the folklore and traditions of pre-Christian peoples.

The season of the winter solstice-experts have figured that Christ was born during that time of year-has been celebrated as a time of

rejoicing since, and even prior to, the recordance of history. Peoples of northern Europe celebrated the Festival of Hweel, or the sun wheel, when the sun-having been at its lowest point in the heavens -swung its course toward the earth once more. Great fires were kindled in defiance of the Frost King: fires to consume the enmities of the old year, whose ashes imparted fertility to the soil, and brands, kept from year to year, were considered charms against the spirits of evil.

The Roman festival of Saturnalia honored the deity of Saturnus, patron of the agricultural arts. Saturnalia was a season-from December 17 through 25, and merged with the Calends of January-and was characterized by revelry, gift-giving, decorations within the home, entertainments, etc.

The followers of Mithras celebrated the Feast of Sol Invictus, the Druids solemnized the cutting of the Mistletoe, the Orthodox Jews commemorate the Festival of Lights, and the Egyptians dedicated their midwinter festival to Iris and her symbol the palm tree.

As ancient peoples were converted to Christianity, ancient customs assumed place among traditions hovoring the Babe of Bethlehem who grew into the Christ and bequeathed to mankind one of the foremost philosophies of human conduct.

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lish children masquerade in animal costumes on Christmas Eve.

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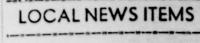
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Guests in the Clayton Kelly home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hubbard and son, Douglas, and Mr. and Mrs. Red Mullins of Pampa

Miss Clarice Holt of Ft. Worth arrived Sunday to be with her brother Raymond Holt who is ill. Lt (jg) F. P. Carvey arrived in Wheeler Monday night to visit Mrs. Carvey and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Britt for the holidays. He expects to return to Norfolk, Va., where he is stationed the 26th. Mrs. Carvey was entertaining flu-

when he arrived and we are sure

she is much improved by now.

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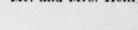


"May you have a Merry Christmas and a Very Happy Year in 1946." That is the "sum and substance" of our message to you at this time. It is simple, sincere and directed to each of you personally.

Thank you for visiting us often, for your business and for your good will. We shall always try to serve you to the best of our ability.







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normally, thus giving us brighter prospects for a year of richer, happier living.

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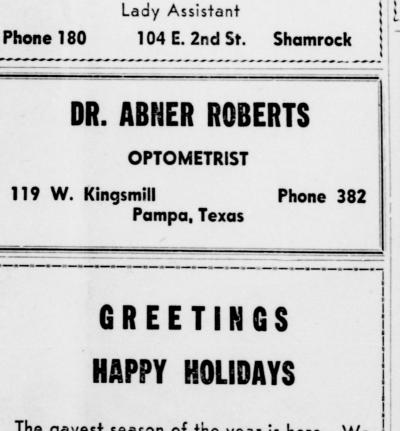
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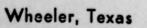


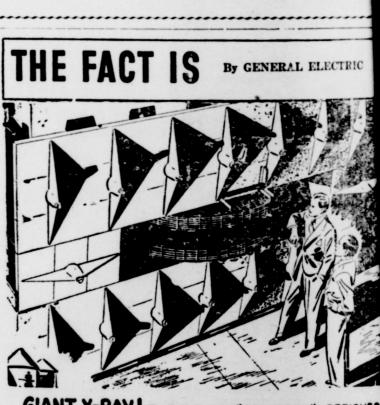
The gayest season of the year is here. We hope that you will be able to enter wholeheartedly into the merry spirit for we know we gain from a thing just about what we put into it.

Americans this year are again able to have a real Christmas. Let's all pull together and make it the happiest we have ever had.

During the years we have been in business you have become an essential part of it. We feel that it is yours as well as ours. Together we can accomplish great things for 1946. We look forward to pleasant association with you during the New Year.

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TO YOU---This Special Christmas Greeting

We would like to give this greeting in the most impressive way possible because we feel you are so deserving, and yet, what is more impressive or more sincere than the old fashioned "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year," and we truly mean it to each of you from each member of our firm.

We wish to be worthy of the loyal patronage you have given us during the months of the past year and we assure you we will give our best possible service as has always been our policy.

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Famous Artist Sketched First Santa for U. S.

Thomas Nast Credited With Pictorializing Famous Character In 1873.

Thomas Nast, the famous cartoonist who created our conception of Uncle Sam, the Republican elephant and the Democratic donkey, is also credited with giving America its first modern pictorialization of Santa Claus.

Nast first sketched his notion of Santa Claus in 1873. This Santa was a rollicking, chubby old man smoking a pipe and dressed in what looked like a night shirt with fur collar and cuffs. Since that day he has grown taller and rounder, has developed a full white beard and mustache and above all has acquired the traditional red suit bordered in ermine.

The story of how our American version of Santa Claus evolved is interesting. According to legend.



children of Lapland and Siberia. raised on tales of the good and generous St Nicholas, thought of their benefactor as dressed in furs and traveling in a reindeer-drawn sleigh, just as they did themselves. Stories of St. Nicholas.

Wondrous stories of this great Fourth century saint, who gave handsome presents to good little children, were repeated at the firesides of all Europe from the time of his death in 342. The Dutch children observed the anniversary of his death on December 6 and received presents in their wooden shoes. These Dutch youngsters thought of St. Nicholas as a stern old man with

long white beard, garbed in bish p's robes and carrying a stick to hastise naughty children. The little Hollanders coming with

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their parents to found New Amster dam brought Santa Claus or "Sar Claas" as they said, with them. In no time the English colonial childrer whose fathers had taken over the Dutch settlement and renamed it New York caught on to this wonderful man. The English moved his yearly visit from December 6 tc New Year's Eve.

Germans coming to America

GREETING For the Holiday Season and the New Year

> The feeling that permeates our organization as this Christmas season rolls around is that we are grateful for the opportunity it gives us of greeting you — our friends and patrons and thanking you sincerely for your loyalty and kindness during wartime. Your loyalty is in a large measure responsible for the present quantity and superiority of our prdoucts. We are constantly striving to improve our service that you may benefit by it. We expect to see you often during 1946.

May your Christmas be cheery and may good fortune smile on you during the New Year.

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Hearty and Lincere GREETINGS

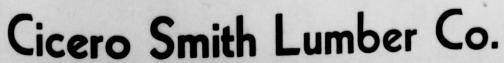
We are deeply humble when we look over the year just passed. We have been blessed with the great gift of Peace. Our hearts go out in gratitude to those of you who made this Peace possible through your efforts.

We can now celebrate Christmas in the way it should be — "the good ole American Way."

We are gratified at the results of the service we have been able to give our patrons during the years just passed, but with the expected release of more merchandise we can do even better. We are justly proud of Your Loyalty and will welcome you as renewed customers in 1946.

Merry Christmas

Happy New Year



All Kinds of Quality Building Materials Phone 104 brought their Christmas customs; Christmas trees and Christmas candles burned in honor of the Christ Child, whom the German childrer called "Kris Kringle."

Christmas Card Is Century Old

The centennial of the Christmas

card is being observed this year. It was in 1845-just 100 years ago -that the first Christmas card was designed and distributed. This pioneer greeting was the creation of W. C. Dobson, a noted British artist, who was said to be a favorite of Queen Victoria. Dobson, according to tradition, made copies of his card and sent them to friends in London and elsewhere in the

British Isles. The custom established by Dobson found numerous devotees. In 1846, an English nobleman, Sir Henry Cole, commissioned an artist, John Calcott Horsley, to design a Christmas card for him. According to one story, Sir Henry

Cole had received such a large number of holiday letters that he could not find time to answer them all. As a means of solving this problem, he called in Horsley and asked him to design an appropriate card.

Horsley's first Christmas card depicted a Victorian English family enjoying the holiday. Except for the profusion of detail, the card is like many of the modern greetings. The traditional "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year" was inscribed on the card, with blank spaces for filling in the name of the sender and the recipient.

From this beginning a century ago, the custom of sending Christmas cards has spread across the ocean to the United States where it has become a traditional part of the holiday observance.

At about the time that these festivities were making Christmas Day important, families beginning to spread across the country chose this celebration as a day of reunion. Thus the Dutch figure of Sants Claus, the German traditions of Christmas and the English season of celebration became combined in one single holiday.

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The First Christmas

As this Christmas brings new hope to the hearts of men we would meditate and ponder the events of the First Christmas that brought us the great Prince of Peace, the Savior of the world. His birth was announced by a singing host of angels to a group of lowly shepherds on a hillside in Judea. These same shepherds paid their homage to the babe in Bethlehem. We today commemorate his birth by worshiping Him and by showing devotion and appreciation to those about us.

May Joy at This Christmas Abide With You and Yours

We are happy at all times to be of service and supply your needs and we are glad to let you know that we are now better equipped than we have been since the beginning of the war. We hope you will call on us often.

J. C. Wooldridge Lumber Company

GEORGE WARREN, Manager "The Home of Acme Paints"

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s Ann Ford, daughter of Mr. Mrs. C. F. Ford, former resiof Wheeler, became the bride John Burson, son of Mr. and Willis Burson of Fillmore, Thursday, Nov. 15 at the Methodist Church in Las Nev., with Rev. Harold hton officiating.

The bride chose a three piece ble, with black accessories. orsage was of gardenas. Mrs. Burson graduated from the weler schools, and attended in College at Amarillo. At the of her marriage she was emand as office manager in Hot tifully decorated Christmas tree. mings, Calif.

Ir. Burson graduated from the ore high school and attended cord bag. thern Agricultural Unixersity

California and served in the at Ft. Knox, Ky., during the Roy Weatherly, J. M. Burgess my at Ft. Knox, Ky., during the rooy weatherly, J. M. Burgess, m. At present he is engaged in Lillian Wright, Bill Black, Floyd

After a short honeymoon in Las Starkey, Bob Rodgers, R. B. Mann, as and Boulder City, Nevada, Joe Tilley, Cliff Weatherly and are at home at 412 Clay the hostess. Misses Wilma and t, Fillmore, Calif.

refreshments. mose from Wheeler who attendthe Christmas party at Mobee-Thursday night when members the Eastern Star entertained visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. husbands were: Mr. and Floyd Pennington. s Lloyd Lee, Mr. and Mrs. D. Mr. and Mrs. John McCarroll

Sunday School Class H. D. Club Gives **Entertained Monday** Christmas Party Mistletoe and yuletide decorations were used in the home of Mrs. George Hefley when she entertained members of the Dorcas

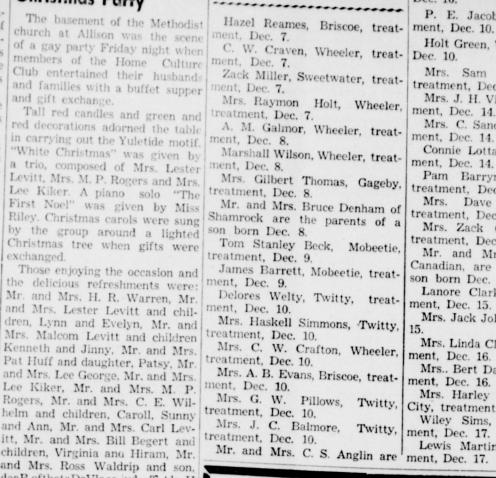
Sunday school class at her home Monday evening with a Christmas social. Mrs. R. B. Mann and Mrs. Joe and gift exchange. Tilley, social committee members

received the guests. To gain entrance to the party, a baby picture of each guest was requested which was later identified by the group. Christmas carols were sung, games and contests were enjoy around a beau-

The class gift to the teacher, Mrs. Gordon Stiles, was a lovely black

exchanged. Those enjoying the occasion and Delicious refreshments were the delicious refreshments were: served to Mesdames Gordon Stiles. Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Levitt and children, Lynn and Evelyn, Mr. and Pennington, Paul Green, Clint Mrs. Malcom Levitt and children Kenneth and Jinny, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Huff and daughter, Patsy, Mr. and Mrs. Lee George, Mr. and Mrs. Glenna Hefley assisted with the Lee Kiker, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wil-

W. E. Pennington II was down and Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Levfrom Pampa Tuesday night to itt, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Begert and children, Virginia and Hiram, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Waldrip and son,



Hospital News

The Wheeler Times, Wheeler, Texas, Thursday, December 20, 1945 the parents of a daughter born Dec. 16. P. E. Jacobs, Wheeler, treat-Holt Green, Wheeler, treatment Mrs. Sam Collins, Mobeetie treatment, Dec. 10. Mrs. J. H. Vise, Mobeetie, treat ment, Dec. 14. Mrs. C. Sanders, Pampa, treatment, Dec. 14. Connie Lottage, Wheeler, treatment, Dec. 14. Pam Barrymore, Sweetwater, treatment, Dec. 14. Mrs. Dave Futch, Mobeetie, treatment, Dec. 15. Mrs. Zack Coleman, Wheeler, treatment, Dec. 15. Mr. and Mrs. Creed Petrie, Canadian, are the parents of a son born Dec. 15. Lanore Clark, Wheeler, treatment, Dec. 15. Mrs. Jack Jolly, treatment, Dec.

Mrs. Linda Clay, Wheeler, treatment, Dec. 16. Mrs.. Bert Davis, Briscoe, treat-

ment, Dec. 16. Mrs. Harley Lawrence, Magic City, treatment, Dec. 17. Wiley Sims, Mobeetie, treatment, Dec. 17.

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'Xmas' Has Authentic Basis Of Use Throughout History

While many people frown on the use of "Xmas" for Christmas, this abbreviation has an authentic basis in history.

The "X" is the first letter of the Greek word for Christ. Christian scholars of the middle ages are said in their writings to have abbreviated the spelling of the Nativity celebration into X-mass or simply Xmas. In the same way "Xn" was used for Christian and "Xty" for Christianity.

In the catacombs of ancient Rome, X is frequently found to stand for Christ. The earliest Christian artists, when making a representation of the Trinity, would place either . cross or X beside the Father and the Holy Ghost

Balsam Fir Chosen by

Heavenly Messengers According to Ansgarius, who converted the Vikings to Christlanity, the Lord sent Faith, Hope and Charity to earth to select His Christmas Tree.

They selected the Balsam Fir because it was as high as Hope, as wide as Love, and bore the sign of the cross on every branch.



million servicemen, who Three were absent last Christmas, will be some with their loved ones this year.

The wife wanted to kill a chicken the other day and celebrate our 17th wedding anniversary. However, we didn't think we should punish a chicken for something that happened 17 years ago.



St. Nicholas and Santa Claus met at the Sunday School Christmas party and, being sort of busy right then, agreed to rendezvous at midnight under the Christmas tree. St. Nicholas, a lean Asiatic wear-

ing his miter and canonical robes. spoke first: "I lived in Asia Minor some 1600 years ago. I was Archbishop of Myra and, while living on earth, I did drop a few purses of gold

down a poor man's chimney so his daughters could be supplied with dowries. European countries celebrate my liturgical Feast Day -December 6-as a day of gift-giving and for centuries I rode across Europe on my old gray mare; my pockets bulged with apples and nuts and trinkets, which I gave to good

children while switching the naughty



Santa at army outpost

ones with my bundle of birch rods But what is all this Christmas business-and where did that red suit come from?"

"When the Dutch settlers came to America," replied Santa Claus, "They brought many legends about St. Nicholas with them. These legends, with writers and cartoonists cooperating, gradually slipped into American traditions; Santa Claus started coming around at Christmas time; Washington Irving suggested the sleigh and reindeer in 1809; Thomas Nast supplied the red suit, and Dr. Clement Moore sort of tied the whole idea together when he wrote 'The Visit of St. Nicholas' in

Someone forgot to turn out the lights after the Sunday School party -and St. Nicholas was so interested in Santa's zippered boots that he forgot his bundle of birch rods.

1822."

The wife doesn't pick our clothes. Just the pockets.

Save Greeting Cards For Making Different Ungive Gift Decorations

Here's a suggestion that will make your friends wish they had thought of it first.

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Don't throw away the lovely paste it on your gift wrapping. cards and score pads can be made greeting cards you have received That's all there is to it. There are any number of ob- simple addition of a design cut out

outs from greeting cards might these objects. or to decorate an otherwise plain

shellac, greeting cards can serve worth the price of a small fram a variety of decorative purposes. These pint-sized pictures are "ju the thing" to brighten a dark co Inexpensive and distinctive gift novelties can be made from the ner of some room or entrance he and pick out one with a colorful greeting cards. Bookends, jelly jars Some rainy afternoon when t or appropriate picture on it. Cut for flower vases, bookmarks, children are looking for somethin

the picture out neatly, glue or matchbooks, handblotters, tally to do give them the greeting car you have saved during the yes to look quite impressive by the Especially will they like to ma gay blotters from the cutout d and saved during the year. Keep There are any number of ob-them as ornaments for packages, jects about the house that cut-iects about the house that cutMr. a

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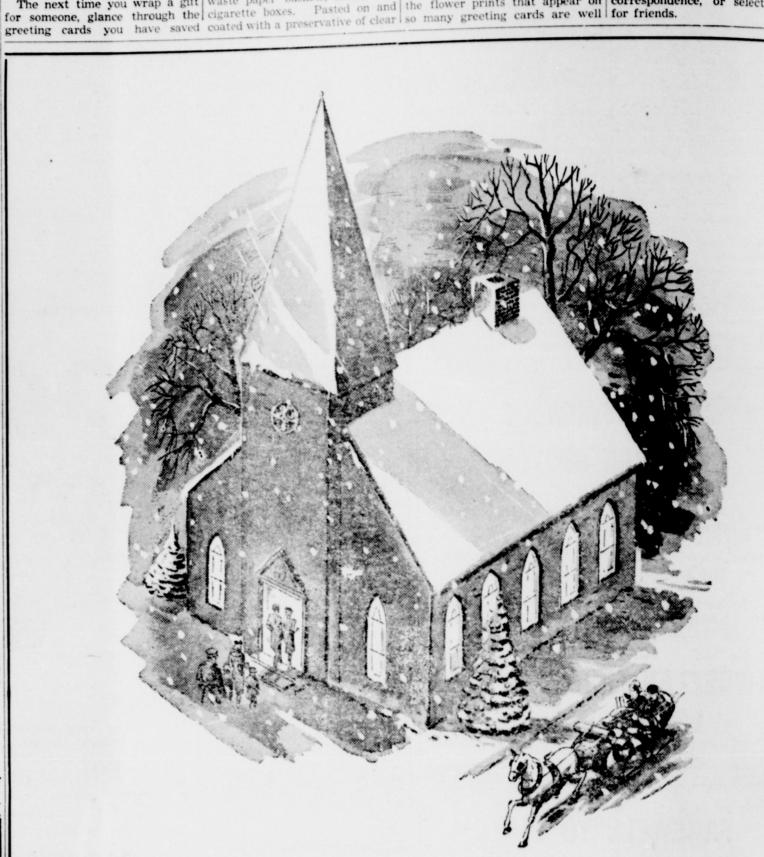
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brighten; closet doors, furniture, The lovely etchings and repro- sized one for Dad's desk and The next time you wrap a gift waste paper baskets, screen and ductions of famous masters and prety feminine one for Mother for someone, glance through the cigarette boxes. Pasted on and the flower prints that appear on correspondence, or selected on



AS WE RING OUT THE OLD AND

RING IN THE NEW

We express our sincere desire that you will fully enjoy your family, friends and all those you contact in a year of Peace and Happiness for all.

OUR FRIENDLY DOORS ARE OPEN FOR YOUR PLEASURE TO SERVE YOU AT ALL TIMES.

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A Joyous, Happy Christmas to Each of You!

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You can not always judge the real worth of a thing by its looks. The glitter and glamour of Christmas is pretty and makes the heart gay. Yet the true spirit of Christmas is deep and lasting and gives joy that comes from true worship of Him whose birth we are observing and of unselfish devotion and service to others.

For your cooperation during the past year your city officials are deeply appreciative and we ask you to give us the same kindly consideration and suport in the coming year of 1946.

City Of Wheeler

R H. FORRESTER, Mayor S. D. CONWELL, Alderman TONY PUCKETT, Alderman

LEVI REID, Alderman AARON WILLIAMS, Alderman ARCHIE HIBLER, Alderman **REBA WOFFORD, Secretary**

Christmas Greetings

Our Yule fires seem to burn brighter, our hearts are lighter and gayer. The spirit of Christmas is merrier than we have known it to be for several years. Yes, Peace reigns again, and it brings with it a new appreciation of ideals and of things worthwhile. Insignificant trifles that we once thought important are cast into the background as we realize true values. This Christmas should be the Happiest we have ever known, and our sincere wish for you as an individual, is that it will be.

We value your friendship and your patronage and are happy to know that we can serve you more efficiently now than we have been able to do in the past few years. Come in and visit us often.

Our Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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The Wheeler Times, Wheeler, Texas, Thursday, December 20, 1945 Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. McCarroll Miss Amy Sue Beckett was were guests in the home of Mr. Shamrock visitor Sunday. Lee Little and Miss Roberta "YOUR CHEAPEST WAY TO BUY OR SELL" **************** Mr. and Mrs. Jim Philpott of nd Mrs. Grady Dodd in Amarillo KELTON Mobeetie Happenings Miami were vistors Tuesday in Ferguson attend a district meetthe C. C. Hall home. thursday. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Henry and ing of Farm Security Administra-By Rena Johnson WANT ADS Mrs. Nadine Jones and Margie on, Wayne, of Shamrock were tion officials Monday and Tuesseek end guests of Rev. and Mrs. day in Amarillo. Dinner guests in the A. B. Lan-Ford drove to Sayre Sunday to a Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hubble of RATES-10c per line (counting 5 words to line) for first in-Junior Whiteley is here visiting caster home Sunday were, Mrs. friends and relatives. Junior has Ruth Fagan of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Ebb Farmer and Miss Lela A. C. Wood. Canadian were the guests of her sertion. Minimum charge, 30c; 5c per line after first time. Mrs. Zelda McClellan spent the Mrs. Allie Lancaster and daughk end in McLean with Mr. parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wil-Minimum charge 15c. Reader ads scattered among local items Ruth Watt were visitors in Pamarmy and Mrs. Sam McClellan. ter, Geraldine, and son, Junior, lard. pa Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. George Davidson Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lancaster and 15c per line each insertion. Cards that run every week \$1.00 and Georgana, Mr. and Mrs. Wal- daughter, Louise, of Wellington, Bob Childress of Pampa. per column inch per month. ter Davidson, and Miss Rena John- Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Roper son were business visitors in and children of Borger, Mr. and spent the week end in the C. E. Pampa and Borger Tuesday. Mrs. Elwin Zell and children, Mr. Roper home. ជ Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Whiteley and Mrs. Curtis Lancaster and Mrs. Art McPherson spent last reward for the return of this pen. and Larry Steve were business children of Mobeetie, and Mrs. week in the C. A. Dysart home. Leave at Wheeler Times office. visitors in Erick Monday. B. M. Litton. 1-1tp Miss Mogene Douglas of Sham-FOR SALE-10-inch Case Feed rock spent the week end with **OUR WARM AND HEARTY** FOR SALE Grinder, with wagon box loader, Miss Rena Johnson. good as new, \$125. A. C. New- Pfc. Houston Anderson is visiting ORDER-The new Celanese belt, berry. 1-1tp here in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Anderson. washable, wrinkle free with Hoping GREETING rust-proof buckles and embroid- HOUSE Wiring and electrical Mr. and Mrs. John J. Mangine work. Don Anglin and Son, were honored with a dinner ered eyelets, tailor made to match Phone 100, Wheeler, Texas. 50-4p your dress. Tilley's Variety. 48-tfc Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Davidson. SHIPMENTS of Case Tractors IF YOU are contemplating buying Those attending were: Mr. and a monument of any kind, I can Mrs. L. T. Davis Sr., Mr. and Mrs. That you may have a Glad Holiday season is and equipment arriving periodsell you one as cheap as any one Claude Davis, Mr. and Mrs. CHRISTMAS WILL BE A MERRY ONE ically. See us for your needs. NASH APPLIANCE & SUPPLY at any time. J. W. Anglin. 51-3tp our wish sincere. This year holds more prom-George Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. CO. 48-tfc and Mrs. John Mangine, Misses AND THE NEW YEAR FULL OF HAPPY ise for Peace, Prosperity, and Happiness than FREE! FREE! Faye Voyles, Georgana Davidson. FOR SALE - Fruit trees, shade Ask how you can get your share and Claudene Davis and Robert we have known before. Let's face it together trees, shrubbery of all kinds and of the toys we are giving away Dunaway. EXPERIENCES AND MANY evergreens. Will Warren. 43-tfc absolutely free, Friday, Saturday with brighter hopes and renewed strength Mr. and Mrs. Albert Holcomb, and Monday. Nash Appliance and Gary and Ann spent last week in ORDER your new Pontiac now OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCCESS to make it a wonderful year. Deliveries to begin soon. NASH Supply Co. 1-1tc Oklahoma City with friends. Sgt. George Henderson of Alma-APPLIANCE & SUPPLY CO. FOR SALE - 200 White Leghorn gordo, New Mexico, came Tues-48-tfc Pullets, 3 months old. M. C. Jaco. day for a 30-day visit with his par-1-2tc ents. LAWRENCE HATCHERY FREE! FREE! Carroll Killingsworth of Sweet-ELECTRICAL APPLIANCE SER-Ask how you can get your share water spent the week end with VICE - Radios, Refrigerators. of the toys we are giving away AND FEED his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Motors and other Electric Equipabsolutely free, Friday, Saturday Killingsworth. and Monday. Nash Appliance and ment repaired and reconditioned. Thurman Richardson visited in Phone 131 WHEELER 1-1tc L. C. Laflin, southeast corner of Supply Co. the George Richardson home Monbusiness squade. 39-tfc FOR SALE OR TRADE - 1936 day WANTED - Local news items Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Rutherford, Model Pontiac. Cecil Denson. about you and your friends. Call Jr., are spending the week in 40-tfc or write THE WHEELER TIMES. Borger. FOR SALE - heavy duty Win-44-t dividuals. chargers and batteries. Inquire CHICKS - Baby and Started. at Nash Appliance & Supply Co. LOCAL NEWS ITEMS Booking orders for future deliv-51-tfc GREETINGS ery. Lawrence Hatchery. 1-1c LAND FOR SALE-1/2 sect. good We assure you we will be more able Visitors in the Cecil Denson MISCELLANEOUS farming land, 240 acres in cult. home Sunday were W. B. Weath-1½ mi. north of Gageby store, erred and Malcom Denson. to serve you efficiently than for sometime **TO OUR PATRONS** WANTED - Chance to prove to free of loan. See or write T. J. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Green MORE of my friends that Chiro-Muse, Gageby, Tex. and son, Stanley, Jr., of Phillips 51-4tp and our best is none too good in return for practic is a GOOD remedy for the were Saturday guests of his par-"flu" or "bad colds." Dr. C. C. FOR SALE-the Morehead place ents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Green. your kind patronage of the past. 52-tfc Merritt. free of loan, 1/2 sect. good farming Misses Virginia Rose Marrs and land, 220 acres in cult.,. modern BUTANE & PROPANE gas and Janelle Crowder, who are attend-We hope each of you have a very Merry improvements, 1/2 mi. east and 1/2 ing college at Canyon came Saturequipment. Nash Appliance and mi. north of Washita. See or write Christmas with happiness as you have 52-tfc day to spend the week end with Supply Co. T. J. Muse, Gageby, Tex. 51-4tp their parents. Miss Sue Trulove W. E. BOWEN IMPLEMENT CO. never known it before. We hope too, that of Canyon accompanied the girls FREE - With every \$2.00 pur-

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To you, our worthy patrons we give sincere thanks for your loyalty and we shall strive to make up to you the difficulties we have faced together in the past.

FREE! FREE! chase of toys, we will give free \$1 Ask how you can get your share worth of toys Friday, Saturday of the toys we are giving away absolutely free, Friday, Saturday Wednesday to spend Christmas and Monday. Nash Appliance and 1-1tc and Monday. Nash Appliance and Supply Co. 1-1tc FOR SALE-4-row DC Case Tractor and VAC 2-row Case Tractor OUR ROOF COATING covers the entire surface with a layer of

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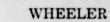
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and equipment. Both New. Nash Appliance & Supply Co., Wheeler. tough, flexible waterproofing that 52-tfc will keep the roof in good condition for years. Besides protecting FOR SALE - McCormick-Deerall types of composition, built-up ing milker, A-1 condition, a barand paper roofs, it is perfect progain. Nash Appliance & Supply tection for all kinds of metal roofs. 52-tfc Co. Nash Appliance & Supply Co. 52-tfc FOR SALE - 1939 Deluxe Ford, radio and heater, good rubber, MALE HELP WANTED-Oppor-Ford coupe, good rubber. Shorty tunity of lifetime supplying DDT good condition: also 1931 Model A 52-tfc and other profitable products to Erwin. farmers in Wheeler County. No FOR SALE - A young jack. L. experience or capital required. D. Powell, 1/2 mi. east of Power Must have auto and good refer-52-5tp ences. Permanent. Write or wire plant. McNess Company, Dept. T, Free-LOST - Eversharp fountain pen port, Illinois. 52-2tp Saturday night somewhere in the FREE - With every \$2.00 purshopping district of Wheeler. \$5 chase of toys, we will give free \$1 worth of toys Friday, Saturday and Monday. Nash Appliance and Supply Co. 1-1tc

Supply Co.

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We trust you will realize how sincere and heartfelt our greeting and good wishes are for you at this Christmas. We feel too, that the year 1946 has bright prospecs for the country as a whole and for you as in-

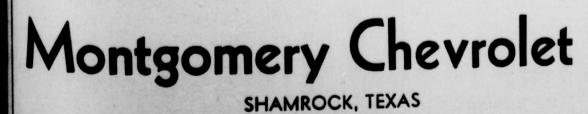
EBB'S SERVICE STATION

"THE CONOCO STATION" EBB FARMER, Owner Southeast Corner of Square

We Will Be Closed For One Week **DECEMBER 24 THROUGH DECEMBER 29** For Inventory

Due to shortage of help we are forced to lock up MONTGOMERY CHEVROLET during Christmas Week. We realize the inconvenience it will cause our friends and regret having to do it.

AND WE WISH TO TAKE THIS OCCASION TO THANK THE MOTORING PUBLIC FOR THE SPLENDID PATRONAGE WE HAVE EN-JOYED. We deeply appreciate your splendid cooperation during the war years when we have had to operate under such handicaps.



ALCOHOL PUBLIC enemy No. 1-

R. J. Holt Jr., is assisting with the work in the bank while some of the employees are out because of illness. R. J. is attending Texas Tech at Lubbock and is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Kelly are moving to Dalhart this week to make their home. The Kellys will be greatly missed at Wheeler after having lived here nearly 30 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ward has as their guest this week, Miss Jinx Hodges of Dallas. She was also a guest of Mrs. R. G. Robison Sunday.

Al Watson of Waco arrived in Wheeler Saturday to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Ed Watson. Luther Parks and Mrs. Nora Watson drove to Waco for Al Friday. Mrs. J. T. Dearen of Amarillo

is here to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of her sister, Mrs. C. J. Meek, and Mr. Meek and her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Wren.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rowe and daughter, Doris Gene, of Pampa were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ruben May Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Richerson and children drove to Phillips Sunday to visit his father, J. T. Richerson, and sister, Mrs. Sam Hale, and family.

Mrs. Winona Kong and son, Eric, of San Pedro, Calif., arrived in Wheeler Sunday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Adams. Mrs. Kong taught in the Wheeler schools for a good number of years and has many friends here who will be glad to see her.

To All Ovr Friends and Customers We Extend Our Best Wishes For Christmas and 1946

There is a fascination about the Christmas spirit. One is magnetically drawn into it. We get the spirit as we gaze into the flames from the Yule log. As we join the hustle and bustle of the shoppers, and as we trim the tree with glittering tinsel and balls. We hear carols and we smile back at the posters with the jolly face of Santa Claus. These and many other things go to make up Christmas and we cannot fail to respond to its power and fall under its spell. May you get the most from this Christmas is our wish.

Our standard of dependable service is still the same. It is our pleasure to help you meet your needs at any time we can be of service and we will appreciate your calling on us.

Wheeler County National Farm Loan Association

J. W. HENDERSON, President

Directors

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R. H. FORRESTER, Secretary-Treasurer BENITA ARMSTRONG, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

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FROM US -- TO YOU SINCERE WISHES

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We are at peace again. We fought and won a freedom that gives the right to every man and woman to make his dreams come true. Our sincere wish is that all your dreams may come true through Christmas and the New Year. We feel it a distinct privilege to be able to serve your needs.

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J. P. GREEN & SONS

HARDWARE

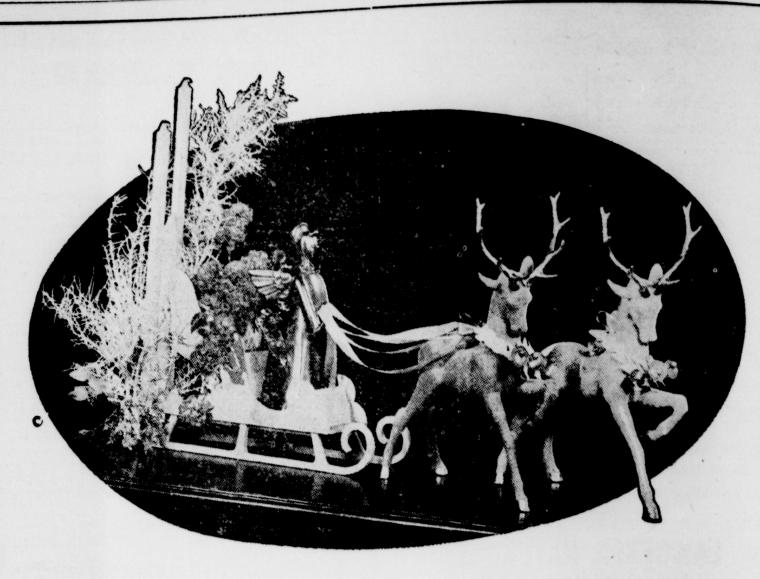
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Mistletoe May Mean Messenger of God Some say that the word mistletoe comes from the missel thrush, a messenger of the gods who brought the plant to the earth. Actually, the bird is very fond of the berries and is responsible for the wide distribution. Growing as it does, on trees as a parasite, it is showy because of its huge mass of dense light green foliage.

Its Latin name, Phoradendron, means tree-thief.

In Virgil, mistletoe was the golden bough, by the plucking of which Aeneas was enabled to descend into the underworld and return safely. In ancient Britain it was the sacred plant of the Druids. The chief nature festival of these forest worshippers was around the oak tree with the most mistletoe on it. The Arch-Druid ascended the tree to the lowest bough on which the sacred mistletoe was growing. With a golden sickle he cropped the branch and allowed it to fall in a fold of his ample robes. The plant was so sa cred that it must never touch the earth. The priest then broke the bough into many pieces and gave a wig to each of his followers with a prayer.

In the language of the flowers, mistletoe means "give me a kiss." This has its basis from a Scandinavian myth.



Best Wishes JOY AND PEACE AT CHRISTMAS

WHEELER

Since it is a Happy time for all let us take this time to thank you for your patronage. We solicit your coming year's business and promise to give you more and better auto needs as they are released to us.



WILL SOON BE HERE!

SEASON'S GREETINGS

From Your

County Officials

A CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S GREETING

That your dreams of yesterday may be fully realized in the new days of 1946 and your fondest desires be fulfilled at this Christmas is the sincere wish of each member of our office to you.

> HARRY WOFFORD COUNTY CLERK

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We trust you will attain your goal through the New Year, whatever it may be. There is always satisfaction in results of worthwhile achievement. Our goal is to try to serve you in a dependable, efficient way.

OLLIE W. BEENE

Start Planning and Saving for it Now Yes, your new electric kitchenwith all its conveniences and economies-will soon be here. Your work in the kitchen will be so much easier-even fun. A real relief from kitchen drudgery.... Whether you plan to build or to remodel your present home, you will want a new all electric kitchen with the new, modern, electrical servants. With electricity so cheap, they will serve you at little cost.



BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR

We are grateful to our friends for their loyal support and extend greetings of the season.

> HOMER MOSS COUNTY ATTORNEY

HAPPINES FOR THE NEW YEAR

We wish you happiness during the Yuletide Season and our new 1946. Especially do we greet you who have been in the service and welcome you back to our community.

A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL! We are grateful and appreciative of your fine friendship.

> LILLIE McCLAIN COUNTY TREASURER

MAY THIS CHRISTMAS OF PEACE

BE FILLED WITH COUNTLESS JOYS AND EACH DAY OF YOUR NEW YEAR AN INSPIRATION TO WORTHWHILE ACHIEVEMENT.

ALLEN KAVANAUGH COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

DISTRICT CLERK

GREETINGS FOR CHRISTMAS AND 1946

Christmas is exciting, a glorious time—May its full joys be yours and may your efforts during 1946 be crowned with success.

Your friendship and loyalty have meant much. We hope to reward you with improved and more efficient service than we have been able to give during the war period.

> JESS SWINK SHERIFF

A Sincere Wish for A Merry Christmas and A Bright and Successful New Year

Here it is again—Christmas and with it the opportunity to say "thank you" for past favors. And a time to extend our wishes for the best of everything for you during the Holiday season and the New Year.

> T. L. GUNTER TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

MERRY CHRISTMAS

It is yours—This, Merry, Peaceful Christmas. Enjoy it to the fullest. Make the most of every hour, every minute, every second—Yours is a glorious privilege to celebrate this great holiday in a great land. May its blessings be upon you.

> G. W. HEFLEY COUNTY JUDGE

ns Greet

A JOYOUS HOLIDAY **SEASON TO YOU**

We sincerely hope you receive our wishes for this Holiday Season and the New Year in the spirit we give them. Out of deepest gratitude and in appreciation for your friendship we extend our wishes for your Good Health, Happiness and Prosperity for this Christmas Day, 1945, and the New Year, 1946.

We are again able to meet your needs as our supplies are increasing and we trust you will continue to be a loyal patron of ours as you have been in the past.



Phone 119

Follow These Simple Precautions To Avoid Accidents at Christmas HE traditionally joyous Christmas holidays are marred for many famiies by tragic accidents resulting directly from holiday festivities. By following these simple, logical precautions, you can make sure that

none of these mishaps occur in your home. Many of the Christmas accidents center around the Christmas tree. of the strings of lights decorating this season's trees have been in

use for three or four years because of wartime conservation measures. Broken insulation and loose wires at the socket are dangerous. If you have done some amateur wiring, such as joining two strings of lights together, be sure that the joinings are wrapped sufficiently in electric wiring tape to prevent accidents. Although Christmas candles are appearing

more and more rarely on trees, they are still taking a yearly toll of lives and accidents. Open flame lighting is dangerous at its best and must be accompanied by numerous and constant precautions if disaster is to be avoided. It is better to have no lights at all, than to risk costly fires from candles.

Toys, intended to enchant the youngsters at Christmas, can be another potential source of accidents. It is therefore wise to look over your children's toys and see that they are safe to play with. The best-meaning uncle or aunt could have picked out a toy with a rough edge, a sharp corner or a splintery handle.

It is also wise to look over your youngster's toys and pick out the ones that are not suitable for his age. A two-year-old with a tool chest, for instance, can do damage to both himself and his baby brother, if given a free hand with a hammer and saw.

While the litter from Christmas packages is still about, be particularly careful of your smoking. Some hot ashes dropped on thin tissue paper or a carelessly tossed match could result in serious damage. Unless your Christmas tree decorations are guaranteed fireproof, they, too, can be a source of danger.

Was Founded by Medieval

St. Francis of Assisi received spe-

This first "Praesepe," set up in the

chancel of the church in Greccio,

Italy, was complete with real live

Tableau in Old Naples

Christmas Crib Tradition American Mistletoe Not That Specie of European

History or Its Legend The mistletoe of history and leg-In 1787, Goethe described Naples

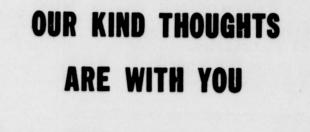
as the city of Christmas Cribs: every end is a different specie than our American natives, and is found in church had its "Praesepe" and families erected evergreen shrines with-Europe. The specie found in the South At- in their homes and upon the flat lantic states is called Phoradendron roof-tops of their dwellings where (Greek word meaning "tree thief") Vesuvius and the starlit Neapolitan flavescens. It is found most often sky created a Hollywood-like backon the following trees: tupelo, red ground. maple, poplar, willow, cypress, juniper, apple, locust and linden trees. cial permission from the Vatican to present a Christmas tableau in 1223.

Occasionally, but not often, it occurs on oaks. The plant in its wild state is gathered by collectors for sale during the Christmas holidays.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

animals. She said she didn't want to see We're always kind to insects and never overlook an opportunity his face again, so he got up and

to pat a mosquito on the back. turned out the light.



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This Christmas Day

We could not let this opportunity slip by without letting you know that you have our kindest thoughts for this Christmas Day and our good will with best wishes for your prosperity and happiness through 1946.

The prospect for giving you unexcelled service in the year ahead is great and we are glad to have you call us at any time.

Eddy Freight Line

Serving Wheeler Daily From Amarillo

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Once again we welcome the opportunity of sending along our GREETINGS to the many friends throughout the area we serve. If we have been of service to you during the past year, we have

achieved, in a small measure, the goal planned a year ago.

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Please accept our sincere best SEASON'S GREETINGS. May your Christmas be a happy one.

Montgomery Chevrolet

A. J. Montgomery

Daisy Crump Pedro Dial Earl Meadows Lee Newman

Earl McDaniel **Dalton Honeycutt** Don Yennie R. L. Wyatt

Shamrock, Texas

Carl Wilkerson **Ronald Butcher Owen Young Charley White**

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