

## Persons Injured as Zephyr Crashes Into "Wild" Cars

### T. D. Moreland, Wounded Veteran, Dies in Car Wreck

...battle wounds suffered in three foreign campaigns... escaping enemy prison camps on two occasions... Army Doyle Moreland of Lakeview returned home... life in an automobile accident early Monday... 24-year-old paratrooper and son of Mr. and Mrs. Moreland, was fatally injured about 8:30 o'clock as he returned a number of times on a curve seven miles from Memphis.

### Hold Party Night

...of the Memphis fire... held their annual party Monday night... Mrs. Tom Clayton... members of the... as tree and sandwich... were exchanged, with... acting as Santa Claus... which games of 42... were played... man was accused of... of eating most of... and also getting... share of the dough-

### Unit to Meet Next Week

...Texas State Guard... omit its regular... drill practice next... R. L. Devins has... The next meeting... an. 2... as in first aid were... the meeting Tuesday... Ray L. Reams, who... here from Plain-... which the com-... to coffee and... by Captain Devins.

### Report 55 Bales

...in Hall County... totaled 21,955 bales... Rushing of the census... This figure... 22,341 bales at the... last year. It is esti-... this year's crop is... self gathered.

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W. B. HOOSER



LADDIE SLOAN

### 4-H Club State Winner Tells of Trip to Chicago

Laddie Sloan of Estelline, who as state winner in the 4-H club Food for Victory contest, Tuesday told members of the Memphis Rotary Club that his trip to the national 4-H Club Congress was an education in many respects.

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### Quiet Holiday Observance Is Seen for City

Present indications are that Christmas Day in Memphis will be marked by a quiet observance with most folks taking advantage of two days of rest and visiting with friends and relatives. A number of families have sons in the service home for the holidays.

### Home On Visit

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### Negro Tries to Straighten Curve, 3 Land in Hospital

Willie Franklin of Louisiana was coming into Memphis from the west late Monday afternoon—and didn't see the curve at the Tenth Street highway intersection soon enough.

### Banks to Close Saturday Noon

Banks in Memphis will close at noon (12) Saturday and remain closed until Tuesday morning, they have announced. The public is advised to take note if the new Saturday closing hour.

### Star on Moon Monday Night Was an Eclipse

The bright star setting on the tip of the moon Monday night has been explained by the astrologists. It was an eclipse of the planet Venus. The moon passed between the earth and the bright planet.

## Near Disaster is Averted As Stream-Liner Flagged



Lieut. J. Otho Fitzjarrald, accompanied by his wife, is home for the Christmas holidays from the destroyer Naval base at San Diego, where he is stationed.

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### Schools Recess Until January 1

Schools in Memphis recessed Wednesday afternoon for the Christmas holidays. Classes will be resumed on Monday, Jan. 1, thus affording the student body and teachers alike a 10-day holiday.

### License Examiner To Take Holiday For Three Days

No tests will be given for drivers license on Saturday, as Louis Litzman, examiner of the Highway Patrol has been granted a holiday from Friday night until Tuesday morning. Saturday is his regular day for giving tests in Memphis.

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### Triple A Board For Coming Year Will Be Named

The Triple A committee of three men, which will handle the affairs of the Agriculture Adjustment Administration in Hall County for the coming year, will be selected at a meeting in the county court room on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

### CLAUDE'S COMMENTS

It has been sometime since I have tried to write any comments and wouldn't now but for the fact that we are publishing a 24-page Christmas edition this week and it takes lots of news, fillers and bushwah to go in the columns not taken up by the advertising and greetings. In other words, the printers, editors and reporters think my writing is nothing but something to fill space. And that's what it is.

## Three Cyclone Members on All-District Eleven



ALONZO ROBERTSON



FRANK SMITH



BILLIE BALLEW

The Memphis Cyclone placed three men on the official all-district team, which was selected by the coaches of District 3-A, it was announced this week by Logan Cummings of Wellington, chairman of the district interscholastic league.

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# Hall County Led State in 1944 in Farm Improvement, 4-H Clubs, War Program, Report Shows

A comprehensive program of 4-H Club extension work, of terracing and other conservation practices, and of rendering aid and assistance to all agencies in furtherance of the war effort, made the county agricultural agent's office in Hall County one of the most active of all public offices in 1944.

Likewise, the program focused the attention of the entire state on Agent W. B. Hooser, for the state extension service ranked Hall as the number one county in Texas in 4-H club work and general activities in promoting the welfare of the farm population.

In his annual report to College Station, Mr. Hooser outlines the various activities carried on through his office during the year, and a summary of the report is hereby given:

During the last 12 months covered by this report, the County Agricultural Agent devoted 235 days to adult work; 76 days to 4-H Club work; 225 days were spent in the field; and 86 days were spent in the office; 600 farm visits were made; 790 demonstrations; 1744 telephone calls; 162 new articles; 3083 bulletins were distributed; and 445 training meetings were held; 297 other meetings were held with 2800 attendance; 293 method meetings were held with 2620 attendance.

Hall County 4-H Club have 904 members, who carried a total of 1630 projects consisting of beef calves, swine, dairy cows, mil-

lo, cotton, garden, and poultry. 1600 projects were completed. 4-H Club boys entered thirty-five State and National Contests and medals or trips were won in each contest. The Club boys had entries at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo, at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show and the Greater Pan-American Exposition in Dallas.

The 4-H Club members of Hall County entered 35 contests and won individual and County awards in the Food for Victory Contest and R. E. A. Contest.

Laddie Sloan of Estelline was the State winner in the Food for Victory Contest and received an all expense trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago. A \$25 War Bond was awarded Laddie in the Safety Contest. Hall County was the outstanding County in the State in the R. E. A. Contest.

The most effective Extension work was the educational meetings held in connection with war work in cooperation with the Hall County Agricultural Victory Council, 4-H Club Program, Soil Conservation, and AAA Program.

There were 1,853,972 linear feet of terraces completed on 75 farms in Hall County. Dams have been completed on 111,516.13 cubic yards. These dams will average 2,000 cubic yards per dam.

Every farmer in the County received Free Classification and Free Marketing News Service and a saving of 20¢ per bale on 25,000 bales of cotton or \$5,000, received through the cooperation of the One Variety Cotton Improvement Associations organized in Hall County. The seed improvement program in the County was the most valuable accomplishment rendered to the farmers in 1944.

The Hall County Victory Council assumed a large responsibility during the 4th, 5th and 6th War Loan Drives and quotas were reached.

Better dams and sires for beef cattle and dairy cattle, were brought into the County.

The blood testing and culling of poultry demonstrations proved valuable to Hall County Club boys and farmers. 241 4-H Club members had 14,975 chickens for their projects in 1944.

Hulen Clifton, farmer in the Estelline vicinity, is cooperating with the Extension Service with a mulch demonstration. Mr. Clifton has hauled many hundred loads of cotton burrs and has

spread them over his sandy land field. He will note the results of the demonstration next year. He plans to plow the burrs under in order to form a mulch to hold the moisture.

Information was given to the returning veterans by the G. I. Bill of Rights.

The County Agricultural Agent as Secretary of the Hall County U. S. D. A. War Board, assisted the farmers with the Defense Transportation Program, machinery rationing program, the lumber rationing, the farmstead wiring, and assisted the farmers in preparing applications for new trucks and pick-ups and critical war materials from the War Production Board.

Many hours were spent in assisting the Selective Service Board in preparing agricultural unit sheets for each farm selected. With the assistance of the Agricultural Victory Council and State Extension Service, farm laborers were directed to farmers in order to save their crops.

In Community Agricultural Victory Council meetings the most effective war work was carried out by the Extension Service. In these educational meetings the Farm Labor Program, the AAA Program, the War Bond Program, simple conservation practices, and ceiling prices on cotton picking were discussed in detail.

Individual farm labor folders and farm laborer folders were kept in the Extension office. With the cooperation of the Agricultural Victory Council and everyone concerned, the farm labor problems were solved.

The Extension Service has helped the rural people to solve their many problems in adjusting themselves to a world at war. The big problem of 1944 to the farmer was to adjust their production of seed available. It was necessary to increase production of some commodities and decrease production of others because of the following: shortage of transportation, shortage of labor, shortage of feed, shortage of new farm machinery, and the shortage of parts and repairs for the old farm machinery which was available.

The program of work for 1944 was made by the Hall County Victory Council, Commissioners' Court, and the Extension Service.

A County Agricultural Victory Council Meeting was held in order to make an Extension Plan of Work. The meeting was called to order by Arthur Gidden, Chairman. Mr. Gidden called upon the County Agricultural Agent to review the problems arising in the different phases of Agriculture.

Which have been encountered in 1944. After this review of these different problems by the County Agricultural Agent, a round-table discussion, by the members present, was carried on.

It was agreed by every member that emergency war work in cooperation with the County Agricultural Victory Council and 4-H Club work should be the "over all" Extension activity in 1944. Each member heartily discussed this and recommended that the Extension Service assist the farmers with all war problems such as: farm labor, defense transportation, Civilian Defense Activities, all United War Chest, Red Cross, and War Bond drives, Selective Service System, collection of salvage materials, and obtaining materials through the War Production Board. The Council pledged their whole-hearted cooperation in this emergency war work.

The plan of work was discussed with the following: Judge M. O. Goodpasture, Roy Patton, Commissioner of Precinct 1; H. W. Spear, Commissioner of Precinct 2; Fred Berry, Commissioner of Precinct 3; and Irl Twilla, Commissioner of Precinct 4. Each offered his suggestions and recommendations for this plan of work.

Other parts of the program of work comes under the different phases of agriculture and are briefed as follows: Agronomy includes a seed conservation program, cleaning and adopted variety in connection with the Hall County Cotton Improvement Association; crop rotation; proper rate of seeding; proper time of planting and leaving out of the third row of cotton and grain sorghum.

Five very interesting Community meetings were held in Hall County in order to explain the ceiling price program on cotton picking. As a result of these meetings the farmers of Hall County voted for ceiling prices to be set on cotton picking, 70 percent. Even though other counties did not elect to have ceiling prices placed on them.

Pasture improvement program included planting of adopted varieties of grass on land not suitable for cultivation; regulated grazing; eradication of prickly pears; mesquite and sage brush; fencing contour listing; building fireguards for protection; and watering for equal distribution of grazing.

Agricultural engineering includes soil management; terracing; contour farming; building dams; silos; fencing; squeeze gates; cotton harvesters; grain sorghum harvesters; sprayers and Gusters for insects and diseases of crops and livestock; creep feeders, self feeders; farm buildings for storage and dwelling, and other labor saving machinery.

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- Sugar — Book 4, No. 30, No. 31, No. 32, No. 33, No. 34 and No. 40—good indefinitely.
- Shoes — Book 3, Airplane No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3, one pair each; good until used.
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### Hall County Led—

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Our 4-H Club program was used as a nucleus of all phases of agriculture. The 4-H Club program included regular meetings; regular demonstrations of crops and livestock; self-improvement; educational trips; terracing demonstrations; encampments; County State and National contests; tours; County, State and National Shows; livestock; entomology; and crop judging teams.

The entomology program included demonstrations on killing of lice and grubs by the use of cube and wettable sulphur. The use of Smear 62 for scree worm control; the use of calcium arsenite in the control of leaf worms; the use of Cerasam in the control of root rot and blight; the control of diseases and parasites of livestock, crops and poultry.

Our livestock program included the introduction of better sires and dairy and beef cattle and swine. Feeding of balanced rations; and adjusting the livestock program in diversified farming.

Our horticulture program included the planting and growing of Victory gardens, budding, pruning and spraying of fruit trees; and setting of home orchards.

Our poultry program included sanitation, housing, feeding for production, marketing of eggs, and management.

Demonstrations, educational meetings and personal conversation by the Extension Service, was used in the program above.

A committee of farmers accompanied the County Agricultural Agent to the National Cotton Congress in studying cotton harvesters, cotton pickers, and other labor-saving machinery.

With the assistance of the County Agricultural Victory Council, Farm Labor Advisory Committee, Chamber of Commerce, Memphis Lions Club, Memphis Rotary Club, and Turkey Lions Club; War Board and the different governmental agencies the critical war labor problem was solved. The Extension farm labor program has saved the farmer time, worry, and expense. Much assistance was rendered by D. A. Adams and the State Labor office, College Station, under C. Hohn.

Twenty-five German prisoners of War were secured through the 8th Service Command to work at the Memphis Compress. These prisoners were transported daily to and from the McLean Prison Camp.

The officers and directors of the Hall County Cotton Improvement Association are as follows: R. A. Eddleman, president; John Russell, vice-president; B. T. Pre-

### Telephone Firms Plan Extension To Farm Families

A joint committee of representatives of Bell and independent operating telephone companies throughout the United States has been formed to advance the nationwide postwar programs which the various telephone companies have been working on individually to extend and improve farm telephone service, it was announced today.

Co-chairmen of the committee are John P. Boyland, president of the United States Independent Telephone Association, the national organization of the thousands of independent telephone companies, and Keith S. McHugh, vice president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company representing the Bell operating companies.

"Rural telephone service is more highly developed in this country, under the American system of private enterprise, than in any other country in the world," Mr. Boyland and Mr. McHugh said today in a statement issued by them for the committee. "However, it is by no means as highly developed as we in the industry intend to see it, and the industry intends to do everything in its power to provide more service, and better service, at a cost which the farmer can afford.

"Since operating telephone companies throughout the whole country have been working on this problem, a representative joint committee has been formed consisting of a number of their most experienced officials. We believe that the application of new facilities and methods which were under development by the industry before the demands of war interrupted our research and construction program will help to bring telephone service to many new farm customers. As soon as war demands are reduced, we propose to resume and expand our research effort and, along with it, the intensive program for extending farm service which was being carried on before the outbreak of hostilities.

"Over one-half million miles of telephone pole lines serving rural areas have already been built so that more than two-thirds of all rural families in the United States can be served from existing lines. Since 1935 more than 500,000 additional—an increase of 35 per cent. One of the major objectives is to continue this upward trend by making the service over existing lines increasingly valuable and attractive. This the industry intends to do to the limit of its ability.

### Change Made by Ration Board On New Tires

According to C. L. Sloan, Jr., chairman of the Hall County War Price and Rationing Board, effective this week, some changes will be made regarding applications for tires, it was announced by W. B. Hooser, community service member.

Heretofore, most applicants have relied on the Official Tire Inspectors to fill out their applications, see that the Rationing Board or a Board member gets them, perhaps pick up the certificate at the sub-board, if issued and take it to them.

This will not be the procedure any longer.

The tire inspector still fills out the applications, but the applicant either mails the application to the War Price and Rationing Board at Estelline or turns the application in to the sub-board in Memphis, where the clerk will mail the application that day to the main office in Estelline. The official tire inspectors will not be held responsible for the applications.

The applicant is urged to get his application in around the first of each week because all applications will have to be "screened" by the tire clerk in Estelline before the tire panel members can act on them each Friday.

No certificates will be returned to the sub-board office in Memphis and no board members will bring them back from the Estelline office. All certificates will be mailed to the applicant from the main office in Estelline after each board meeting.

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We are sorry we cannot see each of you individually—and we want to convey, through this message, our heartfelt appreciation of your friendships and to wish you all the joys of the Christmas Season.

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### NEWS about boys in the Service

(A letter from Jay Bruce in France to his sister, Mrs. Jeff Welcher of Parnell.)

Dear Golden:

Just a few lines to let you know that I am O. K. We have been in France now for about two months, and have been on the front lines now about two weeks. We are in the Army and in the Alsace-Lorraine territory. We are not allowed to give our exact location but are up where the shells are flying.

We hardly ever have time or are lucky enough to be inside so we can write. I surely wish this thing would soon be over with and we could all come home.

I hear from Jeanne often, but she is the only one who has written me from home so far. I know everyone is busy. I hope you are all able to get enough help to gather your crops. I heard crops were very good.

How are Jeff and J. J.? I guess J. J. is going to school. Just now I was interrupted by some German planes. They are flying around over the town that I am in now. Our Anti-aircraft guns are firing at them now. Yesterday and today is the first time that their air-craft has bothered us.

I had a letter from L. V. yesterday. He seems to be getting along O. K. He is lucky to remain in the states and I hope he gets to stay there. I hope Dad and Trans are well. Tell them hello for me, and I will try to write them later. Love to all, JAY

C. A. Williams, E. M. 2-c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Williams is home from Panama for a 15 day leave. He has seen service in the Caribbean and Pacific.

Pvt. J. L. Barnes, Jr came Tuesday from Camp Hood for a 10 day delayed enroute, visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Barnes. From here he reports to Fort Ord, Calif.

Pvt. Dick Vallance is here for a visit with his wife and children, Richard Neal and Cherrye Ruth, and with the L. O. Dennis family. This week they are in Mineral Wells for a short visit with his mother, Mrs. Charlie McBride. Pvt. Vallance reports back to Camp Joseph T. Robison Ark., Sunday.

Major and Mrs. N. A. Hightower, Jr., and N. A. III of Enid, Okla., spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Hightower.

Major George W. Smith of Pensacola, Fla., is here visiting in the

### Kenneth Brewer Writes Parents From Hospital

Writing from a hospital in England where he has been confined after suffering a leg wound in France, Kenneth Brewer, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Brewer, says he expects to get back across the channel and into combat again soon.

He was wounded on Oct. 20. He went into France on D-Day and whether he was in France or Holland at the time he was wounded is not known.

He writes as follows: "Will drop a short line to say hello and that I am fine and that I'm going back today or in a few days, the first of the week I guess.

"Well, how is everyone making it at home now. I guess it is rather cold there now isn't it. Well my mail is just coming in good now I'm taking off again so I guess it will get all messed up again, but that is the way it runs in this ETO. I still haven't gotten any packages.

"Well, Mom, I would sure like to be home now, but I'm here until this one is over and then the South Pacific will be waiting for my outfit over there as you know we have only been in combat since D-Day and lots of these guys have two years over here so we will probably be heading that way when we get through with Germany, and I hope that won't be long.

"I'll close, so tell everyone hello for me and to write. Love, Ken."

### Rural Teachers Are Entertained Last Saturday

Rural teachers of the county held their third annual party last Saturday night when Mr. and Mrs. B. B. McMillian were hosts. Following dinner, games were played and presents were distributed from a Christmas tree.

It was the third year that the teachers have held their Christmas party in the McMillian home.

Present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sutton, Miss Jewell Stark, Miss Kate Peden, Ernest Porter, Faith Porter, Mozelle Wolfe, Mildred Hendrix, George Payne, Mrs. Frank Wheeler, Maud Milan, Alma Bruze, Inez Mason, Mary Foreman and Mrs. McMillian, and the following guests: Frank Wheeler, B. B. McMillian, Ginger Porter, Donald Payne and Billy and Frankie Wheeler.

Elephants are known to have lived to be 150 to 200 years of age; crocodiles 100 years; and their birth.

home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith, and with his wife and daughter, Sharon, who have been here for sometime. They will return to Pensacola the 27th.

Cpl. Richard Ayers came in Saturday night from England for a surprise visit with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Clark Ayers. He will be here thirty days. He is with the ground forces of the Army in France.

Staff Sgt. Sante Graziani and wife, Sgt. Jacqueline Graziani, of Miami Beach, Fla., came Monday night for a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McMurry. They came by plane to Dallas and took the train to Memphis. They are both at the Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Station.

### Future Readers of The Democrat



Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Riechburg of Estelline are the parents of a girl born December 15. She was named Sondra Sue.

Necia Ann was born December 16 to Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hearne.

A boy was born December 18 to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Maddox of Newlin. He was named William Glenn.

Saylon Wayne was born December 19 to Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Watson of Lakeview.

Capt. and Mrs. Ross Gentry are the parents of a girl born December 19 in Fort Worth. She was named Don Polla. Captain Gentry is with the Army in Germany.

### Wm. Cameron Co. Pays Its Annual Holiday Bonus

More than 800 employees of Wm. Cameron & Co. will receive cash as their Christmas gifts this year. E. R. Bolton, president of the company, announced this week. Each will receive 12 1-2 percent of his total salary for the year, or the equivalent of one and one half months salary.

Cameron employees who entered the military services during the year will be included. This method of Christmas remembrance has been used by the Cameron Company for the past five years.

### MEXICAN CLOCK

Many Mexican families still observe the "old clock system" on New Year's eve. On a table in a main room of the house, lighted candles surround a tiny casket, upon which stands a clock. On the stroke of midnight the clock is stopped, placed in the casket and buried in the garden, symbolizing the passing of the old year.

### FIRST TO SEE YEAR

The little British colony on Hanson Island, in the Chathams, 414 miles southeast of Wellington, New Zealand, will be the first to greet 1945. It is just east of the international date line, from which all time is reckoned.

Mr. and Mrs. James Francis and children, James Ray and Judy K. of Texarkana visited Monday and Tuesday of last week with her uncle, Porter Johnson. Mrs. Francis was formerly Miss Madeline Roy.

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### Relative of Local Women Dies in South Texas

WESLACO, Texas, Dec. 14.—The Rev. J. E. Lovett, 77, retired Methodist pastor, died here Thursday, Dec. 14.

Mr. Lovett had been a pastor for 55 years, beginning as a circuit rider in Oklahoma. He served Texas churches in Victoria, Corpus Christi, Elgin, Brownsville, Hulingea, Weslaco and Rio Grande City. He was presiding elder for 16 years in the Brownsville, Yoakum and Llano districts. A native of Mississippi, he had spent the last 20 years in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Funeral services were held Sunday.

Rev. Lovett was a son-in-law of Mrs. A. D. McCrory and brother-in-law of Mrs. Inez Baker, of Memphis.

### Cave of Nativity Now Is Grotto

The "stable" in which Christ was born does not conform to the modern conception of the word.

In Biblical times, places of shelter were hewn in rocky ledges; Judean travelers, frequently housed in such caves, welcomed joint tenancy with beasts because of the extra warmth provided by animals' bodies.

The birthplace of Jesus was such a cave. Now a grotto beneath Bethlehem's Church of the Nativity, the entire surface has been elaborately ornamented. Pilgrims to the shrine often wish, nonetheless reverently, that its original simplicity might have been preserved in which eternal stars

"Looked down where He lay The little Lord Jesus Asleep in the hay."

The man who blushes is not a brute.

### Colder Weather Ups Prices on Farm Products

Colder weather reduced marketing and increased demand for southwest farm products during the past week, resulting in a firm to higher price situation on truck crops, poultry products, grains, and cotton, the War Food Administration reports. Livestock moved downward, led by seasonally lower hog prices.

Freeze damage early in the week practically brought an end to the tomato season in South Texas and reduced supplies of other tender vegetables, resulting in a firm price situation for available offerings. Spinach closed the week in the Winter Garden-Eagle Pass area from 90 cents to \$1.00 a bushel, while peppers in the Lower Rio Grande Valley brought mostly \$3.50 per bushel. Shortage of freight cars hampered shipments of Colorado potatoes but prices held firm at the ceiling of \$2.50 per cwt. for U. S. No. 1 size A Red McClures. Colorado onions closed the week with demand slow and prices barely steady at \$1.00 to \$1.10 per fifty pound sack for U. S. Sweet Spanish from two to three inches in diameter. Carlot vegetable movement from other areas was limited mostly to mixed vegetables, sweet potatoes from Louisiana, and a few cars of spinach from Oklahoma. Texas citrus movement continues to exceed shipments for the same period last year. WFA's purchase program to support pecan prices at 15 cents a pound to producers was a major development in the southwest market situation.

A break in steer prices in Chicago, together with stormy weather which limited demand, influenced a downward trend in nearly all classes of cattle in the Mid-

west. Calves were exceptionally steady to firm in strength which developed receipts in storm areas to an active steady market the first few days, but ed sympathetically in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas closed with cows up to \$10.00 per Denver had medium grades from \$10.50 to cwt.

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GRAPES, lb. . . . .	25c
CELERY, Stalk . . . . .	18c
CARROTS, bunch . . . . .	9c
CAULIFLOWER, lb. . . . .	19c
LARGE THIN SHELL PECANS LB. 45c	ALMONDS LB. 50¢
WALNUTS, lb. . . . .	45c
FRUIT CAKES, lb. . . . .	1.10
CAKE FLOUR, pkg. . . . .	29c
FOLGERS COFFEE, lb. . . . .	33c
MINCE MEAT, 12 oz. jar . . . . .	30c
MEADOLAKE, lb. . . . .	23c
BEEF ROAST, lb. . . . .	31c

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**All Good Wishes**

The things you have wished for, the ambitions and plans that have been yours for so many years, we hope they will all be realized during the New Year. And may the Holiday Season be a cheerful one that you will long remember.

GRAPES Empors, pound . . . . .	25c	FRESH PINEAPPLE From Cuba, each . . . . .	
NEW POTATOES Red Triumphs, pound . . . . .	9c	FRESH SNAP BEAN Pound . . . . .	
PAPER SHELL PECANS Pound . . . . .	45c	WALNUTS No. 1 Diamond, pound . . . . .	
CHRISTMAS TREES . . . . .	50c, 90c, 1.25		
REX JELLY, 5 lb. jar . . . . .			
FRUIT CAKES, One Pound . . . . .			
POP CORN, Yellow, pound . . . . .			
DRESSED HENS Nice & Fat, pound . . . . .	40c	FANCY BEEF ROAST Pound . . . . .	

# 'M' SYSTEM

# High School Activities Have Been on Normal Basis So Far This Year, as Report Shows

Extensive class activities in school since opening of the September have kept the body busy and given the normal interest other than text books.

Activities met and organized on the following of:

Pres., Billy Ballew; Sec., Dan McMillian; Treas., Mary Compton; and Treas., Mary Anderson.

Pres., Bill Kesterson; Sec., Marshal Ford; Treas., Youre; and Treas., L. D.

Pres., Bill Hickey; Sec., M. L. Evans; and Sec., Louise Rogers.

Man., Gayle Stilwell; Sec., Mary Alice Ables; and Sec., Doris Kesterson.

Freshmen: Pres., Edith

Compton; Vice-Pres., Darrel Childress; Sec., Peggy Mitchell; and Treas., Marion Posey.

Frank Smith was named captain when the football team was organized.

A pep squad was formed and chose the following leaders: Peggy Lawrence, LaVurne Saunders and Bob Webb.

Fire prevention work was observed by all classes.

On Nov. 10, Mary Wells was named football queen.

The annual father-son banquet was given by mothers of the football boys on Nov. 14.

Staff for Yearbook selected as follows: Editor, Sue Lynn Guthrie; Assistant Editor, Roy Patton; Sports Editor, W. J. Goffinet; Snap Shot Editor, Bill Kesterson; Art Editor, Wanda Reynolds; and Business Manager, Billy Ballew.

A pie supper was held on Dec. 8. A High School Queen was elected. Doris Compton from the Senior Class was elected. Other candidates: Nelda Sullivan, Jr. Class; Louise Rogers, Soph. Class; Jimmie Mitchell, Fresh. Class; and Lois Wines, Pre-Fresh. Class.

Basket Ball Team organized and off to a good start: Frank Smith Captain. Team won consolation trophy at Hedley Dec. 16th. Basket Ball Queen selected was Betty Bob Webb. Most Versatile Girl chosen was Sue Ann Roberts. Most Versatile Boy chosen was Dan McMillian.

Following picked for Who's Who for the Yearbook: Coy Don Taylor, Billy Ballew, Sue Lynn Guthrie, Betty Gean Solomon, Mary Ruth Anderson, Frances Pyeatt, LaVerne Orr, Roy Patton, Louise Rogers, Bill Hickey.

Student Body elected most popular boy and girl as follows: Clifford Vandeventer and Peggy Lawrence.

Children from surrounding districts enjoying the pride of the H. S.—three new Ford V-8 school buses.

Soph. English Class filled fifteen prs. socks with nuts and fruit for Jr. Red Cross to send to Childress. Same class wrapped packages for five boys and five girls at State Orphan's Home.

## A Yuletide Wish

That you will be blessed with all the joys possible for a successful Christmas Season and that the coming of the New Year will find success crowning your every effort.

Morgan Baker

## WEEK-END SPECIALS

COFFEE, Folgers, 1 lb.	33c—2 lbs.	65c
SUGAR, Pure Cane, 5 lbs.	36c—10 lbs.	71c
FLOUR, Amaryliss, 10 lbs.	55c—25 lbs.	1.26
BAKING POWDER, 1 lb. Calumet		19c
JAM, Aunt Jemima, 5 lb. bag		30c
WHITE KARO, Pint Jars		17c
CRACKERS, 2 lb. box salted		32c
CRACKERS, 1 lb. box		23c
BEANETS, 2 boxes		23c
CRISP BRAN, 2 boxes		23c
CRISP, Sm. Crystal Wedding		12c
CARONI or SPAGHETTI, Skinners, 2 boxes		17c
TOILET CLEANSER, can		12c
SHAMPOO, Lg. can		20c
SHAMPOO, pint Miracle Whip		29c
CHOCOLATE, 8 oz. box Hersheys		12c
CHOCOLATE, Bakers Cooking, box		21c
CORN, 1 lb. cello sacks		20c
NUT BUTTER, Peter Pan, jar		32c
CANNED BEANS, 2 lb. pkg.		35c
SPICED MEAT, 25c, 35c & 50c Jars		
TOILET PAPER, SCOT TISSUE, 3 rolls		23c
TOILET PAPER, 15 oz.	15c—2 lb. pkg.	28c
SHelled PECANS, 3 oz. pkg.	26c—8 oz.	59c
TOMATOES, No. 2 cans		12c
GLISH PEAS, No. 2cans Mission		15c
BARK & BEANS, can		10c
BEANETS, No. 2 cans H. D.		17c
BEANETS, No. 2 cans Kuners		17c
TOMATO JUICE, No. 2 cans		12c
FRUIT NECTAR, can		12c
TOMATO SOUP, Campbells	10c—Vegetable	15c
BEANS TREET, can		36c
BEANS, 5 lbs.	23c—Pk.	68c
BEET POTATOES, nice, lb.		7c
BEANS, Doz.		27c
BEANS, 25c, 35c, 40c & 60c per doz.		
APPLEFRUIT, fancy Ruby Red, 2 for		13c
APPLES, fancy California, lb.		25c
GLISH WALNUTS, No. 1 grade, lb.		45c
CANS, Lg., thin shell, lb.		45c
BEANS, nice yellow, lb.		5c
BEANS, Nice bleached, stalk		20c
BEANS, Lg. heads		11c

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# PERSONALS

Mrs. Lyman Davenport of Lakeview and Mrs. T. D. Weatherby were visitors Tuesday in Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Patton were visitors in Amarillo Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. A. B. Jones, Mrs. Lloyd Ward, and Mr. and Mrs. Bunk Spence and children, Randy and Deanne, left Saturday for Corpus Christi for a visit with their daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Stephens and Curry.

Miss Billy Jo Prater arrived Wednesday night from Fort Worth where she is attending T. C. U. to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Prater.

Mrs. L. G. Pasco went to Fort Worth the first of the week to bring her mother, Mrs. Mary Combest, home. Mrs. Combest has recently undergone an operation in a hospital there. They returned Tuesday.

Mrs. J. C. Baker and children Shirley Jane and Allen Nobles have moved back to Memphis from Oklahoma City. Mrs. Baker is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Lindsey.

Miss Martha Jane Wright of Clarendon visited over the week-end with her aunt, Mrs. Claud Johnson and husband.

A. C. Mash was taken to Amarillo Monday to the veterans hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Mash celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary Sunday. Their son, LaVaughn, sent them a fruit cake from California.

Miss Lena Melear, Mrs. Lafayette Pounds, and Mr. and Mrs. John Vallance were business visitors in Dallas the first of the week.

Nelson Combest was a business visitor in Amarillo Tuesday. Mrs. Grover Roden and son Billy visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Phillips of Eli.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hale of Turkey visited here Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hickey and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Monzingo.

Mr. and Mrs. Avery Hutchins of Friendship visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Phillips of Eli.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Cusheonberry and son Layne of Quitaque visited here last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hickey and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Monzingo.

Mrs. W. M. Day returned Sunday morning from Fort Worth to make her home indefinitely with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blum.

Kent Archer, who has been living in Portland, Ore., came Sunday for a month's visit with his mother, Mrs. E. G. Archer.

Mrs. H. Gilmore and daughter Pauline of Turkey were business visitors here Friday. They also visited with their son and brother, H. B. Gilmore and family.

Mrs. Essie Bean of Amairillo visited here Sunday with her mother, Mrs. S. P. Wells.

Miss Muffet Merrell, student in TSCW, Denton, came Friday night to spend the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Merrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thompson spent last week-end in Wichita Falls as guests at the annual Christmas celebration of the United Gas Corporation.

Mrs. Bud Crump and daughter Carolyn of Lubbock came Saturday to spend the holidays here with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Hayes. Private First Class Crump accompanied them here, and returned Sunday to Lubbock.

Mrs. Birdie Holbrook visited last week-end in Amarillo with her sisters, Mrs. D. D. Murphy and C. H. Phelps, and Mrs. S. F. Coffee.

Mrs. Dean Morgensen visited from Wednesday until Sunday at Snyder, Okla., with her brother B. W. Grozier.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Wells of Amarillo visited here last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Madden and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sexauer.

Bobby Lee came Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lee. He is attending Texas School of Mines, El Paso.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gilmore of Turkey were business visitors here Monday.

Joe Doyle Galbreath came Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays here with his mother, Mrs. Bannister. He is a student at Texas School of Mines, El Paso.

Word has been received by Mrs. Porter Johnson that her aunt, Mrs. Tom Humphris of Knox City fell and broke her hip. The Humphris family lived near Eli several years ago.

Mrs. T. J. Vogle and son Teddy of Dalhart visited here Tuesday and Wednesday with her aunt, Mrs. Dean Morgensen, and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Bess Johnson were among those who attended the funeral of George Sager in Childress Wednesday.

Miss Betty Randolph, student in Wayland College, Plainview, came Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Randolph.

Mrs. Dorothy Spraggin of Sedalia, Mo., returned last week to her home after a visit of two weeks with her sister, Mrs. Bess Crump.



## Christmas Joy!

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Hershel Whitefield, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Whitefield, arrived home Monday for a visit after spending more than three years in the Pacific theatres of war. He is with the 18th Engineers and took part in the building of the Alaska road, was in the Aleutians, and various places in the South Pacific.


He was given his furlough at Seattle, and came by way of California to visit his two sisters, Mrs. T. H. Allen at Long Beach and Mrs. J. P. Mann at Santa Maria. After his furlough, he will be stationed at Camp Bowie Brownwood.

**AWARDED METAL**

J. H. Butler returned last week from Bakersfield, Calif., where he visited his son, Seaman 1-c Claire Grady Butler, who had just returned from a stay of 18 months in the Aleutian area with the 88th U. S. Naval Construction Battalion. He was recently given a Service Certificate and the Asiatic-Pacific Area Campaign Medal.

Mrs. W. L. Patton of Amarillo visited here last week with her sister, Mrs. Bess Crump.

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	33c	No. 2 Can
SWANSDOWN CAKE FLOUR	Pkg.	WHITE KARO
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### YULETIDE IS HERE

**CHRISTMAS** is a time for greeting old friends, for laughter and rekindled memories, for love and jollity and the dropping of workaday cares;

**CHRISTMAS** is a time for music—for playing and singing old songs and new, for "White Christmas," "Jingle Bells," "Deck the Halls" and "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town."

**CHRISTMAS** is a time for giving—to the newsboy on the corner, the folks at the office, the cop on the beat—a time for leaving loaded baskets on doorsteps; for promoting a grab-bag at the USO; a time for sharing the cheer in your own heart with all;

**CHRISTMAS** is a time for play . . . family games with old and young . . . a time for playing house with little sister and helping Junior's bright new train deliver its freight on time;

**CHRISTMAS** is a time for enjoying the gentle graces of life—a hospitable table, and fine food—a time for sharing these graces with others—Christmas is a time for the good life;

**CHRISTMAS** is a time for reflecting on the bounties that this good life in a free land gives to Americans—a time to resolve anew to cherish and defend them;

**CHRISTMAS** is a time for prayer—a time to pray that before another Christmas our loved ones far away will have returned home to us, safe and well, their labors crowned with Victory and a lasting Peace.

#### Pious Custom

In the west of Ireland, Christmas takes a pious note. A candle is left burning in a window as a guide to the Holy Family, should it be needing shelter. And food is left on the table between meals in case any souls from purgatory should revisit their old homes.

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Ever wonder why the "gin" in cotton-gin? It's just an abbreviation of "engine."

## Memphis People Urged to Make Rooms Available for New CAAF Soldiers, Many Back From Foreign Duty

An appeal went out today from Headquarters at Childress Army Air Field to all residents of Memphis and its surrounding communities.

An appeal for housing, any and all kinds, to meet the terrific demand which is becoming increasingly acute as a result of recent shipments of military personnel from overseas to CAAF.

"Unless the people of Memphis and neighboring communities throw open their doors and utilize all available space," said one CAAF official, "our situation will be helpless indeed."

Men back from combat, those back from fighting fronts only recently are feeling the housing shortage most, it was declared. "We must give these young men every opportunity to be happy and with their families," said Paul Ord, Board of Childress City Development manager and civilian representative of the recently organized CAAF-Civil Central Housing Office. "We have been fortunate enough to have Childress Army Air Field located here," he continued, "and it is our duty to keep Army-Civilian relations at the peak where it has always been by continued cooperation in the housing problem and full support of this new Housing office."

The Central Housing Office, jointly operated by CAAF and the Military Affairs Committee of the

Childress Chamber of Commerce was set up last Thursday at a meeting attended by Col. Samuel W. Van Meter, now commanding officer at CAAF, his staff, and city officials in the new agency. Last Monday, the office, located on the second floor at City Hall in Childress, was opened for business.

With a centralized effort, the new office will attempt to locate housing, aided by members of the Military Wives Auxiliary who are volunteering their services in the work of locating vacancies and advising housing seekers. Every homeowner who has living space available is directed to contact the Central Housing Office either in person or by phone, 27.

Office hours of the Central Housing Office at present, are, as follows: Monday through Friday 10 am to 7 pm; Saturday, 11 am to 8 pm; and Sunday, 10 am to 2 pm.

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### Herford History Texas Given in Directory

Amazing amount of information on the Texas Hereford including a brief summary history, is compressed into approximately small volume of the 1945 Texas Hereford directory, just off the press, containing more than seven thousand copies being sent to the principal of pure bred cattle in the States.

The directory is an authentic of the hundreds of Herefords being produced in Texas, the greatest Herefording state in the Union. It contains data on all members of the Texas Hereford association, their ranches, and the foreword, Jack Frost, of the association, outlining the purposes of the organization and prospective purchasers advised that every member of the association guarantees every buyer will get what he pays for.

Introduction quotes from a foreword by W. S. Icard, Clay County, who brought the first Hereford to Texas, and first of the Association in the state, who exhorted the members to push the breed into every part of the country and to have the best exhibits possible at each fair and fat stock show.

At that time, nearly forty years ago Herefords have been introduced into every one of the 254 counties.

### Research Speeds Insect Control

Research is the basis for the part entomology has been and is playing in war, S. A. Powner of the U. S. Department of Agriculture emphasized at a meeting of entomologists. Many recent accomplishments—such as supplying the armed forces with effective insect powder, means of controlling insects which carry malaria and other diseases in camps at home and on campaigns abroad, safeguarding food supplies for fighters and civilians—were made possible, he said, "by applying the findings developed through careful studies that extended over many years." Urgent need speeded wartime research for which peacetime research had provided facts.

"The background of facts made it possible," he pointed out, "to supply needed answers for many problems in short order. What was known about some insects suggests what to expect others to do. Coordination of efforts, combined knowledge, and the experience of entomologists provided shortcuts in investigations needed to obtain specific answers to wartime problems.

"This method of study has emphasized the advantage of pooling what is known about insects and having a unified set-up for entomological research. Performance and results during the war period have shown the kind of organizational pattern that should be used to produce results needed to solve postwar problems on insects that affect our economy."

### BRICE

By MRS. D. S. JOHNSON

Pfc. D. S. Johnson visited this week in Dallas with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Estes and family of Los Angeles are visiting his sister, Mrs. Boyd Dickson and family.

Mrs. Cal Holland and Pat and Mrs. Charlie Murff were Amarillo visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. L. Salmon visited several days this week with relatives in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Schaff of Clarendon visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Johnston.

Bill Craft, who is attending school in Fort Worth, came Wednesday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Craft.

Miss Mary Etta Hall of San Marcus is visiting her brother, D. C. Hall and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rexrode made a business trip to Amarillo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Garnville McAnear of Ashtola visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Smallwood.

### Clovis Reporter Goes Longfellow In Redman Report

Alabama, police reporter for the Clovis News-Journal, went poetic last week to describe the misery of two persons hailed into court charged with a liquor violation and to unite a common law marriage into a legal one. Complicating as the charges were, Alabama came up with the following chronicle of ensuing events:

"Into Clovis courts came Redman lofty scion of Hiwatha; came the Indian's woman, Velma; came the friends of troubled Indians; came the cases of firewater, taken from the erring redman when the Clovis cops came calling—bringing trouble to his doorstep. Bottles of diluted whiskey lured the hands of helpless Indians as he watched the sad transferral to the cabinets of the police, stopping means of getting wampum, making mad the woman Velma. Loud Judge Simpson whacked a and pounded, loud he lectured on morality when in pow-wow white folks discovered Indian marriage bound the couple. The more puzzled was the redman that the state in which he pitched his wigwam did not call the marriage legal did not recognize the sanctity of the marriage he was part to. Added to the sale of liquor, he now faced another charge to battle (in his needed fight for freedom), called by judge 'immoral conduct.' Baffled, sad at laws of white man, redman went before the altar making legal trying marriage, making honest woman, Velma—but still under charge of selling liquor to the thirsty people, people who had made him sad. Paid the fine of much much wampum, paid the debt to rich society, redman traveled back to farmland, there to wonder, there to ponder at the puzzling acts of people, people who were his white brothers. If you ask us whence this story, this sad story of the redman, we would tell you, we would answer by the name we travel under, Alabama your reporter—police reporter for your paper."

Smart girls were those grecian girls. They counted their ages from their marriage—not from their first love.

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### Don't Slight Job Of Rinsing Clothes

COLLEGE STATION.—If you have wondered why your clothes fail to look clean after you thought you had washed them thoroughly, it may be that you are slighting the job of rinsing them. Soap left in fabric may make it appear dingy, yellow or even brownish in streaks, and may eventually weaken the fibers, says Mrs. Dora R. Barnes, clothing specialist for the A. and M. Extension Service.

Ideal for rinsing, Mrs. Barnes says, is an abundant supply of hot soft water. Tests show that rinse water about as hot as the wash water removes soap and loosens dirt most easily. Hot water, she adds, has an advantage of softening fabric, opening the fibers, and dissolving soap quickly. When clothes go from hot wash water to a cold rinse, the fabric contracts and may hold soap or dirt, soft water dissolves soap without leaving scum or mineral sediment.

If, however, the hot water supply happens to be low, there are ways to get around that difficulty. Just before lifting clothes from hot wash water, squeeze each piece up and down quickly. Then wring very dry. The more suds that can be pressed out, the less left to rinse out. Even lukewarm water is better for rinsing than cold water.

Now if the water is hard, a rinse in thin, clear hot suds helps carry off dirty suds and hard water deposits before the clothes are placed in clear water. After the soapy rinse, give clothes two or three rinses in clear water until the water shows no trace of soapiness. Mrs. Barnes emphasizes that clothes must move freely under water to get soap out. Never crowd the rinse tub, she says.

Lifting each piece of clothing up and out of the water instead of draining water off through the clothes. If the latter method is used, dirt in the soiled fabric will strain out and be left on the fabric.

### HARRELL CHAPEL

By MRS. LOUIS RICHARDS

Those visiting Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Phillips were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilkner and children of Memphis, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Phillips and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Phillips, all of Fairview, Mr. and Mrs. Duke Helm, and Mr. and Mrs. Orval Phillips and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Cook and daughter Sue and Patsy Ruth Richards spent Sunday with Mr. Clark's father at Plaska.

Mrs. Don Stephens and children of Parnell were visiting Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Daugherty.

Lloyd Widner, who is in the service stationed at Camp Chaffee, Ark., was home last week visiting

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### Locals and Personals

Mrs. Lester Huggins and brother, O. C. Crabtree of Turkey, were business visitors in Gainsville last week.

Mrs. Henry Wilson and daughters, Mrs. Daisy Burch, and Mrs. Lenell Elton of Quannah were Amarillo visitors Monday.

Mrs. Golden Welcher and Miss Mae Paul of Parnell were Amarillo visitors Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. George W. Short of Ama-

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### WANT SLEEP-

Need to lie in bed—toss—and fret because CON-ASTION or GAS PRES- won't let you sleep. Be get up—take a dash of ADLER-I-KA. ease the pressure of large on nerves and organs of igestive tract. Adlerika assists od wastes and gas through ortable bowel movement so ovels return to normal size he discomforts of pressure Before you know it, you are. Morning finds you feeling —refreshed and ready for a day's work or fun. n, use only as directed. nika from your druggist today.

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### Merry American



### Christmas

and Best Wishes for the New Year

Among the things for which our boys are fighting is the right to celebrate Christmas in the traditional American way. Today, thanks to the magnificent achievements of our armed forces, we have gone a long way down the road toward final Victory and we can look forward hopefully to enjoying Christmas as we used to know it—in an atmosphere of peace and contentment unclouded by the shadows of war. It is with firm resolve to help speed that happy day and with an unbounded faith in the future, that we extend to you and your loved ones our heartiest Christmas greetings and warmest best wishes for the New Year.

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WE CAN think of no finer Yuletide sentiment than the old familiar "MERRY CHRISTMAS." We never grow tired of saying it to our friends nor do we grow tired of hearing it from others. It is the one universal greeting that carries with it the thought of others and the appreciation of fine friendships and associations. It is this sentiment that forms the background of our thinking of you at this glad time of the year. We want you to know that when we say, "MERRY CHRISTMAS," we include our thankfulness for all past favors. The best of everything to each of you.

Memphis Hospital

rillo visited here last week-end with relatives and friends. Mrs. A. W. P. Rogers and daughter, Suzanne, are spending the holidays at Knox City. Mr. Rogers will join them Friday.

H. Baldwin of Tenaha visited here Friday with his brother, A. Baldwin and wife.

with his wife and children. They were supper guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Richards last Tuesday night returning to camp Sunday.

Monroe Teel will return to California this week after spending two months here.

Rev. Jeff Moore of Memphis will fill his regular appointment here Sunday afternoon, December 24, at 3 p. m. You are invited to attend and bring a friend with you.

### How To Relieve Bronchitis

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**FOR SALE**—Superflex Oil burner frigidaire in good condition. 27-2p

**FOR SALE**—Cedar posts. Farmer's Produce, 6th & Brice, phone 101. 51-1fc

## Palace

**SATURDAY**  
**"Hoosier Holiday"**  
 Dale Evans  
 The Hoosier Hot Shots

**Sat. Preview**  
**Sunday Matinee & Night**  
**"Tall in the Saddle"**  
 John Wayne, Ella Raines

**Xmas Eve Preview 11 o'clock**  
**Xmas Day (Monday)**  
**"Bowery to Broadway"**  
 Maria Montez, Jack Oakie

**Tuesday, Wednesday**  
**Thursday**  
**"Casanova Brown"**  
 Gary Cooper  
 Teresa Wright

**PALACE & RITZ**  
**Bargain Day, December 22**  
**"Nabonga"**  
 Buster Crab Fifi Dorsey

## Ritz

**SATURDAY**  
**"Lumber Jack"**  
 William Boyd, Andy Clyde

**SUNDAY - MONDAY**  
**"When the Lights Go on Again"**  
 Jimmy Lydon  
 Grand Mitchell

**TUES., WED., THUR.**  
**"My Gal Loves Music"**  
 Bob Crosby  
 Grace McDonald

**FOR SALE**—1941 McCormick Deering combine, good condition. 1937 tractor, cheap. Marlin Groom, 5 1/2 miles N. W. of Memphis. 27-2p

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If you want to engage in an independent business, that will pay handsome dividends, and has a depression-proof history with a peacetime future, consider the tourist court. Income from tourist courts according to prewar estimates amounted to \$650,000,000 a year, of which \$500,000,000 went for tourist court lodgings and meals, and a \$150,000,000 went for gas and services dispensed by the courts. We have the site right here in Memphis in the north part of town, on the highway which is to become a National Highway. It will sell for more money later when traffic begins to roll again, than what you can buy it for today. See us, and let us show you its possibilities.  
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**FOR SALE**—Superflex Oil Burner Frigidaire in good condition. Mrs. W. W. Richards, Rt. 1, Estelline, Texas. 28-2j

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**"Cowboy Canteen"**  
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**and DONALD O'CONNOR PEGGY RYAN**  
**A UNIVERSAL PICTURE 10c**

**TUES. BARGAIN NIGHT**  
**"Henry Aldrich's Little Secret"**  
 Jimmy Lydon and  
 Charles Smith

**WED. and THURS.**  
**"Career Girl"**  
 Frances Langford

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Bigger and Better Bargains

### House of Wonders

(On the Square)

**North & South Side**

Army Foot Lockers \$12.50 each army pup tents \$5.00, army shoes \$1.50 and up, hob nails too, army slickers \$1.25 and up, army overcoats, shirts, pants, jackets and caps, army silverware and cooking utensils of all kinds; plenty steel traps, clocks, watches, rings, guns radios, string instruments, typewriters, Victrolas, nice record 10c each; Luggage, lots of luggage, big and little and small trunks too; roller and ice skates, bicycles and tricycles, umbrellas parasols; car and hot water heaters; the following are electric: range, hot water heater irons, clocks, toasters, waffle irons, fans, curling irons, clothes wringers, fence chargers and peanut roasters. Stoves and heater furniture and ice boxes all kinds, milk cans water coolers; only a few more roller-top desks left; 1252 ladies and children's boots and shoes; 7 nice used boys suits \$4.50 and up; 61 men's suits and overcoats; plenty ladies coats and dresses; seed forks and scoops sausage stuffers, nice iron and wood bedsteads \$1.00 and up; fruit jars 10c dozen, wash pots, tubs and pans; practically new Zenith windcharger and radio at a bargain, oriental and linoleum rugs. Complete stock and shelving and fixtures on South Side square must sell by Jan. 1 27-3j

**FOR SALE**—Regular Farmall tractor, good condition. E. L. Blake, 3 miles southeast Estelline. 27-3j

**FOR SALE**—1939 Dodge pickup one ton with 4 speed transmission. Has 14 foot semi-trailer and 9 foot stake bed. Truck has 8 good tires, trailer has good grain bed. Motor is in good condition, has good Arvin heater. See Bill Edens, Brice, Texas. 35 miles S. W. of Memphis. 27-3j

**FOR SALE**—Coffe tables priced from \$6.95 to \$15.95. Good four poster bedroom suit. Perkins Furn. Co. 27-2c

**FOR SALE**—Barn 24x36, cotton picking shack 14x16. Both can be moved as is. H. A. Hodges, Plaska, Texas. 27-3j

**FOR SALE**: John-Deere Combine Equipped for F20 Farmall. John-Deere take off. In A-1 condition. 5 miles west on Lakeview highway. A. O. Phillips. 1p

**FOR SALE**: Child's car & tricycle good condition. See them 1417 Waldon. 28-2p

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**Hot Specials**

Just received truck load granite wear, pans, pots, tubs, most everything—also big quantity Christmas merchandise which goes at summertime prices. You had better see these. And look—50 dozen pairs ball pulling gloves. First come first served—Resale Store east side of square. 1-c

**Special Notices**

**LOOK**—When in need of McNess Products call at our home, or on Saturday afternoon we park on East side of Courthouse. Mrs. J. M. Allen, 295 South 16th St. 27-4p

For Watkins Products see T. J. Bennett, northwest corner of the square, Saturday afternoon. 27-4j

**W. H. HAWTHORNE** Mattress Factory, renovating, new mattresses. Will make small loans on automobiles. W. H. Hawthorne, Memphis, Texas. 10-1c

**FOR FEED GRINDING** See J. B. Estes, 1402 West Noel. Your business appreciated. 23-7p

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—is your basic food. Why not the Best? Ask your Grocer for Butter-Nut Bread

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**PHONE 26**

**NOTICE**—I will make button holes if brought to my home, 209 11th. Mrs. B. J. Eller. 27-2p

**NOW IS** the time to buy a Kellinator for a Christmas present. Can be seen at Davenport's Store, Lakeview. 1-c

**Wanted**

**WANTED**—Your order now if you plan on us making you a new mattress for Christmas. We have been very busy. We have new beds already made for sale. We make your old bed new and return the day we get it. All workmanship guaranteed. Earl Miller's Mattress Shop. 709 West Main Street, across from Post Office. Phone 365M. 26-3c

**WANTED**—Several hundred tires to repair and recap. OK Tire Shop, West Noel. 7-1fc

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**WANT TO buy used furniture.** M. & J. Furniture Co., Phone 109. 27-1f

**For Rent**

**FOR RENT**—Farms on halves. Bray Cook, Brice, Texas. 23-2c

**FOR RENT**: Furnished garage apartment. Mrs. G. H. Hattenbach. 1c

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**STRAYED**: Black & white screw tail bull dog, male, small reward. Telephone 310W. 1j

**LOST**—Size 18 tire and wheel. Somewhere in city limits. Notify C. H. Riddle, North 16th or The Democrat. 1p

**Near Disaster**

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from King's and Womack's in removing the patients to the hospitals. It was 2 o'clock Saturday morning before all of the injured had been taken from the crowded train.

The fact that the train was standing on the 50-foot embankment made the job of removing the injured more difficult.

There was no confusion among the passengers, Dr. Goodall reported, although some of the victims were in great pain from lacerations and bruises.

Credited with preventing a crash which could have killed scores of persons was Conductor Dave West of the south-bound freight, which had been switching near the oil mill.

His train was on the passing track and two cars had been brought in from the oil mill siding. When these cars broke loose they started moving down the grade at that point toward the main line. Conductor West was in a coal car at the far end of his train; he ordered the train with engineer Johnie Lyon in the cab, to over-take the loose cars. When the 17-car train hit them the coupling failed to hold and they went on down hill and onto the main line; his train followed and a second attempt to make a coupling failed. Conductor West then started running down the track and flagged the streamliner about 300 yards before it hit the "wild" cars, which had stopped and started rolling back toward town, as the grade had changed. His work enabled the Zephyr to slow down to about 45 miles before the crash.

Railroad officials from Childress and Amarillo were in Memphis Friday night and an investigation was held Saturday in Amarillo, but it is understood that the trainmen were cleared of all blame.

Agent John J. McMickin told The Democrat "it could have been mighty serious if the speed of the Zephyr hadn't been slowed down," and praised Conductor West for his efforts in preventing a serious wreck.

**Comments**

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sent for publication so Santa would know their wants. Several letters got under my skin—letters written by children of men in service and overseas. One in particular brought the realization of what this Christmas will mean to a lot of people more forcibly to my attention when I read:

"Dear Santa: Most of all I'd like to have my sailor daddy. I know you can't bring him to me this Christmas, Santa, but please could you leave room in your bag for him next year, and for lots more little boys' daddies too. We'd be so happy."

A few days ago we received a Christmas card from Mr. and Mrs. Bob Haynes of the Miami Chief. On the card they wrote "Ed is

reported missing in action in France." Ed is their son, and the grandson of Prof. Ed Haynes who taught school in Memphis many years ago. Young Ed worked for The Democrat a few weeks before going into service.

Lt. J. O. Fitzjarrald, home for Christmas, is one Navy guy who believes in handing out taffy, as for instance: "The Democrat is the greatest of all the fine institutions in Memphis. Each week after I read The Democrat I pass it to another Hall County serviceman, and he in turn does likewise, and so on ad infinitum, until a number have read it. We all like to hear from home, and the home paper is doing a world of good by bolstering the morale of the boys in service."

Once in a while I get letters from boys overseas, and they wonder if the people at home are doing all they should to aid the war effort. I believe it correct to say that most home folks are doing a mighty fine job of it. True, a few who are able, are not buying war bonds, helping the Red Cross, and the United War Chest, but the vast majority of people are sympathetically conscious of what is going on, what we are up against on the battle fronts and are anxious to have a part in carrying the war effort to a final and glorious conclusion.

Farmers and business men alike are all up against shortage of labor, or inefficient help, but are carrying on without grumbling, donating to worthy causes, and praying for the war to end. I saw this sign in a restaurant here the other day:

1941—The customer was always right.  
 1942-1944—The customer was often left.  
 1945—Unless you make the customer right we won't have a customer left.

And that expresses the idea neatly in every walk of life.

Sgt. Tommy Wood, Democrat printer, now in France, recently sent a lot of souvenirs from France to his wife, Mrs. Dale Wood at Childress. Last week

Dale sent the articles to The Democrat office and they are now on display. There are two German helmets, a bayonet, gas mask, belts, gun and knife scabbards and cartridge clips. Come in and see them.

I read this the other day and it struck me as being a very wise idea: "The millions of parents who are saving letters from their sons and daughters in the armed services may not realize it, but which some day will be valuable. In doing so they should remember one thing—date each letter specifically with the day of the month and the year. Our most interesting accounts of the turbulent Civil War era are contained in letters written by the soldiers on both sides to the homefolks and preserved through the years. Anything that is worth preserving—documents, pictures, letters, gifts, clippings, should carry a specific date. Too many such records lack them. But the date makes the thing saved an accurate and definite link in history."

To the men and women in service from Hall and adjoining counties, to their loved ones here at home, and to all citizens of this section of wonderful America, extend greetings and best wishes. Let's hope and pray that strife and carnage will end long before another Christmas season rolls around.

## Three Cyclone

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The Cyclone had one of its best seasons in 1944, losing to Wellington and finishing second place in the district. The official all district list as follows: Harold Kilgus, Shamrock; Troy Fuller, Ft. Hancock; James Winters, Ig, Wagon; Quincey Fulton, c, Wellington; Billie Ballew, rz, Memphis; Burns, rt, Wellington; Robertson, re, Memphis; Kendrick, b, Wellington; Russell, b, Wellington; Smith, b, Memphis and Jackson, b, Lefors.

The second team: Ted O'Neil, le, Wellington; Page, rt, Lefors; Doyle G. LeFors; Bob Bentley, c, London; Gerald Copeland, r, Wellington; Dan McMillan, rt, Memphis; Fred Browning, re, Lefors; Gilford Nolan, b, Shamrock; Kennedy, b, Lefors; Dan A. b, Wellington; Bill Revere, Lean.

The wise man knows what pays to be ignorant.

AT FIRST SIGN OF A  
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## GREETINGS

WITH GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF YOUR COURTESIES AND THE EVIDENCES OF YOUR GOODWILL THAT HAVE MADE THE PAST YEAR A PLEASURE TO US WE WISH YOU A SEASON OF GREAT JOY.

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Suitable for Him or Her, Young or Old

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
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| Watch Bands                 | Pipes 50c to \$10.00  |
| Luggage (some cases fitted) | Pictures              |
| Bibles                      | Playing Cards         |
| Cory Coffee Makers          | Poker Chips           |
| Cellophane Paper            | Vanities              |
| Christmas Wrapping Paper    | Bill Folds            |
| Dolls and Stuffed Toys      | Perfumes and Colognes |
| Handmade Aluminum Dishes    | Lentheric De Massay   |
| Stationery                  | Mem Cara-Nome         |
| Men's Shaving Sets          | Coty Congo            |
| Dresser Sets                | L. Orlette Braulet    |
|                             | Evening in Paris      |

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THICK RIBBON CANE SYRUP, gallon	1.50
PURE SORGHUM SYRUP, gallon	1.40
SPANISH PEANUTS, pound	15
LARGE TENNESSEE PEANUTS, pound	25
WHEAT BRAN, best grade, sack	2.20
EGG MASH PELLETS, 100 lbs.	3.50
EGG MASH, 100 lbs.	3.25
KILN DRIED FLAKE MEAT SALT, 25 lbs.	35c
SUGAR CURING MEAT SALT, 10 lbs.	90c
2 Gallon TROCO AUTO OIL	1.20

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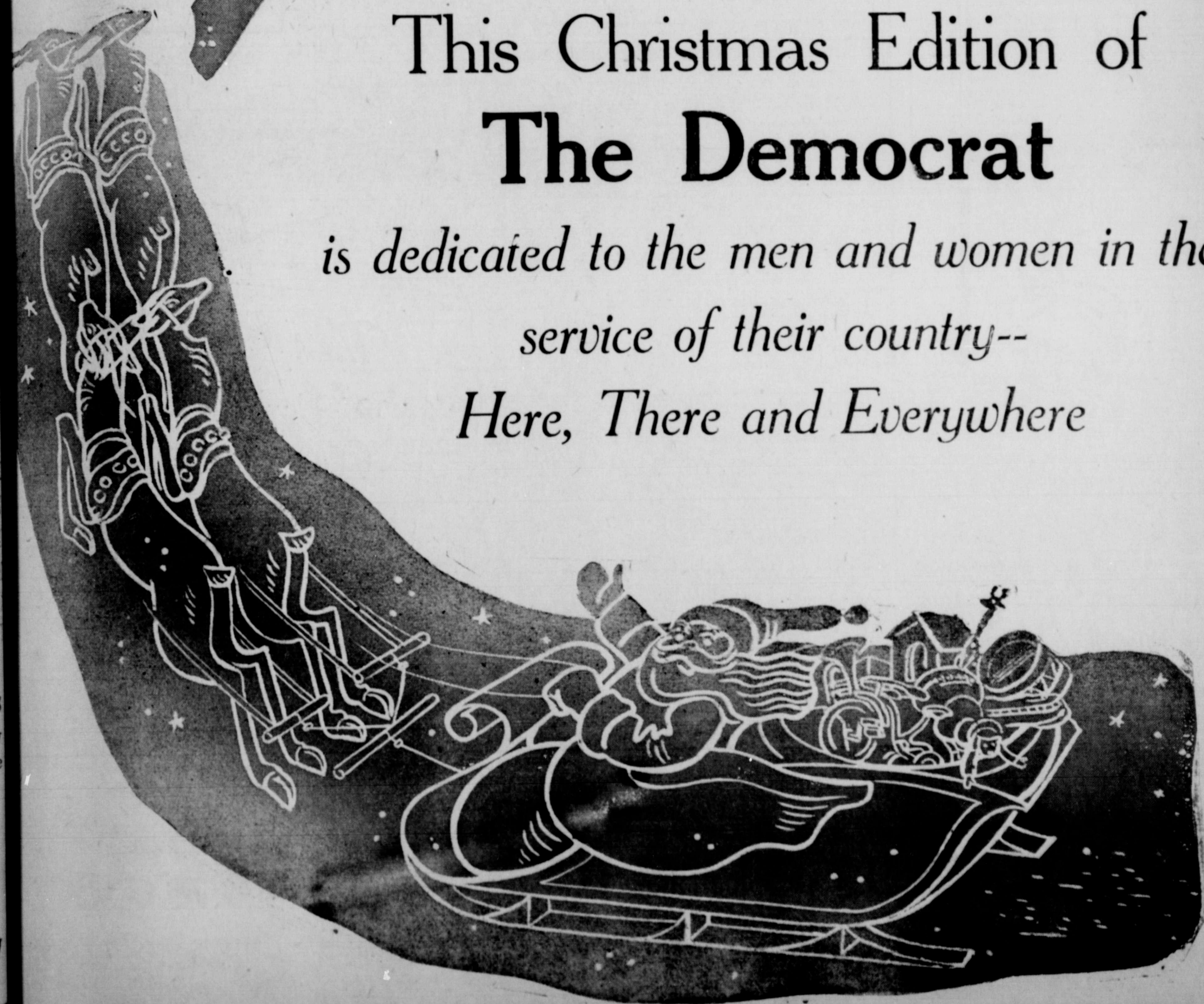
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## This Christmas Edition of **The Democrat**

*is dedicated to the men and women in the  
service of their country--  
Here, There and Everywhere*





We're wishin' you a mighty fine Christmas, with a heap of good things comin' your way. You have been liberal with your patronage of this firm in the past; may Lady Luck be just as liberal to you in the months to come. Merry Christmas, everybody!

Omer Hill Feed & Seed

Phone 77

## A Merry Christmas

The warmth and friendliness of the Holiday season prompts us to again wish you a season of Peace and happiness in an unsettled world. The Christmas Season this year shines like a guiding light. It gives us hope in the future and a sincere appreciation of the value of the brotherhood of man.

As we wish you the joy of Christmas and every happiness throughout the new year, we add our genuine thanks for your patronage in the past.



CLARK HOSPITAL

R. ERNEST CLARK, M. D.

### Diphtheria Toxoid For Children Is Urged by State

All children should be protected against diphtheria at a very early age, according to a statement on the subject released by the Texas State Department of Health, explaining that toxoid which can be administered easily and without danger can safeguard youngsters against this serious disease of childhood.

Dr. Geo. H. Cox, State Health Officer, urges Texas parents to have their children who are not already protected immunized at once.

"A dose of toxoid can save a child from serious illness or even death," Dr. Cox asserted, "and those who have not been safeguarded against this danger should be inoculated immediately."

"Babies should be protected by immunization by the age of eight or nine months," Dr. Cox said. "A first dose of toxoid is recommended by authorities on the care of infants by the age of eight or nine months, or even as early as six months. A second dose is usually given later."

To keep immunity at a high level, Dr. Cox said that a reinforcing dose of toxoid is advised before a child is old enough to enter school. Those who went to school or kindergarten this year without this additional safeguard or without ever having been protected certainly should be immunized without any further delay.

### ICE MAY BE TOO COLD

Ice too cold to be safe for packing or top icing for cooling vegetables on their way to market may need to stand until it has warmed up a bit, D. F. Fisher of the U. S. Department of Agriculture mentions in an article on Refrigeration Cars and Their Uses. Fisher, who is in charge of studies by the Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering looking toward more economical and effective ways of shipping fruits and vegetables points out that many vegetables come to market with ice over the load or mixed into the containers in addition to the cooling supplied by the ice in the bunkers at the ends of the cars.

Lettuce and endive freeze at about 31 degrees, just under the freezing point of water. Carrots, peas, and most other vegetables that are top iced, freeze at about 30 degrees F. As blocks of ice come from freezing tanks in ice factory or from storage rooms they may be much colder than freezing. Thus, this ice may be too cold for contact with vegetables and would freeze and injure them. Cold ice needs to warm up nearly to the melting point.

For bunker ice, of course, such extreme cold ice would, in most cases, be definitely desirable. It would take up more heat and would last longer.

### Late Christmas

There are still millions of Christians who observe January 6 or January 7 as Christmas. They allow for the 12 days difference in the old calendar and the new. The Easter Orthodox observe January 7. In North Carolina one church group observes January 6 as do a number of other sects.

### Theme Changes

The Nativity theme in Christmas carols gave way to the sentiment: "Bring us in good ale."

### Gardens in South Pacific Weedless

Soldiers and sailors, who get plenty of solid rib-sticking food in their rations, crave fresh vegetables after living on dehydrated and canned foods, according to an article in the Extension Service Review, published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

To meet this situation the Foreign Economic Administration has made H. H. Warner—on leave as Director of Extension in Hawaii—chief of its Forward Area District, and has given him the job of growing a wide variety of American vegetables in the Pacific Area for use fresh in that area. Warner's experience in Hawaii gave him a practical approach and experience in dealing with conditions he would find in the South Pacific Islands.

South Pacific gardening is on a large scale. Crops include corn, cucumbers, tomatoes, watermelons, cantaloupes, Chinese cabbage, radishes, peppers, and eggplant.

In a report to Extension headquarters in Washington, Warner tells of employment of native labor, the aid given by members of the fighting forces, the tractors and implements made available. Some of the planted fields have been close to fighting areas and "occasionally Jap patrols have to be flushed out of some cornfields." Plantings are under way on many islands—all unnamed in Warner's letter. Of one island he writes:

"This island is unique in that there are vast level plains covered shoulder-high with kangaroo grass. We are farming this land which runs right up to the jungle, and turning over the soil for the first time in history. It is rich black soil, entirely devoid of weed seeds so that cultivation has been no problem yet. The grass is easily killed with one plowing and disking. It is far different from the usual conception of farming or cleared jungle areas. To date we have produced good crops and have not found it necessary to use fertilizer. We have no corn earworms, very few aphids, no melon flies, but plenty of chewing insects."

### Letters To SANTA CLAUS

Amarillo, Texas

Dear Santa: I am a little girl 8 years old and have moved from 807 North Cleveland to 511 N. Buchanan St. I want you to bring me a doll housecoat, houseslippers, some Brownie Scout socks, Brownie Scout ring and just any thing else you have. Remember my uncles who are in the service and be sure and bring them something. By Irene Butcher.

Amarillo, Texas

Dear Santa: I am a little girl 4 and one-half yr. old and would like for you to bring me a doll, house coat, houseslippers, some more toys and apples, fruit and candy. Oh, yes Santa, I have a new cousin and his name is Gary Lynn. So don't forget him. He can play with some rattlers. Your little friend, Bettie Sue Buteber

Lakeview, Texas

Dear Santa: Please bring me an army truck a train set and a gun. Your friend, Jake Hancock

### Dewitt H. French Given Gold Bar On Battle Line

Dewitt H. French of Lakeview has been commissioned a second lieutenant in northern Italy.

Lieutenant General Mark W. Clark, Fifth Army commander pinned the new gold bar on French's collar at a recent ceremony in a rest area. A former platoon leader in the 198th Infantry Regiment, 34th "Red Bull" Division, which he joined in February, 1944. A staff sergeant when he became a member of the Rainbow Regiment, the 24-year-old soldier was platoon guide until he was promoted to technical sergeant in July and took over the job of platoon sergeant.

As a platoon sergeant, French has been outstanding by successfully leading his platoon at Cassino, Villa Crocetta, and on numerous occasions. For wounds received in action he has received the Purple Heart. He also has been awarded a division citation by Major General Charles L. Bolte, commanding general of the 34th Division.

The 1st Battalion of the 168th Infantry Regiment, of which French is a member, has received a Distinguished Unit Citation presented by General Clark, for heroic action at Mount Pantano Italy. As a member of the battalion, French is entitled to wear the medal presented to each member of the unit while he is with the battalion.

French's wife and three children reside in Lakeview.

### Lester D. Messer Is Home on Leave

Signalman Lester Dee Messer of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Messer, is home this week on a 25-day leave after spending 28 months at sea.

He has been serving as an armed guard on a merchant ship conveying supplies to Europe.

Billie Browning Promoted  
Pfc. Billie O. Browning, 815 South 8th St., Memphis, Texas was recently promoted from the grade of Pvt. at Westover Field Mass., where he is presently on duty.

### St. Nick Shied From Attention For His Gifts

The stocking custom is said to have started with St. Nicholas original of Santa Claus, a Greek bishop, Nicholas of Myra, who lived in the fourth century. He was both generous and shy, and hated to be thanked for the presents he was continually making to those in need. Once he climbed to a roof top

and dropped a purse of the chimney so that he be seen. The money falling in the fire, the child's stocking that hung up to dry on a piece. His act became thereafter whenever gifts came from sources they were attributed to St. Nicholas.

## A HOLIDAY THOUGHT

The Yuletide Season brings with it pleasant thoughts of friendly associations of the past. It reminds us of the special patronage that has been ours to enjoy the confidence shown in our organization manifest most forcibly by the continuance of your goodwill.



We sincerely trust that you may continue to enjoy the same amicable associations throughout the years to come.  
We wish you a Merry Christmas!

Miller-Miller Motor Freight

ONCE AGAIN IT'S CHRISTMAS...

May it bring you Peace and Happiness throughout the New Year.

J. M. WARREN  
RADIATOR AND REPAIR SHOP

Dear Santa... I would like a great big ball. Bring me an alarm clock to that all please bring it. Some nuts and candy to. Your friend  
Dear Santa... I want a broom and a pair of silk stockings too. Bring me some candy and nuts too Thank you Your friend.

## Merry Christmas

TO YOU... YOU... and YOU!

We sincerely believe we have a host of friends in this community, none of whom do we wish to overlook in saying "Merry Christmas". We would like to see each of you personally to express our Christmas sentiment, but this we cannot do.

As you read this, please keep in mind that it is written with sincere appreciation of the good fellowship we have enjoyed. Whatever has happened within the past year—come what may in the future—at Christmastime we like to forget the tribulations caused by conditions and pause for a few minutes of peaceful meditation with our friends.

We wish you a season of joy and a new year which will see peace and good will for all.

Dear Santa—I'm going to tell you what I want for Christmas. A toy gun, a bicycle, a football, a pair of boxing gloves, a pair of boots and a book. Thank you.  
Dear Santa—I want a doll and a buggy and doll clothes and a clock and dinner and a...

### A Sincere 'Thank You'

For your friendly patronage which has contributed so greatly to our welfare during the past year.

### A Cordial Wish...

For a joyful Yuletide and a prosperous New Year, to each of those whom it has been our privilege to serve.

W. W. BEATY GIN



We want to take this very personal way to say—"MERRY CHRISTMAS"—and to add that it is our wish that you enjoy more happiness and contentment during the New Year than you can possibly use... and that you will divide the surplus with your friends.

LINDSEY HELPY-SELFY  
LAUNDRY  
Phone 251-J

FARMERS UNION CO-OP GIN  
MEMPHIS — ELI — PLAS...

**Summary of Food Supply in Europe Has Been Made**

A thumbnail summary of food production in Europe during the war was prepared by Tric Englung of the Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations, U. S. Department of Agriculture, for the information of officials of the Land Grant Colleges. Mr. Englung said:

"Three major factors stand out: (1) The farm output in terms of calories has been well maintained, considering shortages of fertilizers, labor, equipment, and other essentials of production; and actual decline has been less than was expected by many earlier in the war. (2) This production represents a definite shift from livestock products to food crops. (3) Economies in the production and utilization of food crops and livestock products have further added to the amount of ultimate food energy; for example, the milling extraction of wheat and rye has been increased from about 75 per cent before the war to more than 90 per cent in the war years.

"In Western Europe and North Africa farm production of cereals for food, in terms of calories, in 1942-43 was near the pre-war level. Fruit and vegetable production increased about 8 per cent, edible oil crops about 17 per cent, sugar crops changed little. Total food crops registered a slight advance in calorie equivalent. Indications are that production of food crops in 1944 will be about as in 1943.

"On the other hand, Europe's production of livestock products on 1942-43 was about 25 per cent below pre-war level; milk production about 15 per cent, and the production of poultry and eggs about 34 per cent below the pre-war average.

"This shift from livestock to food crops represents a necessary adjustment in the utilization of resources under wartime conditions. It is calculated to yield a larger output of human food, even though the resulting diet is heavier in starch, lighter in fats and protein, and generally less attractive and less well balanced.

**Postwar Industry Studied by Texas Chemurgic Group**

**History of Jackson Proves Interesting**

**ONCE AGAIN**

May the spirit of kindness that is within us all today, remain throughout every day of the New Year.



CORDIAL GREETINGS

We thank you for your friendly patronage and loyalty and extend best wishes of the Season.

Magnolia Service Station

**MEETINGS**

the Season from ... Auto Service

With keen appreciation of your good will and patronage and all good wishes for a CHEERY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR



**HOST GOOD WISHES**

to You, and YOU AND YOU!

We are truly thankful for the privilege of working with you in the past twelve months and we are hoping that you will call on us many times during the New Year.



Compton Motor Co.

Phone 288

**Letters To SANTA CLAUS**

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl two years old. Santa, I want a ball doll and some house shoes and some candy and nuts. Santa, I don't want much for I want you to remember the boys in service. And I hope you get around to other lands. Merry Christmas, Santa, and Happy New Year. Love, James Anne Toepfer

Dear Santa: Please bring me a baby doll, a table and chair set and a nice set of dishes. Bring my little sister a baby doll like mine. We have both tried to be good this year. Sincerely, Monta June Saye

In Dance Measure Christmas carols were in dance measure at first. The word carol comes from "corolla," a ring because the song was for a ring dance.

Christmas caroling was a thriving custom in England of the fourth century.

Yule Log From pagan Scandinavian worship of Thor comes the Yule log, lighted with a brand from last year's log.

The red, white and blue in our flag have a special significance. White signifies purity and innocence; red, hardness and valor; blue, vigilance, perseverance and justice.

Old Custom Christmas caroling was a thriving custom in England of the fourth century.

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Places Ban On Christmas Puritanism brought over with it in the Mayflower the anti-Christmas feeling.

In 1659 the general court of Massachusetts, following the example of the English parliament, enacted a law providing: "anybody who is found observing, by abstinence from labor, feasting, or any other way, any such day as Christmas, shall pay for such offense five shillings." The law remained in effect until 1681. The repeal, however, was bitter to old Puritanism, which kept up an ever protest down to the early part of the present century.

Yuletide GREETINGS A beautiful sentiment in the true spirit of the occasion we extend Sea-through the centuries, the spirit of Christmas.

JUNIOR HIGH GROCERY

**GOOD CHEER AT CHRISTMASTIME**

Please accept these sincere Greetings of Good Cheer to you, our friends, and a heartfelt appreciation for your cooperation and support in the year just coming to a close.



South Side Barber Shop

CLINT GENE MACK



To you, whom we serve every day, we send a Christmas Greeting. MAY CHRISTMAS BRING YOU JOY... AND PEACE... AND THE NEW YEAR HAPPINESS AND GOOD FORTUNE. Camp Alhambra Grocery F. O. Harris

**YULETIDE GREETINGS**

A beautiful sentiment in the true spirit of the occasion we extend Sea-through the centuries, the spirit of Christmas.

JUNIOR HIGH GROCERY

**CORDIAL Greetings**

We have a host of friends in this area whom we would like to see personally in order to extend a personal Christmas Greeting.

We may not get around to everybody so we ask that you consider this as being a genuine expression of good wishes to each of you and a hearty thank you for past courtesies.

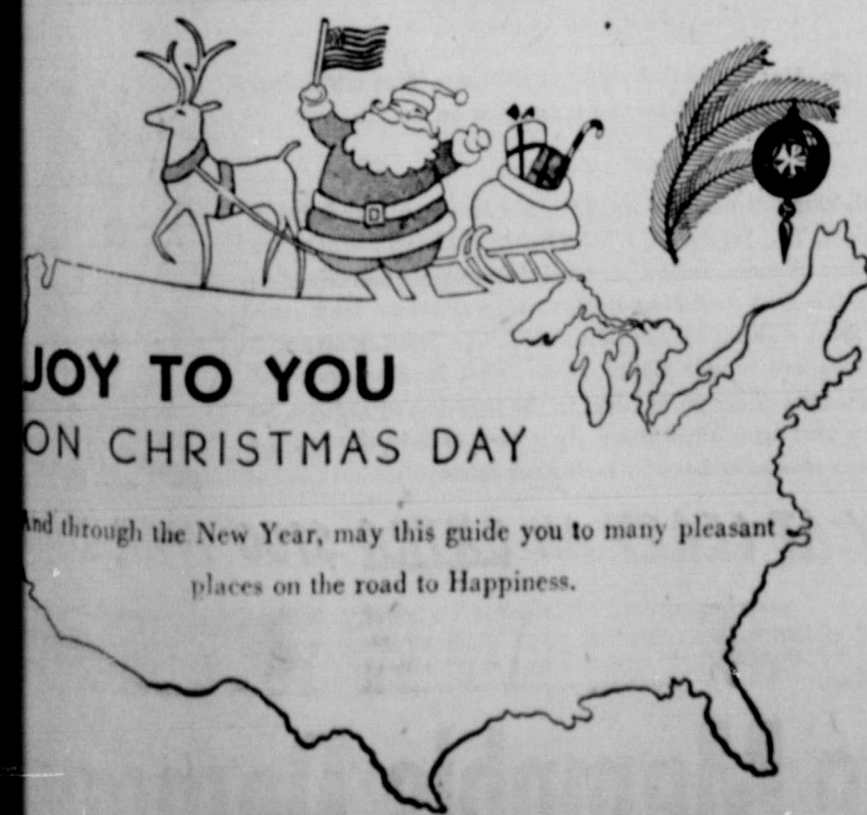
Guthrie Service Station

10th and Main

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

With a genuine appreciation of the people whom we serve, we pause on this glorious occasion to wish each of you a Yuletide that will be the happiest you have ever spent. May the New Year hold an abundance of good things for you and those whom you hold so dear.

BISHOP GRAIN & COAL CO.



JOY TO YOU ON CHRISTMAS DAY

And through the New Year, may this guide you to many pleasant places on the road to Happiness.

SIMMONS GIN CO.

IRA FOSTER, Mgr.

**Greetings..**



This organization is happy to extend its most heartfelt Christmas Greetings to the people it serves.

May continued success and happiness be yours in the New Year.

Memphis Production Credit Association

# SOCIETY

## Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Offield of Memphis Celebrate 60th Wedding Anniversary

The following article was written in honor of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Offield by Mrs. Julia Brookshire, who is a sister of Mrs. Offield. Mr. and Mrs. Offield will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary this week.

On December 21st, 1876, at 7:30 in the evening, LeRoy T. Offield and Miss Fannie Sue Yeager were united in marriage in a ceremony which took place at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Lock Springs, Missouri. The Reverend D. T. Wright of Chillicothe Christian Church spoke the words which united the hearts and lives of these popular young people. LeRoy Timothy was the son

of the late Joseph and Fidella Offield, while the bride was the pretty daughter of the late Mino and Emma Yeager. Their only attendants were James Offield, brother of the bridegroom, and Miss Julia Yeager, sister of the bride.

This happy young couple spent several years of their married life in that same community. They moved to Texas in March, 1901, locating at Newlin. A few years later they moved to Memphis and purchased a home on South 7th St. where they have resided continuously.

Mr. and Mrs. Offield are the parents of three daughters, Bessie Lee, who died in infancy, Emma Fidella (Mrs. Seth B. Palmeyer), and Fannie Sue (Mrs. William G. George Kesterson). Both Mrs. Palmeyer and Mrs. Kesterson live near the family home in Memphis. Besides the daughters, there are two grandchildren, Mrs. Ann Palmer Watkins, wife of Lt. Foster J. Watkins, and William George Kesterson Jr. Master Foster Joseph Watkins II is a great grandson.

Mr. and Mrs. Offield have been faithful, active members of the First Christian Church all their adult lives.

Mrs. Offield is a native Texan. She was born near McKinny, Texas, shortly after the close of the Civil War. Her parents returned to their former home in Missouri in the spring of 1866 soon after the husband and father, a Confederate soldier, was mustered out of the service.

Her parents made the long trip back to Missouri by wagon which required several weeks and considerable danger in crossing swollen streams since all bridges had been burned during the Civil War. Their baby, little Fannie Sue, was only 6 weeks old at the start of the trip. She was greatly admired by the Indians who visited their camp and begged the mother to sell them the white pa-

poose for a bucket of wild blackberries they had picked on their reservation.

On the evening of life, Mr. and Mrs. Offield, who are the subject of this sketch, are in fair health and enjoy the love and esteem of hosts of friends who wish them Bon Voyage as they continue their long journey together down the road of life.

## Blue Bonnet Club Has Christmas Party Friday

Mrs. T. B. Rogers was hostess Friday afternoon of last week for the Christmas party of the Blue Bonnet Needle club.

The Christmas decorations were carried out throughout the entertaining rooms.

An old time spelling match and conservation furnished the entertainment for the afternoon.

Gifts were exchanged from the decorated tree.

A two course refreshment plate was passed to Mesdames Margaret Phillips, Gussie Jones, Essie Cullin, Minnie Lou Potts, Winnie Johnson, Gladys Gilmore, Ethel Gregory, Mable Meacham, Blanche Hooser, Fern Boone, Bettye Goodall, Suzie Coleman.

Mrs. C. C. Meacham will be hostess for the next meeting Friday, January 5.

## Miss Tommye Noel Hostess Sunday For Turkey Dinner

Miss Tommye Noel was hostess Sunday at 1 o'clock Turkey dinner at her home.

The home was decorated with holly and cedar to carry out the holiday motif. A Christmas scene was placed on the dining table.

Individual tables were used to seat the guests. Each table was centered with a miniature Christmas tree. Place cards hand painted angel heads made by Miss Noel.

The group, who holds an annual Christmas party, spent the afternoon in the Noel home. Christmas gifts were exchanged from the decorated Christmas tree.

Attending were Mrs. George W. Short of Amarillo; and Meses Lester Campbell, G. W. Smith, Homer Tucker, Foster Watkins, Charles Weisenburg, Billy Thompson, Jay Bruce, Marie McGlaun, and Nelson Combest, and Misses June Power and Tommye Noel.

## Mrs. Trammell Honored Monday With Shower

A shower was given Monday at 3:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Jimmie Jefferies, honoring Mrs. Mrs. Alfred Trammell.

Mrs. Trammell is the former Miss Dorothy Jefferies, daughter of Mrs. Vesta Jefferies. The couple was married Saturday, December 9.

Those present were Mesdames Walter White, J. H. Grimsley, E. W. Evans, Velma Simmons, Vesta Jefferies, H. M. Guest, W. B. O'Dell, Gilbert Young, L. H. Lester, P. F. Smith, and Mrs. Paul Lutzby and children, Mrs. John Davidson and daughter, Mrs. Edie Smith and girls, Mrs. Tom Sweeney and boys, Mrs. Jimmie Jefferies and boys, and Mrs. Ted Young and daughter Juanella, and Misses Odessa Tuller, Geraldine and Geraldine Johnson.

Those who sent gifts were Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Young, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lester, Mrs. Claudia White, Mrs. Lloyd Vandeventer, Mrs. Howard Yarbrough, Mrs. W. D. Orr, Mrs. George Copeland, Mrs. Shurman Ellerd, and Mrs. B. J. Ellerd.

Misses Bonnie, Bulla, Willie and Lura Black, Marcia and Henrietta Hawthorn, Madell Jefferies, Alice Kay Young, and Billie Rap Young and David Gene Jefferies.

## Philathea Class Christmas Social With Mrs. Wright

The Philathea Sunday school class of the First Baptist church met in the home of Mrs. Don Wright Thursday, December 14 for their annual Christmas party.

The Christmas motif was carried out in the decorated house and tables. Wreaths of cedar holly, pine cones, and bells were used in the decorating.

The pianist, Gladys Smith, played Christmas carols throughout the evening.

Mrs. Jeff Moore gave the invocation after which dinner consisting of chicken, dressing, giblet gravy, candied yams, English peas, celery, congealed salad, hot rolls, pie and coffee, were served to thirty members and one guest.

The group led by Mollie Carols sang "Joy To The World." Mattie Oran Jones led in prayer. Mrs. J. H. Smith, assisted by other members of the class, brought the devotional on Peace. A Christmas poem was read by Irma Hale. Ann Jenkins read a Christmas story.

Gifts were exchanged from a lighted tree. Each member received a gift for their home.

The group sang "Silent Night" and Mrs. J. H. Smith dismissed the class with a prayer.

Those attending were Meses Inez Lester, Irene Stewart, Irma Hale, Ada Sargent, Vida Graham, Ethel Kilpatrick, Oystie Rogers, Erma Wilson, Elene Gilbert, Mildred Brewer, Bonnie Jenkins, Laverne Breedlove, Laura Peabody, Clara Pritchett, Lucille Wright, Velma Clark, Neva Hickey, Jeanine Johnson, Gladys Smith, Mollie Carlos, Leta Adams, Flora Webb, Fayrine Jones, Mattie Oran Jones, Lorean Rountree, Christine Long, Marie Stargel, Ann Jenkins, Opal Stewart, Ethel Smith, and Jeff Moore.

Mrs. E. L. Baldwin and children went Sunday to Wichita Falls to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. T. Miller.

Oren and Oattie Jones spent a few days last week in White Deer visiting their brother, Ernie Jones and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Combs and children visited Thursday night of last week in Wellington with friends and relatives.

## Mothers Club of Newlin Has All Day Meeting Saturday

The Newlin Mothers club met at the home of Mrs. Will Kesterson Saturday, December 16, with Mrs. Sam Smith as co-hostess.

At noon a covered dish luncheon was served to sixteen members and two guests.

During the business session, two new officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. O. B. Hoover, president; and Mrs. Sam Smith secretary.

After the business session, gifts were exchanged from a Christmas tree.

The next meeting will be Thursday, January 18, in the home of Mrs. Manuel Burnett.

## Legion Auxiliary Has Meeting With Mrs. W. Wilson

The Christmas party for the American Legion Auxiliary was held Thursday night in the home of Mrs. W. Wilson, with Mrs. Emma Baskerville, and Mrs. H. B. Gilmore assisting hostesses.

The pledge to the flag, the singing of America, and the reading of the preamble opened the meeting. The Auxiliary has a membership of 37 this year. The unit has sent \$75.00 to state headquarters for record sets for service men, also has sent \$20.00 for the Christmas parties for the Veterans hospitals.

The story of "The Christmas City of America" and the way Christmas originated in different countries, was given by Mrs. Oren Jones. Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Mrs. T. J. Pyle will be hostess for the January 9 meeting.

A refreshment plate was passed to Mesdames T. R. Franks, M. G. Tarver, Lucile Randal, T. J. Pyle, E. T. Prater, H. H. Lindsey, B. B. Smith, Oattie Jones, C. C. Dodson, Oren Jones, Emma Baskerville, H. B. Gilmore and the hostess.

# Merry Christmas

May this old fashioned Greeting convey our  
-SINCERE APPRECIATION-

Of your good will and patronage and our every wish for a most happy and prosperous New Year.

CLOSED FROM 10 A. M. TO 1.30 P. M. SUNDAY, XMAS EVE

We have an unusually fine supply of cut flowers and blooming plants for Christmas.

Poinsettia Plants Begonia Cyclamen

Other blooming plants and all cut flowers that are in season.

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH FLOWERS

HIGHTOWER GREENHOUSE

Flowers for All Occasions  
MEMPHIS, TEXAS

710 Bradford Street

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JUST THE OLD, OLD WISH...  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
TO YOU!!  
  
Alamo Service Station  
V. P. Fowler

**how much WHITE LIGHT**



**in a pound of BLACK COAL?**

THE lamp has a 100-watt bulb in it and the lump of coal weighs one pound.

Pulverized and blown into the big boiler of a modern power-plant, a pound of coal provides enough steam to generate one kilowatt-hour of electricity.

That much electricity, in turn, will light the lamp for ten hours—long enough to read this newspaper and a couple of novels. Or it will run a small radio for 25 hours, a food mixer for 13 hours, a washer for almost 7.

"So what?" you say. The point is this. 25 years ago, it took about three times as much coal to produce a kilowatt-hour of electricity as it does today!

The all-around efficiency which gets several times as much white light from black coal has benefited YOU in many ways.

It has made your electric service better and cheaper year by year. It has met tremendous wartime demands for electric power, without delay, shortages or rationing. It has held the price of electricity at an all-time low, while other costs went up.

These results come from the sound business management of the nation's light and power companies—and from the hard work of men and women who know their business—and who are preparing for even greater accomplishments tomorrow.

\*Some plants use less than 1 pound; some more, because of differences in coal and equipment. The nation-wide average is 1.3 pounds per kilowatt-hour.

**West Texas Utilities Company**

**Sub-Deb Club Has Christmas Party Tuesday**

Misses Wanda Jo Reynolds and Ruth Jones were hostesses Tuesday evening for the Sub-Deb Christmas party in the home of Miss Reynolds.

The business session was presided over by the president, Miss Betty Bob Webb.

Misses Sue Ann Roberts, Peggy Lawrence, and Frances Pyeatt sang "White Christmas" accompanied by Miss Mary Ruth Anderson. Miss Pyeatt read "Can This be Christmas Day."

Gifts were exchanged by the members from a decorated Christmas tree.

Refreshments were served to Misses Betty Bob Webb, Minerva Baskerville, Mary Wells, Anita McColl, Ila Sue Davis, Peggy Lawrence, Mary Frances Whaley, Frances Pyeatt, Sue Ann Roberts, Wanda Jo Reynolds, Ruth Jones, Maria Baskerville, Gwen Scott, Joyce Goodpasture, Clara Jo Hayes, Mary Ruth Anderson, Sue Lynn Guthrie, and Mrs. Elmer Fisher and Mrs. Gene Lindsey.

**JOYOUS NOEL**

It is with a deep feeling of gratitude and appreciation for all the good things that have come to all of us, that we say, "May this be a very Merry Christmas for you and yours."

Sybil Gurley


SINCERE CHRISTMAS WISHES

As we approach another Christmastime, we wish to send a word of GREETING to each of you. To which we add our pledge of continued unceasing efforts to increase our friendships during every day of the New Year.



Jack Williams  
Plumber

You wouldn't let a pal down...  
**WOULD YOU?**



"Not now. Not while the going is toughest. Not while that extra winning punch is needed most. Not on my life..."

The 6th War Loan is now on! Let's not let any of our fighting pals down. The Japs are far from being pushovers—there are 73 million of them, stubborn, cruel, fanatically determined to stop us. To save American lives, to save time, we must overwhelm them with supremacy of materiel. Our fighting men will need more and bigger planes, more ships, landing craft and supplies, more of everything than in the invasion of Europe. So let's buy that extra \$100 Bond right now to help shorten the war. Let's save other lives by saving our money!

**BUY AT LEAST AN EXTRA \$100 WAR BOND**

**The Memphis Democrat**

SOCIETY.

Christmas Party Sodolitan is Tuesday

James H. T. Gregory, Bud... Ben Wilson, and Bol... were hostesses Tuesday... for the Christmas party... Sodolitan Sunday school... of the Baptist church. The... was held in the home of... T. Gregory.

lights. The piano was decorated with the manger scene. The dining table was arranged with holly and cedar.

Mrs. Ottie Jones, president, was in charge of the business session. "Blest be the Tie that Binds," was sung. Prayer was by Mrs. W. C. Anderson. The devotional was given by D. A. Grundy.

Mrs. Emma Baskerville introduced the program. Roll call was answered with Christmas thoughts. The class sang "Joy to the World." Mrs. B. B. Smith gave a poem, "At Christmas" by Edna A. Guest. Mrs. Baskerville played "Variations of Silent Night" by Clarence Kohlman. Mrs. R. E. Clark told the Christmas story.

Gifts were exchanged and at the close of the evening, the

hostesses served a refreshment plate.

Attending were Mesdames W. J. Bragg, J. R. Saunders, C. L. Caviness, Omer Hill, Henry Scott, D. A. Grundy, Alfred Hutcherson, C. L. Mixon, B. B. Smith, H. B. Gilmore, Creed Lamb, Ed McMurry, J. M. Saunders, Myrtle Hammond, C. C. Dodson, H. H. Lindsey, W. C. Anderson, Bill Smith, Mary Bownds, L. O. McCoy, R. E. Clark, Ottie Jones, C. L. Simpson, E. T. Prater, W. B. Wilson, Bud Godfrey, H. T. Gregory, Bob Scott, Emma Baskerville and Miss Agnes Hayes.

Mrs. Joe Reheis Hostess Wednesday For Mystic Weaver

Mrs. Joe Reheis was hostess Wednesday, December 13, for the Mystic Weaver Club.

The president, Mrs. Seth Pallmeyer, presided. Roll call was answered with jokes and current events. The afternoon was spent in needle work and conversation. Refreshments were served and each member was presented with a Holly corsage.

Members present were Mesdames J. S. McMurry, R. H. Wherry, Brice Webster, Chas. Webster, S. T. Harrison, D. A. Neeley, Bill Kesterson, S. B. Pallmeyer, G. H. Hattenbach, Myrtis Phelan, Joe Reheis, J. L. Barnes, Jerry True and Lee Thornton.

The next meeting will be at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. Seth Pallmeyer, Thursday, Dec. 28.

Mrs. Frank Finch Hostess Monday for Mizpah Guild Party

The Mizpah Guild of First Presbyterian church met Friday night in the home of Mrs. Frank Finch for its annual Christmas party. Co-hostesses were Mesdames C. W. Kinslow, C. W. McCool, Allen Grundy, and Misses Tommye Noel and Grace Wilson.

The three course dinner was served on individual platters. Hand painted book markers, the work of Miss Noel, were given as favors.

The devotional was given by Gertrude Rasco and the Christmas story was told by Mrs. G. R. Sensabaugh. An original skit by Mrs. McCool was given.

Mrs. Murray Dodson, as Santa Claus, distributed the gifts from the Christmas tree.

Christmas carols were sung and the meeting was closed with the Mizpah benediction.

Those present were Mesdames B. L. Peacock, O. V. Alexander, Lon Alexander, Murray Dodson, Wesley Foster, Ira Foster, Carl Harrison, Oren Jones, M. McNeely, Fred Minnich, Gladys Power, G. R. Sensabaugh, M. C. Ward, Elmo Whaley, E. M. Wilson, Mahaffey, T. K. Treadwell, and Misses Mary Noel, Gertrude Rasco and June Power.

Mrs. M. McNeely Presents Pupils in Christmas Program

Mrs. M. McNeely entertained her pupils in music and expression last week at 3:30 o'clock with a Christmas program and tree.

The following pupils took part on the program: Bobbie and Ernest Shaw, Carol Ann and Gayle Monzingo, Henrietta Hawthorne, Juannella Goffinetti, Roy Don Coleman, Robert Breedlove, Cherry

Vallance, Kay Wilson, Johnnie McDaniel, Mary Lane Sensabaugh, Verna Lee Hill, Betty Jean Stewart, Bobbie Ferrel, Cleve Evans, Peggy Evans, Arthur Smith, Elizabeth Grundy, Beryle Ann Davis, Muriel Jo Cochran.

Questions were Mmes. Frank Monzingo, Frank Goffinetti, Breedlove, Joyce McDaniel, G. R. Sensabaugh, T. K. Treadwell, Robert Stewart, Guy Smith, Laverne Smith, Joe Prater, Wesley Breedlove, and Dan Goffinetti, and Bobbie Stewart.

Harmony Club Has Christmas Program In R. S. Greene Home

The Harmony Club met Thursday night of last week with Mrs. R. S. Greene for the Christmas program. Co-hostesses were Mesdames T. K. Treadwell, Mitchell, De Montel, T. L. Rouse, and Miss Gertrude Rasco.

The house was decorated to carry out the Christmas motif.

The "Christmas Story" was by Mrs. Buren Carr.

Mrs. G. R. Sensabaugh directed "Dramatization of Christmas Scenes" with Mesdames Buren Carr, Lee, Monzingo, accompanied by Mrs. M. C. Allen, singing the following songs: "Jingle Bells," enacted by Susie Minich, Charles Draper, and Marp Lane Sensabaugh; "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," Gena Mac Devin, Don Monzingo; "We Three Kings," Mesdames Treadwell, R. E. Singleton, and Miss Rasco; "Mary and Joseph," Mrs. Tom Draper and Miss Mary Foreman. The scenes carried out the song subject and were enacted in a huge frame.

The club sang Christmas carols with Mrs. M. McNeely playing the piano accompaniment directed by Miss Foreman. Following the program, Christmas gifts were exchanged from the tree.

Refreshments were served to the following: Mesdames M. C. Allen, Buren Carr, Joe DeBerry, Tom Draper, R. S. Greene, Lee, M. McNeely, Clyde Milam, Minich, G. R. Sensabaugh, R. E. Singleton, T. L. Rouse, De Montel, T. K. Treadwell, L. B. Madden, and Misses Mary Foreman and

Gertrude Rasco; guests were Charles Draper, Susie Minich, Mary Lane Sensabaugh, Don Monzingo, Gena Mac Devin.

WCS Has Christmas Party Monday in R. S. Greene Home

The WCS met Monday in the home of Mrs. R. S. Greene with Mesdames N. A. Hightower, W. F. McElreath, Bob Roberts, Anna Dickson, T. J. Hampton, J. E. Roper, and Louise Goffinetti as co-hostesses.

The Christmas tree and decorations made an appropriate setting for the program and tea.

A brief talk about the holiday season in several of the Methodist welfare homes was given by the leader, Mrs. Frank Foxhall.

Mrs. Sid Baker gave a timely devotional entitled "The Star Still Shines." Mrs. Ernest Johnson told the story of America's first Christmas tree.

A melodious song "The Wonderful Story" was sung by Mrs. M. G. Tarver, Mrs. R. S. Greene, Mrs. L. G. DeBerry, Mrs. Horace Tarver, and Miss Mary Foreman.

A candle lighting prayer service was held with everyone lighting small candles which formed a Y and saying a silent prayer for the loved ones in the armed forces.

In closing, all sang "Silent

Night."

Tea was served by the hostesses. The president, Mrs. D. A. Neeley, presided at the tea table, laden with Christmas refreshments.

Those present were Mesdames E. S. West, C. W. Broome, Sam L. Smith, W. J. Glosson, Brice Webster, Frank Foxhall, Lon Alexander, C. R. Webster, Robert Cummings, W. C. Dickey, D. A. Neeley, C. E. Hankins, Bess Crump, Henry Newman, M. G. Tarver, L. G. DeBerry, E. N. Huggins, Horace Tarver, Sid Baker, Myrtis Phelan, Bill Monzingo, Frank Wright, Ernest Johnson, R. V. Messer, and Misses Mary Foreman and Rena Waller and the hostesses.

Step from the heart of... a Merry Christmas! May this Christmas season be the beginning of a new era of peace on earth and good will toward all men.

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OUR WISH FOR YOU AND YOURS May Christmas and the New Year bring genuine happiness and joy to everyone and may it bring the fulfillment of your every wish and ambition. Charlie McBee Grocery & Service Station

BETWEEN US PERSONALLY! There are so many things we would like to say to each of you personally. Personal wishes created by our mutual friendship. These are in our heart and you will know this simple greeting covers them all. May this Christmas bring you an abundance of health, happiness, peace and prosperity. W. W. BYARS

Season's Greetings TO OUR AMERICAN FRIENDS EVERYWHERE MAY YOU HAVE THE BEST OF EVERYTHING W. B. Hooser

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We wish you the joy that should be yours this glad Christmastime.

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We know you are busy at this, the Happiest Season of the year, but we just want to drop in a minute or two and say, "MERRY CHRISTMAS!"  
May you enjoy the most thrilling Christmas of them all, and may its cheery spirit remain with you all through the New Year.  
This message comes with genuine appreciation for all the nice things you have done for us in the past and with the hope that we may continue to be in your favor in the future.

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### Memphis Man Is Member of Flying Fort Crew Which Has Set Up Record All Air Force Is Talking About

Day after day the "Nevada Avenger" trundled down the mile-long runway at an Eighth Air Force Bomber Base in England and with a broad-jumper's lunge lifted herself and her cargo of explosives into the air.  
Staff Sgt. Rufus M. Saunders, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Saunders, has been a participant in a remarkable record set by this Flying Fortress which recently was made public by the Air Force.  
Except for the maintenance crews, nobody paid much attention to her. When on the ground, the "Nevada Avenger" just seemed to blend in with the permanent fixtures on this B-17 Flying Fortress base, and her presence came to be taken for granted.  
Then one day Captain Nicola Hansen of Nagadaches, Texas base materiel officer, presented a revealing set of statistics concerning the "Avenger's" activities. His column of figures disclosed that the heretofore little-noticed craft had been on 72 bombing operations over Europe and in every instance had gone the full distance. Seventy-two missions without a return due to mechanical failure!

It may have been intuition which, when the then-nameless Fortress "reported for duty" last January, led the group's commanding officer, Col. Dale O. Smith of Reno, Nevada, to christen her after his home state. If so, the "Avenger" has more than fulfilled everything that could have been expected of her.  
After nine months of combat she has travelled some 116,000 miles between her base in the English Midlands and Eighth Air Force objectives on the continent. She has dropped approximately 340,000 pounds of bombs on German industries and military installations. At least two enemy fighters planes have been destroyed by her guns.  
The Nevada Avenger arrived from the States just in time for the start of the all-out heavy bomber assault on Germany. She flew her first mission January 29 going to Frankfurt with some 800 other heavies.

Listed among the ship's 72 assignments are the names of objectives that represent many of the greatest undertakings by American bombers. There were Brunswick, Wilhelmshaven, Oberpfaffenhofen, Berlin, Mersenburg, Kiel, Mannheim, Halberstadt and Hamburg. Other well-known targets in Germany that have come in for a pasting by the "Nevada" explosive include Bremen, Leipzig, Munich, Gelsenkirchen, Ludwigshafen, Eindhoven, Hamm, Cologne, Magdeburg and Munster.  
For an aircraft so battle-experienced, the "Avenger" has led a comparatively charmed life. Most of her serious mishaps came during the early days of her career.  
The "Nevada Avenger" really looked run down at the heels the day she staggered back from her sixth mission, a flag-and-fighter-infested visit to the scene of her initial flight, Frankfurt. Master Sergeant Chester L. Thompson 35, of 681 13th St., Mason City, Iowa, who with his ground crew nursed the ship through her first 28 operations, stuck his head through a jagged hole in the side and looked into a radio compartment that more closely resembled a pile of rubbish. The ship was punctured like a sieve from nose to tail—Thompson estimated between 400 and 500 holes. She had to be hospitalized for three weeks while repairs were being made.  
On her eleventh mission one of the "Nevada's" wheels obstinately refused to be lowered for a landing, with the result that the pilot was compelled to come in on one wheel. An entire new landing gear had to be installed after that misadventure.  
Except for those two incidents the "Nevada Avenger's" injuries have been minor—just a few harmless flag or bullet holes now and then. She was a lucky ship too. Not a man was so much as wounded or her first 71 flights. But on No. 72 the veteran battlewagon returned home with a dead waist gunner on board—a victim of flak.

### Khiva Temple May Lead Nation In Welfare Work

Khiva Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, has a strong possibility of leading the nation in the percentage of membership in the Shriner's Hospitals for Crippled Children. Khiva Temple aided by Masonic and non-Masonic friends, has risen from near the bottom to close to the top in standing in two years. Starting ago, Khiva Temple now has 1121 with 68 memberships two years on its Ladder of Baby Smiles. If the Temple can secure 294 purchasers for the hospital memberships before January 1, it will have achieved 1415 or 100 per cent based on its membership of a year ago.

The memberships cost \$61.50 and the amount is a deductible income tax item. The donor's name is printed on a red and gold ladder which is rapidly filling the walls of Khiva Temple's auditorium in Amarillo.

Khiva Temple, which now has almost 2000 members, has jurisdiction in 41 counties. Each of these counties has been assigned a quota of eight memberships on the Ladder of Baby Smiles.

W. B. Hooser, Potentate Aide for Hall County, said this is one of the greatest humanitarian activities known to man and that more than 80,000 children, regardless of creed or color, have been treated in the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children.

You don't have to be a Shriner to buy rungs on the Ladder of Baby Smiles—any person, family firm, or organization can purchase rungs and have their name on the Ladder.

### El Paso Becomes Entry Port On Great Circle Air Route

The Texas border city of El Paso today boasted new distinction as a port of entry on the great circle air route from New Zealand to Washington, D. C., via Honolulu.

The first non-stop flight from the Hawaiian Islands to Texas was made recently by Donald Nelson, President Roosevelt's roving ambassador and industrial trouble shooter. Nelson was en route to Washington after a trip around the world and conferences with Chinese industrial and military leaders.

There is nearly a mile of wire in a full-sized window screen.

### T-5 Boyce Bruce In Group Cited For Signal Work

With other men of his signal company, Technician Fifth Grade Boyce Bruce, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Bruce of Route 1, Memphis has been cited by Brig Gen. George R. Acheson, commanding General of the heavy bombardment wing to which the company is attached in Italy.

Corporal Bruce's signal company preceded the wing to Italy in January to install its network of radio, teletype, telephone and courier communications. Since then, the company has maintained the communication system for the wing headquarters and its combat units, which have taken part in Fifteenth Air Force aerial operations in support of the Russians in the Balkans, General Tito's Partisans in Yugoslavia, the Fifth and Eighth Armies in Italy and the Seventh Army's invasion of Southern France.

In commending the company General Acheson noted its "high esprit de corps" and praised the men for having "given unsparingly of their time and effort in contributing to the successful operations of the wing," which recently carried out its 100th combat mission against the enemy.

A graduate of Memphis high school, Corporal Bruce was engaged in farming until he entered the service in October, 1942.

### Odorless Insect Spray Invented

Word has gone out about the new automatic device for home use against flies, mosquitoes, and other household pests invented by U. S. Department of Agriculture scientists of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine. After the war, it is expected that civilians will be able to buy and use this—the can that holds liquefied gas and puts out a fog of insecticide called an "aerosol." Already there has been a further improvement. The Bureau reports that continuing research has developed a new method for purifying pyrethrum for use in aerosols so that there is absolutely no odor or irritation to persons in the room. This means that it will be possible to use the aerosol around the home without discomfort, and that purified pyrethrum aerosols may be used in restaurants, airplanes, and other places without disturbing the patrons. Used thus pyrethrum is deadly to many insects and completely harmless to persons.



GREETINGS

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with sincere appreciation for your continued patronage.

Jack's Cafe

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GREETINGS



Not from the standpoint of custom only do we send you this message of Christmas cheer, but with genuine appreciation of our pleasant associations in the past. We extend to you our best wishes, and may happiness and prosperity be yours through all the year.

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**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS**



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SEASON'S  
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MERRY CHRISTMAS  
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HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Friends

May we take advantage of this occasion to express the Compliments of the Season to you, our valued friends and customers. We are grateful for all past favors and desirous of the privilege of being of further service to you during the New Year.

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Are Americans

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BEST  
WISHES

This year, more than ever before, we are truly appreciative of the fact that we are Americans. It gives us a better understanding of the Christmas season and its significance. It gives us a better understanding of our friends, their problems and their happiness. We are glad we are a part of this glorious country and have a share in its great privileges. We are grateful that it is our lot to be Americans!



O. R. "Doc" SAYE  
MEMPHIS, TEXAS



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AND EVERY HAPPINESS IN THE NEW YEAR


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## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

With a friendly wish for your happiness throughout the New Year. And a genuine "thank you" for your courtesies of the past year.



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The pleasant custom of stopping in our business activities to extend Season's Greetings to our friends makes this season of the year a happy one.

Christmas can always be a happy time if we but make it so. It is the time to think of the pleasant things of life, of loved ones and friends, of the finer things in a world that strives for Peace.

FOR AN

# American Christmas

When we wish you a Merry American Christmas we are only expressing a wish that is uppermost in our thoughts at this time. It is our sincere hope that you will spend an enjoyable Yuletide this year and for many more years to come.

Durham-Jones Pharmacy

### England Having Best Christmas Since 1939

Christmas in Great Britain this year will be celebrated with a strange mixture of "with" and "without." But for most Britons it will be by far the best combination since 1939.

It is expected to be the first comparatively bomb-free Christmas in five war-wearisome years. A lot of "withs" that will make it more lavish are promised in an announcement by the food ministry that 1,500,000 turkeys—available to those lucky enough to get them—and lucky enough to have ovens to cook them in.

Nuts—filberts, almonds and shelled peanuts—will be available at the rate of one pound per family. Children under 18 will be allowed almost double the usual ration of sweets.

Only one family in 10 will get Turkey; presumably the supply will go to those who have been on the butcher's waiting list—or his good side—the longest. For families without ovens, recipe columns have been carrying advice on how to cook the Christmas dinner on a gas ring with one saucepan.

Recommended alternatives for the turkey include pork, of which the food ministry has promised slightly increased rations.

"Rather more puddings than last year," were promised. Housewives have had a slight increase in suet rations, so they will be able to make their own puddings. The old practice of making puddings a year early and preserving them has been abandoned due to the cost of ingredients and scarcity of preservatives.

Christmas trees are in such abundance that many shops fear getting stuck. Prices are controlled at 40 cents per foot. But trimmings for the trees—and toys—are acutely scarce.

Of the more festive aspects of the holiday, hotel parties are available for almost everybody in England, with costs running as high as \$200 a head. No extra trains will be put on this season.

Despite the fact that the liquor drought is likely to remain, most Britons are planning protracted celebrations.

One odd word of advice has been offered. The postoffice urges people to refrain from sending gifts of fish through the mail, pointing out that most journeys take six days.

### National Debt Is \$1,800 Per Capita

WASHINGTON.—The Byrd economy committee reported recently that federal appropriations or authorizations totaling \$87,509,000,000 remained unobligated as of last Oct. 1.

Including obligated funds, the committee said \$151,233,000,000 were available for expenditure on that date.

The committee pointed out that the \$87,509,000,000 figure does not include deficiency and supplemental appropriations which will be made during the rest of the current fiscal year. Those appropriations, the report predicted will increase the unobligated balance "considerably."

The war department had \$49,318,000,000 available during the year ending June 30, 1945, of which \$8,266,000,000 had been obligated through September. Comparable figures for the navy were \$32,043,000,000 and \$5,340,000,000.

The committee recommended that:

"Within six months after the conclusion of the European and Japanese wars, either or both, the congress consider unexpended balances then current and provide legislation to lapse or cancel out all unnecessary unobligated balances."

The report noted that the public debt stood at \$214,077,915,000 on Nov. 29, 1944 and observed:

"The measure of the public debt may be more fully realized in the fact that it will mean a per capita debt equivalent to \$1,800 for every man, woman and child in the United States—or to state it in terms of labor force, it will mean a per capita debt equivalent to approximately \$4,200 for each employable person."

The American public has spent more than \$1,000,000 a week on chewing gum since the industry was started in 1860. The initial investment in the business was \$55.

Of the birds, the eagle, crow raven and swan are known to have lived to be a hundred or more years of age.

### Better Things Turn Up These Days at Patent Office

WASHINGTON.—Wars may go, but the patent office runs on forever, making this world a better place. With no further dilly-dallying let us consider the hot dog with the artificial fever, the handless clock, the ambidextrous water pitcher and the three-legged stepladder.

Let us not forget the nose protector for near-sighted belligerents, nor the rainproof snail bait for California's frustrated gardeners. All these articles were patented today and if they don't make your life more beautiful, Everett P. Ford of San Francisco, for instance, toiled in vain on invention number 2,363,724.

You drop your dime in number 2,363,724 and a cold hot dog slides into a pre-sliced roll. Then it journeys through a high-voltage high frequency diathermy coil and pops out of the slot hot enough, probably, to blister the roof of your mouth.

Howard D. Werts of La Salle, Ill., is the man who solved a problem for people who're always losing the hands off their clocks. His clock doesn't have any; a dot of light moves around a translucent dial and tells the time of day.

The water pitcher for right-handed wives with left-handed husbands, my favorite invention of the week (since I'm a left-handed husband), undoubtedly will save many gallons of otherwise spilt milk. It has two handles, one on the right, one on the left. It also has two lips, ditto. You can pick it up from any direction and pour. Lawrence H. Russell of Saginaw, Mich., is responsible.

Stepladders, as you know, are dangerous beasts. They had not been improved since the days of Nero, who stood on one while he fiddled, until Isaac S. Markey of Stouffville, Ont., took a tumble while trying to replace the kitchen stove-pipe. He brushed himself off and invented the extra leg for wobbly stepladders; it works something like an outrigger for canoes.

Estel D. Felch of Madison, Wisconsin, who may be Mr. Mrs. or Miss, insofar as the patent office indicated, produced the nose protector, which doesn't seem to be much use unless you've got astigmatism. The Felch nose protector hangs from your eye glasses; if you don't wear spectacles your nose must continue to go nude.

For seven years in Hollywood I put up a losing battle against the snails in my garden. I'd sprinkle out the poison bran, the rain would take out the sting, and the snails would thumb their noses at me. I couldn't stand it any longer. I moved to Washington and what happened? John B. Beekler of Santa Monica, Cal., invented waterproof snail bait. That's what happened.

Friend Beekler does it with wax, coating each granule of bran as with a raincoat. The snails turn up their toes, rain or shine and if I'd only known Beekler was on the job I never would have left the place.

Idaho and Wyoming are the greatest centers for range sheep, while Ohio is the greatest farm sheep center in this country.

The first mule bred in this country belonged to George Washington. The first jack brought to this country was presented to him by the King of Spain.

Akron, Ohio, is the largest rubber manufacturing center in existence.

### Seat of Pants Serves as Ears

WITH 35TH DIVISION.—Sgt. Abner Spruell, 31, Waco, Tex., didn't mind so much being wounded in the back by an exploding mine. He didn't even mind, too much, when shrapnel from another mine "chewed" through the two-months' moustache.

But what got Sergeant Spruell completely nettled is a French woman friend of his and her cows.

"I don't figure it out," he drawled. "She owns four cows and she won't allow them out to pasture because it is filled with German mines. Instead, she goes and pulls the grass herself and brings it back for the cows to eat."

Sergeant Spruell, who has recovered from his wounds and is back on the job with an ack-ack

battery, attributes his escape from the mines without more serious injury to the fact that he has "ears" in the seat of his pants.

"I ain't exactly got ears there, but I can feel things mighty quick," he said.

It happened recently when the sergeant sat down in a shell hole to rest his weary feet. Suddenly he leaped up on hearing a whirring noise from an object just beneath him.

"It was lucky I jumped," Spruell said, "because I was sitting on a German buttercup mine. It fixed to explode three seconds after contact—and in that three seconds I went a long way."

Sergeant Spruell suffered slight wounds in the back in the encounter, while two comrades nearby were wounded more seriously in the legs.

The damage to the sergeant's moustache occurred when one of two medical men who had come to rescue him stepped on another mine.

"A piece of shrapnel chewed right through it," he said, adding a little sadly, "and I been trying to cultivate it over two months now."

We welcome the chance to extend our best wishes to each of you on this, the happiest occasion of the year—CHRISTMAS.

It is our hope that the New Year will be filled with an abundance of good things for you and yours as a reward for your loyalty and consideration.

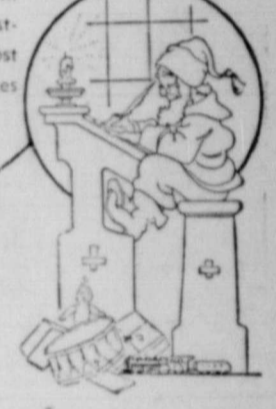



## Holiday Greetings

Continental Oil Co.  
G. R. Cullin

"At Christmas, play, and make good cheer, for Christmas comes but once a year" . . . so go the words of an old poem.

We sincerely trust that you will take every advantage of the Christmas opportunity to spend a most enjoyable time with your loved ones and friends.

SELBY BOOT & SHOE SHOP  
MEMPHIS, TEXAS

MERRY CHRISTMAS

## GREETINGS AND SINCERE GOOD WISHES

FOR YOUR HEALTH AND HAPPINESS AT CHRISTMASTIME AND THE NEW YEAR.

We are looking forward to serving you during the next twelve months as enthusiastically as we did last year. In appreciation of your past patronage we promise to make even greater efforts to serve you more efficiently in the future.



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Phone 161

## Light Your Candles!



Make Christmas more cheerful with the soft glow of candles—let the real spirit of the occasion shine down upon you and yours. This is our Yuletide wish for you and yours.

For your generous patronage in the past, please accept our thanks.

F. E. MONZINGO  
Telephone 322-M



## The Joys of Christmas

Are enhanced by the thoughts of the splendid association which have been ours in the past. It reminds us of the loyalty of our hosts of friends in the area. We wish you a Merry Christmas.

Memphis Farmers Co-op. Society  
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WISHING YOU AND YOURS  
A Joyous Christmas

May the Peace and Joy of Christmas abide with you All Through the Year.

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WE APPRECIATE THE FRIENDSHIPS AND CONTACTS OF THE PAST TWELVE MONTHS WITH MORE PLEASURE THAN WE CAN EXPRESS MAY WE WISH YOU ALL THE JOYS THAT CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR CAN BRING

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Shaw's Conoco Station  
Phone 98

**FROM OUR HOUSE TO YOUR HOUSE..**

As we see the Cheerful Holiday lights at your door we recall the many pleasant stops we have made at your home and now at this Holiday Season we want to wish all of our friends continued joy and happiness now and always.

**M & J FURNITURE VO.**  
E. E. Johnson      W. H. Monzingo

**NEWS**

**From County Men in the Armed Forces**

(W. J. Bragg received the following letter from his son, Pvt. J. W. Bragg, now in Germany.)

Germany, Nov. 30, 1944

Dear Dad:  
Have just finished reading The Democrat which I received yesterday. Read it by flash light and don't think I missed a thing. It really makes a guy feel good to get the home town news. It seems to have a little something about everyone in town and every guy in the service. But just from the sound of the paper the people back home believe the war is nearly over.

Dad, I don't see how they can possibly think the war over here is so near over. If you ask me, the fighting has just begun. It makes me sick to hear guys like (deleted) gripe about what the newspapers say about discharges and who will get out first. As long as he has been in I believe he should know better than to believe too much of what the papers say. And he, of all people, predicting that the war will be over soon. It is guys like him that are so far behind the line and people in the States that make me sicker than any Jerry would, when they blab about when they think the war will be over. Personally

I would be scared to try to guess just when it will be over.  
I agree with what Sgt. Gallo-way wrote his mother when he said some people think the war is over in Italy, but just try to tell that the the GI's over there. That's the same way over here. If you tried to tell the Joes over here the war would be over soon you would be laughed at.  
And in the paper there was a letter from (deleted) who was griping because his amphibious fleet never got a write up in the paper. What the heck do guys like that think this is? A newspaper write-up war? From the way some write, they think one can win the war as long as they get their names in the paper. Danged if I can understand it.  
The artillery does a lot in winning the war, but you don't hear us asking why we never get any write-ups. Me, I'm just a wire-man. We never get our names in the paper. That's all the better because we guys over here are fighting a tough war and the least thing we can think of just now is a newspaper write-up.  
Well, Dad, maybe I have the wrong outlook on things, but that's just the way I feel. I must close. Hope to hear from you again soon.

Love,  
DUB.

Ena. Jess Ballew visited here from Thursday night until Monday morning with his uncle, Raymond Ballew. He is a naval aviator and just recently completed specialized fighter training in Pensacola, Fla., and will report to Melbourne, Fla., to Navy Hell-cat squadron.

Sgt. Jack Crabtree has been wounded in the leg in the battle for the Philippines. He was with the first invasion of Leyte. He is the brother of Mrs. Lester Huggins.

A-C George Clinton Turner visited here last week-end with his aunt, Mrs. Mack Graham. He is training to be a bombardier at Tucson, Ariz.

The following letters were written from O. B. and James Thomas, sons of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Thomas, when they met recently in Germany.

Hello Folks:  
Well, James and I finally have met. He is at this minute with me, we sure have been talking of the good old days back home. He will spend the night with me and

Everywhere,  
Everywhere,  
CHRISTMAS TONIGHT

A World of Good Wishes for Christmas and the New Year

**Fraser Wrecking Yard**  
303 E. Main

go back to his outfit tomorrow at one o'clock.  
James sure does look good. I think he will weigh over 200 pounds. I guess I am about that heavy myself. The fellow I work with asked me if any of my folks were big when he met James.  
Well, I guess I will close and let James add a few lines too. Give all the folks our best regards. Your son,  
O.B.  
Hello Mom, daddy, and Ralph:  
How are you tonight? Fine I hope. I am just fine. It is sure good to be with O. B. He loons well and is a good soldier. I hope we will be able to visit often. Well mom, I'll close. Love to all,  
JAMES

Pfc. Lloyd Widener visited here last week with his wife and children. Mrs. Widner took him to Shanrock Sunday night where he went by train to Camp Chaffee, Ark.

Sgt. Macom W. Paschall Jr. of Okmulgee, Okla., returned to Camp Friday after spending a 10 day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Paschall.

Earl Foster, ARM 2-c of the U. S. Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Foster of Amarillo, visited here last week with his uncle, Ira Foster. He has been to the Gilbert, Marshall, Marianas, and Caroline Islands. He is with a patrol bombing squadron.

Jack Hightower, seaman 2-c son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hightower, came Monday to spend a few days leave here with his parents. He is stationed at San Diego.

Dewey Wyatt Hawkins, first class seaman, writes his sister Mrs. Oarn Adcock, that things have been rather "hot" on Saipan but have began to quiet down the last few days.

Sgt. S. Kenneth Hawkins writes relatives in Memphis that he has landed safely in England and has good living quarters.

Luke Browning, yeoman third class, left Sunday after a visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Browning. He reported to New York City.

Pfc. Bill Browning of Westover Field, Mass., came Friday morning for a visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Browning. He is a navigation instructor at the field.

**CORRECTION** — On another page of this issue will be found a letter from Pvt. James J. Bice. The proofreader overlooked an error in the heading which gave the name as Brice instead of Bice.

In the Battle of San Jacinto, Sam Houston and his 800 Texans had but two cannons. They were named The Twin Sisters and were loaded with broken horseshoes.

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General Veterinary Practice  
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OUR SINCERE GRATITUDE AT

**Christmas**

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A FULL MEASURE OF  
JOY AND PROSPERITY  
IN THE NEW YEAR

**R. E. MARTIN**  
CAFE & SCHOOL SUPPLIES

GREETINGS  
of the  
SEASON

A CHEERY Merry Christmas to all as we gather around the festive tree which is a symbol of the bounty that we have enjoyed through the year.

THEN, as the bells welcome a New Year, let them bring our sincere good wishes for your continued good fortune.

**MEMPHIS BODY WORK**  
E. E. Johnson      W. H. Monzingo

**A CHRISTMAS Wish**  
May the real joys of Christmas be yours

Dr. M. McNeely, Dentist

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## Letters To SANTA CLAUS

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a bow  
Love,  
Jerry McQueer  
Lakeview, Texas  
I am a little girl 3 years old. I want to be a good girl.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa:  
We are little girls, age 6 and 8 years old. We have both been good we think, and we are looking for you this Christmas, as we know toys of all kinds are scarce. So you bring whatever you can to us. We want everyone to get something from you.  
We have moved since last

Christmas. We live in Memphis now at the B. and C. Hotel. So don't forget us, and remember all of our guests, too. Also our brother who has come home to stay.  
Your favorite cake will be under the Christmas tree for you. Your little friends,  
Patricia Ann and Jane Cheshier  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:  
Is the snow very deep where you live? We don't have any snow here now but it sure is cold. We have been good girls, Santa, would you please bring us some toys. We want dolls, toy telephones, a rocking chair and boats and also candy, nuts and fruit. We have a little baby sister, will you bring her something, too. Your friends,  
Mary Ann and Carolyn Crone  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 9 years old and I am in the 3rd grade. I am only asking for a few things this year. I have all of my toys you brought last year that are still nice so I only want a few to go with them. Please Santa, bring me a Spanish doll with a red dress and a doctor kit and anything else you want to bring. I'd like a bath robe if you have one in my size. Don't forget my cousins brother Bobby, friends, mother and daddy and grandparents. Be sure to bring nuts, fruit and candy. I'll be looking for you. Your friend,  
Betty Carolyn Burnett  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Would you please bring me a bath robe and some house slippers. I would like to have a run, too. Love,  
Billy Darrell Roden  
Lakeview, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 8 months old. I have been very good so please bring me a doll and bath robe and a pair house shoes and some fruit, candy and nuts. And don't forget my sisters and brother, mother and daddy.  
Winnie Ruth Nabers  
Newlin, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 4 years old. Please bring me a doll that goes to sleep and a doll bed. I'd like some dishes if you have any. Some story books and candy and nuts. Bring to my grandpa Hemphill a box of cigars. Please Santa, I hope you don't forget any good little girls. Love to you,  
Linda Wasson  
Newlin, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
This is my first time to write you a letter Santa, and I am going to mail it early so you will be sure to get it before you make your list.  
I have been a nice little girl. I am three years old and my name is Phyllis Kay. I am living in Newlin until my daddy comes home from the war.  
If you will Santa bring me a doll, doll bed, and a wagon. I hope I am not asking too much.

Don't forget to send my daddy something, and we are still buying a big war bond for him each month. Love,  
Phyllis Kay Pavillard.  
Lakeview, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl eight years old. I have been very good. I would like for you to bring me a baby doll with moving eyes, and some doll clothes. I am not wishing for much this year but would like some fruit, nuts, candy, and some gum if you have it. Santa I have a little sister almost two years old. Her name is Gaylene. So please bring her a little doll and any thing else you like. Your little friend,  
Norma Sue Hall  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a boy 10 years old and have been a pretty good boy. I am in the 5th grade. Santa, I only want a few things since you have so much to do and such little help. Please bring me a ring a nice pair of leather gloves, a set of plastic planes, some games and plenty of nuts, fruit and candy. Don't forget Garner, who is with the 5th Army in Italy and all my friends. My sister, Betty is writing you so you will know what she wants. Be nice to Mother and Daddy. Also my Grandmother. Your friend,  
Bobby Don Burnett.  
Lakeview, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a ring and four cars and two airplanes and a bath robe and a pair of house shoes. Love,  
Jimmy B. West  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am writing you and telling you what we want for Christmas. I want a sweetheart bracelet and a locket and fruit, nuts and candy. My two sisters want a doll each and candies, fruit and nuts. My

brother wants a sweater suit. We don't want much this Christmas because there are some children in other lands that would like to have something for Christmas. That is all. Yours truly,  
Bonnie Joe Boafer  
Lakeview, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a girl 6 years old. I have been very good so will you please bring me a little doll and table and chairs and some fruit, candy and nuts and don't forget my sister and brother, mother and daddy. Shirley Anne Nabers  
P. S. Please bring me a pair house shoes and house coat.

Dear Santa:  
We are two little boys, three and five years old. We would like very much for you to bring us a truck, a wheelbarrow, and a stick horse each, and a football, and some story books together, also some candy if you have any. Love,  
Oscar Maddox, Jr.  
Bobby Jack Maldox  
Lakeview, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a girl 8 years old. I have been very good so please bring me a little doll and a doctor set and some fruit, candy and nuts and don't forget my sister and brother, mother and daddy. Katrina Faye Nabers  
P. S. Please bring me a house coat and pair house shoes.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 3 years old. I've been a very good little girl so will you please bring me a doll and some dishes and some fruit, candy and nuts. And don't forget my little sister, Winnie Ruth, and my big sisters and brother and my mother and daddy. Patsy Nell Nabers  
P. S. Please bring me a pair of house shoes.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa:  
I would like for you to bring me a sweetheart bracelet and necklace to match, a doll, some games, a housecoat and a hat. Santa, please don't forget my sister. She would like a doll, some games, a housecoat, houseshoes, and a necklace. Two girls,  
Bobbie and Kay Terrel.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 6 years old. I have been a good little girl. I want a doll house, coat, house shoes, a slate, some candy and nuts. Yours truly,  
Frances Carolena Phelps.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me some candy, a doll, dishes and some skates. Thank you,  
Joyce Widner.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa:  
Please bring us a ball bat and a pair of house shoes. We would like to have a gun, a scabbard and a new suit if you can find one to fit us. We also would like to have a red jeep. Of course we would like to have some fruits and candies and nuts.  
Billy Joe and Randall Don Oakley.



## Hello, G. I. JOE!

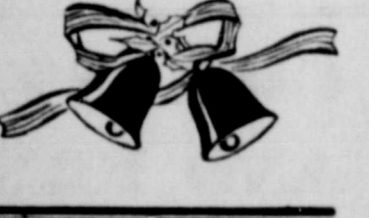
Do you want me to send your Christmas greetings to those who have given you the right-of-way in long distance calls? Sure, Joe, I'll be glad to give them your greetings. Those folks know how much your long distance all home means to you and your loved ones. That's why they're so willing to give up their own calls.

May we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Western Associated Telephone Co.

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NEW FRIENDS,  
OLD FRIENDS!



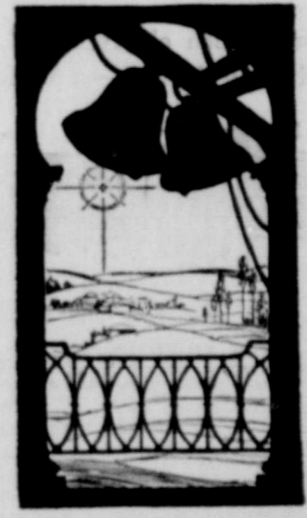
Norman Radio Service

"PEACE ON EARTH  
GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN"

May this Christmas Message  
of Peace and Cheer  
Bring You Lasting Happiness  
Throughout the Year

Sam J. Hamilton

# Once A Year..



HERE COMES AT LEAST one time during the year when we pause to consider the past events and courtesies for which we are thankful.

To us, that time is Christmas. And those things for which we give thanks are the many opportunities we have had to serve the fine people of this area.

These associations have meant a warmer and friendlier season—they have made possible a most successful year and we trust that these fine associations will be influential in making possible the continued increase of friends and the further growth of our business.

In our own way, let us say, "Thank you" and wish you a sincere Greeting. May the blessings of the Christmas Season be yours and may the New Year bring you ever so much happiness and prosperity.

Memphis Compress Co.

**Letters To SANTA CLAUS**

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl nine years old. I am in the fourth grade in Miss McCraw's room. I want a doll for Christmas with real hair and glass eyes and a sewing set, a

nurse kit. That is all I want for Christmas. Your friend,  
Evelyn Ritter  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am nine years old and in the fourth grade. My teacher's name is Miss McCraw. I hope I have been good. But I wish you a Merry Christmas. I want a character wedding doll, doll furniture, housecoat, house shoes, necklace, clay, nuts, candy and fruit.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.  
Frankye Lynn Srygley  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 11 years old. I am in Miss McCraw's room. Please bring me a house coat and some house slippers. Please bring me some apples and candy. Your friend,  
Ruby Childress.  
Memphis, Texas

asking for much so the boys and girls in service may get gifts that will make them happy. Your friend  
Betty Jane Thompson.  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I'm a boy nine years old. Please send me a football, some candy, apples and nuts. Your friend,  
Bobby Ray Mitchell  
Memphis, Texas

in the fourth grade. My teacher's name is Miss McCraw. I have been a good girl this year. I hope that all the other boys and girls have too. For Christmas I would like a doll, a take it or leave it set, nuts, candy, and chewing-gum. I hope you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Your friend  
Jo Ann Hart.  
Memphis, Tex-

both want a doll and a rocking chair. We also want some fruit, nuts, and candy. We have been good little girls this year. Your little friends,  
Patsy Ruth and Shirley Kay Kennon.  
Labor leaders consider a wage reduction a capital offense.

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a girl 8 years old. I have been a good girl. I am in the 3rd grade. Santa, I want very much. If you can bring me a set of dishes, a nurse desk and chair with a lamp.  
With love,  
Lois Lane

**TO WISH YOU**  
*A generous share of blessings  
And May the New Year  
Bring You Ever  
Increasing Happiness*



**MARY FOREMAN**  
County School Supt.



**WE'RE GLAD IT'S CHRISTMAS**


**BECAUSE** it gives us an opportunity to renew old acquaintances.

**BECAUSE** it's the one time of the year when problems and tribulations can be forgotten.

**BECAUSE** the spirit of Christmas prevails everywhere and the brotherhood of man predominates the thoughts of civilized man.

**BECAUSE** we can be young again, and relive a life of fond memories with our loved ones.

**BECAUSE** a world which observes Christmas is a world worth living in—a joy for all.



**J. C. WOOLDRIDGE CO.**  
E. E. ROBERTS, Manager

Dear Santa:  
I want a bride for Christmas. And I want a pair of boots. If you can make it to my house in time I will be at home. I am a good boy, Santa. If you will bring me what I want I will leave you a piece of cake. Your friend,  
Leon Martin.  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a boy nine years old. I am in the fourth grade in Miss McCraw's room. Please bring me a ring, a football and a gun. I have a little sister 4 years old. She wants you to bring her a doll, a stove and a chair. Remember all the soldiers who are fighting this war. Yours truly,  
Gus Orcutt.  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:  
Would you please bring me a doll, a jumping rope, a color book, some oranges, some apples, some nuts, and some candy. Yours truly,  
Peggy Jean Cutrell  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl nine years old and in the fourth grade in Miss McCraw's room. Please bring me a wool suit and a little pin, a sled, a bicycle, a new dress, a doll, and a set of dishes and some books. Sincerely yours,  
Cecilia Elbert  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 7 years old. I would like to have a doll and a house coat and house shoes and candy, fruit, and nuts. Well, Santa, I guess that is all. Sincerely yours,  
Peggie Lou Francher  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am eighteen months old, and I want you to please bring me a rocky horse, a little wagon, and a little train. I want some candy too. Your little friend,  
Jerry Lynn McCreary  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
Will you please bring me a doll, a suit case, a pair of slacks, and a pair of house shoes. I am a little girl ten years old. I am in the 4th grade. My teacher's name is Miss McCraw. My name is Rita Jo Hale. Please bring me what I want, and give other children what they want too. Yours truly,  
Rita Jo Hale  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 10 years old, and I'd like for you to bring me a sewing set, a doll, a paper doll book, a nurse set, and don't forget to go by my grandma's. She lives on 1315 Brumley street. Sincerely yours,  
Alene Messer.  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a girl 9 years old. I am in the fourth grade. I am in Miss McCraw's room. Please bring me a doll, a table and four chairs, a pair of slacks, a pair of house shoes, a silk house coat, a white Bible, some oranges, apples, candy and nuts. Your friend,  
Betty Don Pullen.  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll. Please bring me a bicycle. Please bring me a doll, some candy, fruit and nuts. Your friend,  
Darline Lambert.  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 9 years old. I am in the fourth grade in Mrs. McCraw's room. I would like for you to bring me some house shoes, dishes, nuts, fruit, and candy. I would like for you to remember my little sister, Bobbie Joan. She would like some house shoes, dishes, nuts, fruit and candy too. Sincerely yours,  
Betty Jean Stewart  
Lakeview, Texas

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a table and chairs, a set of dishes, a doll, and a jig-saw puzzle. Santa, remember all the boys and girls in the service of our country and the little boys and girls that won't have their daddies at home at Christmas. With lots of love I am your little friend,  
Patsy Sue Turner.  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 10 years old, and I am in the 4th grade. My little sister is 5 years old and does not go to school. I would like to have a bicycle. I would like for it to be red and blue. Santa, I would like to have a nurse kit also, and I want a little nurse doll. My little sister, Joyce, wants a doll and some house shoes. And bring my baby brother a high chair and a sweater. We want some nuts and fruit and some candy. I wish you and every body a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Sincerely yours,  
Nova Jean Jeffers.  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:  
Will you bring me a bicycle, a gun, and scabbart, and football, candy and nuts. Come to see me. Sincerely yours,  
Ralph Wright.  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a boy nine years old. I am in the fourth grade. Will you please bring me a bow and arrows and a dart board and easel, a rope and a game. Your friend,  
Lloyd West.  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a boy 9 years old and in the fourth grade. Please bring a football and a pair of gloves and some candy and nuts. Your friend,  
Monte Roy Clark  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a girl ten years old. I am

Dear Santa:  
I'm a pupil in the fourth grade. I'm in Miss McCraw's room. I am ten years old. I don't want much for Christmas. I would like a football, a gun and some games, some nuts and candy. Sincerely yours,  
Julius Harold Steven  
Memphis, Texas


Dear Santa Claus:  
My street address is East Nolar I am in the 4th grade and I am in Miss McCraw's room. I am 9 years old. Please bring me a bike, football, barn set, ball and bat, and some apples and oranges. And all so bring my brother a gun and army set. Your friend,  
Jimmie Oakley  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 7 years old. I have been a good little girl this year. I would like to have a chenille house coat and house shoes, also some fruits and nuts. Be sure to remember all the other little boys and girls. Your friend,  
Jo Ann Kennon.  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 3 years old. I have been a nice little boy this year. I want a gun, choo-choo, Mickey Mouse, fruit, candy and nuts. Remember all the other little boys and girls. Your friend,  
Winston Mason Jones  
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 3 years old. My little sister Shirley is 1. We

**Season's Greetings**



To faithful old friends, cherished new friendships, those whose friendships strive to deserve, our best Greetings are tendered from genuine American Christmas. May the New Year be a joyous and prosperous one for you.

**Sid and Inez Baker**

**SEASON'S BEST WISHES**



May the happiness of this day be maintained each day of the approaching year. A hearty thank you for your loyal support the past.

**CAMP ALHAMBRA**

**Greetings**

**CHRISTMAS AND FRIENDS GO HAND IN HAND..**

**THE SEASON OF GOOD CHEER IS HERE!**

As you gather with friends and loved ones for a festive Christmastime, please be mindful that our thoughts are for you and yours. We wish you a season of happiness, mingled with the many blessings you so richly deserve.

**WOMACK FUNERAL HOME  
WOMACK BURIAL ASSOCIATION**

All of Us Say **MERRY CHRISTMAS** to All of You

AND MANY THANKS FOR YOUR PATRONAGE THAT HAS MADE POSSIBLE ONE OF OUR MOST SUCCESSFUL YEARS.

**JACK'S FOOD STORE**  
Jack Cain, Owner

All too often we take our friends for granted. We are aware of the fact that every day sees some evidence of the friendships of the people whom we strive to serve and too frequently we neglect acknowledging these kindnesses.

But at Christmas, when we pause in the busy whirl of everyday routine things, we become conscious of our shortcomings, and wish to convey in this message our heartfelt thanks for the good things that have come our way.

To you, our friends, we wish you a Happy Christmas and a New Year of Health and Prosperity.

**Farmers Union Supply Co.**



Merry Christmas

Everyone is happy to have Christmas come. Its spirit has a way of bringing to the surface, for outward expression, the cordial feelings of goodwill which friends and loved ones have for each other every day of the year.

Regardless of what the coming years hold for you and yours, whatever the disappointments may be, we trust you will remember that our thoughts are of our friends and we are seeking the brighter side of things that may result in peace, happiness and contentment for all.

BARVER'S PHARMACY

TO WISH YOU  
A Jolly Good Christmas  
AND  
Happy Days  
THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR

Best of good wishes to each of you in recognition of your consideration of this firm as evidenced by your splendid patronage that was maintained during the last twelve months.



PHILLIPS 66

Service Station—Wholesale  
Phone 166

Christmas Greetings

To our old customers—our old friends of years standing and—to our newer customers who in the course of coming years we hope will become old customers and old friends—to all whose friendship and good-will have helped to keep the wheels turning and to make our Christmas more thoroughly enjoyable, we say thank you—thank you sincerely and heartily. We wish you a real Merry Christmas.

Harrison Hardware Company  
38 Years in Memphis

Letters To SANTA CLAUS

Memphis, Texas:  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I have tried very hard to be a good little boy and would like for you to bring me a ring, a bow and arrow and an army airport set. Please don't forget all the other little boys and girls and don't forget our fruit candy and nuts and please Santa, be good to all our boys in the service. I love you,  
Denny Joe Davis.

Memphis, Texas:  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 10 years old. I am in the fourth grade in Miss McCraws' room, the number is 28. Please bring me a doll that has curly hair, and bring a buggy, a suitcase for my doll, and her clothes. Bring me a table tennis set. Bring me a table and dishes. Bring me a sled and bicycle too. Bring every boy and girl something. Sincerely yours  
Mary Ruth Sweeney.

Memphis, Texas:  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl. I am ten years old. I will be eleven years old the first day of January. I want you to bring me a doll and I want some skates too, and candy and nuts and fruit. I will close Santa Claus and be a good girl. Your friend,  
Tommie Sue Roach.

Memphis, Texas:  
Dear Santa:  
I want a baseball, a pair of house shoes, a belt, a little box of clay, oranges, apples, and some kind of candy. Your friend,  
Tony V. Oakley

Lubbock, Texas:  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good little girl this year. I am living in Lubbock but I want you to come to see me at Granny's house in Memphis. So please bring me a baby doll, table and chairs and a telephone. Also bring me some fruit, nuts and candy. Your little friend,  
Carolyn Jenice Crump

Memphis, Texas:  
Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 10 years old, and I am in the fourth grade. My teachers name is Miss McCraw. She is a very good teacher and very pretty, too. I would like for you to bring me for Christmas a pair of house shoes, a game, a manicure set, a rhyme book, a paint set, a nurse and doctor set, a pair of beads, a bracelet, a ring, a play piano, some bath salts, some nuts, candy, oranges, and apples. Your friend,  
Nadien Padgett.

Brire, Texas:  
Dearest Santa:  
I'm just a little guy but I want you to remember me. I'd like a lot to have a little rocker, a big truck and a gun, but Santa, most of all I'd like to have my sailor daddy. I know you can't bring him to me this Christmas, Santa, but please could you leave room in your bag for him next year, and for lots more little boys daddys too. We'd be so happy. We wouldn't ever want any toys. You will try won't you Santa? I love you,  
Gary Eldon Gregory

Lakeview, Tex.  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am 13 years old and I would like to have a bicycle for Christmas and a pair of gloves. I would

like to get my daddy a knife and my mother a set of dishes for Christmas. My brother is in the service, now overseas, and I help my dad work every day. So come soon. Love,  
Charles Riley Mitchell.

Dear Santa Claus:  
In order to save space we are sending our letters together. Please bring us an Army Rifle, airplanes, an identification bracelet, a doll, a teddy bear, a rocker, a push cart; and fruit, nuts and candy. Your little friends,  
Merwyn Smith,  
Phyllis Carol McClary  
Joseph Harold Talley

Dear Santa Claus:  
Christmas is nearly here. I would like to have a doll or a sewing set or anything you bring to me. I would like anything pretty for Christmas.  
My sister is going to get a doll for Christmas and a necklace and she wants a pair of gloves too. I got my mother a little jar for Christmas and my Daddy 4 pair of stockings for Christmas. I am 10 years old my birthday is October 9. I got 3 whippings on my birthday.  
And my sister's little girl is going to get a doll too and a stove for Christmas. So come soon. With love,  
Louise Mitchell.

Wellington, Texas:  
Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy seven years old. I'm in the second grade. I have tried to be good and help mother. I am not going to ask for much. There are four of us. I want an army truck; Nell wants a doll and dishes; Wayne a little wagon; Baby Nell a rattle. Also some candy and nuts. Your little friend,  
Billie McClening

Memphis, Texas:  
Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy 5 years old. I have been a very good little girl since last Christmas. I do the dishes for my mother. Please bring me a doctor set, a map and a little table. Oh, yes, don't forget, and be good to the little children over in the war district. I love you,  
Nedra Sue Hodges.

Memphis, Texas:  
Dear Santa:  
We are a little boy and girl. We are looking forward to your coming. I want a train, tinker toys and goggles. Beverly Gay wants a doll with some clothes and a bed for her. We want some candy, nuts and fruit put in our stockings. Your little friends,  
Rodney Earl and Beverly Veteto.

Memphis, Texas:  
Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 3 years old and have tried to be pretty good this year. I would like for you to bring me a baby doll that goes to sleep and cries, a little doll high chair, a little negro doll if you have one, a Mickey Mouse, and any thing else you want to.  
Santa, my two uncles I have ask you to be good to the past two years are still away from home and we miss them very much. One of them, Cpl. Louis A. Richards, is stationed in Moody Field, Georgia, and the other, Pfc. Cecil Phillips is in the Philippines in combat. Please remember them this year as well as all others who are away from home. You little pal,  
Joy Lynn Phillips

Plaska, Texas:  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 3 years old the 27th of Dec. I have been very good could you bring me a tank, airplane and a scabbard with 2 guns, some candy, fruit and nuts. Your little friend,  
Bobby Loyd Jordan

Plaska, Texas:  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 6 years old. I

have worked hard this fall will you bring me a scabbard with 2 guns, a doctor set and a bow and arrow, also fruit, nuts and candy. So I will be looking for you Christmas night. Your friend,  
Charley Alvin Jordan

Lakeview, Texas:  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I won't ask for much this Christmas. Bring me a truck, scooter and Tinker toys. Don't forget Frankie Lee and Sandie.  
Jerry Robertson

Hotchkiss, Colorado:  
Dear Santa:  
I guess we had better give you our new address, as we have moved since you visited us last and you might not be able to find us. That would be a terrible disappointment. We realize your toy supply is limited this year and we won't want to take more than our share so will be happy if you can bring us some modeling clay, story books, paint books, crayolas and some oranges, nuts and candy. We won't need any apples as we already have a cellar full.

Memphis, Texas:  
Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy (and one-half years old. I wish you would bring me a big red truck and a gun for Christmas. I have been a good little boy and I stay at home when mother keeps the door locked. Now Santa, if your grand-dad lived across the street from you, you wouldn't stay home either if you could get out. Please bring me also a lot of candy, fruits and nuts. Yours truly,  
Junior Shields.

Lakeview, Texas:  
Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 5 years old. I have been a very good little girl since last Christmas. I do the dishes for my mother. Please bring me a doctor set, a map and a little table. Oh, yes, don't forget, and be good to the little children over in the war district. I love you,  
Nedra Sue Hodges.

Memphis, Texas:  
Dear Santa:  
I have been a good little boy and I am anxious to see you again. I am five years old and would like for you to bring me a little train, a wagon and a Panda Bear. Please remember my little brother, Jimmy, with some toys. Thank you,  
Arthur Guy Smith.

Memphis, Texas:  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl seven years old and live four miles South of Memphis. I know we should not expect too much this year for you have been busy in war work. I want a canary bird, some colors and a Panda. I have two little brothers and they want some toys and candy. We will be looking for you.  
Lorraine Smith

Plaska, Texas:  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 3 years old the 27th of Dec. I have been very good could you bring me a tank, airplane and a scabbard with 2 guns, some candy, fruit and nuts. Your little friend,  
Bobby Loyd Jordan

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WAR TO COME IN CHINA  
Now here's what many of us do not realize and why our work now will count a year or so from now: The real casualty lists are yet to come next year and very likely the next, and maybe the next. Japan is going to be whipped in China by infantry, probably Texas infantry. And the infantry must be backed

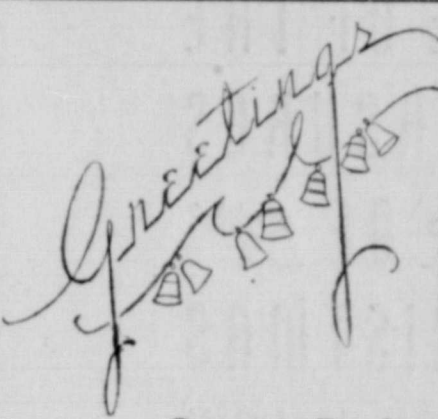
ed by tanks, and planes and ships and supply lines, medicines and all the things that go to make war. So, get to thinking in terms of conservation, of saving waste. We can help pay the cost here at home with hard work, saving our boys from paying it—more than have to—in wounds and death. Put bluntly but at least worth thinking about.—Reprint.

NOEL, CHRISTMAS, OR YULETIDE!

Thanks For All Past Favors

Call it what you may—it's still the most glorious occasion of them all. May its glory light your way throughout the New Year.

The Texas Company  
ART MILLER, Mgr.



As we stop for a moment to wish you a genuine American Christmas, we also wish to express our thanks for the patronage that has been ours. May the coming year hold for you untold happiness.

Service Barber Shop  
PAUL BLEVINS, Mgr.



POKEN OR WRITTEN, there is no more cheering greeting than the age-old Holiday salutation "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

It is a greeting of friendliness that warms the heart and brings friends closer to each other, no matter how far distant they may be. It is the thoughtful expression of regard that one man has for another—the salutation of understanding and in all lands the manifestation of kindness among friends and kindred.

It is a greeting that interprets for us the true meaning of Christmas and the New Year—the entire Holiday Season.

So as the Holidays approach again, it is our sincere and hearty wish that yours will be a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

McMurry Tire & Supply



Greetings..

Just as the ties of friendship are strengthened at this Holiday Season, so may our business associations grow in mutual accord and confidence.  
Best wishes for Christmas and the coming year.

McNally Insurance Agency

Letters To SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa: I am a little girl ten years old. I have been a good girl this year. I would like very much for you to bring me a doll, a house coat,

a pair of house shoes. I would like to have a sweetheart bracelet if you have one if you don't it will be o. k., also fruits, nuts and candies.  
Hazel Jordan.  
P. S. Don't forget my little cousin.  
Lakeview, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a football and a pair of boxing gloves. Your friend,  
Memphis, Texas  
Donald Lee Messer.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, and some candy. Thank you.  
Deanna Spence.  
Lakeview, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy six years old. I want a toy machine gun, a little Army truck and a tractor set also some candy and nuts, Your friend,  
Tommie Martin  
Fort Worth, Texas:

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a cowboy suit, football, pair of boxing gloves bow and arrow, and a ring. Your friend,  
Doyle Reddle  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, and some candy. Thank you.  
Lena Sue Spruill.  
Santa Maria, Calif.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a baby doll, a pair of house shoes, and some candy. You'll find me at Plainview  
Lynette Reams.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, a sweet heart bracelet, a doctor and nurse set, a game, and necklace. Your friend,  
June Rasco.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a ring and a football. Your friend,  
Roy Steed.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll buggy, some dishes, and a necklace. Your friend,  
Margie Don Simmons.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a Senorita doll, a set of dishes, a nurse set, a watch, and fruits and nuts. Your friend,  
Bobbie Ann Shaw  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a writing desk a bank, cap and gloves set, and a ring for Christmas. Thank you Santa Claus. Your friend,  
Jo Ann Huggins.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a dart game, football, anti-air craft gun, bicycle, and some fruit. Your friend,  
Sammy Don Lee.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, doll buggy, doctor set, bracelet, sewing set and dishes. Your friend,  
Juanita Bloxom.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 9 years old. I would like to have a doll and housecoat and house shoes and some candy, fruit and nuts. Well Santa, I guess that is all. Sincerely yours,  
Jennie Mae Fancher

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a ring, a bride doll and also some nuts. Your friend,  
Lavada Davidson.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy nine years old

and have been very good. Christmas I would like to have an archery set, just any kind and a War bond if you can give one. Please be with all children in all the foreign countries and don't forget my brothers who are all good love you,

GRATEFULLY acknowledging your many favors of the past year, please accept our best wishes for  
A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR  
RAYMOND BALLEW  
The House of Quality

ONE OF THE PLEASURES OF CHRISTMAS IS THE JOY OF WISHING HAPPINESS TO FRIENDS LIKE YOU  
ROSS & LEMONS  
Men's and Boy's Store

Dear Santa: This is my first year in school and I have been a very good girl all year. So please bring me a doll with hair and a doll buggy. Don't forget my little sister. She wants a teddy bear and please don't forget all the other little boys and girls. Love,  
Dorille and Sondra Starge!

Alaska, Texas  
Dear Santa: I have been a very good boy so far. Please bring me some carnation milk, and be good to all the little boys and girls everywhere. I love you,  
Little Henry Foster.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy this year, so I'm sure you will bring me something nice. I want a "choo-choo" train, an airplane, a bath robe, a mickey mouse that turns summer saults and any thing else you might have for a little boy nearly three years old. Don't forget the boys that are away over yonder fighting those ole' Japs and Germans. Your little friend,  
Thurman Dwain Ellerd.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl eight years old. I would like for you to bring me a housecoat and house shoes, a table and chairs and some dishes and lots of fruit, nuts and candy. And please don't forget all the other little girls and boys. Your friend,  
Jarita Faye Grimes  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a football, bicycle, and a pair of boxing gloves. Your friend,  
Eddie Warren  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a house coat, cedar chest, doll clothes, some nice dresses, and a sweater. Your friend,  
Mary Jo Mash.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a gun, a football, candy and a ring. Your friend,  
Jacky Brown  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, nurse set, dishes, bracelet, gloves, house shoes, and Mickey Mouse set. Don't forget my little brother, Richard. Your friend,  
Cherrye Ruth Vallance  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa: I am a little girl 8 years old. I won't ask for much this year as I have three little brothers for you to come to see. Santa, I want a large baby doll and some books to read. R. L. and Johnnie want guns and color books. Little Larry wants a teddy bear. With lots of love,  
Jolene, Johnnie, R. L. and Larry Norton.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: I'm a little boy 7 years old my address is same as last year 1632 N. Broadway. Will you please bring me a bow and arrow and a machine gun, a truck, candy, fruit, nuts. My sister Wanda wants a birth stone ring. Please don't forget my two brothers in service. Your little friend,  
Jerry Grimes  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a football, a base ball and bat. Your friend,  
Joe Carrell Merritt.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, some dishes, a doll buggy, a sewing set, and a nurse set. Your friend,  
Opal Ray Green.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a necklace, bicycle, and a rocking chair. Your friend,  
Patsy Shafer  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a Bible, a football and a football suit. Your friend,  
Ronald Crawfordfield.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a football, bicycle, and a bow and two arrows. Your friend,  
Billy Allen Combs.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a gun, a boat, a football, and some candy. Your friend,  
Kenneth Horn.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a football, candy, nuts, and an army set. Your friend,  
Edd Wright.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a saddle. Your friend,  
E. W. Solomon.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, house coat, house shoes and dishes. Your friend,  
Lendy Mea Mitchell.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, dishes, purse, and Bible. Your friend,  
Betty Jo Jackson.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a gun, bicycle and a football. Your friend,  
J. T. Harris  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a football, pair of boxing gloves and fruit. Your friend,  
Billy Ray Miles.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, a doll

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, a sweet heart bracelet, a doctor and nurse set, a game, and necklace. Your friend,  
June Rasco.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a ring and a football. Your friend,  
Roy Steed.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll buggy, some dishes, and a necklace. Your friend,  
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Memphis, Texas  
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Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a writing desk a bank, cap and gloves set, and a ring for Christmas. Thank you Santa Claus. Your friend,  
Jo Ann Huggins.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a dart game, football, anti-air craft gun, bicycle, and some fruit. Your friend,  
Sammy Don Lee.  
Memphis, Texas  
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Juanita Bloxom.  
Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 9 years old. I would like to have a doll and housecoat and house shoes and some candy, fruit and nuts. Well Santa, I guess that is all. Sincerely yours,  
Jennie Mae Fancher

Christmas Greetings  
Once again we greet you at Christmastime. We greet you in a spirit of Good Cheer and of thankfulness. Good Cheer because of the happy associations that have been ours and thankfulness because of loyal support of good friends like you. To you, therefore, we say "May you enjoy a Merry Christmas."

Hogland Mercantile Co.  
J. L. BARNES, Owner

We appreciate your friendly associations during the past twelve months with more pleasure than we can express and wish you all the joys and prosperity and Peace that Christmas and the New Year can bring.  
CORDIA GREETING  
HAYES CAFE  
Phone 119-J

The Christmas Spirit FINDS ITS SHRINE IN America  
Christmas this year in America has been made doubly significant by the glorious sacrifice of the youth of our Nation. Somehow we believe it fitting and appropriate to remember them especially, in our Christmas Greetings. Without their efforts Christmas this year would be empty indeed. Because of their sacrifice and their willingness to serve, an American Christmas is again possible.  
Season's Greetings to the youth of America, and to their loved ones and friends. May the coming year bring Peace and contentment for all.  
The purchase of a war bond is evidence of your determination to back our fighting men for an early victory and also represents your financial security and post war prosperity.  
FIRST NATIONAL BANK  
Memphis, Texas

"PEACE ON EARTH"  
In these troubled times of world unrest and strife, Christmas brings home to us the realization that "Peace on earth, goodwill toward men" is more than just an empty phrase. It is the foundation of all the teachings of Him whose birthday we celebrate. May that spirit go with you throughout the days of the coming year.  
BALDWIN'S 5c to \$1 STORE  
Wishing You Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

BEST WISHES  
for the HOLIDAYS and for the years to come  
Grundy Abstract & Title Co.  
Webster Ins. Agency



The Christmas Season offers the members of this organization an opportunity to greet you and to tell you how much we appreciate your friendship and your patronage. We shall try to express our appreciation to you throughout the coming years by being of service to you to every capacity possible.

**Earl Miller Mattress Shop**  
West Main St. Telephone 365-M

### Season's Greetings



May the light of happiness shine for you and yours through the Holiday Season and carry its beam far into a brighter future. This is our fervent wish to all of our friends.

**FARMERS PRODUCE**  
R. H. COUCH

## ONCE AGAIN IT'S CHRISTMAS

May it bring you Peace and Happiness

Throughout the New Year

Please accept our thanks for the kindnesses you have extended us in the past. We trust we may continue to merit your consideration in the future.



**POPULAR DRY GOODS**  
BUY WAR BONDS

### Letters To SANTA CLAUS

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a bracelet set, black board, a pair of house slippers and some good story books. Don't forget my sisters, Teddie Jean and Bette Gayle, and also my little cousin, Sue, Layne Brown. Your friend,  
Sherry Ann Trulove.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll, skate and some dishes. Remember my little nephews, too. Your friend  
Maydell Jeffries.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll, dishes, sewing set and fruit. Your friend  
Emma Williams.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a ring and a fountain pen and paint set and a chain. Your friend,  
Doris L. Reed.

Newlin, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl four years old and have tried to be a good girl. I would like for you to bring me a doll and a doll cradle, table and chairs and dishes, and be sure and don't forget to bring candy fruits and nuts. And go to see all the other little boys and girls.  
Jacqueline Sue Fowler

Hedley, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
We are three little girls. Our ages are five years, four years, and eighteen months. Each of us wants a doll for Christmas. We will hang up our stockings, so you can fill them up with nuts, candy and fruit.  
We have been good little girls. We help mother and daddy all we can. Very truly yours,  
Virginia Ellen, Edith Lillian, and Ann Ruth Messer.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
We are two little girls, age 5 and 3. We have been as good as any girls our size. We would like to have dolls, cradles, nurse kits and dishes alike. We want you to bring our little brother, Loyd Edward a little horse, train and truck. Please don't forget our mother, daddy, grandmother and grand-dad. We know you have already remembered our Uncle in Germany and our cousin in France. Don't forget candy, nuts and fruit. Merry Xmas.  
Jerry Ann and Norma Jean Smith.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a boy 10 years old. I am in Miss McCraw's room. I want a lacemore to go on my horse, and I want a wood burning set. Yours truly,  
Gayle Monzingo.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a doll, a game a sweetheart bracelet and a necklace. Your friend,  
Jo Nell Brown.

Lakeview, Texas  
Dear Santa:  
If you have plenty of toys please bring me a sweet baby doll little table and chairs, and a little piano. Thank you, Santa, and remember I will have your gift ready for I love you. Your little friend,  
Martha Joy Reed.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl in the fourth grade. My teacher's name is Miss McCraw. Santa, I want a desk, a wedding doll as small as you can get it. I want a ball, too. I want some fruit and candy and nuts and a pair of house shoes. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Love,  
Shirley Ann Morris.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I have tried to be good so would you bring me a doll and also my sister a doll too. Would you bring me and my sister a table and chairs. Also a set of dishes. Also me a sack of nuts and candy, apples and oranges. Your friend,  
Billie Hartman.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 11 years old and in the 4th grade. Please bring me a house coat and a pair of house-shoes, some apples and candy. Sincerely yours,  
Pearlie Childress

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy in the fourth grade. And I try to help mother while daddy is away in the Marine Corp. I want you to please bring me a gun, a chemistry set, a pair of gloves, and a chinese check set, also nuts, candy and fruit. Sincerely yours,  
Ben Fred McCreary.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy 9 years old. I am in the fourth grade. My teacher's name is Miss McCraw. I have been helping mother as much as I can. So for Christmas I want a football, candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget the other boys and girls up here. Sincerely yours,  
Troy Wayne Taylor.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy nine years old. I am in the fourth grade and in Miss McCraw's room. I want a football and a tommy gun and lots of nuts and candy. Sincerely yours,  
Johnny Harrell

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 3 years old. I would like to have a doll and dishes, and candy, fruit and nuts. Well, Santa, I guess that is all. Sincerely yours,  
Nelda Ann Francher

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a girl 10 years old. I am in the fourth grade. Miss McCraw is my teacher. My name is Edith McGuire. Will you please bring me a pair of house slippers and a house coat. Please bring me a necklace and a bracelet, a bed jacket. Please bring me some candy and nuts too. Sincerely yours,  
Edith McGuire.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 11 years old. I am in the fourth grade in Miss McCraw's room. Please bring me a sweetheart bracelet, a pair of house shoes, and a robe and some candy and nuts. Your friend,  
Dorothy Leta McKee

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a boy 10 years old and in the fourth grade. I am in Miss McCraw's room. For Christmas I want an identification bracelet, a billfold, and some nuts and candy. Sincerely yours,  
Davey Lee Corley.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl ten years old. I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me a sweetheart bracelet and a housecoat. Sincerely yours,  
Cornelia Ann Bulkin

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a boy 9 years old. I am in Miss McCraw's room. Would you please send me a football. Yours truly,  
Kenneth Smith

### NOEL



**DICK'S CAFE**  
Phone 235-M

### Season's Greetings



WE ARE GRATEFUL  
AT CHRISTMASTIME

In the excitement and hurry of the Christmas Season, it is difficult to see all one's friends even for a moment, to extend Yuletide Greetings. We do not wish to overlook any of our many friends at this glad time of the year so we are taking this means of wishing each of you a Merry Christmas; to acknowledge your many kindnesses and favors and to thank you for all you have done for us.

May good fortune follow you throughout the coming twelve months.

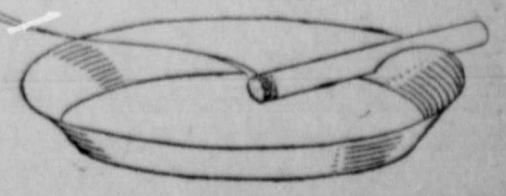
**Cicero Smith Lumber Co.**  
J. G. BROWN, Manager

## Season's Greetings A MERRY CHRISTMAS

a Happy, Prosperous New Year, too!

It is natural at the Christmas Season to look back over the year; it is then that we realize that friendship and friendliness play an important part in making business life more thoroughly wholesome and enjoyable. Yes, it is then that we realize that our many pleasant business relationships make life a happy experience.

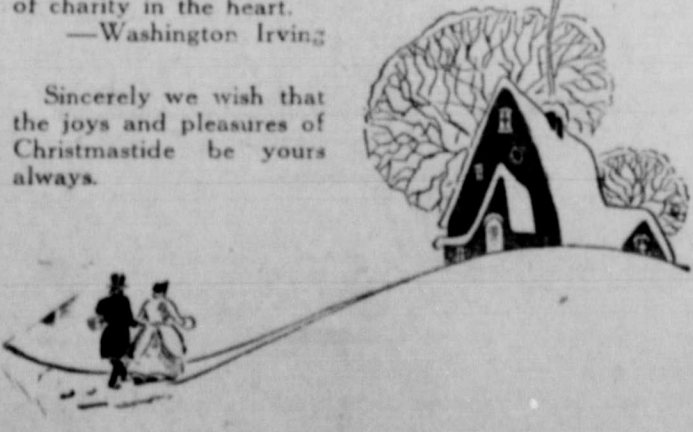
It is only natural, too, that we look upon our business associates as our good friends. And, while between friends, it is hardly necessary to express one's feelings, (when they are pretty well understood already), we are mighty glad that the Christmas Spirit gives us this opportunity to pledge anew our friendship for you and to express our gratitude for your good will.



### Happy Yuletide

'Tis the season for kindling the fire of hospitality in the hall, the genial fire of charity in the heart.  
—Washington Irving

Sincerely we wish that the joys and pleasures of Christmastide be yours always.



**PRICE MOTOR SERVICE**  
DAVE PRICE, Owner

**FIRST STATE BANK**  
Member of F. D. I. C.  
Memphis, Texas

NO FANCY WORDS FOR US

Let others figure out fancy words and phrases to express their Christmas sentiment. For us it is sufficient to say: "MERRY CHRISTMAS AND ALL GOOD WISHES" to all our friends in this Community.

PERKINS FURNITURE

SEASON'S HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO YOU . . . AND

WE DO MEAN YOU

At this period we feel that our sincere good wishes should be extended to our friends and customers. We earnestly hope that your Christmas Season will be filled with good cheer and pleasantness.

T. B. ROGERS

Distributor of GULF Products

OUR CHRISTMAS WISH



Health Happiness Prosperity

It is a big order, we know, but we are sincere in the knowledge that our friends deserve all three.

It is good to think back over the events of the past year, and to pick out those things which are bright and cheerful. These occasions overshadow the dark spots and simplify the task of forgetting dreams unrealized. Your thoughtfulness to this organization is deeply appreciated, and because of this we deem it a privilege to express Season's Greetings. Our sincere good wishes to every one.

FOXHALL MOTOR CO. FORD TRACTOR



NEWS From County Men in the Armed Forces

Two local boys met recently in day three years ago today and there will be a lot more go under before this world conflict is over with. But that is life I guess. There will be wars and rumors of wars until the end of time. I hope we fix the Japs and the German this time so they can no longer have a large enough army and navy to start another war. And with the Germans gone I think that the Japs will lose honorable face and quit, but everyone has their own opinion. That is what we are fighting for so we can say what we want to and go where we want to. We are fighting for freedom and liberty. I know God is with us in this fight.

(Pvt. James J. Brice wrote the following letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Brice. He is with the Marines in the Pacific.)

Hello mother and dad: Mother, I just received three packages, one from you, Ruth, and Merle. They were all in good shape and have two of nearly everything. I can shave, write and bathe all I want too. The candy lasted about ten minutes. I went around once. We pass wherever we have. We are just like one big family. I didn't say happy family for we are far from home and loved ones to be that way but we get along fine together and that is what counts over here.

Mother, there is no way I can return your seasons greetings only by letter for we haven't been able to get Christmas cards. Maybe we will later. I wanted to send all my friends and customers one too, but maybe they will understand and not expect them.

Mother, my back and legs are bothering me again like they use to at home. I am going to the doctor with them and hope to get straightened out but I am afraid this damp country is going to be too much for me. If it would stay dry I know I could get over these spells. Maybe this doctor can cure me, anyway, I hope so. Mother, I will quit now and try to write more next time. Your loving son, JIMBO

(The following letter was written to Mrs. E. H. Stanford by H. R. Frisbie, S-2-c of the U. S. Navy.)

Dear Mrs. Stanford: How does this find you? I'm sure you are alright. I am fine and in the best of spirit. But it was just three years ago today that the Japs attacked Pearl Harbor and it has been three years that people of the United States and people of other nations won't forget very soon. We are payin' the Japs back with interest and maybe it won't be too long before we boys will be back home again. I sure want to be in on the kill a the Japanese homeland and on can never tell I may be. There has been a lot of water gone under the bridge since that fateful



WISHING YOU HAPPINESS AT CHRISTMAS

AND EVERY JOY IN THE COMING YEAR

W. C. ANDERSON

Canyon Youth Shoots Shells Made by Dad

In a letter to his parents this week, Pvt. E. F. Hicks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hicks of Canyon, writes that he is shooting shells made in Pantex, Amarillo, Texas.

Pvt. Hicks wrote, "Dad, you continue to make-em and I'll shoot'em. That should be as good a combination as one can find."

Since the mail is now coming through, Pvt. Hicks is feeling fine as well as getting along swell with the advance.

A junior in W. T. when he joined the army, Pvt. Hicks has now served two years with Uncle Sam's G. I. Joe's. He is with a tank division and left the states about the middle of October.

Are Texas People Anywise Guilty

Although Washington gives Texas credit for doing the best shooting job of the war, the records are beginning to show that the folks back at home are resting on the laurels their sons are winning on the battlefield.

It is declared by the head of the war boards with headquarters in Texas that Texans are way, way down the list in doing the best patriotic job of backing up the shooting sons we have sent to war. Especially is this true, says this authority, in the salvage work. Although we fail to get credit in Texas for the immense distance which eat up time, and add transportation costs, it still is possible we are somewhat guilty. We are pointed to sufficiently that we should do a little self-searching to see if a part of all of the charge is true.

How can the ship yards build ships, the air factories build planes, the tank factories build tanks, if the folks won't save all possible waste paper, won't collect rag and get them into the right hands won't save their used fats?—Re print.

'Tis said that he who continually boasts of his ancestors is better dead than alive.

Any man who is not anxious to do better than well is done for.

He who cannot become angry is a fool; but he who will not is wise.

Plentiful Supply Food in January

Housewives might well make note on their shopping calendar for next month that plentiful foods for January will include the following: Onions, eggs and fresh apples (especially lower grade apples) in the unprocessed food class. And, in processed foods peanut butter, jams except berry types) jellies, apple butter, citrus marmalade, frozen vegetables frozen baked beans, dry mixed and dehydrated soups, soya flour, soy grits, soya flakes, wheat flour and bread, macaroni, spaghetti noodles and oatmeal. These will be available over most of the country according to the Office of Distribution of the War Food Administration.

Never try to kill a cat by choking her with cream.

He is an excellent editor who finds the superfluous in his own writings.

Some fellows are so crooked we'd have to count our fingers after shaking hands with them.

An ounce of performance is worth a pound of preaching.



WITH FRIENDLY MEMORIES AND ALL BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS

AND THE NEW YEAR

CHAS. DRAKE County Treasurer

MAY THE GLOW OF THE CANDLES BRING HAPPINESS TO ALL

Wherry Jewelry and Gift Shop Telephone 111-M

Memphis, Texas little friend Donetta See Your little friend, Gordon Douglas

MERRY CHRISTMAS Friends and Customers of This Firm And a thousand thanks for your patronage. Happy New Year MACK'S LAUNDRY Phone 51-M 219 N. 6th Street

Gerlach Battery and Electric Phone 202. A n old fashioned American Christmas for our Country, for you, and yours, is our sincere wish as we observe another Yuletide occasion. And we pause in appreciation for having had the privilege and pleasure of serving you in the past, and pledge our all to pre-serving and making strong our greatest asset—your goodwill and confidence.

A Gift for You. Not much, to be sure, but presented with all the sincerity we know, this little gift of Christmas Greetings. It's not wrapped up in a lot of fancy ribbon, nor expressed in a lot of flowery oratory . . . but you can be assured that when we send compliments of the Season to you, we mean every word of it. It's great to be a part of this community, to know and serve its people. That's why we eagerly look forward to sending our annual message of Good Cheer to our friends here.

MEMPHIS PRESCRIPTION DRUG CO. PHARMACEUTICAL SPECIALIST LON ALEXANDER, MGR. PHONE 111-M

DECEMBER 25th

*Greeting you*

WITH

GOOD WISHES

FOR

Christmas

AND THE

New Year

Perry Brothers Variety Store

Not in the sense of custom only, but with genuine appreciation of our pleasant associations in the past, we extend to you—

OUR

BEST WISHES

and may the Happiness and Good Cheer of the Holiday season be with you, all through the year.

HOME BAKERY

E. A. McCULLOCH, Owner

THE GLOW of YULE LOGS

Reflects the spirit of Christmas in a manner which best expresses our sincere good wishes to everyone.

In this brief, simple message, we wish to convey our Christmas Greetings, and trust that you will accept them in the true meaning in which they are presented. May the new year hold for you every success and may your every ambition be realized.

Merry Christmas

GOODALL HOSPITAL

**Pfc. Raymond Martin, Who Had a Role in North Africa Parleys, Gets Home in Time for Christmas**

Pfc. Raymond O. Martin, who has been overseas 29 months and who has had better than four years in the service, had a role of his own to play during the Allied North African conference, but he can't talk about it.

Martin, who got home Saturday night to spend a 21-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Martin, is a mechanic in the transport arm of the Army Air Forces, and he did a lot of traveling around in North Africa, India and Russia during the 29 months he was overseas.

He operated out of the Tunis transport base, and the air lanes to Casablanca, Teheran and Cairo are as familiar to him as are the highways in and out of Memphis.

He once chauffeured a certain individual to a conference with Allied Army officers, but says he "guess I had better not talk about that," unless he had authority from his commanding officers. At any rate he confided to The Democrat that he thinks it is something he will be proud to tell his grand-children about.

He has had plenty of "scares" from bombers and other enemy craft but has escaped being in any real tough spots. In other words, no bombs ever fell really close to him.

The people of North Africa, India, Russia and the other countries he has been in were of "interest" to him for a time but the novelty soon wore off.

"I guess it was the same way with them about us," he said, "for at first many of them seemed glad to see us and late they got to thinking about what they could get out of us."

Getting back to the United States was no trick at all reports Martin, but getting from Washington to St. Louis proved to be a real task, due to rail and bus congestion.

He flew from Tunis to New Foundland in 26 hours but it took him 29 hours to get by train from Washington, D. C., to St. Louis.

He went into the service in July, 1940, training first at Fort Bliss and after going through the Louisiana maneuvers transferred to the Air Forces. This is his first visit home since Oct. 18, 1941, when he was here on a two-day stop-over in changing training fields.

He has a brother, 3-c Petty Officer Burl Lee Martin in the Aleutians where he has been for 19 months.

His parents are hoping that this son also will be home for Christmas, although they have received no direct word from him to that effect.

**More Older Men Now Face Draft Under New Rule**

Draft deferment regulations for men in the 26 through 37 age category have been considerably tightened, National Selective Service has advised the Hall County board.

In new regulations sent out last Saturday, the board was advised that a "much larger proportion" of inductions would be forthcoming from this group after Feb. 1.

Selective Service's implementation of War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes' blunt "work or fight" edict underscored the agency's expressed warning that local boards can only furnish 60,000 inductees per month for the first six months of 1945 compared with expected demands ranging from 80,000 to 90,000 monthly.

"Estimates of available men indicate that the armed forces' call after Feb. 1, 1945, can not be filled substantially from men age 18 through 25," Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey informed local boards.

Under the new regulations, local boards will now (1) order men 26 through 37 not in essential jobs inducted into the armed forces, and (2) review deferments of men in this group who have left draft-exempt occupations without permission, for the purpose or reclassification.

The new draft procedure, which became effective Dec. 12, thus requiring deferred men who changed their jobs since that date to report the information immediately, ordered "stricter application" of existing regulations governing deferments.

**828,000 FARM FAMILIES ARE AFBF MEMBERS**

CHICAGO. — Roger Corbett, Secretary-Treasurer of the American Farm Bureau Federation says nearly 141,000 new families joined the organization this year. That's the greatest membership increase of any year since the federation was founded a quarter of a century ago.

The membership now is well over 828,000 farm families. The goal is one-million families.

The Word diva, used in reference to a great woman singer, is the feminine form of the Italian word divo, meaning divine.

Earliest record of the use of the word garage in the English language seems to be in 1903.

We admire the wisdom of those who ask us for advice.

To maintain your library intact buy three copies of every book one to show, one to loan and one to read.

There are few women lawyers because women prefer to lay down the law rather than take it up.

GI Joe Observes that bowleg are few and far between.

**GRADUATES**

Dorothea Merle Davis, daughter of Mrs. C. S. Davis, Route 2 Lakeview, Texas, has completed training at the U. S. Naval Training School for Wave Yeomen at Stillwater, Okla., and has been assigned to active duty at the Naval Air Station, Seattle, Washington. Miss Davis graduated with the rating of Seaman first class and will strive for the petty officer rating of Yeoman, third class. She attended school at Lakeview and business college at Oklahoma City, Okla.

**District Golden Glove Tourney Set Jan. 23-25**

The Panhandle's district Golden Gloves Tournament has been set for January 23 to 25, it has been announced by Duke Nally who will direct the tourney under the sponsorship of the Amarillo Globe-News.

The tourney will be in two divisions, one for civilian participants and the other for entrants from military personnel. Army air fields at Amarillo, Pampa and Dalhart each is expected to have participants in the tourney.

What towns will hold local elimination contests for civilian fighters are not yet known.

A lie is a poor substitute for the truth, but it is the only one so far discovered.

Circumstances that rule the weak are but instruments of the wist.

Merry Christmas

EXPRESSING OUR APPRECIATION OF YOUR MANY COURTESIES OF THE PAST AND EXTENDING THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON, WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

FLOYD SPRINGER  
County Tax Assessor-Collector

**WFC**

*of This Organization*

We of this organization welcome the opportunity the Holiday Season provides to tell you how much your business friendship has meant to us. With folk everywhere remembering their friends, our Christmas wouldn't be complete without a friendly word to you at this time.

So, while saying "Thank You," we also want to convey our best wishes to you and yours for a bountiful Christmas Season and a New Year filled with Health, Happiness and prosperity.

POTTS CHEVROLET CO.

TOMIE M. POTTS, Owner  
L. O. DENNIS, Partsman CARL RILEY, Service Mgr.  
MURRAY L. KING, Mechanic J. R. PULLEN, Body Shop

*The Memory of Friends...*

Maybe the person who said "there is no sentiment in business" is right, but he would have a hard time convincing us that it is true—and we strongly suspect that we have lots of company.

Our thoughts turn back over the years. Some recollections are vivid and some are misty. Out of it all comes a picture of many wonderful friends. Small wonder then, that we cannot agree with anyone who says there is no sentiment in business.

Believe us, we are truly thankful, and in that spirit we extend to you the wish that this will be much the happiest Christmas of your life.

WM. CAMERON & CO., Inc.  
D. J. Morgensen, Local Manager  
Memphis, Texas

TO GREET YOU

With Cheery Greetings for Christmas and the New Year


BULLARD DRY CLEANERS  
Home of Super Hi-Tone  
Telephone 8

# CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

How real is the gift of friendship, and how priceless is good-will. At this time of good cheer, when all cares and disappointments give way to good fellowship, may the joys and pleasures of this festive season be yours in full measure, and may the New Year abound with success and happiness.

Memphis Poultry & Egg Co.  
Phone 317

Two of the Best Joys of

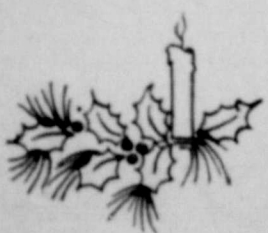


## CHRISTMAS

Having Good Friends Such as You  
and  
Wishing Them Lots of Happiness—Too

DOSS DRY CLEANERS  
Telephone 54

# Greetings



## IN THE OLD TIME AMERICAN SPIRIT

Say what you will—there is something about the spirit of Christmas that gets under a fellow's skin, whether he likes it or not.

Old Santa Claus plays on the heartstrings until the purse strings are so completely untied that even the fattest pocketbook has some difficulty regaining its health again. We have been through it many times. So have you. If you feel the same way we do about it, you wouldn't miss all the fun under any circumstances.

So, in the old time American spirit of the Holidays, we wish you the best of Health, Happiness and Prosperity for the Holidays and for many days to come.

MEACHAM'S  
PRESCRIPTION DRUGGIST  
Memphis, Texas

## Letters To SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl six years old and this is my first year in school. I have tried to be a good girl and study hard. Please bring me a sleepy doll with hair also some fruit, candy and nuts and anything else you have for me. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls and our Soldier Sailors and Marines. Santa, don't forget my teacher, Miss Patterson. Love, Suvila June Williams.

Lakeview, Texas

Dear Ole Santa:  
I am a little boy six years old. I help my granny and Juney. I want a snow white and the seven dwarf puzzle. Also a set of Snow White records and a cow boy suit. If you cannot bring what I have ask for bring me a little wagon.  
I would like some candy, nuts and fruit.  
Please don't forget my grand parents also Cookie (my pal)  
Richard Stotts.

Giles, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl five years old and I would like very much for you to come to see me Christmas. I want a baby doll, a doctor and nurse set, a scooter and nuts, fruit and candy.  
Santa, there is some one else at my house for you to come to see this year. I have a baby brother just ten months old. Please bring him a doll and some kind of stuffed toy. Thank you very much.

Carole Ann Yarbrough.  
Dear Santa:  
We are not going to ask for very much this year. I am 7 years old and Betty Sue is 3. Please bring her a doll and some dishes. I would like to have a football and a whole lot of marbles. Love to you,  
Rodney Lewis  
Betty Sue Lewis

Wichita Falls, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl in the second grade. I am seven years old. Please bring me a doll that says mama and papa, a xylophone, and a cooking set. Please bring my little sister Betty a set of dishes and a doll. Don't forget all the other little girls and boys. Your friend,  
Peggy Lowe.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa:  
If you can please bring me a football, a little gun, a little truck. And Santa, please don't forget my mother, daddy and brother and sister. Also, all the boys who are in service. Be good to my uncles over seas. Love your friend,  
Keith Adcock.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa:  
I would like a doctor set, Army rifle, and a walkie-talkie. Also a tractor set and airport set. And a farm set. I would like for you to try and find me a bicycle. Your friend,  
Jackie Ben

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am 9 years old and I am in the 4th grade. I will have a birthday April 20.  
Santa Claus, will you bring me a blackboard and an embroidery set. And I want some oranges, apples and nuts. Your friend,  
Zelma Lois Carpenter

Newlin, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little girl 7 years old, and have been a good girl. Please bring me a Effenee doll, a doll suitcase, telephone, pyrex cooking set, birthstone ring, and a nurse set. Please remember my little cousins. Yours truly,  
Shirley Ann Tucker

Oklahoma City, Okla  
Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl almost 3 years old. I have tried to be a good little girl. Santa, I want a doll teddy bear, set of dishes and candy, fruit and nuts. Please remember Bobby and Beth Murdoch at Alaska. Santa and also grand-mother and Grandad. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls. I will be in Oklahoma City Xmas and I hope you find me. Love,  
Beverly June Needham

Dear Santa:  
We are two little boys at the Lakeview parsonage. We have a list of the things we want for Christmas. Santa, if you can't bring all of them bring what you can. You see we have made quite a list so that we would be sure and list something that you could bring.  
Dear Santa do not forget the boys and girls at the orphan homes.  
Here is the list we have made out for you:  
Blackboard, Drs. Kit, cowboy suit, ship, army set, Zephyr, combat set, farm set, rocket train.  
Dear Santa, don't forget the little boys and girls in the countries where the war is being fought at this time.  
Royce and Henry Hardaway

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me some candy, a doll, and some skates. Thank you  
Ruby Lee White.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me some candy, ball, and some skates. Thank you  
Harmor Graham.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a dump-truck and a steam shovel, and a cowboy gun. Thank you.  
John Deaver

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am in the first grade. Please bring me a doll and some candy. Thank you.  
Beverly Nan Graham.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me some candy, a farm set and some skates. Thank you.  
Morton Hawkins

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am in the first grade. Please bring me some candy, and a dump-truck. Thank you.  
Jimmy Hill.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am in the first grade. I like to go to school. Please bring me a doll and a handkerchief. Thank you.  
Nellie Belle Fuller

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Monta June Saye.

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George III Thompson

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Lois Ann Cofer.

Memphis, Texas  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy three and a half years old. I am a pretty good boy.  
Will you please bring me a little tractor with a trailer. I would like a cowboy rope and a football if that isn't too much. Please come to see all the other little girls and boys. Don't forget my little friend Donetta. Your little friend,  
Gordon Douglas

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Please bring me a bicycle and a pair of gloves and some candy friend,  
Donald

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A FRIENDLY THOUGHT OF YOU

With Hearty Good Wishes  
for a  
MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND A  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

POUNDS CAFE  
ALSENIA HOOVER  
Phone 322-J

LET THE BELLS OF CHRISTMAS RING MERRILY

May they ring in a season of good cheer, of happiness, of fellowship, of all things good. Because of the loyalty of our friends, we have enjoyed a successful year, and in recognition of these friendships and favors we say "thank you". The season's best to you is our Christmas wish.

CHAS. OREN

THEY CAN REMAKE THE WHOLE WORLD BUT...



WILL STILL RING AROUND IT!

LINDSEY TAILOR SHOP  
Located at Memphis Steam Laundry  
Telephone 38

GREETINGS

... With grateful acknowledgment of your courtesies and the evidence of your good will that have made the past year a pleasure to us, we wish you a season of Joy.

Good Eats Bakery