

# The YOAKUM COUNTY REVIEW

VOLUME 30

PLAINS, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1960

NUMBER 52



WILL NEW YEAR'S EVER COME? Joe St. Roman will have a hard time keeping his eyes open

waiting to welcome the New Year in. Among the activities planned for New Year's Eve will be the watch night service at the First Baptist Church.

## Plains has year of progress

### Past headlines reveal the activities in 1960

The year of 1960 was a year of progress and growth, of excitement and tragedy in Plains. Looking backward through the files of the Yoakum County Review we see the following headlines.

In the first week of '60 five Cowboys were named to the all-district team. These included Walt Coffman, Don Todd, Harmon Meixner, Joe Don Marrow and Ray Faught.

Plans were told on January 14 for the proposed construction of the new highway through the city of Plains. The project was completed during the summer.

The Credit Union made plans for their annual meet which was held on January 21.

Onetha Beggs was named top homemaker and was awarded the 1960 Betty Crocker Award.

Duane McDonnell was elected the new fire chief.

On January 28 the Review carried a picture of Mrs. Harvey Stotts who was named "Teacher of the Year" by the Tsa Mo Go Club.

Death came to "Editor" Hale, the retired editor and former owner of the Review.

On February 15 men had announced for county offices as local politics swung into full force.

Stock show plans were underway with 78 4-H boys and girls entered in the big event. Oscar Henard, Ty Earl Powell, and Lee Fingle walked off with top awards.

On February 25 Mrs. J. W. Moore Jr. was announced the winner of the Vogue contest held by the Tsa Mo Go Club.

In March the Cowboys basketball squad took Stanton by 59 to 43 to capture the bi-district title. The locals lost out

later to Sudan in race to state.

On March 10 the FHA girls honored their parents with the annual "Mom and Pop" banquet.

Also in March Mrs. Marion McGinty was named "Mother of the Year" at the district Federated meeting. She was sponsored by the local federated club, the Tsa Mo Go.

The girls volleyball team won the district title.

The Plains varsity track team won second at district meet with the Juniors taking a first.

Plans were made for the gaint Easter Egg hunt that was held in Stanford Park. The hunt was attended by over 400 youngsters and was sponsored by the Review and the Plains Chamber of Commerce.

In May the big news was graduation exercises. Three FHA girls, Barbara Meil, Janice Powell, and D'Lois McGinty, were awarded State Degrees.

The Chamber of Commerce members and guests heard Ralph Duncan speak at the annual Chamber banquet.

Olan Heath and E. W. Craig were in the run-off for county offices.

See SUMMARY on Page 6

### First Baptist to hold watch night

The public is cordially invited to join in a fellowship and watch night service to be held at Plains First Baptist Church from 9:00 p.m. Saturday evening to 12:05 Sunday morning.

Recreation of games, skits, songs and so forth will be enjoyed and refreshments will be served. The devotional and prayer service will be held during the midnight hour.

Regardless of your church affiliation you are invited to this annual recreation and worship service. You are assured of receiving a blessing from the service and from having started the new year in such services,

legislation should pass in the U. S., it would be followed by similar legislation in England, France, Switzerland, Germany, and other important countries. I advise investors now to forget this question of gold devaluation and not speculate in gold stocks at this time. Leading gold stocks are now selling 25% or more above their price of a year ago. Another thing that investors should remember when buying Canadian gold stocks is that a number of Canadian gold mining companies are now receiving a subsidy from the Canadian government to keep them from being shut down by high labor costs. This subsidy would come off as the price of gold rises.

**STOCKS AND BONDS**  
It is unpopular for me to take a bearish position in my Annual Forecast. Most of the newspapers and my readers like optimistic forecasts. In all the years I have been making these forecasts, last December was the first time that I refused to take a definite position. At that time the Dow-Jones Industrial Average was 670 and today it is fluctuating around 600.

Corporation earnings reports now coming out are not good.

See BABSON on Page 5



ON DISPLAY is one of the new street lights that soon will grace Plains' main street. The lighting

project was started by the Chamber of Commerce and funds are still needed to buy the remainder of the lights.

### 1961 Business Forecast

## Fair year for farmers, says Babson

by Roger W. Babson

This year I have divided my forecast into eight sections as indicated by the following eight headings. Instead of covering general business as a separate topic, I am sure that a reading of the following will give a clear idea of my thoughts on general business. Naturally, my first subject will be the political outlook.

#### POLITICS AND THE NEW PRESIDENT

I do not expect any big changes under President Kennedy. If he had won by a landslide I would be quite worried, but with a narrow plurality in the electoral college and only a small fraction of 1% over Nixon in the total popular vote, I think that our new President will be very much on his good behavior. Certainly he will not have much influence with either the Republicans or the Conservative Democrats of the South. He may make radical recommendations in his inaugural address to "save face", but most of these will not become legislation.

He will recommend certain new welfare legislation, which will include medical care for the aged, an increase in Social

Security, a new minimum wage, increased public housing, help for the distressed areas, and more aid for education.

#### COMMODITY PRICES, INCLUDING GOLD

Higher prices of commodities at the retail level are more or less certain, but wholesale prices will probably decline in most instances. Prices will not rise because of inflation during 1961. The first of the price advances will be absorbed by the manu-

#### Brother of Anthony killed in Montana

Perry Anthony received word early Sunday morning that his brother, Clifford Anthony of Montana, a contract mail carrier for the U. S. Government, was fatally injured about 5:00 a.m. Christmas Day as he was nearing the completion of his daily mail run. Perry was unable to obtain flight to Montana until Monday evening. He arrived Tuesday morning and funeral services were held there on Wednesday. He is survived by four brothers who have lived here: Edward Lee and Billy of Omaha, Nebraska and Clyde and Howard of Calera, Oklahoma.

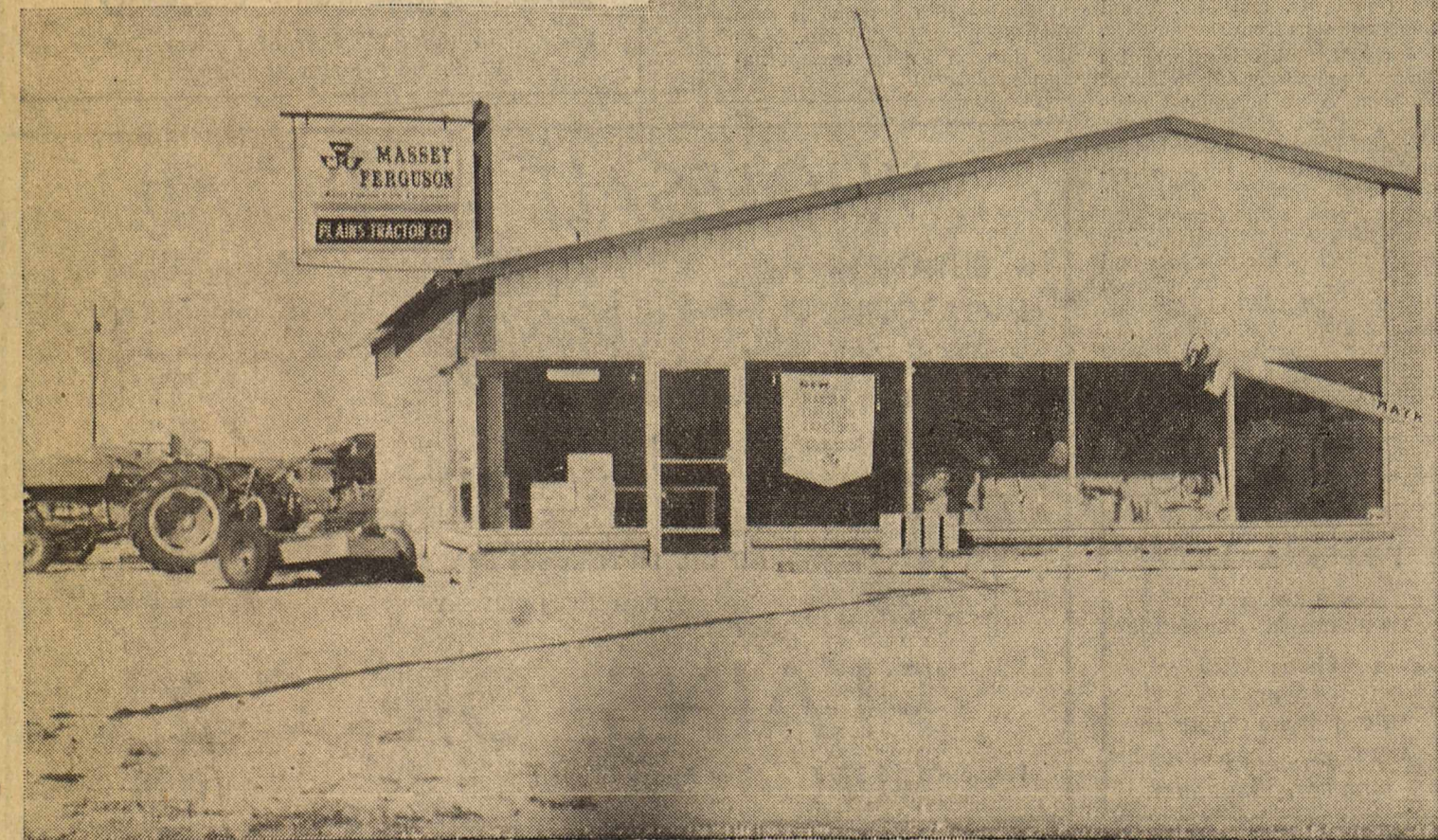
facturer. Owing to the increased competition in all lines, wise manufacturers and retailers will keep their selling prices down. This means that their profits will be less if they are unable to reduce their own costs. All of this means that general business may show less increase in activity and profits in 1961 than in the previous year.

Now, in relation to gold: Three-fifths of the Free World's gold comes from African mines; one-fifth from Canada; and the balance from the U. S. and elsewhere. There are many rumors that the U. S. will "revalue", creating a higher price for gold. This will not happen during 1961; and I think that the price of many gold stocks will decline during 1961. The very discussion in Congress of possible devaluation would cause us to lose more gold. Everything will probably be done to avoid such a discussion and I believe President Kennedy will publicly state that he is opposed to it.

Temporarily, dollar devaluation might be a shot in the arm for American business, but it will not cure the cancer or whatever else is causing the pain. Not only would foreign banks withdraw gold before such legislation was passed; but if such

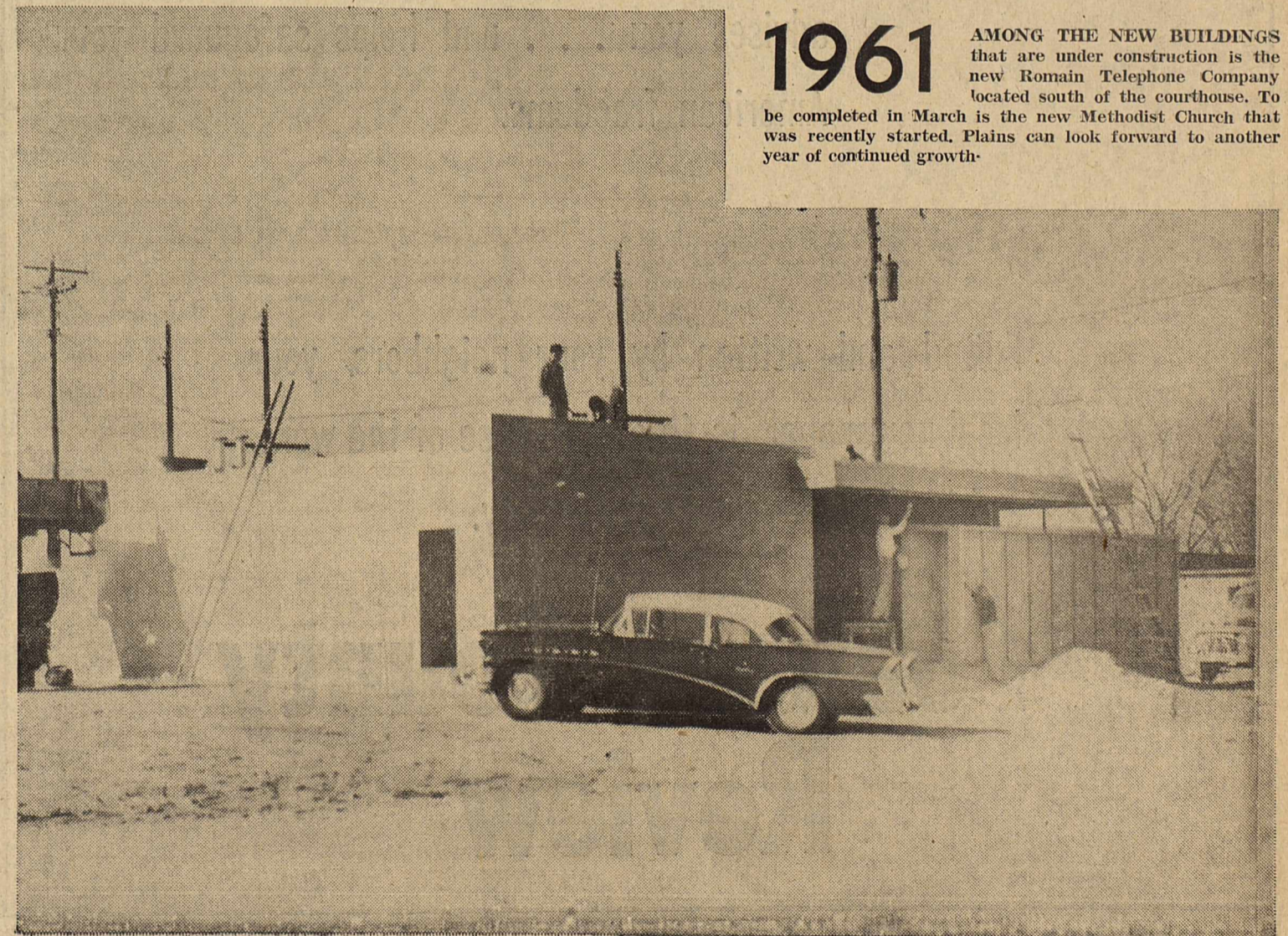
## 1960

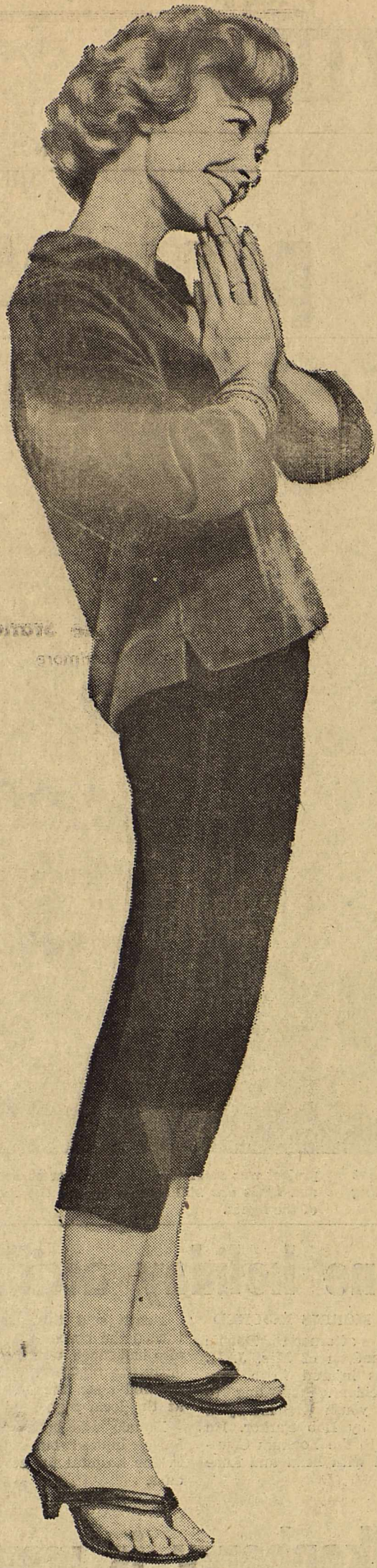
AMONG THE NEW BUILDINGS ERECTED during the past year was Plains Tractor Company. The city saw four commercial buildings go up and ten new businesses added to the growth of Plains. Also noted was the increase in the number of cotton gins that were built in 1960.



## 1961

AMONG THE NEW BUILDINGS that are under construction is the new Romain Telephone Company located south of the courthouse. To be completed in March is the new Methodist Church that was recently started. Plains can look forward to another year of continued growth.





# It's great to have a good friend . . .

. . . One of your best friends is your local newspaper . . . a friend who keeps you in touch with what's going on in your home town . . . A friend who helps you with your homemaking, who saves you time and money in shopping by telling you about the values in your home town stores.

What's more, your friend, the newspaper, helps you to stretch your horizons and revitalize your interest with reports on traveling to gardening.

It is a friend who informs you, entertains you, advises you . . . and helps safeguard your American freedoms.

Edited and written by your neighbors, your local newspaper is, in every sense of the word, a friend to you and your family.

# Yoakum County Review

## Elected officials to be sworn in Monday morning

There will be several new faces around the Court House at Plains come next Monday morning.

For, on that day, officials who were elected in the recent election will be officially sworn in to office and will assume duties relegated to them for the terms of office for which they were elected.

Among the new faces will be V. E. Sanders, Deputy Sheriff in Denver City for the past few years, who was elevated by voters to the office of County Sheriff. He will succeed R. M. Chambliss in that office.

Another newcomer at the court house will be Raymond Bookout, elected to the position of County Commissioner of Precinct Three, succeeding Gene Payne. Bookout won the election in a close battle with Ty Field, finally being named to the position by a margin of four votes in the June run-off election.

Also among the "news" at the court house will be a new office, but an old face will be filling the position. E. W. Craig has been named Yoakum County's first Tax Assessor-Collector and will assume his duties in that office on Monday.

The Tax Assessor-Collector opening was filled in a June run-off after voters late in 1959 decided that the office should be separated from that of County Sheriff. Craig has been serving as Chief Deputy Sheriff in charge of the tax office for several years.

Others who will be taking the oath of office for another term will be Vernon Townes, Denver City, as county attorney; and Vance Brown, who won re-election as County Commissioner of Precinct 1 in the southeast portion of Yoakum County.

Sanders won election as sheriff by defeating Deputy Olan Heath, Plains, and Denver City Chief of Police Woody Sullivan. It is expected that Deputy Heath will be retained as a deputy on Sanders' official staff.

Craig won election to the newly created office of Tax Assessor-Collector in a heated election race with Reese Wilkerson, Denver City, and W. W. Anderson, Denver City. He finally won out over Wilkerson in the June run-off primary which was tantamount to election to the office.

Townes also won re-election to his court house position in a hotly contested election race with Claude Freeman, Denver City attorney. Townes just barely nosed Freeman out in the race for votes in the May Primary, which served as his ticket for re-election.

## Locals . . .

The Sligo Community Center was filled with Christmas merriment Sunday when a host of relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilson convened for a reunion. Besides brothers and sisters of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson who live from Oklahoma to California their daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Roberts and sons of Odessa and Sgt. and Mrs. Fred Napier and Terry of Camp Pendleton, California were present.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Huddleston and family were their son, J. D. Huddleston and family from Wichita Falls, and daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lowrey of Tokio, and a nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Crockett Lee Huddleston from Kent, Washington. A son living in Florida and a son in Houston called home.

The Vance Glovers enjoyed a nice number of holiday visitors including their daughters, 1st Lt. and Mrs. R. C. Gentry and two children from Rolla, Missouri and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Short and sons from Denver City.

Jerry M. Smith flew to Dallas Thursday night enroute to Mount Pleasant where he spent Christmas weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Smith.

Mrs. Ann Green spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Lydia Graves, and other relatives at Floydada. She was a guest of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lavon Smith, in Littlefield Monday. Joining them were her sons, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Green of Borger and Stinnett and Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Green and Mark of Leveland.

## BROWNFIELD FUNERAL HOME

Roy B. Collier, Owner  
120 W. Tate St. — Brownfield  
Phone 2525

•  
Air-Conditioned Chapels and Ambulances, oxygen equipped  
FUNERAL INSURANCE

I ALWAYS WORK HOLIDAYS . . . Reg Manning



(Reproduced by the GOVERNOR'S HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMISSION through Special Permission of Nationally-Famous Cartoonist Reg Manning and McNaught Syndicate, Inc., of New York City.)

## Social Security official to be in Plains Tuesday

The 1960 amendments to the social security law reduce by about 1/3 the length of time a person has to work under social security to become insured for the payment of benefits to himself and his family.

Some 400,000 people are now eligible for cash benefits because of this change in the law, including many wives, widows, dependent husbands and widowers already at or beyond the retirement age, and minor children of deceased workers. First payments to newly eligible persons will be for the month of October, 1960.

A representative of the Lubbock Social Security Office will be in Plains on Thursday, January 5 in the County Service Office at 1:30 p.m. and will be glad to assist in all matters pertaining to social security.

Under the new rule, persons reaching retirement age (65 for men, 62 for women) this year need only about 3 years of work under social security instead of the 4 1/2 to 5 years required by the old law. If you reach retirement age any time next year, you will need to have worked under social security only 3 1/2 years instead of the 5 to 5 1/4 years required before the change in the law. There is, however, a minimum requirement of a year and a half of work under social security — without which no benefits can come.

There are a number of people in Yoakum County who will now be able to get monthly payments as a result of this change.

The change in law also provides monthly benefits are now payable to all children under age 18 whose fathers are deceased, providing he was insured, regardless of whether or not the minor child is living with and chiefly supported by a stepfather. Under the old law, dependency on the stepfather prevented payment on the natural father's earning record.

Remember that social security benefits cannot start until you file a claim with the social security office nearest you. Therefore, if you believe you may be eligible for benefits under the change in the law, visit our office now. Our office in Lubbock, Tex., is located at 1616 - 19th St., and is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except national holidays.)

## YOAKUM COUNTY REVIEW

Published Each Thursday at Plains, Texas

JERRY M. SMITH, Managing Editor

Entered as second class matter at the postoffice in Plains, Texas, under the act of Congress of March 3, 1879. Second class postage paid at Plains, Texas.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES:  
\$3.00 per year in Yoakum County; \$4.50 Elsewhere

Plains, Texas, Thursday, December 29, 1961 Page 2

## News items about Plains folk . . .

Mrs. Jim Williams and little son, Jeffrey Lynn, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Riggs and family and Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Riggs and daughters of Midland were Yuletide visitors in the home of their mother, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kennedy, and brother, Felton Riggs.

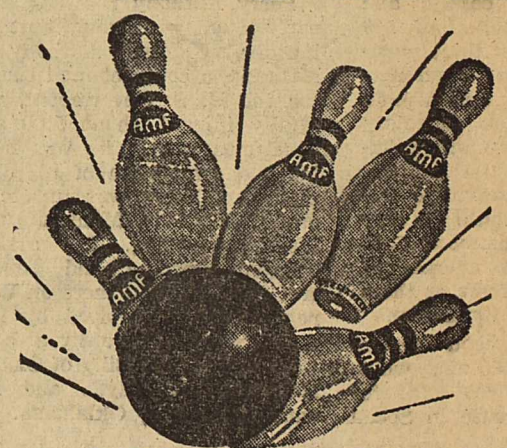
Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Hanna and children enjoyed the Christmas holiday with relatives at Morton and Granger. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kohl, reside at Granger.

Mr. and Mrs. Barron Blair

and children visited her relatives at Haskell during Christmas and his mother in Snyder on Monday.

Charles and Murrell A. Thompson of Tarleton State College, Stephenville, will return to their studies this weekend after being guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Murrell Thompson and Debra since December 16. They all spent the Christmas holidays visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thompson's parents at Ada and Seminole, Oklahoma.

## BOWL!



- League and Open Bowling, Men and Women
- Snack Bar
- AMF Automatic Pin-Spotters

PHONE LY 2-2432 FOR RESERVATIONS  
We Sell and Rent a Complete Line of Equipment

## DENVER CITY BOWLING CLUB

Located at the "Y" East of Denver City  
W. S. "Bill" Smith, Manager

## WHOLESALE — RETAIL

- ★ BUTANE
- ★ GASOLINE
- ★ PROPANE



- ★ OIL
- ★ DIESEL FUEL
- ★ KEROSENE



## U.S. ROYAL

TIRES • TUBES • BATTERIES  
AC OIL FILTERS and SPARK PLUGS  
PROMPT DELIVERY



## PLAINS OIL CO.

Phone GL 6-3777

James Warren, Mgr.

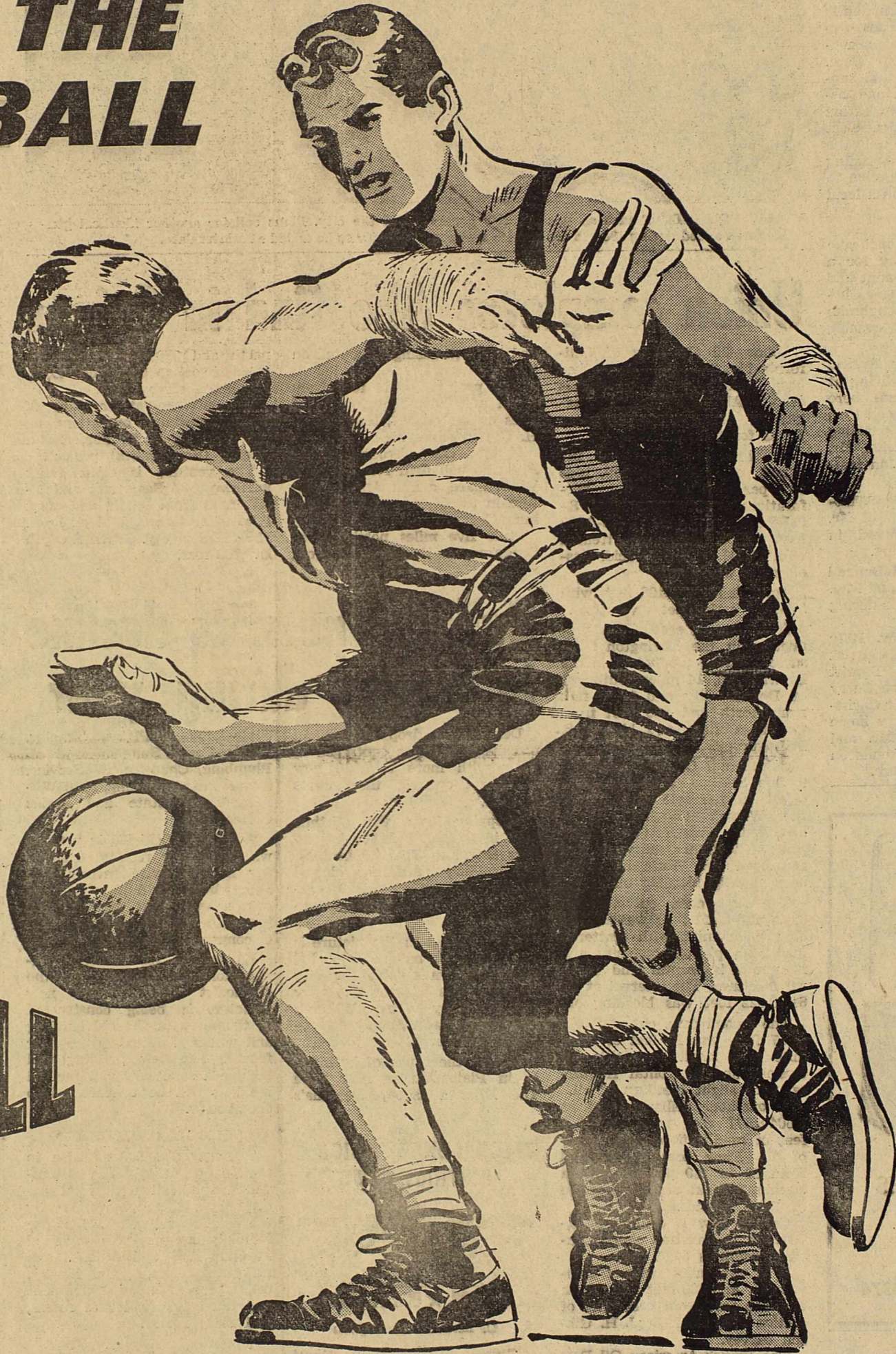
Plains, Texas

# WE'RE BEHIND YOU COWBOYS

**LET'S CLIMB TO THE  
TOP IN BASKETBALL**

**Plains Cowboys  
to meet  
Wink Wildcats  
Next Tuesday**

in PLAINS — Game Time 6:30 p.m.



## BASKETBALL

**SCHEDULE FOR  
1960 - 61**

### DECEMBER

9—TATUM ..... Cancelled  
A and B Games — 6:30

10—WINK ..... Cancelled  
A and B Games — 6:30

15-16-17—POST TOURNEY

20—SEMINOLE ..... There  
A and B Games — 6:30

22—EUNICE ..... Here  
A and B Games — 6:30

26-27-28—CAPROCK TOURNEY  
At Lubbock

### JANUARY

3—WINK ..... Here  
A and B Games — 6:30

6-7—SEAGRAVES TOURNEY

13—SEAGRAVES ..... There  
A and B Games — 6:30

14—DORA, NEW MEXICO ..... Here  
A and B Games — 6:30

17—FRENSHIP ..... Here  
A and B Games — 6:30

20—O'DONNELL ..... There  
A and B Games — 6:30

21—EUNICE, NEW MEXICO ..... Here  
A and B Games — 6:30

24—TAHOKA ..... Here  
A and B Games — 6:30

27—SUNDOWN ..... Here  
A and B Games — 6:30

31—SEAGRAVES ..... Here  
A and B Games — 6:30

### FEBRUARY

3—FRENSHIP ..... There  
A and B Games — 6:30

4—LEVELLAND ..... Here  
A and B Games — 6:30

7—O'DONNELL ..... Here  
A and B Games — 6:30

10—TAHOKA ..... There  
A and B Games — 6:30

14—SUNDOWN ..... There  
A and B Games — 6:30

18—LOVINGTON ..... Here  
A and B Games — 6:30

This Page Sponsored  
By the Following  
Cowboy Supporters

**Western Grill**  
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Murphree

**Plains Oil Co.**  
Cosden Dealer

**Plains Humble Station**  
W. G. Lattimore

**Cotton Grower's Delinting Co.**

**D. C. Newsom Gin Co.**

**Moore & Oden, Inc.**

**Plains Farm Supply**

**Cowboy Grill & Drive-Inn**

**Phillips "66"**  
Woody Wilmeth

**Cogburn-Young Hardware**

**Plains Auto Service**  
Alex Lindt

**Maynard's Conoco Station**

**Clayton Electric Co.**

**Cooke's Lumber Co.**

**Buddy's Auto Parts**

**Billings Superette**  
Bronco

**Chaney Radio, TV Repair, Sales**

**Plains Tractor & Hardware**

**Plains Courts**

**Elsorita Shop**

**Plains Gin**

**Plains TV Electronics**

**Gene's Texaco Service**

**C. G. & S. Gin**  
"The Spencers"

**Bronco Gas Co.**

**Pic & Pay Grocery**

**Tumbleweed Drive Inn**

**Yoakum County Review**

**Alma's Restaurant**

**Curry-Edwards Pharmacy**





