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MERRY CHRISTMAS

40 Families Need Aid For Merry Christmas

There are about 40 families in Ballinger who will need help this Christmas if Santa Claus comes to see them. The first of the week 19 families had been "adopted" by Sunday school classes, other organizations and individuals but there are a number yet who must have assistance.

The lists can be seen at the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce office and will be kept there through Christmas eve or until all have been provided for by someone. The lists were carefully compiled and each family is in circumstances that

will make anything like a Christmas dinner impossible without outside help.

Toys gathered by the Jaycees and repaired and repainted by the high school vocational classes can be obtained at the high school VA shop. These will be furnished to those looking after families as long as they last. A total of 200 toys repaired will be distributed Christmas.

Service clubs, classes and any others who desire to help in providing Christmas for those in need are urged to visit the chamber office and select families to help.

C. of C. Director Ballots Mailed To Membership

Ballots were mailed the past week-end by the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce for the election of 11 new directors by members of the organization. Those who receive ballots are asked to mark them and return them to the chamber office as soon as possible so that tabulations can be made and the new directors announced as soon as possible.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, January 9, when all new directors and holdovers will meet to elect officers for the ensuing year and name two members to serve on the executive committee.

The January meeting will be only one week before the annual livestock show and new officers will be on duty for that event. It will be almost four weeks before the annual membership meeting and banquet, when new directors and officers will be presented.

Each ballot contains the names of 11 men and 11 are to be elected. Those who desire may scratch any of the nominees and spaces have been left for write-ins. A list of the membership and eligible candidates has been enclosed with the ballots and any names on that list may be written in if desired. All members are eligible for election as directors except the 11 men who retire this year after serving for the past two years on the board.

Christmas Personals

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Downey Simpson will be Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Simpson and daughter, of Santa Anna; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Glen and children, of Ft. Worth; Misses Louise and Nettie Jean Simpson, of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary DeShazo will go to Kermit to visit relatives and friends during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gosney and son will spend the holidays at Fort Worth, visiting both their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fiveash will visit Mrs. Fiveash's parents at San Angelo during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Robertson, of Austin, will spend the holidays with Mrs. Robertson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gay Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Chapman will spend Christmas at San Antonio, visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jacob and sons, Tommy and Johnny, will go to Jacksonville, Texas, for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hampton and daughter, Julie, will spend Christmas at Abilene, visiting relatives.

Holiday guests in the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. Dexter Eoff will be Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Campbell, Albuquerque, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. John Eoff and son, Abilene; and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Eoff, Winters.

Christmas visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Parrish will be Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Carson and Jerry and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Carson, Jr., and children, of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Holbrook will have as Christmas visitors Major and Mrs. J. C. Steger and family, of Norman, Oklahoma.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bissett at Christmas time will be Mrs. C. A. Brooks, of Bangs; Mr. and Mrs. Arlice Brooks, of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hedges, of Hico.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hoisington and children will go to Paint Rock for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Stuart and son, of Salem, Oregon, will visit in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Harris, Mrs. E. H. Powers and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Wighton during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Houghawatt, of Gregton, will visit in the Lewis Brown and Bill Bell homes during the holidays.

Jim Jones, student at Texas A. & M. College will spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jones, and other relatives and friends.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Manning during the holidays will be their daughters, Misses Lou and Sue Manning, of San Angelo.

Guests in the home of Mrs. R. L. Bell for Christmas will be Jerry Bell, student at Texas Technological College, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Leamon Bell and daughter, Kermit; Mr. and Mrs. James Bell and daughter, Big Lake; Mr. and Mrs. Scottie Bell, Iraan.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bell and daughters, of Kerrville, will share visits with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Howell and Mrs. R. L. Bell.

Joe Vancil, student at Texas A. & M. College, will spend the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Vancil.

M-Sgt. and Mrs. M. A. Walker and children, of Fort Benning, Georgia, will spend the holidays with Mrs. Fred Tappee and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Virden.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Power, of San Antonio, will share visits with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Power and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Howell.

Mr. and Mrs. George Newby Georgia and Ginger will visit at Bradshaw and Tuscola during the holidays.

House guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tomie Queen for the holidays will be Mr. and Mrs. W. O. McAlpine and Harlan, of Eldorado; Miss Juanita McAlpine, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rattiff and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Biggs, all of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Crowder and children, of R. E. White and son, Denman White, made a pre-Christmas visit at Hattiesburg, Mississippi,

Huddleston Home Decoration First In Contest for '55

The O. L. Huddleston home, 308 Largent, was awarded first place in the Christmas home and yard decoration contest, sponsored by the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce Judges Tuesday night and announced the winners.

Second place went to E. P. Talbott, 901 Sixth Street, where a large display of lights, a front door piece, was blended into home decorations through a picture window.

Third place went to Dr. L. L. Downing, 201 Ninth Street.

The judges said a large number of well decorated homes and yards made it difficult to decide the winners.

In the Latin-American section first place went to Gilbert Armandariz, second place to Placido Armandariz and third to John Garcia.

In the negro section first place winners was L. C. Rose; second, Rev. J. M. Bolden; and third, Foster Rose.

County's Oil Operations Continue into Holidays

The Palo Pinto was topped in Rhodes Drilling Co. No. 1-Hubert Herring will be a 4-Hamp Byler Wednesday morning and operators were preparing to set pipe and gauge production as soon as a drillstem test was completed.

An offset to the long producer in the Rowena (lower Capps) field flowed oil on a second drillstem test and pipe was being run for completion as a Gardner prospect. Located 4½ miles east of Rowena, the well is Humble Oil & Refining Co.'s No. 1-Victor R. Wilde. Top of pay is at 3,758 feet.

Casing has been run for completion in the Gardner sand in Murray Petroleum Co., of San Angelo, No. 1-Mittie Rives. Production was indicated in a drillstem test, pay being topped at 4,382 feet.

Foree Drilling Co. will drill a 4,650-foot wildcat, three miles south of Norton, which will be the company's No. 1-Bob I. Vancil.

Anderson, Reeder & Graham No. 1-Hubert Herring will be a 2,600-foot wildcat, four miles west of Talpa and two miles east of the P.W.C. (Serratt) field.

Rowan Oil Co. No. 1-Zappe will be a 4,800-foot prospector half a mile southwest of Caroline Hunt Sands No. 1-Zappe, producer in the Hatchel (Strawn) field.

Murray Petroleum Co. No. 1-W. H. Ogilvy, six miles north of Dallas, is to be drilled to the Ellenburger. Work will start when the permit is issued.

Investors Production Co., of Dallas, is drilling a 4,000-foot well on the C. B. Hays place, two miles northwest of Ballinger. Tours have been operating the past ten days.

Murray Petroleum Co. No. 2-Kirby Robinson, in the Norton, North (Gardner lime) field, will go to 4,700 feet. The location is five miles northeast of Norton.

200 Attend Utilities Co.'s District Christmas Party

Practically all employees and their families of district G of the West Texas Utilities Co. were in Ballinger Friday to attend the afternoon safety meeting and the annual Christmas party at night.

Men of the company met at the city hall auditorium in the afternoon for the safety program.

At 6:45 p. m. the families gathered at the junior high school cafeteria for the annual banquet and party. More than 200 were present, including a few local guests. A full turkey dinner was served.

W. O. Wallace, district manager, extended the welcome and presented Jay Garrett, who acted as master of ceremonies.

The Ballinger high school girls' sextet, under the direction of J. C. Chapman, presented a group of Christmas songs to open the program. All children of the company, led by Mr. Garrett, sang Christmas carols. In the final number all lights were turned off except candles on the tables.

Santa Claus made his appearance and personally greeted each child. Gifts were distributed to all the children and a few special gifts went to adults.

At the conclusion of the program the group reassembled at the Ballinger Country Club for dancing and other entertainment.

Special Programs For All Students Precede Holidays

Students of Ballinger schools participated in a number of Christmas programs which will conclude tonight with the coronation ceremonies and presenting of favorites and members of "Who's Who."

Approximately 500 students of central elementary school presented their annual Christmas program Wednesday afternoon under the direction of Mrs. A. McGregor, assisted by classroom teachers. Christmas songs and carols were sung by the various groups and a massed chorus of all children of the school.

The student council of the high school was in charge of the final assembly program, held Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Troy Simpson gave a review of a Christmas story as the main part of the program.

Tonight the big social event of the school year will be held at the high school auditorium when all high school favorites are presented and the queen and king crowned. The high school choral club will present the pre-coronation music.

After the auditorium program, students will go to the American Legion hall for a dance.

Class work was concluded Wednesday afternoon and students dismissed until January 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Traylor and daughter will spend the holidays with relatives at Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Stuart and Randy, Runge; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lockett, Kenny and Ruby, Gouldbusk, will be holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Stuart.

Wiley Selection For Area Team; Scoggins Coach

Delbert Wiley, 210-pound Ballinger Bearcat tackle, was selected on the first all-area team for class AA schools. The first and second teams were published Sunday by the Abilene Reporter-News after a poll of Central West Texas coaches.

Ballinger Coach Bill Scoggins was named the 1955 top class AA coach in the same poll. Scoggins took over here at the beginning of the season after Coach Douglas Cox went to McMurry College, Abilene.

The selection of Scoggins pointed up the fact that he lost his first string quarterback at the opening of the season but guided the Bearcats to a district championship.

Wiley is a sophomore and will have two more years with the Bearcats before graduation.

On the second team from Ballinger was James Buxkemper at center and Dwayne Patton as a halfback position.

Ballinger, Breckenridge, Colorado City, Stamford, Cisco, Lake View, Winters, Brady and Graham placed men on the area first team.

Ronnie Maedgen and Charles Holloway, of Ballinger, received honorable mention.

Xmas Eve Show Free to Kiddies

The management of the Texas Theatre has scheduled its regular Christmas matinee for all children of this section on Saturday morning, December 24. This year the show will start at 10:00 a. m. and the kiddies will be out before noon.

Parents are urged to bring their children in time for the beginning of the program and to pick them up later in the morning.

Selected pictures have been booked that will be entertaining for the children. No gift or admission is necessary as everything is free and is a Christmas present from the management to the kiddies of this section.

The entire theatre staff will be on duty to look after the little people while they are in the house. The building will be made comfortable for any kind of weather.

CHURCH GROUPS WILL PRESENT BIEGELEISEN

A group of Ballinger churches will present Dr. John Biegeleisen, professor of religion at Eden Theological Seminary, Webster Grove, Missouri, here in January.

Seidel & Sons Get Coke Road Contract

F. A. Seidel & Sons' bid on a road contract in Coke County was low and the firm will start the work about January 1. The job is for 3½ miles to be graded and surfaced to state highway department specifications to connect the Sterling City highway with Silver at the Pecan Station Church.

The job was acquired on a bid of \$50,350 for the complete contract.

Seidel & Sons recently completed a job for the new football stadium at San Angelo in which 100,000 yards of dirt was moved.

OWENS NEW TELLER AT FIRST NATIONAL

Dick Owens has accepted a position with the First National Bank and has been assigned to the front window as teller. He succeeds Jim Williamson, who resigned recently to accept a position with a Kingsville bank.

Mr. Owens came to Ballinger seven years ago and for the past six years has operated the Ballinger Automatic Laundry. He graduated from the Abilene high school and later attended McMurry College at Abilene and Texas A&M College.

He entered the air force during World War II and became a pilot. He now holds the rank of major in the reserves.

Mr. Owens began work this week and will be glad to meet his friends at the front window.

Lutherans to Have Special Programs

The children of the Sunday school of Bethel Lutheran Church will present their Christmas eve program at 8:30 p. m. Saturday at the church.

Eighteen children will take part in this service in which by speaking and singing they tell the story and true meaning of Christmas. The service will be under the direction of Leroy Foerster, Sunday school superintendent.

On Christmas day, the films, "The Greatest Gift" and "This is the Life," will be shown to Sunday school classes.

Sunday school will start at 9:00 a. m. Christmas day and the worship service will be at 10:00 a. m.

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Latin Students Stage Nativity Play at School

A large number of parents and other visitors were present at the Ballinger high school assembly Monday when the Latin class presented the Nativity play, "Christus Parvulus."

The entire performance was in Latin and characters were in costume. It was praised as one of the best presentations ever given by high school students here.

The cast was: Isaiah, John Duke; Gabriel, Wayne Iry; Mary, Helen Harris; Joseph, Bobby Bissett; Zacharias, Jimmy Hamner; The shepherds, John Duke, Jimmy Hamner and Robert Hollis.

Maed, Skeet Pearce, Billy Witter and Eddie Howell; Chief of Angels, Susie Herring; The chorus, composed of the Latin Club members, was as follows: Nancy Thompson, Margaret Lou Campbell, Sarah Chandler, Linda Crockett, Irene Piel, Martha Gallant, Frances Stokes, Helen Harris, Louise Jones, Marilyn Kettler, Ruby Ann Mize, Frances Schroeder, Charlene White.

Others were George McAulay, narrator; Martha Northington, stage manager; Marilyn Morgagne, director; Miss Marryatt Smith, sponsor; and Jimmy Hamner, president of the club.

Miss Hattie Mae Dunlap was at the piano for accompaniment.

Lions Cancel Two Meetings of Club; Will Help Needy

The Ballinger Lions Club did not have a program Friday noon, instead devoting all the time to a business session.

It was voted not to hold another meeting in 1955. Members will be charged for the meals at cancelled meetings on December 23 and 30 and the price of the first meals will be spent in caring for a needy family. What would have been paid for the second meals will go to the Girl Scout fund drive, to be completed this month. These meals will total about \$60 each.

A. E. Heilbrook was named chairman of the membership committee to conduct the drive in January. The Ballinger club has a quota of seven new members but will try to exceed the total.

Mrs. Daisy Graves will spend Christmas at Luther with her two daughters, Mrs. J. L. Lloyd and Mrs. Nolen Stanley, and families.

Miss Mary Egan, of San Antonio, is here to spend the Christmas holidays with her sisters, Mrs. C. T. Moonen and Mrs. W. J. Curtis and their families, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Egan, of Rowena.

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22,700 Bales Cotton Gin Total for County

Runnels County's gins will turn out more than 23,000 bales of cotton before the season ends. In a check-up the past week-end by L. L. Williams ginners reported 22,700 bales already ginned and said 300 to 400 more bales would be handled before plans were closed for the year.

Gins in the southern part of the county had turned out about 2,000 more bales than those in the northern section.

Actual ginnings will be slightly greater than most estimates earlier in the year. The most liberal guesses were 20,000 bales, while others sealed that down, considerably in August.

This is the final local check-up. Early in 1956 the U. S. department of commerce will report the number of 500-pound bales ginned in the county.

Elevator Erectors To Arrive Tuesday For Installing Job

The Otis Elevator Co., of Dallas, has advised county officials that erectors will be here Tuesday, December 27, to start installing the equipment at the court house. Most of the elevator shaft has been completed by the Darby Construction Co., of Ballinger, and a small amount of work will be done after other work is finished.

Part of the elevator machinery has been received and the remainder is being shipped this week. A crew will arrive here after Christmas and from 20 to 30 days will be required for the installation.

After the machinery is installed and tested, some two weeks of work will be required to finish the shaft and turn the elevator over to the county.

The contract calls for the job to be completed by March 1, but county officials expect all work to be done sooner.

Only 875 Polls Paid in County To December 20

Dalton Crockett, county tax assessor-collector, stated Tuesday that approximately 80 per cent of the current tax rolls had been collected and poll tax payments to date totalled only 875. This is a smaller number of poll tax payments than on the same date last year and election year is coming up.

Local organizations are planning to conduct a campaign in January in an effort to get citizens to secure poll tax receipts.

During 1956 Democratic primaries will be held and half of the district, county and precinct officers elected for four-year terms. The general elections will be held in the fall, when the presidential race promises to be a hot issue.

It is very possible that bond issues will be presented during the year and other special elections may be held. It will be a good year for all people of the voting age to have poll tax receipts.

Service Club Calendar

Thursday, December 22—Ballinger Fireman, 7:30 p. m. Firemen's Auxiliary, 7:30 p. m.

Friday, December 23—Lions Club (meeting postponed)

Monday, December 26—Beta Sigma Phi, no meeting

Jaycees, no meeting

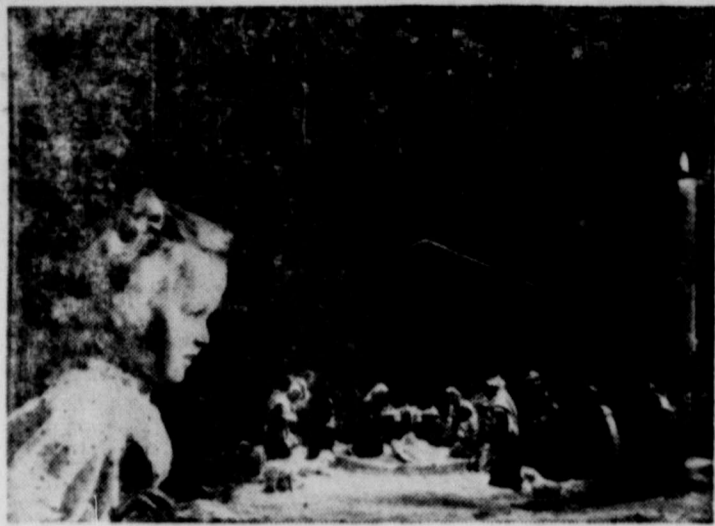
Tuesday, December 27—Rotary Club, noon

HAS YOUR ADDRESS BEEN CHANGED?

Ledger subscribers are requested to notify the publisher of any change in their address promptly.

Under postal laws, newspapers and periodicals must pay postage due for notices of any change in address furnished by the post office. Besides there always is the probability that your paper will be delayed or fail to reach you altogether if you do not give immediate notification when you move.

The best plans for all concerned is to send the change of address in advance.



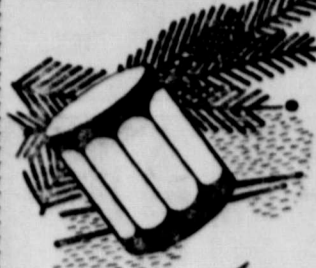
A Christmas Wish

May all your hearts, at Christmastide,
Know peace and love and cheer;
And may these precious things abide
Throughout the coming year.

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The warm wishes we send today
are but a mild expression
of our feeling toward you at this
Holiday Season.

Hill's Grocery

Free service were Virginia Harral, Audie Vee Vestal, Jean Smith and Jerry Pruser. Others assisting in serving were Patsy Tepleck, Gay Nell Jarrett, LaRuth Montgomery, Jacka Nell Candy, Sue Tubbs, Patricia Wiley, Rose Halfmann, Maudie Parker, Frances Allen and Doris Rose.

Jerry Pruser, president of the chapter, presented a gift to Mrs. Brown, and girls presented gifts that had been made by them to their mothers.

Approximately 60, including parents of members of the chapter and added guests, attended the tea and exhibit.

Norton Better Neighbor Club Has Christmas Party

The Norton Better Neighbor Club held its annual Christmas party last Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Bill Konegay.

A lighted Christmas tree decorated the living room from which gifts were exchanged.

All members were present and refreshments were served to: Mmes. T. H. Crockett, O. G. Barrett, D. M. Crockett, H. K. Barry, S. M. Mackey, Ben Taylor, Marvin Willis, Roy Roper, Marvin Turner, W. A. Inman and T. R. Setser.

Study Club Sponsors Decoration Program, Luncheon

A Christmas decoration program and luncheon sponsored

by the Fannie Stephens Study Club was held in the new chocolate brown cedar shingle home of Judge and Mrs. E. C. Grindstaff, 300 Sharp, on Saturday, December 17.

A lantern lamp post entwined with cedar boughs and red ribbons on the front lawn, and "Merry Christmas" placards on windows were the first evidence of the annual affair. The highlight of the large living room was a glittering Christmas tree before the front picture window, and a handpainted swinging lamp before the side windows. An antique clock centered the mantel banked with cedar, berries and mistletoe over the step-hearth and open fireplace of Colorado stone. Across the room before a draped window stood an Early American table laid with a green cloth ornamented with red felt seasonal motifs and centered with a silver yucca plant hung with colored balls. Other decorations were silvered tumbledweed arrangements.

Following the luncheon served by the social committee, Mmes. H. G. Agnew, Doyle St. John, W. E. Moss and Grindstaff, a program on holiday arrangements made by members was presented by Mrs. Grindstaff, Mrs. M. E. McClenny and Mrs. Moss. Christmas arrangements featured were skirts for the base of the Christmas tree, a



We'd like to add our wish to all: a Christmas full of joy and gladness!

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Otis Power, Agent

decorated cloth for the table, miniature trees made of crinoline and decorated with sequins, silvered tumbledweed arrangements that can be moved from room to room and glamorous Christmas gift wrappings.

Mrs. B. J. Williams, Jr., president, was in charge of a short business period when plans were completed for the club to adopt a family for Christmas. The committee to be in charge of packing the gifts will be Mrs. E. B. Davidson, Mrs. Wayne Reynolds and Mrs. John Cody.

Other club members are Mmes. E. Y. Bailey, L. L. Downing, W. E. Elkins, J. Dexter Eoff, T. L. Epting, R. M. Hollis, Felix Keys, E. R. Nolen, Ted Tisdale, Cal Adair, H. B. Edmondson, Joe Forester and W. O. Irby.

CREWS HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

Members of the Crews home demonstration club included their husbands and other members of their families at a Christmas party Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Fisher. Christmas decorations were used throughout the house. Eleven members attended and presents were exchanged from the lighted tree. Games of dominoes were enjoyed during the evening.

Club members brought nuts, fruits and home-made candy. These were served with bottled drinks and coffee to twenty-seven people including the children.

The next regular meeting of the club will be held in the home of Mrs. Marvin Hale on January 6, 1956, at 2:00 p. m.

SOCIETY

Philathea Class Has Christmas Party

The First Methodist Philathea Class was entertained at a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. O. R. Lusater Monday evening. Other hostesses were Mmes. O. R. O'Neill and Tom Caudle, Misses Ollie and Zaza Chenoweth.

Entertaining rooms were beautifully decorated with seasonal greens and reds. Large red ribbon bows were over the mirror and under the mantel slab where two felt stockings hung. A red cloth ornamented with pine cone motifs covered the dining table. The centerpiece was a large red candle encircled with pine cones and cedar. Other table decorations were a lighted church and a Santa.

Miss Ollie Chenoweth, president, conducted the business. Members presented a record player to the nursery department of the church. Gifts were brought for two "adopted" families. Mrs. Robert Bruce played the accompaniments for the group to sing Christmas carols. Mrs. Troy Simpson read the Christmas story, "This Way to Christmas," by Ruth Sawyer. Tom Agnew took pictures of the party.

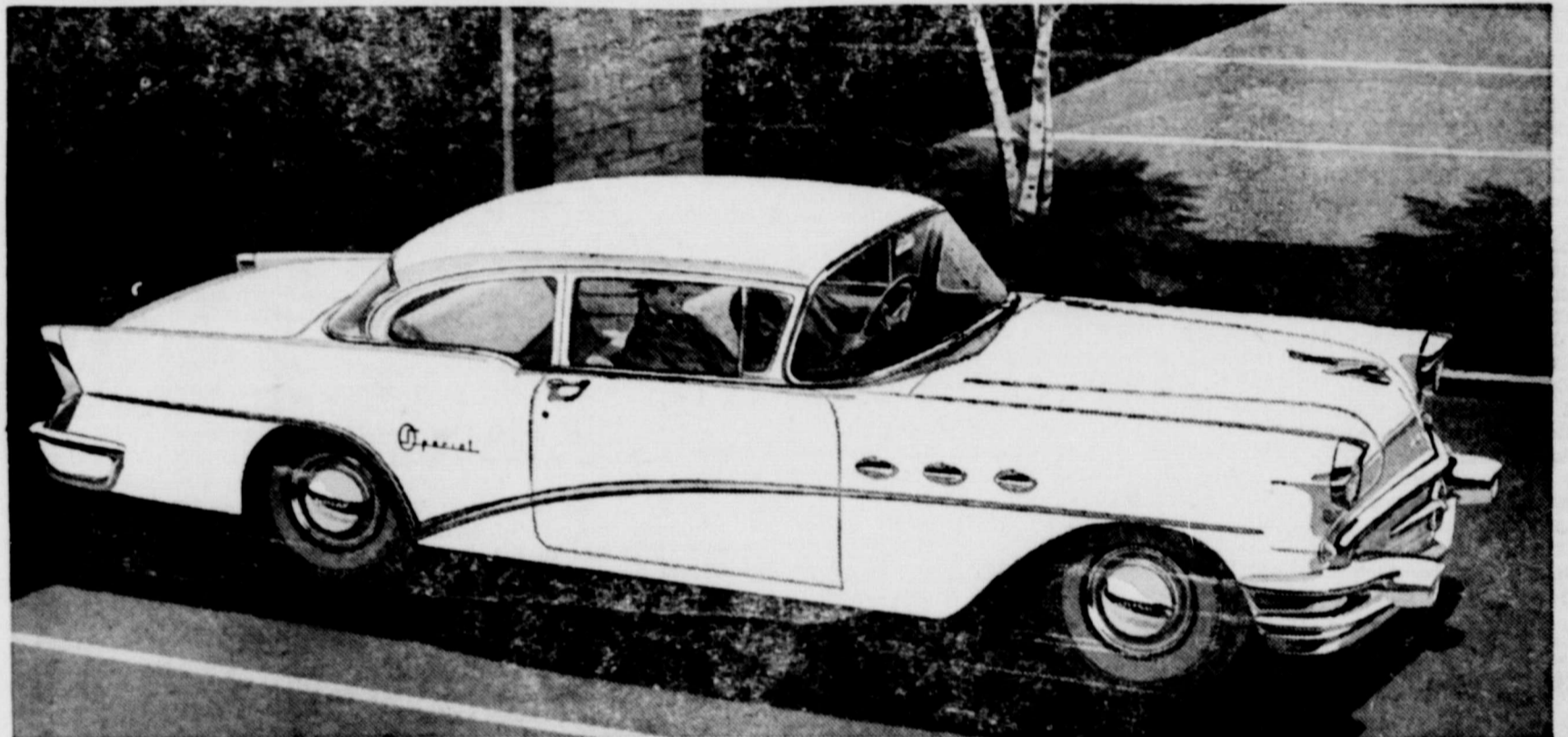
Birthday celebrants were Mrs. Mack Setser and Mrs. L. T. Allen. Gifts were exchanged from the lighted tree. Hostesses served orange cake, nuts and coffee to those previously mentioned and: Mmes. D. L. Vestal, Felix Itz, Archie Smith, Marion Hays, Augusta Bethany, Paul

Richardson, Sam Behringer, J. L. Davis, Jack Nixon, Vernon Webb, C. R. Stone, J. H. Martin, R. L. Bell, Blair Hays, C. L. Howell, Gertrude Woods, E. L. Williamson, Hugo Vogelstang, Sid Caskey, Cordelia Forgye, O. M. Beard, Mrs. Wayne Reynolds and Miss Sue Williamson, of New Orleans, were visitors.

F.H.A. Accomplishments Shown at Christmas Tea

Learning by observation and application direct studies of the Ballinger High School Future Homemakers of America chapter, and accomplishments were on display at the homemaking cottage Monday evening when chapter members were hostesses at a Christmas tea.

Mrs. Billy F. Brown, home economics teacher, keeps the 47 members busy making wool garments, cotton blouses, hand tooling, china painting, doing ceramics and other work. Jerline Piel and Rosalyn



That's right - you can buy a '56 Buick for the price of a smaller car

This one has moved a lot of folks to change their buying habits. For this strapping sweep of car is a Buick SPECIAL—solid Buick through and through, and sedan-big for six adults. Yet the dollar difference between this beauty and the well-known smaller cars can be sifted down to a pocketful of pennies. (Actually, this Buick costs less than some models of those very same cars—as the price we'll show you proves.)

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It comes from a new Buick ride—backboned by Buick left, sinewed by stout steel, leveled by all-coil springing, cushioned by triple-oil-volume shock absorbers.

It comes from a new and advanced Variable Pitch Dynaflo†

This new Buick SPECIAL 2-Door 6-Passenger Sedan delivers locally for less than some models of the well-known smaller cars. Come in and check!

that brings you brilliant new getaway response and bigger gas mileage in your normal driving range—plus sizzling new full-power safety-surge when you floor the pedal and switch the pitch.

And it comes, of course, from Buick size and solidity and steadiness—and all dressed up in Buick's new sweep-ahead style.

So why not come in and try one on for size?

Drop in this week and borrow a key. What happens from that point on is pure thrill—aided and abetted by low prices that make this the best buy yet.

†New Advanced Variable Pitch Dynaflo is the only Dynaflo Buick builds today. It is standard on Roadmaster, Super and Century—optional at modest extra cost on the Special.

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let us keep strong in our hearts a regard
for the feelings... the problems
of others and treat the stranger as a brother.
Such kind consideration
can start a reaction of love which can link
heart-to-heart, nation-to-nation
and make all of God's children brothers.
Merry Christmas to all.

Motel Stonewall

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Behringer
Raleigh Reese Earl Cope
Mrs. Lois Rhame Mrs. Clay Campbell

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Personals

Christmas visitors in the home of Mrs. Malcolm McGregor will be Major and Mrs. Melvin Holt and Ricky, Fort Benning, Georgia; Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Copeland, New York; and Dr. and Mrs. Reece Kinsler, San Antonio.

Mrs. R. E. Porter, of Sweetwater, Tennessee, is a house guest in the home of her sister, Mrs. W. B. Halley.

Mrs. Hilmer Wagner will go to Fredericksburg for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Hilmer Wagner, Jr., and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Peterson and children, of Fort Worth, will join Mrs. Peterson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fletcher, for a Yule visit at Miles.

Miss Marryatt Smith will go to Fluvanna for a holiday visit with relatives and friends.

Relatives to visit in the home of Miss Olga Schawe for the holidays will be Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Schawe, Kerrville; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Schawe, Waco; Miss Williedell Schawe, Wimberley; Miss Louise Schawe and Miss Elsa Thieson, Dallas.

Cpl. and Mrs. Bob Vancil and son, Aberdeen, Maryland, will spend a furlough here and at San Angelo with relatives and friends.

Season's Greetings

May Christmas bring us grateful thoughts

STONE'S



Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Bartlett during the Christmas holidays will be Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Bartlett and children, of Odessa; Miss Doris Diehl, student at North Texas State College, Denton; Mr. and Mrs. Marion Holman, San Jose, California; and Leslie Holman, of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Simmons, of Seagraves, will make a holiday visit here with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Forman will have as Christmas guests their daughter, Miss Mary Jo Forman, student at the University of Houston; and Gayle Klippie, student at A & M College.

Miss Curtis Gregory will visit her parents at Talpa during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Price and children will go to Eden for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Minnie Kitchens will spend the holidays at Menard and London.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Foy and Mike will spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. Foy's parents at Electra.

Warren Murphy, of Bandera, will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Murphy, at Christmas time.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Clark, Larry and Mike will be joined by Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Clark, of Lubbock, for a Christmas visit at Alexandria, Louisiana.

Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Orahood will have as Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Orahood and sons, San Angelo; Miss Lois Orahood, Dallas; Lt. and Mrs. David Orahood, Lackland AFB, San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Edmondson and son, Hugh, will make an after-Christmas visit at Mineral Wells and in Concho County.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Rogers and Steward will visit relatives and friends at Mertzon during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Burgels will have as holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Medlin and children, Tulsa, Oklahoma; and Mr. Burgels' father, P. M. Burgels, of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Holiday visitors in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Posy, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Avey and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Underwood will be Misses Rosie, Winnie and Kate Hills, Mrs. Grace Duty and Mrs. Mildred Deaton, all of San Marcos.

Miss Mary Jane Fuller and Phil Pou, of Sherman, will be house guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Tinsley for the holidays.

Sharing holiday visits with her mother, Mrs. W. D. Donham, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Middleton, will be Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Middleton, of Midland.

The Sam Connors will visit at Ranger and Eastland for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Fivesash and son, Stephen, will visit relatives and friends at Verbest during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Candler and son, Jerry, will spend the holidays with relatives and friends at Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Foreman and daughters will take a vacation trip to the Carlsbad Caverns and the Big Bend National Park during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Werner, Wall; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Werner and daughter, Miles; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Huffman and daughters, San Angelo, will share the holiday visits with Misses Olga and Clara Werner, Monroe and Ed Werner.

Mrs. Kopecky and children, Elgin; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Witter and children, Big Spring; and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Condra and children, Talpa, will be Christmas visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everitt Witter.

Curtis Fletcher, of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Howard Fletcher, of Corpus Christi, will be holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Baylis Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cope and children, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Guin and son, Fort Worth; and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Conder, Jr., Abilene, will be holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cope.

Bobby Gray, who has recently returned to the United States after a year in Germany, is at home after a pre-holiday visit at Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Ray and children, of Fort Stockton, will be Christmas guests in the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubie Clarke.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wood, Douglas and Pamela, of Amarillo; and Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Rodgers, of Whitesboro, will be holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Walden.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Parrish will have as Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cloven and son, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Andy Price, Odessa.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wallace will be Mrs. Billie Jackson and son, Johnny, and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Sullivan, of Abilene.

Greetings



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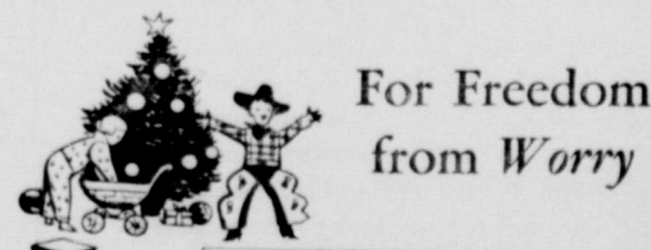
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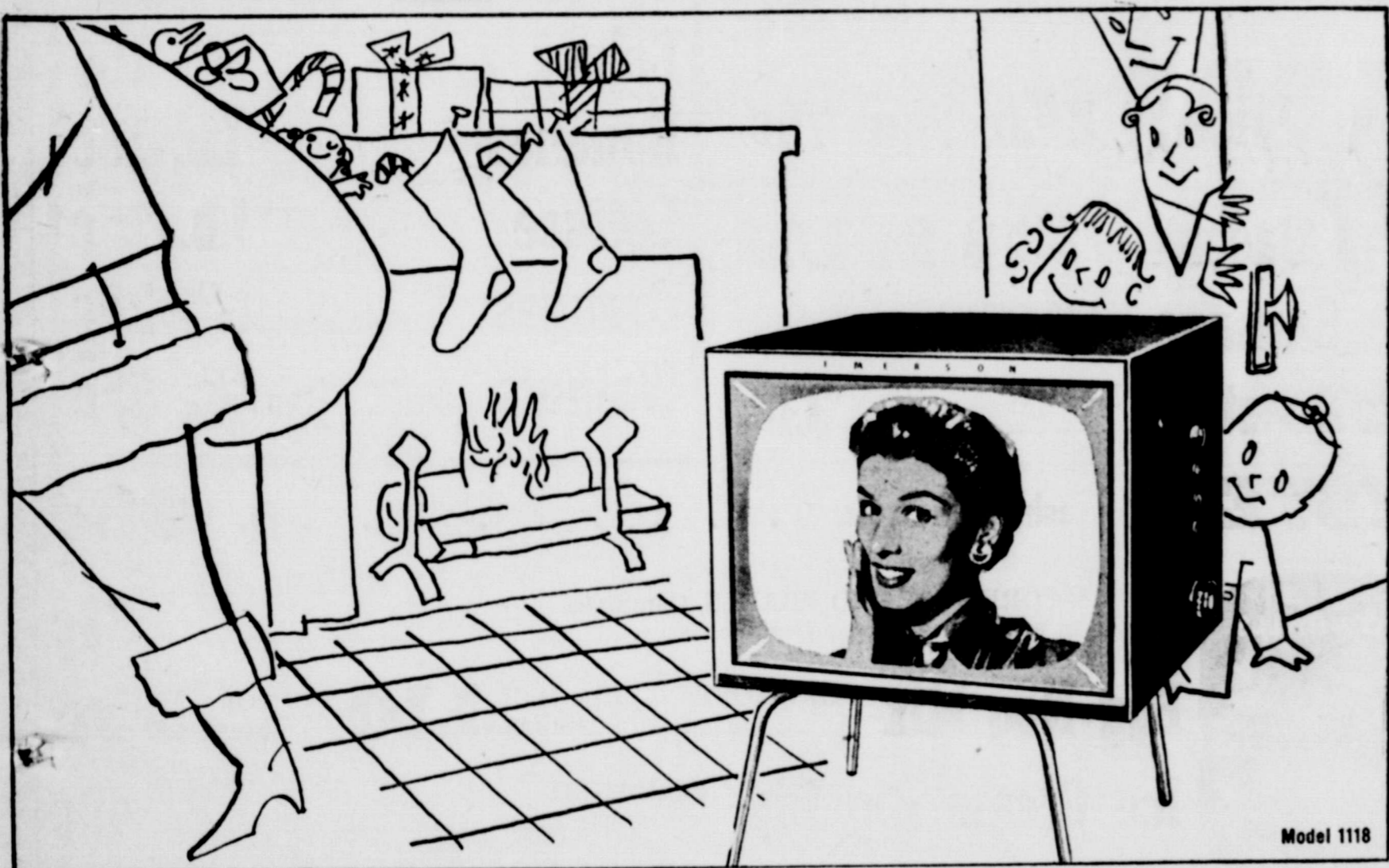
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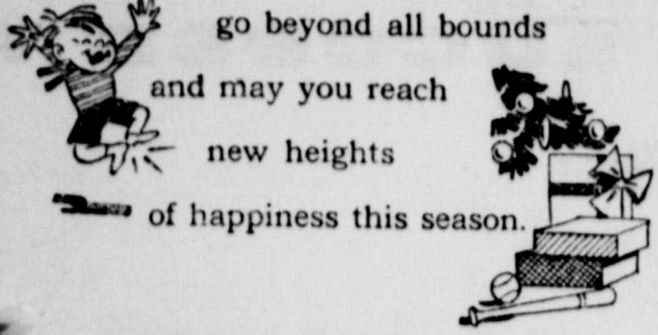
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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. O'Neill will have as Christmas visitors their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill O'Neill.

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sid Caskey will be Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Barnes, Deana and Mack, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Hal Dean Caskey, students at McMurry College, Abilene; Reid Caskey, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Davis Denney, Lub-

bock.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Malone, Jr., and daughter, Melinda, of Pampa, will spend the holidays here with Mr. Malone's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Malone, and with Mrs. Malone's mother, Mrs. W. B. Currie, at Paint Rock.

Frankie Berryman will spend the holidays at Sweetwater, visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Allen, Jr., of Fort Worth, will spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Allen and Dr. and Mrs. John E. Green, Jr., and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Purifoy and son, John Brian, of Ft. Worth, will be holiday guests of Mrs. Purifoy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Woody.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Scruggs and sons, of El Paso; and Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Thomas and daughter, of Odessa, will spend the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. George Scruggs and Mrs. Grace Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth McLarty and children will go to Gatesville to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wisenhunt and Mrs. E. S. McLarty.

Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Read will be their two sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. James Read and sons, of San Angelo; and Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Read, of Fort Worth.

Miss Sue Williamson, of New Orleans, will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Williamson.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Afflerbach and children will spend Christmas day at Rowena with Mrs. Afflerbach's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Haverland.

Mrs. Lillian Holt is visiting her daughter and family at Orange.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Campbell, of Jonesboro; Damon Campbell, student at A. & M. College, will visit Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. E. L. Ramps will spend

Christmas at Winters, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sims and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Poe, of Haskell, will be holiday guests in the home of Mrs. Poe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Vestal.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Flewelling, of Austin, will be holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Erwin.

David Middleton, of Laredo, will spend the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Middleton, and his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Orland Middleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Boswell, of Beaumont, will be holiday visitors in the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Wardlaw, and other relatives.

Miss Anne Stasney, student at Austin College, Sherman, will spend the Christmas holidays here with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Stasney.

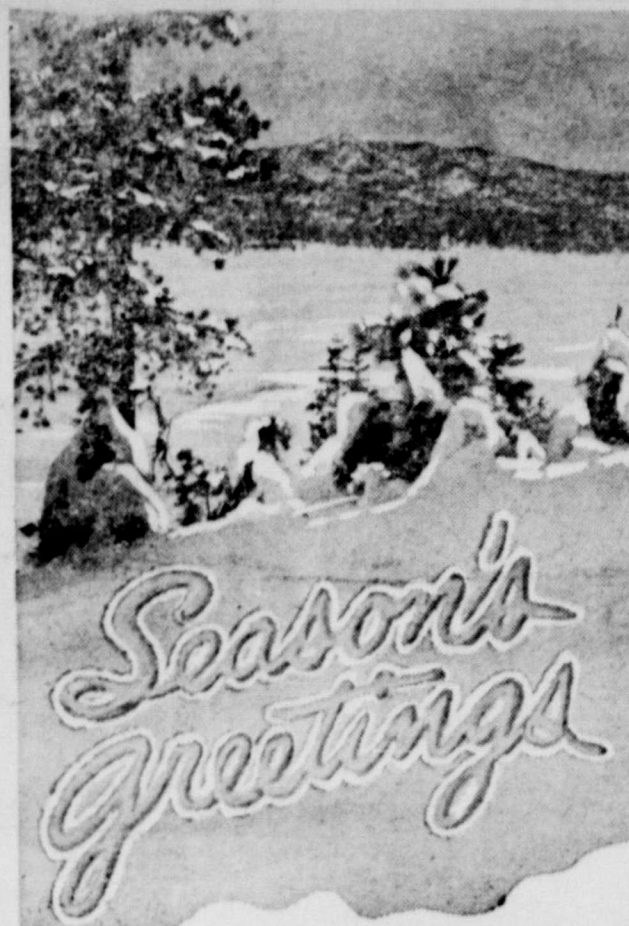
Dr. and Mrs. Charles W. Pearce, of Houston, will make a holiday visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Pearce.

Mrs. Ida Guion, John I. Guion and Miss Zedie Royalty will visit in the homes of the Amos Floyds and Newton Keys during the holidays.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex McGregor for Christmas will be Mr. and Mrs. Jack B. McGregor and children, of San Angelo; and Mrs. Arthur Lynn Thomas, of Richmond, Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Wilson and Denny, of Grand Junction, Colorado; and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McCrea and sons, of San Angelo, will join Mr. and Mrs. Louis Walden and children for a holiday visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Walden.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Simpson, Carlsbad, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Berry Watson and children, Big Spring; and Mr. and Mrs. Milford King and children,



To all our loyal friends
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San Angelo, will be holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Simpson and Mrs. Vara Simpson.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Dodson will be Mr. and Mrs. Oness Feiler and children, of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Farmer and children; Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Dodson and children, of Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Sanderson, of Brownwood, will visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Dallinger during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Robin Etter, of Wichita Falls; Miss Cynthia Tuckey, of Odessa, will be visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Tuckey during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lankford, Patricia and Susan, and Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Lankford, III, and daughters of Abilene; and Mrs. Floy Button, of San Antonio, will be visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Patterson for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Florence, Mrs. J. M. Garlington and Mrs. J. C. Lee will make a holiday visit with relatives at Tulla.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holliday

and son, Robert, will be joined at Cotton Valley, Louisiana, by Lt. and Mrs. Wayne Fowler, Jr., and two sons, of Panama City, Florida, where they will spend Christmas with Lt. Fowler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Wayne Fowler. Mrs. Wayne Fowler, Jr., and sons will return to Ballinger with the Holidays to spend a month while Lt. Fowler is attending a prosthetics school at San Antonio, reporting on January 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Duncan will spend the Christmas holidays at Fort Worth with relatives and friends.

James Skinner will go to Kingsville to spend the holidays with his brother-in-law and sister, Dr. and Mrs. George McCulley. Visitors in the home of Mr.

and Mrs. James Hudgins for Christmas will be Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Rickel and sons, of Arlington; and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Rickel, of Odessa.

Mrs. J. C. Sturges will spend Christmas day at Brady, visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. L. L. Stroble will visit relatives at Fort Worth during the Christmas holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. Wayne Reynolds will leave immediately following the Christmas morning services for a visit with relatives at Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Henson, of Midland, will join Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hester and son and W. L. Condra and family for a Christmas visit with Mrs. W. H. Barnett.

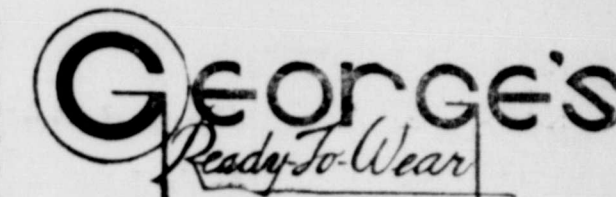


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CREWS

Rev. C. L. Carroll preached his last sermon as pastor of the Baptist Church Sunday evening. He and Mrs. Carroll will be leaving soon for the Rio Grande Valley, where he has accepted state mission work. Eternity alone will reveal what this fine couple has done for this church and community. They will be greatly missed and their friends give them their best wishes in their new field of labor.

Rev. Melvin Prather preached his last sermon last Sunday morning as pastor of the Methodist Church. He is being transferred to a church at Smithville in order that he might be near a college where he can finish his seminary work. The church at Smithville is a full time work and an advancement for him. The Prather family has made many friends here who regret to see them leave. Rev. Reynolds, of Blanket, will be sent here to replace Rev. Prather.

The Sunday school clinic held at the Baptist Church recently was well attended by members of churches from over the association. A very inspiring program was carried out.

The Willing Workers Class had a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. V. E. Fisher Wednesday afternoon. Games were played and gifts exchanged. Refreshments of fruits, nuts and candy were served to all members and several guests. The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. L. C. Foster on January 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Marjion Wood and girls went to Seminole Thursday to attend the wedding of their niece, Juanelle Wood, daughter of Mrs. Norma Wood.

The youths of the Methodist Church presented a program at the church Sunday evening. The Christmas story was read by Claudine Berry and carols were sung by the group. Miss Neyssa Petrie gave a solo number and "Gerald Dietz, Roy Mathis and Ruth Summerville gave a musical number. Mr. and Mrs. Gratton Brookshier are sponsors of the group. Later gifts were exchanged from a tree and a social hour was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hale and Mrs. A. S. Allcorn attended the golden wedding anniversary celebration for Mr. and Mrs. Gene Richey at Talpa Sunday. M. R. Petrie, who has been a patient in the Ballinger hospital two weeks, is reported improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hambricht are expecting all their family for Christmas. A son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Franks, arrived Wednesday from South Texas. Edson Jo and Bennie, who attend Texas Technological College, Lubbock, will arrive later in the week.

Announcements have been received here that Rev. and Mrs. John Dowd are the parents of a son, John Mark. He arrived November 26 and weighed 7 pounds and 10 ounces. Rev. Dowd was recently pastor of the Crews Methodist Church.

Charles Fisher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Verge Fisher, who has been with the air force in England three years, landed in New York Sunday and is expected home for Christmas.

Elgar Jayroe is improving following eye surgery at San Angelo last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dixon Phillips, of Weslaco, are parents of a daughter, born December 12. The baby has been named Paloma Rae. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Phillips, of Winters.

The Manie Kings, of Abilene, visited Mrs. R. E. Burrus Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Phipps visited Mrs. Lee Herman, who is ill, at Winters Friday.

POSTMASTER REPORTS
DECEMBER RECEIPTS

Postmaster K. V. Northington stated Tuesday that mail was being handled daily here without delays. Each day all outgoing mail has been cleared and all incoming mail has been boxed or delivered.

In comparison with receipts this year and last, it is almost the same. Cancellations have been about 8,000 more this December than last, including both incoming and outgoing mail.

The postmaster complimented patrons for assisting in every way possible. They have used the proper forms for mailing, have presented their packages well wrapped and in excellent condition and the open window for stacks of Christmas cards has been used to good advantage.

The postmaster also expressed appreciation to the local newspaper and radio station for assisting in the mail early campaign.



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- Apple Juice Westfair 32-Oz. Bot. 23c
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- Grape Juice Welch's 24-Oz. Bot. 39c
- Pineapple Juice LaLani 46-Oz. Can. 25c
- Empress Cherries Red Maraschino 16-Oz. Jar 41c
- Pears Libby Bartlett No. 2 1/2 Can. 39c
- Pineapple LaLani Sliced No. 2 Can. 31c
- Cranberry Sauce Ocean Spray Jellied or Whole 300 Can. 21c

Canned Goods

- Green Beans Briargate Whole Jumble Pack 303 Can. 25c
- Lima Beans Del Monte Early Garden 303 Can. 29c
- Corn Niblets 12-Oz. Can. 17c
- Peas LeSueur 303 Can. 27c
- Sweet Potatoes Country Home Whole No. 2 Can. 22c
- Tomato Aspic Stokley 10 1/2-Oz. Can. 21c

Household Needs

- Parade Detergent Lrg. Pkg. 25c
- Superb Blue Detergent Lrg. Pkg. 25c
- Superb Blue Detergent Giant Pkg. 50c
- Cleanser Rik Rak 2 14-Cans 15c
- Napkins Zee Colored or White 80-Cnt. Pkg. 14c
- Bleach White Magic Qt. Bot. 19c

Good Buys

- Heinz Soups 2 No. 1 Cans 33c
Cream of Chicken, Mushrooms, or Split Pea.
- Tomato Soup Campbell 2 No. 1 Cans 23c
- Soup Mix Lipton Onion 4-Oz. Pkg. 16c
- Canned Milk Cherub 3 14 1/2-Oz. Cans 35c
- Eagle Milk Condensed 15-Oz. Can. 29c
- Tapioca Minute 8-Oz. Pkg. 27c
- Jell Well Ass'd. Flavors
- Gelatin Desserts 2 3-Oz. Pkgs. 13c
Jello, Ass'd. Flavors
- Gelatin Desserts 2 3-Oz. Pkgs. 15c
- Tea Canterbury Orange Pekoe 1/2-Lb. Box 32c

Coffee

- Airway "Contains Brazil's Finest" 1-Lb. Pkg. 75c
- Nob Hill Extra-Rich 1-Lb. Pkg. 83c
- Edwards Top-Quality 1-Lb. Can. 87c
- Instant Edwards 6-Oz. Jar 1.23
- Instant Maxwell House 6-Oz. Jar 1.39
- Instant Folger's 6-Oz. Jar 1.29

Preserves & Syrup

- Apricot Preserves Tea Garden 12-Oz. Glass 28c
- Peach Preserves Tea Garden 12-Oz. Glass 28c
- Strawberry Preser's Tea Garden 12-Oz. Glass 35c
- Syrup Sleepy Hollow 12-Oz. Jar 29c

Safeway Meat Parade

- Pork Sausage Wingate Hot or Regular 2-Lb. Roll 45c
- Fresh Picnics Whole (Shank on) Lb. 25c
- Smoked Hams 10 to 16 Lb. Avg., Half or Whole (Mohawk, Wilson's, Neuhoff) Lb. 45c
- Smoked Picnics 6 to 8 Lb. Avg. (Whole Only) Lb. 25c
- Canned Picnics 4 1/2-Lb. Can. 2.79
- Canned Ham 6 1/4-Lb. Can. 6.99
- Turkey Hens Fancy, 10 to 16 Lb. Avg. (Ready to Cook) Lb. 53c
- Turkey Toms Fancy, 15 to 25 Lb. Avg. (Ready to Cook) Lb. 43c
- Fancy Hens 3 to 6 Lb. Avg. Lb. 45c
- Pot Roast Chuck Blade, U.S. Choice-Grade Heavy Beef Lb. 35c
- Round Steak U.S. Government-Graded Calf Lb. 69c
- Fryers Fully Dressed Lb. 39c
- Pork Roast Boston Butt Lb. 35c
- Pork Chops Center Cut Lb. 49c
- Pork Roast Loin End Lb. 39c
- Bacon Capital Sliced Lb. 35c
- Smoked Picnics 3 to 5 Lb. Avg., Swift Premium, Ready to Eat Lb. 45c
- Canned Ham Hormel's 4-Lb. Can. 4.59
- Canned Ham Rath's 3 1/4-Lb. Can. 3.25
- Oysters Standard 7 1/2-Ctn. 99c
- Hen Turkeys Manor House (Premium Quality) U.S. Graded, Inspected 8 to 14 Lb. Avg. Lb. 59c
- Small Turkeys Belleville (Ready to Cook) 4 to 8 Lb. Avg. Lb. 69c

- Fruit Cocktail Hostess Delight 3 No. 2 1/2 Cans 95c
- Peaches Castle Crest Sliced or Halves No. 2 1/2 Can 29c
- Peas Anthem... Early June 3 303 Cans 65c
- Pumpkin Moonbeam 2 No. 2 1/2 Cans 33c
- Mince Meat Jack Horner 18-Oz. Glass 33c
- Salad Dressing Duchess 32-Oz. Jar 39c
- Shortening Velkay 3-Lb. Ctn. 60c
- Flour Light Crust Pillsbury... Yellow, White or Fudge 10-Lb. Bag 88c
- Cake Mix Mammy Lou, White 17-Oz. Box 29c
- Corn Meal Aunt Jemima, White 5-Lb. Bag 35c
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- Cragmont Drinks Collins, Lemon-Lime Sparkling Water, or Ginger Ale 2 32-Oz. Bots. 19c
- Ice Cream Snow Star Assorted Flavors 1/2-Gal. Ctn. 69c

Pantry Goods

- Mayonnaise Nu Made 16-Oz. Jar 36c
- Dressing Kraft French 8-Oz. Bot. 22c
- Sandwich Spread Lunch Box 32-Oz. Jar 69c
- Dressing Indian Grill 8-Oz. Bot. 37c
- Cheese Dressing Premier Roquefort 8-Oz. Bot. 49c
- Zippy Sweet
- Midget Pickles 8-Oz. Jar 30c
- Whole Pickles Zippy Sweet 16-Oz. Jar 37c
- Mixed Pickles Zippy Sweet 16-Oz. Jar 37c
- Ripe Olives Ebony Medium 9-Oz. Jar 27c
- Ripe Olives Ebony, Large Pitted 9-Oz. Jar 34c
- No. 10 Olives Holsum, Placed Queen 5 1/2-Oz. Jar 39c
- Manzella Olives U.S. Graded, Inspected No. 5 3-Oz. Jar 33c
- Chili Sauce Heinz 12-Oz. Bot. 35c
- Salad Dressing Miracle Whip 32-Oz. Jar 49c
- Salad Oil Mayday Qt. Bot. 40c

Check These Values

- Long Grain Rice Uncle Ben 14-Oz. Box 24c
- Minute Rice 5 1/2-Oz. Pkg. 16c
- Pop Corn E-Z 5-Oz. Pkg. 39c
- Pop Corn Col-R-Corn 10-Oz. Bag 23c
- Pitted Dates Glenview Sair 16-Oz. Pkg. 37c
- Graham Crackers Pirate Gold 1-Lb. Box 33c
- Graham Crackers Jane Arden Pure Chocolate 6-Oz. Pkg. 23c
- Eclair Cookies Jane Arden Pure Chocolate 8-Oz. Pkg. 31c
- Hydrax Cookies Sunshine 12-Oz. Pkg. 39c
- Crackers Busy Baker 1-Lb. Box 25c

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- Almond Cluster 3-Lb. Ctn. 60c
- Chocolate Whipped Creams 10-Lb. Bag 88c
- Stocking Mix Xmas 17-Oz. Box 29c
- Old Fashioned M 5-Lb. Bag 35c
- Filled Mix 100% 5-Lb. Bag 35c
- Chocolate Drops 2 32-Oz. Bots. 19c
- 1/2-Gal. Ctn. 69c

Nuts

- Brazil Nuts Washed, Large and Medium 1-Lb. Cello 45c
- Almonds Blue Diamond 1XL 1-Lb. Cello 59c
- Walnuts Diamond Large 1-Lb. Cello 55c
- Walnuts Baby Emerald 1-Lb. Cello 45c
- Pecans Stuart, Extra Large 1-Lb. Cello 69c
- Filberts Large 1-Lb. Cello 47c
- Mixed Nuts 1-Lb. Cello 49c

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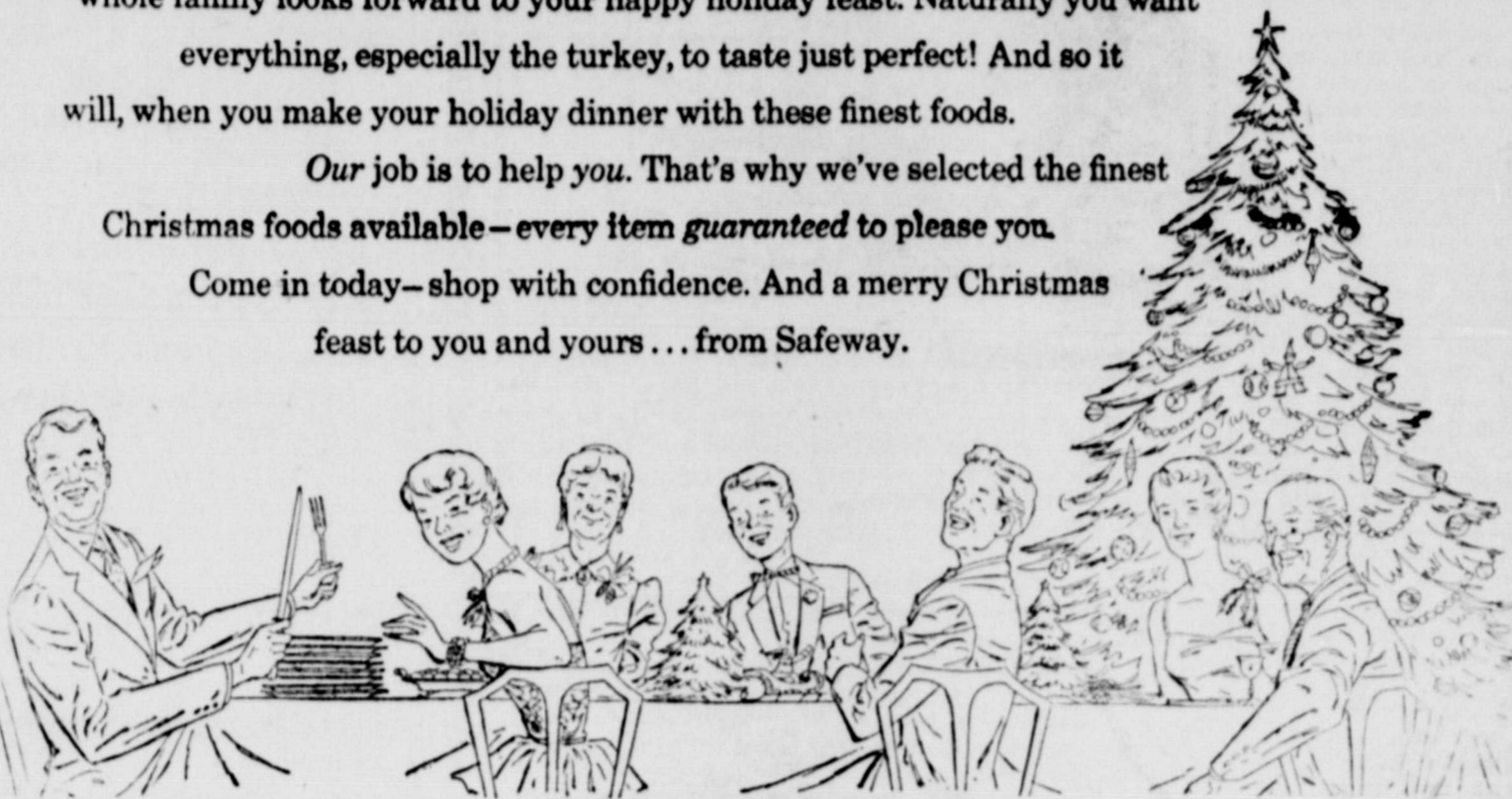
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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Massey and children, Mr. and Mrs. Tillman Allen and children, all of Abilene, will visit Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Morgan and other relatives and friends during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Straley and son, Tommy, have returned to their home at Arcadia, after a visit with Mr. Straley's mother, Mrs. Mamie Sue Straley, and other relatives.

Mrs. Emma Speer will have as Christmas visitors, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Speer, Winters; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Speer and children, Crowell; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Speer and daughter, Los Alamos, New Mexico; Major and Mrs. A. E. Speer and children, Mount Home, Idaho; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clements and son, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kump and son, San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Plemons, son, Jerry, and daughter, Wilena, student nurse at Hendricks Memorial Hospital, Abilene, will visit relatives at Hamlin during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Atnipp, Jr., and sons will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Horace Atnipp.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McGarvey and Mrs. W. L. McMillan will have as Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Miller and daughter, Georgetown; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Greenwood, San Angelo; Mrs. Gladys McGarvey, Yuma, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Canady will spend the holidays at Fort Worth with Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Truett and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Freeman and daughters, of Dallas, will make a holiday visit here with Mrs. Grace Crimm and Miss Jo Crimm.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hays and daughter, of Abilene, will be guests in the home of Mrs. C. D. Harris for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Dickinson, Los Angeles, California, will spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. R. A. Dickinson.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hamp Byler for the holidays will be: Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Byler and Sharolyn, Bangs; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Byler and sons, Graham; Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Byler, Sinton; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Kell, Houston, Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Parrish, of Eden, will spend the holidays with Mr. Parrish's parents, and Mrs. Hugh Parrish.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Chababa, of Dallas, will be here for a Christmas visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Parrish.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. LeBlanc and children will visit their parents at Sulphur, Louisiana, during the holidays.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Moss for Christmas will be Mrs. W. T. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carter and Mary, all of Killeen; their son, Bill Moss, student at Southern Methodist University, Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Lowrey and children, of Dallas, will visit here during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Max McCrary, Jr.

Mrs. W. B. May will spend the Christmas holidays at Abilene, visiting relatives.

Richard Davis, student at San Angelo College, is at home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Davis.

Rev. C. W. Jones will spend Christmas with friends at Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Garrett and Judy will spend the holidays in Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Watson, of Abilene, will visit relatives and friends here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Fox and daughters, of Fort Worth, will be Christmas guests in the home of Mrs. Eulah Mae Fox and other relatives here.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Tickle will be Mr. and Mrs. Harris G. Carter and children, Mrs. E. T. Tickle, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hahn and son, all of San Angelo; Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Tickle and daughters, San Marcos; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Tickle and son, Paint Rock; and Mrs. Earl Smith, Sulphur Bluff.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Penn, of Corpus Christi, will spend the holidays with Mr. Penn's mother, Mrs. Ona Penn, and his grandfather, U. E. Hartman.

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Batts will be their son, Wilbourn Batts, and family, of Denver, Colorado; their daughter, Mrs. Margaret Tucker, and son, David, of Seymour; and Mrs. Batts' brother, Cecil Riggs, of Oklahoma City.

Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Toney and children, of Hamilton, will visit Mrs. Toney's mother, Mrs. M. L. Forgy, and other relatives and friends here during the holidays.

Mrs. W. R. Bogle will visit during the holidays with relatives at Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Itz will visit Col. and Mrs. Milford Itz and daughters, at Montgomery, Alabama, where Col. Itz is in training at the air war college.

Mr. and Mrs. George Beard will visit their son and his wife and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ardis Beard, at Houston during the holidays.

Miss Gale Hays, senior student at Texas Technological College, Lubbock, will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Witt and children will share the Christmas holidays with S. T. Kinslow, at Oglesby, and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Witt, at Gatesville.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Epling will spend the holidays with their parents at Hillsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Caskey will attend a family reunion of the Caskey family at Itasca during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin, Wichita Falls; Miss Pat Martin, student at Cottey College, Nevada, Missouri; and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cochran, Levelland, will visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Cochran during the Christmas holidays.

Ross Murchison, Jr., of Midland, will spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Murchison.

Mr. and Mrs. John Herrington, Mr. and Mrs. John Tate and children, Mr. and Mrs. Corbett Davis and children, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Corbin, of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Don Whitworth and son, of Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Barnett and daughters, of Iraan, will be Christmas visitors in the homes of Mrs. Lemmie Davis, Miss Bess Corbett and Mrs. Linnie Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Holly and daughter, Childress; Mr. and Mrs. John Hays and daughter, Dallas; Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Robertson, El Paso, will join Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hays and daughter here to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blair Hays.

Mrs. O. R. Lasater will go to Dallas to spend the holidays with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Lasater.

Miss Mary Jean Martin, who teaches in the El Paso schools, will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martin. They will all spend Christmas day at Big Spring with Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Freeman.

Mrs. Augusta Bethany will spend Christmas at Abilene with the families of her brother and niece.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Scales and children, of Grand Junction, Colorado, will spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Scales' mother, Mrs. Wesley Reese; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Scales and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Parish, Jr., and family.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Nunn will have their daughters and their husbands with them for the holidays. They are Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wilson and two children, of Edna; and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jones and three children, of Mullin. Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Jones and two children will also spend Christmas in the Nunn home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett will have as holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bennett and two children, of Abilene; and their daughter, Hazel, and family, of Kermit.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Midgley are expecting their son, Carl, Frank Midgley, home for the Christmas holidays. He is now serving with the armed forces.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Patterson are spending Christmas at Springfield, Ohio, visiting their daughter and her husband, Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Harding and family. They made the trip by train, which was a first experience for Mrs. Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Russell will have their son, Billy Russell, his wife and son, Lynn, of LaPryor; and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Caudle and two daughters, of Fort Worth, with them for the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Patton and son, Ronnie, of Norton, will visit Mr. Patton's sister at Encinal during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Murphy and three children, of Bovina, are to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Murphy and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patton.

Dr. John Barron, of Winters, who has been ill since November, has returned to his office and practice.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES TO BE HELD BY ROWENA CHURCH

The Evangelical and Reformed Church of Rowena will have Christmas services Sunday commencing at 10:30 a. m. Holy communion will be observed. All members are urged to be present and visitors are welcome.

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- Covered Cherries 1-Lb. Box 49c
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- Chocolate Covered 1-Lb. Box 49c
- ate Drops 16-Oz. Pkg. 37c

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- Nestles Morsels Semi-Sweet 6-Oz. Sweet Pkg. 23c
- Nestles Morsels Jumbo 12-Oz. Pkg. 45c
- Marshmallow Creme Kidd's 8-Oz. Jar 25c
- Marshmallows Fluff-i-est 1-Lb. Bag 29c
- Marshmallows 8-Oz. Bag 20c

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- Ginger Ground 1 1/2-Oz. Can 16c
- Nutmeg Ground 1 1/2-Oz. Can 22c
- Poultry Seasoning Ground 1-Oz. Can 15c
- Pumpkin Pie Spice 1 1/2-Oz. Can 19c
- Sage Ground 5-Oz. Can 17c
- Vanilla Extract 2-Oz. Bot. 40c
- Food Coloring Assorted Colors 4 1/2-Oz. Bot. 22c

Bread

- Stuffin Bread Mrs. Wright's Loaf 24-Oz. 21c
- White Bread Skylark, Reg. Sliced 24-Oz. Loaf 23c
- Brown-N-Serve 12-Cnt. Pkg. 23c
- Cloverleaf Rolls 12-Cnt. Pkg. 17c

Dairy Products

- Sweet Milk Lucerne Homo 1/2-Gal. Ctn. 45c
- Half & Half Lucerne Pl. Ctn. 23c
- Whipping Cream Blossom Time 1/2-Pt. Ctn. 25c
- Cottage Cheese 16-Oz. Ctn. 25c
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- Margarine Sunnybank 1-Lb. Ctn. 21c
- Margarine Dalewood 1-Lb. Ctn. 22c
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- Chee Zip 8-Oz. Jar 29c
- White Eggs Breakfast Gems A, Large Doz. 70c
- Mixed Eggs Breakfast Gems A, Large Doz. 69c
- Strawberries Frozen Bel-Air 16-Oz. Pkg. 39c
- Reddi Wip 7-Oz. Can 51c
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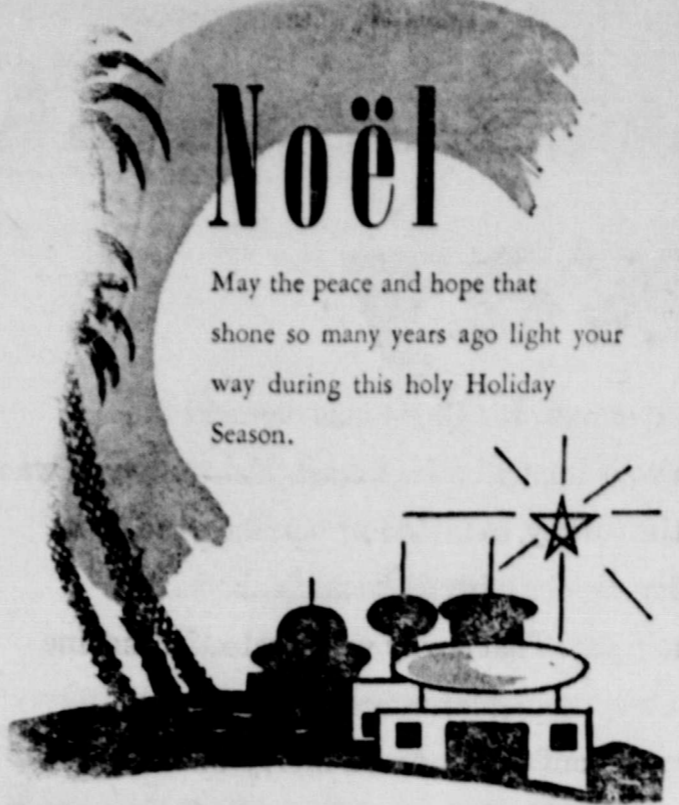


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agent; and Mr. Haralson. Sister Valerian and Sister Raphaela assisted in directing games of bunco. Christmas carols were sung and refreshments served.

The Norton 4-H Club held a brief meeting last week and filled out entries for the Winters livestock show. Those entering are Truett Bryan, Wendell Lee and Charles Ben Lee. The club decided not to have a Christmas party but to have a recreational program some time in January.



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At a meeting of the Cochran club Michael Priddy was elected secretary-treasurer and Archie Austin, reporter. The Winters livestock show was discussed and entry blanks filled.

The Ballinger 4-H club met Saturday and decided to have a cake sale on Saturday, January 7, to raise money for club activities. H. F. Boothe, leader; and C. T. Parker, county agent, took 14 boys on a field trip to the Charlie Lee home, where Mr. Haralson demonstrated trimming and blocking of sheep for the show. He also showed the boys how to make a sheep blanket from a tow sack.

The Wingate 4-H club held its Christmas party at the Wingate school on December 20. Names were drawn and gifts exchanged. The county agent and assistant agent were present.

The Ofien club met Monday at the school with 20 members present. Mr. Haralson demonstrated trimming and blocking sheep for the show. Joseph Busenlehner answered questions on tractor operation, maintenance and safety. He was one of the boys who attended the tractor school held at Brownwood recently.

St. Joseph's junior and senior clubs held a joint meeting Monday at the school. Boys were encouraged to get their livestock ready for the Ballinger livestock show on January 14.

It was announced that 50 pounds of hybrid maize seed would be available for demonstrations next summer.

AMC and Mrs. Roy Dee Witt and children, of Kingsville, will be Christmas guests of Charlie Witt, Miss Pearl Witt and Mrs. Beulah Frazier.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Loika, of San Angelo, will be holiday visitors in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dankworth and Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Loika.

Miss Marilyn Sommer, of Houston, will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sommer, during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Feist and children, of San Angelo, will be visitors Christmas day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Olsak.

Notice of Application to Make Oil, Gas and Other Minerals Lease

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Season's Greetings

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All that certain lot, tract, or parcel of land, lying and being situated in Taylor County, Texas, and being the north 99 1/2 acres of that certain 198 1/2 acres sold by Ira Border to S. T. Rister on the 19th Sept., 1899, out of the W. B. Hardin Survey No. 130 as per deed of record in Taylor County, Texas, Deed Records Vol. No. 2, page 296, the said 99 1/2 acres described more particularly by metes and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at a stone 880 vrs. S. 75 deg. W. and 667 1/2 vrs. N. 15 deg. W. of the S. E. Corner of said Hardin Survey;

THENCE S. 75 deg. W. 862 1/2 vrs. to a stone in the west boundary line of said above mentioned 198 1/2 acre tract;

THENCE N. 15 deg. W. 651 vrs. to N. W. Corner of this tract, and the said 198 1/2 acres tract;

THENCE N. 75 deg. E. 862 1/2 vrs. to N. E. corner of said 198 1/2 acres tract, and N. E. corner of this tract;

THENCE S. 15 deg. E. 651 vrs. to the place of beginning, being the same land conveyed to said R. C. Blanks by S. O. Rister as per deed recorded in Taylor County, Texas, Deed Records Vol. No. 32, page 150, reference to which is made. SAVE AND EXCEPT the public road sold Taylor County as shown in Vol. 47, page 109, Taylor County, Texas, Deed Records.

Records: that W. H. Rumpy, Judge of the County Court of Runnels County, Texas, on the 20th day of December, 1955, duly entered his order designating the 2nd day of January, 1956, at 10:00 a. m. in the county court room in the courthouse of such county as the time and place when and where such application would be heard and that such application will be heard at such time and place.

s/LELTIE S. CHAPMAN
Guardian of the Person and Estate of Jason Landis Stewart, a Person of Unsound Mind.



Runnels County 4-H Club News

Ollie Chenoweth
C. T. Parker
Jim Haralson

present along with A. T. Granzin, A. C. Wendland, A. F. Book and Jim Haralson, assistant county agent. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments served.

The Ofien 4-H club boys and girls held a joint Christmas party in the community hall last Thursday. Thirty-two members were present with Mrs. Ben Holtman, Mrs. Ralph Gerngross; C. T. Parker, county



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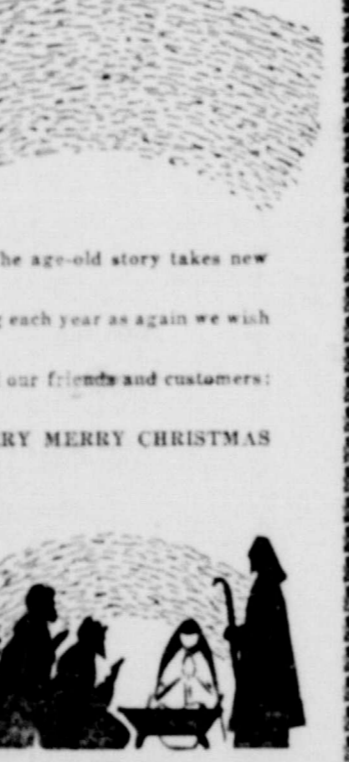
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Readings, Decorations Features of Ballinger Club's Yule Party

Mmes. Edwin Vogelsang and Rufus Allen were hostesses to members of the Ballinger home demonstration club Tuesday afternoon, entertaining in the rural home of Mrs. Vogelsang north of Ballinger.

Sprays and wreaths of greenery, candles and other festive decorations were featured in party rooms where Mrs. J. B. Dankworth, program chairman, was in charge of the Christmas program. Mrs. Dankworth gave a humorous reading, "Next Christmas Will be Different," followed by the group singing carols. Mrs. Dankworth presented Mrs. Drury Hathaway, who gave two readings, "One Solitary Life," and "Let's Keep Christmas," by Peter Marshall. Gifts were distributed to members from the lighted and decorated tree. Gifts of china were presented Mrs. E. W. Williamson, club president, and Miss Ollie Chenoweth, county home demonstration agent.

The tea table was laid with a red Christmas cloth centered with a huge white candle ornamented with red glitter and encircled with greenery. Mrs. Williamson presided at the silver service, and Mrs. D. J. Goetz, Sr., served decorated fruit cocktail bars, cookies, candies and nuts. Table appointments were featured in red. Mrs. Lyle Curry assisted in serving.

Others present were: Mmes. Felix Itz, Hatton Laxson, E. S. Malone, D. J. Goetz, Jr., W. A. Nance, Alvin Spreen, G. A. Morrish, W. A. Mathis and Grace Thomas.

Gormans Honored by Church Group

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Gorman, and son, Mike, were honored at a party in the parlors of the First Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., Saturday evening. The family has moved to San Angelo.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Gorman have been active members of the church during their stay in Ballinger. He was an ordained deacon and elder and served as president and secretary of the Men's Council. He was church treasurer for four years and also on the board of trustees for four years. He was a teacher in the Sunday school and also taught Bible at the Junior Hi Camp, Buffalo Gap, assisted in athletics and was a cabin counselor at Buffalo Gap. He was assistant cubmaster here, served as cubmaster one year and was active with den work.

Mrs. Gorman was superintendent of the children's division for four years. She attended the church workers' institute at Buffalo Gap three years. She was a cabin counselor and assisted with handicraft work at the annual camp. She served as secretary and vice-president of the women's

Greetings and best wishes
for the
Holiday Season

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SOCIETY

Batts Families' Christmas Party to be at Legion Hall

The annual Christmas party by members of the Batts families will be held at the American Legion hall on Christmas Eve.

The hall will be decorated with arrangements of silvered yucca plants ornamented with Christmas baubles, mistletoe, greenery and the traditional decorated tree.

Following games of forty-two gifts will be exchanged and a sandwich plate will be served with cookies, homemade candies and coffee.

Family members attending will be: Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Batts, David and B. M. Batts, of Ballinger; Mrs. Margaret Tucker and son, David, of Seymour; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Agnew and baby daughter, Lesa Kay, of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Wilbourn Batts and two sons, Gary and Alan, of Denver, Colorado; and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Batts, of Mexia.

Others from Ballinger will be: Mrs. Elmer Batts, Mrs. Cordelia Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Mutt Hodges and son, Bill; Mrs. J. W. Batts, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fry and children, Jackie, Shirley, Virgil Mack and Michael; Mr. and Mrs. V. L. McShan, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Simmons and

children, Wilton, Sharon and Karan; Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Russell and three children, Patricia, Linda and Brenda.

South Ballinger Club's Christmas Party in Holstead Home

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Holstead were hosts to members of the South Ballinger home demonstration club and their families last Friday evening.

The Holstead home was decorated with greenery, berries and vari-colored balls, where the turkey menu with all the trimmings, which had been prepared by members of the club, was served.

Games were directed by John Cody and Mrs. Holstead led the group in singing carols and modern Christmas songs. Gifts were exchanged from the lighted tree. Club members received shadow name gifts.

The next regular club meeting will be held on January 3, in the home of Mrs. Tom Crockett in South Ballinger.

Attending the dinner party were: Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Ohlhausen and daughter, Norma; Mr. and Mrs. John Cody and children, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Holstead, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Wallace and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Farley and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Batts, Mr.

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Spending the holidays in the home of Mrs. C. H. Midgley and Miss Ann Midgley will be Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Midgley, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wood and children, Hico; Mr. and Mrs. Carl King and Lynn, Hico; and Mr. and Mrs. James Midgley and Marlene.

Mrs. Gertrude Woods will visit Mr. and Mrs. Bill Woods, of Corpus Christi, during the holidays.

Mrs. A. C. McReynolds, of Robstown, will make an after-Christmas visit in the home of her sister, Mrs. Herman Rountree, and family.

Visitors in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Thorp and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Thorp, Jr., will be Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pafford and sons, of Dallas; and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thorp and daughters, Odessa.

Christmas visitors in the home of Mrs. Coleman Harwell will be Mr. and Mrs. Jim Coslett and children, Corpus Christi; and Lt. Roger Coslett, Lockbourne AFB, Columbus, Ohio.

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council and was an officer of the evening circle of the church. She served as a teacher for five years in the kindergarten, junior and primary departments and held numerous other places in the church work and was a member of the choir.

The Gormans were presented with a gift by the church group at the conclusion of the party.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilkinson and daughter, of Fort Worth, will be holiday guests of Mrs. M. J. Winans.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Parker will go to Rising Star to spend Christmas with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wall and Bruce, Dallas; and Rev. and Mrs. Fred Walter King, Three Rivers, will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. M. King. Mrs. J. D. McNutt will spend the holidays with relatives at Brenham.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Giesecke will spend the holidays with relatives at San Antonio and Cuero.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Giesecke, Jr., will visit relatives at San Antonio at Christmas time.

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Abilene, will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Daugherty.

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Billy Maedgen, student at Texas Technological College, Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Grady, Brownwood, will spend the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Maedgen.

Greetings

—from Dr. White, Mrs. White; Mrs. Harris, Secretary; Mrs. Jackson, Assistant Love and Greetings to Our Many Friends and Patients

We thank them for their much kindness and consideration. Also the many friends, who have been so thoughtful during Mrs. White's grave illness. Thanking the many hundreds who have offered their prayers for her. Thanking the medical physicians and fellow Naturopathic physicians with whom we have conferred and who offered consultation with us and assisted us. Thanking each and everyone we ask God's richest blessings be on all, and may God prosper, carefully guide and inspire all who have been so loving and kind.

We especially thank Mrs. Eula Mosley, who has been with us and served us since being in Ballinger. Seemingly she became a part of us. Thanking her for kindness and watch care and sweetness toward Mrs. White during her illness.

It is with much regret that Mrs. Mosley is leaving our clinic. We wish her much happiness on her new venture. Again thanking each and everyone.

Below is a definition of Naturopathy:

A word of explanation pertaining to Naturopathic healing. Seemingly there are many concepts, quite a little confusion, and numerous rumors as to Naturopathy. The following helps to clarify and define Naturopathic healing.

Naturopathy and Your Naturopathic Physician

Naturopathy is a distinct system of health based upon its own philosophy of health and disease. It may be defined as an art, science, philosophy, and practice following definite physical, chemical, biological, mental and spiritual laws for the restoration and maintenance of health and the correction of bodily disorders. For relief and cure, it makes use of nature's most beneficent forces and agencies on the theory that under normal conditions of natural living the body is a self recuperating organism.

The Naturopathic physician familiarizes himself with what constitutes natural living, learns to detect by diagnostic signs, how, when, and where departure from the normal or natural has taken place, and then applies his knowledge and skill, aided by the various kinds of naturopathic treatments, to help bring about a return to the

normal and natural. In reality nature heals and cures, the naturopathic physician merely interprets Nature's laws for the patient and lends intelligent assistance.

The physician of the naturopathic school of practice is not limited to any one treatment. He makes use of the latest scientific methods for emergency or recuperative conditions.

It is uppermost in his mind at all times to serve the best interests of the patient. Where he finds surgery necessary, he refers the patient to a surgeon for further care. When he finds the patient needs dental care, he immediately refers the patient to a dentist. When consultation will be to the best interest of the patient, he calls for such consultation, or refers the patient to whatever specialist he feels will serve his patient best.

The Naturopathic physician is scientific, as well as being a humanitarian, and it is his constant desire at all times to cooperate with any other doctor in furthering the welfare of those under his care.

Now again thanking the other physicians who have assisted us with Mrs. White.

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S. L. Ferguson, of Ballinger, is
a junior student at Hardin-
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council and rangers. He is a
graduate of the Ballinger high
school.

Miss Ann McDonald, student
at Baylor University, Waco, will
spend the holidays with her
parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mc-
Donald. They will all make a
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Lee Hauge and children, of Houston; and Mr. and Mrs. James Webb, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Johnson and children, Moline, Mississippi; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Johnson and Chuck.

Miss Mary Jane Kiechle and Mrs. Lena Kiechle will spend Christmas day at Big Spring with Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Campbell and children.

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Miss Carol Ann Bailey, student at Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, will be at home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Y. Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Edwards and children will visit relatives at Kerrville Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haines have returned to Ballinger to make home. For the past year they had been living at Colville, Washington.

Christmas visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Fisher and daughters will be Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris and daughters, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fisher and children, Mereta; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Goetz and children, Eola; and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bagwell and son, Odessa.

Jimmy Swann, Cleburne; Capt. and Mrs. Braxton Hamblen, Sheppard AFB, Wichita Falls; and Mrs. Helen Hamblen, San Angelo, will be holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Swann and Mrs. W. M. Wilkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jones will spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. John B. Jones, of Houston.

Howard Hamner and Miss Barbara Allen, students at Bay-

lor University, Waco, will be here for the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hamner.

HMC and Mrs. L. R. Steelman and children of Camp LeJeune, North Carolina, will be holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Moon.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Wallace and daughter will spend the holidays at Sonora, visiting relatives and friends.

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Milsap will be Grady Milsap, of Denton; Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Arnold and children, Durant, Oklahoma; Capt. and Mrs. W. K. Powell, Brooks General Hospital, San Antonio.

Miss Joann Blackmon, student at Baylor University, Waco, will spend the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cam Blackmon.

Mrs. Alda Mae Hirschfeld will make a Christmas visit with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Williams, of Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Murrah and sons, of Sanderson, will visit during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Farley and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Brooks and daughters will make a holiday visit with Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Burton, of Lueders.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Patterson will be Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Burden, San Antonio; A. L. Burden, junior medical student at Baylor University, Houston; and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Richardson and Bobby, Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Herron, of Midland, will be holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mansell, of O'Donnell, will visit here during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Mansell and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Underwood and Wendell and Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Hoffman, Jr., and children, of Snyder, will spend Christmas in the A. N. Hoffman home at Benoit.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Woods and children, of Seminole, will be holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Smith.

Capt. Elise Smith, of Fort Carson, Colorado, will make a holiday visit with Miss Alice Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Worsham will make a holiday visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Worsham, of Graham.

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee and Mrs. J. T. Lee and Edmund will be members of the entire family; Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Robinson and children, Mrs. Florence Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson, all of Ballinger; Capt. and Mrs. John A. Moore, BIGGS AFB, El Paso; J. D. Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Lee, Talpa; Raymond Lee, Port Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Ewayne Clark, Doug Phillips and Douglas Lee Phillips, all of San Angelo.



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DEATHS

Edward F. Keivil
Edward F. Keivil, 82, retired Runnels County farmer, died at 4:30 a. m. Sunday at Odessa after illness of two months.

Decedent was a native of Kentucky and was born November 22, 1873. He came to Texas when just a young man and was married to Miss Eva Riggs in 1901 at Rockdale. He farmed for 30 years in the Norton community before moving to Odessa in 1946.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p. m. Monday at the First Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., Rev. Felix Keys, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, U.S., officiating. Burial was in the Norton cemetery with Newby-Davis Funeral Home in charge.

Survivors besides the wife include five sons, Kenneth Keivil, San Angelo; Ira and Tom Keivil, Odessa; Uriah Keivil, Dallas; Eldon Keivil, Fort Worth; a daughter, Mrs. Leo Tierce, Odessa; a brother, Jake Keivil, San Angelo; four sisters, Mrs. George Holliday, Ballinger; Mrs. Florence Gentry, Bronte; Mrs. L. A. Mackey and Mrs. D. S. Taylor, Houston.

Mrs. Willie Witt
Mrs. Willie Witt, 81, died at her home at 11:00 p. m. Saturday after being ill the past month.

Decedent was born September 15, 1874, in Red River County, came to Runnels County in 1905 and had lived in or near Ballinger for the past 50 years. She was married on December 23, 1895, to S. H. Witt, who died in 1932. She was a member of the Blanton Baptist Church.

Funeral services were held at 3:00 p. m. Monday at the First Baptist Church, Rev. W. E. Noel, pastor at Blanton, officiating, assisted by Rev. W. LeRay Fowler. Burial was in the Runnels cemetery under the direction of Newby-Davis Funeral Home.

Survivors include four sons, Earl and Irvin Witt, Ballinger; Sam Witt, West; Joe Witt, Headton, Oklahoma; two brothers, Tom Cox, Ballinger; Jim Cox, Hermleigh; two sisters, Mrs. Ella Seals and Mrs. Nannie Dickinson, Ballinger; 10 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

E. H. Voelkel
E. H. Voelkel, 74, died at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday at the Ballinger Clinic-Hospital after extended illness.

Decedent was born May 21, 1881, at Shelby, came to Runnels County in 1904 and lived in Ballinger and Rowena ever since. For a number of years he was engaged in cattle buying.

Rosary was said at 8:00 p. m. Wednesday at the Newby-Davis Funeral Home chapel and funeral services were held at 9:30 a. m. today at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Rowena. Rev. Thomas J. Drury officiating. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Rowena.

Survivors besides the wife include a daughter, Mrs. Ida Mae Stewart, Long Beach, California; four brothers, L. C. Voelkel, Fort Worth; E. A., E. L. and Kenney B. Voelkel, all of Houston; two sisters, Mrs. W. A. Schuhmann, Rowena, and Mrs. B. H. McClain, Denton.

Edward R. Ripple
Edward R. Ripple, 41, Concho County farmer, was found dead at his home in Paint Rock at 7:30 a. m. Monday by his father, Jerry Ripple. Death resulted from a gunshot wound in the right temple and a .22 calibre rifle was found near the body. He had been dead several hours when the body was found.

Justice of the Peace L. B. Arnold held an inquest but did not announce his verdict immediately.

Decedent was born at Eola August 21, 1914, and moved to Rowena as a child. He moved to Paint Rock in 1946 and made home there ever since. He was a member of the Lutheran Church.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a. m. Wednesday at the Newby-Davis Funeral Home chapel, Rev. Gordon Hejl, of Granger, officiating. Interment followed in the Rowena Protestant cemetery.

Survivors include the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ripple, Paint Rock; four brothers, Emmett Ripple, Paint Rock; Adolph and Ervin Ripple, San Angelo; Henry Ripple, Taylor; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Dusek, Eola, and Mrs. Georgia Warren, Mountain View, Arkansas.

SERVING UNCLE SAM

Sp-3 Bob Greger, with the 79th missile battalion, Chicago, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Greger, of Norton. Greger was accompanied home by his sister, Miss Barbara Greger, who had been visiting him after attending the National Youth Council at St. Louis. Other holiday visitors in the Greger home are Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Hoelscher and children, of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Michalewicz and four children, of Crawford; and Mr. and Mrs. Erwin J. Halfmann and four children, of Rowena.

Airman Ic Frankie Jackson is at home to spend the Christmas holidays with his wife and parents and other relatives. He is stationed at Fairbanks, Alaska, and will return there for six more months of service.

Lewis M. Rollwitz, A. A., is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Sargeant, and other relatives. He is now stationed at Memphis, Tennessee, for advanced naval training.

BIRTHS

Dr. and Mrs. John Barry Williams, of Austin, are parents of a son, born at 3:15 December 16. The baby arrived at St. David's Hospital in Austin and has been named John Barry, Jr. His weight at birth was 7 pounds. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Tom Agnew, of Ballinger, and Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Williams, of Austin. Mrs. Williams is the former Miss Marilyne Agnew. Mrs. Agnew is at Austin visiting Dr. and Mrs. Williams and baby.

Sgt. and Mrs. Ed Hale, of Port Royal, South Carolina, are parents of a 7-pound daughter, born December 16. Sgt. Hale is stationed with the marines at Paris Island, South Carolina.

Bobbi Nell was born to Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Mullins, of Menard on December 20. She weighed 6 pounds 7 ounces and is the granddaughter of Mrs. Eulah Mae Fox, of Ballinger, and Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Mullins, Sr., of Elen.

BALLINGERITES ATTEND LAST RITES FOR RELATIVE
Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Stone and Mrs. Marnie Maud Alexander returned home Friday after attending the funeral services for Mrs. Walter H. Abernathy at Fort Worth Thursday.

Mrs. Abernathy died at 7:15 p. m. Tuesday after being in ill health for a number of years. She was a sister of Mr. Stone and Mrs. Alexander. Decedent visited here on numerous occasions until the past few years when her health began to fail.

LONE STAR FARMER AWARD PRESENTED BARR BY F.F.A.
Earl Barr received the Lone Star Farmer award at an area Future Farmers of America meeting, held at Coleman last week. This is the highest award that can be given by the F.F.A. The presentation was made by Royce Boniford, president of the state organization.

The award went to Mr. Barr for his fine work and cooperation with the boys in their livestock shows and other activities. The area is composed of chapters of about 100 schools and Mr. Barr was the only one to receive this high award.

Mr. and Mrs. James Holland and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Thomas and son and Mr. and Mrs. Glendale Holland, all of Brownwood, will be holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Holland and Mrs. R. E. Dean.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Barnett and children and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Thomas and son, of San Angelo, will spend Christmas here, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thomas.

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Survivors include the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ripple, Paint Rock; four brothers, Emmett Ripple, Paint Rock; Adolph and Ervin Ripple, San Angelo; Henry Ripple, Taylor; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Dusek, Eola, and Mrs. Georgia Warren, Mountain View, Arkansas.

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Invites You to Worship with Them

Children's Program—Christmas Eve 6:30 p. m.
Christmas Day Sunday School 9:00 a. m.
Worship Service 10:00 a. m.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients dismissed from the Ballinger Clinic-Hospital the past week included:
Cal Adair, medical, Sunday
W. A. Schuhmann, Rowena, surgical, Saturday
E. J. Cervenka, San Angelo, medical, Monday
Mrs. Jack Fry and son, Saturday
Mrs. T. B. Robinson, Norton, medical, Friday
Mrs. Rufus Allen, medical, last Thursday
Mrs. Robert Lee and daughter, Saturday
A. Walker, Fort Worth, medical, Tuesday
Arthur C. Pasley, surgical, Saturday
Lee Roy Tolliver, Norton, surgical, Monday
Horace H. Holland, medical, Monday
Michael Fischer, medical, Monday
Mrs. Austin Williams, medical, Monday

Births recorded at the clinic the past week were as follows:
Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Rury, a son, December 15
Mr. and Mrs. Lupe Aquilera, a son, December 16
Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Gallant, Winters, a daughter, December 19
Mr. and Mrs. Troy Eaton, a son, December 20
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Cook, a daughter, December 21
Mr. and Mrs. John Cook, a son, December 21
Mrs. D. E. Moxdy, medical
Mrs. Jake Stubblefield, medical
J. A. Odom, surgical
M. R. Petrie, Crows, medical
Treat Jennings, Norton, surgical
Jaqueline Hightower, Talpa, medical
Mrs. O. D. Wright, Winters, medical
Baby Girl Mateschek, medical.

SOCIETY
Winsome Class' Christmas Party in Talbott Home
The Winsome Class of the First Baptist Church met last Thursday in the West Talbott home for its annual Christmas party.

Mrs. Jack Jackson gave the devotional and Mrs. James Stewart, president, conducted a short business period when it was voted to care for a needy family during the holidays.

Gifts were exchanged from the tree and refreshments of coffee and fruit cake were served to fourteen members and four visitors from San Angelo who were formerly members of the class.

Cub Scout Xmas Party Held in Wright Home
Members of Cub Scout Den 4 were entertained at a Christmas party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Wright Monday afternoon Mrs. Wright and Mrs. W. S. Bailey, den mothers, were hostesses.

Den Chief Donald Bailey assisted in directing games in party rooms decorated with traditional greenery and other festive symbols. Gifts were exchanged from the lighted tree.

Den mothers served hot chocolate, cookies and Christmas candies to: Bobby Tom Bailey, Mike Clark, Billy Weldon Cook, Frankie Corder, Tommy Jacob Eddie Kotlik, Charles Wright, Wayne Moreland and Joe Bob Moncrief.

Mrs. Fred Moncrief was a visitor.

Moragnes Hosts at Christmas Party
Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Moragne were hosts Saturday night at a Christmas party for a group of friends. The house was decorated for Christmas and games of bunco were enjoyed. Mrs. A. W. Brunson winning high and Mrs. J. O. Tuckey low.

Refreshments were served buffet style and included a large variety of Christmas goodies.

Present were: Messrs. and Mrs. J. G. Tuckey, L. Z. Simco, A. W. Brunson, and Henry Walters and Clifford Sharp, of San Angelo.

Christian Women's Fellowship Has Christmas Party
The First Christian Women's Fellowship was entertained on Monday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Orahood on Broadway. Entertaining rooms were attractively decorated with the cedar Christmas tree, greenery, candles, and Christmas balls were banked on the mantel.

Mrs. Herman Price, president, was in charge of the business and brought the Christmas devotional. Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh gave a talk on Christmas. Mrs. Price presented a silver tray to Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Satterwhite, a remembrance gift from the church, before their moving to Brownfield. Mrs. Orahood announced the Christmas Week church program.

Members brought gifts of food for Mr. and Mrs. Orahood. Glorianna Crawford assisted. Mrs. Orahood is serving cookies and spiced tea.

Others present were: Mmes. C. F. Bailey, H. K. Corum, E. H. Crawford, O. P. Dorsey, H. B. Edmondson, Claude Gentry, of Bronte; W. B. Halley, R. E. Porter, of Sweetwater, Tennessee; H. F. Jenkins, J. R. Lusk, Horace Murphy, Archie Parr, E. D. Walker, C. T. Parker; Misses. Lula McElroy, Lilly Clayton and Agnes Globler.

Bethel Club's Christmas Party in Hays Home
Yuletide decorations were used to decorated the rural home of Mrs. W. B. Hays last Thursday evening for the annual Christmas party for members of the Bethel home demonstration club.

Following the singing of Christmas carols by the group, Mrs. Arbert Hoffman, club president, read the Christmas scripture devotional; Mrs. Oran Bigby read the story, "No Room in the Inn," and the history of Christmas seals was read by Mrs. Clyde Simmons. The story, "Giving," also was read by Mrs. Bigby, and Mrs. Marion Hays reviewed the story, "Child Searching for Santa Claus."

The hostess served fruit cake topped with whipped cream and Christmas candies with coffee. Mrs. C. B. Hays was welcomed as a new member. Other members present were Mmes. Meade McShan, David Duke, Marion Hays, Arbert Hoffman, Clyde Simmons, J. W. Bigby, Charles Owens, J. W. Little, Oran Bigby, Herman Hallmark, L. T. Allen, Claude Thompson, Taylor Russell, Charles Dankworth, L. F. Lolka, Grady Richards.

The next meeting will be held on January 3 in the home of Mrs. Grady Richards.

Friendly Neighbors' Christmas Dinner in Stubblefield Home
Members of the Friendly Neighbors home demonstration club and their families gathered Monday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stubblefield for their annual Christmas dinner party.

Party rooms contained seasonal decorations along with the traditional tree where the turkey menu was served. This was followed by carol singing and group games. Gifts were exchanged from the tree.

Those present were: Messrs. and Mmes. Roy Tyree, Johnny Wessels, Merle Taff, Leon Russell, Ralph Russell and Charles Stubblefield; Mmes. E. S. Morgan, C. T. Moonen, W. J. Curtis; and Miss Mary Egan, of San Antonio. Children were Howard Taff, Carol Sue and Charles Stubblefield and Johnny Morgan.

Primaries Have Christmas Party at Girl Scout Home
Mmes. Dick Holstead, Glen McFarland, Johnny Baker, W. H. Rampey, Calton Smith, John Cody, Ed Farley and J. L. Old-

hausen were hostesses to four classes of the Primary Department of the Eighth Street Church of Christ at a Christmas party in the Girl Scout house Tuesday night.

Christmas carols were sung by the children, followed by games. Gifts were exchanged from the lighted Christmas tree.

The hostesses served cookies and hot chocolate to fifty children and approximately forty adults.

Midge Adair Entertains Class at Christmas Party
Midge Adair was assisted by her mother, Mrs. Cal Adair, in entertaining her twirling class students Monday evening in the Adair home on Tenth Street where silver and blue was featured in decorations on the dining table centerpiece and the Christmas tree.

Popcorn balls were served with coca colas and favors were Christmas socks filled with candy and nuts.

The guests were Jody Chapman, Pamela Underwood, Barbara Holbrook, Jan Green, Sharon Scales and Carol Huddleston.

Isaak Walton wrote "Angling may be said to be so like the mathematics that it can never be fully learned."

Personal
Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Ash, of Bronte; Miss Belle Russell, of El Paso; Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Goodman and daughters, of Monahans; Pvt. and Mrs. Joe Ash, of Fort Knox, Kentucky, and Claude Ash, of Abilene, will be holiday guests of Mrs. H. T. Russell and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Russell.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Hill will be Lieut. and Mrs. Walter Hill and children, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Nickell, Jr., Lubbock; Dr. and Mrs. Frank B. Howard, Corpus Christi, and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Kurtz, San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Moulton and daughter, Becky, who have made home at Oxnard, California, the past six months, will arrive in Ballinger to spend the holidays with Mrs. Moulton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Wade. Mr. Moulton is serving in the navy and after a visit here will be given an assignment on Guam.

Miss Tookie Wade, student at Texas Technological College, Lubbock, will be at home for the holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Wade.

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BALLINGER, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1955

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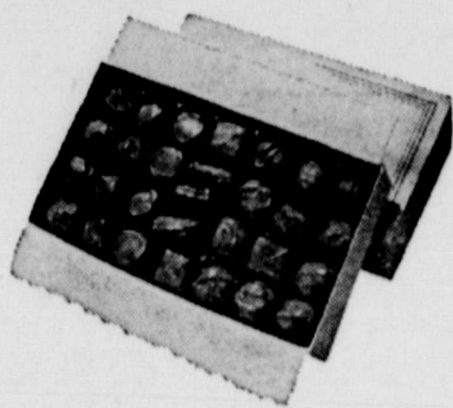
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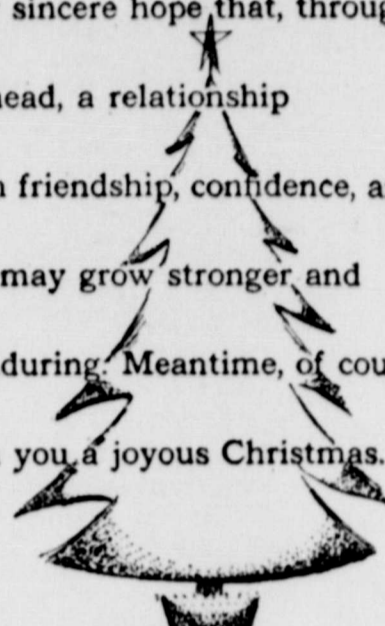
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SOCIETY

G.G. Club's Christmas Party Slated Monday

Nyda Ellet and Charlene White were hostesses to the G. G. Club Monday evening of last week in their home at 203 Sharp Avenue.

Lynn Herring, vice-president, conducted the business when plans were completed for the annual Christmas party, which was held Monday evening in the home of Emille Burton, 800 Tenth Street. The New Year's

dance also was discussed. Ann Richardson, Linda Wright and Dorothy Smith were welcomed as new members.

Refreshments were served to those previously mentioned and: Linda Darby, Gwin Wade, Marilyn Mason, Mary Ruth Watkins, Glenda Cook and Gwen Laxton.

Methodist Men Prepare Pancake Christmas Supper
The men of the First Metho-

dist Friendship Class were hosts to their wives Tuesday evening of last week at a pancake supper held in the church fellowship hall.

Pancakes made and cooked by the men were served from tables decorated with snow scenes and Christmas baubles placed at intervals along a long green runner. Ernest Caskey spoke the invocation.

Mrs. E. B. Underwood, president, conducted a short business session following the supper. A needy family was "adopted" to present Christmas cheer to. The class presented a gift to Mrs. Caskey, class teacher.

Christmas carols were sung by: Messrs. and Mmes. Jack Moore, George Wilson, Ed Curry, Lanham Flynt, Gene Keel, Charles Webb, T. L. Epling, Clyde Simmons, Taylor Russell, W. N. Selby, Ernest Caskey, E. B. Underwood, J. D. Reneau, M. L. Forgy, Bill Witt, Dr. and Mrs. John E. Green, Jr., and Mrs. F. E. Burks, of Amarillo.

The word "bonfire" was originally known as bonifire or fires of bone.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Howell, Lubbock; Mrs. Gale McHugo, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tupper, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Harding, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Sawyer and Charles and Mrs. Weldon Howell will attend a family get-together with Mrs. Laura Howell, at Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Williams and children, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Williams and Steve, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jack Williams and Phillip, San Angelo; and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Williams and sons, Seymour, will be here to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Austin Williams.

Miss Dorothy Bruce, teacher in the Dallas schools; and Bob Bruce, student at Rice Institute, Houston, will be here for the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bruce, and their grandfather, R. W. Bruce.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Haliburton will spend Christmas at Corpus Christi, visiting relatives.

M-Sgt. and Mrs. M. S. Walters, of Barksdale AFB, Louisiana; and Lieut. Mamie Ruth Boothe, instructor at the Great Lakes Naval Station; will join Mr. and Mrs. Jay Boothe and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pete Boothe

in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Boothe.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Harrah and Craig, Maria; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Camp and sons, Farwell; and Mr. and Mrs. Maxie Cole, Dallas, will join Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harrah in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harrah.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Markham will go to Rotan Christmas for a visit with the former's parents.

Holiday visitors at the Shannon McWilliams ranch will be Mr. and Mrs. George Lemons, Mr. and Mrs. Zane McWilliams and children, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Warren and children and Mr. and Mrs. Leland McWilliams and children.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. LaRaux and children will visit during the holidays with relatives at Kilgore.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Duston and children, Corpus Christi; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Richardson, Sherman; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ray Crockett, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Curry, San Angelo; Pfc. Prock D. Richardson, Alameda, California, and Mrs. Melinda will visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Richardson during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Stinson, Allen and David, of Glen Cove, will visit here during the holidays in the homes of W. H.

May the peace and happiness of the Yuletide be yours today.
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SOCIETY

Presbyterian Junior Class Has Christmas Party

Mrs. Bill Stultz, teacher of the Junior Class of the First Presbyterian Church, U. S., was assisted by Meses. Jim Williamson, E. R. Nolen, R. T. Hall and Carl Murman in entertaining class members at a Christmas party in the church parlors Tuesday evening of last week.

Rev. and Mrs. Felix W. Keys directed games in rooms attractively decorated with greenery and Yule colors and a lighted tree. The refreshments table was centered with an arrangement of red candles, greenery and berries, where a salad plate was served with cookies and cold drinks. Gifts were exchanged.

Attending were: Fred Lynn Williamson, Rex Stultz, Johnnie Bigby, Wayne Broussard, Dave Hall, Janette McGarvey, Carla Murman, Julie Hampton, Millie Stultz, Doug Nolen and Kay Ayers.

Methodist Workers Class Holds Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party of the First Methodist Workers Class was held in the home of Mrs. J. W. Barr on Seventh Street Wednesday afternoon of last week. Other hostesses were Mrs. Bob Crockett and Mrs. C. P. Shepherd.

Entertaining rooms were decorated with seasonal colors and the Christmas tree was attractively decorated and lighted. Mrs. W. E. Midgley, president, directed the business and heard reports from the secretary, Mrs. Lee Evans, and the treasurer, Mrs. Hatton Laxson. After the class song "Silent Night" Mrs. R. A. Dickinson gave the prayer. Mrs. Laxson directed the devotional.

Mrs. Troy Simpson reviewed Ruth Sawyer's Christmas story, "This Way to Christmas." She was presented by Mrs. Shepherd.

Santa in person made his visit to the class and passed along gifts from the tree. A sandwich plate with cookies and coffee was served.

Others present were: Meses. C. H. Midgley, J. C. Reese, Vida Little, W. R. Clark, John Loveless, Oliver Cochran, Sally McShan, Tom Crockett, W. W. Chastain, E. C. Baskin, W. E. Middleton, Asa Cordill, A. J. H. Borders, Hamp Byler, Arch Brookshier and C. D. Harris.

Baptist Children Have Christmas Party

The children of the primary department of the Seventh Street Baptist Church were

entertained at a Christmas party on December 9. The teacher, Mrs. Bill Liso, was assisted by Mrs. Lorene Hynson, Mrs. LeRoy Mueller and Mrs. Mattie Fry.

Rooms were decorated in gay Christmas colors and the children joined in the singing of carols. Carolyn Mueller, Charles Simpson and Ronnie Hynson played Christmas numbers on the piano. Candy and gifts were presented all the children.

Refreshments of hot chocolate and cookies were served to: Lynn and Linda Walden, Linda Melton, Donna Howard, Billy Smith, Barbara and Ronnie Markum, Martha Cowlishaw, Bonnie Moon, Ronnie Hynson, James Wimberly, Mary Lynn Green, Larry and Laura Stowers, Carolyn Mueller, Freddie Lee, Frances Cowan, Charles Simpson, Sandra Fry. Adults attending were Mrs. Floyd Wimberly, Mrs. I. M. Stowers and Mrs. Frank Cowan.

Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Reese, Jr., of Perryton, will be here to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Reese.

Notice of United States Marshal's Sale

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF RUNNELS

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the authority of Order of Sale and Execution issued out of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Abilene Division, in Cause No. 1367, on a judgment rendered in said Court on the 8th day of October, 1955, in favor of D. Henry Werblow and against Thurman Hill, Trustee, Eldridge S. Price and Edith Wynn Price, William G. McKee and William G. McKee Trustee, and R. W. Haynie as Trustee in the Proceedings of Eldridge S. Price and Edith Wynn Price, Debtors under the Bankruptcy Act, I did, on the 23 day of November, 1955, at 3:00 o'clock p. m., levy upon, and will sell for cash at public auction, at the County Court-house Door in Runnels County, Texas, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock a. m. and 4:00 o'clock p. m., on the 3rd day of January, 1956, being the first Tuesday of said month, the following described Oil, Gas and Mineral Leases, together with all well equipment and personal property situated thereon or used in connection therewith, and all oil and gas produced therefrom, and all proceeds derived from the sale of such oil and gas, including specifically, all sums held in suspense by pipe line purchasers or other purchasers of such oil or gas from such leases, and the said working interest shall be deemed to include the entirety of the interests granted to the respective lessors under each and all of said Oil, Gas and Mineral

Leases, and without diminution or reduction for or in respect of any overriding royalties reserved under any assignments of such Oil, Gas and Mineral Leases, said leases covering lands located approximately 6 miles Northeast of Ballinger in Runnels County, Texas, and being known generally as a part of the E. S. Price property, and particularly described as follows, to-wit:

TRACT "A"
1. (#215)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated April 22, 1954, executed by R. L. Huddleston, et ux, as Lessors, to W. C. Hugly, as Lessee, of record in Volume 283, page 492, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, covering 197.8 acres of land, more or less, out of the E. T. Ry. Co. Survey No. 145, Abstract No. 145, in Runnels County, Texas, more fully described in a certain Assignment dated May 27, 1954, from Loy O. Lankford to Thurman Hill, Trustee, of record in Volume 280, page 514, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

2. (#212)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated March 31, 1954, executed by Mrs. Cora Byers, et ux, as Lessors, to W. G. Hugly, as Lessee, of record in Volume 283, page 492, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, covering 336.5 acres of land, more or less, being the East one-half of a 673 acre tract of land out of the J. K. Thompson Survey No. 158, Abstract No. 158, situated in Runnels County, Texas, more fully described in that certain Assignment dated May 27, 1954, from Loy O. Lankford to Thurman Hill, Trustee, of record in Volume 280, page 511, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

3. (#211)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated March 31, 1954, executed by Mrs. Cora Byers, et ux, as Lessors, to W. G. Hugly, as Lessee, of record in Volume 283, page 492, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, covering 336.5 acres of land, more or less, being the West one-half of a certain 673 acre tract of land out of the J. K. Thompson Survey No. 156, Abstract No. 156, in Runnels County, Texas, more fully described in a certain Assignment dated May 27, 1954, from Loy O. Lankford, to Thurman Hill, Trustee, of record in Volume 280, page 513, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

4. (#210)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated March 31, 1954, executed by Mrs. Cora Byers, et ux, as Lessors, to W. G. Hugly, as Lessee, of record in Volume 283, page 492, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, covering the East 314 acres of a 414 acre tract of land out of the E. T. Ry. Co. Survey No. 145, Abstract No. 145, in Runnels County, Texas, more fully described in a certain Assignment dated May 27, 1954, from Loy O. Lankford to Thurman Hill, Trustee, of record in Volume 280, page 510, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

5. (#209)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated March 31, 1954, executed by Mrs. Cora Byers, et ux, as Lessors, to W. G. Hugly, as Lessee, of record in Volume 283, page 492, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, covering 261.28 acres of land situated in Runnels County, Texas,

described in two (2) tracts as 161.28 acres out of the J. K. Thompson Survey No. 146, Abstract No. 146, and 100 acres out of the E. T. R. R. Co. Survey No. 145, Abstract No. 145; both tracts more fully described in a certain Assignment dated May 27, 1954, from Loy O. Lankford to Thurman Hill, Trustee, of record in Volume 280, page 515, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

TRACT "B"

1. (#207)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated June 28, 1954, executed by Mrs. Maurine Earnshaw, et ux, as Lessors, to Jno. H. Castor, Lessee, recorded in Volume 286, page 124, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, covering 20 acres of land out of the North-east part of Block No. 37, a Subdivision of the E. T. Ry. Co. Survey No. 145, Abstract No. 145, in Runnels County, Texas, more fully described in a certain Assignment dated June 28, 1954, from Jno. H. Castor to Thurman Hill and D. H. E. Werblow, filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of Runnels County, Texas, on July 7, 1954, under File No. 5821.

2. (#201)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated March 2, 1953, executed by E. S. Price, et ux, as Lessors, to David E. Bright, et ux, as Lessees, of record in Volume 273, page 594, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, covering seven (7) tracts of land situated in Runnels County, Texas, and being:

First Tract: 180 1/2 acres, comprising 2 1/2 acres of Block No. 36, a Subdivision of the Day Land & Cattle Company Survey No. 1, Abstract No. 1117, 61 acres of Block No. 36, a Subdivision of the M. J. Parramore Survey No. 26, Abstract No. 834, and 116 acres of Block No. 36, a Subdivision of the Dominga Diaz Survey No. 532, Abstract No. 115.

Second Tract: The South half of a certain tract of 320 acres, more or less, comprising 341 acres of the Austin & Williams Survey No. 262, Abstract No. 2, 47 acres of the Wm. J. Smith Survey No. 60 1/2, Abstract No. 1135, and 132 acres, all of the T. T. Williamson Survey No. 15, Abstract No. 856.

Third Tract: 294 acres of land, comprising 60 acres of the Day Land & Cattle Company Survey No. 1, Abstract No. 1117; 234 acres of the A. B. & M. Survey No. 25, Abstract No. 14.

Fourth Tract: 75 acres of the East end of the Day Land &

Cattle Company Survey No. 1, Certificate No. 52, Abstract No. 1117; and 121 acres out of the Southeast corner of A. B. & M. Survey No. 25, Certificate No. 799, Abstract No. 14.

Fifth Tract: The South 100 acres of a certain 1284 acre tract out of the D. Diaz, Day Land & Cattle Company and M. J. Parramore Surveys and out of Block 36 of the Subdivision of the Thomson-Casey Ranch.

Sixth Tract: 100 acres out of Block No. 35 of the Subdivision of the Thomson-Casey Ranch, consisting of 448 acres of the M. J. Parramore Survey No. 26, Abstract No. 834; 40.15 acres of the Day Land & Cattle Company Survey No. 25, Abstract No. 14.

Seventh Tract: 27 1/2 acres out of Section 145, E. T. R. R. Company Survey.

Each of the aforesaid tracts of land being more fully described in the Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, which is here referred to for a more particular description.

3. (#220)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated April 29, 1947, executed by Louis K. Tester, et ux, as Lessors, to E. S. Price, as Lessee, of record in Volume 217, page 34, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, covering 189.92 acres of land out of the D. Diaz Survey in Runnels County, Texas, and being the FIRST LEASE described in a certain Assignment dated March 1, 1953, from E. S. Price et ux, to David E. Bright, et ux, of record in Volume 269, page 542, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

4. (#221)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated December 11, 1936, executed by Noel Williams, et ux, as Lessors, to Jno. H. Castor, as Lessee, of record in Volume 170, page 288, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, and covering 196 acres out of Block 26, a Subdivision of the D. Diaz Survey, described in said Lease.

5. (#222)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated October 31, 1943, executed by G. M. Wood, et ux, as Lessors, to Jno. H. Castor, as Lessee, of record in Volume 190, page 601, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, and covering Block 27 of the Subdivision of the D. Diaz Survey No. 532, Abstract No. 115, in Runnels County, Texas, more fully described in said Lease.

6. (#205)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, executed by H. C. Davis, et ux, as Lessors, to E. S. Price, as Lessee, dated February

22, 1947, of record in Volume 207, page 87, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, INSO FAR as said Lease covers:

(a) 116.88 acres, more or less, being all of the FIRST TRACT described in said Lease, save and except the South 127.12 acres of said First Tract, said 127.12 acres being more particularly described in the Assignment from E. S. Price to A. J. Renn, Trustee, recorded in Volume 237, page 315, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

(b) 100 acres, more or less, being the North 100 acres (North one-half of SECOND TRACT) described in said Lease, the South line of the 100 acre tract paralleling the North line of said Second Tract described in said Lease.

7. (#202)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated February 26, 1946, executed by Arch Brookshier, et ux, as Lessors, to E. S. Price, as Lessee, of record in Volume 201, page 347, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, INSO FAR as said Lease covers and includes 118.5 acres out of a 336 1/2 acre tract out of the E. T. R. R. Company Survey No. 129, said 336 1/2 acre tract being described as follows:

BEGINNING at the N. E. corner of the tract of land conveyed in a deed of record in Volume 28, page 89, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, and being the most Northern N. E. corner of said Survey No. 129;

THENCE South 75 deg. West 1280 vrs. to the N. W. corner of said tract of land conveyed by said deed;

THENCE South with the West line of said tract of land conveyed by said deed, 725 vrs. to a stake in said line;

THENCE East 288 vrs. to stake;

THENCE South 850 varas to stake in the South line of said tract conveyed by said deed for corner of this tract, which said stake and corner is located on said South boundary line 288 varas East of the S. W. corner of said tract conveyed by said deed;

THENCE East with the South line of Section 129, said line also being a part of the North line of the E. T. R. R. Co. Survey 135, to the N. E. corner of said Section 135;

THENCE North 1902 vrs. with the East boundary line of said tract of land conveyed by said deed to the place of beginning, and containing 336.5 acres, more or less, LESS AND

EXCEPT the South 218 acres of said 336.5 acre tract described in Assignment from Thurman Hill, et al. to Murry Randolph, et al. recorded in Volume 281, page 447, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, and leaving 118.5 acres, more or less, covered hereby.

8. (#213)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated June 25, 1948, executed by Arch Brookshier, et ux, as Lessors, to E. S. Price, as Lessee, of record in Volume 219, page 81, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, INSO FAR as said Lease covers the West 82 acres of the land described in said Lease, and being all of the land covered by said Lease except the portion thereof covered by Assignment dated February 28, 1950, of record in Volume 236, page 269, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

9. (#203)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated February 26, 1946, executed by J. Z. Byers, et ux, as Lessors, to E. S. Price, as Lessee, of record in Volume 201, page 350, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, INSO FAR as said Lease covers 27 acres of land, described as Eighth Tract in a certain Assignment dated March 1, 1953, from E. S. Price, et ux, to David E. Bright, et al., of record in Volume 269, page 542, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

10. (#216)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated July 1, 1949, executed by W. A. Ashton, et ux, as Lessors, to E. S. Price, as Lessee, of record in Volume 227, page 180, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, INSO FAR as said Lease covers:

(a) 152.73 acres, more or less, out of the E. T. R. R. Company Survey No. 143.

(b) 100 acres, more or less, out of said Survey No. 143, said two (2) tracts being more particularly described as TRACT NINE in a certain Assignment dated March 1, 1953, from E. S. Price, et ux, to David E. Bright, et al., of record in Volume 269, page 542, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

11. (#217)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated July 1, 1949, executed by W. A. Ashton, et ux, as Lessors, to E. S. Price, as Lessee, of record in Volume 227, page 183, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, INSO FAR as said Lease covers 158.25 acres, described as TRACT TEN in a certain Assignment dated March 1, 1953, from E. S. Price, et ux, to

David E. Bright, et al., of record in Volume 269, page 542, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

12. (#214)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated September 11, 1946, executed by Claude Brookshier, et ux, as Lessors, to E. S. Price, as Lessee, of record in Volume 201, page 428, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, INSO FAR as said Lease covers 20 acres (a), and 45 acres out of the J. H. Parramore Survey No. 136, described as TRACT ELEVEN (b), in that certain Assignment dated March 1, 1953, from E. S. Price, et ux, to David E. Bright, et al., of record in Volume 269, page 542, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

13. (#218)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated November 29, 1950, of record in Volume 246, page 426, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, executed by W. T. Hill, et ux, as Lessors, to E. S. Price, as Lessee, of record in Volume 201, page 366, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, INSO FAR as said Lease covers 76 acres of land, being the West 76 acres of the 116 acres described in said Lease.

14. (#206)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated March 8, 1946, executed by Mrs. Vergie Laxson, as Lessee, of record in Volume 201, page 366, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, INSO FAR as said Lease covers 11.15 acres of land, more or less, said tract being described as TRACT THIRTEEN in that certain Assignment dated March 1, 1953, from E. S. Price, et ux, to David E. Bright, et al., of record in Volume 269, page 542, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

15. (#204)—Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease, dated February 26, 1946, executed by J. Milton Clayton, et ux, as Lessors, to E. S. Price, as Lessee, of record in Volume 201, page 363, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas, INSO FAR as said Lease covers and includes 232.32 acres, more or less, and being the lands described under PARAGRAPH 15 (a), (b), (c) and (d), in that certain Assignment from E. S. Price, et ux, to David E. Bright, et al., dated March 1, 1953, of record in Volume 269, page 542, of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

This the 28 day of November, 1955.

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Northern District of Texas
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SOCIETY

Baptist Naomi Class' Christmas Party in Bailey Home
Members of the First Baptist Naomi Class met in the home of Mrs. E. Y. Bailey on Third Street Tuesday evening of last week for their annual Christmas party.

The entrance to the Bailey home was aglow with vari-colored lights and a smiling Santa face was on the door. A large silver tree, decorated in pink, reflected the colors on the

coffee table. A large white and pink candle surrounded by silver flocked pine cones and leaves and a Santa scene centered the dining table.

Mrs. Lee Tabor, president, was in charge of the business. The class will continue its educational project, that of contributing money for a girl to study music. Reports on the Thanksgiving project and the all-year projects were heard. Mrs. Mal-

colm Morgan, class teacher, gave the prayer. Mrs. Bailey presented Christmas music recordings.

Presents were exchanged and a gift was presented Mrs. Morgan. The hostess served fruit cake topped with whipped cream, nuts and coffee.

Others present were: Mmes. H. T. Batchelor, Stanley Price, Aubrey Ashton, C. A. Bissett, L. A. Mosier, M. A. Davidson, O. H. Chandler, Coy Estes, Lawrence Blackmon, Ray Summers and Joe Hambricht.

Baptist T. E. L. Class' Christmas Party in Parish Home

Mrs. O. L. Parish, Sr., Mrs. C. J. Lynn and Mrs. Roy Higginbotham were hostesses to the First Baptist T. E. L. Class Wednesday afternoon of last week for the class' Christmas party, held in the Parish home on Seventh Street.

Mrs. H. W. Boherty gave the opening prayer and Mrs. Lynn read a Christmas story, "Look Ye to the East," by Margaret E. Sangster.

Yuletide decorations bedecked the living room, the music room and the dining room. An undecorated Christmas tree was decorated by members—as they passed each hung money on the branches—which will be sent to the Orphans Home at Beeville for Christmas. Canned food and other groceries also were brought to the party and will be put in a basket and given to the local Baptist Latin-American missionary.

The hostesses served stuffed angel food squares with tea and coffee to: Mmes. L. L. Stroble, Lee Butler, Pyrie Gustavus, W. E. Harvey, J. G. Batchelor, R. R. Talbott, George Holliday, Doherty, Carl Smith, A. M. King, John McKay, Lenora Sturges, T.

J. McCaughan, G. B. Nixon, S. W. Burks, Emma Speer, Maude Roberson, Jim Massey, Mamie Nichols, G. A. Jarrett, Max McCrary, B. C. Kirk and E. E. Woodson.
The Treaty Oak at Austin is 500 years old.

Personals

Larry Wharton, who has been taking special training in obstetrics at San Antonio, is here for pre-emptive training with Dr. C. F. Bailey for three months. His mother, Mrs. Conway Wharton, teacher in the Edinburg schools, was a pre-holiday visitor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Estes M. Lynn.

Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Boelsche will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives at Austin, Hearne and Industry.

Mrs. E. E. Davis, of Brownwood, will visit here Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Allen Davis. They will go to Robert Lee Christmas day to visit Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clift.

Miss Ellen Shelburne, student nurse at San Angelo, will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Shelburne, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. McAulay, of Phoenix, Arizona, will be here for the holidays for a visit with their son, George McAulay, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Baker will visit relatives and friends at Abilene Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Burkes and daughters will visit Christmas day with relatives at Waco.

May the blessings
of CHRISTMAS
be with you this
Season



Western Auto Associate Store
CHID STONE, Owner
Ballinger, Texas

May the spirit of
CHRISTMAS bring you
Peace and Happiness



Among the blessings of the passing year our most valued one is the friendship and good will of those we serve.

It is a privilege at this happy season to express our appreciation and to wish you a Merry Christmas.

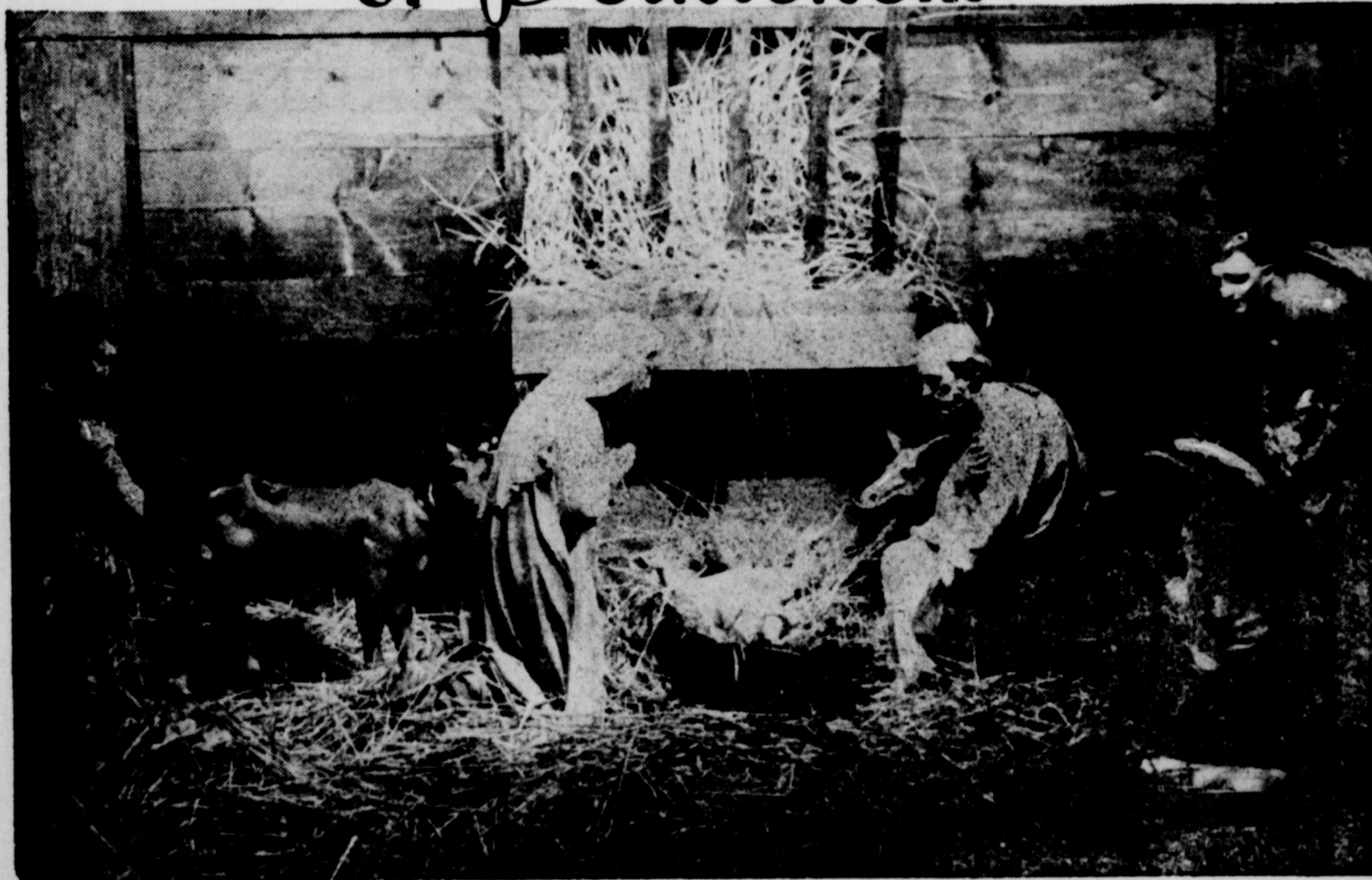
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To our many friends
best wishes for a
very Merry Christmas!

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NEARLY two thousand years ago, on the first Christmas Eve, the Holy Star of Bethlehem gleamed as the symbol of the sublime event in history. Watching and waiting that night, those Three Wise Men of the East had faith in their hearts...faith serene and invincible. Every worth while human achievement since has been in some measure based upon Faith.

The professional man, the craftsman, the housewife, the student...all need faith to carry on successfully. Thus the true spirit of the Christmas Season is evidenced best by the expression of faith in our fellowmen, and in the worth while things of life. May we ever practice this confidence and may the Christmas Season, in all its glory and magnificence, be one of genuine happiness for you and your loved ones and friends.

The First Methodist Church
Wayne Reynolds, Pastor



It adds much to the enjoyment of the season
to extend to our friends
our best wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS...

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District Judge

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County Judge

C. T. PARKER
County Farm Agent

PRICE MIDDLETON
County Auditor

OLLIE CHENOWETH
County Home Demonstration Agent

PANNELL LEGG
County Treasurer

EARL COPE
Justice of the Peace

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County Attorney

CLYDE CHAPMAN
County Commissioner

WILLIE STEPHENS
District Clerk



TO OUR LOYAL FRIENDS:

In this busy old world, it may often appear

that we neglect or forget those we hold dear,

But at Christmas time, we take this space to say

That we value your friendship each and every day!

To each of you . . . A Very Merry Christmas!



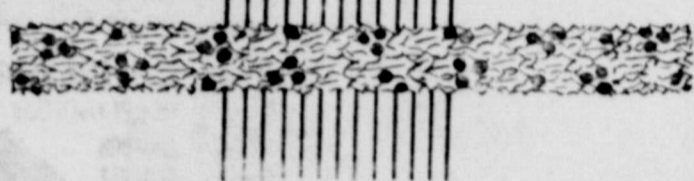
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GREETINGS

May the warmth and friendship of the Christmas Spirit be with you at this wonderful Holiday Season!

Pearce-Bailey Drug



was white and decorated with pink rosebuds and topped with a silver "25" and encircled with silver lace ribbon. Mrs. E. W. Bridwell, of Crews, sister of Mrs. Dietz, baked the cake and served it. Mrs. Elmo Mayhew, of Drasco, another sister, presided at the punch service. Mrs. Melvin Prather, of Talpa, and Mrs. Owen Bragg, of Crews, assisted in serving.

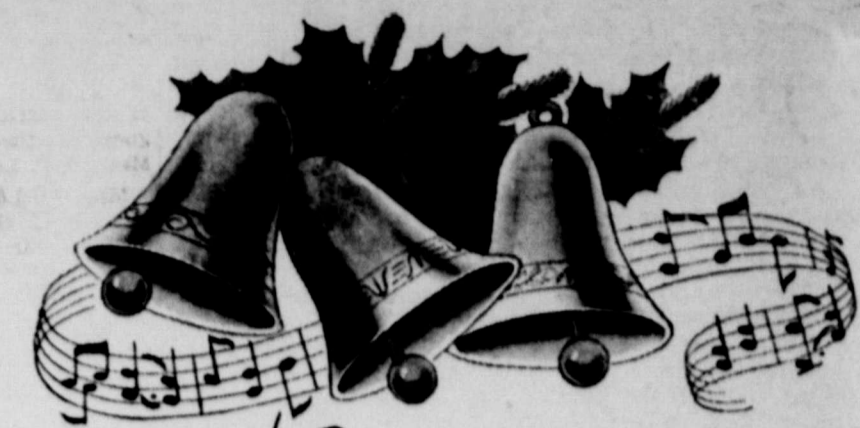
The couple's brothers-in-law Messrs. Mayhew, Bridwell and Edwards, and Rev. Melvin Prather, of Talpa, assisted in dispensing courtesies throughout the calling hours. Approximately 65 guests were included.

Rev. Prather gave a resume of the wedding ceremony performed 25 years ago and a short meditation.

Mrs. Dietz and Mrs. Brown wore pink rosebud corsages and others in the house party wore white carnation corsages.

Among the guests was Judge Lynn Jones, of Killeen, uncle of Mrs. Dietz.

Central Elementary Teachers Host Christmas Dinner
Members of the Ballinger Central Elementary faculty were hostesses to their husbands and added guests at a Christmas dinner party Friday



Greetings
May happy Christmas bells ring out for you the best of the season's cheer and may the melody stay with you for many, many joyous days.

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Cordelia Johnson, Ray Summers, Bill Gosney and Alex McGregor; entertainment, Mmes. Chester Afflerbach, L. J. Campbell, Bob Bartlett, Dick Owens, J. D. Lightfoot, and Miss Helen Lyon.

Among the forty guests were Mrs. E. B. Blackburn, Supt. and Mrs. Ernest Caskey, Mrs. H. H. Wagner, Miss Lola Eubank and husbands of the teachers.

Art and Needle Club Holds Christmas Party
Mrs. Walter Mueller was hostess to members of the Art and Needle Club last Thursday afternoon. Her Tenth Street home was decorated in Yuletide greenery, berries and the traditional Christmas tree.

Mrs. Ernest Schott, president, was in charge of the business. A committee, Mrs. L. T. Allen and Mrs. Louis Loika, reported that a basket of food had been delivered to a needy family and that another "adopted" family would be remembered at Christmas.

Mrs. Loika gave a demonstration on making wreaths, sprays and centerpiece from dry foliage. Birthday celebrants were Mrs. Mueller, Mrs. Earl Crockett and Mrs. Allen. Gifts were presented as the group sang "Happy Birthday." Gifts were also exchanged with the

lighted tree.
The next meeting will be held on January 17, in the home of Miss Mary Krc.
A sandwich plate was served with fruit cake and coffee to those previously mentioned and: Mrs. Lucy Rollwitz, Mrs. Charles Oisak, and Mrs. Joe Dierschke, of Rowena.

Rebekah Lodge Has Christmas Party
Rev. Otto Dee Carpenter, pastor of the Seventh Street Baptist Church, directed the Christmas caroling program for

Rebekah Lodge No. 48, held at the I. O. O. F. Lodge hall last Thursday night. Mary Carpenter, pianist, played accompaniments for the group singing. Mrs. Herman Virden read a Christmas story. The lodge voted to "adopt" a needy family.

The hall was decorated with festive arrangements and a lighted tree where members exchanged gifts. Cake and coffee were served to approximately 50 people.

Ketchup is a Malayan word.

SOCIETY

Dietzes Celebrate Twenty-Fifth Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Dietz celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary at an open house Saturday from 3:00 to 5:00 p. m. in their home ten miles northeast of Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Dietz were married on December 21, 1930, in the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jones, who were living near Crews. Because of the Christmas rush they celebrated the occasion a few days before the anniversary. Mr. Dietz was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ira Dietz,

pioneer Runnels County residents. Mrs. Dietz came to Runnels County with her parents from Bell County when she was nine years of age.

The couple has lived in the Crews community all their married life. They have spent 23 years in their present home. They have one daughter, Mrs. Fred H. Brown. Mrs. Brown and her husband are students at McMurry College, Abilene.

Mr. Brown greeted guests and presented them to Mr. and Mrs. Dietz, while Mrs. Brown played soft organ music. Tommy Mayhew, of Drasco, nephew of

Mrs. Dietz, alternated at the piano with musical selections. Mrs. Ernest Edwards, of London, Texas, sister of Mrs. Dietz, registered guests in the pretty white hand-painted guest book.

A reflected arrangement of pink rosebuds with silvered eucalyptus and other foliage centered the table, which was laid with lace over pink damask. Other table decorations were pink tapers in crystal holders. Before the mirror over the buffet was a crystal bowl filled with fruit and flanked by hand-painted lamps. Arrangements of pink roses were on the mantel and other vantage places about the living room were decorated with pink azaleas and pink carnations.

The three-tiered wedding cake



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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Briley, of San Angelo, will be Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Lane.

Mrs. Ethel Hambrick, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Hambrick and son, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Briggs and children, Champaign, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. White and children, Tulsa, Oklahoma; and Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Glover and children, El Paso, will visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hambrick during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Graves, Sarah Lou and George, Jr., and Mrs. T. C. Watts, of Waco, will be Christmas guests of Mrs. Elmer Shepperd and Mrs. Berta Spooner.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Curry and children, of Petersburg, will spend Christmas here with Mr. Curry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Curry, and other family members.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Scoggins and son will go to Comanche for a holiday visit with Mrs. Scoggins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Grisby.

Dr. and Mrs. Verne Scott and children, of Dublin, will spend Christmas here with Mrs. Joe Flynt and other relatives.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Flynt will be Mr. and Mrs. Marion Flynt, Mr. and Mrs. Armon Hubbard and Mr. and Mrs. Duke Jimmerson and children, all of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrell Flynt and son, of Brownwood, will visit here during the holidays in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flynt and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Flynt.

Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Stobaugh and sons, of Odessa, will share a Christmas visit in the homes of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Stobaugh.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore and

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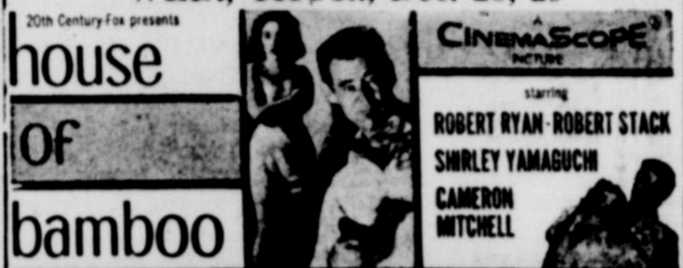


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Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Barr will visit Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Moseley and family, at Abilene, on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. King will go to Amarillo Christmas for a visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Boulin, of Dallas, will visit here Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. Max McCrary, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Hays, of Dallas, will visit here Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Max McCrary, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sykes and sons, of Fort Sumner, New Mexico, will share the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Lynn and Mrs. O. C. Sykes.

Mrs. C. P. Shepherd will spend the Christmas holidays with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Parker, and daughters, at Cleburne.

Mrs. Tom Crockett will have as Christmas guests, Major and Mrs. Tom A. Crockett and children, Warner Robin AFB, Georgia; Mr. and Mrs. William Warren and children, of Paint Rock; Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Crockett, of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Crockett, of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crockett, of Odessa. They will be joined here by Mr. and Mrs. Claude Simmons and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crockett, Mrs. Nina Gunyon and children.

HORSESHOE

THURSDAY, FRIDAY SATURDAY December 22, 23, 24



SUNDAY, MONDAY



TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY



At the Horseshoe . . .

Paramount's VistaVision production, Irving Berlin's "White Christmas," will be shown at the Horseshoe Drive-In Theatre tonight, tomorrow and Saturday, December 22, 23, 24. Starring Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye, Rosemary Clooney and Vera-Allen with Dean Jagger, "White Christmas" is said to be a musical extravaganza that "has everything."

Exciting action, music and comedy are declared expertly combined in Republic's "Man from Oklahoma," starring Roy Rogers, and also at the Horseshoe today through Saturday. Rogers gives one of his riding-singing roles with the breezy charm which has made him the top cowboy star of the nation. Dale Evans, lovely singing actress, has the top feminine role. George "Gabby" Hays, Maude Eburne, Bob Nolan and the Sons of the Pioneers are featured.

"Seven Cities of Gold," first-run 20th Century-Fox adventure drama in CinemaScope and DeLuxe color, starring Richard Egan, Anthony Quinn, Rita Moreno, Michael Rennie and Jeffrey Hunter, will be shown at the Horseshoe Christmas day and Monday.

The film, produced by Barbara McLean and Robert D. Webb, who also directed, tells of the conflict between sworn and cross for the conquest of California.

Marlon Brando stars in Columbia's memorable "On the Waterfront," which is to be shown on the double-bill at the Horseshoe Tuesday and Wednesday, December 22, 23. Kaid Malden and Lee J. Cobb co-star and the film marks the haunting screen debut of lovely blonde Eva Marie Saint, stage, radio and TV actress. A surging yarn of the jungle world where the city meets the sea, it also is a drama of brass-knuckled love and terror. Rod Steiger and Pat Henning are the principal supporting players.

The other feature on this program, "The Wild One," also stars Marlon Brando.

At the Texas . . .

"The Second Greatest Sex," Christmas attraction at the Texas Theatre, to be presented Saturday night, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, December 24, 25, 26, 27, is in Technicolor and CinemaScope. The film has been described as a combination of scintillating stars, eight great new songs and a provocative story that literally sings with bright comedy, loving romance and fast-paced action. Offered is a colorful musical set in rural Kansas in 1880. Rolling merrily through its tuneful tale are a bevy of top stars, Jeanne Crain, George Nader, Kitty Kallen, Bert LaR, Mame Van Doren, Keith Andes, Kathleen Case and Paul Gilbert. Talented supporting players include the sensational dancing star, Tommy Rall, Edna Skinner, Jimmy Boyd, Cousin Emmy, the Midwesterners and Ward Ellis.

Booked at the Texas Wednesday and Thursday, December 28, 29, is 20th Century-Fox's new CinemaScope thriller, "House of Bamboo," photographed in DeLuxe color and filmed on location in Tokyo. Starred are Robert Ryan, Robert Stack, Japan's own Shirley Yamaguchi and Cameron Mitchell.

Mrs. E. S. Burks, of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Curry, of Dallas; Morris Curry, freshman student at Oklahoma University; and Boz Curry, of Waxahachie, will be Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Curry.



Mrs. Gertrude Woods

children will visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Dickenson and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence H. Moore, at Brownwood during the holiday season.

Dr. and Mrs. Alfred C. Zedlitz and son, of Oklahoma City; and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Zedlitz, of Lubbock, will be here to spend Christmas with Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Zedlitz.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Harvin, of Lufkin will be guests during the holidays of Mr. and Mrs.

Jack E. Jackson and daughter. Mr. and Mrs. John King and children will go to Clarendon during the holidays to visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Wadsworth.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Fowler, of Mt. Calm, will be noliday visitors in the home of Rev. and Mrs. LeRay Fowler and children, Mark and Steve.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bramley and Jackie will make an after-Christmas visit with relatives at Dallas.

Season's Greetings

There is a special warmth of feeling and a deep sense of friendliness in this greeting at Christmas time and in all the good wishes it brings.

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Hope you have a Merry Christmas!



At no other season of the year are warm feelings and friendly words more fitting and sincere than at this time — We say to you -- Merry Christmas.

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WEST TEXAS NOTES

The Christmas season is here again and we want to wish a merry Christmas to all our readers and customers. You have been kind to us this year and it has been a pleasure to try to keep you informed on what is happening in Runnels County. Christmas is a happy time, when families and friends gather to share joys with each other. Ballinger and Runnels County people will have this pleasure this week-end as many family groups assemble and watch the children receive their gifts. May there be nothing but happiness in these gatherings and after the holidays may each family have a safe return home.

The state public safety department has been striving for weeks to make people realize the dangers of traffic during the holidays when roads and highways are jammed. This year many people will have three full days for Christmas and there will be thousands of cars moving. Most of the travelers will be in a hurry and at best there will be some wrecks and the cost in life may be heavy. These accidents turn happy family gatherings into sorrow. It may take a few minutes or even a few hours more to drive carefully, but the result will be a merry Christmas with relatives and friends. Drive carefully, observe every highway marking and keep a sharp eye out for the fellow who is breaking the rules and is a hazard for other motorists.

A highway construction program for the southern section of Runnels County is still a definite issue here and is sure to be brought up in some form soon after January 1. A majority of the citizens want the highway improvements and with a few changes in routing, practically all would favor bond issues to give county authorities funds to purchase right-of-way. One of the conflicts is in the rerouting of highway 53 from Hatchel to Ballinger. A project to widen and straighten the present route and not change traffic through Ballinger might result in bonds being approved.

The McCulloch County community chest was pushed over the top last week, officials disclosing that the 1956 quota had been pledged. Contributions to the chest totaled more than \$10,000, which will take care of the annual requirements of about twelve organizations. Members of the board met last week and authorized 100 per cent payments to nine organizations that call for money about the first of the year. There were fewer contributors this year, but those who gave were more liberal than in the past.

Farmers of irrigated sections of Comanche County reported increased yields in peanuts the past season amounted to as much as \$100 per acre. Farms are irrigated from wells and there are no big operations at this time. Some have been putting well water on their crops the past three years, yields increasing annually. At a meeting of peanut growers at Comanche last week some operators reported normal crops up to 75 bushels to the acre. The average for the county was about 50 bushels per acre.

Mayor George W. Poe has issued a stiff warning to the public at Winters in regard to rushing to fires when alarms are sounded and interfering with firemen. He pointed out

At any rate these angles are being given consideration by local leaders and state officials at this time.

Ballinger stores will be closed Sunday and Monday for the Christmas holidays and a number of offices and other places will be closed Saturday. This will give some three days off for the holidays and all will have two full days. Merchants will reopen their stores December 27 and the final week of 1955 will mainly be spent in taking inventories and checking up on business of the past year. Even with extended dry weather local business has been fair, and business men, farmers and ranchmen are still looking forward to the year when there is plenty of rain and an opportunity to make good crops and have a good range.

until their retirement in 1945. Both are active and at 84 Mr. Moore still drives his car and Mrs. Moore, 83, does all of her housework.

The Coleman Church of Christ has contracted work on a \$90,000 addition which will include an addition with seating capacity of 1,200. The new building will be of brick, to match the present building, which will be remodeled. The auditorium will have central heating and cooling and an elevated baptistry. There will be no windows in the building and indirect lighting will be installed. Completion date is as early as possible in 1956.

Tuscola citizens have bought a used fire truck and it has been delivered. The truck has a 260-gallon water tank, making it suitable for rural fires. Fire extinguishers are part of the equipment as well as a pump, to be used when water is available. The firemen will mount a large water tank on another truck to provide a further source of water.

Negotiations were completed last week for the purchase of a building to be moved to Eden and remodeled for a hospital. The building was formerly used as a hospital at the prisoner of war camp near Brady. The hospital will be owned and operated by Dr. John E. Carter. The Eden Chamber of Commerce endorsed the plan and assisted in getting the building sale perfected. Public subscriptions had previously been sought to build a hospital. Dr. Carter said about \$10,000 more would be needed to be able to offer all forms of service.

A workshop was held in Concho County last week to teach home demonstration club women how to make Christmas

decoration. The uses of paints, Christmas bells and other symbols and greenery were demonstrated. Miss Laura Tharp, county home demonstration agent, was in charge of the workshop, which was attended by members of all clubs in the county.

Operators of the federation library at Colorado City are facing a financial crisis. A ruling that city aid would have to be withdrawn unless the library became a municipal library and was operated by the city was given by the city attorney. The library has been receiving funds from the city, county and various women's clubs and has been located in Civic House. Members of the library board went before the city commission and the commissioners' court to ask that contributions be increased. County officials allowed the increase but city officials raised the legal question, which is now being studied.

The filing of an application for air mail service for Stephenville was announced last week. The application was made to the civil aeronautics board by Continental Copters, Inc., of Delaware. If established, direct service would be given with Mineral Wells, Cleburne, Dallas, Fort Worth and Weatherford. It also would provide connections for fast national delivery of mail to all parts of the country.

The Menard Garden Club held its Christmas decoration contest last week in which prizes were offered for both exterior and interior pieces. Mrs. Larry O'Neill won first for the outside arrangements. The interior pieces first place was won by Mrs. Roger Landers. A large number viewed the various dec-

orations entered by the club members. The contest closed with a tea, which was attended by 60 women.

The McCulloch-Concho Hospital, at Melvin, was earmarked for a \$10,000 gift from the Ford Foundation, according to information received last week. The award is to extend services to the public and for better equipment. The Melvin hospital has no doctor at the present time which may cause loss of the gift unless service is established. The money can be used for improvements and new equipment but cannot be spent for operation expenses. N. M. Barnett, chairman of the board of directors, said the hospital "could use the money and the gift comes as a surprise." No application had been made but officials will try to meet all requirements.

The Junction school board last week passed resolutions opposing any further federal aid to state education. The resolution read: "That the Junction Independent School District board oppose any further federal aid to state education that may tend toward federal control or federal dictation in our public schools." Copies of the resolution were sent to state senators, members of congress, to the county superintendent and the State Association of School Boards.

Assurance was given San Saba County citizens last week that a flood prevention survey would be made of the Richland Creek watershed. E. J. Hughes, area soil conservation service representative, told a San Saba meeting that the survey is to be undertaken. He explained that the survey will begin with a series of interviews with land

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owners in the lower San Saba River section to determine the extent of flood damages in the past.

Jerry Turner, student at McMurry College, Abilene, will be here for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Sim Ledford and Robert will visit Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ledford, of San Antonio.

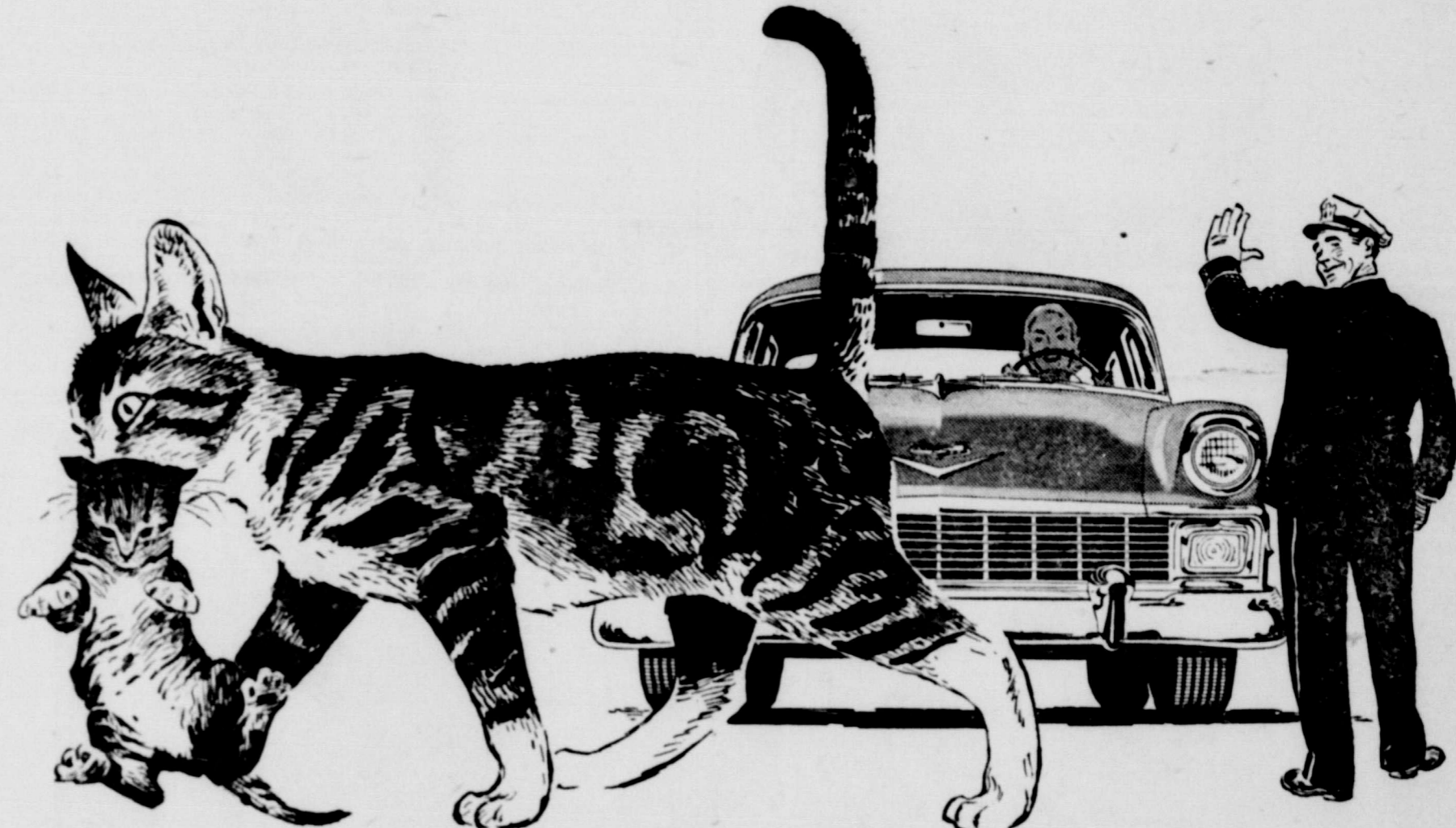
Mr. and Mrs. Gus Redman,

Jr., and children will go to Slaton for a holiday visit with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brookshier and Mrs. George Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy and daughters, of Eunice, New Mexico; and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Kennedy and son, of Odessa, will make a holiday visit here with Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Kennedy and Helen Kennedy.

Mr. and Mrs. Chid Stone, David and Penny, will visit Christmas day at Stamford with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stone.

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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sykes and sons, of Eldorado, will be here for the holidays in the home of Mrs. O. C. Sykes.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Clark, Lucia and Bill will visit Christmas in the Henry Vandevanter home at Water Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Worley and sons, of Big Spring, will be holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Flay Brevard, Jennie, David and Weldon will visit the Hale family at Abilene during Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hale. They will then go to Belton for an after-Christmas get-together of the Brevard family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hollis, Robert and Paul will visit relatives at Dallas during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold P. Wine will join other relatives for a Christmas visit at Austin.

Mrs. J. E. Brewer and Miss Helen Brewer are here for the holidays with Levy Lee and sons, Tipton and Grant.

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and may His tender love
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Mrs. R. P. Tunnell and Miss Agnes Davis will visit during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Hoffman and son, at Poteau, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Everett, of Fayetteville, Arkansas, will be here for an after-holiday visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Hearn.

Mrs. Vida Little will spend Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Little at Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Selby will go to Dallas for the holidays to join the entire Selby family in a reunion.

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Tisdale will include Mrs. W. C. Norwood, Gouldbusk; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hunt and Tommy, Coleman; Miss Pat Tisdale, student at Texas Technological College, Lubbock; and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tisdale.

Mrs. M. S. Karmany, of

Comanche: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Williams, of Stephenville; and R. L. Williams, Jr., New York city, made a pre-holiday visit here with Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Williams and other family members.

Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Adair and sons, of Midland; and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cox and children, of Abilene, will be holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Adair.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nixon will be Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Nixon and sons, Memphis; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Nixon and children, San Angelo; Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd Nixon, El Campo and Jimmy Nixon, Lubbock. They will be joined here by Mr. and Mrs. Myles Nixon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Forester will make holiday visits with relatives at Caddo, Oklahoma; Athens and Corsicana.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Funderburk and Ronald will visit relatives at Brownwood during the Christmas holidays.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Allen for the holidays will be Mr. and Mrs. Tillman Allen, Jr., and sons, Abilene; and Mr. and Mrs. Jim T. Jones, Jr., and son San

Angelo.

Holiday guests of Misses Ollie and Zaza Chenoweth will be Mrs. Lula C. Harris, teacher in the Victoria schools; Billy E. Harris, Brownsville; Claude B.

Harris, Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Black and Geraldine, San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Black, Cleburne; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Black, Jr., and children, Lubbock, will visit

here during the Christmas season with Mrs. J. W. Black, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Black, Sr., and other family members.

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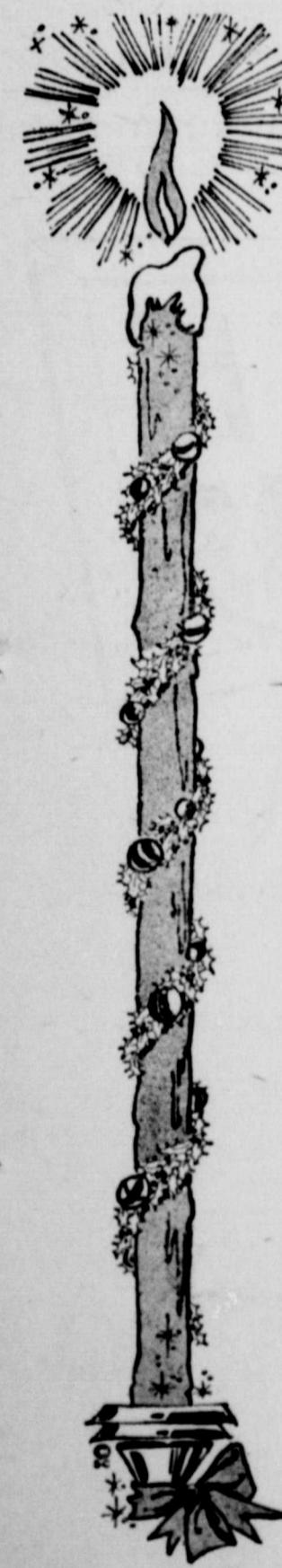
As long as the supply of 1,300 lasts, they are yours for the asking, whether or not you do your banking with us. Calendars will not be mailed. Children must have written order from parent or guardian.

We only ask that you permit this calendar to find a welcome place on your wall.

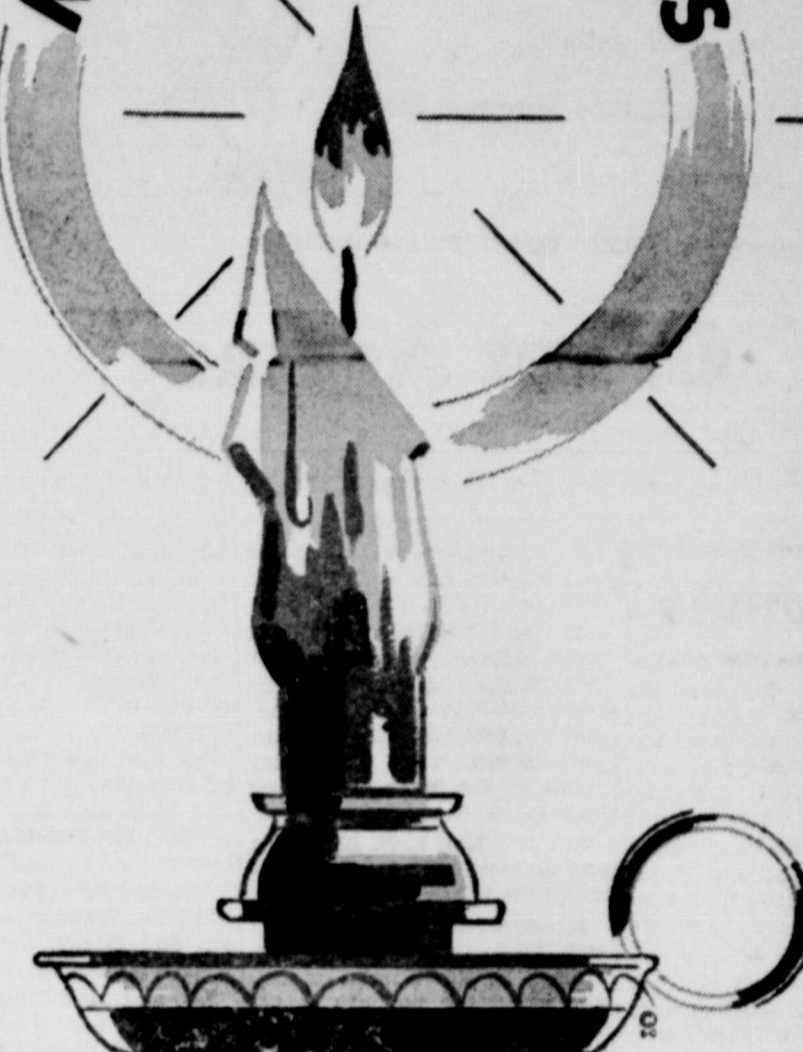
Our officers, directors and all of us here at the bank join in wishing you a HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Your friends,

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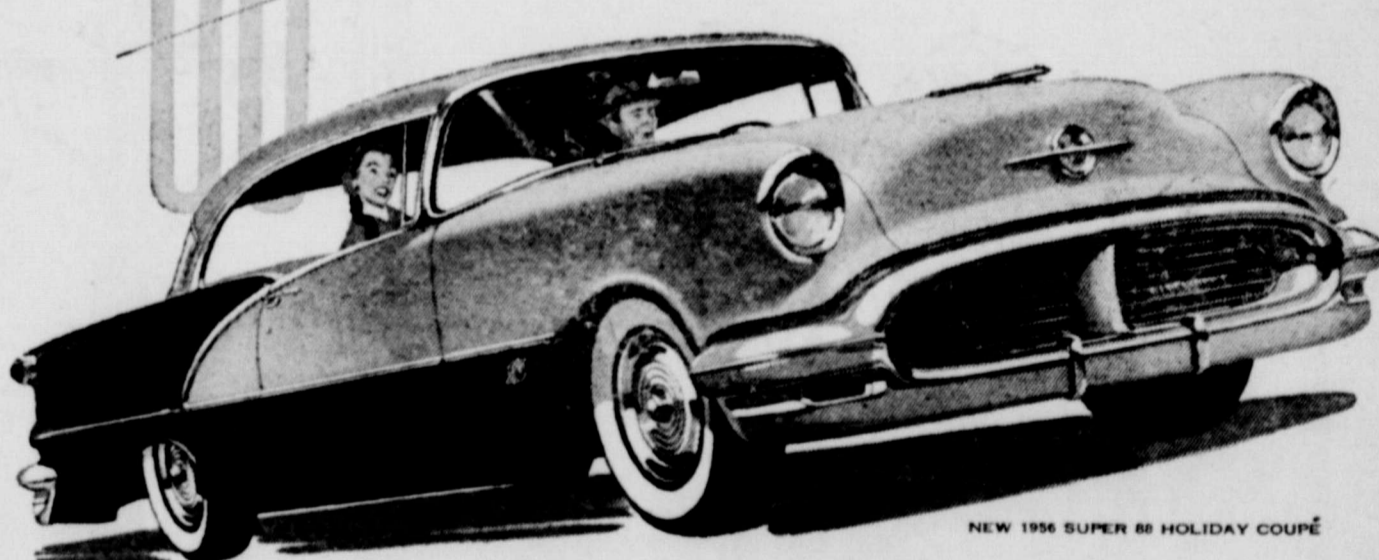


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Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Batts for Christmas will be: Mr. and Mrs. Wilbourn Batts and sons, Denver, Colorado; Mrs. Bernice Fucker and son, Seymour.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Batts, of Mexia, will be holiday guests of Mrs. E. F. Batts, Mrs. Cordelia Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Hodges and son.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sheehan and daughter, of Midland, made a pre-Christmas visit here with Mrs. Sheehan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Rubie. Mr. and Mrs. Rubie will spend Christ-

mas at McAllen with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rubie.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Rhodes and children, Carswell AFB, New Mexico; Mrs. J. E. Grindstaff and J. A. Porter, Abilene; and Mr. and Mrs. Albert White, Fort Worth, will be holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Grindstaff.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Blackburn and children will spend Christmas with relatives at Hillsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. McClenny and Miss Carolyn McClenny, teacher in the Hamlin school, will spend the holidays with relatives at Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred McClanahan and children, Freddie and Betty, of Shreveport, Louisiana;

Mrs. J. H. Goss, of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Dodge, of Hawley; and Miss Jo Dodge, student at the University of Texas medical school, Galveston, will spend the Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Chapman, of Kerrville, will make a holiday visit with Mr. Chapman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Chapman.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Trimmier will go to Houston to visit their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Trimmier.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Creasy will spend the Christmas holidays at El Paso, visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George McGovern.

Mrs. H. W. Lynn will spend Christmas at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and after Christmas will go to Tallahassee, Florida, for a visit with Dr. and Mrs. Ross Lynn.

Robert Miller, student at A. & M. College, will spend the holidays here with his mother, Mrs. Q. V. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Duke, of Dallas, will visit Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Virden and W. L. Duke during the Christmas holidays.

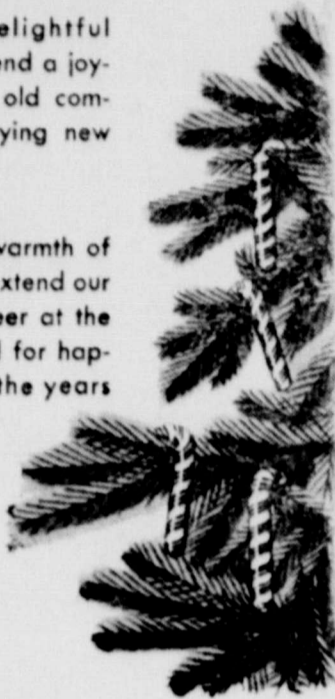
Mr. and Mrs. Bill St. John, students at the University of Texas, Austin, will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Doyle St. John and with Mrs. St. John's parents at Christoval.

Mrs. J. V. Richardson, of Aruba, Netherlands West Indies,

Merry Christmas

Christmas is a delightful respite when we spend a joyful day in reviving old comradeships and enjoying new friendships.

So, in the friendly warmth of Christmas time, we extend our wishes for good cheer at the Holiday Season and for happiness throughout the years to come.



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has returned home after a pre-Christmas visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Doose, Sr., and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Agnew will go to Austin to spend the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. Barry Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Doose, Jr., of Gouldbusk, will share their Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Doose, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Hamp Byler.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Fielder and daughter, Sue, of San Angelo, will visit Mrs. Fielder's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Doose, Sr., during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Agnew and Lisa, of Midland, will share their holiday visits with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Agnew and Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Batts.

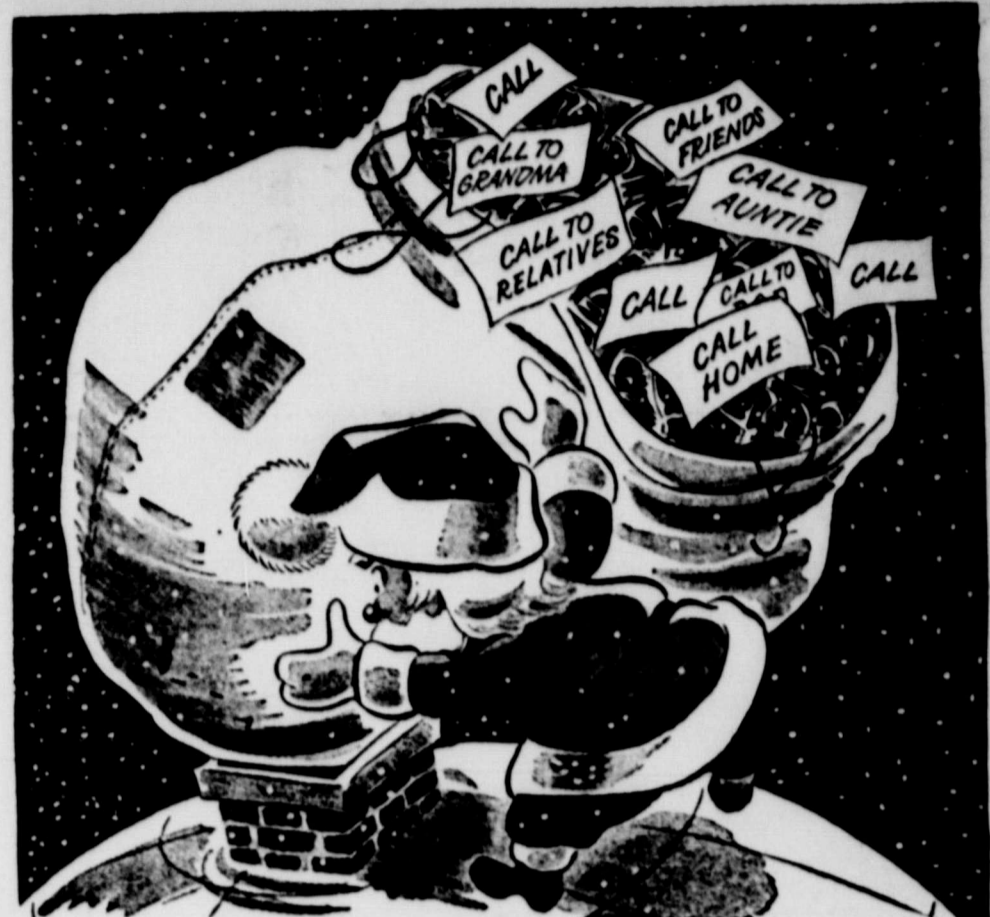
Miss Sally Bailey and Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Bailey, Jr., all students at University of Texas medical school, Galveston, will

spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. Charles F. Bailey.

Dr. and Mrs. T. W. (Jimmy) Agnew, of Vernon, will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Agnew.

Visiting during the holidays in the homes of Mrs. R. E. Truly, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lynn, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Tigner and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williamson, will be Mr. and Mrs. David Gregory and Phil, of Odessa; Mrs. C. W. Tibbs and Ted Truly, of Dallas; Miss Mary Elizabeth Truly, missionary to Nigeria and now doing advance work at Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth; Charles W. Tibbs, Jr., San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Hall and Rebecca, San Angelo; Jerry Dow, student at Baylor University, Waco; Mrs. Marguerite Dow, San Angelo.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Saunders will be Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lagow, of Killeen; and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Payne, Stephen and Philip, of Abilene.



Merry Christmas
From the Folks at the
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Mr. and Mrs. Dave Coslett and Teresa, of San Angelo, will spend Christmas here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Bowden and Mrs. Coleman Harwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Floyd will visit during the holidays in Corpus Christi with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Martin and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewing D. Lovelady, Jr., and Carol Anne, of San Antonio, will visit this Christmas with Mr. Lovelady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Lovelady.

Mrs. H. O. Andrews will visit at San Antonio with the families of J. C. Andrews, C. W. Stephens and G. W. Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Camp will spend the holidays in Woodward, Oklahoma, visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Irby and Wayne will make a holiday visit to Comanche with Mr. Irby's father.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams, of Dallas, will be holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Alton Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spreen and Mrs. Andy Spreen.

Mr. and Mrs. John McGrath and son will visit friends and relatives at Orange during Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Murman and children will make a Christmas visit with relatives at Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Parrish will join other family members for a holiday get-together at San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Grafton Brookshier will make a Christmas

visit at Dublin with Mrs. Brookshier's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gray, of Snyder, will be here for the holiday season to visit Mr. and Mrs. R. E. George and Misses Lula and Samantha McElroy.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Paschal and children, of San Angelo; Donald Bales, U.S. navy aboard the USS Washburn; will join Mr. and Mrs. Alton Bryan and children for a holiday visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wirt Bales.

Christmas visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Estes Lynn will be their two daughters and families, Dr. and Mrs. James M. Brown and children, of Denton; Mr. and Mrs. Vance Black and daughter, Bent, New Mexico.



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A MERRY CHRISTMAS

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