

THE FOARD COUNTY NEWS

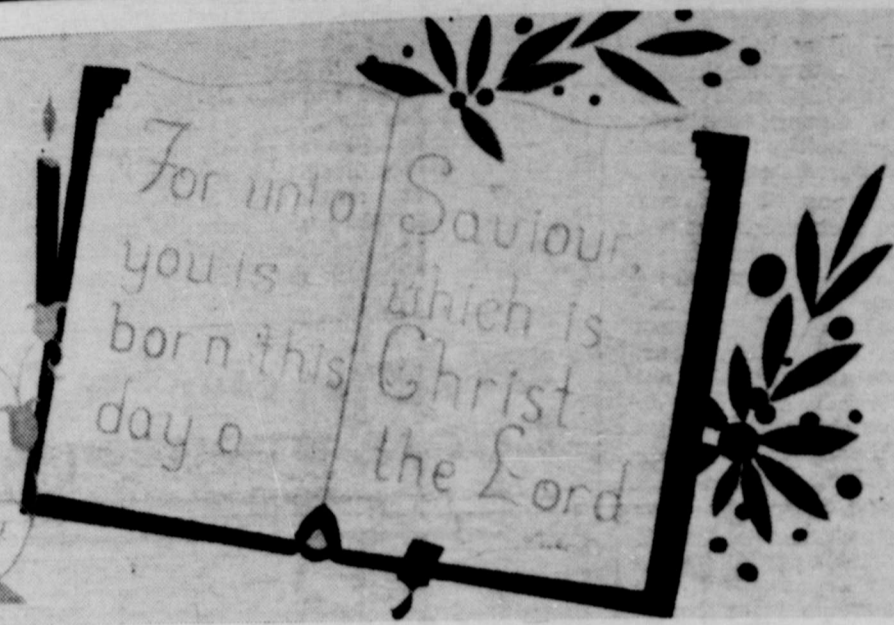
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CROWELL, FOARD COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1971

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DECORATION—Pictured above is the Christmas sign erected on the northwest corner of the square this year by the Women's Service League. The sign was painted by Mrs. Nancy Chatfield.

Dates Are Set

Time to Renew Special Farm User Permits for LPG Operated Vehicles

Davis and Clifford Hicks, representatives of Robert S. Calhoun, controller of Public Accounts, will be at the county court house in Vernon at 8 a. m. on Monday, Dec. 29 for the purpose of renewing special farm user permits, and issuing 1972 decals for LPG operated license vehicles. The current decal expires on Dec. 31, 1971.

Renewal notices have been mailed to those who currently hold a 1971 decal, and these notices should be taken to the meeting place, and as before, it will be necessary to bring the vehicle as the new decal must be placed on the vehicle by the representative. The decals will cost \$60.00 each. Anyone unable to meet with the representative on the above indicated dates will have to purchase his 1972 decal at the Wichita Falls District Office, 111 Fre-Mar Valley, Bob J. Thompson, district supervisor of Wichita Falls, said in Crowell last Thursday.

Miss S. (Peggy) Payne Died Dec. 15

Miss S. (Peggy) Payne, 62, of Crowell, died Wednesday, Dec. 15, after a long illness. Burial services for the former Paso, Texas resident were held at 3:30 p. m. Friday from Wood Chapel in Fort Worth.

Survived by her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Hollis C. Payne. She lived here many years. Survived by her wife, Mrs. Payne; sons, Lawrence of Arlington, Jerry Payne of Mound; and two daughters, Mrs. Ernestine of Arlington; one brother, Eugene of Crowell; one sister, Louise Freeman of Fort Worth; and nine grandchildren. Mrs. Roy Payne of Crowell attended the services.

Bob Abston Died In Vernon After Long Illness

Bob Abston, 77, of Vernon and a long-time resident of Foard County, died Saturday in a Vernon nursing home after an illness of several years. Funeral services were conducted at 2:30 p. m. Monday at the East Side Church of Christ in Crowell conducted by Minister Viggo Ulrich of the Paradise Street Church of Christ in Vernon, and Oliver C. Holland of Thalia.

Burial was in the Crowell Cemetery under direction of Womack Funeral Home. Mr. Abston's nephews were pall bearers. Walter Bob Abston was born Dec. 10, 1894, in Kentucky, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Abston. He moved to Foard County with his parents in 1908, and made his home here until moving to Vernon several years ago. He married Miss Ruth Grimm on July 13, 1929, at Alpine. He was a retired farmer and mechanic, and a member of the Church of Christ.

He is survived by his wife; one son, Billy Abston of Garland; one daughter, Mrs. Bobby Huebner Whiteman AFB, Mo.; one brother, Bert Abston of Vernon; three sisters, Mrs. Winnie Phillips and Mrs. John Thompson of Vernon, and Mrs. Ethel Rennels of Bryan.

Mrs. Silas Moore in Plainview Home

Mrs. Silas Moore, a long-time resident of Foard County, is now a patient in a Plainview nursing home and would like very much to hear from her friends in Foard County. Her address is Mrs. Silas Moore, c/o Plains Conv. Home, 2813 W. 8th, Plainview, Texas 79072.

Museum to Be Open This Week End

The Foard County Museum will be open Friday, Saturday and Sunday, December 24, 25 and 26, from 2 p. m. to 6 p. m., Mrs. Otis Gafford, owner, said this week.

Class of 1961 Planning Reunion Christmas Day

Members of the 1961 graduating class of Crowell High school will have their 10-year class reunion at the Crowell School cafeteria on Christmas day, Saturday, December 25.

The class party will be held from 3 to 5:30 p. m. followed by a dance at the Thalia gym from 9 to 1. The class is inviting everyone to attend the dance.

With the girls' maiden names given, following is a list of the 34 graduates of the class of 1961:

Joe Barry, Carol Bell, Delton Brown, Gary Carpenter, Wesley Cummings, Dorothy Denton, Cecelia Drabek, Jerry Eubanks, Margaret Fiske, Carole Fisch, Martha Fish, Charles Gidney, Barbara Goodwin, Jack Hickman, Sandra Hollenbaugh, Joyce Latimer, Virginia Hudgens.

Don Ingle, Kay Johnson, Taylor Johnson, Wanda Moore, Janis Morris, Margie Rasberry, Jo Ann Schwarz, Bill Smith, Johnny Thompson, Guy Todd, Jr., Roy Washburn, Dorothy Webba, Don Welch, Miles Welch, Sharon Wharton, Melvin Wheeler, Mike Whitten.



MISS CATHY MC LAIN

Miss Cathy McLain Honored by TCU AFROTC Unit

Elected Commander of Samuel E. Anderson Squadron

The Samuel E. Anderson Squadron of the National Angel Flight has announced that Miss Cathy McLain, junior student at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, has been elected Commander at TCU for 1972. With this goes a rating of honorary cadet major, the highest position held in Angel Flight on a college campus.

Miss McLain has also been elected "Little Major" of the Arnold Air Society, ROTC cadet honorary organization. She will be competing for "Little Colonel" at the area conclave held in Hot Springs, Ark., January 21.

Angel Flight is an organization of dedicated college women who promote the interests of the United States Air Force, the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Program, the Arnold Air Society and their universities. The 45 Angels also serve as official hostesses to visiting dignitaries to the college campus, promote various service projects, and drill in military and Air Force awards days. Miss McLain has served as the past pledge trainer of Angel Flight.

Other activities while at TCU include secretary and past community relations chairman of TCU Fashion Fair, TCU Mams'elle, historian of TCU Panhellenic, chaplain and past intramurals chairman of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, secretary of TCU Home Economics Club, member of Student Recruitment Team for Athletics, and a member of the state nominating committee of the Texas Home Economics Association. Last year, Miss McLain was nominated for TCU's Ten Outstanding College Girls.

Miss McLain is majoring in fashion merchandising and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton McLain of Crowell.

Two Oil Tests Are Staked in South Part of County

Huber Corp. Stakes Tests on Gribble and Halsell Land

The first oil tests in Foard County in a long time have been staked by the J. H. Huber Corporation of Amarillo.

One is No. 1 Gribble, a 6,350-foot test, 4 1/2 miles south of Crowell and 2 1/2 miles southwest of depleted Effie Bell field, 660 feet from south and 1,980 from west lines of Abb Luce survey. Huber has also announced its No. 1 Halsell, 6,050-foot test, seven miles southeast of Crowell near depleted Crowell field, 1,950 feet from north and 660 feet from east lines of J. Shearer survey.

The Gribble test is in a 480-acre lease and the Halsell test is in a 640-acre lease.

Three Members of Family Receive Degrees at Tech

A rare occurrence took place at mid-year commencement exercises of Texas Tech University in Lubbock last Friday, Dec. 17.

Three members of the same family all received their bachelor degrees. Lee Looney received his Bachelor of Science degree and his sister, Mrs. Steve Gray, and her husband, also received their bachelor of science degrees.

Mr. Looney and Mrs. Gray are the son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Newell Looney of Truscott, and Mr. Gray is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Gray of Thalia.

You will always stay young if you live honestly, eat slowly, sleep sufficiently, work industriously, worship faithfully . . . and lie about your age.—The Greybull, (Wyo.) Standard.

Foard County Included

SCABIES QUARANTINE CONTINUES IN AREA

Foard County is one of the 34 counties of Northwest Texas which is involved in a scabies quarantine of cattle.

The USDA said final clearance of red tape delayed an announcement of the quarantine which took place Tuesday, Dec. 14, and the notice was not given until Wednesday, December 15.

The quarantine in the 34-county area was imposed in an effort to curb outbreaks of scabies, a disease caused by tiny mites which burrow into the skin of animals. The seven counties where scabies actually have been reported are Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Moore and Motley.

Other counties designated for quarantine are Armstrong, Bailey, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Cottle, Floyd, Foard, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hemphill, Hansford, Hartley, Hardeman, Hutchinson, Lamb, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher and Wheeler.

Under quarantine rules, cattle from herds known to be infested will not be allowed off the premises until they are checked and certified by state or federal livestock inspectors as being free of the disease.

Also, cattle exposed to scabies will not be allowed for shipment until they are dipped at least once to kill possible mite infestation.

Cattle can be moved through and out of the quarantine area if they are accompanied by a certificate of inspection issued by state-federal personnel or an accredited veterinarian within ten days of movement. In addition to this, cattle destined for shipment to other states must meet federal requirements as well as requirements of the state of destination.

Cage Teams Host Knox City Here December 28th

Since the News will not be printed on the last Thursday of December, the following information is printed about coming basketball action.

On Tuesday, December 28, all three Crowell teams—varsity, junior varsity and girls—will host the Knox City teams in games getting underway at 5 p. m. After that, the next basketball action will be on January 4, Tuesday, when the two boys teams go to Childress. Action is set to get underway at 6:30.

Charles Dodd to Preach Sunday at First Baptist Church

Charles Dodd, a graduate of Crowell High School, will be the preacher at both services Sunday, December 26, at the First Baptist Church. Charles is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dodd of Rule and a grandson of C. D. Hall of Crowell. He is a junior ministerial student at Baylor University in Waco.

News About Our MEN IN SERVICE

Sgt. Joe Brown of Crowell has returned home from an extended tour of duty in England. His wife and children, who were with him in England for some time, returned home a few months ago. He is a son of Mrs. Joe Brown, Sr. of Crowell.



TO RETIRE CHRISTMAS EVE—S. H. Ross, shown above as he sorts the mail he will deliver on Thalia Star Route, will conclude over 32 years as Thalia Star Route carrier when he makes his last run Christmas eve.

Henry Ross to Retire After 32 Years As Carrier of Thalia Star Route

When S. H. Ross makes his last run along US 70 to Thalia, on Friday, December 24, it will be the last time for mail to be hauled on the Thalia Star Route. The Thalia Star Route has consisted of residents living along the highway between Crowell and Thalia, and Mr. Ross presently has 17 on his route. However, the postal service has decided to discontinue this route and combine it with Route 1, and when Mr. Ross finishes his run on December 24, he will be concluding more than 32 years service as carrier of Thalia Star Route. He began the contract job on July 1, 1939. Mr. Ross said that he replaced Paul Wallace who had resigned the job back in '39. Back many years ago, Mr. Ross during a 14 month period, made two trips to Thalia each day, but for many years has made only one trip per day. In announcing the discontinuance of Thalia Star Route, Varner Stevens of the postal service wrote Mr. Ross: "Let us say we appreciate the fine service you have performed . . ."

Wet December

The .22 inch of rain officially recorded here Tuesday afternoon of last week pushed the December rainfall total to 1.91 inches.

This is the most moisture received in Foard County during the month of December since 1960.

One New Vehicle

One new vehicle was registered here last week: Dec. 17, Frank Wisdom, 1972 Chevrolet pickup.



SANTA VISITS IN CROWELL—These two scenes show children visiting with Santa Claus when he visited the Neighborhood Center in Crowell Wednesday of last week.

ADS For Sale SALE—3-bedroom First Street—7-1/2c

The Crowell High



WILDCAT

Editor Daryl Halencak
 Senior Debbie Johnson
 Junior Babs Streit
 Sophomore Debbie Scott
 Freshmen Jacquelyn Brown
 Sports Terry Cobb
 Typist Brenda Cox
 Sponsor Mrs. Jean Halbert

**Weekly Schedule
 December 20-21**

Monday: Spanish party, band parents meeting.
 Tuesday: Drama Club play at 9:15. Band and chorus program 1:30. Quanaah there 6:30. School dismissed at 2:30.

**Thoughts on
 Christmas**

Rejoice! For in the birth of Christ there dawns a bright new day. Where Peace and Love forever suffice. To build an eternal way.

Lance Worley.

Seniors

Tuesday morning, the Drama Club presented a Christmas play entitled "Santa's Spectacles." Senior cast members include Bill Taylor, Trey Autry, Betty Whitfield, Teri Garrett, Bette Sue Barry, Carolyn Jones, Sharla Haynie and Debbie Johnson.

Tuesday afternoon, the CHS choir and band presented a Christmas program and immediately following it, school was dismissed at 2:30 for the holidays.

Seniors would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. See ya next year!!

The Junior Journal

This first semester has made many memories for the juniors—football Friday nights, a pizza party, the magazine sale, the magazine party, homecoming, chili supper, mum sale, basketball season, the Crowell tournament, mid-term tests, and the last day of school before Christmas holidays with plays and parties and programs. We are all ready for a break from school, but we will be

ready to come back January 3. From all of the juniors: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Sophomore News

Thank goodness the holidays are here! With exams and books behind us now until next semester, we can relax and await the time we will discover what Santa left for us! Tuesday, many sophomores participated in drama club, chorus and band. Hope Santa Claus is good to everybody and to everyone a very Merry Christmas!

Freshman Frolics

Well, now that the semester tests are over (finally), it seems that all the freshmen think about is the Christmas vacation (will it ever get here?), what we'll get for Christmas (if I get another red and yellow blouse, I'll scream) and if we'll get a B or a C in English.

The freshmen would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and remind all kiddies to put out milk and cookies for Santa on Christmas Eve. If possible, put out chocolate chip cookies (they're his favorite kind).

Drama Club

"Santa's Spectacles" was presented by the Drama Club students Tuesday morning. The play was a Christmas fantasy of how Santa broke his spectacles. There was much confusion until Santa finally got his specs back from Prunella Crookshank. At the end, everyone was wished a very Merry Christmas.

The part of Jingles was played by Rhonda Vecera, Prunella Crookshank by Debbie Johnson, Snowball by Karen Gray, Rag Doll by Sharla Haynie, Jack-in-Box by Trey Autry, Santa Claus by Bill Taylor and the Clown by Darryl Worley.

The elves were Nippy played by Trudy Bird, Tippy by Bette Barry, Kringles by Darla Bell, Twinky by Cindy Wisdom, Blinky by Carolyn Jones, Giggles by Betty Whitfield and Dipsy by Teri Garrett.

The toy soldiers were played by Joe Haynie, Bob Taylor and Daryl Halencak. The children were played by Kathy Shirley, Veda Everson, Rose Westover and Renee Westbrook. Many of the elves were double cast as children, also. Butch Borchardt operated the spotlight for us.

The Drama Club enjoyed presenting this Christmas play, and wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

F. H. A.

The Future Homemakers of America met in the homemaking cottage December 15 after school. President Betty Linda Whitfield called the meeting to order while Darla Bell gave our treasurer's report. The FHA bake sale was Saturday, Dec. 18, at Shirley-Youree Drugstore. The girls are saving Betty Crocker coupons to help buy new furniture for the homemaking cottage.

The club will meet in the homemaking cottage on January 11, 1972, for their next meeting.

**'Twas the Night
 Before the Big Game**

'Twas the night before the big game, and all through the school, not a creature was stirring, not even a fool. The books were stacked in the lockers with care, in hope that some thief would soon find them there.

The students were arriving for the great game that night, in hope that our team would fight! fight!

When out on the floor came such a clatter the Wildcats came out to see what was the matter. The Greyhounds were sad, depressed, and confused, because they knew already, the Wildcats can't lose.

The crowd during the game would holler, scream and yell. They also used whistles, horns, drums and bells.

The noise rose up with a great uproar. They stopped the game to get people off the floor.

Parents stood up and yelled what they thought. Wishing they did, like the last game—fought! The game had ended, and my, they were glad. They realized then they hadn't been had.

The boys were happy, and the girls were too. They went out that night, looking red, white, and blue, and getting ready for the next game, and wondering what what to do.

The moral of this story is sad but true; some teams have it, some never do.

**Christmas Greeting
 From Some of the
 Crowell Faculty**

Mrs. Drabek: "Just wait till all you seniors get your test results back for a belated Christmas gift!"

Mrs. Halbert: "I hope Santa brings you A's in all your other classes because you're not getting one in this class."

Mr. Jones: "We will have a Christmas present for the seniors next May if they are good little kiddies."

Band Notes

Nancy Looney, David Stapp, Dwayne Crosby, Babs Streit, Carolyn Jones and Julie Streit traveled to Hirschi High School to try out for Region II North Zone All-District Band last Friday. Nancy made second chair clarinet, David made third chair french horn, Babs made second chair flute, Dwayne made sixth chair bass, Carolyn made ninth chair trombone, and Julie made first chair bassoon. Each person trying out for all-district band had to prepare three difficult exercises and perform them for a panel of judges. The judges selected the best performers to be in the band. Classes A, AA, AAA and AAAA all competed against each other. There is no distinction between the size of school you are from. This district includes around 20 schools. 104 members were selected from these schools. Try outs for the band were on Friday, Dec. 17. Saturday, the selected members rehearsed for six hours under the direction of Donald Baird of West Texas State University. On Saturday night, the band pre-

sented a concert. Each member of the all-district band and south zone all-district band will try out against each other, and the best members will be chosen for the All-Region band. On January 8, at Iowa Park, the all-region band will be directed by Francis McBeth, and present a concert that night.

**SMOKING
 AMONG
 TEENAGERS**

By Gordon M. Meade, M.D.

Medical Director
 National Tuberculosis and
 Respiratory Disease Association

Q. Are teenagers smoking more—or less—than ever before?
 A. More. About one million more teenagers are smoking today than two years ago. The percentage of smokers in the 18-year-old group is 43 percent for boys, 28 for girls. But the increase in new smokers is greatest at the younger ages: 13, 14, and 15. Even among 12-year-olds, smoking has doubled.

Q. Is smoking as hazardous for young people as for adults who have smoked for years?
 A. Even regular smoking among teenagers tends to be at fairly low daily levels by adult standards. But studies of youngsters from ages 11 to 18 show significantly more sickness among those who smoke. New research makes clear that even one cigarette causes immediate damage to the circulatory system and upsets the normal flow of blood and air in the lungs. One cigarette also slows down the action of the cilia, the tiny hairlike structures in the bronchial tubes that sweep out dirt and germs. This is why people who smoke, including teenagers, are more susceptible to respiratory infection than non-smokers. And the chances of developing diseases such as lung cancer and chronic bronchitis increase with the number of cigarettes you smoke over the years.

Q. Is rebellion against parents and the Establishment one of the reasons why young people still smoke?
 A. Most teenagers who smoke say they know about the health hazards, but they smoke because their friends do, to be "with it." Some say they are rebelling against

parental values, but the statistics indicate quite the reverse. The highest level of smoking among teenagers occurs in families where one or both parents smoke.

Q. What can parents do to encourage their teenagers not to smoke?
 A. They can become non-smokers. The parental example is obviously very powerful. Equally clear, many authorities do not think it is a good idea to forbid smoking because that in itself may actually trigger rebellious behavior.

Q. Are there any other ways to help reverse the smoking trend among teenagers?
 A. Getting teenagers themselves actively involved—under their own steam—in promoting antismoking activities is one way. TB-RD associations, which are supported by Christmas Seal contributions, have sponsored antismoking campaigns conducted exclusively by teenagers who wrote radio and TV spots, bumper stickers, and press releases. "Mod Squads" of teenagers who visit the elementary grades to tell younger children about smoking are also effective. In special projects in some schools, young people also set up their own experiments and demonstrations to show exactly how smoking affects the lungs, heart, and nervous system.

When more and more young people spread the antismoking word—to their friends as well as adults—the present trend may change. Teenagers can play a big part in making smoking socially unacceptable among people of all ages.

**Former Resident of
 Thalia Died Dec. 8**

Word was received here last week by Mrs. Maggie Capps of the death of a former resident of the Thalia community, Willie Wright of Garland, who died Dec. 8. Funeral services for the 64-year old former Thalia resident were conducted by John H. Banister, Dec. 10, and interment was in the Garland cemetery. Besides his wife and son, he is survived by two brothers, Lois Wright and Wendell of Garland and two sisters of the Dallas area.

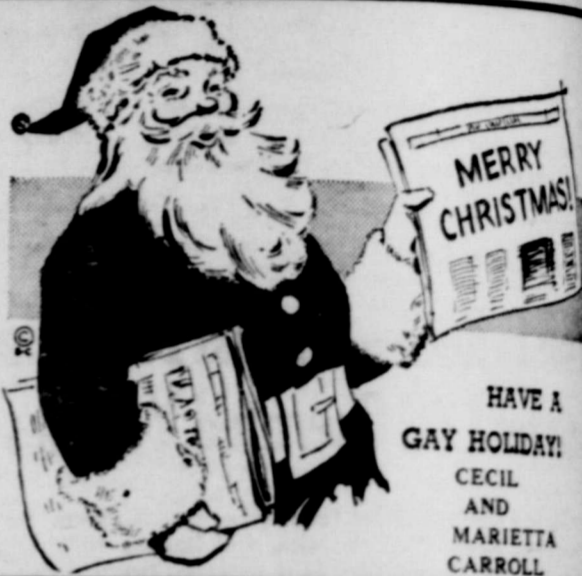
While residing in Foard County he and his family lived and was employed 14 years on the farm of the late T. L. Ward and later spent several years as farm foreman on the Waggoner ranch. He

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 SUBSCRIPTION RATES
 \$3.64 per year in Foard and adjoining counties.
 \$5.20 elsewhere.

Freezing Butter

Store butter in its original protective wrapper or container ready to use. But if you do plan to use it within two or three days, extension foods and nutrition specialists remind that you can freeze extra amounts of butter. Frozen butter will maintain its quality up to two months. It was a member of the Christmas Club.

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BEEF TIPS lb. 69¢
BOILING BEEF lb. 45¢
Wright's Sausage 3 lbs. \$1.00
Ebner's Sliced Bacon 3 lbs. \$1.00



Hughston Insurance Agency



Foard County Mill



Blessings to one and all this day.

Mrs. Allen Shultz



**Peace
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...and to you,
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MRS. JOHN S. RAY

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The Trick Is . . .

Chicago adopted stringent gun control laws in 1968, aimed at reducing the number of crimes committed with guns. City officials now admit that the crime rate has increased despite the law. The trick is to get the criminals to register their guns, and even the 'experts' haven't been able to figure that one out . . . —Montrose, Calif., Ledger.

DPS Director Asks Aid of Texas Motorists in Reducing Holiday Mishaps

Austin — Colonel Wilson E. Speir, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, Monday issued a plea for Texas motorists to join law enforcement officials in a conscious effort to reduce holiday traffic accidents.

Speir said the DPS expects almost 100 traffic fatalities in Texas during the Christmas-New Year holiday season. He estimates that 52 persons will be killed during the Christmas period from 6 p. m. Thursday, December 23, through midnight Sunday, December 26. An additional 46 deaths are expected during the New Year holiday which begins at 6 p. m. Thursday, December 30, and ends at midnight Monday, January 2.

The DPS director cited statistics which show that last year, December led all other months for fatal traffic accidents in Texas. He said deaths for the 1970 Christmas week end were 14 per cent higher than the average three day week end period, with those for the New Year holidays running 51 per cent above average. Deaths for all four major holiday week ends in Texas last year were 26 per cent higher than the average of all other comparable week end periods.

Texas, the DPS will conduct its "Operation Motorcade" during both the Christmas and New Year holidays. Special tabulations on fatal accidents will be prepared and issued three times daily in an effort to focus maximum public attention on the accident and traffic problem.

New year's eve is an especially bad time to be on the highways. Don't drive unless you have to. Another driver, who has been enjoying holiday spirits, might make you his one mistake for the road.



SCHOLARLY COWBOY — Bib-front shorty overalls in Cone's sturdy cotton denim are hitched to a bright plaid shirt for a school-going outfit with pioneer flavor. By Perfect Boys.

Two Minutes With the Bible

"A Gift for You"
"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

In the light of the Pauline epistles these well-known words have become more appropriate than when our Lord first spoke them. Through Paul, Christ's redemptive work at Calvary has been proclaimed and fully explained. In this light, then, we suggest that our readers take the time to really meditate on this passage about God's greatest gift to man.

Think of the love that prompted it! "God so loved . . ." We were the "children of disobedience" and "by nature the children of wrath, even as others" (Eph. 2:2,3). We deserved judgment, "but God, who is rich in mercy, for His great love wherewith He loved us," gave His best, His all, to save us (Eph. 2:4).

Think of its priceless value! "His only begotten Son—everlasting life." Christ, the holy One, had to be given up to disgrace and death in order that our sins might be justly dealt with, and that we might become the rightful heirs of everlasting life (Rom. 3:25,26).

Think of your need of this gift! ". . . that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish . . ." How perilous not to accept "the gift of God which is eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Rom. 6:23). What folly to spurn or ignore a gift we need so sorely!

Finally, think how gracious the offer! ". . . that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." Whosoever believeth! Any one may have this gift by simply believing—accepting in simple faith what God says about Christ paying for our sins at Calvary. In fact, this is the only way we can become the recipients of this wonderful gift, for Rom. 4:5 declares: "But to him that worketh not, but believeth on Him that justifieth the ungodly, His faith (believing) is counted for righteousness."

The holiday season is hectic enough as it is, so don't rush when behind the wheel. Fast driving may get you there in time—or it may not get you there at all.

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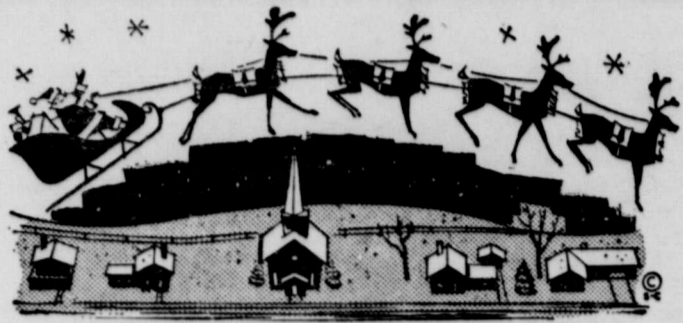
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Greetings

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Cornelia McDaniel



Nelson and Marjorie Oliphant

If You Were Somebody Else

Johann Lessing tells the story of the dissatisfied horse that asked the gods for longer, thinner legs, a neck like a swan, and a saddle that would grow upon him as a part of his body. Admiring all these separate appendages of beauty, the horse longed to incorporate them all within himself.

Straightway the obliging gods changed him into a creature embodying all the new features. But desirable as they had appeared separately, the entire assembly struck terror into the horse, for he found that he had been changed into an ugly camel!

"There now," said the gods, "you have been granted your wish, and they shall continue with you all your life as a reminder to you that a horse should be thankful for what he is."

The lesson is, it is better to improve what you have than to wish for what you have not.

A Self-Test

Friends or relatives are quick to check up on us when we make mistakes. This isn't always so pleasant, and it is really more "fun" to check up on ourselves, and then try to profit by the results, than to have someone else point out our faults. Here is an interesting self-test which you can use to see just how you measure up. Be as honest as you can with your answers:

1. Do I tell the truth at all times?
2. Do I put myself out to do an unpleasant job for another?
3. Am I careful never to judge others?
4. Can I really forgive others?
5. Do I refuse to repeat unkind statements which I hear about others?
6. If I am wronged, do I have the urge to "strike back"—or will I "heap coals of fire" in the form of kindness upon the one who has wronged me?
7. Do I have habits which irritate others?
8. Am I as kind to those in my home as I could be?
9. Am I as patient with others as I want them to be with me?

Less Free

"The more free federal aid becomes, the less free will Americans be. If only because they'll be forced to spend more time working to pay taxes and have less time free to work for their own needs."—Altoona, Pa., Mirror.



FREE-SWINGING — The cape swings into fall as stylish topping for pants cut with fit and flare. In wide wale cotton corduroy, the outfit by Koret of California.

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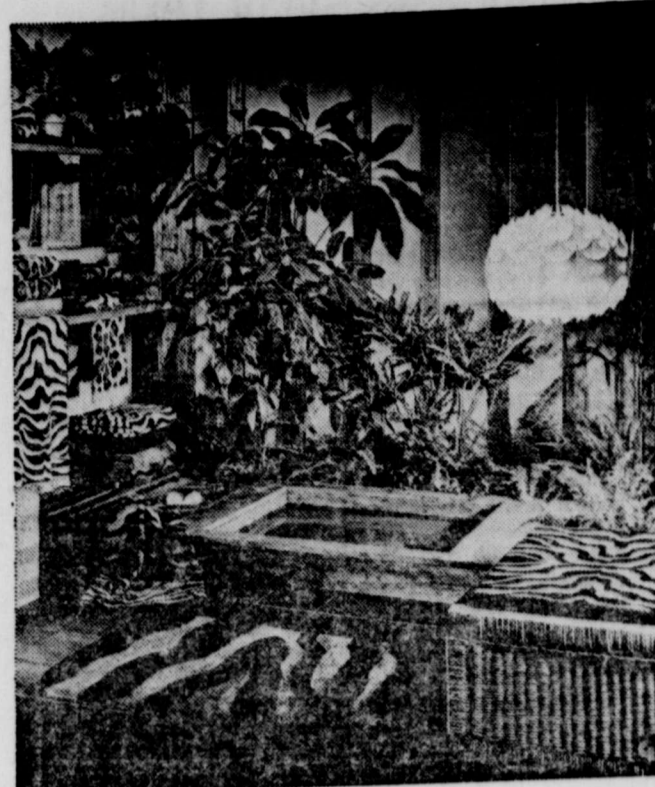
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NOTICE—Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing, or reputation of any person, firm, or corporation, which may appear in the columns of this paper will be gladly corrected upon the notice of same being brought to the attention of the publisher.



JUNGLE TRAPPINGS—Bath decor takes on a bold new look in cotton terry towels and accessories turned on in wild animal prints. This plush set by Fieldcrest comes in tiger, zebra, and leopard designs to lend a safari flavor to any bath in the house.

Focus on 10,000,000 Land Office Documents

The maintenance and preservation of more than 10,000,000 documents which tell the history of Texas land is the function of the Records Division of the General Land Office in Austin.

All records involving public lands, some dating back to 1745, are kept in a constant-temperature vault on the third floor of the Land Office Building. Individual documents comprising basic title to 176,266,000 acres of land in the state are located there. Headrights granted by the Republic of Texas after 1836 are frequently consulted by visitors to the GLO. In fact, records director David Reeves estimates approximately 200 people visit this division each month in search of information contained in the files.

Some of the state's most valuable documents are kept in the Spanish Archives section. More than 4,200 land grants issued by the Spanish and Mexican governments over a period of two centuries and covering 22,500,000 acres are on file. Because of their importance as the basis of existing land claims and the establishment of conflicting boundaries, the translation of these land grants has been one of the chief duties of the Land Office since its beginning. Virginia Taylor, a Texas historian and writer, is the Land Office's Spanish translator. The Spanish Archives are consulted daily by lawyers, writers, educators, students, and genealogists. Certified translations and photostatic copies of these documents are available upon request for a small fee.

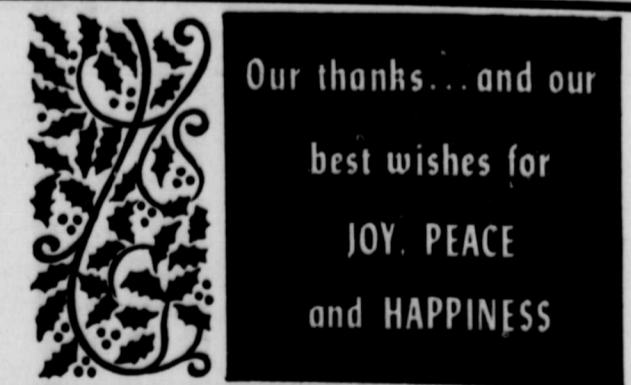


IF WINTER COMES—Will hotpants still be around? Proof positive is seen in this outfit of wine-colored cotton velveteen. The shorts are topped by a blazer that's lavishly embroidered in orange flowers. For the faint-hearted, a matching floor-length skirt is available. By Victoria Royal.

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It Makes You Feel Rather Inadequate

The Montana Chamber of Commerce notes in their publication that "Automation, socialization, taxation, all the bane of the working man who may find himself like those in the Soviet Union supporting the government with his taxes, working for it, but no strikes allowed. All of which is reminiscent of a story I once heard about two dairy cows. They were standing in their stanchions, formulated feeds before them and milking machines attached. Outside they could see a dairy truck with the message emblazoned on the side saying Pastuerized, Homogenized, and Fortified with Extra Vitamins. Said the one to the other, 'Considering all this, plus the artificial insemination, it makes you feel rather inadequate somehow'."

Magic Markers—all colors. They write on anything. Only 59c at the News office.

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Farmers Urged to Consult Tax Expert

Before Jan. 1, Foard County farmers should check with their tax consultants on complex tax problems. Latest information from Washington indicates that a new seven per cent investment credit act will likely be passed by Congress. And it may be retroactive to April 1.

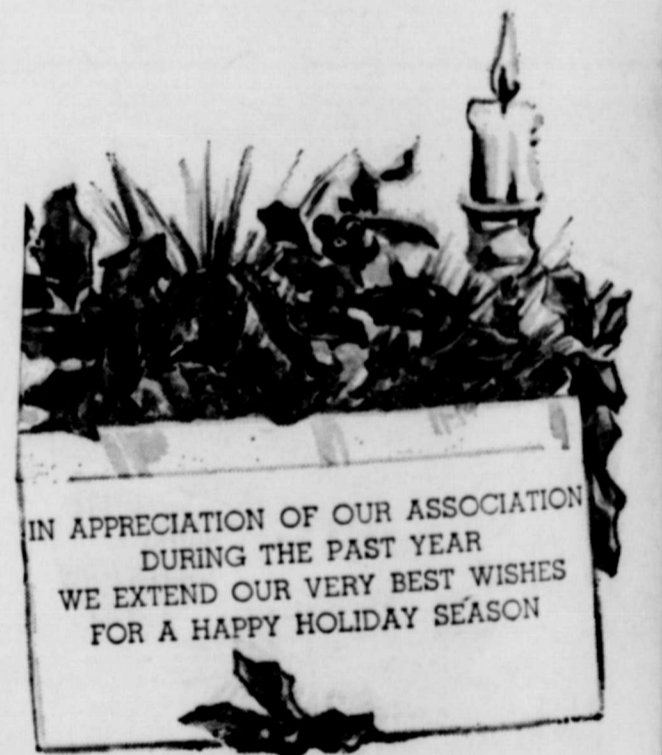
Thus, county agent Joe Barker says farmers should bring their records up to date so you can make some investment decision if necessary.



Let us return to that Faith and hope which all the generations before us held steadfastly. Let us know love, and hope. Let us believe. And above all... Let us pray for Peace.



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Mayme, Flossie, Foster, Leslie



The Spirit of Christ be with you
And bless you mightily
As you celebrate this Christmas
And the year that is to be.

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Howard and Marjorie

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Bill Review
 Texas Press Association

Health, Tex. — Texas Department of Health bills introduced in the House and Senate are scheduled to go to the floor in the next few days. The bills are designed to improve the state's health care system and to provide for the care of the mentally ill. The bills are sponsored by Representative [Name] and Senator [Name].

ACOPINIONS

The State Department of Health has received a number of inquiries from the public regarding the proposed changes in the state's health care system. The department is currently reviewing the proposals and will issue a final report in the next few weeks. The proposals include changes in the way that health care services are delivered and financed.

ADDED TO NURSING HOMES

The State Department of Health has announced that it has approved the addition of 100 new nursing home beds in the state. The new beds will be added to existing facilities and will provide care for the elderly and the infirm. The approval is part of a larger program to improve the state's long-term care system.

CONGRESS PAY HELP ASKED

Texas congressmen have asked the federal government to provide additional funding to help pay for the costs of the state's health care system. The request is part of a larger effort to secure federal support for the state's health care programs. The congressmen argue that the state's health care system is in a state of crisis and that federal assistance is needed to prevent a collapse.

COURTS SPEAK

The Texas Supreme Court has ruled in favor of the state in a case involving the constitutionality of the state's health care system. The court's decision is a significant victory for the state and will have a major impact on the way that health care is delivered in Texas. The court found that the state's health care system is constitutional and that the federal government's attempt to interfere with it is unconstitutional.

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CONVENTIONS MUST MAKE

Conventions must make a "feasible effort" to encourage the participation of women in the state's political process. This is the message of a new report issued by the Texas Press Association. The report calls for greater efforts to recruit and support women candidates for office and to ensure that they have the resources and support they need to succeed.

AT LEAST 75 PERCENT

At least 75 percent of the state's population must be covered by health insurance by the year 2000. This is the goal of a new initiative launched by the Texas Department of Health. The initiative is designed to ensure that everyone in the state has access to affordable health care and to prevent the kind of health care crisis that has plagued other states.

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Yuletide Joy
 Tidings of cheer to each and every one!

MYRTLE AND OSCAR GENTRY

WISHING YOU A HOLIDAY FILLED WITH HAPPINESS!

OPAL HAZELWOOD

Merry Christmas

KETCHERSID'S BARBER SHOP

Poinsettia Care

Poinsettias can give lasting beauty to your yard or patio with the proper care, says Forest June, extension landscape horticulturist. The plant will go into a rest period in mid-January and watering should be reduced. After the danger of frost, the plant can be moved to the yard. To produce a bushy plant, pinch out the tips of new growth and thin shoots reach four to six inches in length.

Preventing Vitamin Loss

Losses of vitamins A and C occur when vegetable elements are heated. To prevent heating oxidation, home economists specialists suggest using a sharp blade when slicing, cutting or shredding vegetables.

May your Joys Be Many

at this Christmas occasion

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Merry Christmas

MRS. J. T. KING

Merry Christmas to All

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JOY to the World

May the radiance of the Christmas spirit shine upon all men.

Your Avon Representative Winifred Powers

Merry Christmas

Marie and Wendell Callaway

Merry Christmas

Crowell Flower Shop
 JANEL MIKANEILLE SAJANEL JANELLEESA

Christmas Greetings

The Bill Klepper Family



BATH CLEANER — Bath Jani-bath floor has given way to imaginative new treatments like this one with a lovely geometric theme. Colors in the wall design are given both repetition in bright blue cotton Terry towels from the manufacturer and a soft-colored bath towel makes a matching cover for the vanity bench.

Fat Stock Show
 Dates Are Jan. 28 Through Feb. 6

Advance ticket purchases for the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show and Rodeo are running ahead of any recent year, reports A. C. Iman, ticket manager. The 10th annual stock show and rodeo is scheduled Jan. 28 through Feb. 6 in Amon Carter Square in Fort Worth on the city's west side.

Cotton Classing
 Office Having Slow Season

The USDA Cotton Classing Office at El Paso reported a season total of 16,800 samples classed through December 22. Only 1,000 samples per week have been classed for each of the past two weeks, according to C. E. Cox, office in charge at El Paso. The season total classed was well less than the 100,000 of normal, and about six weeks later than average. Last year at this time, 17,000 samples had been classed.

Crowell 8th Grade
 Cage Team Wins Childress Tourney

The Crowell boys 8th grade basketball team, coached by Dr. [Name], won first in the Childress tournament held last week end. Crowell won its first game 24 to 21 over Shamrock, with the following boys doing the scoring: David Bell 21, Don Taylor 5, Rocky Glasscock 10, Rayford Dornay 5, Melvin Westover 5, and David Stapp 2.

Happy Holidays

John and Cora Belle Rader

Foard County Is Decked Out with Christmas Lights

Winners Are Named in Outdoor Lighting Contest

By Mrs. Peggy Meads
Foard County H. D. Agent

It is gratifying to see the quantity and quality of outside Christmas decorations in the City of Crowell and the County of Foard. The decorations on the court house square are inspirational and the lighting on the court house and the city streets is outstanding. The judging of those entered in the lighting contest has been completed and the winners are as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Carpenter, Mrs. Ruth McBeath, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Taylor.

Judges were used from out of town and they found this a very difficult task. A great deal of comment was made on the exceptional originality used by the participants.

The Home Demonstration Council would like to take this opportunity to thank all participants of the contest for helping to make this a very Merry Christmas for the residents of our community as well as those who travel through our county.

We would also like to commend

EOAC Funded for Year to the Tune Of \$122,772.00

Governor Preston Smith Friday announced his approval during the past week of a community action grant of \$122,772 in new federal funds to EOAC of Cottle, Foard, Hardeman and Wilbarger Counties in Crowell for operation of the agency's programs.

The grant is funded under Title II of the Economic Opportunity Act, and is effective Dec. 1, 1971, through Nov. 30, 1972. Program accounts and the amount of new federal funds allotted each are: CAA administration, \$36,602; housing services, \$9,706; general services, \$56,561; and senior opportunities and services, \$19,903.

Self-help housing projects will be promoted through the housing services program. Assistance will be provided low-income persons to repair their own homes by training them in construction skills and loaning them necessary tools. Also, they will be helped to obtain housing construction and repair loans.

One center for each of the four counties in which this agency operates will be operated through the general services program.

those who were responsible for the court house decorations. Thank you and a Happy New Year.

Among the projects to be offered in the centers are kindergarten classes; day care; arts and crafts classes for all age groups; counseling for the young; cooking, sewing and quilting; adult education classes to assist low-income persons achieve the high school equivalency diploma; and recreation programs for all ages.

Members of policy advisory committees determined the activities they needed most through the senior opportunities and services program. A licensed vocational nurse will work with the elderly under a doctor's supervision to assist them with minor health needs. Guest speakers will

discuss topics of interest to the elderly, and classes will be conducted in arts and crafts and sewing. County home demonstration agents will teach cooking classes to meet the nutrition needs of elderly, and Department of Public Safety personnel will conduct driver refresher courses. Other activities planned include picnics, cook-outs, birthday luncheons, and participation in the old settlers' reunion.

The human heart rests about eight-tenths of a second between each contraction.

How About Paying For the Free-Loading Federal Mail?

"The main cause of inflation over the years has been increased government spending. It may have sounded 'businesslike' to make each piece of mail pay its way, but the government seems to have forgotten that all of its mail, including the military as well as the frank privilege of the politicians is carried without charge. Does it really want each piece to pay its own way; or is it trying to soak the rest of us for all the free-loading federal mail? The post

office used to collect millions of dollars from magazines such as Look, but one after another they are dropping out of business. The government wanted to collect twice as much from Look. Instead it is going to get nothing. A lot of newspapers will be forced out of business unless government relents on its unprecedented postal hike."—San Marino, Calif., Tribune.

(Editor's note: As just an example of the vast free use of the mails by government, the first five pieces of mail I opened last Thursday morning were from federal government agencies: two were news re-

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leases from the Veterans Administration; one was from the government printing office trying to sell me a book for \$3.50 entitled "A Good Life for More People;" one was a news release from a politician and one was from the U. S. Air Force.—Bill Klepper.)

WE GIVE GREEN STAMPS

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Luke 2:14

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Greetings

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Gold MEDAL FLOUR ALL-PURPOSE

59¢

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BATH TISSUE

CHARMIN 4 roll 49¢
MELLORINE Oak Farms 39¢
BISCUITS White Swan 6 pk. 49¢
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SOUR CREAM OAK FARMS Mix or Match
WHIPPING CREAM \$1.00
ROLLS Baird's Bake & Serve 29¢

WE GIVE GREEN STAMPS

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HAMBURGER 2 pounds \$1.19
CLUB STEAKS lb. 89¢
BACON Wright Brand lb. 59¢
CHUCK STEAK lb. 75¢

CORNBREAD MIX Cinch 15 oz. 29¢
COCONUT Baker's angle flake 14 oz. 69¢
PEACHES White Swan 2 1/2 39¢
PINEAPPLE Del Monte No. 2 39¢
NESTEA Large 3 oz. Jar 99¢
Pineapple-Grapefruit Del Monte 46 oz. 33¢
CORN Our Darling 303 can 23¢
ASPARAGUS Green Giant Spears 79¢
SWEET PEAS White Swan 303 23¢
PUMPKIN Del Monte 303 23¢
TOMATOES Del Monte 303 can 29¢

WHITE SWAN MILK Tall Cans 2 for 39¢

WE GIVE GREEN STAMPS

BANANAS lb. 9¢
YELLOW ONIONS lb. 9¢
POTATOES 10 lb. bag 49¢

BANQUET FROZEN TV DINNERS 3 for \$1.00

WE GIVE GREEN STAMPS

CRISCO 89¢

Limit 1

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Christmas GREETINGS

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PERSONALS

Each Zenith color TV, only \$55—Marion Crowell's News Store. 48-tfc

Greening returned home Friday after a stay in the Hospital in Dallas.

Women's Service League met Thursday (today).

Shea of Dumas visited over the weekend in the home of Mr. Warren Everson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bruce and of Houston spent the week end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bruce.

Catherine Weinaug of Kansas, visited in the home of her cousin, Mrs. Warren, and husband last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Borchardt, Mr. and Mrs. John Carl and Snyder over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Seay and Mrs. Stone of Monahan's Mr. and Mrs. Goodloe Measur over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Golden, Jr. and Mrs. Golden spent the week end with Mr. Golden's Mrs. J. W. Golden, Sr.

Mr. Carpenter of Frankfort, returned to his home after visiting his brother, Cecil Carland family.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Crowell spent the Christmas holidays in Flagstaff, Ariz., visiting daughter, Mrs. Lowell Page, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Powers visited in the home of M. T. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Parrish, and Mr. and Mrs. Graham in Lubbock over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lottis Roberts spent the week end in Dumas, where they had been visiting their daughter, Mrs. Charles and family. They returned at this week for another visit in the Sharp family.

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Kenneth Sellers has completed his first semester of college at West Texas State University and is here visiting his sister, Mrs. Jesse Whitfield, and family.

Frank Meason of Chillicothe was one of the dinner guests of Gusta Davis Sunday. He also attended church and visited other friends and relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. David Carpenter, Rusty and Tammy, of Wichita Falls visited their parents, Mrs. G. A. Shultz and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Carpenter, and family last week end.

Miss Renee Cooper, who is a student at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, is here to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Crews Cooper.

Mrs. Randy Adkins and Mrs. Cecil Carpenter visited in Wichita Falls last week on business and also visited the David Carpenter family.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Stepp of Beverly Hills, Calif., are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Fisch, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Edd Stepp of Quanah.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Higgins and daughter, Kerry Christin, of Albany, Ga., are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shirley. Also visiting in their home are Mr. and Mrs. Bob Shirley. Miss Kay Shirley has returned home for the holidays from Cisco Junior College.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud McLain and two daughters, Cathy and Kristi, left Sunday for Delaware to visit Mrs. McLain's relatives. They will return after January 1. Cathy and Kristi are both students at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Luther Tamplen over the week end were her granddaughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Tittle and Mike of Vallejo, Calif. Mr. Tittle teaches computer in the Navy and attends Berkeley University. They were en route from Colorado where they visited her parents to Dallas to visit his parents, Dr. and Mrs. William Tittle of SMU. Also visiting Mrs. Tamplen were Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Hough of Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Speer, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tamplen and Cindy, all of Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. Ham Tamplen and Terry and Tommy and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Whatley and Pam, all of Crowell.

Veterans who receive an "other than honorable" discharge from military service may get applications for review of their discharges from any VA office.

Boys Varsity Team Wins Consolation Trophy at Paducah

Following is a brief account of all the CHS basketball action during the past week.

On Monday night, Dec. 13, the CHS girls team went to Electra to challenge the Tigerettes and came home with a 39 to 33 victory. Cheryl Branch was high pointer for Crowell with 13 and Sandra Whitfield was second with 13.

On Tuesday night, December 14, the Crowell boys teams hosted Childress.

The Crowell junior varsity won 63-61 with Lloyd Waggoner leading the Crowell offensive attack with 28 points.

In a hard-fought contest, the Crowell varsity lost 56-38, and the Wildcats looked good even though they were defeated by the strong Childress quintet. Terry Farrar scored 10 points for Crowell.

All three Crowell teams participated in the Paducah invitational tournament over the week end.

The varsity boys won the consolation award. In their first game they lost to Matador 54-44; Chillicothe forfeited their game with Crowell and the Wildcats beat the Paducah B team 70 to 33 to win consolation. The varsity's season record is now 8 wins and 5 losses.

The girls won third in the Paducah tourney. They beat Matador 40 to 35; lost to Paducah 50-32 and won over the Paducah girls B team 63-33. The Crowell girls now boast an 11-3 record for the season.

The junior varsity placed fourth in the tournament. They beat Lakeview 69 to 37 in the first game, lost to Quail 71-33 and lost to Matador A team, 55-27. The Crowell JV now has a 6-2 season record.

Bob Cook coaches these three Crowell teams.

Selecting Fresh Cranberries

Cranberry varieties differ in size and color but aren't identified by variety names in the supermarket. So when selecting the berries, extension foods and nutrition specialists say to look for plump, firm berries with a lustrous red color. Cranberries are now available in plentiful supplies, as are cranberry sauce and cranberry juice cocktail.

Studs should only be installed when tires are new, the Tire Industry Safety Council advises. Dirt accumulates in the pin holes of used tires, causing improper seating.

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IN THE EVENT OF NUCLEAR ATTACK, RADIOACTIVE FALLOUT WOULD COVER WIDE AREAS.

PROPERLY BUILT FALLOUT SHELTERS PROTECT INHABITANTS FROM HARM UNTIL THE RADIATION FROM THE FALLOUT DISAPPEARS.

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BILL NEAL

Bill Neal Seeks Re-Election as District Attorney

Bill Neal, district attorney for Wilbarger, Hardeman and Foard counties, Tuesday announced that he would run for a second term as district attorney.

Neal, 35, of Vernon will complete his first term next year. He will run for re-election on the Democratic ticket.

A native of Quanah, Neal was graduated from Quanah High School in 1953, and Hardin Simmons University in 1957. Following services in the U. S. Army, he

HOSPITAL NOTES

FOARD COUNTY HOSPITAL

Patients In:
Mrs. Jennie Hanks.
Mrs. Ona Harris.
Mrs. Roxie Hough.
Mrs. Charlie Laquey.
Miss Darlene McCurley.
Mrs. Foy McRae.
Mrs. Charles Merriman.
Miss Odessa Moore.
W. H. Tamplin.
Mrs. Willard Traweck.

Patients Dismissed:
Johnny Foster.
C. W. Heston.
James Lankford.
Mrs. Bennie Glover.
Mrs. Oscar Whitley.

Capital Punishment

"Capital punishment is when the government taxes you to get capital so that it can go into business in competition with you, and then taxes the profits on your business in order to pay its losses."—Jackson, Miss., News.

attended law school at the University of Texas in Austin where he graduated first in his law school class in the spring of 1964. After graduation, he served one year as briefing attorney for the Texas Supreme Court before returning to Quanah to practice law. He was engaged there in private practice until elected district attorney January 1, 1969.

"I am asking the voters of this district for a second term as District Attorney," Neal said Tuesday. "If re-elected, I will continue a program of vigorous prosecution and progressive law enforcement."

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH WELCOMES YOU!

At this time of the year, as on no other occasion, we are privileged to give expression to our thoughts concerning those whose friendship and good will we cherish. May your Holidays be happy and the year ahead be prosperous.

We still have '72 Cars and Chevy Trucks—received before the price boost—and they're going at '71 prices.

Borchardt-Goodwin Chevy-Olds

Throughout the year we can hear the song:

"Come into my heart, Lord Jesus for there is room in my heart for Thee..."

We have much cause to be thankful to God for the many good things of life. May you, our friends, enjoy and cherish His guidance in the years to come. Let us be bound together by the concept of Brotherhood and Peace. To each one of you we extend sincere wishes for a rich and fruitful Christmas.

ALL GOOD WISHES for CHRISTMAS

BROOKS AUTO SUPPLY

J. T. Myrie
Bill Hazel

Support Your Home-Town Merchant!

Season's Greetings

Thomas Sales

A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS

Floyd Borchardt's Purina Store

The Joys of Christmas

It's time for gaily wrapped presents and warm greetings... for rejoicing in the meaning of Christmas. At this happy time, we extend our best wishes to all.

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PHONE 684-4311

Columbian Club Has Christmas Program Dec. 15th

The calendar committee of the Columbian Club—Mmes. G. A. Shultz, Robert Hammonds and J. S. Ray—served as hostesses for the Christmas meeting of the club at Mrs. Ray's home on December 15.

After a brief business meeting, the following program was given: Mrs. Hammonds read the Christmas story as recorded in Luke 2:1-15; Mrs. Shultz read a poem, "Are You Ready for Christmas?"; Mrs. Ray read three short "Psalms for Christmas" by Rod McKuen; and in conclusion, Mrs. Grady Halbert read "The Night Before Christmas in Texas" by Leon Harris which is a short parody on Clement Moore's well-known and loved poem, "The Night Before Christmas."

Gifts were distributed from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. After the gifts were opened and admired, the hostesses served refreshments to thirteen members and a guest, Mrs. David Johnson.

The next meeting will be on January 5 with Mrs. Homer Black and a program on Americanism will be presented.

Gambleville H. D. Club's Christmas Party Held Dec. 16

As guests and members of the Gambleville Home Demonstration Club arrived for their annual Christmas party held Thursday evening, Dec. 16, at the home of Mrs. Charley Bartley, they admired the home which was beautifully decorated for the holiday season with decorations which had all

been handmade by the hostess. Mrs. Clarence Garrett presided and Mrs. Bartley voiced a poem, "Golden Thoughts." She then directed several songs appropriate for the holidays, and also several games. Then she gave a recipe for a happy new year cake. Cards were signed to be sent to Mrs. Fred Diggs, a charter member, and Mrs. Bob Thomas, only member not present, and she was especially missed at this time.

Gifts were exchanged and secret pals revealed from a beautiful red and silver tree. A delicious refreshment plate was served to three visitors, Mmes. Jeff Bruce, Jack Thomas and E. H. Shrode, and members, Mmes. Milton Hunter, James Sandlin, Milburn Carroll, Ramon Rasberry, Clarence Garrett, Leotis Roberts, Willie Garrett, Elton Carroll, Betty Chatfield, Warren Haynie and hostess, Mrs. Bartley.

Mrs. Johnson Is Hostess for Club's Christmas Meeting

The Crowell Adelpian Club met at 3:30 p. m. Dec. 15, in the home of Mrs. W. B. Johnson for the Christmas program, titled "Maintaining Reverence: A Religious Challenge."

After a short business meeting conducted by the club president, Mrs. Lewis Sloan, members responded to roll call by recalling a childhood Christmas memory. Mrs. Jack Turner, program leader, introduced Mrs. Bill Klepper, who presented Christmas thoughts entitled "Christmas Coming," by Joan Mills. Members were entertained by a vocal quartet composed of four high school girls: Darla Bell, Trudy Bird, Karen Gray and Rhonda Vecera, with flute accompanists Babs Streit and Susan Autry. The girls sang three numbers, "When Christmas Morning Dawns," "Silver Bells" and "Silent Night."

Homebuilders Circle Has Annual Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party of the Homebuilders Circle of the Methodist Church was held Tuesday night, December 14, in the home of Mrs. Jack Welch.

Mrs. Howard Ferguson sang a hymn of her own composition. Mrs. Leon Speer, guest speaker from Vernon, brought a beautiful Christmas program.

The members enjoyed a covered dish meal and the exchange of gifts.

Mrs. P. E. Hollenbaugh and Mrs. Travis Vecera were co-hostesses with Mrs. Welch.

Service Clubs Have Christmas Parties

Two of Crowell's service clubs had their annual Christmas parties and family nights last week. The Crowell Lions Club had its Christmas party Monday night, December 13, with a covered dish supper in the basement of the local Methodist Church.

Special music was presented by a trio composed of Misses Trudy Bird, Darla Bell and Karen Gray, with Miss Sharla Haynie playing piano accompaniment.

A special guest was Santa Claus. Members of the Rotary Club observed their Christmas program with a dinner for members and families at the community center Tuesday night, December 14.

Special Christmas music was presented by a quartet composed of Misses Babs Streit, Darla Bell, Karen Gray and Trudy Bird with Miss Rhonda Vecera playing piano accompaniment. Also presenting piano solos were Misses Angie Jones and Annis Brown.

Gifts were exchanged.

Free Booklet Gives Farm Tax Tips

The 1972 edition of the Farmer's Tax Guide is now available from county agricultural agents or the Internal Revenue Service. The booklet, IRS publication 225, shows how farmers should fill out the 1040 tax return and which schedules should be attached. A listing of important federal tax dates for farmers can also be found in the publication. Written in non-technical language, the tax guide contains many examples of how farm transactions are handled for federal income tax purposes.

Although primarily written to help farmers prepare their 1971 return, the Guide is useful as a reference throughout the year.

Subscriptions to News

Subscriptions to the News received since December 13 follow: F. A. Traweck, Route 1, Crowell; Irene Robertson, Crowell; Mrs. Mattie Davis, Crowell; Delton Parkhill, Crowell; Mrs. W. A. Castle, Hamlin; Mrs. Ellen Bright, Dallas; Mrs. Glen Shook, Route 1, Crowell; F. J. McDougle, Wichita Falls; Johnnie Mae Short, Plainview; Morris Diggs, Crowell; B. W. Gentry, Crowell; Coy Payne, Route 2, Crowell; Mrs. Albert Null, Happy, Texas; Mrs. H. D. Poland, Crowell; Don Hatfield, Wichita Falls; James A. Joy, Amarillo; Mrs. Mary E. Joy, Amarillo; Mrs. Luther Tamplen, Crowell; A. J. Schilling, Seymour; W. Frank Land, New Hope, Ark.; Archie Campbell, Thalia Star Route; J. B. Rasberry, Crowell; Mrs. C. H. Reynolds, Crowell; Mrs. Anton Kubieck, Route 2, Crowell; Bill Bell, Crowell; Mrs. Blake McDaniel, Crowell; G. M. Moore, Route 2, Crowell; Gusta Davis, Crowell; R. M. Fox, Crowell; Joe H. Fox, Pampa; M. L. Whitten, Corpus Christi; H. L. Whitten, Pampa; J. R. Pittillo, Thalia Star Route; Bobby J. Myers, Littlefield; Odessa Moore, Thalia; James Bowers, Route 2, Crowell; Kenneth Bell, Fort Worth; J. C. Rader, Corsicana; Mrs. Wesley McClendon, Corpus Christi; Mrs. H. W. Gray, Route 2, Crowell; Mrs. Lee Echols, Abernathy; Mrs. Bess Gleaton, Bangs; Mrs. Weldon Tabor, Quanah; Oscar Gentry, Crowell; Billy Bond, Route 2, Crowell; H. R. Zeibig, Crowell; Mrs. Harold Eubank, Dallas; Roy C. Steele, Crowell; Cone Green, Levelland; Glenn Jones, Crowell; Randy Adkins, Crowell; Mary Lou Wood, Yorba Linda, Calif.; Mrs. B. G. Reinhardt, Crowell; Mrs. Freddie Mae Hysinger, Olton; Mrs. J. F. Russell, Crowell; Mrs. R. R. Allen, Exeter, Mo.; Ira Tole, Route 2, Crowell; Suella Smith, Dallas; Mrs. E. G. Boman, Vernon; Eugene Monkres, Pompano Beach, Fla.

News from . . . MARGARET and Riverside

Edward Milton Mohot, 47, of Vernon, who was fatally injured when a tractor he was driving on the Pease River bridge on Highway 287 near Vernon Wednesday, was struck by a truck loaded with cotton seed, was a cousin of Mrs. Herman Schwartz of Riverside. He was also married to a cousin of Mrs. August Rummel. She was the former Miss Gertie Schoppa of Harrold. Funeral services were held Friday in Vernon.

Jim Tom Smith, student at Texas A&M University, is here to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. August Rummel visited his aunt, Mrs. Hulda Stolle and a friend, Mrs. Amanda Namken, in the Woods Convalescent Home in Vernon Friday.

Mrs. Eva Orr of Vernon, Mrs. Edith Davis of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Carter, Jr. of Amarillo spent the week end here visiting their mother, Mrs. W. S. Carter.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. August Rummel Sunday were their daughter, Mrs. Charles Coker, and family of Vernon and Mrs. Clara Schoppa of Lockett.

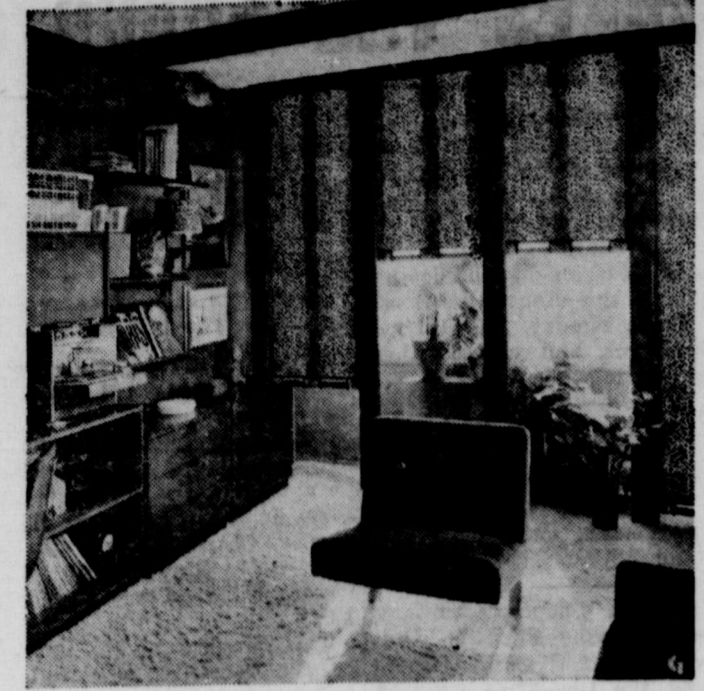
Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Robertson visited Mrs. W. T. Gaebler in Lockett Sunday.

Mrs. M. F. Smith of Crowell visited her sister, Mrs. L. B. Robertson, Monday.

Mrs. Loran Robertson and Lanny Parker attended a fellowship meeting at the United Pentecostal Church in Electra Friday night. Mrs. Robertson also visited her son, Johnny Robertson, and family in Vernon that night.

Mrs. R. L. Hudgens and daughters, Mrs. M. T. Gilbert of Paducah and Mrs. Benny Smith of Crowell, were visitors in Wichita Falls Tuesday.

Lanny Parker spent the week in Lockett helping Mrs. W. T. Gaebler. He attended a party in the Ronnie McNabb home in Vernon Saturday night.



MASCULINE FLAVOR—Leopard-printed cotton laminated to window shades creates an impressive bed-sitting room for apartment dwellers. The shades are housed in a black structural frame that camouflages the radiator and widens the room by balancing the storage wall. A beige cotton carpet underfoot lightens the setting.

Winter Watering of Shrubs and Lawns Aids Plants Vigor

Yards and gardens are all too often neglected during the winter months, says county agent Joe Burkett. Long dry periods without supplemental irrigation may cause severe dying back on the growing tips of plants.

Drying is especially serious on evergreens and late winter or early spring flowering plants since they have rapidly developing flower buds and require a steady supply of moisture.

It's a good idea to water thoroughly at four-to-six-week intervals throughout the dormant period. Shallow rooted plants and plants in containers are especially vulnerable to moisture stress during the winter. If such plants are exposed to prevailing winter wind, they will require close attention to assure adequate moisture. Plants located beneath the roof overhang are often damaged by lack of moisture during cold weather.

During cold weather, watering should be done early in the day so that foliage may dry before nightfall. The most efficient time to apply irrigation water is when air is calm. This will reduce evaporation losses.

Plant damage including lawn failure is generally blamed on insects, diseases or cold injury. But such damage is often due to excessively dry soil during the winter months. Mulch applications and proper watering practices are just as important in the winter as in the summer. Even though the grass is brown and trees have shed their leaves, plants still need moisture. The water hose is still an important tool during winter months.

Letter to Santa
Dear Santa,
I want Santan Barbie, Talking Ken, Timey Tell, Sleeping Bag, and Etch-a-Sketch.
Love,
Polye Wisdom.

Rubber bands, all sizes and colors. Only 10c a bundle at the News office.

PEACE

MAY GOOD WILL AMONG ALL MEN REIGN IN THE WORLD THIS CHRISTMAS—AND FOREVER!

Sgt. Mark H. Harris

Merry Christmas... Next Christmas we mean, if you start saving now at...

GROWELL STATE BANK
Member of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Hoping the joyful sounds of holiday gladness will echo through your home this Christmas!

GROWELL STATE BANK

Merry CHRISTMAS

TO EVERYONE

BARTLEY'S LAUNDRY

ON THE TOWN—Printed cotton velvet inspires a classic cocktail dress for all-season wear. Inverted front pleats give mobility to the skirt below a fitted bodice. It's by Suzy Perette.

Gentry Feed-Gro.-Hdw

SPECIALS FOR DEC. 23rd THRU JAN. 1st

Gifts for Every Member of the Family!

MERRY CHRISTMAS—HAPPY NEW YEAR

Silver Bell Oleo lb. 23¢	BACON Cowboy 2 lbs. \$1.00
CRANBERRIES lb. 33¢	BANANAS lb. 10¢
ONIONS lb. 9¢	Sweet Potatoes lb. 10¢
BISCUITS 3 cans 25¢	Chocolate Cov'd Cherries 10½ oz. 49¢
Folger's Coffee reg. or drip lb. 95¢	Bake-Rite Shortening 3 lbs. 79¢
SUGAR 5 lbs. 63¢	Zee Napkins 150 Count 39¢
JOY Giant Size 49¢	CORN Kounty Kist 6 for \$1.00
TIDE Giant Size 85¢	

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\$5.20 elsewhere.

Eastern Star Has Family Night Dinner Tuesday, Dec. 14

Mmes. S. H. Gentry and Backus were hostesses for a family night dinner preceding stated meeting of Crowell Chapter No. 916, Order of the Eastern Star, on December 14. W. Moore gave the invocation.

During the business meeting check was sent to the organization's adopted sister in the Home at Arlington. Mrs. Gentry presented gifts from chapter to Mrs. Pat Pitt worthy matron, and Elton roll, worthy patron.

WTU Employees Had Christmas Dinner

Sixty-two employees of Quanah, Crowell and Childress, West Texas Utilities Co. enjoyed a Christmas dinner Monday, December 13, at the Cantor in Vernon.

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Light Be a Good Idea

Maybe it would be a good thing to have a woman on the Supreme Court. It seems to us that several decisions made in the past would have been better, if they had just been their minds." — Belle-Kansas, Telescope.

He Couldn't . . .

"One man struck a match to see if the gasoline tank in his car was empty. It wasn't. One man patted a strange building on the head to see if it was affectionate. It wasn't. One man speared up to see if he could beat the train to the crossing. He couldn't. One man touched an electric wire to see if it was charged. It was. One man cut out his advertising to see if he could save money. He couldn't." — Breckenridge, Colo., Summit County Journal.

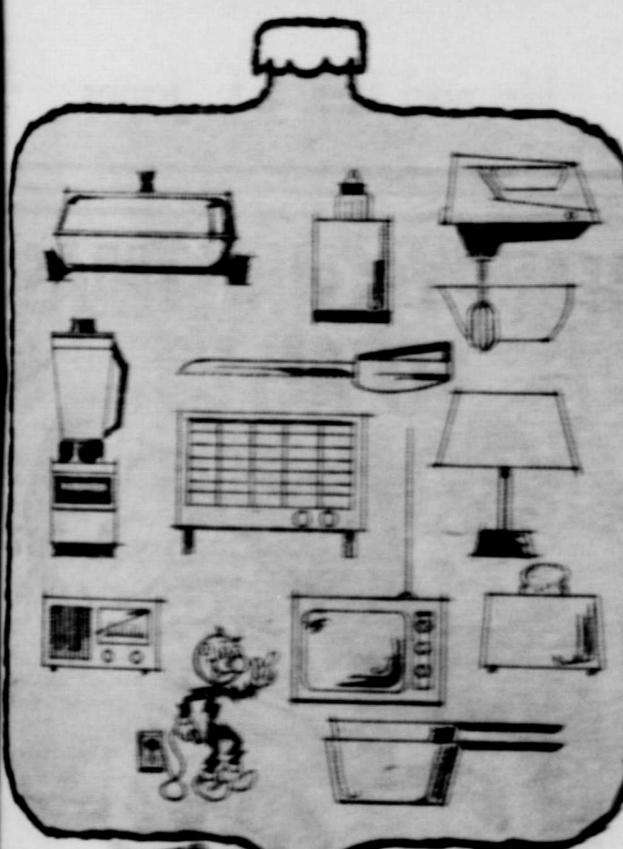
Try the News want ad section next time you have something to sell, or want to buy something.



May the
Peace
of Christmas
Be Yours
For All Time
to Come



Ora Mae Fox, Insurance



**Kiss getters
for Santa**

Electric, of course

An electric small appliances is something to keep you in (her, his) mind all year through.

Shop at your electric appliance dealer

West Texas Utilities Company



ALCOHOL and its effects on drivers is the subject under study as a team of professional race car drivers take on enough alcohol to reach .10 percent blood alcohol concentration and then tackle a driving skills course. The test was sponsored by the San Antonio Association of Insurance Agents and conducted at Pan American Speedway by the Southwest Research Institute. Officials say the test is a graphic demonstration of the fact that .10 percent blood alcohol concentration is a level at which even professional drivers are unable to handle a motor vehicle safely.

Subscription Rates Printed In Each Edition

For the information of subscribers who wish to mail in their remittance, the News has for years listed the price of subscriptions on 4 of the 8 pages of the paper. These price rates can be found below the page number on the following pages: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8.

So, if you want to subscribe, the prices are listed for your convenience.

Scratch pads, 15c pkg. Why write your grocery list on the back of an envelope when scratch pads are so cheap.—News Office.

Agriculture Commissioner Says

Drouth's Effects Still Linger on for State's Agricultural Producers

Even though one of the most severe drouths in Texas ended this fall, effects of it still linger on for the state's agricultural producers. Texas Agriculture Commissioner John C. White said in a year-end report.

Cotton, grain sorghum and other crops were hard hit by drouth earlier in the year. Dry weather also forced the sale of thousands of head of Texas cattle. The drouth of 1971 was most severe from January through the spring planting period up until summer. Rains returned, but severe economic damage had been inflicted on Texas' vast agriculture produc-

tion.

The drouth first reduced hay production, and then the rains that ended the drouth delayed or prevented cutting and baling so that Texas-raised hay is in short supply.

Other Texas crops during 1971 were poor to fair, the wheat farmers suffering the most because of the drouth, White said. Texas wheat production was cut almost in half, to about 31,416,000 bushels, compared to 54,408,000 bushels from the 1969-70 crop.

Cotton crops in most of South Texas were hurt by the drouth, and then the rains delayed harvest and are still delaying harvest in West and North Texas. Rain has also given an assist to boll weevils, pink bollworms and other cotton insects, the commissioner reported.

Heavy infestations of pink bollworms have been reported in North Central Texas and boll weevils in West Texas.

Grain sorghum and peanut crops are expected to produce less than last year, White said. The drouth prevented planting of grain sorghums in parts of Texas and reduced production in other parts of the state. Peanut production was expected to be only slightly less than in 1970, but rains again have delayed harvest.

The 1971 rice crop is expected to be as good as or slightly better than the previous crop when about 20,782,000 hundredweights were produced.

Most citrus and vegetable crops were average in the 1970-71 season, Commissioner White said, and prospects are good for a good season in 1971-72.



May the peace and joy of Christmas abide with you through all the year

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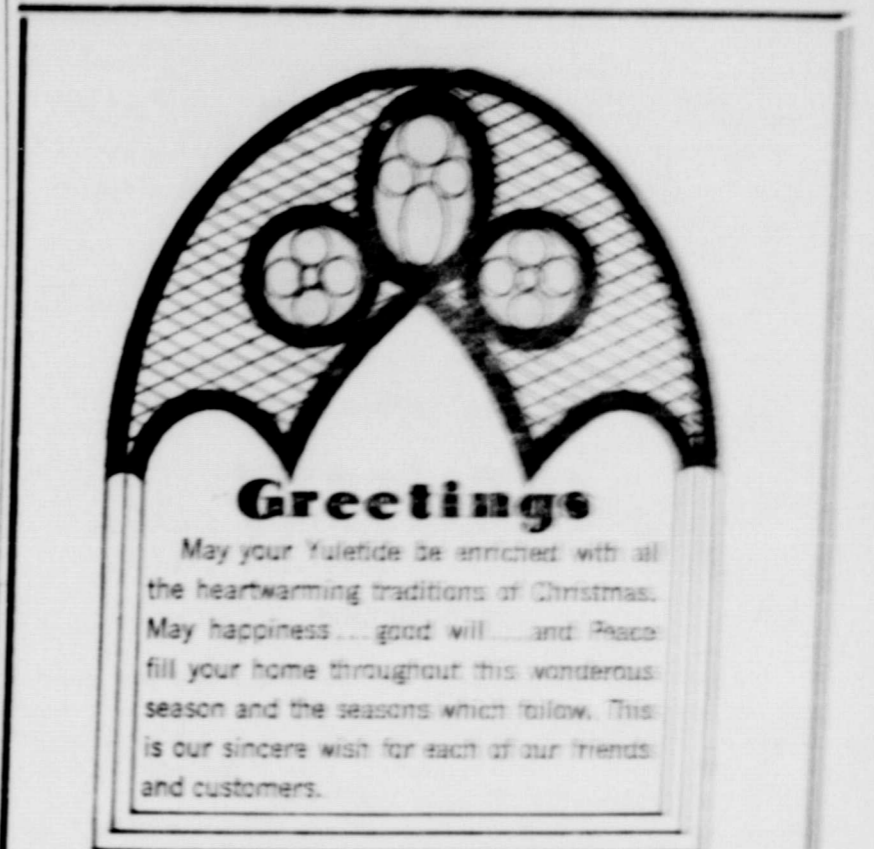
Henry Black

People We Could Do Without

"People we could do without: Those anonymous callers to 911 who say, 'You should turn into this—they are starting the city or county bond' but furnish no further details. . . . The Post Stamp shakers who can see and drink better than those who drive away at their jobs for eight hours and more a day. . . . The indolent people who say, 'What can we do about high taxes?' and

never take the time and trouble to answer them. . . . And those who are constantly in and out of the courtroom who have started and stopped lawsuits a dozen times. . . . The crowd who surround the mayor to prevent attendance at school and other activities of the local community. . . . The crowd who attempt to frighten through by out performing students have not completed. . . .

Many Good Wishes and Much Love
to My Friends and Neighbors.
Mrs. C. C. McLaughlin



Carpenter's Conoco
Cecil, Peg and Tommy



This message comes to your house to tell you we appreciate your friendship, and to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas!
Farmers Co-Operative Elevator Association

CROWELL

Send This One to a Government Bureau

"We might send this one in to some of the government bureaus which are constantly seeking ways to spend our money. It seems that a research director of a major government agency was ordered to study about fleas. He obtained a flea with a high IQ, placed it on his desk and finally succeeded in training it to jump over his fingers on spoken com-

mand. Then he removed two of the flea's legs. 'Jump' he ordered, and the flea still jumped. Two more legs were removed. Again the flea responded to command. At last the final two legs were removed. 'Jump' the research director commanded, but the flea didn't move. The director then wrote his lengthy report on the project, concluding that: 'When a flea loses all six legs, it becomes deaf.'—Stephen, Minn., Messenger.

Joy to All

... this Christmas Season — and our thanks for your loyal patronage.



Gentry Feed., Gro., Hdwe.

I want to thank all my customers for all their kindness throughout the 1971 year and wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

It's Inventory Time!
THE BARGAINS ARE BLOOMING!
Come by and browse anytime!

I will be closed Dec. 24, 25, 26.

MARJORITE'S DRESS SHOP
500 N. 5th

John 1:1—In the Beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
John 1:14—And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth.
In His Son Jesus Christ, God Himself became enfleshed in order that He might die as a sacrifice for sin.



Foard County Lumber Co.

Travis Myrtie Dale



Adkins Butane Co.



FLOWER POWER—A sure-fire brightener for a teenage room is this bedspread of easy-care cotton duck printed with bold overscaled flowers in red, white, and blue. Underscored by a fire engine red shag rug and accent pieces, the room swings with color. By Desley Fabrics, the spread also comes with a variety of coordinates including quilted throws, tablecloth, cafe curtains, and valances.

THE INFORMED CONSUMER

BY CRAWFORD C. MARTIN
Attorney General of Texas



When you receive unordered merchandise through the mails, do you know your legal rights? A law passed by the sixty-first Texas Legislature in 1969 provides that where unsolicited goods are delivered to a person, he has the right to refuse to accept delivery of the goods and he is not bound to return the goods to the sender. If such unsolicited goods are either addressed to or intended for the recipient, they shall be deemed a gift and the recipient may use them or dispose of them in any manner without any obligation to the sender.

There are three exceptions to this law—first, when the goods are sent due to a bona fide mistake, and the sender has the burden of proof to show the error. Second, the law does not apply to goods which have been substituted for goods ordered. Finally, the act does not apply to goods ordered by the recipient.

In summary, if a consumer received merchandise which he did not order he can refuse the goods or treat the goods as a gift. The consumer is under no legal obligation to pay for the merchandise received in this fashion.

Genuine Will Soon Be As Worthless As the Counterfeit

"It used to be a crime to pass counterfeit money—in fact passers of counterfeit money were given stiff prison sentences. The reason sentences were meted out was because counterfeit money was worthless and the recipient had to absorb the loss. But, it shouldn't be a great offense today because the dollar—the great American dollar isn't worth too much more than the counterfeit. If Americans don't change one of these days the dollar will be just as worthless as the counterfeit."—Comstock, Nebr., News.

Sales Tax Deductions Listed in IRS Tables

The amount North Texas taxpayers can deduct for sales tax on federal tax returns appears in tables printed in the 1040 tax instructions. Ellis Campbell, director of Internal Revenue for north Texas, said the tables show the sales tax deduction by family size and income. The table is based on consumer spending patterns and shows the average sales tax paid by Texas residents, he said.

The sales tax on automobiles, boats, trailers, and airplanes is not included in the table. Taxpayers who bought these items in 1971 may add deductible sales taxes paid on them to the amount shown in the table.

The table is furnished as a guide for the convenience of taxpayers who do not keep detailed records of payments. Taxpayers who prefer to deduct the actual amount of state sales taxes paid during the year should have records as proof of payment, Campbell said.

Eagle Mirado pencils, No. 2 and No. 2½. The best pencil money can buy. Get them at the News office.



DAIRY BAR
JIM AND CAROL

From the News ...

THIRTY YEARS AGO

News items below were taken from the Thursday, Dec. 25, 1941, issue of The Foard County News:

At a meeting held in the district court room Friday night, Dec. 19, with Judge Leslie Thomas presiding and a representative crowd from the entire county present, it was officially decided that Foard County should during the present National Emergency with the avowed purpose that in case of local emergency, Foard County would not be found napping.

The farmers of Foard County voted to continue to restrict the marketing of cotton in 1942 by voting in favor of cotton marketing quotas Saturday, Dec. 13.

Albert Schooley Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schooley of Houston, is a radio operator on duty in the Philippine Islands, according to an article from the Houston Chronicle of Dec. 14. Nothing has been heard from him since the declaration of war.

Crowell Boy Scouts and Cubs are collecting old papers and magazines as a vital part of the National Defense program. Boy Scouts of America have been given this responsibility by President Roosevelt.

A rally will be held in the district court room January 2, at 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of stimulating the purchase of bonds and stamps for national defense.

J. M. Crowell of Camp Fort Brown at Brownsville is at home to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends.

J. M. Hill, Jr. is at home from Baylor University, where he is in school, taking pre-med work.

Miss Frances Henry Johnson, who is attending Stephens College in Columbia, Mo., is at home for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ramsey, Mrs. Mack Gamble and Mrs. T. J. DuBose were visitors in Wichita Falls Wednesday.

Paul Gobn, who is attending an aeronautics school in Dallas, arrived Tuesday for a visit with his parents.

Mrs. Pete Holcombe and Mrs. Gordon Gribble have returned home from Pampa where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Chester Henry.

Miss Martha Rettig of St. Louis, Mo., is a guest in the home of her parents, Bunny Rettig of Pomona, Calif., is also a guest in the Rettig home.

With Misses Joellene Vannoy and Gussie Todd and Mrs. Lillie Welch as hostesses at the O'Connell Lunch Room, a Christmas banquet was given to the members of the B&PW Club Thursday night.

Guy Crews accompanied several Thalia men on a hunting trip near Leakey.

Douglas Adkins, who is an instructor in Draw High School, arrived at home Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Lou Martin of Vivian is spending this week with Miss Estelle Atry of Foard City.

Students from A&M home for the Christmas holidays are H. K. Edwards, Tom Andrews, Joe Mark Magee, Riley Griffin and Mike Bird.

Growth Is Fantastic

"... today we are being choked to death by welfare costs brought on largely by a sharp rise in family breakups, and the take-over of medical costs for everyone who falls in low income levels. The growth in irresponsibility in this nation is fantastic. There isn't enough money to help an irresponsible people and nation survive. Only a responsible and disciplined people can survive. And when are we going to become responsible and disciplined?" —Orange, Mass., Enterprise and Journal.

Say It Like It Is

"So, we are becoming confused ... now they say leaded gasoline is bad, but still tolerable ... phosphate detergents are bad, but not too bad ... mercury tainted fish are bad, but not so bad that we can't eat 'em ... government reluctance to halt river pollution is bad, but not fatal ... so, never mind cleaning up now, but do it later ... let's say it like it is ... the world is dirty and we must clean it up now."—Collegeville, Pa., Independent.



ROOM AT THE TOP—The wide-shouldered look of the Forties is given a Seventies flavor in this artful design by Cuddlecoat. In quilted cotton strewn with pink and red flowers, the coat is styled with a semi-cape over long full sleeves.

Tires are much more easily cut on wet roads. If you should get a flat tire, pull as far off the road as possible and set up some type of flare or reflective device so that oncoming traffic will see you.

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RANGES California Navels lb. 15¢

Bananas GOLDEN YELLOW Pound 10¢

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RANBERRIES 33¢

Idaho Russet—10 lb. bag
POTATOES 59¢

WASHINGTON FANCY DELICIOUS Pound 19¢

RANBERRY SAUCE Shurfine Tall Can 25¢

PAPER TOWELS Chiffon 3 Giant Rolls \$1.00

OWENS COUNTRY SAUSAGE 2 pound bag \$1.29

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ARMOUR'S TRAPAC BACON lb. 69¢

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Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Miller visited Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Whatley at Crowell last week.

A Christmas party was held at the Gilliland Baptist Church Sunday night with gift exchange and supper for all.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dillard visited Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Simmons over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Simmons went to Dallas to spend Christmas with her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jetton.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gillespie, Mike and Gary, of Bishop, Calif., visited his mother, Mrs. Irene Gerald, last week.

Mrs. Byron Bates of Quanah visited Mrs. Irene Gerald Thursday.

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SEYMOUR, TEXAS

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Overton and Gary Don of Palo Pinto visited the Don Daniels over the week end.

Mrs. Sidney Alexander visited in Fort Worth, Arlington and Irving several days last week.

Murry Bullion is home from Tech for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Glascock of Dallas visited in Truscott over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Everson and children of Dumas and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy New of Olney visited the Owen News over the week end, along with Vickie, Lisa and Mike New of Haskell.

Mrs. C. H. Laquey is a patient in the Crowell hospital.

Mrs. Bill Owens is staying with her husband who is a patient in Wichita General Hospital, room 342.

Jackie Miller is home visiting his parents between semesters. Also visiting in the O. R. Miller home Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Miller of Seymour.

Mrs. E. J. Jones was hostess to the Truscott H. D. Club for the annual Christmas party Thursday, and was hostess for the Columbian Club Wednesday of this week.

Sunday night, coffee and cookies were served to those attending the annual community Christmas party at the Truscott community center. Games and visiting followed.

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Political Announcements

For District Attorney:
BILL NEAL.

Lodge Notices

Allen-Hough Post No. 9177
Veterans of Foreign Wars

Meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings at 7:30 o'clock in the Community Center.

BAYLOR WEATHERED, Cdr.
TOM ELLIS, Q. M.

Crowell Chapter No. 916, OES

Meets second Tuesday night of each month. The next meeting will be January 11, 7:00 p. m.

Members please take notice. We welcome all visitors.

ALYENE PITILLO, W. M.
MARIETTA CARROLL, Sec.

CROWELL LODGE NO. 840
A. F. & A. M. Stated Meeting

Second Monday each month.
January 10, 7:30 p. m.

Members urged to attend and visitors welcome.

JACK WELCH, W. M.
ROBERT KINCAID, Sec.

Crowell I.O.O.F. Lodge No. 89
Meets Every Thursday night at 8:00 o'clock.

Members urged to attend.

CLINT WHITE, N. G.
ADRIAN THOMSON, SEC.

THALIA LODGE NO. 666
A. F. & A. M. Stated Meeting

Fourth Monday of each month.
December 27, 7:30 p. m.

Members urgently requested to attend. Visitors always welcome.

JOE COUFAL, W. M.
J. F. MATTHEWS, Sec.

Mary Kuba, and her nieces, Renee and Asmer Rivers, Sunday.

Marshall Capps of Vernon visited his grandmother, Mrs. Maggie Capps, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wisdom and Mrs. Tommie Patterson of Medicine Mounds visited the Jake Wisdom family Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sims visited his sister, Mrs. Effie Nash, in the Chillicothe rest home Saturday.

Mrs. Myrtle Neill visited Mrs. Lee Shultz in Vernon Wednesday.

Mrs. Morgan Price of Lockett visited Mrs. Myrtle Neill and A. B. Wisdom Friday.

Mmes. Walter Ramsey, Lucy Gamble, C. C. Wheeler, Myrtle Neill, G. A. Shultz, Bernice Bursley and John Ray attended the Christmas program at the Baptist Church in Crowell Sunday night.

Irene Doty visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Teague of the Lockett community Friday. Mrs. Teague is the former Mrs. Veda McKinley Allen of Fort Worth. She grew up in this community.

Veterans Administration will issue an American flag to the next of kin, close friend or relative to drape the casket of an eligible deceased veteran.

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Freezing Foods

Maintain strict sanitation in preparing any food for the home freezer, advise extension foods and nutrition specialists. Keep all food to be frozen—and everything that touches it—clean.

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FOR RENT—One and two bedroom apartments. Call 684-6601.—Mrs. Hughes. 33-tfc

FOR RENT—5 rooms and bath furnished. 684-5101.—Cassie Shievers. 13-tfc

Trespass Notices

NO HUNTING, fishing or trespassing on my land.—Juanita Gafford. pd. 6-72

NO HUNTING, fishing, or trespassing of any kind allowed on T. R. Cates Sr. land. pd. to 4-72

NO HUNTING, fishing, or trespassing on the Fred Main and Bledsoe land. pd. 1-72

NO TRESPASSING of any kind or trash dumping on John S. Ray land.—Mrs. John S. Ray. pd. 1-72

NOTICE—No hunting, fishing or trespassing of any kind allowed on our land in Foard and Knox Counties.—Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Barker. pd. 1-72

NO Trespassing of any kind, fishing or hunting on my land.—Fannie Middlebrook. pd. 9-72

NO HUNTING, fishing nor trespassing of any kind on my farm.—Mrs. Blake McDaniel. pd. 1-72

NOTICE—No hunting, fishing or trespassing of any kind allowed on the Minnick Ranch.—Mrs. J. H. Minnick Estate. pd. 1-72

NO hunting, fishing, trespassing or trash dumping on any land owned or leased by me.—Mrs. W. A. Dunn. pd. to 5-72

TRESPASS NOTICE—No hunting or fishing or trespassing of any kind allowed on any land owned or leased by us.—Johnson & Ekern. pd. 1-72

NOTICE—No hunting, fishing or trespassing of any kind allowed on our land.—Glenn Halsell Cattle Co. pd. 1-72

NO HUNTING, fishing or trespassing of any kind allowed on Mrs. L. H. Hammonds' land. Pd. to Aug. 21, '72

NO TRESPASSING—Positively no hunting or fishing on any of our land. Trespassers will be prosecuted.—Otis Gafford. pd. 1-72

NO TRESPASSING—Positively no hunting on land owned, leased or rented by us. Trespassers will be prosecuted.—Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McCoy. pd. 9-72

TRESPASS NOTICE—No hunting or fishing or trespassing of any kind allowed on any Merl Kincaid land. pd. 1-72

No trespassing of any kind allowed on any land owned by the B. A. Whitman Estate or Eldon Whitman. 22-25tc

NO DUMPING of any kind on any right-of-way of any county road in Foard County allowed. Violators will be prosecuted.—Commissioners' Court of Foard County, Texas. 1-tfc

NOTICE TO PUBLIC—Any non-members caught fishing in the Spring Lake Country Club will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. This lake is for members only and others will please stay out.—Board of Directors.

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FOR SALE—3-bedroom home North First Street.—Ray 7-tfc

Christmas for the little ones easier when you visit the Children's Shop in Quanah. 24-tfc

FOR SALE—Registered poodles, show dog quality.—Mary Durham, 684-6592. 18-tfc

Let me figure with you how you buy: Life, Hospitalization, Disability Insurance.—Oran Fox, ph. 684-5911.

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FOR SALE—4 room frame and ready-hot super glass lined 30 gallon water heater.—Mrs. Jim Davis, 684-4101. 20-tfc

FOR SALE—Several registered Hereford bulls. Serviceable. See Alton Farrar, 2 1/2 miles east of Rayland. Phone 552-5042. non.

FOR SALE—Merchandise on sale. Overstocked on clothing and sweeps. Big savings.—Evers Co-Op. Elevator, Truscott. 23-tfc

FOR SALE—Used G-1600 tractor—3 pt. hitch (drafting) and power take-off. Good tires and good condition.—Lain Farm Equip.

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ing the gift exchange.

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Wayne Brown and Jim Crow of Tulsa, Okla., visited Mrs. J. R. Brown and the Harold Barrys Saturday and Sunday.

Several persons are talking of forming a weight watchers group in Truscott after the holidays.

The last several days the weather has been sunny and dry, though chilly. It is a welcome change from the recent mud and moisture. Cotton farmers hope for several days of this weather so they can get their cotton out. But some stock tanks west of Truscott still are low in water. Those who think the drouth has been broken should re-read the October 1969 Farmer-Stockman which predicted that the early years of the 70's will not be as bad as the critical period about 1975. Sunspot activity is blamed for the southern great plains 22-year cycles of widespread drouth. Most settlers came in a period of lesser sunspot activity following the intense drouth which culminated in 1886-88.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Self spent the week end visiting their son, Coleman Self, and family, and their daughter, Mrs. Beverly Railsback, and family in Amarillo.

Mrs. Lucille Mints of Paducah visited Mrs. G. A. Shultz and the Bob Powers family Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Tole continue their visits with his mother, Mrs. S. M. Tole in Chillicothe. Her condition is reported to be poor at this time.

This community was saddened Saturday when news came of the death of Bob Abston in Vernon. He lived in Foard County many years. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

Mrs. Fay Whitman entertained her family and relatives with a dinner in her home Friday. Those attending included her father, T. R. Cates, Sr.; her son, Eldon Whitman, Mrs. Whitman and Brian, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Cates, Jr. and Mike of Thalia, Miss Oneta Cates and Charles LeSeuer of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Downing of Lubbock.

Dr. George Ewing of Abilene was a guest Sunday in the T. R. Cates, Jr., home.

Roy Self and John Warren visited Mr. and Mrs. Junior Defoor and daughters in Wichita Falls Tuesday.

Sgt. Joe Brown of Crowell returned home last week from England where he has been stationed for a long period of time. He joined his family; his wife, Mary Louise (the former Miss Mary Louise Kuba) and children and his mother, Mrs. Joe Brown Sr. and family, all of Crowell. He is the son-in-law of Mrs. Ralph Kuba of Thalia.

Many friends and relatives from Thalia attended the funeral of Bob Abston in Crowell Monday.

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Mr. and Mrs. David Carpenter and children of Wichita Falls spent the week end with the Cecil Carpenters and Mrs. G. A. Shultz.