

# The Goldthwaite Eagle

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## Local Markets

**CATTLE**  
Cattle market was steady this week with sales as follows: Calves \$10 to \$25; Stocker calves \$15 to \$19; Plain Stocker calves \$9 to \$15; Bulls \$14 to \$18; Fat Cows \$12 to \$14; Canners and Cutters \$5 to \$11.

**SHEEP**  
Prices on sheep last Friday were steady with Best Lambs \$10; Stocker Ewes \$8 to \$10; Head; Best Fat Lambs 15 1/2c; Good Stocker Lambs \$10; Culls and Wrinkled \$12; Old Ewes 6c to 7c; Muttons 7c to 9c; Yearlings 8c to 12c; Yearling Culls to 9c.

**GOATS**  
Best Young Goats \$6 to \$8.25; Head; Aged fat goats 8c; 4c to 6c; Kid Goats \$4

**EGGS**  
Current Receipts, 45c doz.; Large White, 52c doz.; Small, 42c doz.; Pullets, 30c No. 7's, 15c doz. Market, 52c lb.

**TURKEYS**  
Hens, 25c; Hens, 30c.

**CHICKENS**  
Broilers, 8c; Hens 16c. Market, 55c average. Old, 80c average. Live Pecans, 20c per pound. Sugar Shell Pecans, prices according to quality.

## Rose Sells Goldthwaite Cafe

Cecil Bradley  
Rose has sold his business in the Goldthwaite Cafe, to Bradley according to announcement made Monday of the week. The sale was effective Monday and the new owner has taken over operation of the business. Bradley comes to Goldthwaite from Alice where he has been in business for the past ten years. He is no stranger to these parts since he was raised here and has many friends and acquaintances in Mills County. His wife and three children, Steven and Hank will be with him after the holidays to their home here. Bradley, in making known the sale, has announced no definite plans for the future. He has sold the cafe for the past year.

## Foot Training

Ernie E. Auldridge, Airman First Class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Auldridge of Goldthwaite, is receiving his boot training at the United States Naval Training Center, San Diego, California, according to a telephone call received by his parents Monday night.

## Squad Honors Football Players with Banquet Last Thursday Night

Johnnie Henkes, Wayne Wicker, Ray Hudson and Charles Head were the guest speakers for the Football Banquet of Goldthwaite High School and attended well over 100 faculty members and members of the student body. The affair was held in the lunchroom last Thursday night, and despite heavy rains a record turnout was expected. Explains Gary Head and Parker gave the response to the welcome of Miss Marjorie Louise Irvine, Pep Squad President. H. Lovelace, Pastor of the Methodist Church of Goldthwaite, gave the invocation. G.H.S. Principal Tom Harper introduced Mr. Parker, Gary Head and

## Post Office Will Observe Christmas

Postmaster Lucille Fairman announced this week that window service will be available from 10:00 a. m. to 11:00 a. m. only on Thursday, December 25, and Friday, December 26, at the Post Office, which will be closed the remainder of these two days in observance of Christmas. There will be no rural route delivery service, but mail will be received and dispatched at the Post Office as usual.

## Local Board Calls More Men For Physical

According to an announcement made this week by Charles Frizzell, Mills County Representative for Local Board Number 8 of the Selective Service System, 60 young men from San Saba, Burnet, Lampasas and Mills Counties will report for physical examinations for the Armed Forces in January, 1953.

On January 11 twenty men, including five from Mills County, will report for their examinations, and on January 13 forty young men will report, with five Mills County boys in this group. Carlin Dale Wicker, Wesley Lee Humphries, Billy Bates Hanson, Allen Wesley Evans and Lewis Dalton Lee will represent Mills County in the group requested to report on January 11. Walter Henry Jeffers, Dean E. Woods, Herbert Lynn Shelton, Billy Ray Anderson and Tom Ynostrosa are the Mills County men who have been requested to report with the group on January 13.

## Godfrey Of Zephyr Receives Farm Name

The privilege of the exclusive use of Heart of Texas Ayrshire Farm as a herd name in registering purebred Ayrshire cattle has been given to Claud Godfrey of Zephyr, by the Ayrshire Breeders' Association of Brandon, Vt. There are now over 20,000 herds of Ayrshires in the United States, all of which are descended from century old herds in County Ayr, Scotland. Ayrshire enthusiasts state that Robert Burns, the immortal Scottish poet, at one time kept an Ayrshire cow. Vernon Whitley of Texas Tech is spending the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Whitley and family.

## Sheriff Stubblefield Takes Part In Pick Up Of Men Wanted For Robbery

Mills County Sheriff C. F. "Stub" Stubblefield was called by Coleman Sheriff H. T. Santon to help in the apprehension of two men wanted for the robbery and kidnapping of a Moody grocer last Saturday night. The robbery suspects, David L. Hewitt and Adolphus Lee Redden of Belton, led officers through several counties after stealing a car from J. T. Finney in Belton and flagging another after the first car developed motor trouble. A couple, Mr. and Mrs. Champion of Cross Plains, stopped to help the men when their car was ditched near Goldthwaite and were obliged to give up their automobile to the pair. Hewitt fired a shot into the front door of the car when Mr. Champion resisted them. Mr. Champion moved over and the two got in, Hewitt driving. At Coleman, Hewitt went into a cafe for a quart of coffee and Champion was ordered to drive out of town, with Redden still in the car. At Santa Anna, Mr. Champion called the Coleman sheriff and Redden was turned over to Sheriff Stubblefield. Hewitt was promptly picked up and taken to jail at Belton. Redden was kept in Mills County Jail until Tuesday of this week, when he was released on \$5,000 bond. Charges of armed robbery and kidnapping were filed against Hewitt and a charge of kidnapping was filed against Redden. The Moody grocer was robbed of \$100 and left tied up in a field near Moody, in Bell County. He was apparently unharmed and most of the money was recovered. Sheriff Stubblefield then proceeded to recover the Finney automobile abandoned near Goldthwaite and found a chow dog guarding it. The dog belonged to Mr. and Mrs. Champion and it took some mighty pleasant coaxing from our Sheriff to recover the car.

## Both Points Are Carried In Mullin School Election

Tax payers of the Mullin Independent School District approved, in a special election last Saturday, raising their maximum legal rate for assessment of taxes from \$1.00 to \$1.50 and also approved a proposed improvement bond issue in the amount of \$100,000.00, according to reports to The Eagle this week. According to announcement the vote on the question of increasing the tax rate limit to \$1.50 was 151 for and 127 against the measure. On the question of issuing improvement bonds 145 voted for the proposal while 126 cast their ballots against the measure. The proposed bond issue in the amount of \$100,000.00 is for the purpose of a general improvement program in the Mullin School Building.

## Mullin Lions Club Make Plans For Livestock Show

Mullin Lions Club is sponsoring the Mullin Stock Show in Mullin on January 10, 1953. A Free Barbecue dinner will be served to everyone present at 12:00 noon. Tom Henry of the San Saba Vocational Agriculture Department will be the Judge for the Show, and judging will start promptly at 1:00 p. m. To date 26 exhibitors have entered their livestock in the exhibition with 9 boys showing 20 lambs, 6 boys showing 10 Hereford calves, 6 boys showing 11 animals in the Ewe Division, and 5 boys exhibiting 5 animals in the Hog Division. All breeders of registered livestock in the Mullin School District are urged to bring a representative showing of their livestock lines to the Show. All prize money and ribbons are to be furnished by the Mullin Lions in cooperation with the Mullin F. F. A. Chapter. Mrs. Dave Clements' father, W. T. Mathis of Kingsville, who has been seriously ill, is somewhat improved at the last report. Mrs. Dave Clements and Bill left Sunday for Kingsville with Mr. and Mrs. Woody Saylor. They will visit Mrs. Clements' parents during the Christmas holidays. Dave Clements will join his family in Kingsville for Christmas and bring them home with him.

## Courthouse Holiday Thursday & Friday

According to announcement by Lewis B. Porter, County Judge, employees of the various county offices in the Courthouse will have a two-day Christmas holiday. They will have a vacation from their duties Thursday and Friday.

## Swimming Pool Fund Gets New Boost This Week

The Swimming Pool fund which was started last week received another big boost this week with an anonymous contribution in the amount of \$50.00 from a booster of the project, according to announcement by Ray Duren, chairman of the Lions Club committee in charge of advancing the affair. This makes a total of \$100.00 in the fund to date. In announcing the gift Duren stated that the committee is very much encouraged with the move since apparently interest is picking up among citizens and it is the hope of the committee that more interested parties will start giving of their financial support so that definite plans can get underway at an early date toward the project. Committee members serving with Duren are Jesse Moreland and W. C. Barnett.

## Two-Day Holiday

Little's and Mills County Hardware are two of the Goldthwaite firms that have announced that they will be closed Thursday, December 25, and Friday, December 26, in observance of Christmas.

## "Uncle" George Ethridge Of Mullin Celebrates 100th Birthday Anniversary

One hundred Christmases represent many, many happy occasions and one hundred birthdays mark a century. If you wonder how things were a century ago just ask George Ethridge of Mullin. He celebrates his 100th birthday anniversary and Christmas this month.

## 100 YEARS OLD



Eagle Photo by Don Clark

Pictured above is George Ethridge of Mullin, who celebrated his 100th birthday anniversary Monday, December 8. The photograph was taken on the day of his birthday and the cake he is so proudly holding was presented to him by the Mullin Lions Club. A committee of Lions, George Fletcher, Andy Weston, Pen Newhouse, Raymond H. Williams, Don Clark, and Ernest Lynn Fisher presented the cake on the morning of his birthday and asked how he was getting along. To this he replied, "Pretty good, for a kid." In parting, Uncle George remarked that he was looking forward to getting another birthday cake next year.

## New Books Of Interest To All Ages Are Announced By Library Committee

Officials of the Jennie Trent Dew Library of Goldthwaite have just purchased a number of new books which will be of interest to all ages. "The Spotted Sow" was written by Hon. Carlos Ashley. Senator Ashley was raised in San Saba County and writes poetry about his own land and neighbors. "The Wonderful Country" by Tom Lea is billed as one of the best sellers of today. This is a story of the country best known to Mr. Lea, the border country of the Southwest where Texas and New Mexico meet.

## Priddy FFA-FHA Make Plans For Annual Show

Priddy F.F.A. and F.H.A. Chapters will jointly sponsor the Annual Livestock and Home-Making Show in Priddy January 16. Tickets to finance the show will go on sale shortly after Christmas, according to E. C. Evans, Vocational Agriculture Instructor and Chairman of the Ticket Sales Committee. A Hereford bull calf will be awarded as first prize during the show, with the second prize being a Sunbeam Mixer. The committee in charge expects to purchase the calf from an outstanding breeder. This will provide an animal for show purposes. Mrs. James Nickols, Librarian, announced this week that the above named books are now available for checking out purposes.

## Methodist Church Plans Watch Night Service-Open House

A special Watch Night Service and Open House will mark the coming of the New Year at the Methodist Church Wednesday evening, December 31st. Rev. Ed H. Lovelace, Pastor, announces that the service will begin at 7:00 o'clock at the church and will be followed by an open house at the parsonage from 8:00 to 10:00 o'clock. Mrs. L. E. Miller is the General Chairman for the open house. All members and friends of the church are cordially invited to attend.

## Christmas Party At Story Telling Hour

At the Story Telling hour on Tuesday, December 16, the children were entertained with a Christmas party. Christmas stories were told by Mmes. Marvin Hodges, J. M. Cooper, and Lee Doggett; some of the children also sang Christmas carols and told Christmas stories they had heard before. The hostesses had prepared a Christmas tree with candy stockings for all the children.

## Weather Report

According to Harry Allen's official rain gauge Goldthwaite received .84 inches of rainfall on Thursday night of last week. This brings the year's total rainfall to 24.49. Reports from various sections of Mills County show that some areas received as much as two inches of precipitation last Thursday night.

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An Editor's Reflections At Christmas

Have you moved through the seasonal serenity of our streets and felt the exultation in the air? Have you let children's laughter quicken your hearts, and have you sung the age-old carols? Have you visited your friends and let their gaily colored trees instill in you a vivid Christmas magic?

We have done those things. We will do them again and again, for there is no age, no staleness in this kind of truth nor in the words we use to express it each year. Thus, as the Christmas bells voice their own glorious message, we humbly think that it is time to offer ours.

Our message is a quiet one — just that we would like to touch you with the warm sense of Christmas peace which we have tried to impart to every line of this holiday edition. Yet, whether or not you find that message anywhere else in these pages, let us say here, in the fine and direct simplicity of the old way, that we wish everyone a very merry and joyous Christmas.

You Can Make a Big Christmas Candle

You can make a big, long-burning candle to fit into your Christmas decorations if you have a number of odds and ends of partly burned candles around the house. Melt them and pour into cardboard containers and use ice cream cartons, out metal containers or others. Use plain cord for a wick. When the wax is beginning to set, tie the wick to a pencil and suspend it in the wax. Let set hard, remove carton and there is a nice candle for your table.

Why Christmas Candles?

On Christmas Eve the Christ Child wanders all over the earth seeking deserving people—people who are kind and thoughtful of others, and people who have loving hearts. Lighted candles are placed in the windows by such people so that He may not stumble and fall. In the course of His search He visits every castle and hut, no matter how rocky and rough His path may be.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

WHEN THE OLD BIRD WAS YOUNGER

10 YEARS AGO—

(Taken from Eagle Files of December 25, 1942.)

Last Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock on the opening day of the Mill's County Service Club, a double wedding ceremony was performed in front of the beautiful Christmas tree in the club room. The impressive ceremony was performed by Elder I. A. Dyches, which united in marriage Sgt. Alafred Thibodaux of Camp Bowie and Miss Bernice Lawson of Goldthwaite, and Cpl. Rubin T. Barham of Camp Bowie and Angline Weathers of this city.

Information has been received here of the promotion to Lieut. Colonel of Major M. Y. Stokes, Jr. Colonel Stokes has been on duty with the U. S. Engineer office in Dallas, but is now attending the Army Command and General Staff School in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Mrs. Raymond Cockrum and Mrs. Bruce Campbell left Saturday morning for Burbank, California, where they will meet their husbands, who are in Army Service.

Marriage licenses issued by County Clerk Summy were to: Edward Dean Dickerson and Evelyn Mae Sharpless.

Mrs. Otis Gary of San Marcos spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Hester.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Circle of the Rock Springs Community have purchased a residence in the west part of town from L. B. Porter. They moved to their new home last week.

Miss Emma Judd of Hallettsville spent Saturday here, the guest of Mrs. Lina McLean.

Word was received here last week that Miss Julia Beth Ballard, daughter of Clifton Ballard of Moran, a former resident of Mills County, and granddaughter of Mrs. C. Ballard of Gold-

thwaite, is now employed with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Division 4, the administration division.

George W. Barrington, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Barrington, left last Saturday for Corpus Christi, where he entered the Naval Air Base as a mechanic.

It has become known that four of Goldthwaite's prominent citizens will celebrate their birthdays Sunday, December 27. They are: Drew Wheeler, 1875; C. B. Burris, 1883; G. A. Goosby, 1899; and W. P. Weaver, 1899. Gifts and greetings may be mailed to General Delivery, Goldthwaite. Friends not wishing to start shopping all over again may send a check, or cash, which will be gratefully received. Remember the date, Sunday, December 27, and that "Lives of Great Men All remind us . . ."

25 YEARS AGO—

(Taken from Eagle Files of December 30, 1927.)

R. L. McGaugh of Brownwood and J. C. Darroch of Goldthwaite have formed a partnership for the general practice of law, with offices to be located at 401-2-3 First National Bank building. The partnership will commence January 1, 1928.

About seven o'clock Wednesday evening Jake Harrison accidentally discharged a .39 Colts automatic through his right hand. He was rushed to Temple where his hand was dressed. He is reported as doing nicely.

Local officers are working on a clue which will probably lead to the arrest of two white men who held up and robbed the First State Bank of Zephyr Saturday afternoon. One of the youthful robbers is believed to be an escaped convict, and has been identified as such by photographs by W. L. Johnson, the cashier and others who saw them in the drug store shortly before the robbery.

Edward Geeslin, former manager of the Goldthwaite Light and Power Company and ex-citizen of Goldthwaite, is proving himself as progressive in Brady as he was in Goldthwaite. "Edward Geeslin, superintendent of the Brady Water and Light Works, who last week purchased the Herschell Newby bungalow home on South Eleventh Street, this week purchased from F. R. Wulff the 'Home Beautiful' in Southridge Addition."

Last Tuesday morning Cleo Warren started to Lampasas on business when he had gone about seven miles he gave a tramp a ride. On arriving in Lampasas the bum told Mr. Warren that he was broke and hungry. Mr. Warren gave him fifty cents and walked off. When he returned about forty-five minutes later his car was gone.

Elmo Littlepage and "Bungalow" Greathouse were in Blanket Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Ervin and family, Mrs. Decker and son, Elmo, of Ranger visited here during the Christmas holidays.

VIC'S . . .

SOLILOQUY



A Prayer For Christmas

God grant this day of Christmas dawn on one honest man...  
On one happy child, secure in the perfect idealism of the very young...  
On one act of pure generosity, consecrated to the Christ whose birth we celebrate now...  
On one word of peace, spoken in faith to still the clamorous horror of cannon, bomb, and bullet...  
On one deed performed for love and not for gain...  
On one leader who himself is not led astray in arrogance but humbly guides others in the paths of goodness and true progress...  
On one follower who is willing to play his role not blindly but with the alert and critical wisdom which is the heritage of all people...  
On one great human thought that will not be crushed and rent by the cynical, the hopeless, the greedy, and the ignorant.  
God grant that some essence of these miracles be performed in all of us, and we shall see a Christmas that is like unto the first one the angels watched over.



50 YEARS AGO

(Taken from Eagle Files of December 27, 1902.)

The saddle given away by B. A. Harris was awarded to J. L. Warren of McMillan community in San Saba County, he having estimated the exact number of shot in the bottle.

E. A. Schwening, formerly of this city but now of Portales, New Mexico, came in Thursday night to visit his parents and his sister, Mrs. Henry Martin. He is prospecting in his new home and is delighted with the Portales country. He informed us that most of the Mills County people were well pleased there, but that Charlie McPherson had left there enroute to Sweetwater, Texas.

J. D. Long, one of the industrious and prosperous young men of the Mullin neighborhood, was in town Monday.

E. Armstrong and family have returned to this city after making their home in McGregor for a year.

Mrs. W. A. Harper has been in San Angelo for several days visiting relatives. Professor Sanderford spent

Christmas Day with his parents in Killeen.

Mrs. J. R. Graves left Tuesday night for Belton to spend Christmas with her parents.

Lewis Hudson left Wednesday night for Round Rock to spend Christmas with his parents and meet his brothers and sisters in a family reunion.

Noah Karnes was one of the good men who had business in this city Wednesday.

J. H. Randolph and wife and Miss Annie McAuley left Tuesday night for Temple to spend Christmas.

Hubert Logan and wife left for Roswell, New Mexico, Thursday night after spending sev-

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eral months with relatives this county.

Ed Dickerson left Thursday night for Paris, Texas, where Madam Rumor says he is to be married today to a fair young lady of that city.



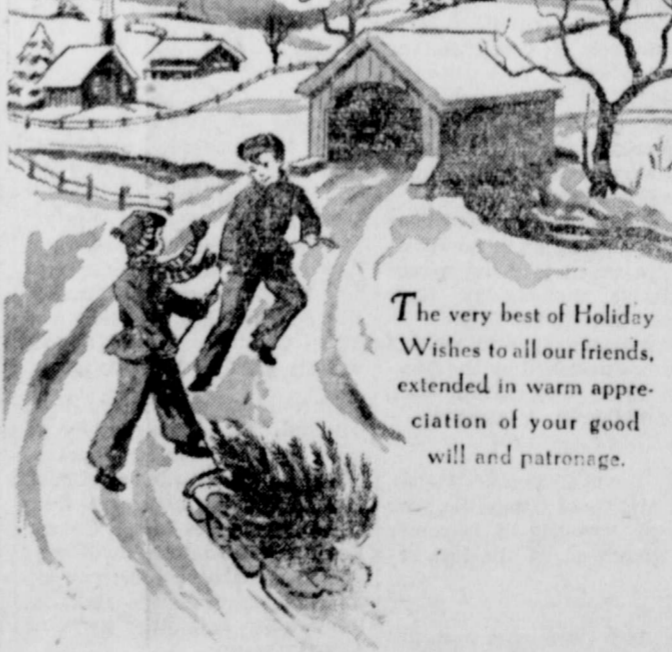
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Season's Greetings



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## Jane Ann Steen Makes Honor Roll

Ablene.—Jane Ann Steen, McMurry College student from Goldthwaite, is one of the 56 named to the first scholastic honor for this year which has just been released. In order to be included on the honor roll a student must be in the upper ten percent of his class.

Jane Ann, a junior, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Steen of Goldthwaite.



*Greetings*

May health,  
good cheer  
and happiness too,  
rush to  
your home  
on twinkling feet and  
abide with you,  
making every day  
Christmas Day.

*Fashion Shop*  
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*Christmas is a tree with bright lights and tinsel and the Star atop. It is a tumble of gifts, wrapped with pretty ribbon, beneath its green boughs. It is the light and faith in little children's eyes on Christmas morning. It is the choking feeling of joy in mother's heart as the packages are opened. It is the tear that wells in dad's eye and he tries to hide it with a grin. It is the remembrances of many other Christmases by grandmother and grandfather, undimmed by golden time.*

*It is the sermon of the Story of Bethlehem. The hymns of the choir, the candlelight service, the softness of children's voices, the peace and goodwill that can come into men's hearts.*

*Christmas is the big tall tree in school, the only tree some of the children can call their own. It is the striped candy cane.*

*It is the joyful music of chimes and church bells, the carols from the record shop, the spirit of the season that makes strangers friends.*

*It is the garland and the candle in the window, the cards on the mantel, the wreath on the door, the mistletoe hung for Sis. It is sincerity in a handshake, the wishes of glad tidings, the vocal meaning in the bello from neighbors.*

*Christmas is a light. A light that vanquishes darkness; the light of charity.*

## Chappell Hill

By PEARL CRAWFORD  
Our community was blessed with an inch of rain Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Tiemann attended the ball game at Goldthwaite Saturday night.

R. F. Daniel helped Floyd Daniel build fence last week.

A. L. Crawford took feed to the mill Wednesday.

O. A. Evans and G. H. Crawford have been hauling their winter wood.

Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Stevens spent last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Harve Kemp and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ryan at Comanche.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Shipman worked a few days with the mistletoe in Goldthwaite.

Mrs. Woodrow Ratliff, Pearl Crawford and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Powna were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Daniel and Mark.

Mrs. A. L. Crawford visited Mrs. R. A. Stevens and Miss Lola Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Berry attended church at Mt. Olive Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Hill of Wingate were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Evans on Wednesday.

A. L. Crawford and William

G. called at the Bill Partin home Wednesday night.

Tommie Partin and Mark Daniel were on the sick list a few days last week. At this writing they are doing nicely.

Christmas is here again—and about time and high time for this scribe to stop and say Merry Christmas to our Editor and all the staff of the Goldthwaite Eagle and to all the readers of this column.

Lt. Herbert D. Horton, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Horton, has just returned from Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands where he has been stationed for the past few months.

## Hillside Mission

By LIDA BYRNS

In the Bible, the following can be found in Malachi, Chapter 3, verse 10: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now her-

with, saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

A "storehouse" could mean a poor woman's pantry or her woodshed.

Mrs. Velva Dee Harris reports that her husband, Warren Harris, landed in Germany the 6th of December.

Mr. and Mrs. Son Wilkey and daughter, Sheryl, of Fort Worth were visitors the past weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Shepherd and Max.



## SMITH - CAMPBELL BUTANE COMPANY

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**A JOYFUL SEASON**  
The remembrance of friends is one of the outstanding joys of Christmas. No wonder then, that we get such pleasure in the approach of the Holiday season, with its all-pervading spirit of friendship and good will. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

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### Noel Preparations Started in Norway In Middle of Year

CHRISTMAS just couldn't help being the event of events in Norway when grandmother was a girl. Without exaggeration, preparation for Christmas actually began six months before December 24. Everything which was used—food, clothing, household furnishings—was prepared in the home. Even the leather for shoes was tanned from hides raised on the homestead. The cloth for apparel, from the skin out, was woven on hand looms. Cobblers came to the house and made the shoes; dressmakers and tailors came. Everyone in the household had to have a new wardrobe for Christmas and, since tailors and cobblers and dressmakers could not be at all places at once, it was necessary to get an early start. When the butchering was finished—in October or November—the suet was melted and the candles were made. The children always had a hand in making the little ones for use on the Christmas tree. And they usually made one which had three prongs which, placed at the very top of the tree, represented the three wise men.

### Albert W. Long Is Assigned To Submarine Squad

NEW LONDON, Conn.—Spl.—Albert W. Long, electrician's mate first class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Long, Goldthwaite, Texas, has been ordered to report to Submarine Squadron Ten, based here, as his first assignment to duty as a submariner, Atlantic Submarine Force headquarters here has announced.

This assignment follows his graduation from the Navy's Enlisted Basic Submarine School at the New London, Conn. Submarine Base, where he has been a student for the last two months.

Enlisted men are recruited for submarine service from volunteers who possess the highest mental and physical standards. There were 265 men in the school's 90th class which graduated here December 18.



TIME OUT . . . Santa Claus pauses in his Christmas Eve visits sometimes to pick up a hot dog and ice cream cone at an all-night hamburger stand.

In their new assignments as submariners, the men will perform a probationary period before they become qualified to wear their Dolphin insignia. Qualification periods usually take five to six months, the Navy said.

### Crumley Funeral Services Are Held Last Friday

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Minnie Mae Crumley in Lampasas last Friday, December 19. Mrs. Crumley, 68, was born in Coryell County May 24, 1884. She moved to Lampasas County with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Milton Blackwell, when she was 10 years of age.

She was united in marriage with Benjamin Tee Crumley in 1913 and to this union four children were born. The children, J. M. of Lampasas, B. T. of Goldthwaite, Mrs. Jessie Lou Munday of Lampasas and A. J. Crumley of Copperas Cove, all survive. Mrs. Crumley passed away in February 1919.

Other survivors include six grandchildren, Julius T. Crumley, Merrel Glynn Crumley, W. T. Crumley, Edwin Louis Crumley, Leroy Dale Munday and Elsie Ruth Crumley; two brothers, Boss and Dock Blackwell of Evant; and one sister, Mrs. V. T. Kensey of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Mrs. Crumley was killed instantly when the car in which she and her son, J. M. Crumley, were riding was sent spinning from the highway when Mr. Crumley, the driver, attempted to dodge a dog that wandered into their path. The dog lodged under the front wheel of the vehicle and sent it careening from the slippery pavement.

Mrs. Crumley was thrown clear of the wreckage, but not before receiving fatal injuries. J. M. was pinned under the car, receiving second degree burns from the hot water from the radiator and a broken pelvic bone. After being freed, J. M. dragged himself to the side of his dead mother before being put into an ambulance and taken to the hospital.

Rev. E. W. Dickson of Goldthwaite assisted Rev. Jasper Chambers of Lampasas in conducting the services. Mrs. Lila Gray, a cousin of Mrs. Crumley, sang a special number from a hymnal said to be over 100 years old.

Pallbearers were E. V. Childers, S. T. Person, Harrel Harton, Ray Allen, Tommy Farquhar and Horace Sergeant. Interment was in Knox Cemetery.

Those who attended the final rites of Mrs. Crumley from Goldthwaite were Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Gray, Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Dickson, W. B. Wooster, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jarrett and Levi Auldridge.

### Yule Tree Business Figured in Millions

CHRISTMAS TREES are a multi-million dollar business. Throughout the nation, some 15 million trees are supplied to the holiday demand. Prices range from \$1 to \$5, and that adds up to real money.

A Christmas tree, in the lake states, is usually a balsam or a spruce. The same is true in New England and the Appalachian section. Elsewhere in the country, virtually all kinds of evergreens are used.

The lodgepole pine and Douglas fir are frequently used in Colorado. On the Pacific coast, it is principally Douglas fir.

In Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C., a scrub pine takes a trimming.

In other localities, white pine, southern pine, hemlock, red and white cedar and redwood are used. The business of harvesting this annual crop begins in the fall, when cutters go into the woods after trees. It continues as truckers bring huge loads to metropolitan markets.

In most cases, Christmas tree harvests are actually a part of good forest management.

Many land owners manage their swamps to make them yield a crop of trees year after year. Thinning operations are another source of Yule trees.

Farmers have discovered that they can get a cash crop from eroded acres by harvesting Christmas trees 10 or 15 years after they are planted.

Mrs. Annie Armstrong went with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Upham and children of Crane, to Fort Worth last week to visit her sons, and Mrs. Upham's brothers, Lt. and Mrs. Glenn Armstrong and family, and Jack Burns and family.



Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ed Reeves and family of Pautxen, Maryland, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hedleston and family of Dennison, Ohio and Maynard Reeves are here for the Christmas holidays with their father, Walter Reeves, and other relatives.



THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS . . . Much of the joy of Christmas for mothers and fathers is watching the thrill children get from finding toys under the tree. These children express their joy on Christmas morning. Much of the joy for the children is the anticipation of and mystery in Santa's visit and the guessing about what the old fellow will bring.

### Select Toys to Fit Child's Age Level

A child's Christmas toys should be chosen with as much care as one would buy his clothes—to "fit" age level.

If the child is just learning to walk and climb, give him play materials to stimulate these activities. He needs his first picture book when he begins to talk, housekeeping toys at about three when he begins to help mother, and crayons and scissors when he can begin to handle them.

Parents, aunts, uncles and cousins should consider what the child is ready for as regards physical growth and mental and social development in selecting toys.

If toys are selected with some relation to the child's growth and needs, they will be toys which stimulate self-reliance.

Most children, it is believed, fare better with fewer but carefully selected toys. And when buying toys, the parents should consider probably "life."

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU



# Merry Christmas

If we haven't had a chance to wish you a Merry Christmas personally, during the past few days, may we now say to each and every one of our friends and patrons:

"A Happy Christmas and Joyous New Year"

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### Your Poinsettia Will Bloom Next Christmas

THE POINSETTIA has long been a popular Christmas plant but probably few people have given much thought to the fact that it does come into bloom each year only at this season.

The poinsettia is one of a group of plants known as short day plants because it will bloom only in the season of the year with short day length periods, preferably 10 hours or less. That is why it is always in bloom during the Christmas season and not during the summer. It could be prevented from blooming now by lengthening the daylight period to 15 hours by means of artificial lights.

Flower growers have learned how to bring garden chrysanthemums into bloom any month of the year by using shading cloth to shorten the days and artificial lights to lengthen the days. The chrysanthemum is also a short day plant. How can one keep a poinsettia plant until next season? After its usefulness is over, place it in the basement or some dry place where it will not freeze. Do not water it, or at least very little, and let the soil dry up. Next May bring the plant out, cut the stem back about two thirds, wash the old soil off the roots and re-plant in new soil. From then on handle it like any other pot plant. Softwood cuttings taken in July and rooted will give you good Christmas bloom.

Billy Ray Armstrong, who is a teacher in the Ingleside Public Schools, is home for the holidays, visiting his mother, Mrs. Annie Armstrong.

### Burial Place of Santa Said To Be in Italy

SANTA CLAUS, otherwise St. Nicholas, otherwise the one-time bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, is buried in Bari, Italy. His body was stolen from its original tomb in Myra and swiftly borne to Bari by Italian sailors, who thought back in 1087 that a saint's body brought prosperity and good luck to your town.

St. Nicholas, who was tortured and imprisoned for his faith during the reign of Emperor Diocletian, found no rest in his first tomb at Myra. Always some expedition was attempting to remove his remains. However, once buried again in Bari, the saint's body was credited with curing 30 people of distemper and performing other miracles. So Bari became a place of pilgrimage, and the legends about St. Nicholas multiplied apace.

We owe our notion of Santa Claus as a secret dispenser of gifts to a story that St. Nicholas once saved three girls from a life of prostitution by throwing purses of gold through a window in Patara, thus permitting a poverty stricken nobleman to give his daughters suitable dowries as custom demanded.

In addition, St. Nicholas was credited with restoring life to some boys who had been slain and dismembered by a wicked innkeeper of Myra—hence the occasional stained glass windows in which the saint is shown beside three lads in a tub. There were many other stories about St. Nicholas, who became San Nicolaas in the dialect of the New York Dutch.

Mrs. Lane Boogher and daughter, Patricia Broddus, of Chicago, arrived last Friday night to spend several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Harvey.

### News Of North Bennett

Mr. and Mrs. Audie Cathey are working in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Montgomery and boys have moved to Big Lake.

Those who enjoyed dinner in the Raymond Booker home Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Leo Lew and Linda, Bill, Bob, and Mary of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Wallace of Comanche, Mr. and Mrs. Will Fickel of Gustine, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Booker, Linda, and Gloria, and Mr. and Mrs. Mel Booker of Goldthwaite.

The Walton Moore family visited in the R. C. Thompson

home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Caryl Wall and Caryl Earl visited in the Walton Moore home Friday night.

Mrs. Montgomery and family have moved to Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Windhem of Abilene have bought the Montgomery farm. They hope to have the house remodeled and ready to move in by the first of the year.

### Rev. E. E. Barber Moves To Dublin

Rev. E. E. Barber, Pastor of the Mullin Baptist Church, is moving to Dublin in the near future. He announced that he will not fill a pastorate, but that he will continue as a minister.

### Chemical Solution Protects Christmas Trees From Flames

To fireproof your Christmas tree, which is still a hazard even with electric lights, select your tree four to six days before you intend to decorate it. Then weigh the tree and buy one-fourth as many pounds of ammonium sulfate as the tree weighs. This chemical is available in most stores that sell seeds and fertilizers.

For each pound of ammonium sulfate use 1½ pints of water to make the fireproofing solution. Mix the solution in something tall and narrow that will hold the tree upright. Then saw off the tree diagonally so as to give a large cut surface. Set the tree in the solution in a cool place, away from the direct sunlight, and leave it there until most of the solution is absorbed.

### Season's Greetings

May the spirit of brotherhood that is the meaning of our Christmas spread its teachings of Peace and Good Will around the world.

FRAZIER BROS.



SPECIAL PRICES THROUGH CHRISTMAS EVE  
DOUBLE GOLD STAMPS GIVEN CHRISTMAS EVE

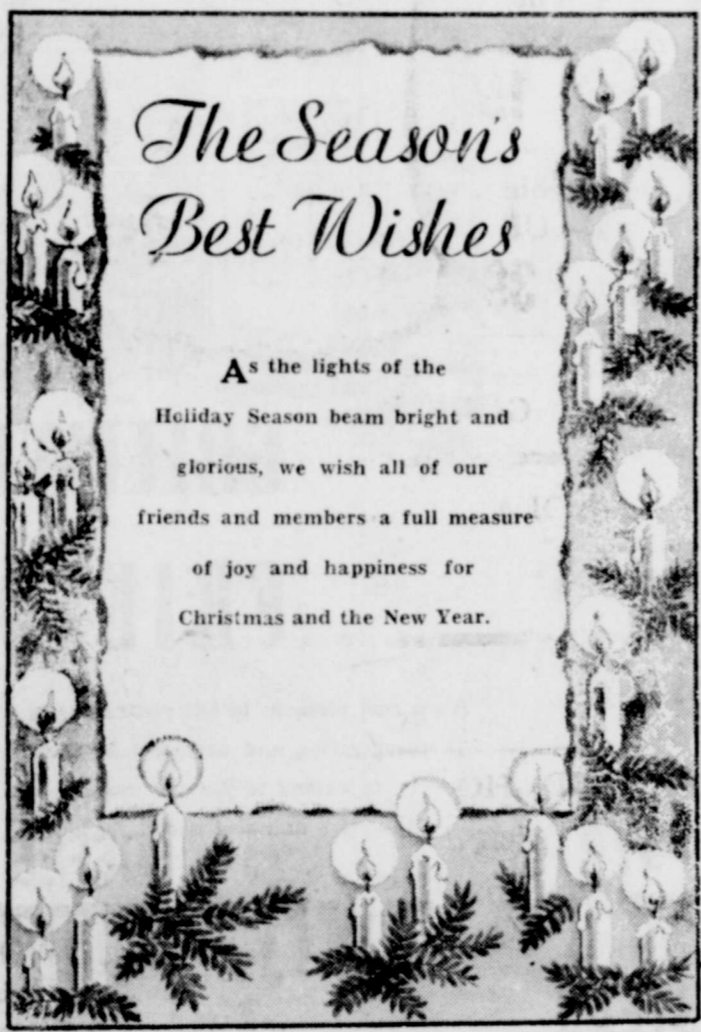
CHOCOLATE CHERRIES Pound 59c	GIANT LETTUCE 14c
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PICNIC HAMS Lb. 39c	ARMOUR'S STAR HAMS Lb. 65c
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Enjoy Yourself with  
NEW YEAR'S FOODS FROM PIGGLY WIGGLY!  
Wishing You Every Happiness in 1953!



### The Season's Best Wishes

As the lights of the Holiday Season beam bright and glorious, we wish all of our friends and members a full measure of joy and happiness for Christmas and the New Year.

CENTRAL TEXAS  
TELEPHONE CO-OPERATIVE  
Goldthwaite, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Kennedy and son, Keith, from Rusk spent Friday and Saturday with

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Horton, Hub and Kathryn. **MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!**

# HI, NEIGHBOR!

From All Of Us  
To All Of You All



## Merry Christmas

The value of our friendships is appreciated more and more as we go further and further on our business journey. To our old friends and new acquaintances we extend our sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

### Gwin - the Cleaner

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Goldthwaite, Texas

### Scout Committee Reports Results On Finance Drive

W. C. Barnett, Chairman of the Auditing Committee of the local Boy Scout Finance Drive, announced that the campaign netted \$857. This report covers the contributions of 126 investors with some contribution cards not yet in.

This officially exceeds Joe Bailey Karnes' estimate, which was \$700, by a sum of \$157. Mr. Karnes was Chairman of the Finance Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Horton of Corpus Christi are spending part of the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Horton, Hub and Kathryn.

Miss Angeline Smith from Baylor University is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Smith and family.

### Christmas Don'ts

To keep your Christmas a truly merry one, keep these don'ts in mind:

**DON'T** give children dangerous toys, or toys with sharp points. If they operate with electricity, be sure you supervise their use.

**DON'T** decorate the tree with lighted candles unless it's absolutely unavoidable.

**DON'T** place the tree near a stove or fireplace.

**DON'T** leave lighted tree unguarded at any time.

**DON'T** use a rickety, unsafe ladder in decorating the tree.

**DON'T** place Christmas candles near the tree, curtains, paper wreaths or other decorations.

**DON'T** overlook the opportunity to make your tree fire-resistant.

**DON'T** leave toys exposed where people can trip on them.

**DON'T** allow steps and sidewalks to become icy in cold weather.

**DON'T** drive recklessly.

### Scallorn News

By ORA BLACK

With Christmas just a few days off everyone out our way are making last minute preparations for a happy home coming of children and other relatives.

Thursday Mrs. Flo Hughes entertained with a social at her Shady Oaks ranch home. There were twelve ladies present, including Mrs. Hodges and Mrs. C. C. Wright of Mullin. Refreshments were served by the hostess which consisted of orange cake and coffee.

Guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hughes are Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie of San Antonio and a brother of Mr. Hughes.

Another social of interest in the form of a Christmas party was at the home of Mrs. Frank Hines. A lovely tree had been set up to accommodate the packages brought by the guests to be distributed to the one holding the corresponding number which proved to be very exciting. After each opened their gift and expressed their thanks, Mrs. Hines, assisted by Greta Sue and Mrs. Fields Hines served the guests a very delicious refreshment plate.

Guests Wednesday evening of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Casbeer were Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bostick and



**ALLERGIC TO WHISKERS . . .**  
Not all little boys who love Santa Claus this time of year have a sublime trust in the old gent. This young man obviously wishes he were somewhere else.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Burnham and little son.

Mrs. Luther Brown is spending this week in San Saba with a daughter who, with her little girl, was badly burned. Word came that the little girl was not expected to recover. All

caused by children playing with matches.

Mrs. Silas Burk was in San Saba Monday visiting her mother, Mrs. Perry.

Mrs. Charles Wright of Mullin was a guest Thursday of her mother, Mrs. Ora Black.

On looking at our rain this Friday morning we of the measurement 1 1/2 inch rain which fell through the day night.

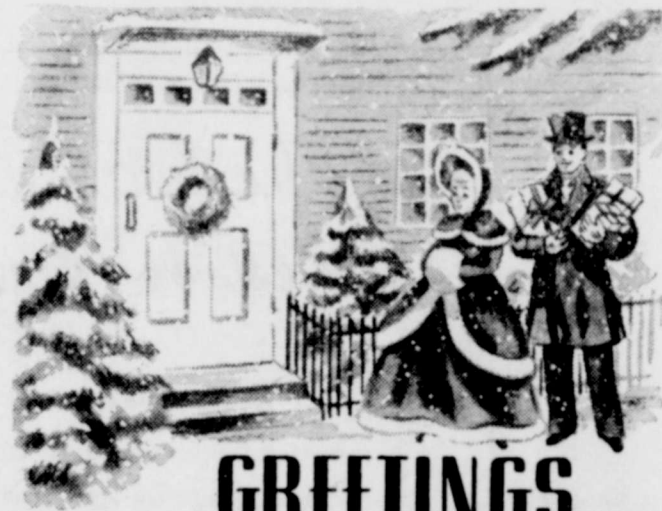
Merry Christmas to the Editor and all the readers of Eagle.

## Joy at CHRISTMAS



May the joy and faith of Christmas guide you into paths that lead to a happy and prosperous New Year.

### LETBETTER MACHINE SHOP



## GREETINGS FRIENDS!

It's a real pleasure to tell you "many thanks" for your co-operation and patronage in the past - - and to extend to you our warmest greetings and best wishes for a very

## Merry Christmas

and a Happy, Prosperous New Year

NOTE:

We Will NOT Have Our Sales On December 26 And 29. Next SALE DAY January 2, 1953

MILLS COUNTY

Commission Company

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## Season's Greetings

It's our sincerest wish that your Holiday Season may in every way be glad . . . abundant with good fellowship, good health and success in the coming New Year.

### STEEN HARDWARE

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It's Coming FRIDAY Jan. 9 SEE IT AT -

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### A. D. Kirk Is Promoted

Freeport, (Spl)—A. D. Kirk, formerly of Spearman, has been promoted to section engineer in the engineering department of the Dow Chemical Company's Texas division here.

Mr. Kirk, who joined Dow as a mechanical engineer in 1941, was promoted from the position of engineering group leader.

He attended the University of Minnesota School of Mechanical Engineering.

Married to the former Waldine Traylor of Goldthwaite, he lives in Lake Jackson. He and Mrs. Kirk have two children—Kay, 14, and Claudine, 10.

### Star News

**By DORA GOODE**  
Most all packages and cards have been consigned to Uncle Sam for distribution, and folks have settled down to planning menus for the Christmas holidays. You can most already smell those cakes and turkeys, just from those pencil lists. It's wonderful to be able to do this, because there are millions who will go hungry on Christmas Day. Sometimes I can hardly eat a big Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner for thinking about them.

Quoting from a poem by Cornelia Bertrand Kreid—  
"Give Time to Christ this Christmas,  
Save Him a place each day;  
Withhold the hand that hurries;  
Take off some time to pray  
Make room for Christ in Christmas,  
Invite Him as your guest,  
Prepare your heart to be

His host—  
And Christ will do the rest."  
That should be our motto through the coming celebration of our Lord's birthday.

By the time you'll be reading this the days will be getting longer gradually by the wee bit into the long June days. Maybe another year won't be so dry and hot. Here's hoping.

I got a little "nigger" doll through the mail this morning. So if other folks think it, then I'll have to admit that I'm getting into my second childhood. Well, I always have liked dolls, and some women I've read of that are not old enough to be even a grandma, have dolls—just scads of 'em. It's a hobby with 'em. So why not me starting a nice little friendly locking hobby in dolls.

In spite of all the prowling and spying that B. P. Goode indulges in we still have olecats. And to cap it all, judging from the effectiveness of the smell, they, or it, have set up

headquarters right under his house.

Mr. Lant Adams and wife, who spent all the fall season out ginning near Post, have come in home. They report that they'll be home for quite a spell. Mr. Adams, in connection with his son, T. L., Jr., and Boots Boykin own a gin out here near Post. No ginning was done at Star this year, for the first time in — well, I don't know.

Professor Ray Pruitt, Professor Charles Davis, and Professor Waldrop, with their families, celebrated with a holiday party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pruitt one night last week, with the singing of carols, refreshments, and the like.

Rev. C. A. Hosan, Charlie Sheldon, along with helpers occasionally, have just about finished gathering a pecan crop in the Bend area. We had a sample of some of them, and were they good!

This is being written on a

Thursday night to the music of a gentle rain coming slowly down.

I want to say merry Christmas to the Eagle force, all our friends, and readers of the Eagle, here and in far-away places.



### Reliable Batteries

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Warmer than ever  
And cheerier too,  
Are the Holiday wishes  
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FROM ALL OF US TO ALL OF YOU...  
*Merry Christmas*

It's a  
Busy Season  
for  
LONG DISTANCE

Like Santa Claus, Long Distance telephone lines will be mighty busy on the Christmas week-end.

Friends and relatives all over the country will want to exchange greetings. Most of these calls will go through promptly...but there will be some delays, particularly on calls to distant points.

Thank You

# CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The wonderful thing about Christmas is that each year, without fail, it works its miracle over again. With the approach of the Holiday Season, the spirit becomes refreshed, the heart uplifted, and the world suddenly is full of smiling people, bursting with good will towards their fellow-man.

It is in this atmosphere of good cheer and brotherly love that we wish our friends a very Merry Christmas and a Rich and Happy New Year.



City of Goldthwaite Utilities

## That Immortal Christmas Essay... Yes, Virginia

"Yes, indeed! Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age—they do not believe except what they see—they think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little."

"In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge."

### Devotion

It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies!"

"You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus—the most real things in the world are those neither children nor men can see."

"Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there—nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world."

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men, that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond."

"Is it all real?—ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding. No Santa Claus! Thank God!—he lives, and he lives forever—a thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood!"

It was only September, and 1897's Christmas was three months in the future. But Virginia O'Hanlon's concern was with an important problem that, to her, knew no season. That was why she wrote her letter to the New York Sun asking "Is there a Santa Claus?" The answer to Virginia's question, composed in a moment of deep spiritual insight by Francis B. Church, stands even today as a testament of faith.

### Faith

### Truth

### Generosity

### Love

### Star Home-Making Class Meets Tuesday

The Ladies Home-making Class will meet at the H. E. room at Star on Tuesday, December 30, from 1:30 to

3 p. m. for a demonstration of the "Smart Fashion Stitches" by Singer, according to announcement by Mrs. Chas. L. Stephan, reporter. They include the spark stitch, boucle stitch, metallic and many others. Also

a repeat lesson in putting zippers in, in the easy way. Everyone is invited to attend.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

**— IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE —**

# Greetings



*It's not easy to express  
in cold type the warm appreciation we  
have for the loyalty and good will of  
our many friends. Our sincere thanks for your  
friendship is second only  
to the pleasure we've had in serving you. To one and all we wish a  
joyous Christmas and a bountiful New Year.*

## Little's

DRY GOODS

# Merry Christmas!

We sincerely hope that you and your loved ones will share in every Christmas pleasure.

And may the New Year be one of good health and contentment for all our many friends.



## YARBOROUGH & DUREN

"The Friendly Store Where Your Money Buys More."

### Christmas Eve Memory Check

Did You Remember . . . to take home a few extra toys? If you are expecting two or three neighborhood small fry to drop in, you can be sure six will show up. And three toys and six children do not enhance "Peace on Earth."

Did You Remember . . . to check the Christmas tree lights? Not day before yesterday. Not last week. We mean right now. A few stores are still open and you can supply new ones. Better pick up a few more ornaments, too.

Did You Remember . . . that you told all those people to drop in for refreshments tonight? Better check on the cake, cookies, soft drinks, and other goodies.

Did You Remember . . . those last minute Christmas cards? If not, you can send telegrams to friends too far away for cards to reach them by December 25. You can have a messenger call at your house while the guests you invited in for snacks are there, and probably everybody will remember someone far away who should have a Christmas greeting.

Did You Remember . . . to hang some kind of Christmas decoration outside the house, so passing strangers may enjoy some of the Christmas glow that is in your home and reflect it around your town? Remember, everyone has a part in this Christmas cheer,

not just your small circle, and the more cheer you scatter, the more you will gather.

Guests Sunday in the home of Mrs. Will Burks were: Mr. and Mrs. John Kuykendall of Scalhorn, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Denison and daughter, Rose Frances, of Zephyr, Miss Grace Denison of Dallas and Cecil Denison of Goldthwaite. Alfred and Grace Denison are niece and nephew of Mrs. Burks.



**NO RAIN, DEAR . . .** This young lady makes a pretty picture down in sunny Florida on Christmas eve as she poses with Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer. Although Florida lacks snow it makes up for it in other beauties.

**— MERRY CHRISTMAS! —**

### Walter Doggett Funeral Services Held Last Friday

Funeral services were held for Walter M. Lee Doggett last Friday morning, December 19, at the First Methodist Church of Goldthwaite. He died Thursday, December 18, following a lingering illness. Rev. Ed H. Lovelace, Pastor of the First Methodist Church, was in charge of the services, assisted by Rev. J. T. Ayers, Pastor of the First Baptist Church. In addition to the choir, music for the services was rendered by Mrs. Neal Cook of Crane and John Rogers of Fort Worth.

Mr. Doggett, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Doggett, was born June 6, 1892, and married Miss Mabel Evans of Center City on August 12, 1911. To this union were born five children, four of whom survive. These are Mrs. Jerry Walker of Goldthwaite, Mrs. Leroy Arnold of Austin, Lee Doggett of Goldthwaite, Karl Doggett, Austin, and Elwain Doggett, deceased.

Other survivors include six grandchildren: Donna Lynn, Stanley and Douglas Doggett, Sandra Kay and Elwain Arnold and Kathy Doggett; two sisters, Mrs. Effie Nickols of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Mrs. Viola Hill of Goldthwaite; a brother, Ira Doggett of Lometa; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Mr. Doggett was a member of the First Methodist Church, Goldthwaite and the Masonic Lodge of Center City. Interment was in the Goldthwaite Memorial Cemetery with arrangements by Roy Wilkins Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Hern Harp, Fred Reynolds, Brian Smith, John L. Patterson, Tom Collins and Hubert Geeslin. Masonic rites were conducted by the Center City Masonic Lodge of the Cemetery.

Out-of-town relatives and friends who attended the funeral services for Mr. Doggett were Mr. and Mrs. Ira Doggett, Lometa, Messrs. Rahl, Allen, and Mancel Doggett, Mrs. Fay Wain and Janice, Paula Whittington, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Rogers, all of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Cook, Gary, Paula and Linda of Crane, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Evans and DeOrville Evans of Freeport, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Leonard of Austin and Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Lasky of Seminole.

### Wedding Bells

According to the official record of the County Clerk marriage licenses issued since last report are as follows: Harry Dan Ingram, Jr., and Thelma Sue Whitley.

Mrs. L. E. Miller returned her home in Goldthwaite last week after spending two weeks with her sister, Mrs. Nellie Hoy, of Santa Rosa, New Mexico.



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THE FOR CAROLS . . . Men, women and children from Protestant churches blend their voices in carol singing before the burning Yule log. This Christmas Eve custom is becoming increasingly popular throughout the country.



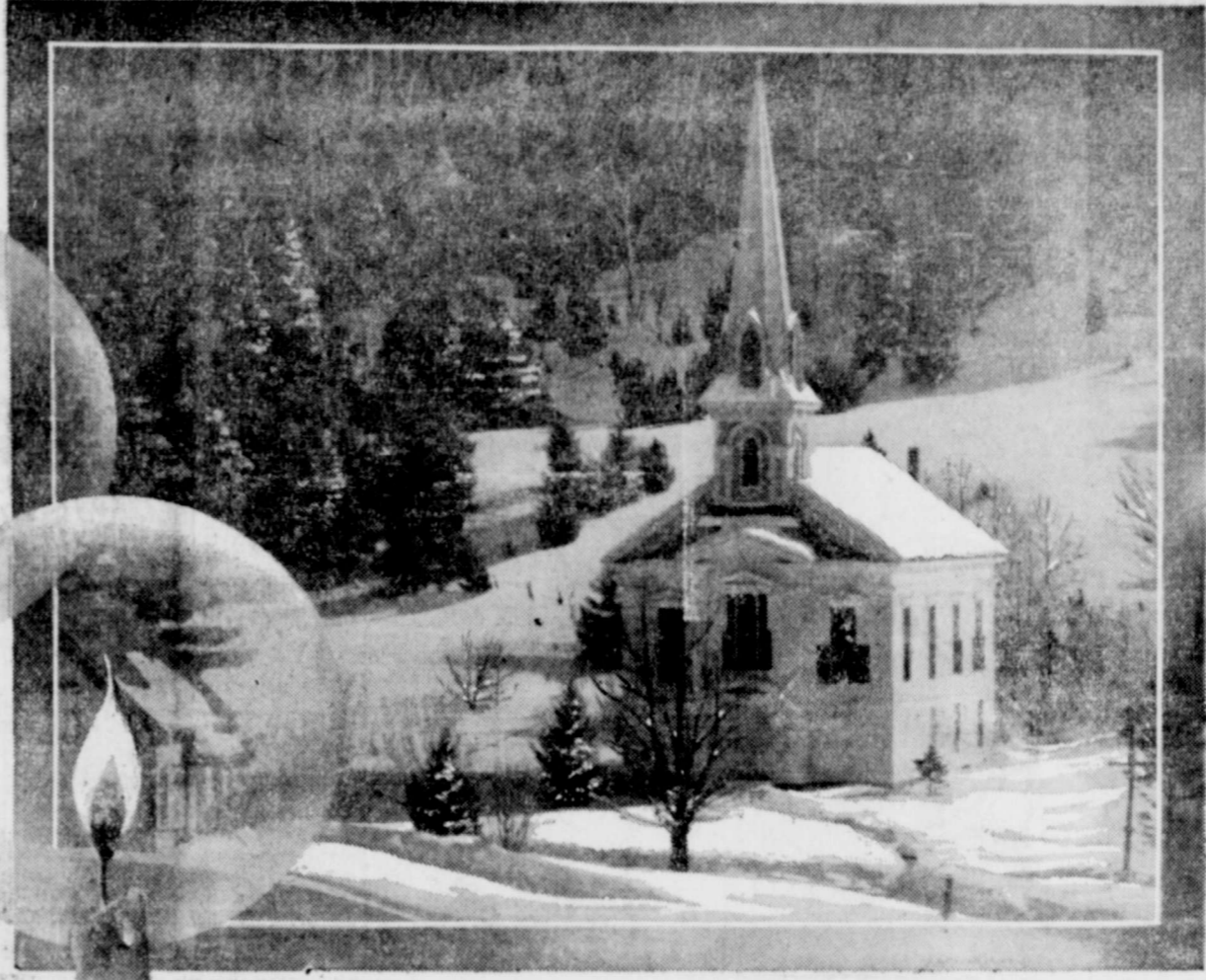
May the world rejoice again, in  
Peace on Earth Good-Will to Men.

H. B. DAVIS  
5c, 10c And 25c Store  
WILMA AND CARL KAUS



We're used to being Santa Claus, for we play the role for many of our friends and neighbors throughout the year. But in this holiday season we truly wish we could be three Santas at once...to wish everybody a Christmas blessed threefold in Happiness, Health and Prosperity!

LUCILE FAIRMAN,  
POSTMASTER  
And Post Office Employees



## Season's Greetings

For us, each new Christmas seems to hold an added significance... a deeper meaning. It's because we realize that whatever we accomplish from year to year is made possible through the cooperation and good will of our patrons and friends. We are grateful for this manifestation of loyalty and confidence and it is with full sincerity that we extend our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

ROY WILKINS  
FUNERAL HOME  
Mr. And Mrs. Roy Wilkins - LeRoy Stacy

## MERRY CHRISTMAS



*It is our sincere wish that all the exciting joy and pleasant surprises of Christmas morning live with you every day of a Happy New Year.*

**FAULKNER BARBER SHOP**

### CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

**UNITED STATES** (Merry Christmas)—Christmas tree, mistletoe and Santa Claus.




**BRAZIL** (Boas Festas)—A family dinner is first on the list of festive celebrations in Brazil. Christmas trees, gift exchanges and other typical U.S. holiday customs are being adopted in South America.



**HOLLAND** (Hartelijke Kertgroeten)—Land of old St. Nicholas, forerunner of our Santa Claus. In former years, the Dutch celebrated for a month. St. Nick scattered his gifts about the floors of Dutch homes as early as December 6.



### Santa Claus' RIGHT ARM



**THIS MAY BE** the post office's biggest Christmas. The postmaster general estimates that more Christmas mail—packages and cards—will be handled in 1952 than in any previous year. With this in mind, the post office department has hired extra employees and arranged for use of extra trucks for the holiday period.

The post office is Santa Claus' good right arm. It delivers gifts and greetings throughout the world, and it will do its best to get them there by December 25—if they are mailed on time.

Much Christmas mail going overseas is handled in cooperation with the postal systems of other nations. But in the United States and its possessions, in U.S.-trusted islands in the Pacific and among U.S. servicemen in all parts of the world, delivery of holiday greetings is strictly a United States affair.

The army takes over, through its army post office, for troops serving outside the United States, be they in Germany, Korea, or somewhere on the way. The navy handles mail for its men on ships at sea and at naval stations anywhere on the globe.

Best known special Christmas business done by any post office is that of Santa Claus, Indiana.

# Season's Greetings



Christmas is wonderful... and its arrival always brings to us the realization that we have such wonderful friends. May your Holiday Season be filled with outstanding happiness.

**PRODUCTION CREDIT ASSOCIATION  
GOLDTHWAITE OFFICE**

## Christmas Greetings

May the old time Christmas spirit of joy and peace be with you every day of a bountiful New Year.



**DALTON CLEANERS**

**ITALY** (Bona Natale)—Shepherds gather in villages on Christmas Eve to play musical instruments as townfolks sing sweet Nativity songs. Thousands flock to St. Peter's in Rome on Christmas Day.



**GREECE** (Kala Kristouyeha)—Decorated trees, greeting cards and gift exchanges are season highlights. New Year's Eve is really the top holiday, with big dances, parties and other celebrations for young and old.



**PHILIPPINE ISLANDS** (Maligayang Pasko)—Church services, singing and dancing are Yuletide favorites in the islands.




**HOLY GLASS** . . . This stained window is in the church of Oberndorf, Germany, where the beloved Christmas carol, "Silent Night, Holy Night," was first sung.

## Merry Christmas



May every colorful ball on your Christmas Tree... every sparkling length of tinsel, reflect the joy and glad spirit that we wish to be yours this Christmas. And may the brightness of your Yuletide continue to be reflected throughout the New Year.

**SAYLOR CHEVROLET COMPANY**



# Season's Greetings

In extending our sincerest greetings to our friends at this time we find an ever deeper meaning in the spirit of Christmas. For it is the furthering of friendship and brotherhood with others that brings to us the true joy of living...  
*A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.*

**W. M. JOHNSON**



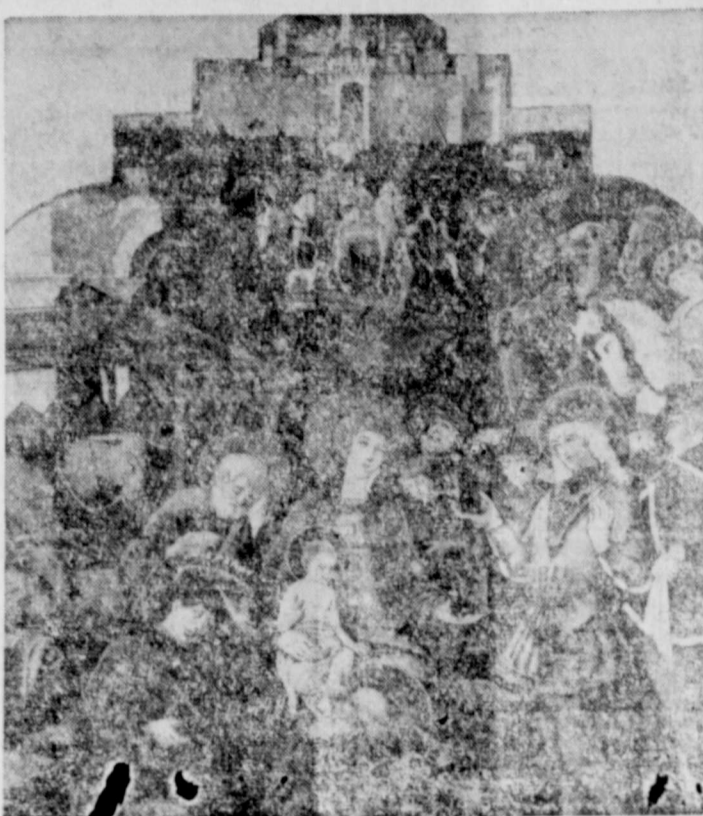
A Christmas MESSAGE



May your Yuletide pleasure be a blend of the hearty, warm spirit of yesteryear and the joyous, thrilling, enjoyment of today

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All

**TOTS - To - TEENS SHOP**  
BESSIE CREWS




ADORATION OF THE MAGI . . . This Nativity scene was painted by Benvenuto di Giovanni (1436-1518) of Siena, Italy, and hangs in the National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C. It is one of many famous "adoration" scenes painted by artists of all nationalities.

Joy... Peace...  
at Christmas

Once more we pause to welcome to our hearts the spirit of this blessed season.

May it renew the great warmth of reverent love in the hearts of all men, and may this Christmas Day herald the fulfillment of all our prayers for joy and peace to all our brothers throughout the world.

**McCOLLUM GROCERY**



Season's Greetings



"Merry Christmas" . . . in these two words we wish to express our appreciation for your unwavering goodwill and friendship.

**SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE**  
CHARLES O. HAENSCH      BOB CROSSLAND  
ROGER POWELL              CARL CASBEER

"Merry Christmas" in other languages

Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas! The spirit conveyed by these words is the same in all countries, but the words themselves sometimes fall harshly on American ears.

"Merry Christmas" in French has a soft and musical sound. It is "Joyeux Noel."

In Spain the greeting is "Feliz Pascuas", and in Italy, "Buon Natale". For Sweden it is "God Jul" and Norway, "Gladig Jul".

In Germany and Holland the greeting is a tongue-twister that would stump the average American. The Germans say "Froehliche Weihnachten" and the Dutch, "Plezierig Kerstfeest".

But whatever the language, the spirit behind this greeting is the same wherever there are men of goodwill.

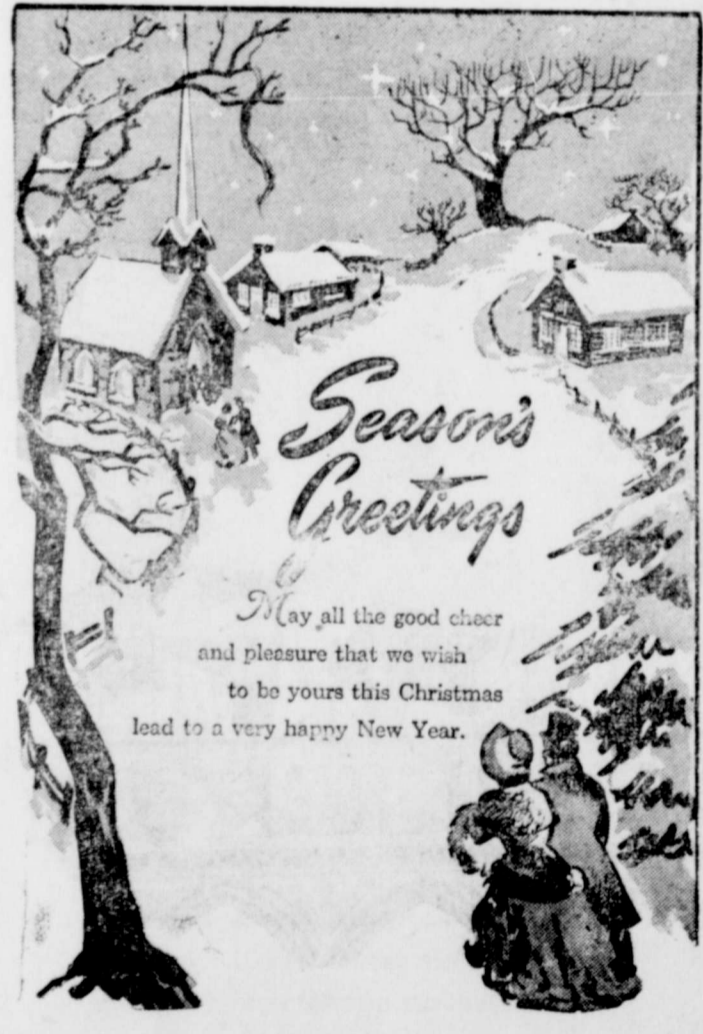
Greetings

We're sending you loads of wishes of joy, good health and good cheer for the Holiday Season . . . and though they're delivered on Christmas, they're good for all the days of the New Year.



**GOLDTHWAITE HOME & AUTO SUPPLY**  
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bailey Karnes

Season's Greetings



May all the good cheer and pleasure that we wish to be yours this Christmas lead to a very happy New Year.

**DR. AND MRS. M. A. CHILDRESS**  
Mrs. Elva Moreland      Mrs. Connie Anderson

— MERRY CHRISTMAS! —

**Christmas Trees Can Be Put to Many Uses After New Year's**

There are a number of things you can do with your Christmas tree after New Year's besides burning it.

If it is a fir, for instance, it can be anchored in the back yard—perhaps in a corner of the garden—and used as a bird feeder the remainder of the winter. Pieces of suet and little feed bags may be tied to the branches. A container of water should be placed beneath the tree and kept filled so the birds will have a drink every day.

Or, cut off the branches and place them, curved ends up, over flower beds when the ground is exposed. An evergreen mulch helps prevent the soil from heaving during alternate freezes and thaws. Long branches may be built into little lean-tos to protect tender shrubs from sun scald.

The needles of a Christmas tree can be sprinkled beneath acid-loving plants such as laurel, andromeds, rhododendron and blueberries.

If the needles on the tree are still firm, use the branches in an outdoor windowbox. Moisten the soil in the box. Then push the cut ends of the branches down to the bottom and tamp the soil firm around them. This will generally give you greenery all winter.

If you must burn your Christmas tree, don't toss it into a fireplace. Cut off the branches and burn them safely one by one.

And remember, a Christmas tree tossed into the street can become a fire hazard if playful children pick it up and make a bonfire of it in a vacant lot.

## Holiday WISHES



To all our friends we wish good cheer, not only for Christmas, but for all of the coming New Year.

**SMITH LAUNDRY**  
MR. AND MRS. WARREN SMITH

## SEASON'S GREETINGS



May Santa bring you all the things you want this Christmas.

And here's the hope that in the coming New Year you'll find heaps of good luck, good cheer, and good health.

**BROWN - MILLS**  
SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

G. G. GOSS ANSON ODEN  
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## Early Yuletide Thought Pagan By Christians

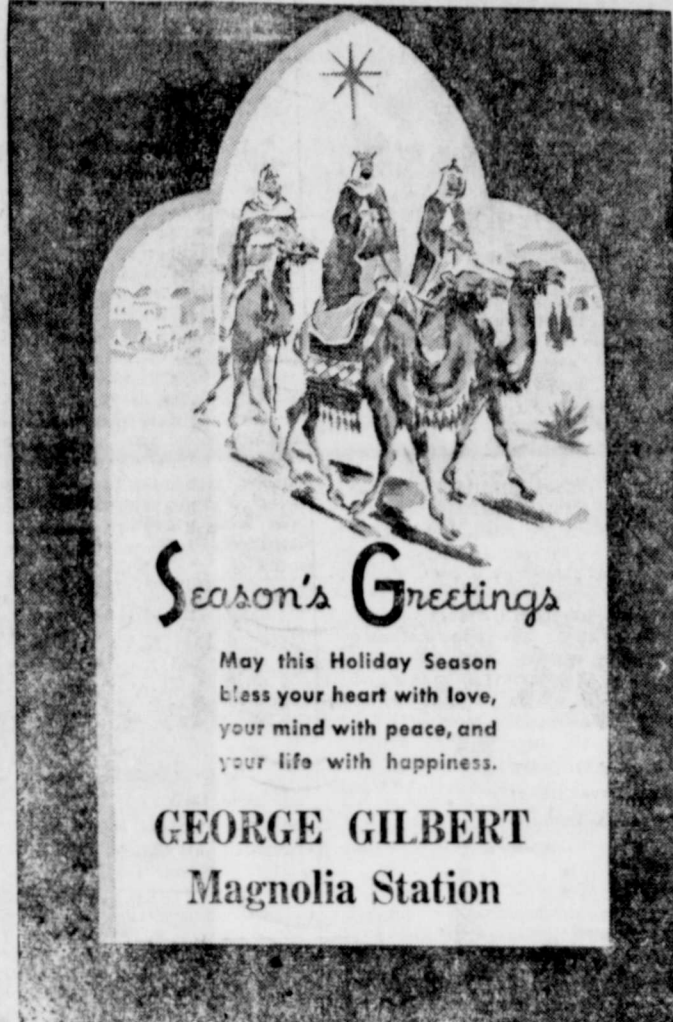
CHRISTMAS, like any other blessed institution, has had to fight its battles. The first great enemy of Christmas was the Roman empire whose pagan emperors determined to blot out all kinds of Christian rites.

Then when Roman Emperor Constantine Christianized the empire other enemies of Christmas arose. One course of contention was: Is December 25 really Christmas? Some said Christ was born on January 6, others held for March 29. Some set April 21 as His birthday. Nobody knew with complete confidence just when to celebrate Christmas. At last, in the fourth century, Pope Julius I settled the matter in favor of our present date. His decision was universally accepted.

From the first there had been among Christians a certain hostility toward the Christmas festival. The celebration of birthdays in general was considered heathenish and something taken over from the pagans. Nor did the enemies of Christmas fail to observe that many pagan customs had crept into the festivities of the day. Christmas and the days of Advent that go before it occur at the time of the winter solstice, when the days cease to grow shorter, and begin to lengthen—when the sun, having declined its furthest from zenith, begins to climb again. The period was one of festival in many parts of the world, and was held sacred by many religions. Then occurred the Roman Saturnalia, with its wild excesses, and the people of the north, too, had a great midwinter feast with days of hearty eating and deep drinking. It was only natural that some of the old pagan rites peculiar to the season should be held over and incorporated into the rejoicings of Christmas.

From the Saturnalia came banquets and dances and rioting in masks and the giving of gifts. Our Christmas dinner and Christmas presents and Christmas cards and the wearing of Christmas masks in various parts of the world date back to the Saturnalia. The mid-winter feast of the northern peoples was called Yule, hence our Yuletide and Yule log. The burning of the Christmas log descends from northern tree worship. So does the Christmas tree. The ancient Druids gave Christmas its holly and mistletoe.

Santa Claus seems to date from later Christian times. He is good St. Nicholas, of course. The hanging of stockings comes from the legend that the saint, among his other charities, used to provide dowries for poor girls. The older form of the Christmas stocking custom was for poor girls to hang up stockings in the hope that benevolent St. Nicholas would place marriage portions in them.



## Season's Greetings

May this Holiday Season  
bless your heart with love,  
your mind with peace, and  
your life with happiness.

**GEORGE GILBERT**  
Magnolia Station

## Best Wishes

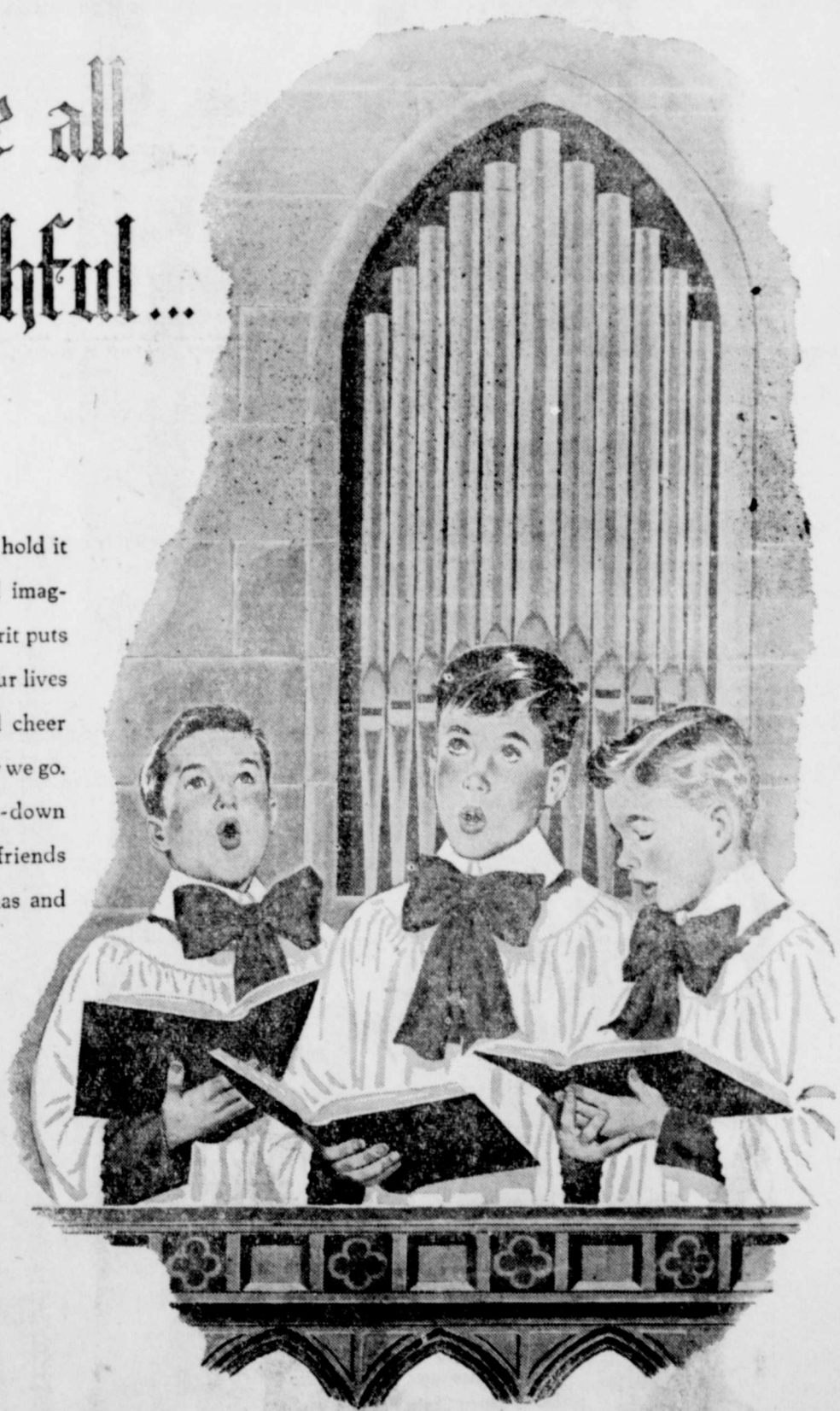


The best part of Christmas, we believe, is the good wishes extended... and wishes received. And so, in all sincerity, we send to all our friends our best wishes for a cheerful Christmas and a joyous New Year.

**MILLS COUNTY**  
LOCKER CORPORATION

## Come all ye faithful...

Christmas...what a hold it has on the hearts and imaginations of man! Its spirit puts a beauty and joy into our lives so we may carry good cheer and good will wherever we go. In this spirit of deep-down gladness we wish our friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



**COLLIER COMPANY, INC.**

## Christmas Greetings

FOR many of us the Holiday season is also "inventory time." This is a happy coincidence. Because, when we come to count our assets... none is quite so valuable as the one that never appears on our books, but which is always written large in our hearts... the friendship and loyalty of those whom we are privileged to serve. To one and all of you we say most sincerely: "Thanks a million... and may the happiness of the season abide with you and yours throughout the New Year."

**SOUTHSIDE GROCERY**  
MR. AND MRS. LEE LONG AND SONS



# DOEN

Friendship... a precious possession the year 'round is especially appreciated at Christmastime. To our many loyal friends we wish a Very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with happiness.

**C. C. SMITH  
HUMBLE STATION  
Phone 30**



## The Santa Legend Should Be Explained, Psychologist Says

"CHILDREN enjoy Santa Claus more when they know what he really is," Duke University psychologist Dr. Gelolo McHugh says. "No one enjoys finding out that he has been kept in the dark," says the specialist in child psychology, "and children are no exception." The real meaning of Santa Claus is the joy of giving to make others happy, says Dr. McHugh, and no child should be deprived of this privilege.

Later parents have the difficult job of explaining that there is no jolly old Christmas man, Dr. McHugh points out. When the truth comes out the parent has placed himself in the position of being responsible for Santa's disappearance.

Santa should be a part of Christmas, however, Dr. McHugh believes, but from the very beginning he should be treated as a wonderful pretend game. This method has proved successful with many children, the specialist says, including his own two young boys.

Children, who love to make-believe, are perfectly capable of enjoying Santa, reindeer, chimneys and all, while knowing in their hearts, when they stop to ask themselves, that he is a pretend person he says.

The child who takes part in the Santa game doesn't have to wonder on Christmas morning why Santa didn't like him well enough to bring the expensive toys that were ordered from the North Pole, the psychologist points out.

The young Indianapolis mother who recently wrote a Christmas letter for her 5-year old son just before her death in an airplane crash, had wonderful understanding, Dr. McHugh says. She ended her letter by telling her little son that "anyone who loves and gives is real Santa."

## 'Silent Night' Hymn Is Often Called Song From Heaven

"Silent Night" is often called the "Song from Heaven" because the story of its inspiration and composition is one of the most beautiful Christmas stories in existence.

On December 24, 1818, in the Austrian village of Hallein, as Father Joseph Mohr sat reading his Bible, there was a knock at his door. It was a peasant woman who wanted the priest to visit a poor charcoal-maker's wife to whom a child had been born. The parents had sent her to ask the priest to come and bless the infant.

Father Mohr was strangely moved by the visit to the mother. And that evening as he returned to his home saw that the dark slopes of the Alps around the village were alight with torches of the mountaineers on their way to church. To him it was a Christmas miracle.

Later, as he tried to put down on paper his feeling and experience, the words kept turning into verse. When dawn came he found he had written a poem—a beautiful and moving poem.

On Christmas Day his friend, Franz Xaver Gruber, music teacher in the village school, composed music to fit the verses.

Village children heard the priest and teacher singing the song and learned it. From there it spread throughout the world. Today, it is regarded as the greatest Christmas hymn and wherever there are men of good will they sing:

*"Silent night, holy night—  
All is calm, all is bright,  
Round you Virgin, Mother and Child;  
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace—  
Sleep in heavenly peace."*

— MERRY CHRISTMAS! —



## Allegorical Parades Mark Mexican Yule

THE PEOPLE in Mexico build elaborate floats for allegorical parades during the holiday season. For eight evenings before Christmas there is a religious procession at the head of which the figures of Joseph and Mary are borne.

On the ninth evening entrance is permitted and a religious ceremony conducted about the straw-filled manger of the Babe.

## True Christmas Spirit Is Found in Sharing

FOR A REALLY satisfying and meaningful Christmas, share yours with the old and feeble, the ill and shut-in, the bereaved whose sorrows you might lighten.

Unfortunately, all the flurry and preparation associated with Christmas are apt to make parents as well as children overlook the real significance of the coming birthday of Christ.

## Christmas Game

Snapdragon was a favorite Christmas game in England many years ago, it is still played in the original form in England and the original game called a quantity of raisins to be in a large bowl or dish. Some other spirit was put on the fruit and ignited. The boys then endeavored to grasp the flames. A carol, called "of Snapdragon," accompanied the game.



Above all... may your Christmas joy go beyond all bounds... and may you reach new heights of happiness during all the days of the coming New Year.

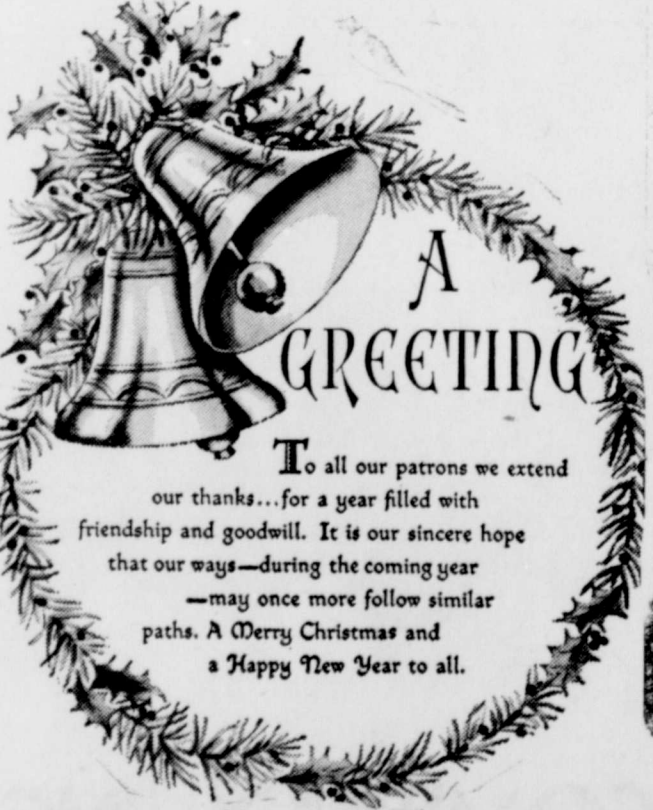
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## GREETINGS OF THE SEASON



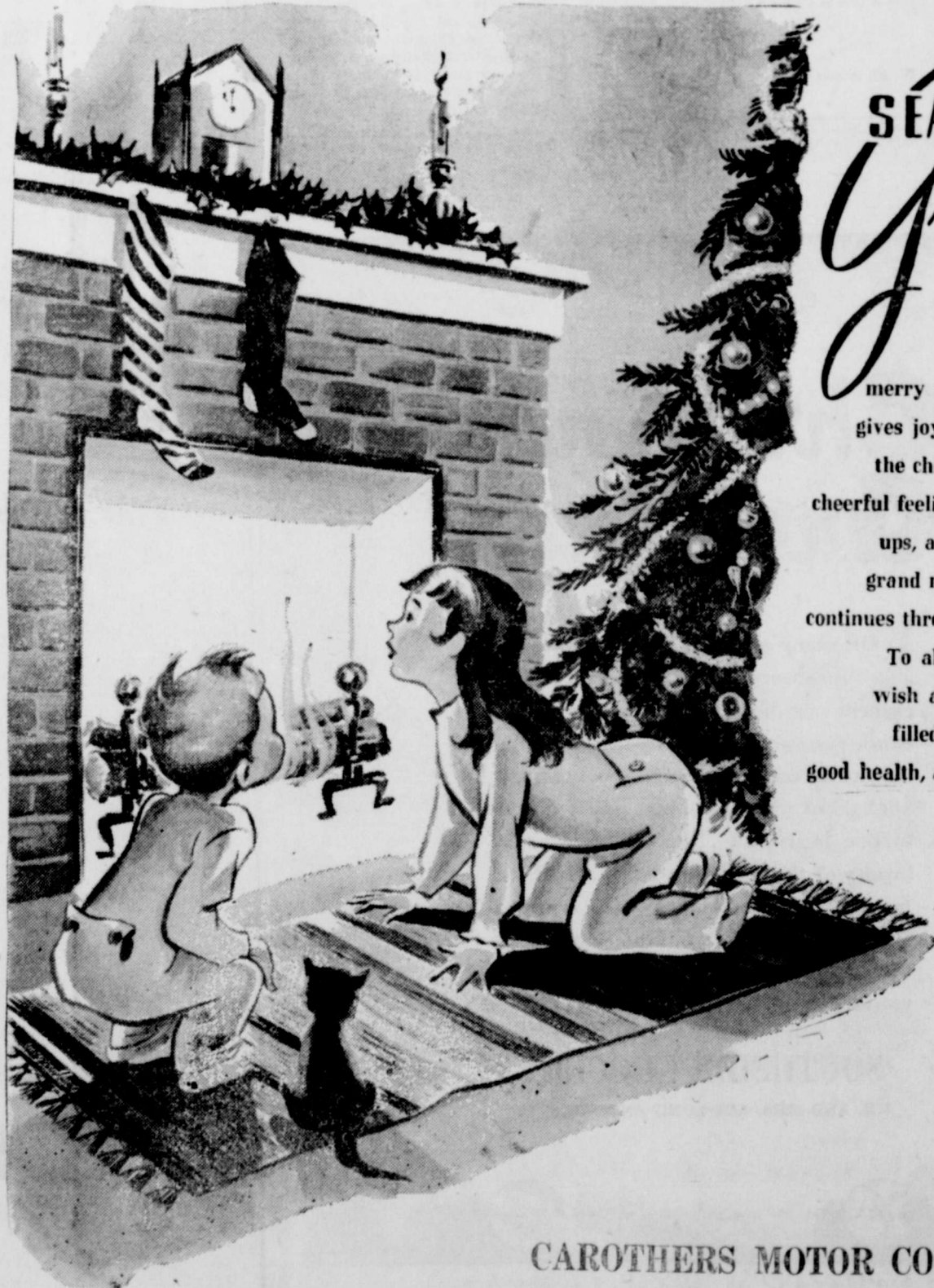
**THE ECONOMY STORE**



## A GREETING

To all our patrons we extend our thanks... for a year filled with friendship and goodwill. It is our sincere hope that our ways—during the coming year—may once more follow similar paths. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

**HARPER FEED COMPANY**



## SEASON'S Greeting

Christmas has a merry way with all... gives joy and laughter to the children, warm and cheerful feelings to the grown-ups, and best of all the grand memory of its joy continues throughout the year.

To all our friends we wish a Holiday Season filled with happiness, good health, and contentment.

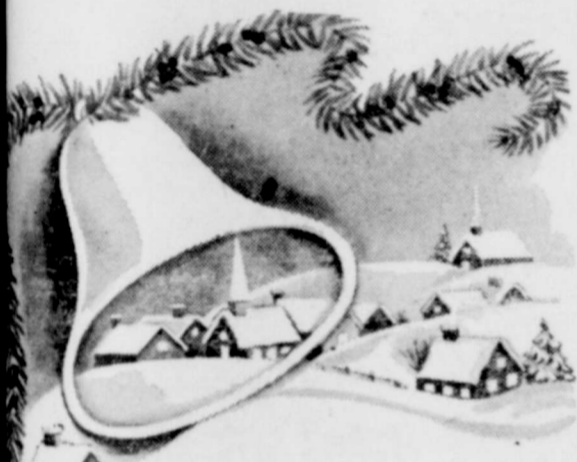
**CAROTHERS MOTOR COMPANY**

## A JOYOUS SEASON



With its message of hope and peace, the Christmas star shines again. May the joy in its radiant light be reflected in your heart throughout the New Year.

REID & WALKER GARAGE



### Season's Best Wishes

As the Christmas chimes ring out once more we send wishes for a Happy Holiday to all our friends.

COZNETTE BEAUTY SHOP

### Far-Off Lands Come to Life In Yule Toys

GEOGRAPHY comes down the chimney on Christmas Eve. In the flood of toys soon to spill out into the nation's living rooms will be the touch of many different lands. Beside a teddy bear, replicas of Australia's marsupial furred koalas, perhaps will stand a carved wooden farm scene from German Bavaria, a South American gaucho doll, or a miniature pagoda made in Japan.

Similarly, the United States, now the world's leading toy maker, sends abroad its wild west costumes, its shiny playtime trucks and cars and earth-moving equipment, its small-scale railroads and sky scrapers to delight children all over the globe. Toy industries in Germany and Japan are on the upswing again. Germany was among the first nations in the world to make tin horses on wheels, engines that ran, animals that walked, birds that sang. Now U.S. buyers go back to cities such as Nurnberg for the output of ingenious middle-aged inventors.

New toys that startle the world often come from Europe. One such is a German duck which, when set on an incline, proudly walks down the slope. Another is a recent gadget from Denmark called a "uppe top," a wobbly sphere about the size of a small apple that suddenly flips upside down and continues spinning on its stem.

Winston Churchill was intrigued by the top when he first saw it. In Stockholm, the King of Sweden, a cabinet minister and an atom physicist, a Nobel Prize winner, got down on their hands and knees at a banquet to study the mysterious flip-flop action.

As a mirror of mankind's culture, toys reflect the progress of civilization. Yet an amazing similarity can sometimes be seen between the toys of long-forgotten eras and the playthings of today.



NATIVITY SCENE . . . This scene is repeated on thousands of lawns of private homes and public buildings in the home towns of the nation during the Christmas season.

### Egyptians Made Elaborate Dolls For Children

No one knows for sure who made the first doll, but it can be assumed the earliest figures were sacred-gods and ancestor images. These doll-like forms were not toys for the delight of children, but solemn religious figures that preserved the tribe from harm.

Then, somehow, somewhere, a change took place. Dolls became a toy for girls and the most popular Christmas toy of them all.

Dolls have been discovered in Egyptian tombs and ruins, some even had real hair; some were ivory, carved by craftsmen for a king's daughter; others were made of straw by an overworked mother in a peasant's hut.

In ancient Greece dolls were played with and cherished by little girls until they were ready to be married. Then (their dolls were taken to the shrine of a favorite goddess) and, often with tears, presented to her. The Roman children played with dolls, too, but after the fall of the Empire there came a long period in which there is no record of dolls.

Not until the thirteenth century when dolls were made in Nuremberg and dressed in the fashions of the times did little girls again play with dolls. They were here to stay.

By and by in Europe, the French fashion dolls became all the rage, not for children to play with but as models from which fine ladies could pattern their own modish costumes.

In America, the Indian children had dolls of their own made of rawhide and feathers and wood. Pioneer children had dolls much like these, and some were made of braided cornhusks, or nuts, or corncobs, or rags, and were dearly loved in spite of their plainness.

Much later, lifelike dolls were imported from Germany, where the doll industry had reached enormous proportions. These dolls had fine china heads with carefully painted faces and kid bodies that were jointed at the arms and legs. Later there came the Japanese-made dolls, which were inexpensive enough for almost any child to own. Then the American-made dolls began to appear—the special dolls, the kewpies, billikens, Buster Browns, teddy bears, Patsy dolls and Shirley Temples and phonograph dolls, with all the host of others that have followed and which are still to come. For dolls always will be part of childhood and part of Christmases as long as there are little girls and boys to play with them, and parents and fond kinfolk to buy.

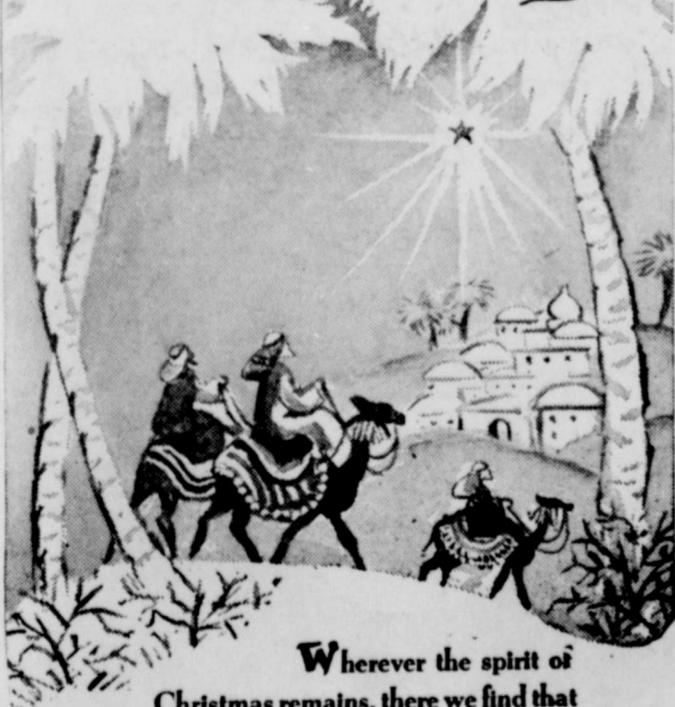


## Season's Greetings

On this Joyous Christmas, we wish you prosperity... prosperity in all its forms: The riches of good health; the wealth that comes with sheer contentment; the limitless treasure of faith... in yourself, in your neighbor, and in Him, whose teachings will lead us to universal peace.

GOLDTHWAITE ELECTRIC CO.

## Christmas Blessings

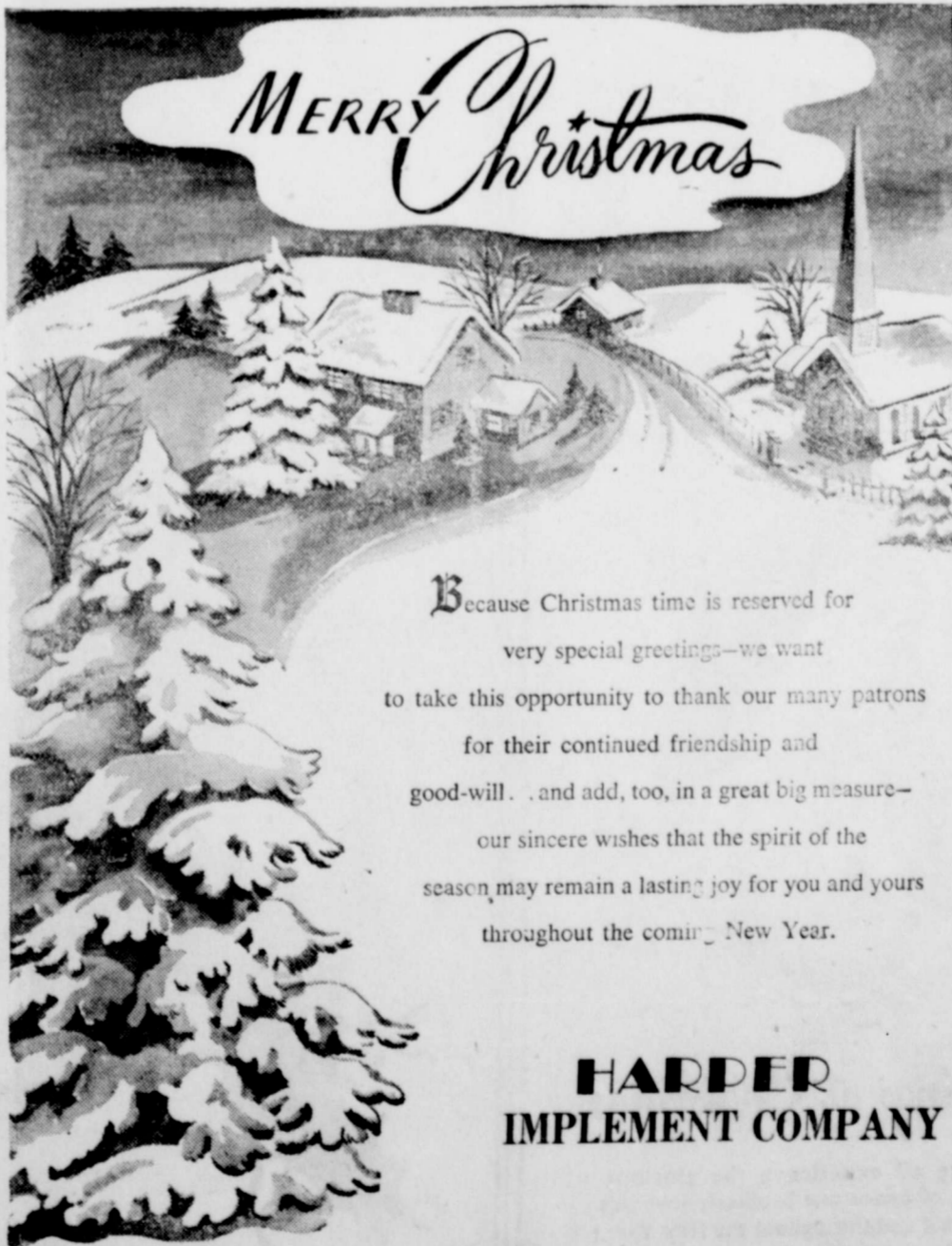


Wherever the spirit of Christmas remains, there we find that peace and brotherly love can never be forced from the hearts of men.

A joyous Christmas and a bountiful New Year to all!

GOLDTHWAITE WOOL COMPANY

## MERRY Christmas



Because Christmas time is reserved for very special greetings—we want to take this opportunity to thank our many patrons for their continued friendship and good-will. . . and add, too, in a great big measure—our sincere wishes that the spirit of the season may remain a lasting joy for you and yours throughout the coming New Year.

**HARDER  
IMPLEMENT COMPANY**



**SANTA'S ROLL CALL . . .** In a big city Santa needs a platoon of helpers to make the rounds. Here he checks up in New York to see if all his aides are on hand for the big Christmas Eve delivery.



**INFLATION . . .** Santa supervises while one of his helpers inflates a doll. The benevolent old gent looks on with interest. Perhaps he is thinking inflation is not confined to economics.

**XXXMAS KISSES**  
**Mistletoe Bestows Good Fortune**

VERY few people don't know what a sprig of mistletoe means at Christmas time—especially when there's a pretty girl standing beneath it! But few people realize that this very pleasant custom has its root in age-old superstitions.

The lore of primitive days contains many references to mistletoe. According to an ancient Norse legend, the sun god was slain by an arrow fashioned from the mistletoe plant. He was resurrected by his mother's tears, which falling upon the plant, were crystallized into pearly berries. Because of this magical healing, it was ordained that mistletoe should grow neither on heaven nor earth, but suspended between. That is the reason, runs the legend, that mistletoe is found

growing on trees.

Mistletoe was of special significance to the Druids, ancient pagan priests of England, who cut it off trees with a golden knife used only for that purpose. They believed it possessed wonderful powers of healing and acted as a protection from witchcraft. During the December religious rites, it was bestowed upon individuals as a special mark of honor.

Because of its supposed salutary properties, mistletoe was often hung over the doors of primitive houses as a sign of good-will. Belief in magic has disappeared, but this custom still remains. And a kiss under the mistletoe still has beneficial effects. Try it and see for yourself!

**First Christmas Card Was Created in 1842**

Over 250 years ago English school children wrote Christmas expressions of good will called "Christmas pieces." From this school chore came the gracious custom of sending Christmas cards.

The first known Christmas card was created in 1842 in London by a young etcher named William Egley. Original of this first card is now on display in the British museum.

In the United States, Louis Prang published the first Christmas cards. During the 1870's and 80's Prang produced thousands of beautiful cards and has become known as the grandfather of the business.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

**The Rose of Christmas Was Young Girl's Gift**

THE Christmas rose blooms at an unusual season, from December to March, with white, sometimes pinkly colored blooms. Because of the soft tinge of pink, the flower has been given the name Christmas rose.

Legend tells us that when the Wise Men were journeying toward Bethlehem, they came upon a young girl who was tending her sheep. The girl complained to an angel that she had no gift for the Holy Child, whereupon the entire pathway to Bethlehem was flowered with glistening white Christmas roses.

Madelon, the girl, offered the flowers, and when the fingers of Jesus touched them they became suffused with pink.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

**1 B. C. and 1 A. D. Were Not a Year Apart**

According to our calendar, would naturally assume that between the year 1 B. C. and the 1 A. D. there should be a year called zero. As a matter of fact, such year exists, as far as historians are concerned, and the 1 A. D. follows directly after year 1 B. C.

A person born in 3 B. C. is not five years old at 2 A. D. but would be four years old. One is calculating data in period. When adding B. C. and years, it is necessary to subtract one to compensate the year zero omitted between B. C. and 1 A. D.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

We've lined up to extend to you our sincerest Season's Greetings. May the bountiful joy that we wish you for Christmas be followed by an equal measure of happiness in the New Year.

**MAUNEY'S TOURIST COURTS**

*Season's Greetings*

May your Holiday Season be filled to the overflowing with surprises as joyous and welcome as the findings in a Christmas package

**DR. AND MRS. D. R. KERBY**

**Blessings at Christmas**

May we all experience the glorious feeling of peace and brotherly love this Christmas and throughout the New Year.

**MILLS COUNTY COLD STORAGE & PRODUCE CO.**

Dear Friends,

It's been a long, hard pull getting ready for Christmas! But it's been worth the many hours spent at the workshop. For when you stop and think of the sheer delight reflected in every face on Christmas morn, it makes you feel really glad that your efforts have brought happiness like this into the World.

So, have a Merry Christmas friends... and a very Happy New Year, too!

Sincerely,  
Santa

**MILLS COUNTY HARDWARE**



SECTION  
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## Bay and Rosemary Christmas Tradition

Bay and rosemary have also been represented among our Christmas plants from time immemorial. An ancient writer says: "Rosemarie and Baies that are most faire were stuck about the houses and the churches at the time of Christmas."

According to tradition it was the bay tree, with its lance-like leaves and purple berries, that sheltered the holy family during a thunder-storm. Accordingly it was believed that lightning will never strike a bay tree.

The association of the rosemary plant with Christmas also goes back to the early childhood of our Lord, namely to the flight into Egypt to escape the wrath and jealousy of King Herod. Its branches are said to have held the little garments of the Christ-Child that were placed upon them by the Virgin Mother. Originally, its flowers were supposed to have been white, but the plant changed the color of its blossoms to lavender so that they might bear the hue of the cloak Mary was wearing at the time.

Miss Mildred Hale of Tarleton State College at Stephenville is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Hale, and sister, Patsy, all of Goldthwaite.



THROUGH THE HOOP . . . Pipp, a trained porpoise at Marine Studios, Fla., gets into the holiday spirit by leaping through a Christmas wreath suspended over the water of his tank.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Owen last week were: Mrs. J. L. Yarborough, Comfort, Mrs. C. L. McLean of Kerrville and Ralph Ruth Taylor of Richland Springs.

EVERY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

## Greetings

May your Christmas glow with bright contentment and may the New Year reflect every joy this wish can bring.

HOTEL CAFE

MR. AND MRS. O. H. HILLER

## Christmas



May all the exciting joys of Christmas remain with you and your loved ones every day of the New Year.

SHAW'S SERVICE STATION

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OIL, BATTERIES & TIRES

# Greetings

This Christmas, our hearts once more are filled with a feeling of rejoicing as we recall the rich friendships and grand associations that have been our proud possessions these many years. To all our old friends and new acquaintances we extend our warmest and heartfelt greetings for Christmas and the New Year.



## THE EAGLE STAFF

ROY LEE HILL

RUTH ERVIN

ARNOLD K. KELLY

ALMA WILLIAMS

JERRY COLLIER

CHESTER BROOKS

VIC E. KOLEBER

## A Joyous Christmas

At this time of the year, all hearts are in tune with the spirit of the Season. We wish a Joyous Holiday to all.



ROBERTSON & FEATHERSTON

### Man of Bethlehem

Jesus Christ is a God whom we approach without pride, and be one whom we may abuse ourselves without despair.—Pascal.

As the print of the seal on the wax is the express image of the seal itself, so Christ is the express image—the perfect representation of God.—Ambrose.

The devotion to the person of Christ that steers clear of the doctrines and precepts of Christ, is but sentimental rhapsody. — Herrick Johnson.

This is part of the glory of Christ as compared with the chiefest of His servants that He alone stands at the absolute center of humanity, the one completely harmonious man, unfolding all which was in humanity, equally and full on all sides, the only one in whom the real and ideal met and were absolutely one. He is the absolute and perfect truth, the highest that humanity can reach; at once its perfect image and supreme Lord.—French.

Wanda Kelly of A. C. C., Abilene, is home for the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Elam Kelly and Brenda.

## Season's Greetings

To all our friends and patrons, we extend our warmest greetings for a joyous Holiday Season.



HARRY ALLEN TIN SHOP



Santa's smiling countenance lights up the world on this gay and festive Holiday. We join Santa in wishing one and all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

ROSE SHOE SHOP



## Greetings

May all the excitement and pleasure of Christmas morning remain with you long after this glorious Holiday Season has passed.

To all our friends we wish a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

THE HANGAR  
On San Saba Highway.  
MR. AND MRS. JOHN JACKSON

### ARE YOU FULLY COVERED?

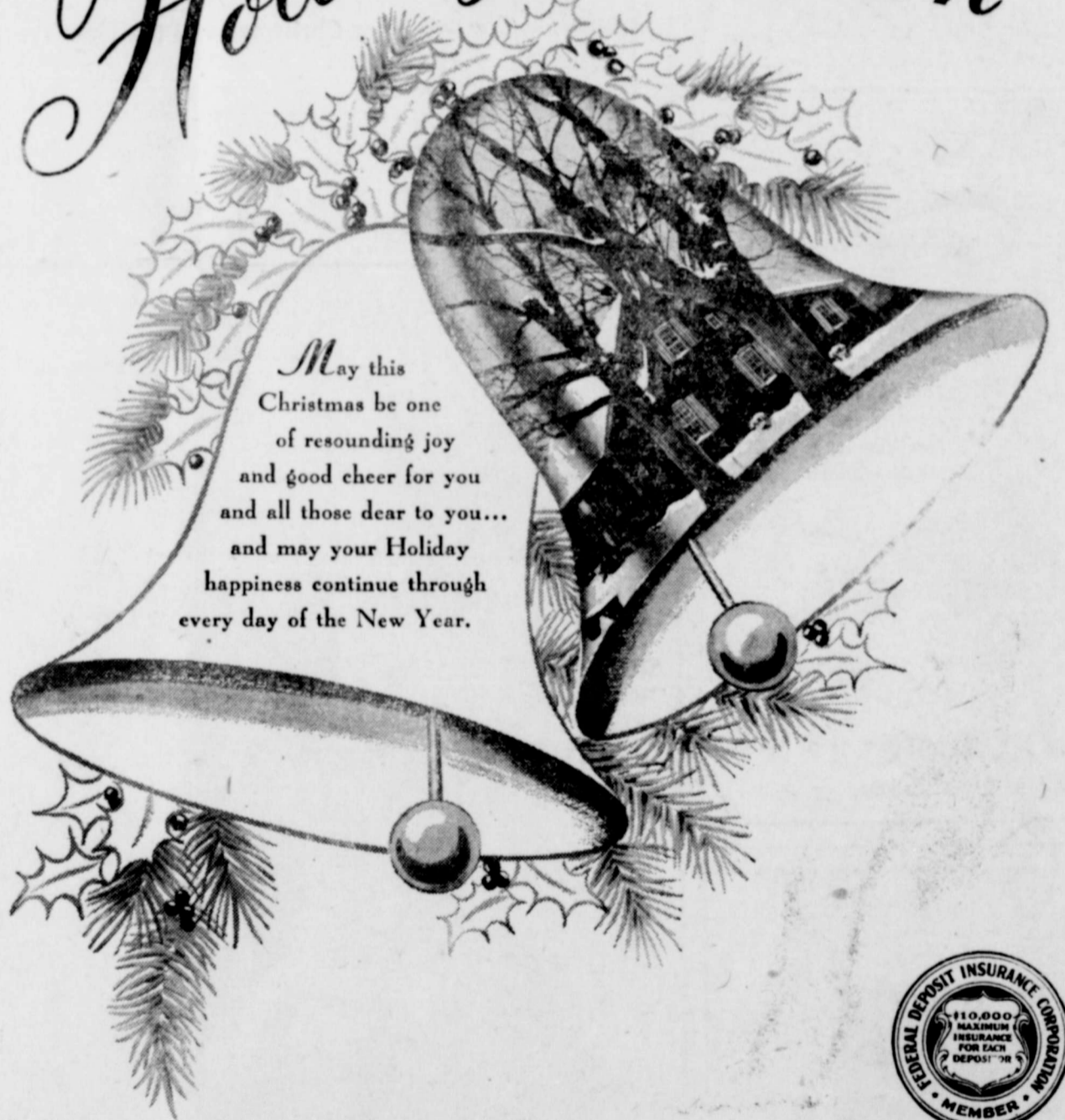


#### Christmas Fire?

Warm greetings beneath the mistletoe are okay at Christmas, but be careful of open flame. Christmas fires are tragedies which can be prevented with caution. May we wish you a SAFE Christmas, filled with Joy and Happiness.

T. M. GLASS  
INSURANCE AGENCY  
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# With best wishes for the Holiday Season



May this Christmas be one of resounding joy and good cheer for you and all those dear to you... and may your Holiday happiness continue through every day of the New Year.



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GOLDTHWAITE, TEXAS

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**Happy Christmas**

To our many friends we wish all the pleasures that a joyous Holiday Season can bring.



**SAYLOR HOTEL**  
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**KEEPING CHRISTMAS**  
by Henry Van Dyke



Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe the world; to put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground; to see that your fellow-men are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy; to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life; to close your book on complaints against the management of the universe, and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

**Bethlehem Rites Feature March To Nativity Cave**

CHRISTMAS is observed in Bethlehem on December 25 by the Roman Catholics and Protestants, on January 6, by the Greek Orthodox and affiliated churches, and on January 18 by the Armenians.

All Bethlehem, however, turns out on December 24 for the arrival of the Patriarch of Jerusalem—Cardinal of the Holy Land—who each year brings an ancient effigy of the Infant Jesus to Bethlehem which he lays in the manger within the cave where Christ was born.

Dramatically the procession approaches: heralded by a single horseman, his banner streaming aloft. A corps of native police mounted upon fiery Arabian horses follow and then another single horseman upon a prancing black steed carrying the cross on high; the Patriarch in his cardinal and ermine, mitred bishops, clergy in embroidered vestments and white robed acolytes—swinging golden censers—precede the jeweled pavilion of the Holy Child. Magnificent corteges of government officials, foreign embassies, bands, religious organizations follow, and finally, American made automobiles mingle with native two-wheeled carriages.

The procession enters the Church of the Nativity. The public is not permitted to witness the actual placing of the effigy, as that part of the Church—built above the Cave of the Nativity—is under the jurisdiction of the Greek Orthodox church.

The grotto-like Cave of the Nativity in no way conforms to the modern conception of a "stable;" in biblical times, however, shelters for man and beast were hewn into rocky ledges—thus, the Stable of Bethlehem.

On Christmas Eve, members of all denominations assemble to sing carols above the birthplace of the Holy Child before midnight mass is solemnized in the Church of the Nativity.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Once more it is a pleasure to extend to our many friends and patrons our very best wishes for a Christmas bright with happiness and good cheer.

For Your Lawnmowers  
**W. H. LINKENHOGER**

**Season's Greetings**

May all the pleasures of a cheerful Christmas remain with you and help to keep you happy throughout the New Year.

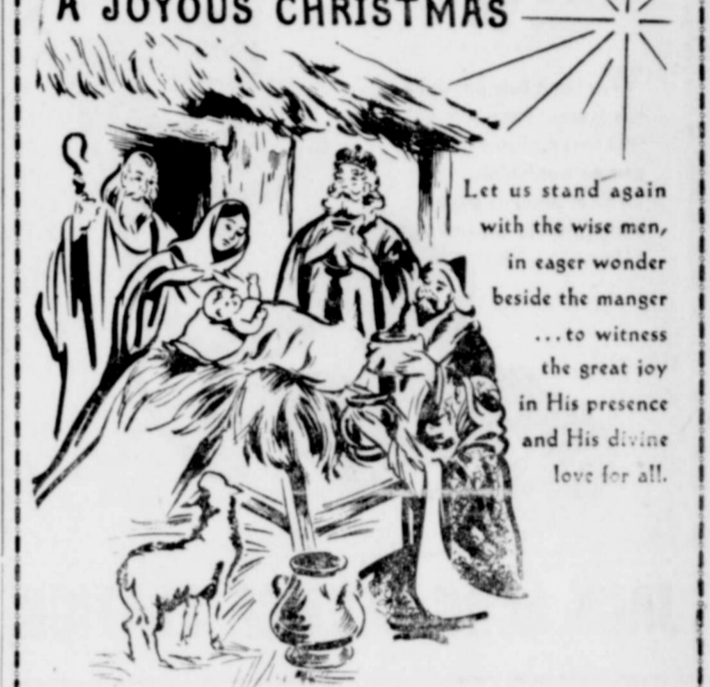
**CLEMENTS' DRUG**  
YOUR REXALL STORE



**FULL REHEARSAL FOR THE BIG DAY . . .** Robert wanted Nick, the dog, to have dinner with him at his private table, but Dad and Mom were not enthusiastic until Robert demonstrated that Nick's table manners are impeccable. He did it with a dress rehearsal, which you see here. Nick seems to be enjoying nonchalantly an after dinner cigarette.


**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU! MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!**

**A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS**



Let us stand again with the wise men, in eager wonder beside the manger . . . to witness the great joy in His presence and His divine love for all.

**R. V. LITTLEPAGE PRODUCE**



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News Of The Ebony Community

By CLEMENTINE WILMETH BRILEY

This should be a happy Christmas for everyone after that good rain which fell Thursday night. Our rain gauge registered 95 in. Friday I noticed at the news stands headlines said, "Rains in West Texas Deal Death Blow to Drought." Along the road to town we saw plowed fields and fields green with grain. In the pastures we see the tender green of Rescue grass.

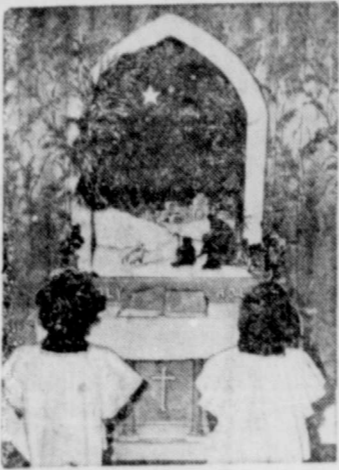
Annette Duncan and Clint and Jack Whittenburg testified to me Friday evening that Mrs. Edna Dwyer really rode the school bus Thursday morning and got off on her trip to spend

Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. Austin Cawyer, at Orange. Johnny Griffin said his family plans to spend Christmas at San Antonio.

Ezelle Thompson said he thought all of their family would be in for Christmas.

Christmas Day the Whittenburgs will round out a happy family reunion at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Reid, at Goldthwaite.

My small Sunday School class and I celebrated Christmas in our room Sunday morning—a sugar plum tree in a setting of evergreen, the Christmas story from the Bible, a few Christmas



PRAYER . . . "O come let us adore him", these children pray on Christmas eve. Their prayer is the true and greatest gift of all!

carols, and our small gifts.

I made \$2.58 picking up pecans, and I planned to spend most of it for roses and shrubs, but I knew it wouldn't buy much. Friday as we went by the mail box going to town I got a Christmas card from my sister, Grace, who lives at Fort Worth. In it was a five dollar bill for my Christmas gift. "Oh, Joy!", I thought, "now I can really get me some plants." I got two wax leaf ligustrums, one nandina, one red pyracantha, and for a dozen pansies I think he must have given me fifty. I'll have to wait till spring to get the roses I want. But am I happy!

CARD OF THANKS

It is impossible to enumerate the many courtesies shown the Walter Doggett family during our bereavement, so may each of you know of our sincere appreciation. Your kindness shall never be forgotten.

Mrs. Walter Doggett, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Doggett and Children, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Doggett and Kathy, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Arnold and Children.

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CARD OF THANKS

To all our friends who have been so kind to us this past six months while Max was in a cast, words cannot express how deeply grateful we are to you for the many cards, letters, flowers, gifts, your visits and the many expressions of kindness you have extended to us. To each of you may we express our sincere thanks and appreciation for all your kindness. May God's richest blessings rest upon you.

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Shepherd and Max.

FOR RENT: Unfurnished duplex apartment house. CALL 161. 12-19-TFC

NOTICE: Spradley's Upholstery Shop of Evant is now serving Goldthwaite area through Estep New and Used Furniture Store. For information on all types of upholstery work Phone 312 or come by Estep Furniture. Spradley's will pick up and deliver. 12-5-TFC

ATTENTION— For your Cosmetic needs and gift ideas see your Avon Representative, MRS. JAMES SKILES. Tel. 300; Box 481, Goldthwaite. 11-30-TFC

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FOR RENT: Farm house, west of School Building; free pasturage for cow and chickens.— CALL 161. 12-19-TFC

FOR RENT— Two room furnished apartment. Private bath. 1110 Second Street.— MRS. WILFORD GRAY. 10-14-TFC

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DEAD ANIMAL SERVICE—Free and Sure—Call Collect, Phone 303, Hamilton, Texas. 3-11-OK  
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**GREETINGS**

We cannot help but think of our many friends who have made the past year so worthwhile. To all of them, we wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

**JACK LONG SERVICE STATION**

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### Girl Scouts And Brownies Have Christmas Parties With Leaders

Anna Collier, Lawana Benningfield, Carlene Woods, and Lou Etta Jordan were presented Interior Decoration badges by Mrs. James Cooper, Mrs. Carl Woods and Mrs. P. R. Jordan at the Christmas Party given by Girl Scout Troop 6.

Rose Margaret White, Gerene Lawson, Virginia Shelton, Norma Royce Letbetter and Linda Edgington also received a badge, but were not present for their formal presentation.

Scout leaders and the girls exchanged gifts. The mothers received earrings which the girls had made at their troop meetings, while Mrs. O. D. Wilke presented each girl with a favor.

The group enjoyed singing games for their recreation, while refreshments were served by Margaret Reese, Joyce Schuman, Carolyn Wilke, Carlene Woods, Lou Etta Jordan and Virginia Shelton.

#### 5TH AND 6TH GRADE SCOUTS CELEBRATE

Fifth and Sixth Grade Girl Scouts were presented a lovely box of candy by their leaders, Mrs. Tommie Harper and Mrs. Dale Reid, at their Christmas party. The girls played games and exchanged gifts. Gail Featherston served the tasty refreshments.

#### BROWNIES SPREAD YULE SPIRIT

At the Brownie Troop 4 holiday party Mrs. Lee Oia Williams and Mrs. Vance Booker presented each child with a gift. The girls finished making an imitation Santa Claus and wrapped the euptowels they

had made for their mothers.

Christmas goodies were served by the Troop Committee Mothers, Mrs. Dauris E. Rhoades, Mrs. Sammie Harper and Mrs. Olen Kemp.

Brownie Troop 7 gave a Yuletide party for their parents at the Little Scout House. The parents were invited to pretend they were ten years old and join in the playing and singing with the girls. Fathers received containers for their razor blades and mothers received earrings made by their daughters, while the girls exchanged gifts.

The Brownies made Christmas muffins under the supervision of their leaders, Mrs. L. V. Benningfield and Mrs. Victor Williams. The muffins were served with cocoa to the group.

Brownie Troop 8 finished making paper weights for their fathers at their last meeting. Each girl received a Christmas corsage from their leaders, Mrs. Jesse Moreland and Mrs. Larry Dalton. The girls exchanged gifts and were served refreshments by their leaders.

#### Family Reunion

On Sunday, December 21, all of the brothers and sisters of S. Mote met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Mote of Goldthwaite for a Christmas Reunion. Those present were: Ms. and Mrs. John Mote of Lorena, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mote of Moody, and Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. J. H. Youngblood of Waco.

### Junior Garden Club Members Are Guests Of Garden Club At Meeting Last Wednesday

Junior Garden Club members were guests of the Goldthwaite Garden Club, Wednesday, December 17th, at the Mills County Youth Center. There were 117 youths together with their sponsors, Mrs. Dorothy Weatherby and Mrs. Jack Locklear.

A display of the work the Juniors have done and talks by Danny Fry, Shirley Morgan, Nelda Sherwood and Ester Thorn were enjoyed by the Senior Club.

The Juniors are doing therapy work; they made 200 tray favors in holiday colors, which have been sent to the Veterans Hospital in Waco by the Goldthwaite Garden Club according to Mrs. Cecil Williams, Chairman of the Therapy Committee. The Juniors have also made several hundred Christmas Angels which have been sent to the crippled children's hospitals, The Dallas City-County Hospital System and The Children's Medical Center, both of Dallas.

Cigar box gardens the Juniors made were outstanding. First place awards were presented by Mrs. Locklear to Del Barnett, Nathan Carothers, Margaret Reese, Judy Reid, Sherly Man-

uel, Greta Eubanks, Judy Long, BenaVon Reid, Danny Galaway, Iva Poinz, Jean Elliott, Bill Clements and Joyce Schuman.

Charline Shultz accompanied the Juniors in the singing of Christmas carols. The Senior club finished making Christmas tree decorations.

The program was led by Mrs. Jack Locklear. Mrs. E. T. Fairman paid tribute to Mrs. John Berry, who is National Garden Club Therapy Chairman.

Mmes. Warren P. Duren, Jim Brim, Robert Johnson and D. D. Tate were hostesses for the afternoon and served Christmas candies and punch to the Junior and Senior Clubs from a beautifully decorated table.

A/2c Owen K. Taylor and wife are spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Owen. A/2c has been stationed at Davis Mountain AFB Tucson, Arizona. He will go to Japan on January 4th. Mrs. Taylor will be with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. D. A. Bryant in Denver, Colorado. Rev. Bryant was formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church in Goldthwaite.

## MELBA THEATRE

84 Drive-In THEATRE ON BROWNWOOD III-WAY

Friday And Saturday

RANDOLPH SCOTT IN "CARSON CITY" IN COLOR

Sunday And Monday

JOAN CRAWFORD IN "SUDDEN FEAR"

The Drive-In Will Close Until Spring. We wish to express our appreciation for your patronage and will look forward to seeing you at THE MELBA and then back again at the DRIVE-IN in the Spring.

### First Community Tree At Christmas Was Held In City of Cleveland

THE COMMUNITY Christmas tree idea was born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1912. The community raised funds to defray the cost of the tree and celebrations through the sale of preferred stock in "Cleveland, the city of good will" (unlimited), incorporated under the laws of the commonwealth of good cheer." This was specified by holly-ordered certificates.

Holdings of preferred stock were entitled to "dividends payable daily in the form of happy voices of robust children, the contented faces of friendly fellow citizens and the advancement of the city of good will."

Sale of stock was pushed everywhere, the most unique place being the Cleveland stock exchange where the stock was listed at the head of other securities. The sale brought \$12,000, which purchased Christmas cheer for 13,000 citizens, as well as the first community Christmas for the city.



SNOWMEN FOR YOU... Your local lumber dealer may have patterns for these plywood and hardboard "snowmen" which you can make yourself. If not, use this picture for a pattern and go to work.

A Week Of Christmas Hits!

PAUL DOUGLAS, DAVID WAYNE, MITCH GAYNOR

We're Not Married

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Friday Matinee & Night

Joe and the Whore

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The World In His Arms

Friday And Wednesday

William Holden, Brien Smith

The Turning Point

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STARTING SOON.

Meetings...

### from the Dickson Family



Pop, Mom, Myra, Sonny Welcome

to the Gospel Hall

WEST SIDE OF SQUARE — GOLDTHWAITE

Gospel Singing And Preaching Sunday Morning, Saturday, Sunday, Monday And Wednesday Nights.



The warmth of the Christmas spirit is reflected in the cherished friendships we have made over the years. Again to our many friends we extend our sincerest wishes of good health and happiness for the Yuletide and the New Year.

HUDSON DRUG  
DOW HUDSON,  
LEWIS T. HUDSON.

## Merry Christmas

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.  
PRICES GOOD THROUGH WEDNESDAY DEC. 24.

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<b>OCEAN SPRAY CRANBERRY SAUCE</b>	1 Lb.	<b>23c</b>
<b>NU CREST PEARS</b>	No. 2 1/2 Can	<b>31c</b>
<b>HEINZ - Fresh Cucumber PICKLES</b>	Pint	<b>25c</b>
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<b>PINK BEAUTY SALMON</b>	No. 1 Tall	<b>53c</b>
<b>RUBY RED GRAPEFRUIT</b>	Each	<b>8c</b>
<b>LETTUCE</b>	Large Head	<b>15c</b>



## GREETINGS!

We wish that Santa brings to you all the things you want most. And may you enjoy the memories of Christmas happiness each and every day of the New Year ahead.

**BARNES & McCULLOUGH**

## DUREN GRO.

PHONE 99 DELIVER 9 A. M. TO 11 A. M.

**Personal News Of Mullin**

By JEWELL SLAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Lindsey of Junction attended the funeral here yesterday of Mrs. Lindsey's brother, Blake Forehand. We wish to express our sympathy to Mrs. Lindsey and Mrs. Swan Roberts and family.

Mrs. John Mankin and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Estes of Ontario, California, are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Green Mankin and family.

Mrs. L. V. Kimmons was a Brownwood visitor Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Britt of Oklahoma City arrived here Tuesday for a brief visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Burkett. Mr. and Mrs. Britt were on their way to California, where they will make their home.

Tommy Newhouse of Abilene is spending the holidays in the

home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Newhouse and family.

Miss Bettle Perry of Lampasas spent the weekend here visiting Miss Janet Lowe.

Miss Rita Kay Boyles of Brownwood spent several days this week in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sanders.

George Fletcher was a Brownwood visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Weston visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harper in San Saba Tuesday.

Mrs. L. T. Reed left Monday

for San Angelo for a visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ingram of Brownwood visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Davis Thursday afternoon.

Billy Ray Anderson returned home Sunday from Plainview.

Mrs. J. P. Slaughter was a Brownwood visitor Friday afternoon.

Miss Thelma Casey of San Angelo spent the weekend in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Casey.



CHRISTMAS FEAST . . . The toys have been opened and church services are over. Now, it's time for that Christmas feast and a turkey drumstick.

**Texas 4-H'er Wins Sectional Honors In Soil Conservation**

As a fitting reward for his excellent and constructive work in his selected project of soil and water conservation, 14-year-old Ewald Fischer of Big Foot, Texas, has been named one of 16 youths in the nation to be awarded sectional honors in the 1952 national Soil and Water Conservation program.



Ewald Fischer

As a winner in Frio County, Ewald has already won a medal of honor and a 17-jewel wrist watch for his state championship. As sectional winner he was given an all-expense trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago this year. The awards are given annually by Firestone.

Young Ewald, working with his father on their 290-acre farm, has done an outstanding job in soil saving. He began by seeding a 5-acre plot to Blue Panic. Each year he follows the practice he began several years ago of mulching stubble. He planted a 5-acre plot of permanent pasture in 1951 and is in process of adding another five acres.

Ewald began running contour lines in 1950. All of the farm areas needing contour farming are now converted. He has also established a game refuge. Other good practices included strip cropping, terracing and the addition of needed fertilizers.

Ewald prepared two demonstrations on soil and water conservation and gave eight talks in his community. His demonstration in 1952 won first place in Texas at the 4-H Club Roundup.

This program is conducted under the direction of the Cooperative Extension Service.



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## Moline "Pick-Ups"

By LEMON SQUEEZER

Most every one is busy getting ready for Christmas.

Mrs. Flatt is spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Paul Kinchloe, and Mr. Kinchloe.

Mrs. Milt Halrston had to return to Rollins-Brooks Hospital at Lampasas and was told to stay in bed two more weeks. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Red Arrowood spent the weekend in Burnet with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hammon.

Dave Hatley and Minott O'Neal of Grand Prairie were visiting in the Moline neighborhood Saturday.

Mrs. Nina Hicks visited Mrs. Truitt Saturday evening.

Mrs. Webb Laughlin visited Mrs. Red Arrowood Monday morning.

Mrs. Doyle Kinchloe of Adamsville visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kinchloe, Friday.

## Serving of Boar's Head One of Old Christmas Customs

Of the customs that grew up around the Christmas festival in Merrie England, the serving of the boar's head was one of the most stirring. It endures to this day at Queen's college, Oxford, where the 50-pound tusked head—a lemon in



its grinning jaws—is borne in on a great silver dish, escorted by trumpeters and candle bearers. In the olden days there was an appropriate chant, half carol and half ritual, that the gentlemen used to bellow at the moment the dish troubled the board:

*Then set down the swineyard,  
The foe to the vineyard,  
Let Bacchus crown his fall,  
Let this boar's head and mustard  
Stand for pig, goose and custard,  
And so ye are welcome all.*

We received a nice 2 inch rain Thursday night.

Mrs. Kenneth Munday visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milt Halrston last week.

Mrs. Carrie Carswell is having all of her children home Sunday, December 21, and is serving a real Christmas dinner to them.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Munday attended the Crumley funeral at Knox Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clem Adams were in Lampasas Saturday.

We wish the Editor, the staff and all the Eagle readers a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

## Christmas 'Open House' Was Early Saxon Custom

AT CHRISTMASTIDE, the great hall of the Saxon lord was thrown open to peasant and noble alike—all mingling democratically and exchanging gifts and hearty cheer during a great feast and festivities composed of dance and song.

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History of Christmas Seals

When you see the Christmas seal do you ever wonder how it started? It was born in Denmark, home of the fairy tales of Hans Christian Andersen.

Elmer Holboell, a Copenhagen postal clerk, was sorting mail one snowy afternoon before Christmas, 1903, when he thought of the idea of a penny stamp to swell a fund for children's hospitals.

Authorized by King Christian, the first Christmas seals were sold in Copenhagen in 1904.

Holboell's scheme outgrew his wildest imaginings, for before his death in 1927, he lived to see it spread to 45 countries, including Korea, India and French-Indochina.

The seals found their way to America on letters and packages and first attracted the attention of Jacob Riis who wrote an article about them. Few people, however were interested in the idea.

Then, in the autumn of 1907, Emily Bissell, a public health worker, concerned about the fate of a small sanatorium, recalled the article and sat down to sketch America's first Christmas seal, a wreath of holly encircling the words "Merry Christmas."

With 50,000 stamps printed and nowhere to sell them, Miss Bissell at last enlisted the aid of a columnist on a Philadelphia newspaper. The idea caught and within a few weeks \$2,000 was collected.

The first nation-wide sale was held the following year and was backed by newspapers all over the country, religious and civic groups, and sponsored by the American Red Cross and the National Tuberculosis Association.

'Hansel and Gretel'

Join the Procession

The original score of "Hansel and Gretel" was composed by Engelbert Humperdinck as a Christmas piece.

The musical fairy tale created a sensation.

Since Humperdinck was one of Wagner's most intimate assistants, his compositions have been dubbed "Wagnerian style" and since fairy tales and nursery rhymes are appropriate at Christmas, "Hansel and Gretel" has joined the procession of traditional Christmas music.

— MERRY CHRISTMAS! —

# THE CHRISTMAS STORY



## the visit of the shepherds....

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

## the visit of the wise men...

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.



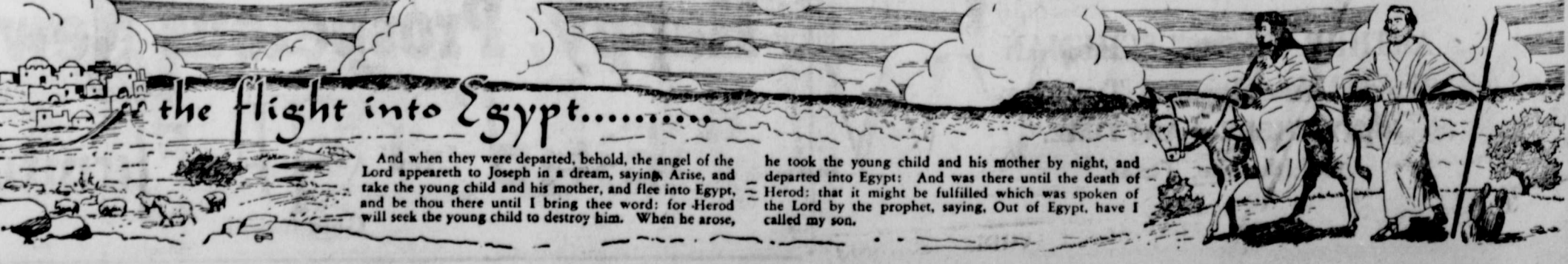
## the birth of Jesus.....

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David; which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.



## the flight into Egypt.....

And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt: and was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt, have I called my son.



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