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## ...... elssues Last-Minute Christmas Buying Spurt Felt In Eastland Stores

#### G. VERMILLION

Texas is a far cry it was in South Africa Harvey Walton, South bride who lives in

home was at Cape here her father is a ship there, she says, they had trees and exchanged we do, but there the simbetween our Christmases

se Capetown is in the rn Hemisphere, and there falls in the middle of sum-

Mrs. Walton's family spent es, usually, on the beach sort of summer holiday the th of July, and they had their as dinner usually in pic le as an outing.

Walton met her husband th Africa, where he went nerchant seaman during the Their baby, a girl, was born summer while Walton was near Carbon. Now they moved to Eastland, and Walock project near Carbon.

Walton says one thing she ike to see is snow. There s any in South Africa. she and she arrived in Texas see the generous suphad last winter. naybe she's dreaming of a Christmas, which at this e don't seem in any pros-

anta Claus picture on our nege this week is especially daughter Sally, aged 4, to whom Santa Claus ess real and is not int all for those jaded pera menace. "reading" of the maganewspapers, Sally curinks Santa Claus pictures somewhat ahead of her rites, babies, and conahead of pictures of mice, lions, elephants perennial favorites.

er Service, is dedicated J. Brown, Floyd Eison, Bill Simppicture, courtesy of Metson, Odus Rodgers. and to all the other little and girls who believe in Claus. Bowen, Homer White. . . .

## sort of summer holiday the our coast dwellers spend the AAA Committees For 1949 Listed

## **Following Election**

County and community AAA committeemen for 1949, elected Dec. 11 by farmers and ranchers is working on the Whitney of the county, were announced this week by Emmett Powell, county

The committeemen will administer the AAA program next year. County comitteemen elected are E. E. Blackwell of Ranger, chairman, A. Z. Myrick of Cisco, vice chairman, and D. J. Perkins, regular member.

Community committeemen elect ed are, with the first name in each case being the chairman, the second name the vice chairman, the third name the regular member the fourth name the first alter nate, and the fifth name the sec ond alternate:

Desdemona; Cecil Stephens, F regard Santa as a myth T. Caudle, A. L. Underwood, A. J Rogers, Doyl Johnson.

Ranger: J. F. Donley, Ben Pat terson, E. C. Ward, Herman Taylor, Thornton Cooper. George F. Bennett, Milton Under-

wood, Cecil Nelson, Joe H. Hud-Gorman: N. B. Laminack, John

AAA administrator.

Staff-Alameda: John W. Love,

# CHRISTINAS Moves Are Mar **Against Promotion Schemes In City**

Contrary to the spirit of Christmas giving, directors of the Eastland Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night took steps to help Eastpart of their profits away to promoters in the form of "adverising.

The board voted to follow a iouble-barrelled plan: to write to neads of civic, social, school and other organizations asking them to co-operate, and to work with the individual merchants.

The Chamber of Commerce has a board set up to pass on the midnight Christmas. merits of funds solicitation by any outside people or firms, and it was pointed out at the meeting that if all the merchants in Eastland will subscribe or donate to such things only when a letter has been obtained, all the merchants in town would be protected.

However, it was brought out that the merchants often are subjected to local pressure through tie-ins between outside firms and local organizations they get to sponsor their efforts, and that led to instructions to Manager H. J. Tanner to write the heads of all the organizations.

They are to be asked to sub-

**Gift Business Up** After Slow Start,

**Merchants Say** A Christmas buying boom that

resembled pre-war days made the merchants of Eastland happier this week than they had thought they were going to be.

During the war years people got in the habit of buying their Christmas gifts early, and they kept up the custom during the period of intense post-war shortages.

But this year the public apparently decided that things were about back to normal, and their early Christmas shopping was on a much lighter scale than for six or seven years.

Despondent, merchants decided the depression was about here.

But for nearly two weeks now, there has been buying of an intensity unmatched in a long while, several mercants who had and been far behind last year's volume of December business said this week that their totals had

land merchants stop giving a big caught up and passed those of a vear ago. Heavy buying of wheel toys and

other children's presents was reported

In addition, sales of major electrical appliances, which had been particularly slow, began picking up, and clothing and other "soft" goods were moving more briskly. So Santa Claus will come down

a lot of chimneys, after all, at

# **Offices To Close**

The Eastland County Courthouse will be officially closed all day Friday, Saturday and Sunday for the Christmas holidays, County Judge P. L. Chossley announced this week.

Other public offices mostly will observe only the Saturday Christmas holiday, and will re-open

Monday. The schools' holiday session ba-

we been meaning to explain The Record staff has been F. Duncan, J. B. Caudle, Ray Norow mark for some weeks, in ris, Lue B. Horn. ty if not in quality, forcing urtail our operations some-This has made the going William R. Ussery, Robert Hollo- house between 2:30 and 5 p. m. than a little rough from way. aspects of the situation, particularly wanted in the Thomas, Grover Cleveland, G. A. we're sorry. Swenson re trying our best to give LOCAL news we can get er, Kent Word.

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. . Maples, George T. Alford, Troy Mrs. Maude Brawley of Eastland, en't written much about the Lamb, H. R. Tye, Jack Gryder. recently; with the drouth Il, that has become a pre-Brizendine, John T. Hopper, Ol- riage license. ing topic of conversation ney Buchanan, Paul Cawley.

this is written Thursday <sup>60</sup>n, it's sort of misty out-d there are dense clouds Crocker and Cook: ook as if they could give hey just wanted to. But the kins. is dry, or nearly so.

is dry, or nearly so. Pioneer: Cleo Barton, B. C. Brown, Joe A. "Jody" Fleming, says that the official rain G. W. Fore, Ernest Glover. showed a total precipitation

stland last week of half an which is a lot better than but is not nearly as good as Given By Cornelius five inches. the lake is still low.

#### e Crowd Sees istmas Pageant

ree crowd Wednesday night tor Cornelius announced. a Christmas pageant at He said that his total payroll ath side of the Courthouse for the 1948 calendar year will under the drection of Mrs. be more than \$100,000. Holmesley.

Pageant simply told the MISS HUNT SINGS mas story, with accompany- IN DALLAS CONCERT

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Hunt and land physician some time next of the separate school Christmas a violin obbligato and accompan-long over the store of the separate school Christmas is a violin obbligato and accompan-ing over the separate school Christmas is a violin obbligato and accompan-ing over the separate school Christmas is a violin obbligato and accompan-ing over the separate school Christmas is a violin obbligato and accompan-ing over the separate school Christmas is a violin obbligato and accompan-ing over the separate school Christmas is a violin obbligato and accompan-ied at the piano by Miss Grist Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Hunt and bory over the doorway to Saturday to attend the Christmas se, and on the land- concert of the Oratorio Chorus of erds and wise men took to kneeling figures repres- the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, of Abilene visited in the home of Joseph and Wrs. W. T. Young last North Texas State College with seph and Mary. under direction of Antal Dorati. Ageant was produced with Miss Billie Hunt, who is a mem-operation of the Eastland ber of the chorus, returned to Sunday. of Commerce. Sound am- Eastland with her parents and ment was furnished Mrs. Taylor, and will spend the Holifield. land Sunday. holidays here.

Morton Valley: Kenneth Kirk, A. F. Beck, Jesse Carter, O. C. MR. AND MRS MULLINGS TO CELEBRATE Concert To Honor **50TH ANNIVERSARY SATURDAY** Flatwood: Henry Wilson, Homer

Celebrating their married life ceded Mrs. Mullings to Texas to which began 50 years ago in Gor- secure employment for them in Carbon: Coda A. McDaniel, Ev- man, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mullings the school at Oliver Springs in erett F. Martin, Enoch H. Cook, will entertain friends with an open Comanche County.

When Mrs. Mullings joined him. Christmas Day in their home in they were married on Nov. 10, Bluff Branch and Cottonwood: North Hillcrest. An open invita- 1898, in the home of "Uncle John" we've left out something Newt Hagan, Henry Fry, Marshall tion to attend the golden wedding Pearcy in Gorman with a number of close friends attending. Mrs. Guests for the occasion will in- Mullings recalls that she wore a Pleasant Hill: Lee Lieske, Rob- clude J. W. Carter of Eastland brown silk and wool traveling well-printed newspaper with ert Tucker, T. J. Hale, Roy Tuck- and C. S. Carter of Handley, both dress with a fitted basque waist. The Mullings have resided in numbers by the Harmony Girls, Long Branch: W. A. "Buck" wedding. Another expected guest, Eastland for 20 years. He was the violin quartet and octet, and employed as a building contractor organ, vocal, and piano solos. when he retired two years ago. Three children and their families will be in Eastland for Christ- of the First Christian Church of of those present said. mas. They are Mrs. J. B. Baker Eastland, the entire program will

Scranton: Lee Starr, Henry attending Mt. Ida Normal Acad of Cleburne, Ward Mullings of be musical. Pittman, O. C. Stewart, Bernard emy at Mout Ida, Ark., where they Galveston, and Maurice Mullings were studying to became rural of Garland.

Crocker and Cook: David J. teachers. Though they became en-Perkins, R. G. Merrill, Kermit gaged when they were freshmen, sary was delayed until Christmas, be used to purchase chimes or a Il the moisture they wanted Pierce, E. C. Clark, G. T. Daw- they were not married until four Mrs. Mullings explained, so chilyears later, after they had grad- dren and friends could be here

Manty Attend Yule

**Program At School** 

uated and Mr. Mullings had pre- with them.

#### NO BAPTIST SERVICES AT OLDEN SUNDAY

anniversary has been extended.

of whom attended the couple's

was employed in the Courthouse

Mr. and Mrs. Mullings met while

There will be no services at the Baptist Church in Olden Sunday

because the pastor, Rev. Mr. Blair, has been called to Sabinal and Christmas bonuses amounting to \$1500 were given this week to the cannot be there, it was announced 30 employees of the Victor Cor-Thursday.

nelius printing plant in Eastland, DR. ISBELL REPORTED with the amounts varying, depending on length of service, Vic- DOING ALL RIGHT

Rising Star: E. T. Hudnall, Fred at that time and issued the mar-

Dr. F. T. Isbell, in a Fort Worth

be performed on the veteran East- an annual affair to take the place

NO SERVICES SUNDAY Mrs. Mary Edwards and son AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Preaching services will not be

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Bennett of Church. However, there will be Sunday school and communion

## Late Wilda Dragoo

Forty-six music students of the ticipate in a musical memorial ing. program in her honor at 8 p. m. Wednesday in the First Methodist recent personal experiences, and Church of Eastland.

one said that a merchant told The program, which is one the him he had paid out over \$40 in students themselves have convarious ways in one week for ceived and prepared, will include 'advertising" or promotions. In recent months, thousands of dollars have been taken out of Eastland by various promotional With the exception of the invo- schemes, and very little benefit cation by Rev. J. B. Blunk, pastor has been seen from it here, several

#### Homer Meek, organist of Midland, will play the prelude and

Their 50th wedding anniversary by Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Carroll, his mother.

who will entertain with open house at their home, 312 North Dixie Street, from 3 to 5 p. m. ranged for 14 inches without Miss Billye Beall, violinist who is studying in New York, will play An open invitation has been ex-

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll, Eastland residents for 12 years, were mar- and it was believed Mrs. Wood ried Dec. 25, 1898, in Summer-Schumann's "In the Night" will field, Ga. Parents of eight chilbe played by pianist Mrs. Betty dren, the Carrolls expect to have seven of them at home for Christ-Barbara Grist of Waco at the mas and the golden wedding celepiano will accompany the Harbration.

## Twice on the program vocal "Pounding" Given

Rev. Clifford Nelson, pastor of The Howell and Rogers Grocery, the Olden Baptist Church, was operated by B. W. Howell and Dansurprised Wednesday night when ny Rogers on North Lamar Street members of his congregation gave adjacent to the Exchange Buildhim an old-fashioned "pounding," ing, will be moved Saturday and presenting him and his wife with Sunday to a new location at Lamar a number of gifts. The presenta- and White Streets, a block north tion occurred when church mem- of the present building, the owners bers met for their Christmas party announced this week. at the church.

gan after a Christmas program mit such promotions to the Chamber of Commerce board before Tuesday afternoon, and classes they accept sponsorship, and to will not be resumed until after follow the advice of the board. New Year's, on Monday, Jan. 3.

Virtually all Eastland stores are Theoretically, any promotion not having approval of the board scheduled to close all day Saturwould fail, because without the day, and Manager H. J. Tanner letter of approval, the merchants of the Eastland Chamber of Comlate Miss Wilda Dragoo will par- would have a ready "No" wait- merce said that almost all mercantile establishments will be

Several members of the Cham- closed all day New Year's Day, ber of Commerce board told of also.

Wounded Woman

## Is Improving

Mrs. Sam Wood, who was accidentally shot and wounded Wednesday when a gun in the hands of her son, Lou Bob, discharged, was reported resting well Thurs-Carrolls To Celebrate day in a Ranger hospital.

The boy was playing cowboy and Indian with what was believed to be an unloaded .22 rifle when will be celebrated Christmas Day the gun discharged and wounded

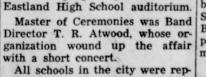
> The hollow point bullet entered her body under the heart and breaking a rib or encountering a major organ.

It was an ugly wound, though, would have to remain in the hospital for some while.

The accident occurred in the Wood home on West Commerce Street. Wood is employed at the Knox Machine and Supply Company.

#### **Grocery To Move Over Week End**

Howell and Rogers bought a Mr. Nelson delivered a brief building they will move the store



with a short concert.

hospital following an operation resented on the program, which last week, still is getting along had both musical and dramatic of violin, piano, and organ. Miss Olden Minister

A number of spectators voiced a

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Young last

Abilene visited friends in East-

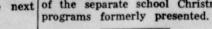
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as well as could be expected, it numbers.

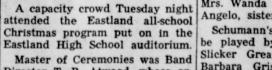
was reported this week.

Another operation likely will hope that the program would be

week, it was said.



held either Sunday morning or night at the First Christian



mony Girls.

music will be combined with that

Emily Jeanne Grissom, Eastland soprano, will sing Gounod's "O, Devine Redeemer," with Mrs. Al-

ma Williamson Moreton playing

ied at the piano by Miss Grist and at the organ by Mr. Meek. Later in the program, the Har-mony Girls, the Violin Octet, Miss Grist and Mr. Meek will appear

in an arrangement of Franck's "Father Most Merciful." Miss Martha June Morehart of

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vox humana for the Methodist Church organ as a tangible tribute to the work of Miss Dragoo.

Handel's "Sonata No. 4," accompanied at the piano by her mother, tended to their friends.

Mrs. Wanda Dragoo Beall of San Angelo, sister of Miss Dragoo. Slicker Greaves of Dallas. Miss

## **50th Anniversary** The celebration of the anniver- the offertory. Contributions will

#### other games. Eastland County Record

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haracter, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation may appear in the columns of The Record will be gladly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the management.

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 News From . . . OLDEN

By Special Correspondent

4 H CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Olden High School 4-H club girls gave a Christmas party at the home of their sponsor, Mrs. C. W. Thompson, Monday night, December 20 at 7 o'clock.

As the guests came in they were

ght one present for a girl and gifts they received. one for a boy, if she had invited a

ing number was theirs. As the filled the pulpit here Sunday at The community Christmas tree Waco and Mr. and Mrs. Dalton were

Refreshments of cokes and Ritz crackers with cheese spread were family and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald the large luminus star hanging erved. Also during the evening Marlow and family of Denver in the middle and the choir in the Any erroneous reflection upon the there was candy coated pop corn. City will spend the holidays here background was beautiful. Those The high point came after the with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. efreshments, when everyone went T. B. Marlow. Christmas caroling

Ida Simer.

parents

This was the first 4H party and Friday for Dennison to spend beautifully decorated and Santa really was a success. Miss Margeret Christmas and holidays with his Mansfield was a guest.

Mrs. House of Paris, Texas. mother of Mrs. C. H. Everett, is Monday for Bible study taught periously ill and not expected by Rev. Clifford Nelson. to recover. Mrs. Everett has been

called to her bedside. The Sewing Club had a Christ- the Baptist Church. The evening mas party Saturday night in the service will be dismissed. home of Mrs. Vernon Smith. Gifts were exchanged and "42" played. ing the holidays with relatives Archie Kelley and Mrs. J. D. in Brownwood and Bangs. Harrell won high score and Mrs. tist Church, Friday, December 31 Dick Yielding and Tom Thorsby won the low score prize. Pie and for a New Year's Eve sing-song and to usher in the new year with

coffee were served. The Olden Baptist Church had prayer. a Christmas tree Wednesday night December 22.

Charles will leave Friday for Abi-In behalf of the Methodist lene to spend Christmas with his given small corsages of mistletoe Orphans Home, the Methodist brother, Homer Hutto, tied with red and green ribbon Sunday School gave a pantomine Mr. and Mrs. Carl Butler, Sr.



"MERRY CHRISTMAS!" It has been a pleasure to serve you during the months past and we sincerely hope that you will continue to favor us with . your patronage.

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Lt. Harold Hedges is spending

part of hs 90 days leave here

with his mother, Mrs. Orlys Cross

He has spent the last two years in

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cross and of

Mr. ad Mrs. Carl Butler, Jr, of

College Station are here for the

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ferguson

and son of Odessa, are here to

spend the holidays with their par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Euland Sharp

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts of Lub-

bock are spending Christmas with

her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John

Mrs. Charly Mitchell, Ann Lop-

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Slough of

Abernathy spent Sunday night

here with her sister, Mrs. Bob

Misses Laura and Clara Simer

Mrs. Ruth Chancellor and dau-

Max Brockman and sister, Mrs.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stephens of

Miss Mollie Green is spending

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Burns left

Bess Osborn of Dallas, visited

their mother here last week.

of Wichita Falls and Ysleta are

Christmas with his mother.

home for the holidays.

er and Ingram were in Fort Worth

and Mrs. Nettie Ferguson.

Japan.

holidays.

Supulver.

vice. There was a Christmas tree her husband, Capt. and Mrs. James Christmas with their daughter, After the games, the presents and gifts for all. The pastor and P. Snodgrass and sons in the home Mrs. Joe Smith and family, were handed out. Each girl brou-family greatley appreciated the of his mother. Capt and Mrs. Snodgrass have just returned from

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Duncan of Florida where he has been attendboy. The presents were numbered Flatwood visited in the home of ing Officers Training School. and each person drew a number. Rev. Dutton and family, Monday. They will visit here during the Bro. R. C. Baxter of A. C. C. holidays.

gifts were unwrapped, the guests the Church of Christ. He was and program given at the school Cross and family of San Antonia, crowd and enjoyed by all. The their mother, Mrs. Neta Cross

Mr. and Mrs. Brice Marlow and stage with the blue footlights and and family. taking part in the program did excellantly. The tree in the south-

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Telley left west corner of the building was was there to do his bit. The committees are to be commended on The Womens Missionary Society making this program such a de-

of the Olden Baptist Church met light and success. Mr. and Mrs. J. G. McCune of

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hutto and

Dublin are here visiting their Sunday morning, December 26 daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bro. Blair of Cisco, will preach at DeAlva Edwards. They will spend last week to do their shopping. Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Elder of Edna are spending Christmas Rev. and Mrs. Nelson are spendhere with her parents, Mr. and Lester, en route to Waco to spend Mrs. Moffett. Everyone is invited to the Bap-Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Garrett and

children will spend Christmas with his parents in Flatwood. Mrs. C. H. Woods of Vernon,

daughter of Mrs. A. L. Lassiter, ghter Johnnie Ruth, accompanied underwent surgery in Dallas last Mr. and Mrs. Mathis back to Midweek in the Medical Arts Hospital. land where they will spend the At present she is getting along Christmas holidays with Mrs. fine and was taken to her home Chancellor's son Ray Scott Greer in Vernon the first of the week. and family.

Mrs. Ethel Rowch and son Fred ie are spending Christmas and holidays with her daughter, Mrs.

Ruth Adams and family. Miss Dorothy Hendrick of Anton Electra were guests in the Lee s home for the holidays. Williamson home last week end Mr. and Mrs. Thorsley while visiting old friends here. and

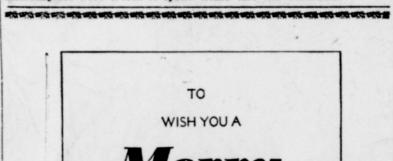
daughter Sandra will spend the holidays in Electra with her parthe holidays in Grayford with her ents. parents. College students have returned

home this week to spend the holi- Tuesday for Phoenix, Arizona. days with the home folks. They are driving through in their Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Vermililon new car to spend Christmas and will spend the holidays in Ker- part of the holidays with their mit with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hor- daughter, Mrs. Jewel Clyatt and ner and other relatives. family. They will stop in Carls-Mr. and Mrs. Scott, accompanied bad and Hobbs to visit Mr. Burn's

by their son and family of Pecos, cousins and nieces and families. left this week to spend Christmas Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Marlow will and the holidays with a daughter have charge of the station until and sister and family in Dallas. the Burns return.

Miss June Hendrick of Midland Mr. and Mrs. Lee Williamson will spend Christmas with her will spend Christmas in Odessa parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hend- with their daughter and son; Mrs. rick and sister Marjorie. Doris Norton and her husband, Superintendant and Mrs. Travis and Gene Williamson

Hilliard and family will spend Mrs. Stella Jarrett has return-Christmas in Desdemona with her ed home from Waco where she parents, Mr. and Mrs. Parks and met Mrs. Johnnie Jarrett and son, J. C. and brought them home to his mother in Karens. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lester left spend Christmas. Johnnie will be Thursday for Fort Worth to spend home also for Christmas.



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### HIS CHRISTMAS

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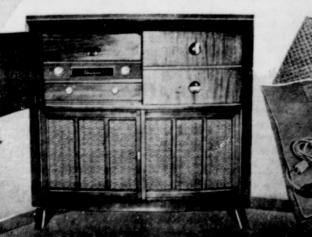
This Christmas, it's easy to choose gifts to please everyone on your shopping list. A wide variety of electrical appliances is available now. For a gift with a future, the electrical appliance of your choice is outstanding. Electrical appliances are good for today and good for many tomorrows.

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... And ...

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### December 24, 1948

#### **News Items From** CARBON By SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

fartin Mr. and Mrs. Will Tate and Mr. hostess to the "38" and Mrs. Ben Stephenson. Friday evening when The rooms were decorated in were guests. Other keeping with the Christmas season Mr. and Mrs. Rufus

After an evening of 42, a ree Mr. and Mrs. Luther Reese, freshment plate of cherry tarts HERE'S TO A

Merry Christmas And may the joys and happines

> of this Holiday Season remain with you, not only at Christmastime, but each day of the coming year.



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J. M. GRAY



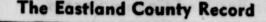
ARMEST GREETINGS AND

> SINCERE GOOD WISHES

FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR



FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 2 P. M. CHRISTMAS DAY COMPLETE CHRISTMAS DINNER-\$1.25



topped with whipped cream and He is the elder son of Mr. and coffee were served. Plate favors Mrs. Harlan Ables. were miniature Santa Clauses.

First Lt. and Mrs. Sam Stone Among those expected home and son Rocky arrived Wednesday to spend Christmas holidays with from Fort Pepperrell, St. John, relatives and friends are Mr. and Newfoundland, to visit his par-Mrs. Tom Ireland, Shreveport, ents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Stone. They La.; Mr. and Mrs. Edgar White, left Sunday for Alpine to visit Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Basil White, Mrs. Stone's parents, Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Clark and sons. Mrs. Eric Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Jal, New Mexico; Miss Blanch J. C. Poe and daughter of East-Yarbrough, Odessa; Miss Bess land spent Sunday with them. Thurman, Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Neil Wood of

Harry C. Holland and Scott, El Colton, Calif., are visiting his sis-Paso; Abe Hall, Eunice, N. M .; ter, Mrs. W. W. Martin, and Mr. Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Claborn and Martin.

family, Eundown; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wyatt of Odessa visited T. G. Jackson and son Steve his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ramsey Walter Wyatt, last week end. and Terry Lee of Morenci, Ariz .: Mr. and Mrs. Verlon Ables and Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Collins and Bob Ables were in Fort Worth family, Brownwood; Mr. and Mrs. Wednesday on business.

Kenneth Davis, Houston; Mr. and Oscar Petree visited his son Mrs. Joe Collins and daughter; Earnest Petree, in Fort Worth Sgt. and Mrs. Bob Collins and Wednesday.

Bobbie, Eastland; Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tonn of Fort J. C. Poe and Margie, Eastland; Worth spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Redwine, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wichita Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Mon- Bethany.

ty Montgomery and Dianna, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stuble-Carl were in Brownwood last Mr. and Mrs. Yancey and son field, Bartletsville, Okla.; Miss week end visiting relatives.

Maxine Smith, Seymour; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Jackson of De Leon Mrs. Gaston Gooch, Corsicanna; visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gilbert, Gold- J. T. McGreggor.

thwait; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Barron, Miner Townsend and his grandand baby, Fort Worth; Mr. and mother, Mrs. B. F. Lovett of Fort Mrs. Buel McGaha and Royce Worth, spent the week end with McGaha, Clifton, Arizona; Mr. and Mrs. Mamie Townsend.

Mrs. C. M. Wyatt and Joe Wyatt of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Williams Odessa; C. M. Wyatt, Jr., Crane; plan to spend Christmas with her Mrs. Ima Jordan and children, Mr. son, Bobby Belmont, and family and Mrs. Roy Jordan, Eastland; in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Tec Carter of Fort Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Erwin and daughter, Oklahoma City; Jack Worth have arrived to spend Jordan, Great Falls, Mont; Mrs. Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Harry Johnson and Catherine M. M. Carter. Johnson, Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. DeElton Turner Among the college students plan to spend Christmas in Big who are home for the holidays Lake with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lovell, and sister, Mrs. are Bill Murphy from Texas A. & M., Gene Underwood from N. T. S. Euel Allison, and Mr. Allison. S.F.C. and Mrs. Clifford Mc-Denton, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Culley celebrated an early Christ-Schriener and son Brad, Mr. and mas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Robert Bond, Gene Guy, W. E. McCulley Tuesday, Dec. 14. Dwain Jackson, Larry McAfee, Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Lou Ann Jackson, Marjorie Hines, Herman Claborn of Okra and Mrs. Patsy McCollough, Tinsy Under-C. P. Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. wood, Billie Stephenson, W. J. Conley Fields of Gorman. Sgt. and Greer, Austin Hollywood, Doris Dover, Roberta Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. McCulley and baby left Sun-Mrs. Glen Ford, Calvin Gilbert and day for San Francisco, where he will be stationed.

Jimmie Greer of Gorman, former Carbon resident who recently returned from service in Hawaii, visited his sister, Mrs. J. T. Wilson, and family Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jackson vis-

George McBee.

ited Dr. and Mrs. T. G. Jackson in Gorman Sunday. Elmer Ables, who has been serving in Austria and other parts

of the European theater for 28

months, returned home Saturday

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Mr. and Mrs. H. L. King Mr. and Mrs. R. L. King

Doug King

'Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the house, Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse; The reason was simple, and need I say more Than the whole family was shopping at Pullman's Store! To All We Extend Wishes For A "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" PULLMAN'S

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Miss Johnson Gives

Miss Verna Johnson, assisted by co-hostesses, Mrs. Wayne Caton

and Mrs. J. C. Whatley, enter-

tained members of the Las Leales

Club with a Christmas party in

A cardboard Santa Claus on the

porch welcomed guests to the

house. Two small Christmas trees

on either side of the mantle were

linked by a string of red Christ-

mas balls across the mantle. Poin-

"Music from on High," a paper

Guests were served from a table

which was laid with a white cut-

work linen cloth and centered

with a small silver Christmas

Attending the party were Mes-demes P. J. Cullen, J. O. Ear-

nest, D. E. Frazer, B. F. Hanna,

Fred Maxey, Guy Patterson, Hu-

bert Toombs, W. Q. Verner, J. C.

Whatley, James Horton, Harry

Sixteen children attended a par-

ty honoring Lee Halkias on his

fifth birthday, given at the home

of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Halkias, Monday afternoon

giving the party by Mrs. R. N. Whitehead and Mrs. C. W. Cline.

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Mrs. Halkias was assisted in

Walter and Miss Eunice Nail.

BIRTHDAY PARTY GIVEN

FOR LEE HALKIAS

telling of the history and making

of carillons, was given by Mrs.

Las Leales Party

her home Monday night.

H. L. Hassell.

tree.

#### MISS ROSS WEDS R. L. KING IN SATURDAY RITUAL

Saturday night before a large mirror background in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. King, Miss Merlene Ross became the bride of Mr. R. L. (Bob) King. The double ring candlelight ceremony was read by Rev. J. B. Blunk, pastor of the First Christian Church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Freeman, and Mr. King is the son of Mr. and

Mrs. H. L. King. Large baskets of large gladiolas, chrysanthemums, white white stock and fern tied with green ribbon were on either side of the mirror. Tall candelabra containing white candles were arranged near the baskets. The flower scheme was repeated in an ar-

rangement over the mantle. The bride, given in marriage by Mr. Freeman, wore a street length toast satin dress with fitted bodice, cap sleeves, and bustle back. Her hat of beige felt was trimmed with roses of the same material entwined with light green velvet ribbon. Her pumps were of bronze leather.

She carried a bouquet of green and brown orchids.

Attendants of the couple were Mrs. Gail Jones of Brownwood, matron of honor, and Mr. Douglas King, the groom's brother, who served as best man. Mrs. Jones wore a grey crepe dress with matching accessories, and carried a bouquet of red roses. Prenuptial music was provided

by Mrs. Robert L. Clinton at the piano, Miss Elizabeth Haesly of Waco, who played the viola, and Mrs. Pat Miller, Eastland soprano. Mrs. Miller also sang a prayer at the end of the ceremony.

Miss Christine Davis and Mrs Frank Sims, both of Fort Worth, lighted the candles prior to the wedding.

The bride's mother wore a grey crepe dress with bead trimming. Mrs. King's dress was of palomino and brown crepe, also with a bead trim. Both wore orchid corsages.

The house party for the reception which followed immediately in the bride's home included, besides the wedding party, Mrs. Howard McDonald of Cisco and Mrs. Joe Anderson and Mrs. Claud Maynard of Eastland.

For her departure, the bride wore a brown gabardine suit, brown accessories, and an orchid corsage

After a weddng trp to San An-tonio, the couple will make their in the Hertig Apartment at 1111 South Seaman Street.

The bride is employed by the and Mr. King is manager of the King Tractor Company.

> Class Members Have Party For Husbands

Members of the Suzannah Wesley class of the First Methodist Church entertained their husbands with a Christmas dinner

#### Baptist Groups Are Given Parties

Two Baptist young people's groups were entertained with Christmas parties recently.

"Cream of the Crop" Training Union members met Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Allison for a party at which three of the Allison daughters, Edith, Verne, and Betty, were hostesses. They were assisted by Mrs. Allison. After refreshments and a gift exchange, Christmas games were led by Misses Betty Allison settias also decorated the home. and Mary Lynn Trimbel.

Members of the Young People's Sunday School Class went caroling Wednesday night, returning to the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Pritchard for refreshments and a gift exchange

Thursday Club Has Party For Husbands

Husbands of Thursday Afternoon Club members were entertained with a traditional formal Christmas dinner given by the club in the Womans Club Thursday evening of last week.

Eight members who acted as hostesses were Mesdames W. W Linkenhoger, Arthur Murrell, D L. Houle, Dan Childress, Frank Castleberry, Hubert Jones, Dixie Williamson and Frank Lovett. Mrs. Ben Hamner, president, introduced the husbands, with an original jingle about each.

Mrs. Jack Muirhead, who reviewed "Women Never Go Broke," by B. J. Kidd, was presented by Mrs. Linkenhoger, mistress of ceremonies. The invocation for the dinner was given by Judge B. W. Patterson.

Runners of greenery, sprinkled with silver and lighted with small Christmas lights, decorated the white damask covered tables. The meal was served in candlelight from tall red candles in crystal candelabra.

Gifts from the Christmas tree were distributed by W. W. Linkenhoger.

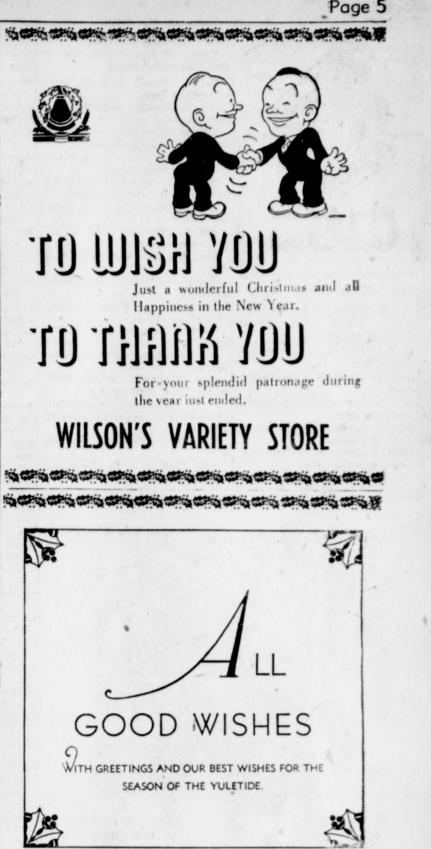
Present other than those mentioned were Messrs. and Mesdames Earl Conner, Sr., Frank Crowell, Cyrus B. Frost, Sr., Fred Davenport, James Horton, Milburn S. Long, W. D. R. Owen, Robert Nelson, Joseph M. Perkins, Grady Pipkin, W. B. Pickens, W. C. Robinson, R. E. Sikes, E. R. Townsend, W. G. Marquardt, Pearson Grimes and Robert Vaughan.

#### COWANS ARE PARENTS OF INFANT SON

Dr. and Mrs. W. K. Cowan are the parents of a son, who weighed Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., 6 pounds 14 ounces at the time of his birth Thursday of last week.

in a Ranger hospital. The boy has been named Stetson Rawls.

# Merry Star Christmas



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AND A GENUINE THANK YOU

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oughts of the folks we've met along the way. cause of these friendships it is a pleasure to hink of you at this Season and to wish you sin-

#### 4 MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

**KINSEY'S GROCERY** 

sard playing the piano.

Gifts of crystal were presented to Mrs. Crowell, class teacher,

MAD

Friday night at the Womans Club. Hostesses were Mesdames W. R. Cole, Homer Smith, R. D. Mc-Crary, R. D. Estes, E. J. Turner, W. G. Marquardt, D. E. Frazer, Frank Crowell and N. P. McCar-Mrs. W. R. Cole presided over the program, for which Mrs. E. L.

Wittrup gave a prose reading entitled "Song of the Syrian Guest." Christmas carols were led by Mrs. McCrary, with Mrs. W. J. Brous-

The speakers' table was centered with a snow scene, with reindeer and a sleigh. The sleigh was filled with candles and Christmas greenery. At the other tables, tall red tapers, Christmas balls and greenery were combined in centerpieces.

and Mrs. Cole, president.

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Best Wishes for the New Year!

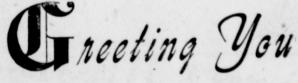
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e hope everybody at your house is enjoying associations of friends and loved ones, which important on this happy occasion.

ad as we express this Christmas wish, we also say, "Thank you," for your considerand patronage.

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#### -and many of 'em!

We'd like to tell each of you personally that we wish you a Season of Good Cheer-but we can't see all of you. So here goes for a Merry Christmas to Everybody.

## PERRY BROS. 5c-10c-15c Store

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Johnson, release of oil and gas	Lone Star Producing Co., oil and
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L. Johnson, release of oil and gas	tion Sup. Co., change of name.
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Kerr-McGee Oil Ind. to George	J. Lynn, oil and gas lease.
A. McCall, release of oil and gas	John D. Seale to J. J. Lynn, oi
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Miller, release of oil and gas	release of oil and gas lease.
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and the NEW YEAR

Mr. and Mrs.

J. U. Johnson

## CHAISTMAS GAEETINGS



THE BEST OF GOOD THINGS FOR YOU AND YOURS IS THE SINCERE WISH OF THE MEMBERS OF THIS FIRM. WE'LL BE THINKING OF YOU DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON, FULLY AWARE OF YOUR FINE ASSOCIATIONS AND FRIENDSHIPS THAT HAVE MADE THE PAST YEARS SO PLEASANT FOR US.



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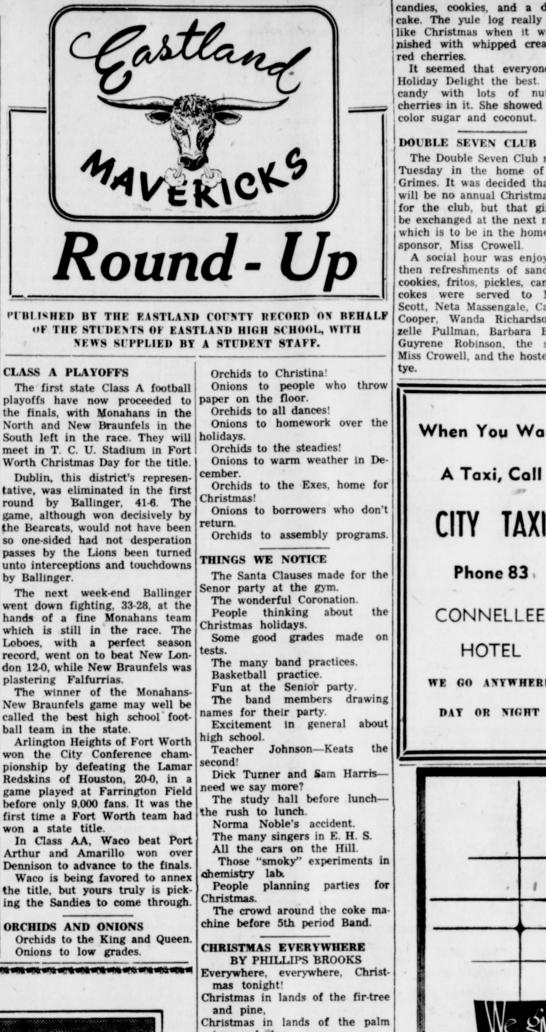
The friendships and patronage you have accorded us are worthy indeed of our most hearty and

# SINCERE THANKS

you during the years to come

May your Christmas be Happy and your New Year Prosperous

## THE QUALITY FOOD MARKET



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tree and vine, solemn and white, Christmas where cornfields stand

opeful and gay

candies, cookies, and a date-nut is contained in the cont cake. The yule log really looked like Christmas when it was garnished with whipped cream and

It seemed that everyone liked Holiday Delight the best. It is a candy with lots of nuts and cherries in it. She showed how to color sugar and coconut.

#### DOUBLE SEVEN CLUB

The Double Seven Club met last Tuesday in the home of Bettye Grimes. It was decided that there will be no annual Christmas party for the club, but that gifts will be exchanged at the next meeting, which is to be in the home of the sponsor, Miss Crowell.

A social hour was enjoyed and then refreshments of sandwiches cookies, fritos, pickles, candy and cokes were served to Monette Scott, Neta Massengale, Catherine Cooper, Wanda Richardson, Mozelle Pullman, Barbara Branton, Guyrene Robinson, the sponsor Miss Crowell, and the hostess, Bet-

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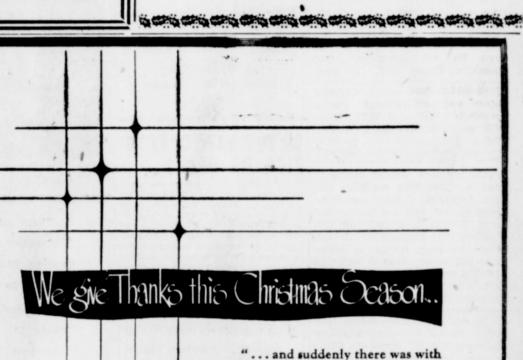
Christmas where snow peaks stand

sunny and bright. Christmas where children are



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YEARS AND THOSE WHOM

WE HOPE TO SERVE IN THE

FUTURE.

# JOY TO THE WORLD

Amid the fine fellowship of Christmasime, when the atmosphere of good feeling toward everyone predominates, we recall many instances of your proven riendships.

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Christmas where old men are patient and gray, Christmas where peace, like a dove in his flight, Broods o'er brave men in the thick of the fight; Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas tonight! For the Christ-child who comes is the Master of all; No palace too great, no cotaage too small

#### HOMEMAKING NEWS

The second year homemaking class prepared and served a complete meal. Tamale pie, creamed cauliflower, green beans, celery curls, baked apricot whip, tea, cornbread and coffee were served. It was enjoyed by everyone.

A very interesting demonstration on Christmas cooking was given last Thursday by Miss' Honiker, with the Lone Star Gas Company. She made a number of different



Heartiest Wishes for a Merry

\* CHRISTMAS

and a Happy

**\* NEW YEAR Castleberry's** 

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host praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest, AND ON EARTH PEACE, GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN'."

the angel a multitude of the heavenly

HETHER there will ever come in our lifetime a reign of peace and good will toward men all over the world, man can neither foresee nor foretell. But he can trust; he can have faith that a Divine Providence in His great wisdom, and in His own good time, will bring that condition about.

But despite the uncertainties of life, and despite the turmoil, the terror and the sufferings which beset such a vast proportion of the world's people, those who are fortunate enough to live in America have been richly blessed.

In this beloved land of ours we have been blessed with the greatest volume and variety of the good things of life mankind has ever known; here the dignity and worth of every individual soul is recognized; here we enjoy the great blessings of personal freedom.

Let us give thanks this Christmas season for these precious privileges; let us try to understand better the system of government which has nurtured these privileges and blessings; and then let each of us do our individual part to help preserve and protect that government from those who would destroy it.

It is my earnest and sincere wish that you will have a joyous Christmas holiday and that, in the years to come, you and yours will be blessed with good health and happiness.

W. G. Vollmer PRESIDENT

**TEXAS and PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY** 

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CHRISTMAS!" It's the season of good cheer for all and we sincerely hope you will have a full share of all the joy and happiness the Yule.

that these same joys will go with you throughout the com.

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## **COLLINS DRY CLEANERS**



Friday, December 24.