

Merry Christmas

The Devil's River News

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ELEVENTH WEEK

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1955 Football Schedule Lists Ten Games

The Sonora Broncos will play seven home games next year, including a game with the Mason Cowpunchers, this year's semi-finalists, and three out of town games.

Eden dropped out of Class A and will play Class B football next year. Sonora gave Eldorado their home game with Sonora next year so Sonora would have two home district games in 1956.

Since school enrollment here dropped, it was necessary for Sonora to be voted into District 6-A. Coach Joe Turner said this week.

Turner added that a schedule for the B team will be completed later. So far, three games have been tentatively arranged.

| 1955 Schedule | | |
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| Sept. 9 | Ballinger | H |
| Sept. 16 | Bangs | H |
| Sept. 23 | Irean | T |
| Sept. 30 | Rankin | H |
| October 7 | Schreiber | H |
| October 14 | Mason | H |
| October 21 | Ozona* | T |
| October 28 | Junction* | H |
| November 4 | Menard* | H |
| November 11 | Open | |
| November 18 | Eldorado | T |

* - District game.

BOY HURT WHEN FIRECRACKER EXPLODES

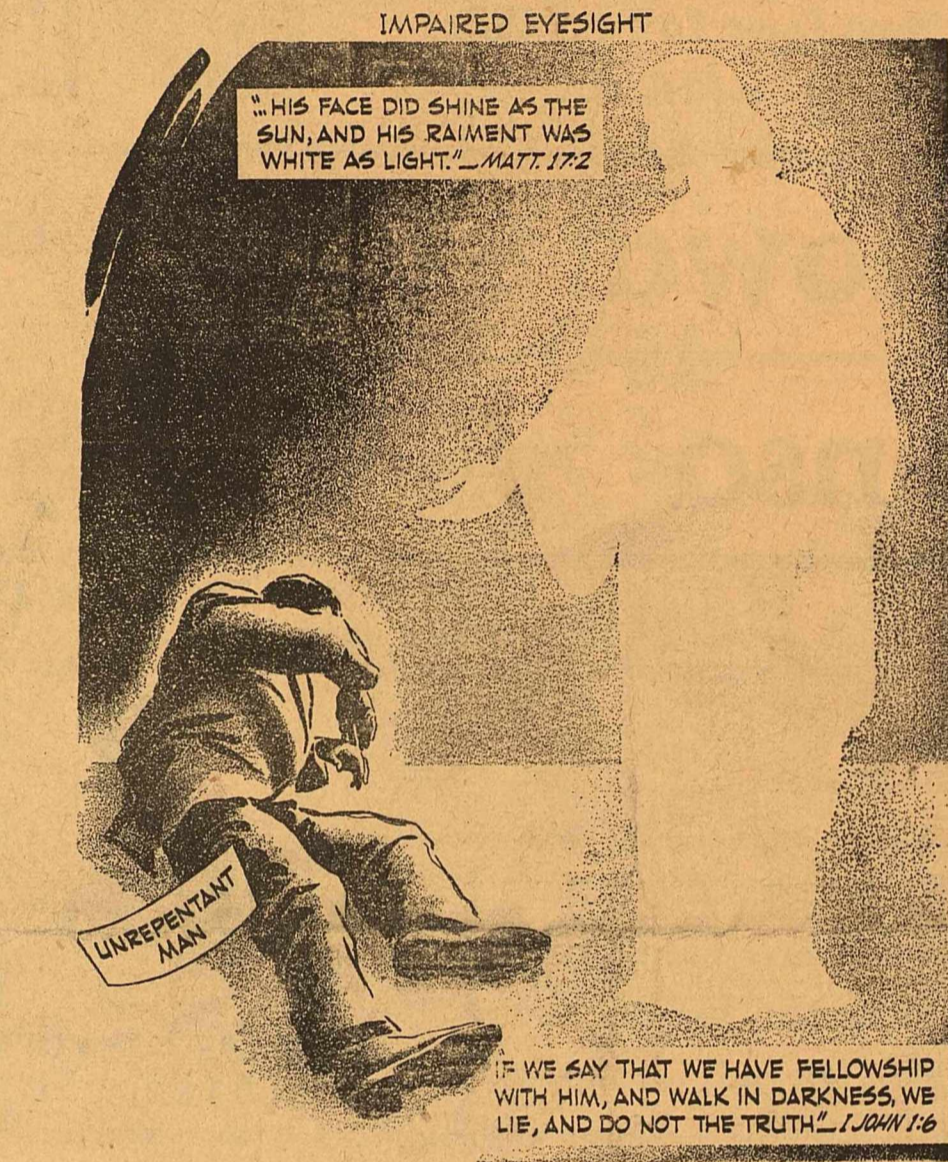
Michael Duke Ellis, 12, son of Mrs. Duke Ellis, was recovering this week from severe burns about the right eye suffered Sunday when a firecracker exploded in his face.

The boy thought he had removed the powder and lighted the fuse.

He was able to read with the eye Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. McKinney and daughters were in San Antonio Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Savell are home from Baylor University to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.



Bell Telephone Co. In Houston Forced To Cut Rates Back

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company was ordered Monday by District Judge Wilmer Hunt to cut back the rates the company put into effect November 10, 1953.

The company was also ordered to begin refunding what will amount to about a million and a half dollars to customers who had paid the company's new rates.

Judge Hunt ordered the rates cut back to a point halfway between those recommended by master in chancery Jack Binion and those which the company is now charging. Houston rates were not available at press time, but it is understood that a one-party business phone there costs \$17.

Judge Hunt also observed that he "didn't believe the court has authority to set rates - that is the prerogative of the City Council." He added that he has the right as a court of equity "to see that equity is done."

Three Accidents Reported Here

Three auto accidents were reported this week by State Highway Patrolman Herman Moore.

Friday at the corner of Concho and College Streets cars driven by Tommy Ray Adams and Mrs. Dora West collided at 11:55 a.m. Damage to both vehicles was slight.

Friday night at 11:30 p.m., 19.5 miles west of Sonora on US 290 a pickup truck driven by Faustina Bautista, 59, went out of control and struck a culvert. Pickup was a total loss. Bautista pleaded guilty to DWI charge in Judge G. A. Wynn's court and paid a fine of \$50 and costs.

Saturday morning at 3:15 a.m. at the city limits on US 277 a sedan driven by Rosenda Chappa of San Angelo went out of control and overturned. Charges of driving while intoxicated were filed.

Sergeant Richard Sellman of Camp Gordon, Georgia is visiting his mother, Mrs. J. T. Sellman, during the Christmas holidays.

Our Place For Christ

By The Rev. W. H. Marshall

He came unto his own, and His own received Him not. Many as received Him, to them the power to become the sons of God. John 1:11-12.

On the night when Jesus was born, there was no room for Him in the mother except in a stable. When we think of who He was, and of what He has come to mean to the human family, this unthinking inhumanity at His birth seems incredible. No room for a young man who was about to become a mother! No room for a new born babe except in a manger! What were the people of Bethlehem thinking about that night? Even though the little city was crowded to overflowing, surely better accommodations could have been provided.

B. Y. Williams has a poem, "The Innkeeper Speaks." It is in the form of a soliloquy. Justify himself, the innkeeper would, and yet...

"The inn was full. There was no room, And yet, perhaps, I might have made Arrangement. But the evening gloom Came on-A man must keep his trade- The guests were in-and all had paid. "There was no room. The inn was full, And it had been a busy day; So many vexing question pul A landlord's heart. All cannot stay- The late ones must be turned away. "The inn was full. There was no room. But certainly, I could have done Something if I had known for whom-Ah, that my door should be the one To shut out Mary and her Son!"

The choice came down through the centuries to each one of us this Christmas.

Only Christ has the word our day demands. Through Him our Christmas sky glows with promise.

Christmas is meant for us, each one of us. "Unto you is born a Saviour" is the personal announcement and invitation. The Everlasting Whisper urges onward. There is the future, and our part in it. To know the Christ as our Light, our Way, this is the supremely important things in a man's life.

To all of you a "Merry Christmas."

Eight Teams To Compete In Basketball Meet

Sonora's fourth annual Girls Invitational Basketball Tournament will begin Friday, January 7.

Teams participating in the events include Lakeview, Junction, Harper, Mertzon, Rockspings, Barksdale, Del Rio, and Sonora.

All games will be played in the high school gymnasium.

Friday's schedule includes a game between Rockspings and Junction at 3:00 p.m. Mertzon and Barksdale will compete at 4:00 p.m. Lakeview and Harper are scheduled for 7:00 p.m., and Sonora will play Del Rio at 8:00 p.m.

Playoff games are scheduled on Saturday at 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 1:00 p.m. The consolation game will be played at 7:00 p.m. Saturday. The championship game will be played Saturday night at 8:00 p.m.

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Wildcat- Sinclair Oil & Gas Co. 1 Belle Glasscock, 660 FSL 1980 FEL 31-IJ-TCRR, 15 mi. WNW Sonora. Drg. below 7310.

BLAKE BREAKS WRIST Jim Blake, fourth grade teacher at the L. W. Elliott School broke his wrist in a fall at the school Monday. He is recuperating at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Henderson and children, Genie Sue and Chris of College Station are visiting relatives in Sonora during the holidays.

Fifteen Named Merit Badge Counsellors

Fifteen merit badge counsellors have been appointed to assist Scoutmaster Earl Smith with boys wishing to work in their phase of Boy Scout endeavor.

Campercraft activities will be instructed by John Eaton, and Elmer Johnson will supervise outdoor sports. Aquatics will be handled by Rex Lowe, and Norman Davis will be in charge of nature studies.

Acting as counsellor for conservation will be E. B. Keng, and Tom Ratliff will be in charge of personal development. George Wynn will supervise citizenship, and S. M. Loeffler will serve as counsellor of the public service branch of the award committee.

Animal husbandry will be handled by D. C. Langford.

Others include Clay Buckett, communications; P. J. Taylor, transportation; Herman Smith, building; Mrs. Charles Brown, arts; and Edwin Sawyer, crafts and collections.

Personal Notes

Joe David Ross, a student at Texas A. & M. College, is home to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown Ross.

Robert Guest is home from Sulf Ross to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Guest, during the holidays.

Home from the University of Texas is Miss Jackie Wardlaw, who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wardlaw during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Neill have as their guests during the holidays their daughters, Miss Jane Neill of Abilene, and Miss Nancy Neill, a student at the University of Texas.

Miss Virginia Lewis is spending the Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. Lee Lewis, and sister, Mrs. Walter Blandford Gainesville.

Attend Church Sunday



Lora Simpkins

Christmas Has New Meaning For Her

By Helen Colburn

Austin, December 18—Christmas, somehow, has taken on a new meaning this year. A gallant girl in a hospital bed 250 miles away is giving it a special glow.

Out in McKnight Sanitorium, near San Angelo, a very short time ago Lora Simpkins' life hung on the outcome of a hazardous

lung operation. The odds were fairly heavy that she wouldn't see Christmas dawn.

But she will... and that is what makes Christmas, 1955, different.

Lora is just one of thousands of Texans who have TB, but to this erstwhile occupant of a newdesk her audacious defiance of the

Charles Lee Haines, a student in San Angelo College, is home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Haines.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Crowell during the holidays are their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Langford of Abilene.

Miss Addie Thorp of Fort Worth is here visiting her mother, Mrs. Tom Thorp for the holidays.



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Sonora, Texas, Friday, December 24, 1954

FIDELIS CLASS GIVES CHRISTMAS PARTY

The members of the Fidelis Class of the Baptist Church were hostesses to a Christmas Party Friday afternoon.

After the regular business meeting, the devotional was given by Mrs. Bob Doran.

Christmas carols were sung by the group. Mrs. J. E. Eldridge was song leader, and the accompanist was Mrs. Mattie McGilvray. Gifts were exchanged and names were drawn for secret pals.

Fruit cake, topped with whipped cream, nuts and coffee were served.

Twenty seven members attended.

BRIDGE PARTY GIVEN BY CUSENBARYS

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cusenbary entertained their bridge club Thursday night.

A Christmas theme was carried out in the decorations.

Mrs. Philip Hirsch won high score for ladies and E. A. Brodhead won high prize for men. Mrs. Thomas Morriss won the ladies bingo prize, and Thomas Morriss won men's bingo.

Guests included Messrs. and Mesdames Tom Ratliff, Joe B. Ross, E. A. Brodhead, Edwin Mayer, Philip Hirsch, Thomas Morriss, and Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Hardy and Mrs. Ella Wallace.

Attend Church Sunday!

Elliotts Hosts To Party Tuesday Night

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Elliott were hosts to a pre-Christmas buffet supper and bridge party in their home Tuesday night.

The dining table was covered with a linen cut work cloth and was centered with an arrangement of red carnations and holly, flanked on each side with grey tapers in silver candleabras. On a smaller table was a miniature lighted church. The table markers were sprigged with holly. A silvered Christmas tree and poinsettias completed the decorations.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Sawyer won high score prizes, and Mrs. E. E. Sawyer and Web Elliott won prizes for second high. Slam prizes were won by Mrs. Marion Elliott and F. L. McKinney. Mrs. F. L. McKinney and Dr. J. F. Howell won bingo.

Those attending included Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, Mrs. Cleve Jones, Jr., Wesley Sawyer, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell, and Messrs. and

HARDGRAVES HOSTS TO CANASTA PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hardgrave were hosts to the Community Canasta Club at their home last week.

Mrs. Robert V. Kelley won high club score for ladies, and men's high was won by J. V. Alley. Mrs. Phillip Jacoby won the traveling prize.

The table was centered with a man and woman made of popcorn balls resembling snowmen. The serving table also featured a Christmas scene with Santa Claus and his reindeer.

After the buffet supper, the club members exchanged Christmas gifts.

Those attending included Messrs. and Mesdames J. V. Alley, Terry Baker, Phillip Jacoby, Hilton Turney, Sterling Baker, and Robert V. Kelley.

Billy Scott, a student in Baylor University, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Scott.

Mesdames Edwin Sawyer, F. L. McKinney, L. W. Elliott, Marion Elliott, and Web Elliott.

Christmas Since 1891

Sonora people have celebrated the Christmas season in much the same way since 1891. In place of our usual 45 Years Ago, we are printing some of the celebrations and happenings during the Christmas season throughout the years.

—1891—

A meeting was called for the purpose of making arrangements for a grand ball to be on Christmas eve after the Christmas tree and on New Years Eve.

Postmaster Cusenbary had made arrangements to put in more boxes in order to accommodate the increase in Sonora's mail business.

—1909—

There was a Sunday School Christmas tree at the Methodist Church on December 23.

On December 24 there was a public Christmas tree at the Court House.

The Fireman's Ball was a financial as well as a social success. The News regretted they could not publish a limited account of the ladies' dresses, but promised they would in the future.

—1919—

The weather was delightful for Christmas, and added in making the 1919 holiday a big success in Sonora.

Christmas parties were given by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ogden, Mrs. Stella Stanley and Miss Violet Stanley, Mrs. Theodore Savell, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bond.

—1928—

The Mickey Rathbone Orchestra was engaged to play for the Christmas dances, which were planned for Christmas Eve and Christmas night. The dances were held in the Sonora Club Hall.

Two fire calls were answered on Christmas Day.

Mrs. Henry Decker was hostess to a bridge party.

Entertaining holiday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mayer, Mr. and Mrs. Sam H. Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Savell, and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Eaton.

—1934—

Two holiday dances were sponsored by the Sonora Fire Department at the Scout Hall, and music was by the Varsity Club orchestra.

The Christmas Message was the study of the Sonora Woman's

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Christmas decorations dominated in the party room. Cake and coffee were served.

Mrs. R. G. Nance won high score, and Mrs. A. H. Adkins high guest. Mrs. Earl Duncan won bingo prize.

Gifts were exchanged by members.

Those attending included Mesdames W. O. Crites, Earl Duncan, Andre Truden, Raymond Gan, L. E. Johnson, Sr., Bob Cars, Belle Steen, Ernest McLand, P. J. Taylor, A. H. Adkins, R. G. Nance and George Barr

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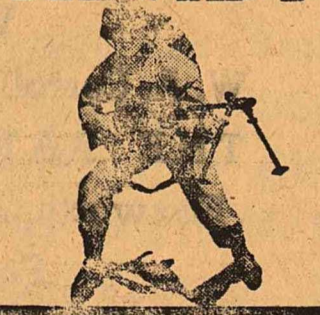
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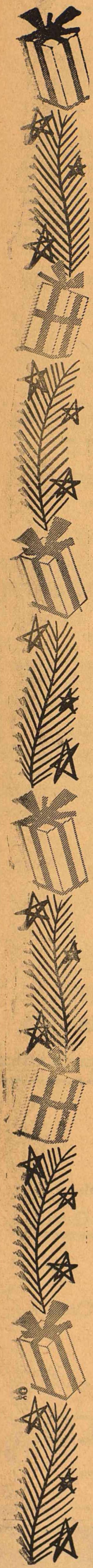
He's 47-year-old Stevan Dohanos, best known for his Saturday Evening Post covers and regarded as "America's Top Public Service Artist."

Dohanos has a knack of being able to capture important sentiments and recreating them on canvas. For this he received the Career Medal as "Interpreter of the American Scene." One such basic American idea is that of being home with loved ones for the holidays. It is a particularly emotional theme for Dohanos whose two sons will be far from their Westport, Conn., home this Christmas, one in Korea and the

other at Lowry Air Force Base in Denver.

When the makers of Chesterfield cigarettes asked Dohanos for a Christmas cartoon design, he recalled a newspaper story reporting that the six New England governors planned to proclaim a "Home for the Holidays Month." He filled his canvas with a colorful scene showing happy travelers, all homebound. As a fresh approach to an old sentiment, it was a natural for the gift cartoon of the leading cigarette. Through its reproduction on the cartoon cover and in advertising, Dohanos' "Home for the Holidays" painting becomes the most-widely-seen work of art this Christmas.

Another great artist who joins Dohanos in popularizing the theme more than ever this year is the famous singer Perry Como. His RCA Victor recording of "Home for the Holidays" has become the musical highlight of the Christmas season, and Perry is using the chorus as the closing theme on his Chesterfield radio and television broadcasts.

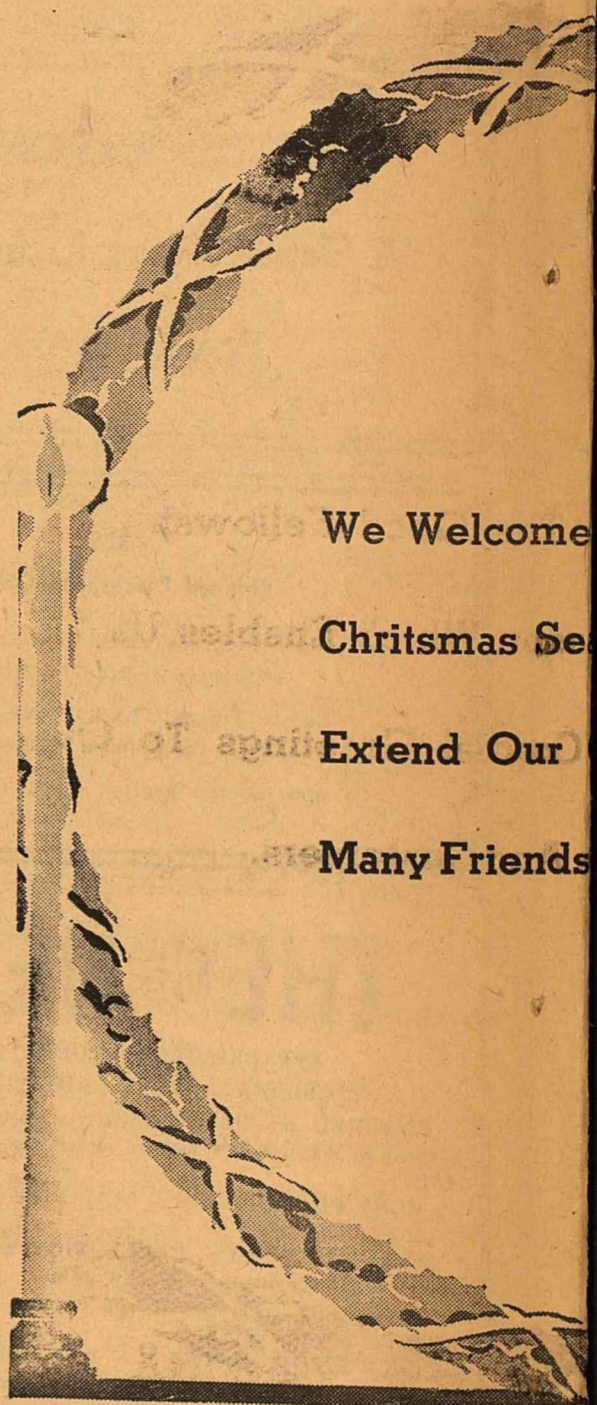


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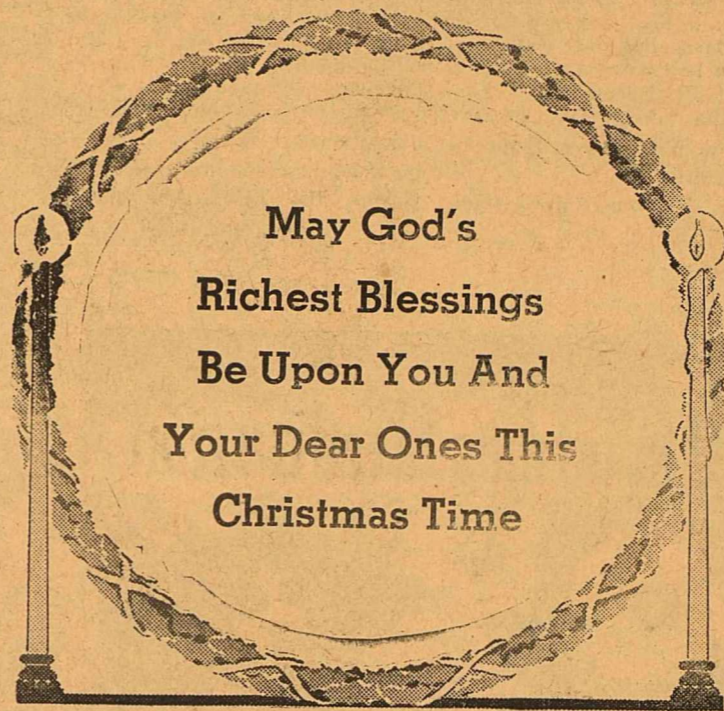
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privileges must still be respected by our governing bodies today. Among the most familiar of our constitutional guarantees are those relating to freedom of religion, speech, and of the press. The same article protects the right of peaceable assembly and the privilege of petitioning the government for redress of grievances.

Another amendment secures our persons, houses, papers and effects against unreasonable searches and seizures, and specifies that no warrants shall issue but upon probable cause, and unless supported by oath or affirmation. The due process of law amendment encompasses not one but several guarantees. Every American is secured against being placed twice in legal jeopardy for the same offense; against being compelled to be a witness against himself in a criminal case; and against having his private property taken for public use without just compensation.

He is also secured against being held for trial for a capital offense (penalty) rather than by a jury. And, of course, the right of trial by a grand jury. And, of course, the right of trial by a jury. And, of course, the right of trial by a jury. And, of course, the right of trial by a jury.

Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people."

The Tenth Amendment further emphasizes this basic theory by providing: "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."

Thus, that fundamental philosophy expressed in the Declaration of Independence, that men are endowed with certain unalienable rights, and that "to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed," has been carried forward into the highest law of our land.

(This column, based on the federal constitution, is written to inform—not to advise. No person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who knows the facts, because the facts may change the application of the law.)

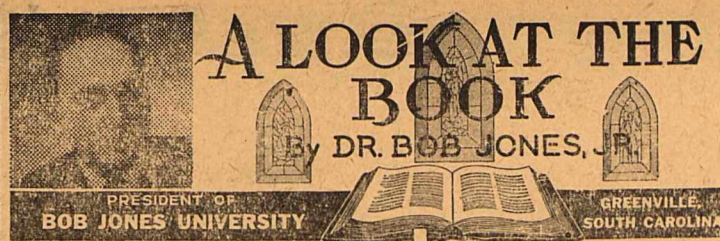
Your Health

Dr. Henry A. Holle, State Health Officer in outlining the duties of the Texas State Department of Health, said in a statement that public health programs are designed to benefit all the people.

"In an effort to prevent disease," Dr. Holle said, "the Texas State Health Department carries on an educational program informing the public as to how they can secure protection by vaccination against smallpox, typhoid fever, and immunization against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus; by investigating sources of disease outbreaks; by isolating those ill with communicable disease; inspection of water supplies; advocating the production and use of safe milk to prevent the occurrence of milk borne diseases and many other services to the public."

Dr. Rolle said that in spite of preventive measures, people will become ill and accidents will happen. In general, the cure of sickness in the individual and the repair of accidents fall within the scope of the duties of the private practitioner of medicine and surgery. "Of course," he said, "the private practitioner of medicine is also engaged in prevention of disease when he advises mothers to have their children and family protected against those diseases for which there is a known preventive."

The general practitioner and the State Department of Health both



The shepherds having seen the Babe in the manger went out and "made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this Child" (Luke 2:17). What a story they had to tell! An angel had appeared to them announcing that in the manger in Bethlehem, wrapped in swaddling clothes, was the Savior, Christ the Lord. The came a majestic company of Heavenly Beings with a cry of "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men" (Luke 2:14). The shepherds had hurried to the manger and found everything as the angel had told them.

There must have been a buzz of talk in the little town of Bethlehem the next day. The news must have spread like wildfire. Luke tells us that "all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds" (Luke 2:13). But, with the passing of the days no doubt the incident was forgotten or only occasionally recalled, but Mary "kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart." A mother's heart could not forget.

Doubtless, as she fled with the infant down to Egypt, as she watched Him in the carpenter's shop at Nazareth, as she saw Him grow into young manhood, she turned over in her mind the events of that night in Bethlehem. No doubt she remembered "all these things" when she said to the servants at the wedding feast of Cana, "Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it" (John 2:5, confident that He would provide the wine. And at the foot of the cross her torn heart must have recollected the visit of those shepherds to the manger years before.

Into every life there comes some miraculous evidence of God's power or some token of His grace. Rare is the man who remembers, who ponders in his heart through the years, and whose life is changed by meditation or by recollection. Christmas speaks of God's love in the gift of His Son

and it is better to remain healthy than it is to recover from an illness, but the State Health Department is engaged in the prevention and control of disease as it affects the general population of a community or state.

Personal Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Turner, Margaret Alice and Vicki Jo left for Houston, Texas, Wednesday to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Mary Turner and his sister, Mrs. Joe Hall.

Jimmy Morrow, a student at the University of Texas, is home to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Carl Morrow.

Attending the Mason-Deer Park football game last week were Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Millan, S. M. Kerbow, John Fields, Frank Bond, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hamby, Mrs. Violet Morrow, and Jimmy Morrow.

our heart.

OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat

"Glory to God in the Highest and on Earth..." — Luke II-14



Christmas comes as a reminder, to nations as well as to individuals, that the promise of peace on earth is coupled with good will toward men.

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Christmas Meditation

What's the Christmas Spirit, Daddy?" The child peered gravely over the magazine where she had found these words, confidently awaiting an answer.

"Well, girl, it's... it's a lot of things, big and small. And hard as you'll find it to believe, Santa Claus is part of the small. You see, the Christmas Spirit isn't likely to visit you when you're knee-deep in your own pleasure; you've got to be heart-deep in kindness!

"Remember how bleak and barren Main Street looked early this month? And you know how it looks now, with the wintry harshness all shut out by those evergreen arches, and strings of lights. Well, that's sorta like the way the Christmas Spirit changes people... and towns... and the world. It takes all the grey coldness out of streets, and human hearts—and brings in something fine and fragrant like evergreen; something bright and sparkling like those streamer-lights of red and green and frosty-blue. It sits up the best part of human nature, that's usually buried too far down. It turns on a long, warm, friendly smile inside of us.

"Remember the midnight service at church last year? There, more than anywhere else, you'll feel the touch of the Christmas Spirit. So many things play a part in it—the crisp silence of the night... the lights of the church, throwing long, golden patterns across the snow... frosty breath in the starlight, and faces rosy-fresh in the cold... a certain closeness and warmth that you'll never find anywhere—except at a Christmas midnight service.

"And then, girl, when you stand with the others and throw all your being into one of those great Christmas Carols, and the organ has a silver sound you never heard before, with your heart riding on its melody—then the Christmas Spirit is all around you, like a gentle snowfall. And your thoughts are soaring far, far above all the glitter and surface-shine of Christmas, up and out through the midnight stretches searching the skies for the Star of Bethlehem.

"It's—so much more than I can say, and what I've said is probably hard for you to understand, but—"

She smiled across at him, her eyes shining in the lamp-glow. "I do understand, sorta better, anyway... and it is even more wonderful than Santa Claus, isn't it Daddy?"

And the winter wind whispered outside the window, envious of the bright glory within—for the radiance of the Christmas Spirit was with them, there in the room...

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LOCALS -- Comings And Goings

Mrs. Asa Hallum of San Antonio was in Sonora last week visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ratliff have as their guest during the Christmas vacation their son, Bill, a student at the University of Texas.

Oscar Carpenter, a student in Texas A. & M. College, is home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Carpenter.

J. T. Howell, Jr., a student at Tulane University, is the guest of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Clyde Gardner has as her guest her sister, Mrs. Hallie Nathan of San Antonio.

Miss Flora Dell Davis, a student at S.M.U. is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Davis, during the Christmas holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles F. Browne have as their guests for the Christmas holidays, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Jones, Juana Joy, Bryan, and Kay, of Amarillo.

Mrs. Pearl Martin will spend the Christmas holidays with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Keese of Greggton.

**HAPPY-
-BIRTHDAY**

Friday, December 24,

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Saturday, December 25,

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Ben Cusenbary

Sunday, December 26,

Mrs. C. D. Wyatt

Lewis Roueche

Monday, December 27,

Mrs. Harold Scherz

Tuesday, December 28,

None

Wednesday, December 29,

J. B. Renfro

George Lindon Hearn

Charles W. West

David Lee Wuest

Thursday, December 30,

Mrs. Lewis Roueche

Stanley Harris

Mrs. Ellen Ray

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Mayer have as their guests for the Christmas holidays her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Hirsh of Atlanta, Georgia.

Attend Church Sunday!

ELLIOTTS HAVE GUESTS

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Elliott last week were her mother, Mrs. W. T. McQuery and her sister, Miss Marie Louise McQuery of Abilene. Also, Mrs. Elliott's nephews, Billy and Ray McQuery of Caracas, Venezuela who attend Tennessee Military Institute were weekend guests.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM

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Q - - I am a Korean veteran with a service - connected disability serious enough to prevent me from getting commercial life insurance. Will my disability also stop me from obtaining GI permanent insurance available to disabled Korean veterans?

THE DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

Sonora, Texas, Friday, December 24, 1954

A - - No. No matter how severe it is, your service-connected disability will not bar you from permanent-plan GI insurance. But you could not get it if you had a non-service disability that would prevent you from meeting the good-health requirements of the GI insurance law.

ff my GI loan in advance, without penalty. Can these advance payments be of any size, or is there some minimum amount below which they can't go?
A - - There is a minimum amount. It is the amount of one regular monthly payment or \$100, whichever is less.

Q - - I am taking flight training under the Korean GI Bill. Because of bad weather, I did not receive any instruction at all last month. Will I bet my VA allowance all the same?
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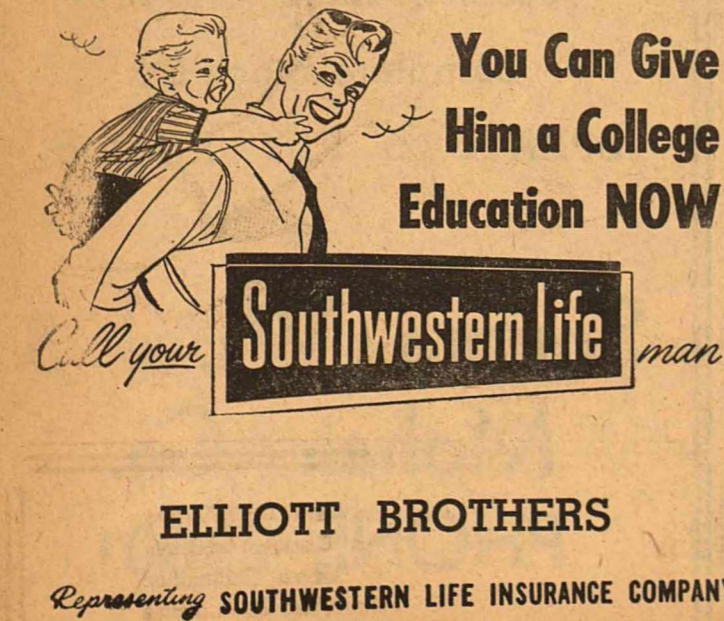
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Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy DeFord of Tyler are parents of a daughter, Debora Korinne, born December 15 and weighing seven pounds, 11 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ballard of Wink, and Mr. and Mrs. DeFord of McCamey.

Mr. DeFord is the former Miss Maxine Ballard.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Regeon of Austin will spend Christmas in Sonora visiting friends and relatives.

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Joyce Johnson, a student at Scarritt College in Nashville, Tennessee, is home to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.

James T. Hunt, a student at the University of Texas, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Labenske, Mr. and Mrs. John Cauthorn and Jim Williams plan to spend Christmas in Winters with Mrs. Labenske's sister, Mrs. Lillian Schwatsue.

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Lights from windows on white snow,
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The little laughs of children around
gay, tinsel trees...
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dance in the glow of ruddy firelight...
The common, rare, wonderful perfumes
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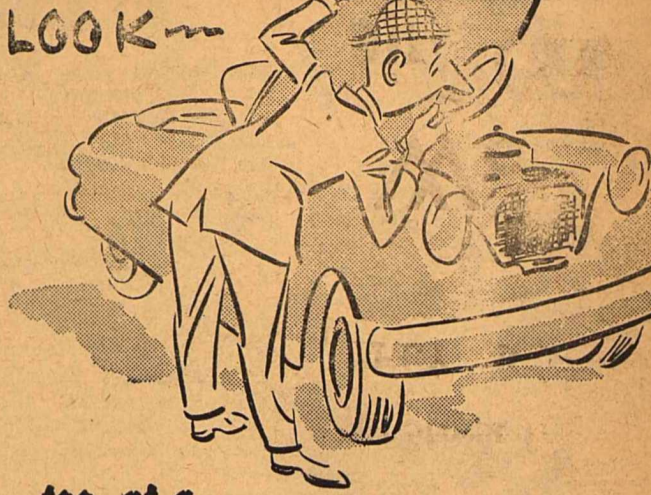
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8:00 A. M. Holy Communion
9:30 A.M. Family Worship and Church School
11:00 A. M. Morning Prayer and Communion
(First Sunday each month Holy Communion)
Weekly Worship
8:00 A. M. Daily Morning Prayer
10:00 A. M. Wednesday Holy Communion
8:00 P. M. Monday - Discussion Group at The Rectory

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If you do not worship at some other church we will be very glad to have you worship with us.
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Church School 9:45 o'clock
Youth Fellowship 6 o'clock
Evening Service 7:30 o'clock

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J. E. Eldridge, Pastor
Bible School 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship 10:55 A. M.
G. A.'s Jr. Monday at 3 P. M.
G. A.'s Int. Wednesday 4 P. M.
R. A.'s Tuesday at 7:30 P. M.
Evening Worship 7:45 P. M.
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Training Union 6:45 P.M.
Worship Service 7:30 P.M.
Wednesday:
Prayer Meeting 7 P.M.
W. M. U. Tuesday 7 P.M.
Brotherhood Meeting Sunday 3 P.M.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Pat Stephenson, Minister
Sunday- Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a. m.
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Wednesday- Bible Study 7:30 p. m.
Thursday- Ladies' Bible Class 7:30 p. m.

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Hams boneless cooked lb. **83c**
Sausage Smoked-Ring lb. ... **48c**
Cheese - Longhorn - lb. **45c**

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