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Services Held Saturday For Mrs. Burgess, 59

Death came early Friday to Mrs. E. A. Burgess, 59, whose passing occurred at 5 a. m. in Coke County Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient several weeks. Death was caused by cancer.

Her ailment was first detected more than two years ago. Since then she had undergone surgery and was treated in hospitals in San Angelo and Houston. She was given x-ray therapy on several occasions. During the past few months she had been in and out of the hospital periodically.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Saturday at the Robert Lee Methodist Church in charge of the pastor, the Rev. Travis McNair, assisted by a former pastor, the Rev. B. B. Edmiaston of Bronte. Members of Coke Memorial Hospital nursing staff attended the funeral service in a body.

Burial was in the Robert Lee cemetery under direction of Cliff Funeral Home. Serving as pallbearers were J. E. Quisenberry, Jr., Robert Forman, Alfred Lofman, J. D. Harmon, David Key and Gene Hinnard.

She was the former Gertrude Vanhorn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Vanhorn, and was born Aug. 31, 1898, at McGee, Okla. She grew to womanhood there and married E. A. Burgess at Maxwell, Okla., on May 17, 1914.

The family resides in Robert Lee more than 30 years. Mr. Burgess was employed in the Will Simpson store many years, and later engaged in the carpenter business. He died in September, 1952. Mrs. Burgess had been a nurse in Coke County Memorial Hospital the past six years.

She is survived by her mother, Mrs. J. T. Vanhorn, who resides at the Burgess home in Robert Lee; and six daughters, as follows: Mrs. Denzel Fletcher of San Angelo, Mrs. Allean Snow of Benson, Ariz.; Mrs. Jessie Faye Brock and Miss Madine Burgess of Robert Lee and Mrs. Mae Lloyd Bangs. She also leaves 13 grand-

Early Observer Next Week

Next week's Observer will be published on Tuesday. Subscribers in Robert Lee will get their papers Tuesday afternoon and they will be distributed in Silver the following morning. Because of the post office holiday on Christmas Day persons on the rural routes won't get the paper until Thursday. It is important that all news and advertising copy intended for next week be in the office by Monday noon. Next week's Observer will carry additional greeting ads and other announcements of importance.

children.

Mrs. Burgess was a member of the Methodist Church. She was a good friend and neighbor and a highly efficient nurse. She was loved and admired by a wide circle of friends who extend sympathy to the bereft family.

500 Served At Silver Lions Pancake Supper

The Silver Lions Club held their annual Pancake Supper at the Silver Peak School Friday, Dec. 13, with some five hundred present. Jack Denman and Mrs. Jake Higginbotham were chairmen of entertainment, which was enjoyed from 5 to 8 p. m. in the school auditorium.

All Lions of the Silver Club wish to take this opportunity to thank everyone whose attendance made this event a success, and a special thanks to the following firms and business: Gandy's, Kimbell's, Wholesale, Martin's, Wholesale, Harry's Food Market, Safeway, M System, Modernway, Crow Packing Company, Schilling Coffee and Mayfield Paper Co., all of San Angelo.

Also Baker's Grocery, Robert Lee; Sun Grocery, Silver; Gabberts Packing Co., Ballinger; Howard Rogers Slaughter House, Ruffin Food Service and Locker Plant and Safeway, all of Colorado City; Mr. E. C. Davis and O. B. Jacobs of Robert Lee; Mr. E. D. Dixon and A. D. Myers of Colorado City.

It's not too late to Christmas shop at Robert Lee stores.

LEASES TEXACO STATION

Loyd Phelan has bought the lease of A. R. Bagwell at the Texaco service station in Robert Lee and is now in charge of the business. Mr. Phelan had been employed there for several weeks prior to taking over Saturday. Loyd is a hard worker and will give good service. Bagwell is now employed at Texas Natural Gasoline plant southwest of Silver. The station is owned by Wilton Scott.

SHANDLEYS BUY HOME

Ray Shandleys has closed a deal to purchase the T. B. Childress home in the north part of town three blocks north of the school building. Mr. and Mrs. Childress plan to build a new ranch home on their place east of Robert Lee. Mr. Shandleys is a clerk in the Robert Lee post office and his wife is the former Doris Hamilton. They will get possession of their new home the first of the year.

Humble Expects Dual Producer For No. 2 Bird

Important oil news this week is that Humble will complete its No. 2 Ira Bird as a dual producer. Potential tests are being taken and a detailed report can be expected very soon.

The two pay sections are a high sand which was fractured and a lower section of lime reef which was acidized. Indications are that a good flow of oil may be expected from both zones.

ON HARRIS RANCH

Humble's operations have been extended south to the Harris Ranch where its No. 1 R. H. Harris Estate is now being drilled. Dual's rotary equipment was moved from No. 2 Bird to the Harris location where it spudded over the weekend.

The Harris Ranch location is 660 feet from the north and east lines of 1-T. S. Snyder Survey, and 12 miles northwest of Robert Lee. It is five-eighths of a mile southeast of Humble's new 182-barrel producer on A. F. McKinley, and a mile south of Sun's No. 3 Menielle.

The Menielle lease of 1,900 acres is owned by Sun Oil Co. while most of the other property in the area is under lease to Humble. The McKinley and No. 2 Bird will give two forced offsets on Menielle.

SUN PIPELINE HOOKUP

Sun Pipeline Co. is now laying a gathering system in the new field and will pick up crude in its 6-inch pipeline that runs directly through the area. The pipeline extends from Silver to the McCutchen and Wendkirk fields east and southeast of Robert Lee.

Casing was run and an attempt will be made for completion by C. L. Norsworthy on his J. J. S. Smith well, two miles northwest of Edith. Scherck No. 1 Hines, northeast of the McCutchen field, drilling Wednesday at 1,094 feet in lime and shale.

Pan American Bynum, in the west end of Coke County, bottomed at 7,900 feet, running logs.

More Gift Awards Set For Saturday

Ferrell Is New President Of Robert Lee BCD

J. S. Ferrell will serve as president of the Robert Lee Board of Community Development during the coming year. Other new officers are W. D. McAdams, vice-president, and Sterling Lindsey, secretary.

Election of officers was a feature of the Wednesday noon BCD luncheon at Varnadore Cafe. Roast turkey and dressing and all the trimmings were served.

The new officers will take over the first of January. No meetings will be held until Jan. 8 and they will take place every Wednesday from then on. Retiring officials are President Travis McNair and Secretary O. B. Jacobs.

The former thanked the members for their fine spirit of cooperation during the past year, and said everyone had willingly undertaken any assignment which had been given him.

W. D. McAdams reported the Fire Department did not plan to distribute Christmas packages this year, since it has no funds for this purpose. He said the department is in good shape otherwise. Members continue to have an interest in their work and there is usually one or two on the waiting list above the allowable membership of 25.

Robert Vaughan, county chairman of the Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, announced that the March of Dimes campaign would be staged again in January. There is still a great need for funds to rehabilitate persons who have been crippled by polio. He said two cases in Coke County are being treated with local funds and he was happy that both were improving.

G. C. Allen reported that he has a supply of cards on hand for persons who wish to make memorial gifts to the West Texas Boys Ranch at Tankersley.

Mayor Cumbie Ivey, Jr. stated that from all reports coming to him Robert Lee's Christmas Party last Saturday was a complete success. The BCD group appreciates the City Commission's fine attitude in taking the lead in sponsoring this worthwhile project.

BCD members voted a cash Christmas gift to Mrs. Varnadore and the waitresses were also remembered with holiday "tips."

Robert Lee has another big day, coming up Saturday, the second and last of the community's Christmas shopping events.

Featured on the Saturday afternoon program will be a parade by the High School Band at 2:30 and a big prize drawing at 3:30.

Folks are always proud to see the band swing down the street in their attractive uniforms, and they will give some snappy drill exhibitions and play marches for a half hour or more.

Leading the band will be Martha Humphrey as drum major, while Richard Sims takes over the base drum assignment. Brenda Cowley and Marjorie Gladys Rives, twirlers, will also be at the head of the band formation.

Thirty merchandise gift certificates of \$5.00 each will be given away starting at 3:30. The drawing is to be similar to last week and takes place in front of the court house. These prizes will be the windup of the Appreciation Day project which was carried on several months. Merchandise certificates can be exchanged only at firms which participated in the Appreciation Day program.

Last Saturday's Christmas Party was a grand success and attracted many visitors from the surrounding territory. Kids enjoyed free movies and roller skating during the afternoon and Santa Claus arrived on schedule and distributed 600 sacks of candy.

Thirty valuable prizes were given away by Robert Lee business firms at a big prize drawing in front of the court house.

The Turkey Shoot was well patronized and 30 dressed fowl were awarded the best marksmen (and women, too.) The event was sponsored by the Quarterback Club. It was held in the Fred Roe building next to the bank.

This has been quite a season for give aways in Robert Lee and several stores will have drawings of their own Saturday afternoon and up until Christmas Eve.

Business is good in Robert Lee this year, according to reports from all firms who handle gift merchandise.

A CORRECTION

The list of Honor Roll students from the Robert Lee elementary grades published last week failed to include the name of Marilyn Wallace. She was a top student along with four other girls and one boy in the second grade. Marilyn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace, Jr.

Robert Lee High School Band Presents Its Winter Concert

School Auditorium, 7:30 P. M.

Thursday, December 19, 1957

Program

Golden Eagle	Concert March
Swing Low Sweet Chariot	Tone Poem
Badinage for Brass	Brass Selection
Night Song	Fantasy
Vocal, "I Believe"	Carolyn Farris
American Patrol	American Marches
Creole Lullaby	American Traditional

INTERMISSION

South Pacific	From the Musical
Summer Holiday	Contest Number
Frumpets Wild	Trumpet Trio
Christmas Moods	Christmas Medley
National Emblem	March

NOTE—At this concert special awards earned in competition will be presented.

Public Invited

Admission FREE



CHRISTMAS TREATS were given out when Santa Claus made his annual visit to Robert Lee last Saturday afternoon. Hundreds of youngsters received a sack of candy and greetings from Santa. Only a small portion of the crowd is shown in this photo taken in the street in front of the court house.

THE OBSERVETTE

Published by Students of Robert Lee High School

Sophomore Class News

(JERRY SPARKS)

The sophomore class, sponsored by Mrs. Frank Coalson, has been spending quite a bit of their time preparing a one-act Christmas play, "All is Calm," which is to be given in assembly Thursday. Butch Davis, a former student of Robert Lee High School, is directing the play with Bill Mundell as his assistant. Freddie Ross and Jerry Blair are securing props.

Characters are as follows:
 Wilber — Ronnie Sims
 Betty Lou — Bonnie Butcher
 Connie — Ann Smith
 Mr. Maxwell — Danny Arthur
 Mrs. Maxwell — Jerry Dale Sparks

Observette Staff

Editor Frances Wylie
 Steer Corral ... Freddie McDonald
 Branding Iron ... Sandra Baker
 Jo's Horse Sense ... Joydell Kinsey
 The Roundup ... Betty Ruth Hood
 Range Rider ... Jo Ann Hood
 Arts from All Parts ... Jane Austin
 Tests from the West ... Jerry Dean
 Corraling the Dogies ... Don Hester
 Sponsors ... Mrs. Pauline Coalson
 Mrs. Dixie Smith

Mrs. Brown — Jo Ann Hood
 Eddie — David Waldrop
 Perky — Sondra Roe
 Mrs. Corbin, speech teacher in SAC, will give Butch a grade on this school project.

Junior News

(FRANCES WYLIE)

The Junior Class took on a project the first of the month furnishing food for the waterworks banquet. Each plate sold for \$1.25 and the class made over fifty-five dollars. Each person of the class furnished some food. The menu was:

Roast Chicken	Butter
Dressing	Giblet Gravy
Green Beans	Sweet Potatoes
Cranberry Sauce	Coffee
Hot Rolls	Apple Pie

The class would like to thank Mrs. Dixie Smith for her help in making the meal a success.

Senior News

(NETTIE BOB BELL)

The Senior Class chose Carolyn Elliott to represent Robert Lee in the "Miss Spirit of Christmas" contest, held in San Angelo, Friday, December 13. Carolyn ap-

peared on the television program at 1:00 o'clock and at 2:00 o'clock, attended the coffee held in the Cotillion Room of the Town House Hotel. She met her escort, Lt. Ronald Warren, at the coffee. He drove her convertible in the parade that afternoon. In the evening she attended the dinner for the contestants, escorts, judges, in honor of the 1957 Miss Spirit of Christmas. The Coronation was held that night at 9:00 o'clock in the Cotillion Room.

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

Dec. 20, 1957

PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS

CHRISTMAS Greetings

In genuine appreciation of your cooperation during the year just closing, and in strong belief that we will be of greater service to you in the next twelve months, we send you a cordial wish for a Christmas of good cheer and a happy, bright New Year!

SPECIAL NOTICE

We still have plenty of lovely Christmas Flowers of all kinds. Also holly!



Fran-Cilla
 Flowers & Gifts

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Jr.
 Frances and Prescilla



Bonita & Leslie
 Copeland

Gaye

Daryl

GOOD WISHES



Because it's Christmas time
 we want to
 wish you health and happiness
 for Christmas Day,
 for the day after Christmas
 and through the year.
 For your fine patronage
 we are grateful.

Scott Butane Co.

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Robert Lee GL 3-3161

Bronte GR 3-3911

SILENT NIGHT... HOLY NIGHT...



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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Bruce and Ruth Clift

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Mystery Cowhands Of The Week

(FRANCES WYLIE)

The mystery cowgirl of the week is a 5'2" underclassman, who enjoys dancing and watching TV as favorite pastimes. Her favorite subject is P. E. and her most difficult is English. Fish sticks was at the top of her list as her favorite food and black as her favorite color. This brown headed girl has an ambition to travel around the world. Track is her favorite sport. A certain senior is her pet peeve. Know who she is?

The boy of the week is an underclassman too. He enjoys his study hall as his favorite "subject," and history is his most difficult. Fried chicken is this football-loving boy's favorite food. (He plays end in that favorite sport.) He stands 5'11" tall and black is his favorite color. His ambition is to be a bum, and a little brother is his pet peeve. Hunting is his favorite pastime, and we hear he's pretty good at it. By the way, he has hazel eyes and brown hair. Know who he is?

Branding Iron

(SANDY BAKER)

Hi-Time News

WONDERING:

Why Kenney was so mad last Wednesday at school?

What tall tale Butch Arnold was telling in American history class last Wednesday?

Why Doris was complaining about a broken nose in basketball a few Wednesdays back?

Where two junior boys football jackets were at the dance last Tuesday night?

What boy's football jacket did Sondra Roe have on after the banquet?

Why Peggy was so shocked when Hoot asked her to dance??

Why Hoot waited until everyone had left before he would dance? Bashful, huh???

Who's jacket Jerry Dale had on last Wednesday, 5th period.

Why a certain junior girl looked so worried at the dance last Wednesday night?

Who took Sondra Roe home after the game at Lake View?

Why Jerry Dale was so mad last Monday night?

What Melvin said he wanted for Christmas?????

JUNIOR HIGH NEWS

WONDERING:

What was the eighth grade class arguing about in history class last Wednesday? I didn't know Danny Arthur was that old?

Who were the three girls that were stood up last Tuesday?

Why is Sharon Kincaid's nickname George? George who, Sharon?

Why was Glenda blushing in history class?

What certain sophomore is all the eighth grade girls crazy about? He couldn't be from Silver, could he???

If Kay H. really wants to go with a certain ninth grader, or is it an eighth grader this time? Make up your mind, Kay.

When Dennis the Menace became part of history?

Who is Clint Austin's recent admirer?

What eighth grade boy wants to go with a seventh grade girl?

Couples seen at the football banquet:

- Linda and Sam Edd
- Bonnie and Ronnie
- Kenney and Don
- Gay and Tom
- Sandra and Melvin
- Patricia and Charles
- Martha and Freddy
- Peggy and Hoot
- Doris and Bub
- Lavina and Bill
- Sondra and Jerry B.
- Nancy and Frankie
- Annie and Bobby
- Glenda and Don W.

Christmas

Is A Family Affair



It is as it should be — many of us remember the happiest times in our lives— when our families came from far and wide to share this day of happiness; and so today, it is our hope that you find the wondrous spirit of Christmas in the heart of your family . . . to you and your loved ones—we wish a Very Merry Christmas.

Robert Lee State Bank

OFFICERS

- G. C. Allen, President
- T. A. Richardson, Vice President and Cashier
- Wm. H. Allen, Vice President
- Willis Wayne Smith, Assistant Cashier
- Zelda Caraway, Assistant Cashier
- Gladys Waldrop, Bookkeeper

DIRECTORS

- R. C. Russell
- Victor Wojtek
- Henry Briscoe
- L. C. Ivey
- Willie I. Tubb

SENIORS' BAKE SALE
Members of the Senior Class of Robert Lee high school will hold a Bake Sale down town starting at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lackey spent the weekend at Waco with her brother, Dr. Charles Reeder and wife. They made the trip in their new Ford.

Announcement

The undersigned wishes to announce that he has bought out A. R. Bagwell and is now in charge of the Texaco Service Station in Robert Lee.

We aim to give prompt, courteous service and will appreciate a share of your business.

Open Daily 6 A. M. to 8 P. M.

Lloyd Phelan

TEXACO SERVICE STATION

Because friendship is the foundation of business relationships, it gives us pleasure at this Holiday time to extend to you our

best wishes for a

MERRY CHRISTMAS

OLENE'S BEAUTY SHOP

MR. AND MRS. CHAS. SIMS AND FAMILY



HERE'S WISHING YOU A

Merry Christmas

AND A

Happy New Year

FRALEY & COMPANY BUTANE

LEON BYRNE, Local Representative

Robert Lee Gets Four Chairs In Regional Band

Robert Lee high school placed four of its band members in the Regional Band contest held Saturday in Abilene. They were:

Ronnie Sims, 4th chair trumpet; Brenda Cowley, 4th French horn; Jerry Dean, 5th trombone; and Don Weathers, 5th saxophone.

No other school either Class A or B school in this area placed as many as four in the 100-piece Region Band.

Band Director Keith Farris was proud of the showing of his contestants and reported the competition was terrific. Other band directors said it was the finest group of regional musicians that had ever been assembled.

PERSONALS

Eula McCutchen came over from San Angelo Monday to visit among relatives and friends and stopped by The Observer office to renew the subscription to her brother, Jess McCutchen, at Medina. Eula is staying with Mrs. J. D. Collier in San Angelo. The former resident of Edith and Robert Lee will be 92 years old in March and has been in failing health.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Rudd returned Sunday from a highly successful hunting and fishing expedition on the Horace Fawcett Ranch along the Devil's River, 40 miles from Lometa. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Merton West and the Curry DeCotys of San Angelo. Seven bucks were shot by the group and some fine fishing was also enjoyed.

Sgt. and Mrs. Lee Roland Latham and daughter, Monnette, arrived Tuesday from Georgia for a visit over Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Elsie Latham, and other kinfolks and friends.

Otho Long and family have moved to Roscoe where he plans to engage in farming. He recently had been employed in Howard Varnadore's new service station in San Angelo.

FOR SALE—Fresh frozen dressed hens, 3 to 3½ pounds, \$1.25 each. J. E. Quisenberry, Dial GL 3031. 27w4p

FOR SALE — Famous Hi-Line laying pullets, 12 weeks old. As many as you want. If you need any of these good pullets, see M. A. Cox, Box 254, Robert Lee. 2wp

Merry Christmas



May you enjoy peace and happiness during the coming New Year.

Mac's Grocery

Mr. & Mrs. Sam McDonald

Merry



Amid the gayety of the holiday season may we pause and remember the true meaning of Christmas.

Christmas!

County Clerk's Office

J. L. (Chilly) Tinkler and Family
Winnie Waldrop Betty Davis

You can be sure it's **TOPS IN TASTE** and Sure to please if it's **PANGBURN'S** Western Style CHOCOLATES

Visit Our Better Candy Department **HEADQUARTERS** FOR FINE CANDY FOR CHRISTMAS Complete Selection

- Easy to Choose
- Sure to please
- The perfect gift

It's never a problem to choose the perfect gift ... for anyone ... at our Candy Department. You will find just what you want ... all dressed up and ready to please.

We proudly feature PANGBURN'S at our Candy Department ... the candy from Texas that's made with Milk and Honey.

BETTER CANDY

FEATURED BY OUR BETTER CANDY DEPARTMENT

Big Section from \$1.00 and up

Gifts Galore

For Late Holiday Shoppers

FREE! FREE!

Remember the \$50.00 American Flyer Electric Train will be given away at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24. All youngsters are invited to register FREE.

FARRIS

City Drug



MRS. SHIRLEE EUGENE THOMAS

Glenda Littlefield Wed Saturday In Ceremony At Abilene Baptist Church

Miss Glenda Gaye Littlefield, former Robert Lee and Bronte resident, became the bride of Shirlee Eugene Thomas at 8 p. m. Saturday. Dr. Frank E. Royal officiated at the double ring ceremony at the South Side Baptist church in Abilene. The bride was given in marriage by her father. The ceremony was performed before an altar of white mums and greenery outlined with light candles. The altar bench was covered with a blanket of white baby mums. Sue Eddington sang "Whither Thou Goest" and "The Lord's Prayer." She was accompanied by the organ by Judy Royal.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis E. Watson, 3141 Over St., Abilene. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Thomas, Lampoc, Calif. Best man was Jay Starnes of Brownwood, and matron of honor was Mrs. Richard Smith, Arlington, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Alan Sides, Abilene, and cousins of the bride, Nona Gayle Rippetoe of Bronte and Gloria Gayle Speights of Weatherford. Matron of honor wore a street length formal of iridescent light blue taffeta and white accessories. The bridesmaids wore street length formals of iridescent light

blue and white taffeta with white accessories.

Debbie Smith, Arlington, the bride's niece, was flower girl; ringbearers, Melody Rippetoe and Michael Pollock; candlelighters, Kelly and Kay Beth Lyon. Ushers were Charles Johnson, Brownwood; Dick Smith, Arlington, and W. C. McHan, Abilene.

The bride's floor length bridal gown was of imported silk crystalette with curving V neckline and long sleeves tapering to points over the hands. Inserts of applied lace on the fitted bodice were outlined with seed pearls. The full skirt was appliued with lace embroidered with pearls and iridescents.

The headdress was a juliet cap of tulle re-embroidered with pearls and iridescents from which cascaded a French veil of illusion.

A reception at South Side Baptist Church Fellowship Hall followed the rites. Assisting in en-

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Christmas Greetings



This message is warm with friendliness and filled with good wishes for Christmas

TRIMBLE LAUNDRY

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Trimble
Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Trimble



Greetings

We are thankful for this Holiday Season and the opportunity to express our appreciation for your friendship and good will. May every happiness be yours through the coming year.

Sinclair Refining Company
Sheppard Sinclair Service Station



You've heard this before, we know.
But how else can we wish you the best of holiday cheer than to say,
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

County Auditor's Office

Weldon Fikes and Family

Mrs. Golda Smith

Contract Let To Complete FM Road 2034

A contract for the construction of grading, structures, base and surfacing on Farm-to-Market Road 2034 in Coke and Tom Green Counties was awarded in Austin this week. J. A. Snell, District Highway Engineer at San Angelo has announced. The firm of Harry Campbell, Abilene, Texas, submitted the low bid of \$104,850.35 on the project which runs from 17.3 miles southwest of SH 208, south to the Tom Green County Line and from Coke County line south to U. S. 87, a distance of 6.978 miles.

Resident Engineer H. L. Bailey of Sterling City will be in charge of the project for the Highway Department, and it is estimated the work will take 100 days to complete.

County Agents News Column

—Sterling Lindsey and James Coffman

We mentioned in last weeks column that an egg grading school will be held sometime during the last half of January. We now have a suggested date for the school, but no definite date as yet. January 24 has been suggested. Should that date be unavailable, the school will be held on day during the inclusive period of January 20 to 23. We will give you additional notice when more information is available.

We still have several income tax guides on hand. If you desire one, drop by and pick up a copy. They contain information that could be very helpful to you in preparing your tax form.

According to the Extension Plant Pathologist, Harlan Smith, trouble in oat fields is cropping up all over Texas. Many reports indicate that the recent heavy rains may be the cause. Mr. Smith warns that blight may be the cause instead of the rains.

Blight causes damage in all stages of growth of oats. The damage is noticed more at harvest by operators than at any other time, but it is a seed borne disease and begins attacking oats in the seedling stage. We notice it later, at harvest time, when an oat field that looks normal fails to produce much — most of the heads are empty.

If your oat field or fields have dying plants, yellow or reddish tips, helminthosporium blight could be present. Only two treatments have given much help in controlling the disease. Treating the seed with panogen or cerasan will help. The best method to control blight, though, is to practice rotation of your oat fields or field. Continued planting of the same land to oats gives the disease a chance to build up in numbers. We saw fields last year that looked like they would produce 60 bushels per acre. Many of them produced less than 10 bushels per acre. Relatively few of the heads matured any grain.

In addition to the above practices the use of certain varieties will help control blight — alber, Arkwin, Bronco, Camellia, Amarron, Feelwin, Fraier and New Nortee varieties have shown resistance to the disease.

Some oats in this area have been nipped by frost and cold weather. This can be distinguished from blight by checking the plants closely. Blight damages the stems, crowns and eventually the roots. Many times small dark spots on the lower stems indicate the presence of blight.

We would like to close with a tall Texas story. An Australian

was trying to impress a Texan with the wonders of his country when the Texan spotted a kangaroo. The man from the Lone Star State drawled: A'll grant you one thing for sure, your grasshoppers are bigger'n ours."

if you don't get The Observer, you don't get the news!

GLENDIA LITTLEFIELD— Continued from Preceding Page

partaining were Mrs. W. C. McHan, Mrs. Charles McHan, Mrs. J. M. Rippetoe, Mrs. Don Bowles, Mrs. Bill Cawthon, Mrs. Leroy Lyon and Sue Eddington.

After a wedding trip to the Ozarks and to Grand Lake in Oklahoma, the couple will be at home at 1025 Sayles Blvd.

For the wedding trip the bride wore a tailored wool suit of medium blue. Her accessories were black and she wore pearls presented to her by the bridegroom at the rehearsal dinner.

The bride is employed at Citizens National Bank, and the bridegroom is with Lydick-Hooks Roofing Company.

The bride is a graduate of Abilene High School, and Thomas is a graduate of Queen Anne High School, Seattle, Wash. He has completed four years of Navy service.

Rehearsal Dinner

The bridegroom's family hosted a rehearsal dinner the Friday evening prior to the wedding. Mrs. Thomas was honoree at several showers before her wedding. Among these were a bridal shower given by Mrs. H. A. Pollock of Abilene; a white Bible ceremony, given by the Y. W. A.; a tea and linen shower; and a personal shower given by the girls in her graduating class.

Out of Town Guests

Out of town guests for the wedding were Gayle Speight, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Speight, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Littlefield and Novela, all of Weatherford; Charles Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Stornes, all of Brownwood; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith, Debbie and Pamela, and Mr. and Mrs. Walker Bernard, all of Arlington; Mrs. Leroy Thomas, Lampoc, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rippetoe, Nona and Melody, Albert Grace, Linda Smith, and Mrs. Turney Casey and Phoebe, all of Bronte.

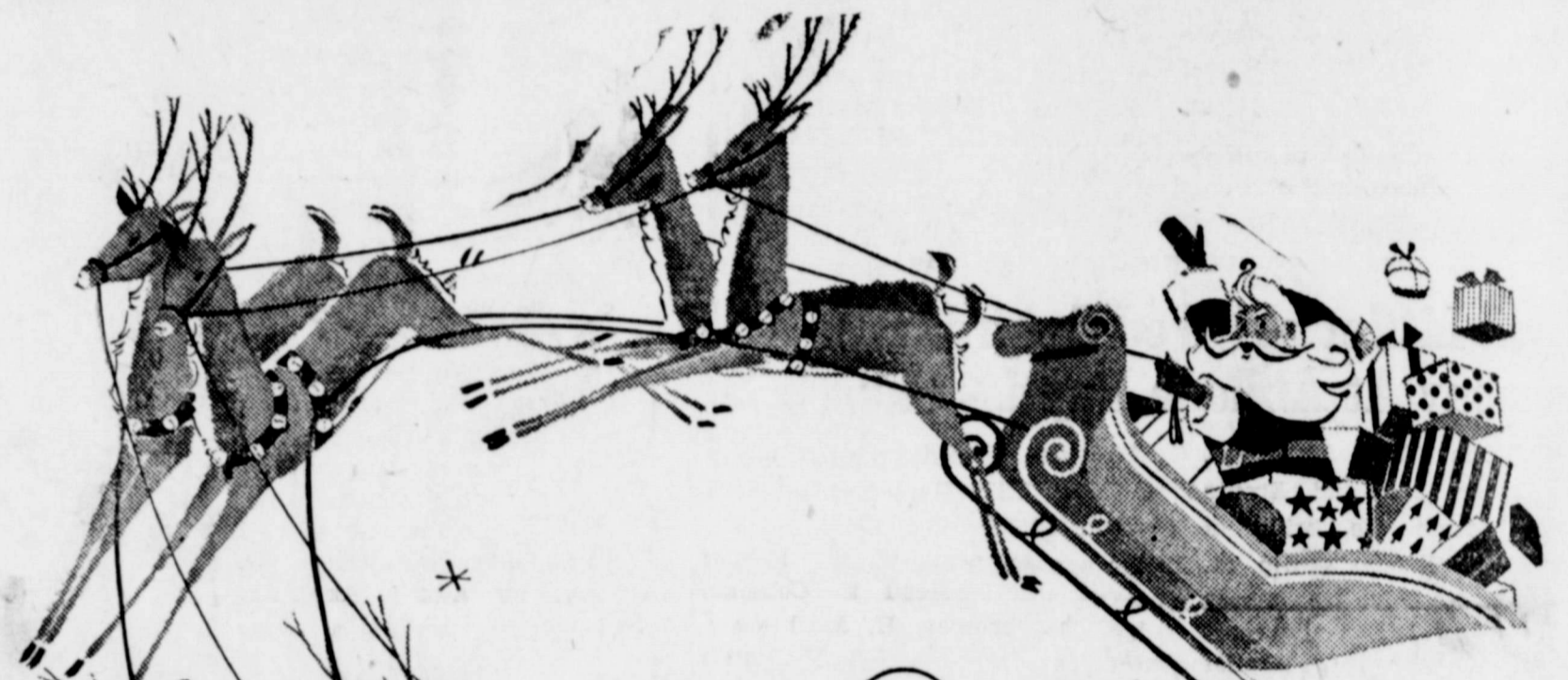
Greetings

It is a genuine pleasure at the Holiday season to depart from usual business routines and wish you and yours a Merry Christmas.



FOREMOST DAIRIES

Mr. and Mrs. Linzy McDorman and Brenda Sue

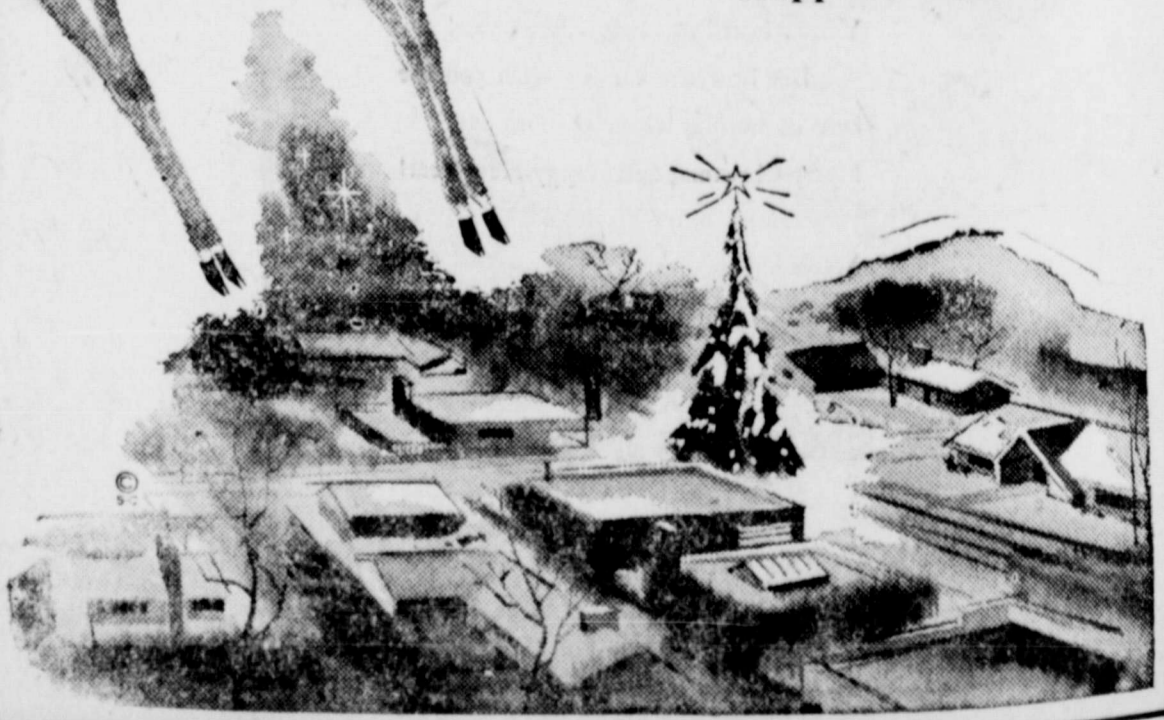


Christmas

Over the housetops the reindeer fly bringing Santa, his gifts—and our Very Best Wishes to you & yours for the Happiest Holiday ever!

IVEY MOTOR COMPANY

- C. Elmo Bell
- Jack Cowley
- Earl H. Ivey
- Hays Prince
- E. C. Davis
- Kenneth Lackey
- Maurice Yarbrough
- Royce Smith
- Jessie Gloria
- Jimmy Killam
- Mr. and Mrs. Cumbie Ivey
- Cumbie Ivey, Jr. and Family



Silver News

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Methodist and Baptist choirs will present a Christmas program at the Baptist Church next Sunday night, Dec. 22. The public is invited. Time: 7:30.

SCHOOL NEWS

Silver school will turn out Friday afternoon for the Christmas vacation. Classes will be resumed Monday, Jan. 6.

Each room is planning a Christmas tree and gift exchange at 1 o'clock Friday just prior to the big Christmas Party to take place at the school auditorium at 1:30. The Silver Lions Club is promoting this event and all children of the community are invited. Christmas treats will be distributed.

In the 8th grade tournament at Westbrook Silver boys defeated Ira in the opening game by a 25-16 score, but lost to Sweetwater in the second round.

Silver girls were awarded the consolation runners up trophy.

Playing Colorado City Monday night Silver teams lost four games. Score of the junior high girls was 25-21, 7th grade boys 31-21, 8th grade boys 34-16, and 9th grade boys 36-21.

Silver has two games scheduled in Robert Lee the week after vacation.

Mrs. Ray Swan of Coahoma and Mrs. Frank Wilson and little son,

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Dec. 20, 1957

Sidney of Colorado City were Silver visitors Tuesday. Mrs. Swan is a sister of Mrs. Charlie Arnold.

Earl Barnard, Sun production field clerk will have a week's vacation over Christmas and will visit his parents in Dallas.

Army Pvt. William A. Preston, Jr., 22, of Silver recently was graduated from the 12-week guided Missile installation electrical equipment repair course at the Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, Va. He has been transferred to El Monte, Calif., where he is receiving additional training.

Charlie Arnold and sons, Butch and Jimmy, went to Graham Tuesday to attend the annual Christmas Party for employees of New Ira oil company. They returned home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Wheeler and son, Mike plan to spend a part of their Christmas vacation with Mrs. Wheeler's parents at Enid, Okla. They will be accompanied by Mr. Wheeler's mother, who resides at Vernon. Mr. Wheeler is principal and boys coach and his wife is home economics teacher in the Silver public school.

Mrs. H. W. Keener returned last Thursday from a two weeks' stay at Brownwood where she was at the bedside of her father, J. H. Duff, who had been ill from a heart attack.

Mr. and Mrs. George Conner visited last week at Hawley with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Sloane.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sanders and children of Eldorado visited last Friday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen. Mr. Sanders went on to Snyder where he attended a Pan American oil company conference.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Keener spent the weekend at Coleman with his brother, H. E. Keener, and family. They were joined there by their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Herron, and little son, Blaine, who came out from Carthage.

Sun Oil Co. officials coming here Monday for a conference with employees included H. C. England, Jr., division safety director, and V. T. Butcher, manager of the insurance department, both of Dallas, and Zack Thompson, district personnel and safety director of Midland.

Clayton Bloodworth began work Wednesday at Jameson natural gasoline plant, having been transferred to Silver from Sun Field.

Tom Hunter and family are enjoying a visit with his parents in Dallas. Mr. Hunter is a field clerk at Jameson plant.

Ole S. Johnson and family will spend a holiday vacation with his parents at Nederland. He plans to witness the Sweetwater-Nederland football game at Nederland on Saturday. Mr. Johnson is a Sun Pipeline Co. gauger and resides at Mil-

ican Camp west of Edith.

Jim Herford and his family will spend Christmas with his parents at Saratoga. They will return via Dallas where Mr. Herford will have a checkup.

L. K. McKinnon, Sun Pipeline station operator, returned to work Monday after a week's vacation.

C. A. Dukes and family are enjoying a new Chevrolet station wagon purchased from Vaughan Chevrolet Co. in Robert Lee. Curtis is also driving a new company car in his work as a Pipeline Co. gauger.

The Charles Kennedy family will motor to Gilmer Friday for a visit with relatives over the weekend.

The John Cliftons will make a weekend visit with relatives in Gainesville. They will be hosts over Christmas here to their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bowman of Munday.

Silver Lions Club entertained their ladies at a turkey dinner Tuesday night, the feast being served in the Methodist fellowship hall by women of the congregation. An address was given by Ed Williams of Colorado City, deputy district Lions governor.

SILVER BROWNIE NEWS

The 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade Brownies of Silver honored their fathers with a Father-Daughter banquet Dec. 4 at the Methodist Church. The tables were decorated with candles, greenery and Christmas tree favors.

The menu, prepared by the mothers of the Brownies, consisted of fried chicken, creamed potatoes, green beans, combination salad, hot rolls, and cherry pie.

The welcoming address was given by Connie Dukes. The Brownie Smile Song was led by Susan Newell. The Brownie Promise was led by Rhonda Gartman and the Grace was said by Aletris Akerman. Sujzane Burns, accompanied by Mrs. Nita Copeland, led several Christmas carols. After the dinner. There were 26 present and all had a wonderful time.

The 4th grade Brownies brought soap, toothbrush and washrags to send to the State Hospital in Abilene as their Christmas gift.

The 4th grade Brownie Christmas party was held at the home of Mrs. Georgia Akerman. Gifts were exchanged and cookies, Cokes and popcorn balls were served by Mrs. Akerman and Mrs. Geo. Fugate.

Mr. and Mrs. John Allen arrived the first of the week from Navarro and will spend the Christmas season with relatives and friends in Robert Lee and Midland.

Best Wishes



Sun Cafe

Silver, Texas

Mr. & Mrs. E. G. Roegels



Happy Holidays

TO OUR MANY FRIENDS!

The Odoms

Thelma Bob
Bobby Hugh

SILVER, TEXAS



AND A VERY JOYOUS NEW YEAR!

Silver Beauty Shop

Bobbie Leonard, Owner
Patsy Arnold, Operator

At this radiant season of good cheer when everyday cares are overshadowed by good fellowship and kind thoughts, we sincerely extend to you our

Best wishes for

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

MR. AND MRS. R. S. ANDERSON

Silver, Texas



Hope you have a Merry Christmas

As we think of all the good things we would wish you this Christmas, we cannot help but feel that this sentiment is inspired by your good will and friendship.

Sun Grocery

Silver, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan Davis and Sherrill Ann
Mr. and Mrs. Waymond Davis
Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Waid

How Not To Have A Merry Christmas

When you climb into your car to drive home for Christmas, your only thought is to get there as soon as possible.

You start early in the morning before there's much traffic and glide along for hours without seeing another car.

As the day drags on traffic gets heavier, and you grow more tired every minute. You forget to slow down for crossings and angrily speed past "Sunday drivers" who seem bent on making everybody late for Christmas eve parties.

Then suddenly it happens!

Without any warning a car pulls out in front of you from a side road. You swerve to the right to keep from hitting it, but you crash into a telephone pole.

You wake up on Christmas morning in a hospital, and you're so sick with disappointment it doesn't matter much that it was the other guy's fault.

Or was it ENTIRELY his fault? If you'd been going a little slower, couldn't you have missed the car AND the telephone pole?

What's more, you could have made that Christmas eve party. And it would have been a Merry Christmas for the whole family, instead of a sad reunion over your hospital bed.

Coke County Soil Conservation District News

Terraces have recently been completed on the Vernon Copeland place South of Blackwell and on the M. B. Wardlow place near Edith.

J. O. Rudd, who ranches on the Weaver ranch south of Robert Lee, is at present completing 131

acres of cedar pushing and reseeding to native grasses. Rudd also has 45 acres of oats up to a good stand for cover and winter grazing. Conservation plans have recently been completed on farms Howard Brock, and B. D. Mackey, owned or operated by Chas. Sims, all of Bronte. Ranch plans have been completed on ranches of Fred L. Roe, Robert Lee, and J. S. Walker of Silver.

CROP RESIDUE UTILIZATION: An inch of water on an acre of lands weighs 113 tons. It strikes

the soil as rain with tremendous force, runs over the land and takes many tons of soil with it. Crop residue should be left on the land or worked into the top part of the soil, protected from fire, and not be overgrazed. Residues from a crop left on the land will increase the water intake and holding capacity of the soil. Residue will also reduce soil temperature and maintain and improve soil structure, making a more productive soil.

Some Christmas Gifts Taxable

Although it may come as a surprise to some people, the federal government levies a tax which applies to gifts made by one person to another. However, the government has no desire to tax ordinary birthday and Christmas gifts. The tax, therefore, excludes from taxable gifts the first \$3,000 value to each individual in each calendar year.

The law also excludes from taxable gifts, gifts to the church, community chest, and similar charitable organizations, and allows each give an exemption of \$30,000—before the tax applies.

The tax applies whether the gift is of money or of property. If it is of property, the tax is computed on the fair market value of the property at the date of the gift.

The purpose of many gifts is to remove the property from the taxable estate of the giver at the time of his death. This may or may not be accomplished. The federal law provides that transfers made within three years before date of death shall be deemed to have been made in contemplation of death and shall be taxable in the estate of the one who dies.

It may be advisable to "look a gift horse in the mouth" for the gift may cost the one who receives the gift in income taxes as well as the giver in gift taxes.

For income tax purposes the cost basis of property received by gift is the cost to the giver regardless of the fact that the giver may have paid a gift tax on the gift. The other rule is that in case of property received by inheritance, the cost basis is the fair market value at the date of the decedent's death.

An example will show the application of the rules. Suppose a farmer acquired his land in the early days at a cost of \$10,000. This property is now worth \$50,000. The farmer wishes to retire and to escape estate taxes, so he gives the farm to his daughter.

Although he may pay federal gift taxes totaling several thousand dollars, when the daughter decides to sell the farm for its \$50,000 value, she still has to pay income tax on \$40,000 profit (difference between the sales price and her father's cost of \$10,000.)

On the other hand, if the farmer had not given the farm to the daughter, but had left it to her under his will, he would have saved the gift tax. The daughter would have taken the property at a cost basis of \$50,000, so upon the sale she would not have had to pay any income tax.

Of course, there would have been some estate taxes and administration expenses in the father's estate, but that would have been much less than the taxes which resulted from the gift. However, depending upon individual and particular circumstances, there may be occasions when a gift is advisable. Your lawyer can advise you on this matter.

(This column, prepared by the State Bar of Texas, is written to inform—not to advise. No person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who is fully advised concerning the facts involved, because a slight variance in facts may change the application of the law.)

HOSPITAL NEWS

Dec. 11 — Joe Field admitted. Robert Craig Bessent dismissed.

Dec. 12 — Mrs. Fred Smith admitted. Ira L. Coppedge dismissed.

Dec. 13 — Robbie Jane Smith admitted. Finnell Smith dismissed.

Dec. 14 — Mrs. Jennie Bilbo, Joyce Gaines admitted. Joe Field, Gary Jackson, Mrs. Fred Wilcox dismissed.

Dec. 15 — Mrs. Oscar Collett admitted. Robbie Jane Smith dismissed.

Dec. 16 — Joe Field, Dean Flow-

ers admitted. Mrs. Jennie Bilbo dismissed.

Mrs. Jennie Bilbo was released from Coke Memorial Hospital Monday after being treated a couple of days for minor injuries received in a fall at her home Saturday afternoon. The accident occurred when she started into the house from her back porch and it is thought she may have been dizzy from escaping butane in the house. Mrs. Hal Anderson and daughter, Jennie Lou, were with her at the time and took her to the hospital. Mrs. Bilbo's many friends are happy that her injuries were not more serious.

to Your
Fireside



We send this wish on

Christmas Day...

May it find you blest with
peace, happiness and
all the things your
heart desires.

NOTICE — We will be closed Christmas Day
and Thursday, Dec. 26

FROGGY'S CAFE
O. W. (Jake) Davis and Family



Sincere thanks for your patronage during the
past year. We hope we may serve you as well
in the New Year. Merry Christmas! HG 67

**Wallace
Grocery and Market**

Calvin Wallace and Family
Mrs. Lee Richards



**VOWELL
Automotive Service**

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Vowell



TO OUR
MANY FRIENDS!

As we are not sending out
Christmas Cards this year, we
take this way in saying Merry
Christms and a Happy New
Year.

A. B. and Pearl Sheppard

Betty Burson Weds Warren Beaver In San Angelo Church Ceremony

Miss Betty Loyce Burson of Robert Lee and Warren Beaver of Bronte, were married Friday, Dec. 13, at the Western Hills Baptist Church in San Angelo.

The Rev. Francis Pruitt, cousin of the bridegroom, officiated.

Mrs. Beaver is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Burson and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Beaver of Bronte.

Given by her father in marriage, the bride wore a dress of white chantilly lace over taffeta featuring a high neckline with a small collar. The bouffant skirt was ballerina-length, accented with a scaloped hemline. Her fingertip-length veil was of nylon net attached to a pearl-encrusted net circle.

She carried red roses with a white center.

Matron of honor was Mrs. James Robertson of Big Lake, sister of the bride.

Miss Lynda Kay Parsons of Abilene, Miss Barbara Straach of Miles, Miss Lee Allen of Leveland, and Miss Dean Beaver of Bronte, sister of the bridegroom, were bridesmaids.

Candlelighters were Tricia An-



MRS. WARREN BEAVER

draws of Bronte, cousin of the bridegroom, and Jerry Burson of Robert Lee, brother of the bride.

James Robertson of Big Lake was best man.

Don Andrews of Bronte, cousin of the bridegroom, was usher. Groomsmen were Weldon Mika of San Angelo, Billy Joe Luckett of Bronte, and Eddie Roe Alexander of Bronte, cousin of the bridegroom, and Bub Burson of Robert Lee, brother of the bride.

Mrs. Bill Grubb of Lubbock was soloist, accompanied by Mrs. James M. Rogers of San Angelo.

Reception following the wedding was held in the church annex. The couple is touring East Texas before returning to Bronte to live.

The bride is a graduate of Robert Lee High School and San Angelo College. At SAC she was a member of the Distributive Education Club, Future Teachers, Baptist Student Union and student council. She was secretary-treasurer of the sophomore class.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Bronte High School, has served in the armed forces and is employed by Texas Natural Gas Co. near Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Craddock of Colorado City visited Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Jr. and family and attended the Christmas cantata at the Methodist Church.

Safety Dept. Has Suggestions for Safe Christmas

"Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year is what we wish for everyone" said Major Wilson E. Speir, Commander of Region Four of the Department of Public Safety today as he was looking forward and planning for the holiday season for members of his Department.

"Of course," he said, "there will be too many that will be far from Merry and Happy due to the always high death toll from motor vehicle accidents, suicides and homicides. We, who are members of the Department of Public Safety, will be especially concerned in a safe, sane and sober holiday season."

Last year, during the 12 day Christmas, New Year period 108 persons died in traffic alone in Texas, this year the Department has estimated 113 will die in traffic. Every effort will be put forth to keep this figure even lower, by around the clock patrol by all uniformed personnel, with all days off cancelled, longer working hours and an intensive use of radar.

You can help reduce the motor vehicle accidents by:

1. Give yourself plenty of time in traveling.
2. Gauge your speed by weather, road, traffic and daylight conditions.
3. Your attention while driving is very important, so don't let your passengers distract you.
4. For your lifes' sake — obey all traffic rules and signs.
5. Exhibit courtesy to all motorists and pedestrians.

Mr. and Mrs. Linzie McDorman and daughter, Brenda Sue, and Mrs. Dona Roberts went to Coleman Sunday where they visited in the Howard McDorman home. They report Howard is much improved from a recent illness and is again able to look after his service station business. Mrs. Roberts is a sister of Linzie and Howard.

Carolyn Elliott was honored by representing Robert Lee in the Miss Christmas contest staged in San Angelo last Friday by the Jaycees. She was among a group of 22 contestants from high schools in this area. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Elliott, Carolyn is a senior at Robert Lee high school.

Methodist Church News

The Christmas Contata was a wonderful success both Spiritual and Inspirational. An almost overflow crowd enjoyed the "Christmas Story" in song and were most complimentary. Our Church should be most grateful for its fine Choir. Those who are members of our Choir work hard and diligently each week and because of their fine singing our worship services are greatly enriched. The new Choir Robes gives the Choir that new look and adds greatly to the dignity of our services. To each member of the Choir we express our humble gratitude for a work well done.

The Young Married Couple's Class had a Christmas Social last Saturday night in the Fellowship Hall of the Church. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Blair; Mr. and Mrs. Roland Willis; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Simpson, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. John McDaniel; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Boykin; Mr. and Mrs. Mack Mathis; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bessent, Mrs. Lois Moon and Mrs. Ava Lou Hanna. We regret that some were unable to attend due to other engagements or sickness. The Class decided to make this a monthly event.

Don Weathers presented a fine program Sunday evening at the Methodist Youth Fellowship. The MYF will have their Christmas Party Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Wylie. Good eats and games will be enjoyed.

The MYF will also have a "Watch Night Service" on New Year's Eve and will close with a Communion Service at 11:30. The Church and Pastor are thankful for these fine boys and girls for their loyalty to the Church and for the wonderful contribution they give to our services in worship.

The Women's Society of Christian Service met at the Church Monday Evening with the President, Mrs. Juanita Godwin, presiding. This is another group which makes a wonderful contribution to the spiritual life of our Church and to the community.

The Friendship Class has taken as their project to provide flowers and Altar arrangements each Sunday, for the Church. Thanks to a fine group of devoted Christians.



Fern Havins and Family

BEST WISHES

If we just wish you, simply
and sincerely, the old,
yet always new wish,
you'll understand that we're
wishing you

With all our heart, a very
Merry Christmas



County Judge's Office

Jeff Dean and Family
Mrs. Mary Patterson

Merry Christmas



May this Holy Season bring with it
many rich blessings for you and your
loved ones. May it bring you health,
prosperity, peace — and the very
merriest Christmas Day ever.

Adams Abstract Company

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Ferrell

The Range Rider

(JO ANN HOOD)

Tuesday night, December 10, was the event of the annual football banquet which was held in the band hall.

Orange and black streamers ran from the center of the ceiling to the sides. The lights were also covered with orange and black. Black footballs with the boys' names on them hung over the tables. A big goal post was standing at one end. A football with the boys, coaches, managers, and cheerleaders names on it, was the center piece at the head table. The football had berries and leaves about it. For the boys' table, the centerpiece was a green football field with eleven boys and a football on it. The tables had goblets with orange and black in them and were turned upside down with a candle placed on top.

About one hundred people attended the banquet. Entertainment was presented by the Bachelor's Quartette. Coach Max Baumgardner of the San Angelo College was the guest speaker. The jackets and awards were given by Coach C. D. Manire.

The menu was:

Baked Turkey	
Dressing	Candied Yams
Green Beans	Giblet Gravy
	Cranberry Sauce
	Waldorf Salad
Hot Rolls	Butter
	Cherry Pie
Iced Tea	Coffee

Where the students of RLHS are going during the Christmas Holidays.

Brenda Mc — Home
Gladys — Grandmothers
Sharon — New Mexico
Vicki — Home
Bernice — Abilene
Marilyn — Home
Annice — Home
Peggy — Home
Marian — Royalty
Douglas — Hunting
Jarry B — Home
Frankie — Home
Joydell — Honeymoon
Charlene — Honeymoon
Kenny — Austin
Sandra B — Home
Lavina — Home
Don St. — Midland
Jerry Sparks — Home
Bonnie — Dates with Ronnie

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Jackie Killam
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable District Court of Coke County at the Courthouse thereof, in Robert Lee, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 27th day of January A. D. 1958, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 26th day of October A. D. 1957, in this cause, numbered 2114 on the docket of said court and styled Jimmy Killam, Plaintiff, vs. Jackie Killam, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: For divorce as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Robert Lee, Texas, this the 16th day of December A. D. 1957.

Attest: J. L. Tinkler, Clerk,
51st Judicial District Court,
Coke County, Texas
By Winnie Waldrop, Deputy.

(SEAL)

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Dennis — Home
Ann — Home
A. J. — Menard
Carol — Home
Marlow — Home
Jerry T. — Deer hunting
Jamie — Home
Douglas R — Home
Jerry Dean — Crazier
Doris — Deer hunting
Larry — Home
David — Home
Freddie Mc — South Texas
Dale — Dublin
Sam Ed — Silver
Kenneth — Hunting
Bub — Deer hunting
Tootsie — Silsbee
Gary — Home

SEVENTH GRADE CLASS GETS ACTION

(CAROL HESTER)

The Seventh Grade class had handed in several requests in the suggestion box for devotionals in our school, but got no results. Finally, on Wednesday, we decided to go directly to the student council with it. We got some action! The council met that same day, and decided to have a morning devotional once a week on Wednesday.

If you are ever bored, and need some action, just come to the seventh grade room; we'll tell you how to get it!



SEASON'S GREETINGS

and best wishes to all of our friends this holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hickman



Merry Christmas

FARM BUREAU

Income Tax & Insurance Service

O. T. COLVIN, Agent

Greetings



Best wishes to you
for Christmas and the New Year

Vaughan Chevrolet Company

FOY ASKINS

DALE WOJTEK

J. M. PRINE, JR.

PETE DAVIS

BEN BESSENT

ROBERT VAUGHAN AND FAMILY

Robert Lee's Roberts On All-America

Commerce, Dec. 12 — Norman Roberts, 192-pound East Texas State end, collected another grid laurel by being named to the all-American team selected by the Williamson National Football Rating System.

The selection was based on the consensus opinion of the nation's college athletic departments as expressed in a poll conducted by the system.

Roberts, sophomore from Robert Lee, previously was named to the Lone Star Conference team and the Dallas News' all-Texas college team.

It was the second time for the father of two children to gain national recognition, being named all-American at San Angelo Junior College where he also was select-

ed as all-conference and all-state.

"Roberts is a great end with a great pair of hands," said J. V. Sikes, E. T. head football coach. "He plays an effective defensive game as well as being outstanding on offense."

Norman and his family are expected over the weekend to spend Christmas with Mrs. Roberts' parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Snead at Bronte, and with Norman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lenn Roberts, south of Robert Lee.

He will have to return to college Dec. 26 when East Texas State resumes final training for its post-season game in the Tangerine Bowl at Orlando, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stewart were overnight guests Friday in the home of their niece, Mrs. Weldon Fikes and family. They were enroute to their home in Lamesa after visiting their son, who is station at Dyess AFB at Abilene.

JACK DUNCANS HERE

Back for a visit with home folks in Robert Lee after an absence of several years are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Duncan and their 12-year-old son, Gerald. They arrived Tuesday and will go on to Eagle Pass to spend Christmas with Dora's mother, and then return to Robert Lee for a stay until after New Years. The Duncans recently sold their 40-acre irrigated farm near Flora Vista, New Mex., and moved to Aztec where they have a modern new home.

Mrs. H. A. Nichols of Abilene came to Robert Lee Monday to visit her mother, Mrs. Jno. C. Snead, and other kinfolks and friends.

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CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Service, Jr. entertained a group of relatives at a turkey dinner Sunday at their home south of Robert Lee. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCutchen, Mrs. L. M. Service, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Service, Sr. and son Butch, Mrs. Joe Dodson, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Lendy Devoll and sons, Ronnie and Donnie, Leroy Casey, Mr. and

Mrs. Gene Hinnard and Cookie, and Mrs. Pearl Rutherford of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bloodworth arrived Monday from Pharr and are now residing in one of Mrs. Daisy McCutchen's rent houses in the north part of town. Clayton was transferred by Sun Oil Co. from Sun Field to the Jameson plant at Silver.



A world without Christmas would be a world without friends. The Season's Greetings to Everyone.

VARNADORE CAFE

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Varnadore

Sincere Wishes



Again we are sending an offering to the Children's Home in place of cards, but we do want to wish our friends a

Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!

Mr. and Mrs. Fred McCabe, Sr.

BEST WISHES



May the warmth of this

Christmas Season

Abound in your home

Throughout the year.

Merle Norman

Cosmetic Studio

Mrs. Dona Roberts

May the beautiful
spirit of Christmas
abide with you always



NOT CROWDING ANYBODY —

As far as we know, our business doesn't hurt anybody here in town. We stick to our legitimate line of business, and it brings people here from all over the county—people who are likely to do some other trading once they get here.

We appreciate any boost anyone can give us and we boost others in business here.

COKE COUNTY TELEVISION

Robert Lee, Texas



Our stocks are still ample. Let us help you select worth while and attractive Gifts for all members of the family.

Open Until 8:00 P. M.

Saturday — Monday — Tuesday

Free Gift Awards

Drawing at 2:30 P. M. Saturday, Dec. 21

1st Prize—\$14.00 Horsman Beautiful Bride Doll.

2nd Prize—\$10.95 Christmas Dinner Cloth.

BE SURE AND REGISTER

ROACH'S Dry Goods



May happiness be with you and yours at this Christmastime... and throughout the coming New Year!

Coke County Butane
Howard Preslar and Family

Season's Best Wishes



McCabe Service Station
J. F. McCabe, Jr. and Family
J. W. Denman Jesse Eads

Roundup Time

(BETTY HOOD)

Satellite — A light cowboy attach to their saddles for night riding.

Cartoon — The song you hear when you turn on a car radio.

Optimist — A man who, knowing the world is going to the dogs, starts a dog food factory.

Parrakeet — A wordy birdy.

Locomotive — A stupid reason for doing anything.

Tirade — A cooling drink made from old automobile tires.

Waiter — A person who thinks money grows on trays.

Counter spy — A department store detective.

Fore — A golf bawl.

Cantaloupe — An antelope that lives in a can.

Square — A guy who looks both ways before crossing a one-way street.

Wisecrack — A quip of the lip.

Ornithologist — A bird brain.

Dogmatic — A gun used only by police dogs.

Horse Sense — Stable thinking.

Snoring — Sheet music.

The Dogie Roundup

(DON HESTER)

The second graders are making a Christmas tree out of colored paper chains. They are also making wreaths for their windows.

Beverly Johnson, of Mrs. Watson's third grade group is moving to Venezuela. Her father is going there for Sun Oil Co. We hate to lose you, Beverly.

Third graders are decorating their room for Christmas.

Mrs. Olsen's third grade group is making lanterns out of paper.

The fourth graders are decorating their room for Christmas and are painting gourds for Christ-

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mas tree ornaments.

The sixth graders are proud of perfect attendance this week. It is the first time that no one has been absent since the flu epidemic.

RLHS WILL MISS HER

(JANE AUSTIN)

Around Christmas, Santa usually manages to give us what we wish for. Well, the FHA girls Home Economics classes, and the faculty at Robert Lee High... they are getting disappointed! I am referring to Mrs. Jimmy Smith's resignation as Home Economics tea-

cher. But the best part of it will be that Mrs. Smith will be going to join her husband... that has been her Christmas wish.

Mrs. Smith has been a kind, efficient teacher and I, as President of the Robert Lee Chapter of Future Homemakers of America, take this opportunity to say that we couldn't have enjoyed working with anyone more congenial. Her radiant personality and sweet ways go to make her a wonderful teacher, and we shall miss her.

Good luck to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Smith.

Each Christmas brings to us a deeper appreciation of the loyal friendships and pleasant memories that make life worth while. So, at this Holiday season, may we extend our cordial greetings and best wishes for your health, happiness and success.


Merry Christmas

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Grid Banquet And Awards

(FREDDY McDONALD)

The football banquet was one of the most successful ones in the last few years. The main speaker of the night was Max Baumgardner, head football coach at San Angelo Junior College. His guest was former All Area center, Jack Gray, from Robert Lee. He is presently playing football at S. A. C. In Mr. Baumgardner's talk on college football players, he stressed that it was more important to develop good character than it is to develop good athletes.

Captain Bub Burson presented the school with the district trophy won by the Steers. Coach C. D. Manire presented the boys with jackets. Boys receiving jackets were Seniors Freddy McDaniel, Tom Sawyer, Bub Burson, Charles Caulder, Dale Dean, Frankie Wojtek, and Hoot Gibson; Juniors, Don Stewart, Sam Skipworth, Freddy McDonald, Melvin Duncan, and Bobby Cowley; Sophomores, Ronnie Sims, Bill Mundell, Gary Ledbetter, John Walker and Danny Arthur. Don Stewart presented Gay Hollis, football Sweetheart, with a jacket. Tom Sawyer presented coaches C. D. Manire and G. E. Davis with a jacket.

READY AND WAITING (CONNIE WEATHERS)

The eighth grade room is decorated and waiting for Christmas. On the bulletin board is an addition problem showing what equals to a Merry Christmas. In one corner of the room is a big Christmas tree and in the front of the room are Christmas cards and pictures. Star spirals are hanging from the lights. In the back of the room stands a seven foot tall chimney. Coming out of the chimney is Santa Claus about three feet tall.

There is a scene of the birth of Christ, standing on a table in the back of the room. Also, there is a net Christmas tree which Mrs. P. E. Webb, our home room teacher, made.

All these decorations were made by Mrs. Webb and her students of the eighth grade. They are ready and waiting for Christmas and hope you are, too. Oh, and by the way, the eighth grade wishes all of you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Jests from the West (JERRY DEAN)

A man went to visit a horse-raising friend on the friend's farm. When he left, part of his nose was gone. He says "Never look a gift horse in the mouth."

A man with a dollar and half, Went out to buy a calf. Came back with a calf and cow. How?

Johnson, Lincoln, Stephens, Yates, Washington, Grante, Jackson, Bates.

If I could find a place to go, I wouldn't take history mo'.

Why did George Washington chop down the cherry tree? (Pick one) (1) He wanted to see what would happen if he didn't tell a lie. (2) He liked cherries. (3) Jus' cause.



Curtis and Ann Dukes

Donald

Connie

It's In The Bag

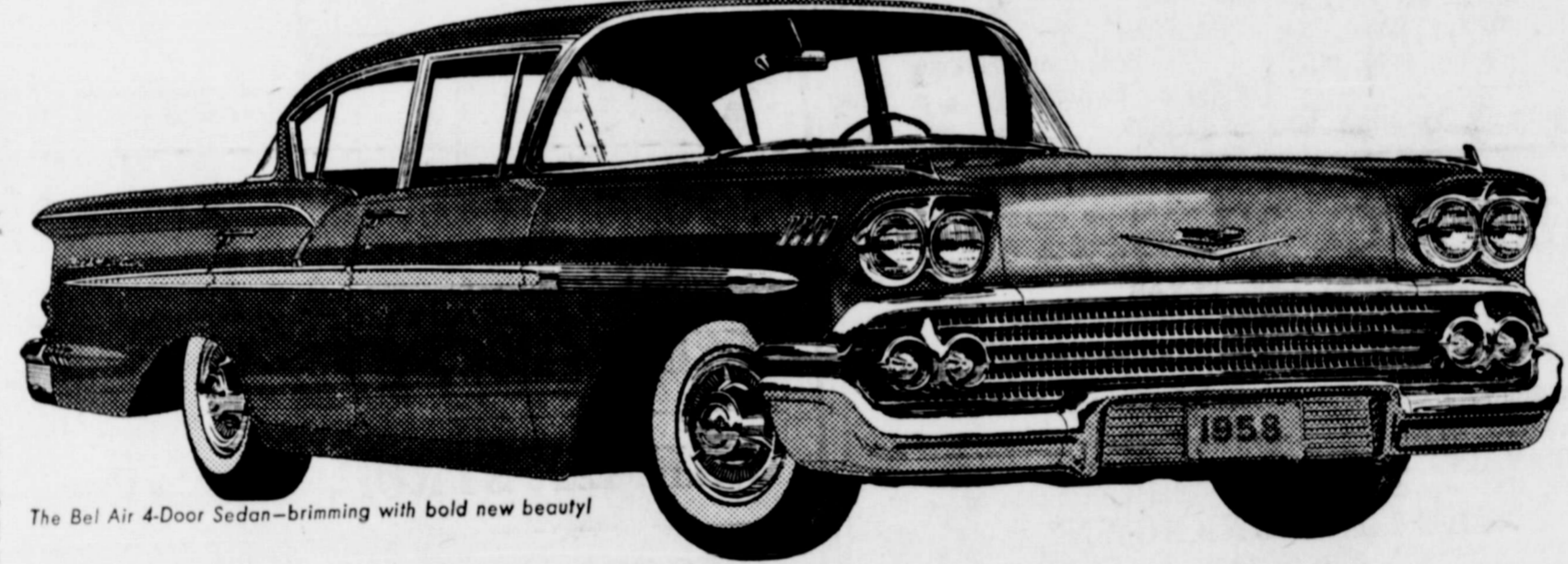


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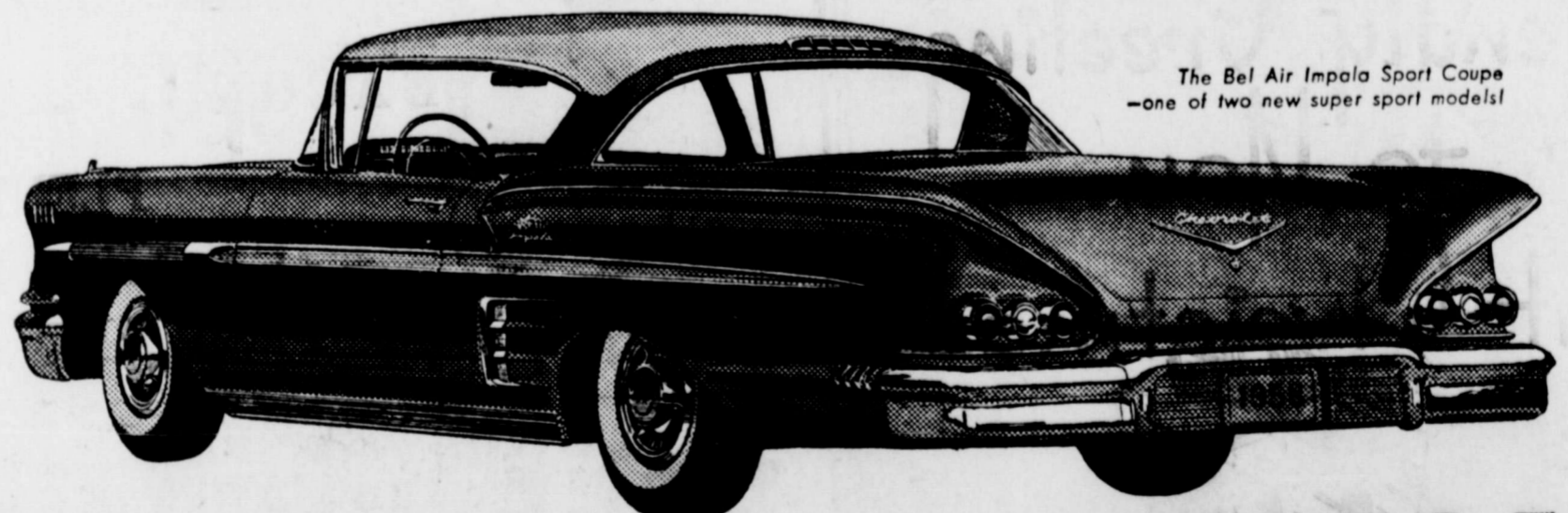
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SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

The year's best words:

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Of all the words we put into type during the year, these are the very finest — Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

They carry our most sincere wish that you will have such a holiday season, and that nineteen Hundred and Fifty-Eight will hold for you much happiness and good fortune.

Violet says to be sure and extend our personal greetings to everyone, since she isn't sending out many cards. The Christmas card idea seems to be overdone by some families, especially when they get up into the hundreds.

The Observer's got a better deal than Bub Lewis. You can send greetings to 900 families for as little as 3 or 4 dollars. Just think what the postage would be in addition to the cost of the cards and the time required for addressing them, etc.

Randy, 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Ford, cried "Hello Jeff," when he met his neighbor, Jeff Blair, the other day. Randy's mother said no, that was "Mister Blair." The little guy remarked that "he looked just like Jeff."

Everyone agrees Al Holt does just about the best job ever when he fills in for Santa Claus. Robert Lee was happy to have his help at the last two Christmas Parties.

We almost had a Christmas turkey. Violet and Mrs. Jack Morgan of Silver tied in an all-ladies round at the Turkey Shoot, but Mrs. Morgan won the shoot off.

Hate to spoil your Christmas, but

it's subscription paying time for many Observer readers. Maybe you will spoil ours by not renewing on schedule.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Austin are looking forward to the annual Foster family gathering which takes place next Sunday in the community center at Sterling City. More than 40 relatives are expected to attend the event which is held each year on the Sunday preceding Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Austin and Mr. and Mrs. Foster Conger will be hosts at this year's dinner.

BAND BAKE SALE

The Band Parents Club will sponsor a Christmas Bake Sale at 1 p.m. Saturday in front of Fran-Cilla Flower Shop.

BIRTHS

PERCIFULL — Mr. and Mrs. Franky Percifull (Dean Richards) are parents of a son born at 1 p. m. Dec. 12 in St. John's Hospital in San Angelo. He weighed 8 pounds, 12 ounces and has been named Michael Robert. He has a brother, Danny, and two sisters, Dee Anna and Teresa Lee. The family reside on their ranch five miles southeast of Robert Lee. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Richards of Robert Lee.

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