

THE CISCO DAILY PRESS

Combined With Cisco Daily News and Cisco American and Round-Up November 1, 1937

In an area of benevolent climate, blessed with an abundance of the purest lake water, possessing the best in recreational facilities, situated on the Bankhead, all-weather route, with three railroads and many highways, Cisco is the best place in Texas to live and to work.

CISCO, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1939

NUMBER 118

PUTNAM SHALLOW FIND FLOWS OVER TOP

Through the Editor's Spectacles
By GEORGE

It is the beginning of winter. I mention it as a coincidence seems to me. The weatherman says he has read the calendar. If the signs fail not, winter is due to arrive in the shape of a norther some day, thereby coinciding with the real and the techni-

cal instances real winters scant respect for calendars and books and calculations of meteorologists. It just goes on and happens despite predictions of the weathermen and the patent calendars. Thus, we had snow in November, although, speaking of the calendar, November is supposed to be merely the middle and best part of the year when the football season is beginning to be over Thanksgiving.

George T. Lamar was elected commander of the Cisco Commandery No. 47 last night. Other officers elected are Joe Britain, generalissimo; George Boyd, captain-general; Frank Walker, senior warden; Roy Wilson, recorder, and Dr. W. P. Lee, sentinel.

At the conclusion of the meeting the retiring commander, H. W. Huffman, was host to the knights at an oyster supper at the Savoy cafe.

Finns Seek Loan From U. S. For Munitions

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (AP)—Legislative leaders indicated congress would proceed cautiously, conscious of the international complications involved, if it were called upon to approve a suggested \$50,000,000 loan to Finland to finance the purchase of war materials.

Senator McNary of Oregon, republican leader, emphasized the caution with which he and many of his colleagues approached the subject by declaring that he would support a substantial loan to Finland "for governmental purposes."

McNary's viewpoint was reflected also by Senator Hatch (D-NM) on the other hand, Senator Clark (D-Idaho) said he thought this country had just as much moral right to lend money to Finland as it did to sell arms to England and France for cash as it is doing under the neutrality act.

Weather

TEXAS: Fair with some cloudiness Friday and Saturday in south portion Friday, panhandle Saturday.

Captain Scuttles Liner Columbus



"They'll never get my ship—I'll look out for my crew." These are the words Capt. Wilhelm Daehne, above, of the German liner Columbus, spoke before he left Vera Cruz, Mexico. He made good his threat by scuttling the luxury vessel off the Delaware coast at the approach of a British warship.

LAMAR NEW COMMANDER OF KNIGHTS

George T. Lamar was elected commander of the Cisco Commandery No. 47 last night. Other officers elected are Joe Britain, generalissimo; George Boyd, captain-general; Frank Walker, senior warden; Roy Wilson, recorder, and Dr. W. P. Lee, sentinel.

Finns Seek Loan From U. S. For Munitions

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (AP)—Legislative leaders indicated congress would proceed cautiously, conscious of the international complications involved, if it were called upon to approve a suggested \$50,000,000 loan to Finland to finance the purchase of war materials.

Finns Seek Loan From U. S. For Munitions

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (AP)—Legislative leaders indicated congress would proceed cautiously, conscious of the international complications involved, if it were called upon to approve a suggested \$50,000,000 loan to Finland to finance the purchase of war materials.

Poe's Condition Not Improved

(Circle Cap) Poe, critically ill, was reported unimproved after a restless night. He has been in a serious condition for several weeks.

Weather

TEXAS: Fair with some cloudiness Friday and Saturday in south portion Friday, panhandle Saturday.

REDS RETREAT IN FRONT OF FINN ATTACK

Invaders Reported Retiring Northward in Numbers

OSLO, Dec. 22 (AP)—Dispatches from northern Norway last night said the Russian retreat northward toward the Arctic seaboard appeared to have reached considerable magnitude.

Observers were quoted as saying large red army forces were falling back toward Salmijarvi, with the soldiers alternately riding trucks and walking in order to keep from freezing.

Whether the retreat was general across the entire strip of Finnish territory which separates Norway from soviet Russia could not be determined.

The Finns were said to be in close pursuit, however. Directly south of Salmijarvi, the Russians were already 12 miles back of the fighting lines they held two days ago.

The intense cold and the difficulty of transporting building materials for temporary shelter for the fighting men, it was stated, were great obstacles to a Russian advance.

The Finns' ruthless destruction by fire of all houses in the path of the red troops was proving a great hindrance to the Russians.

Blizzards in the area have been accompanied by temperatures of 25 degrees below zero.

FINNS MAY BE ON RUSSIAN SOIL
HELSINKI, Dec. 22 (AP)—The possibility that the Finns, in smashing back the Russians north-east of Lake Pietinen, fought on Russian soil was intimated by the Finnish army communique yesterday.

The communique said a Russian battalion was destroyed between Lieska and Repola.

Lieska is in Finland about 20 miles from the Russian border and 125 miles north of Lake Ladoga, but Repola is a few miles within Russia.

Flaming Admiral Graf Spee Sinks After Being Blasted by Crew



A flaming hulk of twisted steel, the once proud nazi sea raider Admiral Graf Spee explodes and sinks in the river Plate estuary off Uruguay after being scuttled by her crew on Hitler's order.

Oil Wells to Be Closed 13 Days In January

AUSTIN, Dec. 22 (AP)—Texas oil fields will be closed 13 days in January, when more than 90,000 wells will be permitted to produce an average of 1,376,320 barrels daily after deduction for the closings.

The statewide proration order, issued by the railroad commission today, stipulated holidays on all Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays and authorized basic allowable of 2,217,946 barrels daily, or an increase of 76,055 barrels over the basic figure of December 1.

The average net daily allowable, however, will be 53,640 barrels below that of December 16 and 34,680 under the bureau of mines recommendation for Texas output in January.

Although average daily production will increase during the month the commission is pledged to hold it within the bureau's estimate of 1,411,000 barrels.

Chairman Lon A. Smith said the commission regrets the continuation of shut-downs which were "essentially necessary." And explained engineers were preparing schedules in hopes of removing holidays in February.

The chairman added that if conditions warranted it might be possible to eliminate one or more holidays in January, depending upon market demand.

The January order makes little changes in district and field allowances, engineers declared, excepting being the Sulphur Bluff and Midway fields, where exemptions from statewide closings will be removed, and the Mission river field, where the holidays will be restored for some wells previously exempted.

Special Christmas Programs Sunday

Special music, pageants and programs will mark a number of the Cisco churches' observance of Christmas Sunday morning and evening, while others will observe regular order of worship, emphasizing the Christmas theme.

The First Methodist church will have Vesper services at 5 o'clock, at which time will be presented "A Christmas Interlude," a one-act play by J. J. Vallenga, Mrs. J. C. McAfee, as "Mrs. Goodfield," will take the lead, and other characters will be "Robert," Donald Flaherty; "Ella Louise," Emily Jo Boyd; "John," Frank McAfee; "Jack," Carlton McAfee; "Catherine," Suzanne McAfee, and "Mr. Livingstone," the Rev. Joseph I. Patterson.

At the First Baptist church, the annual "white Christmas" will be observed at the 10:15 worship hour. At this time the various departments will make their contributions, gifts of food or clothing wrapped in white, to the needy in Cisco. At the evening hour, 7:30, Baptist college students, home for the holidays, will present a program of speeches and special music.

A Christmas pageant, presented each year at this time by members of the church, will be given at the First Presbyterian church at 7:00. The pageant, entitled "In Thy Light," will include 20 characters. The program will be given by candlelight, and is to be simple in design but impressive in its message. The morning service will be along the regular order of worship, with special Christmas music by the choir.

The Rev. C. S. Moad, pastor of the Church of God, has announced that a program in keeping with the season is being prepared for the evening service, 7:30, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Services at the First Christian church, both morning and evening, will be in keeping with the Christmas theme, with no special program planned.

BROTHER-IN-LAW ILL

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Duckett left yesterday for Marble Falls, in response to a message that E. C. Fowler, brother-in-law of Mr. Duckett, was critically ill in an Austin hospital.

ROBARTS ON SELMAN SEEN AS BIG WELL

Pool Equal to South Putnam Field May Be Uncovered

The Charles Roberts, et al. No. 1 Selman estate, two miles north of Putnam, today cleaned itself in a head over the derrick after drilling through a bridge and then bridged again. About 30 feet of hole remains to be cleaned out.

The well stood 160 feet of oil in the hole this morning after bridging 60 feet off bottom. A two million foot flow of gas and a strong snowing of oil was obtained when the well touched pay sand at 606 feet two days ago.

The well in a district where our wells producing 3 to 10 barrels daily each have recently been completed, is estimated to be good for between 25 and 100 barrels on the basis of its showing. Today depth, with the drill just touching top of the pay, is 606 feet.

Charles Roberts, Cisco operator, drilled the well, which is located across a 40-acre tract from wells drilled by L. A. Warren, also of Cisco. Both Warren wells are on the Williams tract. Two other producing wells have been drilled off the Williams by Hart.

Prospects for a pool equal to that south of Putnam were seen on the basis of the showing in the Roberts well. The well was being cleaned out today preparatory to drilling in.

Unique Christmas Tree at Nance's

A red Christmas tree garlanded with blue lights is the unusual Christmas decoration in the windows of the Nance Motor company on West Seventh street. The combination makes it at night a picture of exceptional beauty.

The decoration, prepared by S. H. Nance, proprietor, and W. B. Statham, was made of a cedar tree sprayed with red paint, and a string of blue electric lights.

Silent Night, Holy Night

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

If mice hadn't nibbled at the bellows of the organ in Josef Mohr's little church high in the Bavarian mountains, this immortal carol might never have been written. The peaceful stillness following a wintry blizzard on the night before Christmas, 1818, inspired the Oberndorf minister to pen the words. The music was composed and harmonized hurriedly by his organist, Franz Gruber, because the organ had broken down and there was only the choir to render Christmas music.

1 Shopping Day Till Christmas



SILENT NIGHT

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

If mice hadn't nibbled at the bellows of the organ in Josef Mohr's little church high in the Bavarian mountains, this immortal carol might never have been written. The peaceful stillness following a wintry blizzard on the night before Christmas, 1818, inspired the Oberndorf minister to pen the words. The music was composed and harmonized hurriedly by his organist, Franz Gruber, because the organ had broken down and there was only the choir to render Christmas music.

1 Shopping Day Till Christmas

December
has
05
Day
IDE
12c
20c
1b. 20c
19c
Hens
2 can
2 can
per can
2 can
Large Box
10 lb. 45
1 lb. 38
2 lb. 29
telled 45
s 1b. 19
RATIO
coffee
Christmas
Early
LOUR
3 rolls
per Roll
doz.
Size 3 for
doz.
2 for
1b.
per head
Poe's Condition
Not Improved
Weather

The Cisco Daily Press

and CISCO DAILY NEWS
Consolidated with Cisco Daily News and Cisco American and Round-Up, Nov. 1, 1937
Member of the Texas Press Association

Published each afternoon, except Saturday, and Sunday morning at Cisco, Eastland County, Texas, by the Free Press Publishing Corporation, incorporated under the laws of the state of Texas. Editorial and Publication offices at 304-306 D Ave., Cisco, Texas. Telephone 608.

THE FREE PRESS PUBLISHING CORP.
CHARLES J. KLEINER, President,
J. H. REYNOLDS, Vice President,
B. A. BUTLER, Vice Pres. and Sec.-Treas.
F. D. Wright, Counsel.

B. A. BUTLER, Editor and Publisher
STANLEY WEBB, Advertising Manager
W. D. BRECHEN, Superintendent
CATHRYNE RUSSELL, Society Editor

A home-owned and home-controlled newspaper devoted to the upbuilding of Cisco and Eastland county, independently democratic in politics.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES: Within First and Second Postal Zones, Per Year, \$3.50. Rates Higher Within Other Zones. Weekly Rural Edition, per year, \$1.50.

National advertising representatives, Texas Daily Press League, Dallas, Texas.

Any erroneous statement reflecting upon the character or reputation of any person will be gladly corrected if brought to the attention of the publishers. The Cisco Daily Press assumes no responsibility for errors in advertising insertions beyond the price of the advertisement.

Entered as Second Class Matter December 11, 1934, at the post office at Cisco, Texas, under the act of March 3, 1879.

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.—Luke 1, 14.

All glory be to God on high,
And in the world be peace;
Good will henceforth, from heaven to men,
Begin and never cease.

Blessed be God for Jesus Christ, Blessed be Jesus Christ for the gift of Himself, and for the gift of that living faith which unites the soul to Him, our living Head. "Glory, honor and praise be unto Him, now and ever."

The World Keeps Getting Messier

In case you've lost count, there are three wars currently being waged in the world. They are all wars that grew out of aggression, and there isn't much doubt among the neutral judges who the bullies are.

It's a bad season for small neutral countries. Lollypops are being taken away from all the small boys. The little tyke, Finland, is tugging a little harder than was confidently expected; and Joe Stalin's soviet regime has already suffered some pretty severe shin bruises.

But in the end, only a miracle can save Finland from absorption by Russia; and then the campaign will be carried to other quarters. Under the "protective" wing of Signor Mussolini—who has Albania and Ethiopia on

his belt—the Balkan nations realize they are none too secure. Norway, Sweden and Denmark feel a tremulous uncertainty concerning their futures. The Russian bear has arisen and is willing to tackle anyone not more than one-tenth its size.

Of one thing, many neutral experts seem to be certain: This is not a series of three wars; it is one great war with three different battle fronts. The Sino-Japanese affray, the first, has long since been pushed into the background. But it is irrefutably linked with the two bloody disputes in Europe.

The "bloodless" conquests of Czechoslovakia, Austria, Sudetenland, Memel, and Danzig were next. They were just as much a part of this general upheaval as the gory war against Poland, the declared war against Germany by Britain and France and the invasion of Finland by Joe Stalin.

Even Mussolini's conquests of Ethiopia and Albania fit into the general picture. None of the patently immortal conquests can be considered apart from the others.

Eventually, perhaps, there will be conflicts among the greedy powers, after they have effectively subjugated all of the eligible smaller nations; Gangsters co-operate only as long as there is a common objective, and then the rubbing out process begins.

The messier this whole affair becomes, the more evident it should be to the United States that the biggest contribution we can make toward better world conditions is to remain aloof. Our whole democratic spirit may revolt at the strangulation of helpless neutrals elsewhere. Our sense of justice may be badly jarred. But we could do nothing more than complicate things further by throwing ourselves into the international riot.

Even if we wanted to fight, we might have a pretty difficult time trying to decide on what front we wanted to throw our strength. We couldn't be three places at once, even if we wanted to. And it is pretty definitely established by now that we don't want to be any place but right here—on the American continent.

As Russian maneuvers become more difficult to justify, American communists may decide they're better off in jail.

Police departments in certain Pennsylvania countries are going to file laundry marks to assist them in identifying clothing of criminal victims. There should be some job opportunities for Chinese interpreters.

Incidentally, wasn't there another war somewhere along the Western Front?

4-H Clubs of County Elect New Officers

EASTLAND, Dec. 22 (Spe.)—Margaret Blount, assistant county agent, announced today that 15 of the county's 17 girls' 4-H clubs have elected officers for the new year.

Clubs which have not elected officers for the new year but will do so soon, she said, were Pioneer and Ranger Cooper. The 17 clubs this year have a total membership of 362.

Officers of the clubs and total number of members in each unit are as follows:

- Alameda—Margie Calvert, president; Eunice Mae Yancey, secretary-treasurer; Bonnie Fay Jowles, reporter; Dorothy Melton, program chairman; LaFrey Reid, recreational leader; Mrs. S. L. Rogers, sponsor. Members, 16.
- Bullock—Helen Dempsey, president; Lillian Adams, vice president; Maxine Beck, secretary-treasurer; Bernice Hutton, report-

er; Evelyn Bishop, recreational leader; Mrs. Henry Wilson, sponsor. Members, 10.

Carbon—Nita Taylor, president; Dorothy Armstrong, vice president; Bessie Barron, secretary-treasurer; Joyce Payne, reporter; Miss Foster, program chairman; Marie Moore, recreation leader; Miss Jones and Mrs. O. O. Lovell, sponsors. Members, 20.

Desdemona—Dorothy Huffman, president; Edna Earl King, vice president; Geraldine Craig, secretary; Darline Gralowsky, reporter; Joyce Martin, program chairman; Mary Evelyn Putty, recreation leader; Mrs. Durant Putty, sponsor. Members, 27.

Flatwood—Ima Louise Little, president; Bobbie Byrd, secretary-treasurer; Margaret Griger, program leader; Rosetta Arnold, reporter; Mrs. M. W. Griger, sponsor. Members, 7.

Kokomo—Phyllis Donaldson, president; Louise Eaves, vice president; Wanda Donaldson, secretary-treasurer; Verda Mae Eaves, reporter; Ima Timmons, recreational leader; Earnestine Junper, program chairman; Mrs. L. R. Higginbotham, sponsor. Members, 16.

Lone Cedar—Doris Wheeler,

president; Betty Lou Brinson, vice president; Patsy Ruth Smith, secretary-treasurer; Clara Nell Hindman, reporter; Viola Seay, program chairman; Lois Casey, recreational leader; Mrs. Opal Brinson, sponsor. Members, 11.

Morton Valley—Veda Fay Ram-sower, president; Doris Mae Harbin, vice president; Carolyn Robinson, secretary-treasurer; Bertha Marie Wheatly, reporter; Maxine Mittag, program chairman; Rose Ella Boone, recreational leader; Mrs. Josie K. Nix, sponsor. Members, 30.

New Hope—Mary Ruth Cook, president; Mary Smith, vice president; Maurine Mounce, secretary-treasurer; Jean Mangum, reporter; Zelda Mounce, recreation leader; Dorothy Neil Woodall, program chairman; Mrs. E. Barron, sponsor. Members, 12.

Olden—Frances Kerely, president; Lillie Jo Wohlgemuth, vice president; Geraldine Kerely, reporter; Mildred Sharp, recreational leader; Maris Rowen, program chairman; Verda Jean Spurlen and Mrs. Kerely, sponsors. Members, 12.

Okra—Hazel Day, president; Otho Lee Claborn, vice president; Cozette Brazzil, secretary-treasurer; Sada Lee Hicks, reporter; Corrine Alexander, program chairman; Nell Burns, recreational leader; Maudine and Olene Brazzil, sponsors. Members, 10.

Ranger Young—Ella Joy Ferris, president; Zelda Fae Stephen,

For the Holidays -- And for the War



Two Semi-Final High Games to Be Broadcast

The entire state is on edge waiting for the outcome of the semi-final football games in the Texas Interscholastic football championship race. Two games will be played this week—one in Houston and one in Dallas.

Two special radio networks, a total of 27 stations, reaching every section of the state, have been formed to broadcast the semi-final games.

Each broadcast will originate at the field, and the play-by-play descriptions will be given by outstanding sports announcers.

The first game of the semi-finals will be played Friday, December 22, when Stephen F. Austin high of Houston, meets Waco high, in the Rice stadium, at Houston. The play-by-play description will be given by Cy Leeland, and the local color will be handled by Harfield Weedon.

The broadcast will start at 1:50 p. m., with the kick-off at 2 o'clock. The game will be broadcast over a network of 13 stations, including: KRLD, Dallas, 1040 kc.; WRR, 1280 kc., Dallas; KGKO, 570 kc., Fort Worth;

550 kc., San Antonio; KRIS, 1330 kc., Corpus Christi; KRGV, 1260 kc., Weslaco; KFDM, 560 kc., Beaumont; and KGKB, 1500 kc., Tyler.

The other game of the semi-final will be played Saturday, December 23, when Woodrow Wilson high school (Dallas) meets Lubbock high, in the Dallas high school stadium, in Dallas. The play-by-play description will be given by Cias Jordan, and the local color will be handled by Dave Chapman.

The broadcast will start at 1:50 p. m., with kick-off scheduled for 2 o'clock. The game will be broadcast over a network of 13 stations, including: KRLD, Dallas, 1040 kc.; WRR, 1280 kc., Dallas; KGKO, 570 kc., Fort Worth;

KFJZ, 1240 kc., Fort Worth; KRRV, 1310 kc., Sherman; KFYO, 1310 kc., Lubbock; KPDN, 1310 kc., Pampa; KGNC, 1410 kc., Amarillo; KWFT, 620 kc., Wichita Falls; KRBC, 1420 kc., Abilene; KGKL, 1370 kc., San Angelo; KNEL, 1500 kc., Brady; and KXOX, 1210 kc., Sweetwater.

NOTHING is wasted in the use of ivory. Scraps and shavings are carefully hoarded and made into dust for polishing, India ink and even food, in the form of ivory jelly.

Aviator

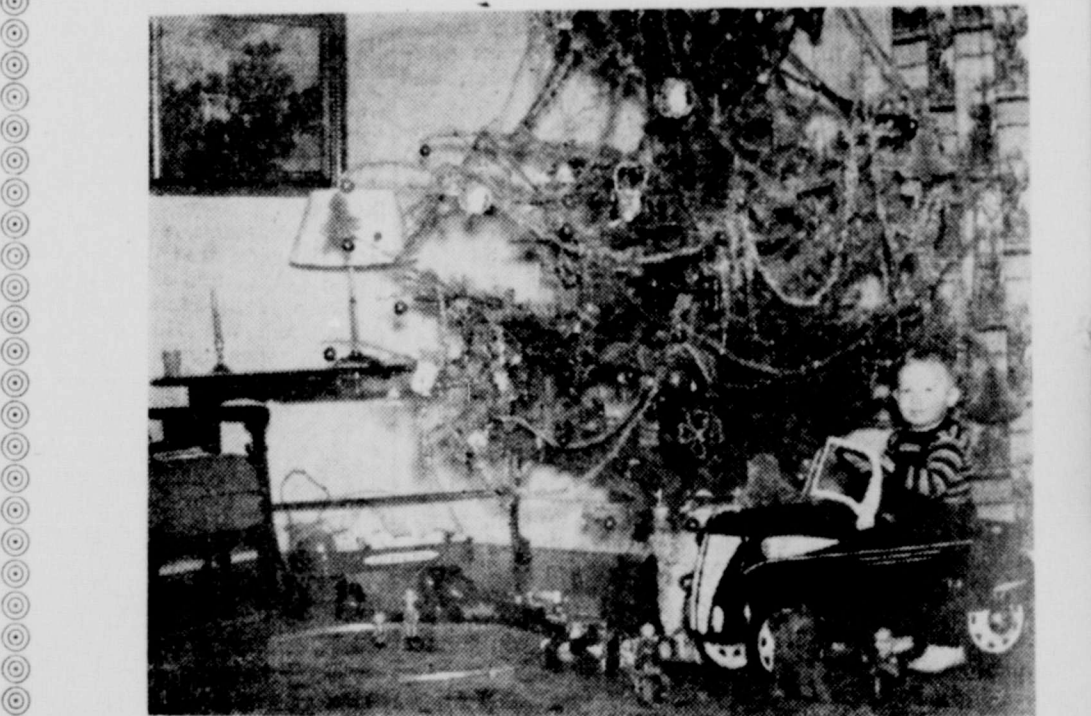


Vincent

He fought for money, not for glory. What linked this young American to an enemy spy ring?

BLACKOUT

A New Serial
Beginning Soon in the Cisco Daily Press



Thru Christmas week gather the children around the Christmas tree and call Osborn Studio for appointment to make picture you will always place among your treasures and souvenirs. This large picture 8x10 made at this price through Christmas week \$2.50

For night appointments call Studio
THIS CHRISTMAS GIVE A PICTURE
A. L. Osborn Studio

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

McCracken Cash Grocery and Mkt.

The Best Place to Trade After All

Free Delivery. Phone 8

ALLY OOP

WICK MY TEETH IN, EH? WHAT DO YOU THINK I'LL BE DOING WHILE ALL THIS TAKES PLACE?

YOU'LL BE DOIN' SOME TALL BOUNCING--AN' KEEP YER DUKES OFF'N THAT STICKER!

WHY ALL THIS ANIMOSITY TOWARD ME?

BECAUSE YOU CARRIED OFF MY GIRL FRIEND HERE, AN' CAUSED MEN DOC A LOT OF TROUBLE!

HE DID NO SUCH THING! HE OFFERED ME A BOAT RIDE AND I TOOK IT... SO WHAT?

Y' MEAN HE--YOU JUS' HAILED OFF AN' WENT WITH 'IM?

CERTAINLY, AND WHY NOT? SINCE WHEN HAVE I BEEN ANSWERABLE TO A BIG APE LIKE YOU? WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE, ANYWAY?

WELL I'LL BE...

By Ham

© 1939 BY NEA SERVICE, INC.

December 22, 1939

SPEC

for someth

608

1940 line I

Year Service

DOOR SANDI

E. Lenz, R

number 403.

MENT: 30

CHRISTMAS IN

Reliable

any d

practically

Cisco.

White short-hair

bearing th

215 and 1

4% per cen

HOLC homes

ments that

with as little

and NO exci

and taxes incl

Connie Davi

4% per cen

HOLC homes

ments—with

ent cash, and N

and taxes

ments. Conni

18.

Slightly used

109 Avenue D

children.

THE so-called Christian

has fallen deeply eno

to the abyss of similar

ism, but not deep enough

out or destroy the finer

that relate to love and

Even rough men have ten

for little children, and

the fingers of a babe have

been firmly clasped around

otherwise evil and serdi

The birth of the Babe of

lehem is not unrelated to

after life of the Man of

areth, who came into the

that He might give men

He might give it to

more abundantly. If we

bring this story of Beth

more vitally to bear upon

world of men and women

are most responsive and

cherish their children, we

do a great deal to make

effective the gospel of mis

and the appeal of the

ter to men to live lives of

ness, honesty, and love.

at residential e

etic power iner

but month, it

was off 3.5

ember, 1938.

umber produ

was 7.3 per cen

ember, 1938.

wo Thanksgiv

country, ship

and turkeys las

cent smaller

ending month

and.

Long I

c

DAY BEF

ALL CH

This year ther

Christmas Eve

Sunday long d

7 p.m. Saturda

Tuesday, Dece

calls to points

Alaska, Hawai

SOUTHWEST

SPECIAL CLASSIFIED :: USE THE WANT-AD MARKET - - IT PAYS

For something you may need... For Sale... For Rent... Wanted to Rent... Wanted to Buy... The cost is very low and the more times the ad runs the cheaper the rate.
608—Mail it in, or Give to Any Member of the Force—Rates: 3 Days for 4c Per Word—6 Days, 6c Per Word—Month, 20c Per Word.

SERIAL STORY

SANTA CLAUS BROWN BY MILDRED GILMAN

COPYRIGHT, 1939, NEA SERVICE, INC.

CAST OF CHARACTERS
SANTA CLAUS BROWN—Beloved friend of all children.
ALICE BANKS—A pretty young school teacher.
JERRY DONALDSON—Pampered son of the city's richest merchant.
BETTY CARTER—Awaits the coming of Santa Claus.

YESTERDAY: Carter goes to Donaldson's home, demands a chance to buy toys. Donaldson has him thrown out. Jerry finds him in the snow, outside. Together they go to the store. Carter gathers only a few toys, but Jerry fills a huge bag. They hurry to the Carter home.

CHAPTER IX

The Carter living room was bare and quiet when Carter and Jerry entered. Mrs. Carter heard them and hurried down from upstairs, calling as she came. "Is that you, Jim?"

She saw the toys and stopped short in confusion. "But—what? She didn't know whether to laugh or cry."

"Come and help us," said Carter. "You remember Jerry Donaldson?"

Jerry and Carter had begun to fill the stockings and empty the bags of toys. Mrs. Carter joined them, still confused.

"Jim," she inquired hesitantly, "you paid for these yourself?"

"I did—shoveling snow," answered her husband proudly. They finished their work quickly and stood back to admire.

"You'd better sit down, Mr. Donaldson," Mrs. Carter said. "You look weak. It's been a dreadful night for all of us. How is Mr. Brown?"

"I hope—he's better," Jerry replied. "His wife hasn't been home the whole night." Mrs. Carter continued. "I hope he hasn't taken a turn for the worse."

Jerry swayed slightly. "Guess I will—take a little rest," he said.

"You, too, papa, you must be half dead," said Mrs. Carter. "You'll be tired after all that shoveling. I'll have to spend Christmas day rubbing liniment on you."

Jerry and Carter sat down and fell asleep in their chairs almost immediately. Mrs. Carter looked about her happily. She yawned.

"Bless their little hearts," she murmured drowsily. "They'll have a merry Christmas after all!"

In the corridor of the hospital Mrs. Brown talked with Mrs. Deakin, her landlady, and Mrs. Middleton.
"I was trying to tell you outside earlier, Mrs. Brown, your daughter, Frances, isn't doing as well as you thought," Mrs. Deakin chattered. "She isn't even an actress. She's been out of work for five months—all that time you didn't hear from her. She hated to write till she had good news for you, and she wouldn't come home and be a burden on you."

"But she's coming now," Mrs. Brown said, tearfully. She glanced toward the door to Santa Claus Brown's room and held her finger to her mouth.

"Shh, don't let papa know she isn't a famous actress. It makes him happy thinking of her doing so well. He's—"

"Mama—come here, close to me," Santa Claus Brown called from his bed. Mrs. Brown hastened to him and he smiled weakly at her.

"Looks as if my work is just about done. Where's Frances, mama? You're sure she's coming?"

Mrs. Brown smiled. "She'll be here any minute now," she said. "She left right away when she heard you were hurt. She's so sorry not to have written, but it's just as we thought. That poor girl's been so busy she didn't know which way to turn. She's coming home now to rest—with us. You must get well. Our daughter's coming home."

"Our daughter's—coming—home—Santa Claus Brown smiled happily.

A clock struck six. Christmas bells began to peal merrily. The light of dawn, just breaking, sifted into the living room of the Carter house. Jerry and Mr. and Mrs. Carter were still sleeping in their chairs. Upstairs, the children had just awakened.

"Come quick," Betty cried to her brothers. "He's been here. I heard him! I saw him! I was going to wake you up but I was afraid he'd be scared away."

"Aw, baloney," said Pete, derisively. "There ain't no Santa Claus. We won't have nothin'."

They were on their way downstairs.
"Gee," exclaimed Joe, "don't talk like that—yet. Wait and see—he might."

They came into view of the living room. They did not see their parents nor Jerry. Just awakening, they saw nothing but the toys, and rushed toward them ecstatically. Pete followed slightly behind the two younger ones, bewildered, ashamed. He viewed the scene and scratched his head.

"Pop never could have bought all this," he exclaimed. "Betty, did you say you saw Santa Claus? No pipe dream?"

"I saw him," Betty cried excitedly. "I heard him." She picked up a burlap bag. "Here's his sack. He forgot his sack. Oh, I hope he has other sacks with him. I hope he didn't leave all his toys here by mistake!"


She saw her parents and ran over to hug them, smiling up at Jerry.

Above the excited clamoring of the children, Jerry said to Mrs. Carter:
"Your husband tells me he used to work at the Palais Royale."
"Yes, he did," she replied. "Then he thought he could make a go of an engineering job, and he could have, too, if it hadn't been for the depression. Building stopped so suddenly. He's a fine worker, my husband, and a man of great courage."
Pete ran toward them with his airplane.
"Hey, pop, look at that propeller go around—geee!"
"How would you like to be floorwalker, Mr. Carter?" Jerry asked him. "I heard pop say he needs one. Work up from there?"
"Floorwalker?" Mrs. Carter's tone made the job sound impressive. "That's fine. Just have to stand and look handsome. That'll be easy for you, dad. And," she put an understanding arm around him, "you won't be all worn out. You'll be able to keep right on studying your engineering, till you can get back into it again."
Carter tried to speak, but was interrupted by the children, who came running to him with their arms full of toys.
Jerry reached into his pocket and pulled out the sprig of mistletoe he had taken from his home the night before. He got up and hung it over the entrance to the living room.
"Good old mistletoe," he smiled. "How about a little real Christmas spirit?"
The door opened and Alice Banks came in.
(To Be Concluded)

THE SOCIETY of Hydraulic Engineers of DARTMOUTH college is the Force of Sila recently inaugurated only U. S. pre-revolutionary university that has held graduation exercises every year since its founding.

THE SOCIETY of Hydraulic Engineers of DARTMOUTH college is the Force of Sila recently inaugurated only U. S. pre-revolutionary university that has held graduation exercises every year since its founding.

SMITTY HUESTIS SAYS



Come in and let us SHOW you what we mean by "Triple Service with a smile." It is just that, and we know you will be pleased!

Conoco Products

Goodrich Safety SILVERTOWN TIRES with the Lifesaver Golden Ply

ALSO--
MECHANICAL SERVICE
WASHING
LUBRICATION
POLISHING
Waldo Harris in Charge

Smitty Huestis Service Station

Corner 14th at Main. Phone 17, Cisco.

FRED HAYES GARAGE NOW OPEN

This new and well equipped garage will give service that you will appreciate and can depend on.

Have your car checked by honest and efficient mechanics. Prices reasonable, and work guaranteed. Fords and Chevrolets our speciality.

MAGNOLIA SERVICE STATION

8th and Avenue D. Phone 438.

Eastland is a mighty good place to trade, Especially at

THE ECONOMY STORE

EVERYTHING TO WEAR
LOWEST PRICES ANYWHERE

A lovely YOU for Fall and Winter . . .



The new FALL hair styles do amazing things. With sweeping curls and waves they simply transform your appearance—give radiant charm and enhance your personality to a marked degree. Come to the ELITE now—be ready for the season.

ELITE BEAUTY SHOP

ELIZABETH McCracken
Telephone 144 For Appointment

JOE GALLAGHER'S Phillips "66" Service Station

1101 West Broadway. Phone 660.
A COMPLETE LINE OF ACCESSORIES
LEE TIRES and TUBES
SENTINEL RADIOS

WHITE WAY CAFE

(El-Moad Court Cafe)
Features FOLGERS' COFFEE, SANDWICHES, CHICKEN DINNERS
Quality-Food at Reasonable Prices
CURB SERVICE

NEIL LANE FUNERAL HOME

300 W. 9th Street—CISCO—Phone 167
In the Service of Others

LOW PRICE-QUALITY LUMBER



Siding	Quality Lumber	Mill Work
Joists		Timber
Wall Board	When your home is built, or repair work done with our lumber, you are assured of the best.	Insulation

If It's to Build We Have It
Burton-Lingo Lumber Co.

ROAN'S CLEANING PLANT

Suits Cleaned and Pressed, Cash and Carry **50c**
Phone 88. --- 1308 Ave. D



Wake Up In Your Own Home!

It's a grand and glorious feeling. Come right down and talk to us about it. Be a regular fellow and build a house. We have many pictures of homes with plans and specifications—and financing is very convenient.

Rockwell Bros. & Co.

111 E. Fifth. Phone 4

December 22, 1939
1940 line R. C. A. Year Service. 81-tfc
FLOOR SANDING and W. E. Lenz, Randolph number 403. 82-tf
APARTMENT: 301 West 96-tfc
CHRISTMAS IN SUNNY... Reliable parties... practically nothing... Cisco. 115-4t
Short-haired dog... bearing the word... 215 and pay for... 106-tfc
4% per cent interest... HOLC homes! Easy... with as little as 10... and NO extra fees... and taxes included in... Connie Davis, Tele...
4% per cent interest... HOLC homes! Easy... with as little as 10... and NO extra fees... and taxes included in... Connie Davis, Tele...
Slightly used Deluxe... 109 Avenue D. Phone... 114-6t
apartments: Mod... reasonable rates. Camp... 114-6tp
Cisco man going to... Arkansas. Wants... and 3 passengers to... expenses. Travel Bureau... 115-4t
VEGETABLE MAR... Little Ice Plant. Choice... Do own haul... while fresh. L. L. Sugg... 117-3tp
Business---
and from Page One)
44 ice cream 6.8 and...
of department stores... 11 per cent from No... but sales for the... months of this year were... per cent ahead of the... of 1938.
residential consump... power increased 25... that month, industrial... was off 3.5 per cent... 1938.
lumber production in... was 7.3 per cent higher... 1938.
Thanksgivings in... country, shipments of... met turkeys last month... cent smaller than in... month of 1938.
and.

Lowest Long Distance Rates apply the DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS and ALL CHRISTMAS DAY

This year there's no need to wait until 7 p.m. Christmas Eve to get the lowest rates on Christmas telephone calls. The low night and Sunday long distance rates are in effect from 7 p.m. Saturday, December 23, until 4:30 a.m. Tuesday, December 26. These rates apply on calls to points in the United States, Canada, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE CO.



SOCIETY and CLUBS

CATHRYNE RUSSELL, Editor
Phone Numbers 344 and 603

Betty Slicker
Is Hostess to
MM Club Party

The Double M club, with Miss Betty Slicker as hostess, entertained a group of friends with a Christmas party at the Slicker home Thursday evening.

guests: Paul and Silas Ely, Billy and Kenneth Huffman, George Kent, Bill Philpott, McGee Duff, John Ed Davis, Ray Clark, H. F. Litchfield, A. D. Anderson, Jr., Dick McPherson, John James Haynie and Billy Sherman.

J. D. Yarbrough
Entertains Guests

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Yarbrough will have as their guests during the Christmas holidays Mr. and Mrs. Westbrook Teer and daughter, Brownie, of Hobbs, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Qualls and daughter, Joanne, Mrs. Beulah Surles and sons, Jack and Jim Bob, of McCamey; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Marsh and L. M. Yarbrough of Eastland and Dan Yarbrough of Odessa; John Jeffreys of Plainview, brother of Mrs. Yarbrough, is also visiting in the Yarbrough home.

Industrial Arts
Club Has Party
at Lambert Home

Members of the First Industrial Arts club were entertained with a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Clark W. Lambert Thursday afternoon. Co-hostesses were Mmes. Rex W. Moore, H. H. Monk, E. J. Poe, C. C. Rosamond, R. S. Cope, John G. Jones, H. B. Allen, A. J. Olson and Jack Leech.

Love Bomber
Gets 50 Years



"Anyway, 50 years isn't so long," observed E. Ross Wyatt, above, when an all-male Dallas, Tex., jury fixed his sentence at half a century for the attempted murder of Mary Jo Miller, school teacher. He tried to explode dynamite in her bedroom. Wyatt plans an appeal.

Class Has Party
At Teacher's
Home Wednesday

Mrs. Ben Krauskopf entertained the members of her music class with a Christmas party at her home Wednesday evening.

Letters to
Santa Claus

Dear Santa:
I want a pair of boots, a pair of house shoes, a pair of pajamas, a desk and some nuts, apples and oranges for Christmas.

Dear Santa:
You have so many pretty toys I can't make up my mind what I want you to bring me this year, so won't you please make it up for me? The candy you gave me last Saturday was the best candy of all candy. Even better than mama makes.

Dear Santa:
I haven't forgotten how nice you were to me last year. Be careful and don't get caught in somebody's chimney before you get here, because I want you to bring me a desk, a pretty little doll, a book or two that I can read, and also a house coat and a pair of bedroom slippers.

Dear Santa:
Thanks for the toys you left me last year, I dusted the fireplace so it won't be so dusty for you to come down Christmas eve. Santa, do you have a cowgirl suit that will fit me? I wish I had a

pretty gown and some house shoes. I think little white teddy bears with pink ribbon around their necks are so nice. You can leave one on the tree for me, if you want to.

Lots of love from your little friend,
Elizabeth Ann Kleiner

East Baptist WMS
In Meeting Monday

The Women's Missionary Society of the East Cisco Baptist church met in a Christmas social and business meeting Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Dovie Seabourn.

A BRITISH war office appeal for binoculars brought in 600 pairs in two days, several from German refugees, who, as officers in the World war, used them against England.

The value of fishery products in the United States last year was \$100,845,000.

Russians Launch

(Continued from Page 3)
en off by Finnish pursuers and anti-aircraft fire.

Lest You Forget Someone Shop
PENNEY'S SATURDAY

Give Gaymode

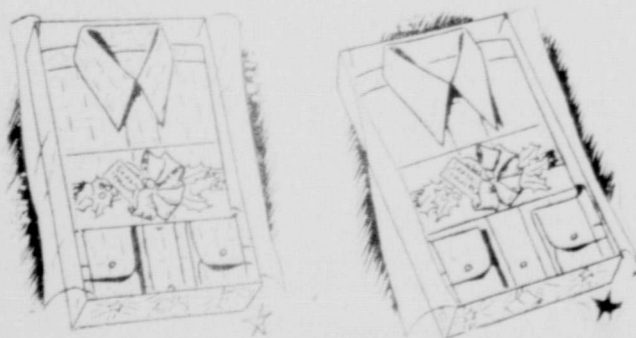
HOSE



Sheer and ringless for beauty, well constructed for service. Two- and three-thread, also service weights. Always Gaymodes

59c pr. - 79c pr.

Towncraft --- Topflight
SHIRTS



Sanforized shrunk, fast colors. They are the tops in men's shirts and every man can use one. Why pay more for same quality shirts elsewhere.

98c - \$1.49

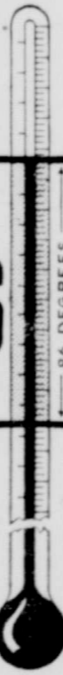
PENNEY'S

MY TONGUE HAS ALWAYS KNOWN WHAT TESTS SHOW... PRINCE ALBERT SMOKES COOLER... GIVES RICHER-TASTING YET MILDER 'MAKIN'S' SMOKES



In recent laboratory "smoking bowl" tests, PRINCE ALBERT burned

86 DEGREES COOLER



than the average of the 30 other of the largest-selling brands tested... coolest of all!

HERE'S a good tip to put you on the track to real joy in "makin's" cigarettes: Prince Albert is the COOLER-SMOKING TOBACCO - free of parching excess smoking heat. Enjoy the rich taste, ripe body of Prince Albert's choice tobaccos... and mildness too. P.A. is "no-bite" treated. Easier-rolling, slower-drawing - it's "crimp cut." Get P.A. today. (Try P.A. in pipes too!)

70 fine roll-your-own cigarettes in every handy tin of Prince Albert



Prince Albert THE NATIONAL JOY SMOKE

Personals

Mrs. C. H. Abbott left today to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives in El Paso.

John James Haynie of Mexia is spending the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Haynie.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Shaw and sons, Robert and Jack, of Fort Worth will spend a few days here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spencer.

Joe Slicker of Texas A&M has arrived to spend the holidays in the home of his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Carter of Fort Worth are expected to arrive Saturday to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wallace and family and Mr. Carter's sister, Miss Virginia Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Moriarty will have as their guests during Christmas Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Henderson and son, Johnny, of Wichita Falls, and Mr. and Mrs. Howell Foy.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Sandhoefer plan to spend the holidays in Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Snyder and son, Forrest, have gone to New Smyrna, Florida, to spend two weeks.

Mrs. T. A. Graves and children, Martha, Deava and Thomas, plan to leave soon for a trip to Bakersfield, California.

Mrs. Herbert Caudle of Lamesa is visiting Mrs. Ace Lucas and other friends here for a few days.

Mrs. Essie Coker of Dallas is the guest of relatives here.

Frank Yarger has returned from an extended visit with his son, Frank, Jr., in Houston.

Mrs. John W. Spier of Stone-wall, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Ford Taylor of Ballinger will spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Nance.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Cotton and daughter, Barbara Louise, of Beaumont are expected to arrive tonight to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Cotton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McCall.

Robert Blackburn, who teaches in junior high school of San Angelo, is visiting friends and relatives here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Baum and children of Odessa are guests of Mr. Baum's brother, W. L. Baum, and Mrs. Baum.

J. E. Moriarty has returned from a business trip to Houston.

RECEIVE CHECKS Christmas checks from the Houston office were received recently by employes of the Putnam Oil Co., it was announced today. John E. Moriarty is superintendent of the company's properties here.

LONDON'S Westminster hospital has sunk its supply of radium (six grammes worth \$150,000) in a 50-foot steel shaft.

COLDS Cause Discomfort 666 For quick relief from the misery of colds, take 666 Liquid-Tablets-Salve-Nose Drops



THE spirit of Christmas is abroad in the land, and it is a good spirit, one all of us do well to nurture, that it may be among us in this world of war and strife long after the season which generated it has passed.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY, PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR



HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY A Texas institution manned by Texans

Through Editor Spectac By GEOR both a we gate custc sion of ssi g the mar pects and g e come to his Christn remembra thrill of with it a tude that modst of as rush ar dearer time to I wish you Christmas, t as your as yo thinking, ive doub g of the g we have to instead e war bu r privilege believe : ts Claus t id where name mo an more at, where by the r tramping parade t a Saint Ni get to gre an editor an 40 year yel and No a seri for an he stion o y, it has r many Christmas t mous (Claus Tl at ther what sub ate or " w long i g as if this time away r sored in of our Claws, w and us, i a n c someho nt despit e be prac sreeing. of little loves ar that ut such se s pains a s that w s yet to e I am c by all th and in manifestati fort and that ha and pestil econon sions a perplex a ntry, ai upon the retained o