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MACARTHUR TAKES COMMAND IN PHILIPPINES

LIVESTOCK MEN, CHRISTMAS-MINDED, HOLD RECEIPTS OF AUCTION SALE TO \$2,635.00

Livestock men—probably Christmas-minded—were rather inactive at the local cattle auction this week and entries were unusually short. Receipts approximated \$2,635.

CISCO SHY OF QUOTA

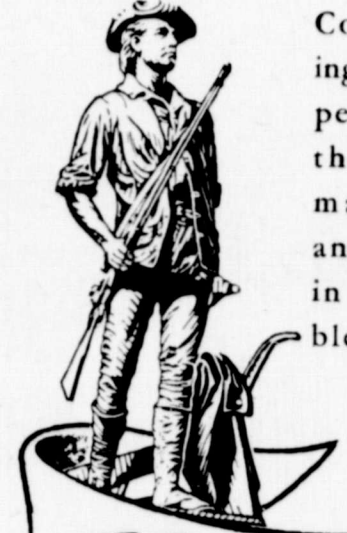
Sellers.
 Claude Spoon, Cisco, 1 heifer; \$36.50.
 Ray Haley, Cisco, 2 cattle; \$47.50.
 John G. Jones, Cisco, 2 cattle; \$47.50.
 B. T. Leveridge, Nimrod, 2 cattle; \$46.
 Billy Bacon, Cisco, 1 steer; \$38.50.
 Mack Reed, Cisco, 1 bull; \$24.50.
 Joe Parsons, Cisco, 1 Jersey cow; \$47.50.
 C. Brown, Gorman, 30 hogs; \$450.
 J. B. Taylor, Baird, 2 cattle; \$57.50.
 Earl Gunn, Moran, 1 steer; \$15.50.
 J. E. Wood, Moran, 6 cattle; \$240.
 Bert McElreath, Scranton, 1 steer; \$34.50.
 A. C. Morris, Moran, 3 steers; \$109.50.
 Elmer Jones, Cisco, 8 bulls; \$254.
 C. L. Claborn, Okra, 9 steers; \$288.70.
 W. B. Latch, Cisco, 2 goats; \$155.
 Happy Hightower, Eastland, 2 steers; \$58.
 T. L. Cooper, Eastland, 2 steers; \$42.25.
 J. B. Mashburn, Cisco, 2 hogs; \$14.
 A. C. Peck, Ranger, 1 heifer; \$31.
 Ernest Bennett, Gorman, 2 cattle; \$32.25.
 Charlie Shahan, Norton Valley, 1 cow, 1 calf; \$55.
 E. I. Finley, Cisco, 1 steer; \$28.50.
 Porter Myrick, Cisco, 1 cow; \$32.50.
 Ben Williams, Cook, 7 hogs; \$47.75.
 Earl Williams, Cook, 4 hogs; \$52.
 E. W. Morton, Scranton, 1 hog; \$5.25.
 Oliver Canet, 6 pigs; \$6.90.
 L. M. Oxley, Moran, 1 cow; \$26.50.
 Arlin Agnew, Cisco, 1 cow; \$15.50.
 Heyser & Sweeney, Curtis, 2 hogs; \$59.
 J. A. Walker, Cisco, 1 hog; \$35.
 Ray George, Cisco, 1 steer; \$24.
 Z. B. Morgan, Cross Plains, 8 pigs; \$32.
 Roy Morris, Gorman, 1 steer; \$28.50.
 J. W. Donowho, Olden, 7 hogs; \$84.
 J. W. Webb, Eastland, 1 bull; \$62.
 Dan Grider, Romney, 2 hogs; \$36.50.
 Rufus Horn, Dan Horn, 2 mules; \$9.

Buyers.
 The following were the bidders in the auction ring who had livestock knocked down to them:
 Joe Coats, Cisco, 30 hogs, 8 pigs; \$482.
 J. A. Hood, Cisco, 9 cattle, 1 goat; \$287.05.
 J. W. Gerhardt, Rising Star, 1 calf; \$23.50.
 George Harrison, Breckenridge, 5 hogs, 2 cattle, 2 mules \$118.
 Bruce Webb, Romney, 1 mule; \$8.
 C. Brown, Gorman, 3 cattle; \$87.
 M. M. Carey, Breckenridge, 1 heifer; \$36.50.
 A. Brandon, Abilene, 3 steers; \$68.50.
 Sig Faircloth, Ranger, 1 heifer; \$37.50.
 O. L. Justice, Ranger, 1 steer; \$12.50.
 I. G. Mobley, Putnam, 1 steer; \$17.
 Gus Brandon, Putnam, 5 cattle; \$121.
 A. B. Hutchinson, Baird, 2 cattle; \$57.
 Lester Agnew, Bluff Branch, 1 cow, 1 calf; \$55.
 John Stewart, Breckenridge, 1 bull \$62.
 Clint Dakin, Morton Valley, 1 pig; \$5.25.
 A. C. Peck, Ranger, 6 pigs; \$6.90.

Mrs. George P. Fee, chairman of the local Red Cross drive, reluctantly stated this morning that Cisco apparently is trailing both Eastland and Ranger in the amount of money thus far subscribed for the second roll call.

The figures quoted by Mrs. Fee, thought to be approximately correct, are as follows:
 Ranger, \$1,111; Eastland, \$1,097; Cisco, \$1,056.
 The quota for each of the three cities is the same — \$1,250.
 Since Cisco is the larger of the three municipalities, local Red Cross workers feel the showing thus far made is not what it should be.
 However, the roll call this year is entirely different from the Red Cross roll calls of the past and must be pushed to a successful finish.
 Today, we are not only at war, but a ruthless enemy has and is making deadly attacks on American citizens while on American soil, and those who remain at home must leave nothing undone that can be of assistance to the fighting men of army and navy.
 A slogan adopted by Dallas women for the Red Cross drive now under way there, is: "Let's feed the family hamburger today instead of steak and give the difference to aid our fighting men."
 Mrs. Fee suggests that all those who have not yet affiliated with the national Red Cross, may contact her by telephone or they may call at the First National Bank and leave their subscription money with James McCracken.
 The quota MUST be met!

Let's Always Be Thankful . . .



Count your blessings—Freedom, Prosperity—Turkey on the table! Then make your dimes and dollars count in guarding these blessings.



Buy DEFENSE BONDS-STAMPS

WAR FLASHES.

NEW YORK—The British radio today broadcast news dispatches from Singapore asserting "wave after wave of Japanese infantry had been wiped out in fierce fighting around Guala Kangsar, near Ipoh," in Malay. The broadcast was heard by CBS.

WASHINGTON—Anglo-American military technical conferences have prepared a "strategic plan" for joint war action for the approval of British Prime Minister Churchill and President Roosevelt. The British experts brought here by Mr. Churchill met with American officials in several conferences. Findings and recommendations will be submitted to a full conference of U. S.-British war leaders.

MOVE FORWARD TO MEET FULL-SCALE ATTACK

Gen. Douglas MacArthur has taken the field in personal command of American and Philippine forces against a grand Jap assault upon the island of Luzon, and will bastion America's far Eastern possessions.

The American commander in chief moved forward with his general headquarters to counter the full-scale Jap attack aimed from half a dozen directions against the capital.

The Philippine battles hold the center of attention. Elsewhere on the world war front, the little island of Wake was admitted by the United States navy as very probably in the hands of the Japs.

The British garrison at Hongkong continues to fight stubbornly against heavy Jap odds, and a big battle is developing west of Malaya.

Europe throbbled today with a Nazi-inspired rumor concerning Adolf Hitler's winter moves.

Some 75 miles southeast of Manila the Japs put ashore a force estimated at 40 transports—possibly 40,000 men—in the Atimonan region.

The third Japanese attempt in the Batangas region, 125 miles due south of Manila, is said by eyewitnesses to have been beaten off by American defense forces, although an army communique from Washington indicated that the Japs may be renewing landing attempts there.

Japs have three other minor footholds on Luzon—at northern Aparri, western Vigan and southwestern Leapsi, also on the southern island of Mindanao. They are also ashore at Davao, though there are few reliable reports of fighting there.

P'STOFFICE AND BANK GET RUSH ON BOND SALES

Demand for defense bonds has been steadily on the increase since the United States has declared war on the axis powers, and the demand has increased more rapidly as Christmas time drew nearer. This demand has been so great that the First National Bank had to requalify to get the denominations desired.

"The First National is now qualified to handle bonds to the amount of \$50,000, but if the demand continues it is possible we may have to qualify for an additional amount," President Alex Spears said today.

"The total sales to date are \$41,950."

"We have had a run today on bonds of the denomination of \$25," Mr. Spears said.

Postmaster Luther H. McCrea also reports a bond rush, but said the Cisco office has not been able to get the supply to meet the demand.

"We are entirely out of both bonds and stamps," Mr. McCrea said, "but expect a supply to reach here tomorrow."

Total sales for bank and postoffice, including stamps sold, is \$55,762.50.

The First National reports sales to December 1 of \$17,250; December sales, \$24,700. Total, \$41,950.

Postoffice sales previous to December 1, \$10,258.75; December sales, bonds and stamps, \$3,543.75.

FINE PROGRAM AT LUTHERAN CHURCH TONITE

There will be a special Christmas program given by the children of Grace Lutheran church at 7 o'clock this evening, at the church.

The program is entitled, "The Light of the World."

The children have been practicing on the program for some time, said the pastor, Rev. W. H. Symank, and promise an interesting affair.

Miss Christine Prange and Mrs. A. Stroebel will sing a duet, "O Wondrous Light."

There will also be a special Christmas service meeting at 10 o'clock, the pastor states. The subject of the sermon will be "Why Is the Grace Manifested at Bethlehem So Wonderful and So Great?"

The general public is invited to both services.

LIONS CLUB MANY DRIVERS' MAKES GIFTS LICENSE EXPIRE AT LUNCHEON DECEMBER 31

Cisco Lions presented their Lion Sweetheart, Miss Betty Slicker, with a gift today at the luncheon hour as a token of their appreciation of her services as pianist through the year. Lion D. G. Streater made the presentation.

The club also presented Mrs. Pat Cartwright, waitress at the Laguna, with a gift as is their annual custom. A special program which had been scheduled failed to appear, and as they had given their Christmas gift offering to charity at last week's meeting, the club adjourned as soon as the business session was over.

Lion Paul Culp had as his guest, his father, Dr. Culp of Shreveport, La., and President O. L. Stamey introduced his two brothers, C. D. Stamey, of Franklin, La., and J. B. Stamey of New Orleans, as guests today.

ENGLISH PRIME MINISTER HERE FOR CHRISTMAS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Prime Minister Churchill will join President Roosevelt at dusk Wednesday in the traditional ceremony of lighting the national community Christmas tree on the White House grounds, and both will broadcast Christmas Eve messages to the world.

The thousands expected to find standing space in an eight-acre section of White House yard will hear a concert by the United States Marine Band, carol singing, an invocation by Most Rev. Joseph M. Corrigan of Catholic University of America, greetings to the President and Mrs. Roosevelt by representative Boy and Girl Scouts, and a benediction by Rev. Oscar F. Blackwelder, president of the Washington Federation of Churches.

As dusk deepens the president will press a key turning on the tree's red, white and blue lights. Then he and Prime Minister Churchill will broadcast.

W. W. FEWELL, FATHER CISCO MAN, IS DEAD

ABILENE, Dec. 24.—Funeral services were held at 10 o'clock this morning, at Corinth Baptist church, for the Rev. W. W. Fewell, 69-year-old retired Baptist minister, who died Tuesday at his home, 1141 Poplar.

The Rev. Mr. Fewell, an Abilene resident for 19 years, and a fine Christian gentleman, had been in failing health for several months. He was a native of Holland, Tex., where he was born October 29, 1872. He was married at Cedar Springs, in 1892, to Mary Alice McMillan, and the couple lived at McKinney many years before moving to Abilene.

Rev. Roy Kemp, pastor of the First Baptist church, officiated, and burial was in Cedar Hill cemetery.

Pallbearers were C. A. Aldredge, Lucian Webb, O. H. Baker, W. D. Boyd, R. C. Green and Clyde Landers.

Surviving are his wife, two sons, Merton, of Abilene, and W. W. Fewell, Jr., of Cisco; two sisters, Mrs. Annie Lynn, Denton, and Mrs. H. R. DeRoock, Breckenridge; a half sister, Mrs. Lou Eubanks, Holland, and two grandchildren.



JAPS BEWARE!—This mobile anti-aircraft machine gun is trained aloft by troops of San Francisco defense area. Trouble shooting run-about is one of the many Pacific Coast weapons devised to cope with emergencies by converging on any given area in jig time in event of attack.

DUTCH SINK OR CAPTURE SHIP A DAY

BATAVIA, Dutch East Indies, Dec. 24.—The Netherlands Indies army communique said Wednesday that Dutch fighter planes intercepted Japanese bombers at an undisclosed point over the outer islands and turned the raiders off before they could drop any bombs.

Amending its report Tuesday of the sinking of a Japanese tanker off Davao, the invaded Mindanao Island harbor of the Philippines, the communique said that it was larger than the 10,000 tons previously estimated and that the bomb which scored a direct hit weighed half a ton.

A Batavia radio report declared Dutch forces now have sunk an average of a Japanese ship a day, making a total of 16 since the outbreak of war in the Pacific.

SHACKELFORD CO. STAYS IN WET COLUMN

ALBANY, Dec. 24.—Sale of alcoholic beverages will remain legal in Shackelford county, according to unofficial tabulation of votes in an election held yesterday on petition of dry forces.

Incomplete results give the wets victory by 57 votes. Only one box, Rock Hill, near the Taylor county line, was unreported, and it was believed to contain not more than 30 votes.

Fort Griffin, the county's only precinct where whisky is sold, stayed wet 23 to 10 and there was no change in the status of any other precincts.

Albany voted 290 to 269 to retain beer with 146 for and 149 against at the courthouse and 144 for and 120 against at the west side box.

Moran's margin for beer was 112 to 77.

Other boxes reporting included Sedwick, 11 for and 4 against and Ibox, 5 for and 9 against.

HOLIDAY DANCE TUESDAY NITE LAGUNA ROOF

Misses Marilyn Shertzer, Lillian Spears and Gloria Graham were hostesses at a dance held at Laguna hotel Tuesday evening. A Christmas motif was observed in the decorations. Young people from Eastland and Ranger were in attendance.

Chaperones of the affair were Mrs. Alex Spears, Mrs. E. L. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Drumwright, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mitcham.

Approximately 50 couples enjoyed the evening.

J. H. McKinney, Putnam, 1 bull; \$69.
 J. A. Trigg, Cisco, 3 cattle; \$79-25.
 T. C. Shahan, Morton Valley, 1 pig; \$24.50.
 W. J. Foxworth, Cisco, 1 cow; \$65.
 J. P. Stoker, Breckenridge, 1 cow, 8 cattle; \$272.50.
 J. W. McKinney, Cisco, 15 hogs, 1 goat, 14 cattle; \$590.
 George Forbes, Cisco, 1 steer; \$24.
 E. Wende, Cisco, 5 pigs; \$16.50.

Rev. Judson Prince attended the funeral of Rev. W. W. Fewell, Sr., father of W. W. Fewell of Cisco, which was held in Abilene today.

BRIEFLY TOLD

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Stroebel and small daughter Nancy will spend Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brice Webb at Romney.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Nance and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McCall left today for Baytown and Beaumont to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Hartman McCall and Mr. and Mrs. Ross Cotten.

Mr. and Mrs. Leith Morris and daughter, Laura Lou of Hope, Ark., are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Rupe.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McCallum have as their guests their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stanaker of Houston.

Misses Ruth and Betty Mobley and Wilburn Carrico of Putnam were shopping in the city this week.

Mrs. Louise Flesher, long-time

resident of Cisco, who has been quite ill in her home on W. Second street, is now able to be up and around her room.

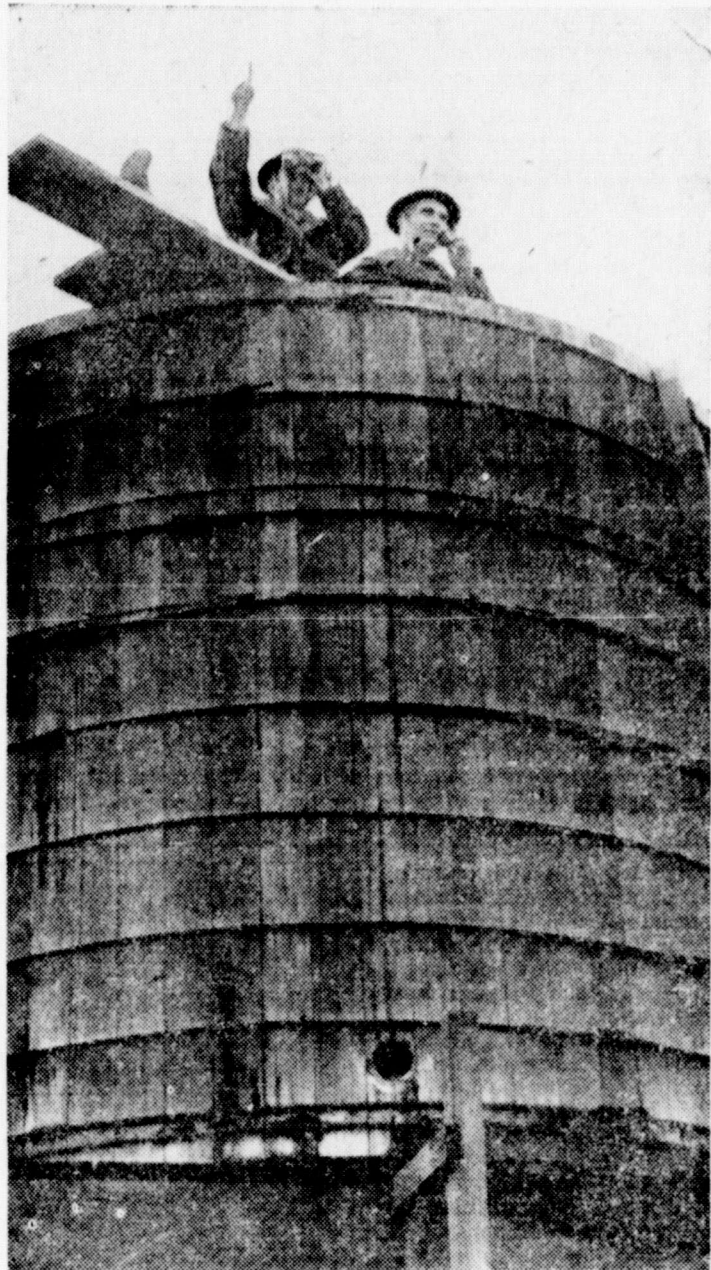
H. A. McCanties, Jr., of Ft. Worth visited his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Burnett, Tuesday while enroute to his home in Monahans to spend the holidays with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Shaw and son, Bobby, and Mrs. Paul Poe and children, Joe Tom and Mary Jeanette, spent Monday in Ft. Worth.

Guests in the J. S. Mobley home recently were her sister, Mrs. Russell and daughter, Beth Lynn, and her father, A. J. Rhone of Rising Star; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Younger and daughter and Mrs. Mae Dyer of Houston.

Miss Ruby Lee Blanton of Mineral Wells will spend the holidays with her aunt, Miss Ruby Love.

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Mayhew and son, Howard Mayhew, left today



ON ALERT ON PACIFIC COAST—This official U. S. Army photo shows spotters atop observation post, "somewhere along the California coast" on lookout for enemy. It's one of hundreds.

Frank Vernon and children, Frank Jr. and Billie Mae Vernon of Dallas; and Mrs. T. H. Connor of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Tom Stark, 1205 W. Eighth street, who has been ill for some time, is now much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wagoner and daughter, Patsy Lynn Wagoner of Odessa, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Wagoner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard D'Spain.

Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Culp of Shreveport, La., arrived Tuesday to spend the week with their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Culp.

Walter B. Webb left Tuesday for Texarkana where he will spend Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Thelma Storke and Mr. Storke.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCall departed this morning for Houston where they will spend Christmas with their son, Hartman and Mrs. McCall.

Robert Cone, one of Cisco's navy boys, is spending his Christmas furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cone. The young man has been on duty in

Iceland, but when his ship docked at a New Jersey port recently he came directly home.

Miss Bobbie McWhorter, student at Hardin-Simmons university, was recently initiated into Alpha Chi, national honor society. This is one of the greatest honors paid upper classmen at this institution. Members are elected from the top 10 per cent of the junior and senior classes. The young woman is the daughter of Mrs. W. E. McWhorter, Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hapeman and son and daughter of Dallas arrived this afternoon to spend Christmas in the J. C. McAtee home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Marsh, Jr., of Austin are spending the holidays with Mrs. Marsh's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Porter.

Miss Elizabeth Simmons of

Houston will spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. W. R. Simmons and sister, Miss Tita Belle Simmons. They met her in Ft. Worth, this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Moon and Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Whatley and children of Graford are guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bond.

Society is something a person wants to get in because we are scared people will think we can't and something we are scared to get out of for fear the people will think we are put out.

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A. V. CLARK SERVICE STATION

for Houston to spend Christmas with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Strasner of Dallas will spend Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Poe.

James Qualls, student in Abilene Christian college, is spending the holidays in the home of his father, L. A. Qualls.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Poe and children, Joe Tom and Mary Jeanette, plan to spend Christmas with relatives in Munday.

Miss Dixie Bills of Mineral Wells is a guest of her mother, Mrs. Lula Bills during the Christmas holidays.

L. M. Yarbrough of Grand Prairie is spending the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Yarbrough.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stowe of Brownwood were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Britain Tuesday night. While here they were joined by her brother, Vorie Darling of Norfolk, Va., who is with the U. S. navy. He accompanied them to Brownwood to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Stamey have as guests his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stamey and daughter Mary Lou of New Orleans, and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Stamey of Franklin, La.

Glenn Boyd, student in Texas-Tech, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Boyd and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton of Dallas will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Burkett, in Cisco and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A.

Stiles, in Eastland, during the holidays.

Crandall Jones of Oklahoma U. is a guest of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Jones.

Misses Marcia and Ada Rhone Mobley of Mineral Wells will spend the holidays in the home of their mother, Mrs. J. S. Mobley.

Miss Meta Wende of Abilene arrived Tuesday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wende.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jobe of Abilene will spend Christmas day with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Powell.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Wilson and children, Mickey and Nancy Ann of Stamford, will visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Powell during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Reagan have as holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. Charles Berry, Otho and Bill Bray of Norman, Okla., Mr. and Mrs.

We Greet You in the Spirit of Christmas

When the Yuletide Season approaches it casts its spell of Merriment, Love and Joy right in our midst.

MAY THIS CHRISTMAS BE ONE OF UNUSUAL JOY FOR YOU, IS OUR WISH.

COMMERCIAL PRINTING CO.

SINCERE GOOD WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR

In these troubled times when "One by one, the Lights of Civilization are flickering out," there is one which Must Not go out; the Light of the Star in The East.

For after all its light is the principal strength of the Nations who are aligned against the powers which deny its having shone. So in strong faith that Right will Prevail, and that happier Christmases lie ahead, we wish everyone

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS.

MANER'S PHARMACY

We would like for our greeting at this time to convey a twofold message.

First, we want to wish for you the merriest Christmas you have ever experienced.

Then, we want to thank you for past patronage and ask to be given the opportunity of serving you during the coming year.

JACK ELKINS

617 D Avenue. Phone 505.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Gratefully we acknowledge that through your loyalty we have progressed during the past year. So we have reserved our best wish for you, our customer and friend.

MAY GOOD THINGS COME TO YOU AT THIS CHRISTMAS AND DURING 1942

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\$6.00 Permanent Wave	\$4.00
\$5.00 Permanent Wave	\$3.00
\$4.00 Permanent Wave	\$2.50
Shampoo, Set and Plain Manicure	85c
Ladies—With each \$4.00 Permanent Wave a Complete 50c Manicure will be Given FREE.	

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GREETINGS

Christmas is a time of unselfishness, contentment and time of cheer. May these ideals be before you at this holiday season and throughout the New Year. We appreciate the patronage our friends have given us and shall strive to serve you even better during 1942.

Laguna Cigar Store

Lloyd La Roque, Prop.

Dr. W. I. Ghormley Optometrist

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Half Texas' 6,500,000 Citizens Depend Upon Cotton for an Income

AUSTIN, Dec. 24.—Gen. Sam Houston's "victorious sword of San Jacinto" as represented in the state capitol statue of the great hero is a wooden one. The statue of Houston and a companion one of Stephen F. Austin are the work of Elisabet Ney, noted sculptress who lived in Texas in the latter part of the nineteenth century. The wooden weapon is not the fault of the sculptress. When the figure was carved, Houston's sword and scabbard were hewn out of marble. But one day a Texas senator, came in hand, was pointing out the sights of the capitol to some visiting constituents. As he pointed to the Houston statue his cane hit the scabbarded sword and snapped it off just below the hilt. A capitol carpenter

carved a wooden replica which has been tinted to represent marble. It might surprise visitors, too, to know that the covering of the capitol's huge dome is not stone but painted and sanded sheet metal.

The Texas state treasury, which this week was able for the first time since 1929 to meet payments of Confederate pensions from current pension funds, will get out of another difficult financial situation next September. Then, for the last time, part of the general revenue income will be set aside to pay off the "bread bonds" issued by the state at the time of the 1929 depression. The retirement of the "bread bonds" will help the state general revenue fund to get out of its deficit, slow-

ly. The attempted aid in this direction by the last legislature will be practically nil. While the new omnibus tax bill increased income of the general revenue fund about \$5,000,000 a year, an increase in appropriations payable out of that fund also totals about \$5,000,000 a year. The Texas Constitution provides a levy of seven cents tax on \$100 of assessed property to pay Confederate pensions. Although the tax is in the state constitution it is a permissive tax and future sessions of the state legislature may reduce the rate. Since the present seven cents levy has not only been meeting current payments but in recent years has wiped out a deficit that at one time ran to nearly \$5,000,000, there is every expectation that the next (48th) Texas legislature will



DISASTER UNIT—Designed as a catastrophe unit, this large, mobile ambulance (left), is most modern and mobile medical unit ever constructed. It carries five doctors, six nurses and can cope with 100 minor cases and 4 major operations. It's also complete with short wave radio, fire fighting equipment, acetylene torches and can serve as a mobile army hospital.

MOTHER OF TEXAS U. PRESIDENT PASSES AWAY.

ELIASVILLE, Dec. 24.—Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon for Mrs. E. L. Rainey, 71, pioneer resident of Eliasville and mother of Dr. Homer P. Rainey, president of the University of Texas, who died at her home Tuesday. The Rev. J. L. Roden, pastor of the Baptist church and the Rev. Thomas W. Curry, Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian church, officiated. At the bedside of Mrs. Rainey when she passed away were her husband, two sons, Dr. Rainey and Guy C. Rainey, South Texas oil operator; a daughter, Mrs. L. L. Cook, and their families and a brother and sister, J. L. Price and Mrs. I. H. Ardis, Mr. and Mrs. Rainey settled on the Clear Fork of the Brazos river two miles west of here in 1898, moving from Clarksville in Red River county. Born in Topelo, Miss., Sept. 28, 1870, Mrs. Rainey, the former Miss Jennie Price, was married in Clarksville Jan. 23, 1895.

Bud, if you allow someone else in the store or factory to do your work the first thing you know somebody will take your place on the payroll.

GREETINGS



Another Christmas is here and with it our opportunity to knock at your door this Christmas Day and wish for you a Very Merry Christmas and enough joy to last through the year.

**HOTEL LAGUNA
AND STAFF**

LUCK TO YOU IN 1942

We look back over the past year and realize that it has been a good year because our friends have been kind and loyal. So, for the New Year, we hope Lady Luck will be kind to our friends that they may enjoy Health, Happiness and Security.

MAY 1942 BRING US TOGETHER MORE OFTEN IN FRIENDLY ASSOCIATION.

**MAGNOLIA MOBILGAS
J. B. PRATT**

PLEASE ACCEPT this little Greeting as evidence of our appreciation of your past favors and our Wish for your future success.

BUSINESS IS NOT JUST BUSINESS, NO. IT'S SOMETHING MORE—IT'S CONFIDENCE AND TRUST IN FRIENDS, THEY SERVE US AND WE SERVE THEM; TOGETHER WE SERVE THE WORLD. AND THERE'S NO QUESTION BUT THAT HE WHO SERVES BEST WILL PROFIT MOST.

**THORNTON FEED MILL
CISCO TEXAS**

reduce the levy. Whether it will be reduced to a rate to meet pension payments on present basis or whether the grants will be increased and the regulations changed so that additional windows may be added, will be a problem for the legislators to decide.

The Statewide Cotton committee in its campaign to popularize use of cotton products in homes throughout Texas and the nation. The average Texan probably would be surprised to find how important cotton is to him. Burris C. Jackson of Hillsboro, chairman of the committee, pointed out at a recent "cotton" Christmas tree observance at the state capitol that more than one-half of Texas' 6,500,000 citizens depend directly upon cotton for income. One-fifth of the nation's cotton is grown in this state, and 90 per cent of the Texas-grown cotton was exported before the war. In 1936, exports totaled 6,000,000 bales, but in 1940 the foreign market bought less than 1,000,000 bales. That, of course, seriously affected the market for Texas cotton. Cotton warehouses are bulging with bales stored under the government loan program. Summing up the situation, Jackson remarked that Texans will have to quit growing cotton or find something to do with it. Texans are going ahead in a business-like manner to "find something to do with it" while turning part of the former cotton acreage over to other crops. The war undoubtedly will give cotton a boost, for silk produced in Japan will be unavailable—even if Texans wanted to buy any—and wool and sheepskins will be in greater demand for military uses. Gov. Coke Stevenson said that Americans could use 300,000 bales of cotton a year just by wearing cotton stockings, which now are available in much more attractive weights and designs than they were during the last war. Stevenson expressed hope that Texans' Christmas purchases would absorb 500,000 bales of cotton. The mattress-making program of Texas A. and M. college extension service has brought 1,500,000 new mattresses to Texas farm homes. For cotton, the war may prove an economic blessing. A research program to find new uses for the fiber and the seed already was in progress, but war probably will bring about much more rapid development.

The display of Texas-made products from cotton at the capitol Christmas tree was amazing. Even the open bolls, hung from the evergreen, made attractive decorations. Cotton paper and cotton-made cellophane were used in the wrapping. A tasty cookie made from cottonseed meal flour, high in protein and calories, was served to the guests. A cake made from the flour was given to Gov. and Mrs. Stevenson. The cotton

included dolls and overalls, bright piece-goods and luncheon sets, salad oil and plastic trays, dainty rayon jackets and sturdy cotton batting. The cottonseed, which Mississippi by statute once ordered burned as a nuisance, is now a \$150,000,000 a year product. The seed in a bale of cotton today is worth more than the lint was worth eight years ago. Cotton experts who assembled in Austin foresee a great future for the cottonseed flour that first was produced commercially in Texas by T. J. Harrell, a former mayor of Fort Worth.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy four years old. Please bring me a little truck, tent, chewing gum, candy and a football. Remember my brother, Edgar, and all the little boys and girls. I'm a big boy. Love: CARLOS HICKMAN.

Poor father used to hear that the unexpected always happens, and he wishes it would hurry and happen to him.

TO ALL OF YOU--

WE WISH THE MERRIEST CHRISTMAS YOU HAVE EXPERIENCED AND MAY THE NEW YEAR BE GRACIOUS TO YOU

We would feel ungrateful if we did not accept this opportunity of thanking you for your kindness to us and your patronage during the past year. It is our pleasure to serve you.

The Man's Store
NICK MILLER



GREETINGS TO OUR



Friends and Patrons

We would like so much to have a part in making your Christmas brighter and happier. The good things of life are the beauties of nature around us and the golden opportunities for serving others. If we can, in a small way, help you to realize this and to forget the cares of everyday life then we would know we had added something to your store of Christmas joys.

We are grateful for your friendship and what it has meant to us personally.

We thank you for your patronage and extend an invitation to visit us and give us the pleasure of serving you.

A-G Motor Company

BARGAIN IN CISCO HOME

On account of owner leaving town, a splendid five-room bungalow in excellent condition is offered at a bargain for this week.

E. P. CRAWFORD AGENCY

Phone 453 108 W. Eighth St.

FBI Conducting 6-day Training Course for Police

COURSE COVERS A WIDE RANGE OF SUBJECTS AND PRIMARILY IS FOR SUBORDINATE OFFICERS

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is conducting a Six-Day Course of Training for Police Work in Emergencies, according to A. P. Kitchin, Special Agent in Charge of the Dallas Division of the FBI.

The project will be completed for all officers in the northern part of Texas by January 17, 1942.

Schools remaining to be held are as follows:

January 5 to 10, inclusive, Wichita Falls.

January 12 to 17, inclusive, Amarillo.

January 12 to 17, inclusive, Lubbock.

January 12 to 17, inclusive, San Angelo.

January 12 to 17, inclusive, Texarkana, (including Texarkana, Arkansas).

January 12 to 17, inclusive, Tyler.

The Six-Day Course of Training in Emergency Police Work follows a two-day course for police executives, sheriffs, and executive agencies of other law enforcement agencies which was held at the headquarters of the FBI in Dallas on October 27 and 28, 1941.



FIGHTING FILIPINO—Capt. Jesus Villamor, of Philippine Army Air Corps, is being acclaimed by populace after leading flight of six defending planes into combat with 54 Jap craft. They downed several enemy ships and lost but one plane in a furious aerial melee when Japs launched their "sneak" raid.

rated at a maximum speed of twenty miles per hour, each unit being separated by a distance of at least twice the length of each unit and with not more than fifty units in a single convoy or serial. Higher speeds and larger convoys were found to produce a number of accidents.

Instruction in police control during blackouts will be furnished with training given in the supervision of a compliance with blackout regulations involving the amount of illumination permissible on passenger automobiles, busses, service vehicles, street lights, and similar sources of illumination.

Police duties in connection with the handling of unexploded bombs will be a subject for discussion. Studies made by representatives of the FBI in England during bombing attacks will be available to the police officers of the nation.

The duties of the police in the evacuation of civilian population and the prevention of looting in areas where unexploded bombs fall will form the basis for a portion of the course.

You are fortunate if you can make only poor excuses. If you know how to make good ones you may depend on them too much.

IF FULLY REVEALED, STORY OF STATE-OWNED AUTO TIRES BE OF INTEREST TO TAXPAYERS

AUSTIN, Dec. 24—An audit of the state bureau of labor statistics, filed with Gov. Coke R. Stevenson, contains a saga of five automobile tires.

The tires were purchased Aug. 1, 1941, according to the auditor's report. In taking physical inventory, the auditor's staff could not locate the tires either on state-owned automobiles belonging to the bureau or in storage.

The absence of the tires was reported to Labor Commissioner John D. Reed on Nov. 25, 1941. Auditor Buford D. Battle said: "The report continues:

"On Dec. 4, 1941, the commissioner informed us that he would have the tires for inspection on Dec. 6, but on Dec. 5 he called and said that the tires were then in a storeroom in the labor department. The auditor had in-

ventoried electric fans in this same storeroom previously and the tires were not there at that time.

"On Dec. 5, the commissioner was questioned as to the location of the tires in question prior to inspection by us. He refused to reveal the prior location of the tires and stated that we might just say they were 'misplaced.' When asked where they were when found, he said that they were in another storeroom but he refused to reveal where the storeroom was located and also to explain why it was necessary to move the tires

before allowing us to inspect them. It takes a sight more courage to go backwards than it does forward sometimes.

"The original wrappings were on the tires submitted for our inspection on Dec. 5, although the purchase being investigated was made on Aug. 1, 1941."

May Happiness, Peace and Contentment Be Yours at This Yuletide Season

We feel that this is the proper time to express to our friends, appreciation for their loyal patronage.

McCall's Sanitary Cleaners

SINCE 1909

**MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR**



May You Receive Your Just Share of Happiness Through the Days of the Yuletide Season and During the Entire New Year Ahead.

Why do we say happiness? Because we feel it is the keynote to a successful life. Since it is so important we stress that note particularly.

It is always our pleasure to serve your needs, so feel free to call upon us at any time. You have been very kind and considerate of our business in the past and we want you to know we appreciate it.

LEACH STORES, INC.

GREETINGS FROM US TO YOU

Our personnel wishes for you a very Joyous Christmas Day in which Merriment and Contentment abound.

Then, may the New Year challenge you to renewed effort to meet life determined to make the most of every day.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

E. P. CRAWFORD AGENCY

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CATHERINE CUNNINGHAM



We're sorry
Many Christmas Long Distance calls will be delayed

We simply do not have enough long distance lines to handle at a moment's notice all the calls that flood our offices after important war broadcasts, and after 7 p.m. on almost any evening nowadays.

It is as if thousands of citizens in every community appeared at the railroad station at the same hour, hoping to catch the same train.

Even before the outbreak of war we had foreseen that delays inevitably would occur on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Now it appears the volume of calls will be even heavier than we had anticipated.

We have done and are doing all we can to make ready for these big rushes, but they are setting all-time records. Thousands of conversations vital to the Army and Navy—vital to the defense of this nation—go over the telephone lines each day, each night. Some of them may delay your calls. We are sure you understand. We appreciate your co-operation, your patience.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

A suggestion: If you will call by number whenever possible and try not to talk too long, you will help to ease the delay periods for yourself and for others.

NEIL LANE FUNERAL HOME

300 W. 9th Street—CISCO—Phone 167

In the Service of Others

**For You--And Yours
A Merry Wish
For Christmas**

We fear that our words may sound a bit old fashioned as they've been used so often before, but they express exactly what we mean. In all sincerity, we say—

May Your Christmas Be One of Mirth and Good Cheer and Enough Happiness to Last Through the New Year.

NANCE MOTOR CO.

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HURRY... Order Now... Supply is Limited!

Thrilling gifts for family and friends! These big-value Philco models are the season's favorites! Come in... make your selection now... while they last!



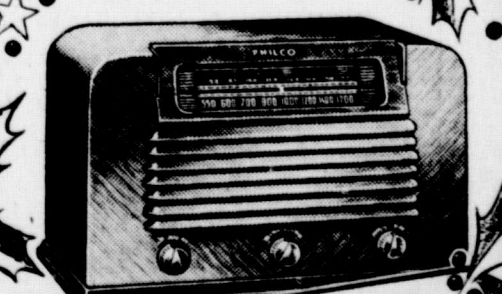
ELECTRIC PUSH-BUTTON TUNING
6-Tube AC-DC Double I.F. Circuit, Built-In Super Aerial System, Electric Push-Button Tuning, Walnut cabinet.
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Powerful 6-inch Oval Speaker, Beam Power Output, Built-In Loop Aerial, Beautifully designed Walnut cabinet.
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Powerful 5-Tube AC-DC Superheterodyne, Built-In Loop Aerial, High-Output Speaker, Walnut cabinet of new, attractive design.
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NEW SHORT-WAVE VALVE
6-Tube AC-DC Superheterodyne with R.F. Stage, Philco Built-In Super Aerial System, Short-Wave reception, Walnut cabinet.
EASY PAYMENT TERMS

SCHAEFER'S RADIO SHOP

705 D Avenue.

Phone 209.

Bill Latch, Cisco Boy, Was In Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7; Parents Get Welcome Letter

From somewhere on the Pacific waters there came an air mail letter Monday to the W. Z. Latch family which Mrs. Latch declares "is the best Christmas in the world."

The letter was from Bill Latch, Cisco boy, who was in Pearl Harbor on December 7, and it was the first authentic information the parents had had from him since that "day of infamy."

The letter was written on December 12, and says, in part: "Just a few lines to let you know that I am fine and for you not to worry about me. Things are well under control and we are going to win. I am proud to be a member of an organization that has conducted itself in as soldierly and heroic fashion as ours has."

"The censorship here is very strict and for me to receive your letters now you will have to write me as: Bill Latch (don't put my rank), 6th division, USS. Helena, care postoffice, San Francisco, Calif."

"Mother, you will never know how much your last letter meant to me and how much I love you. I'm trying to say it by being the type of son you want me to be. The long-foreseen war is upon us and the things we have all dreamed of must be put off awhile, but faith and justice will always triumph and then our dreams will be all the more beautiful for having had to work and sacrifice so much for them."

"Our morale is fine and we have no cowards. I have heard Dad quote a famous general as saying 'Wait until you know you are right, then go ahead.' Now we know the problems that face us and know we are right, so we are going to conquer because God is a God of justice. Therefore, we will not fail."

"I cannot send any package for Christmas, but I wish all of you the happiest Christmas you have ever had. All the men wish they could be at home for Christmas, but Uncle Sam needs us for Santa Claus in the Pacific."

"Always your loving son, 'BILL LATCH.' 'You keep the faith, We'll fight the fight.' Try the Classified Ads."

Chickens - Turkeys
STAR SULPHUROUS C O M-
POUND given in drinking or feed, destroys in the germ period—in-
testinal germs and worms that
cause most all diseases and loss
in egg production. Also rids them
of blood-sucking lice, mites, fleas
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DESEMONA

Billy and Nancy Gray of Clyde are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Baker and daughter, Betty. Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Baker are twin sisters.

Carl Webb and Van Howard of Lubbock, who are oil operators, have been here on business this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arnold and son Paul left early Monday for Houston where they will spend the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. Frank Leazer, and family and their other daughter, Miss Joie Arnold.

On Monday the following Desemona people were shopping in Ranger: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kirk and her mother, who were accompanied by Mrs. Grace Bray, Mrs. Lee Dabney and Miss Yvonne Dabney; Mr. and Mrs. Atlas Griffith; Mrs. Tom Alread and Wynon and Bob Alread and Mrs. Ramon Jones; Mrs. Hugh Abel and daughter, Helen, and Mrs. W. H. Powers; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Adams, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gee.

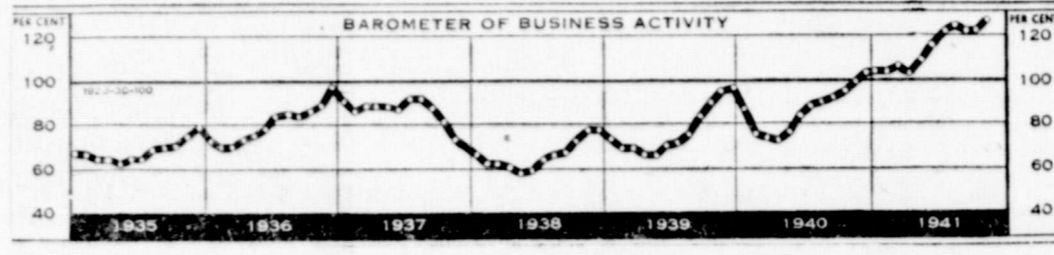
Mrs. Charles McFatter was hostess Wednesday afternoon for the W. M. U. of the Baptist church. After a Royal Service program had been conducted by Mrs. Gordon Tate, the hostess served delicious doughnuts and coffee. Gifts were then distributed from a beautifully decorated tree.

The magnolia tree—the only one in town—at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bruce, attracts a great deal of attention from people going to or coming from Gorman, Ranger and Eastland at night as it is illuminated with many colored lights.

On Tuesday night of last week, after the regular meeting of the Eastern Star chapter, gifts were distributed from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree in a corner of the lodge hall. The members then went into the dining room where the long table with its snowy white cloth was a sight to delight the eyes as there was a centerpiece that tapered almost to the ends of the table, the main part being of real holly, pine cones



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and large gilded acorns and small cone-shaped light bulbs of several colors and two candelabra with tall tapers near the center of the table. Plate favors were small Christmas trees, etc., on candy. The menu consisted of sandwiches, potato chips, pickles, cake and coffee. Those in charge of the decorating and serving were the worthy matron, Mrs. Bill Parks, assisted by Mrs. A. D. Baker and Mrs. J. H. Jackson.

Boys and girls who are home from college for the holidays are Tommy Ervin, Earl Parks, Jack Powers and Miss Doris Pearl Miles, from John Tarleton college at Stephenville; Miss Colleen McKain from the College of Industrial Arts, and Miss Mary Alice Brown from the Texas State College for Women, both colleges at Denton.

C. A. Skipping and family spent the week-end at Sipe Springs. Rev. Orville Richardson and his step-mother, Mrs. J. T. Richardson, left on Tuesday of last week for their new home at Hartley, near Amarillo, where he will be pastor of the Baptist church and will have a full-time church. During his pastorate here he did a splendid work and made many friends but the work here was just for two Sundays each month. The good wishes of our community go with him to his new work.

Miss Mignon Whitworth, who teaches at Dimmitt, is spending this week with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Whitworth, and her sister, Miss Valla Whitworth.

The Twenty-one Study club met Tuesday of last week at the club house and had the Bible day program and the Christmas party. During the business session the club voted to cooperate in every way possible with the Red Cross and in the registration of women for various kinds of work. Mrs. Howard Williams, Mrs. C. A. Skipping and Mrs. Charles Lee were appointed to have charge of the work and Mrs. Nina Dutton was named to assist at the school. The program was led by Mrs. Charles Lee, who read the beautiful story by O. Henry entitled "The Gift of the Magi." Others on the program were Mrs. J. E. Heeter, who read the story of the birth of Christ, and Mrs. A. R. Hickey, who conducted the "Time" quiz. Hostesses were Mrs. L. F. Rogers and Mrs. W. C. Bedford, who served mince pie with whipped cream and coffee. Candy candlesticks were favors. Gifts were exchanged from a nicely decorated tree. Others besides those mentioned who were present were Mesdames C. E. McFatter, C. A. Skipping, Howard Williams, Nina Dutton, John Ar-

nold, W. H. Davis, S. E. Snodgrass and Miss Della Wall.

Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins of Eastland was here Wednesday in the interest of the new drive for Red Cross funds. She is in charge of the work in this county. Mr. Perkins came with her.

L. F. Rogers went to Eastland on Tuesday of last week to take his son, Teddy Bill, who thought he might have to go to Ft. Worth to join the army, but found he would not have to go until January 7.

On Monday afternoon Mrs. Charles Lee entertained members of the Women's Society of Christian Service with a Christmas party. Many contests and riddles were enjoyed, after which the hostess served candlestick salad on lettuce with cookies and coffee. Then followed the gift exchange from the beautifully decorated tree. Each gift had a slip of paper on which was a part of a scripture verse and the one having the matching part received the gift. The most unusual gift was for Rev. H. B. Clark, a guest, who received what looked like a two-foot stick of red striped candy but proved to be a round tube packed with eggs. The society's gift to Mrs. Lee in appreciation for her several years of service as president was a quilted satin bath robe. Those present were Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Clark, Miss Olga Smith, Miss Mollie O'Rear, Mrs. S. E. Snodgrass, Mrs. Claud Pair, Mrs. Bell Smith, Mrs. Albert Duke and Mrs. W. C. Bedford and the hostess.

Remember the basket ball tournament, January 2 and 3.

GET FARMING MACHINERY IN CONDITION NOW

Get your farm machinery in A-1 condition now and be ready for next year's food production pledge. R. R. Bradshaw, chairman of the Eastland county USDA Defense board, said this week.

"Getting farm machinery in good condition now will be a safeguard against unnecessary delays and breakdown of machinery during the busy farming season," Mr. Bradshaw said in pointing out that defense production will probably overload railroads, truck lines, express companies and parcel post system next spring.

OPM has asked for a drastic reduction of steel for civilian needs because of the unprecedented quantities needed in the manufacture of guns, planes, tanks and bombers. Sufficient steel has been set aside for repair parts of farm machinery, the chairman explained.

All farmers of Eastland county are asked to check their machinery and order all necessary parts by January 1. By this method, manufacturers will have a sound, practical idea of the quantities needed for repair parts.

If parts are not available, farmers should notify the county defense board, he said.

The more a man knows about big subjects, the less he has to say.

NEW HOSPITAL UNIT.

AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—Regents of the University of Texas have authorized the medical branch to apply for a surgical hospital unit in the war department. It was announced Tuesday. The unit, to be known as the 30th Surgical hospital, if approved by the adjutant general, will be composed of members of the medical faculty of the university. However, most of the personnel will be made up of men

not now on the faculty, but who will be given faculty status without pay for the period of their service. They will be recruited from organized medicine forces throughout Texas. Army regulations require that members of such units have medical school affiliations. Members will be subject to early call.

Real, sure enough big men never wear a label to tell they are big men.

HERE IS OUR MESSAGE FOR OUR FRIENDS AT CHRISTMAS

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE PRIVILEGE WE HAVE HAD OF SERVING YOU DURING 1941

We look forward with optimism for a wonderful year filled with success for all our friends and customers.

BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

MODERN WAY GROCERY
J. H. LATSON, JR.

The Very Best Is Wished You Here For Christmas and the Coming Year

During the years we have brought our greetings at Christmas we have always desired the best for you and this year is no exception. With more warmth, if possible, we extend the Season's Greetings.

C. L. WILSON, Conoco Agent
Cisco, Texas. Telephone 543

MAY WE COME IN ?
Thank you. We just couldn't pass up this opportunity to step into the warmth and cheerfulness of your home on this Christmas and extend our Greetings to you and yours.
May Your Christmas be one of Joy and your New Year Filled With Happiness
J. A. JENSEN JEWELRY

A Christmas Wish Just For YOU
To you our loyal friend and patron we send greetings. You have stood by us so graciously in the past we would feel we had failed miserably if we did not take advantage of this opportunity of thanking you. May Happiness and Success be yours during Christmas and the New Year.
DRUMWRIGHT'S, INC.

JOY AT CHRISTMAS PROSPERITY FOR THE NEW YEAR
May Christmas Day be a day of merriment and the days of the New Year ahead be filled with Happiness and Success.
We Invite All Our Friends Both Old and New to Visit Us During 1942.
PALACE THEATER

MERRY CHRISTMAS
Our Best Wishes To You During This Holiday Season.
Mr. and Mrs. R. V. (Rip) **GALLOWAY**

HEARTY GREETINGS TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS!
May your Christmas Day be a Glorious One and May Blessings continue throughout the New Year.
DUNN'S PRODUCE & HATCHERY

MAY CHRISTMAS CHEER AND NEW YEAR HAPPINESS BE YOURS
If this Christmas brings Contentment and Peace to your heart, then our wish for you will have been fulfilled.
WE SINCERELY APPRECIATE YOUR FRIENDSHIP
Western Auto Associate Store
PAUL M. CULP, Prop.

In A Friendly Way
Remembering the spirit of Christmas and how it has brought abundant happiness to people during the years past, we want to greet you and wish for you:
"Good Cheer for the Yuletide and a New Year of Joy and Peace"
We appreciate your friendly attitude toward our business and hope you will give us the opportunity to serve you during 1942
MOORE DRUG CO.
NYAL DRUG SERVICE. Phone 99.

NAVY WANTS MEN FOR CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT AT PEARL HARBOR; INFORMATION AT CISCO P. O.

The U. S. Civil Service commission with the navy department is making a concerted effort to secure applications for civilian employment with the navy department at the U. S. Navy Yard, Pearl Harbor, T. H.

Workers are needed at the Pearl Harbor navy yard in the following categories:

- Boilermaker; copper smith; crane man; electric; driller; pneumatic; electrician; ship and shop; gas cutter and burner; instrument maker; pattern maker; pipe cutter and insulator; pipe fitter; radio mechanic; rigger; sheet metal worker; ship fitter; boiler maker helper; pipe fitter helper; electrician helper; machinist helper; rigger helper; sheet metal worker helper; ship fitter helper.

The need for qualified persons

in the positions listed above is extremely urgent at this time, particularly in view of recent developments. The Civil Service commission has recruiting representatives at various localities throughout the country who may be contacted with reference to these positions. Persons qualified who are interested in assisting with the defense program by accepting employment at the Pearl Harbor Navy Yard and who cannot get in contact with any of the commission's employes may secure information concerning these positions by contacting the Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners at any first or second-class post office.

The direct representative of the civil service commission in this locality may be found at the Cisco postoffice.

Complete information may be secured either from him or from the secretary of the board of examiners at the postoffice.

There is an urgent need for these employes at this time. Qualified persons must be found immediately.

Transportation of persons found qualified and selected for appointment will be furnished by the navy department from the appointee's home to the Pearl Harbor navy yard.

Qualified persons are urged to contact the commission's representative or to submit their application for one of these positions to the Manager of the Tenth U. S. Civil Service District, Customhouse, New Orleans, La.

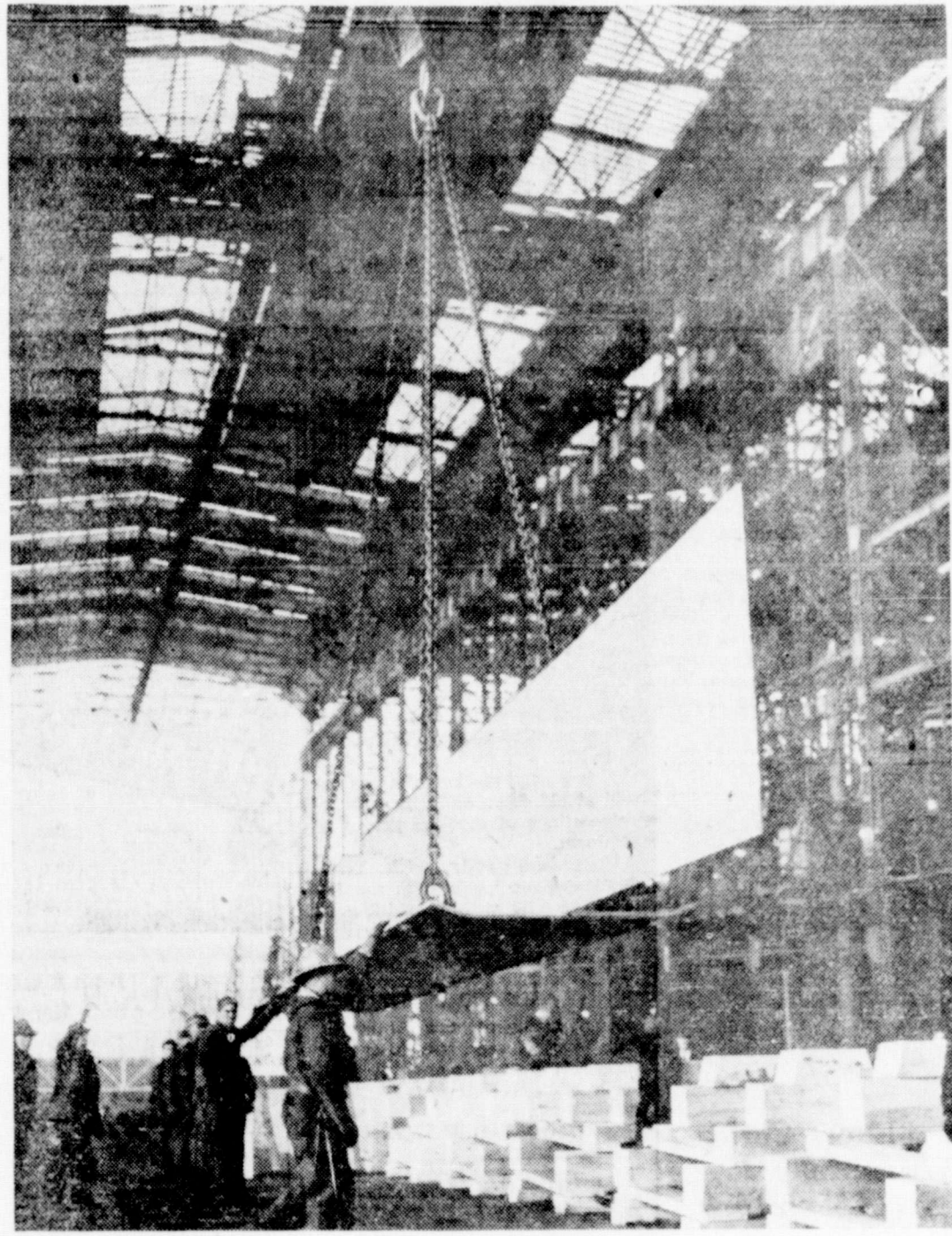
CURTIS

The continued clear weather and the near approach of the nativity season indicates prospects for fair Christmas holidays, following a few days of dismal rainy and cloudy days.

We are glad to report the improvement of J. W. Brawley, who has been quite ill with flu for a few days.

Sammy Tyler of Pioneer spent Tuesday night with Fay Dean Vowell.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Vowell and



NEXT—As the 10,000-ton U.S.S. Columbia, a cruiser, was launched at Camden, N. J., shipyard, workmen start immediately on the next set of blueprints which will evolve into another and larger cruiser, the U.S.S. Alaska. Here the keel is lowered into place. Specifications were secret.

Frank Marsh were business visitors in Cisco Wednesday.

Peggy Fenwick of Pioneer spent Thursday with Burline Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Vowell and children, Fay Dean and Alfred, and Mr. and Mrs. John McFerrin were Christmas shoppers in Rising Star Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Pierce and daughter, Burline, were Christmas shopping in Cisco Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Notgrass and

children spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Pierce.

W. D. Brecheen and sons, Billy and Roger, made a brief visit to the farm Sunday evening. They were accompanied home by Archie Joe Brawley for a short visit.

G. W. Hardin and Fred Seikman of Rising Star were visiting through this community Thursday.

Lewis Bradley spent the weekend with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. John McFerrin of

Nimrod spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Vowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brawley of Roscoe are spending their honeymoon during the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brawley.

Cousin Ben has all his property in his wife's name, as if anything belonged in the wife's name except his religion.

PROBATE CASES DISPOSED OF BY COUNTY COURT

The following probate matters were disposed of in county court:

In the matter of the estate of Peter L. Hoffman, deceased. Inventory approved as filed by J. H. Welch, H. L. McKibben and D. C. Stapleton, appraisers.

In the matter of the estate of Mrs. L. M. Wallace, deceased; inventory approved as filed by L. C. Underwood, Alvy Buchanan and J. Frank Dean, appraisers. M. Collier, administrator, subscribed to the oath of office.

T. E. Knight, guardian of Everett E. Harper, incompetent; application to renew note and extend loan. Approved and extension authorized.

In the matter of the estate of John W. Shannon, incompetent; petition for appointment of new guardian. It was shown that former guardian, L. C. Moore, was now deceased. It was the order of the court that Rex Moore

be issued letters of guardianship; he filed his bond in the sum of \$2,000, official oath administered and letters of guardianship issued. Inventory of estate approved as filed by Tom B. Stark, W. B. Statham and Charlie Yates. Petition of J. W. Couch for letters as temporary administrator of the estate of W. Couch, deceased, approved; bond filed and oath administered.

Don't try to get sympathy from other people. You give yourself more sympathy than you really need.

CARD OF THANKS. I take this means of thanking all the members of the First Methodist church for their nice remembrance at Christmas time. May God bless you all. MAGGIE HOOD.

To Our Friends Everywhere "MERRY CHRISTMAS"

MAY THIS DAY — CHRISTMAS, 1941 — BE LONG REMEMBERED AS A DAY OF HAPPINESS AND CHEER.

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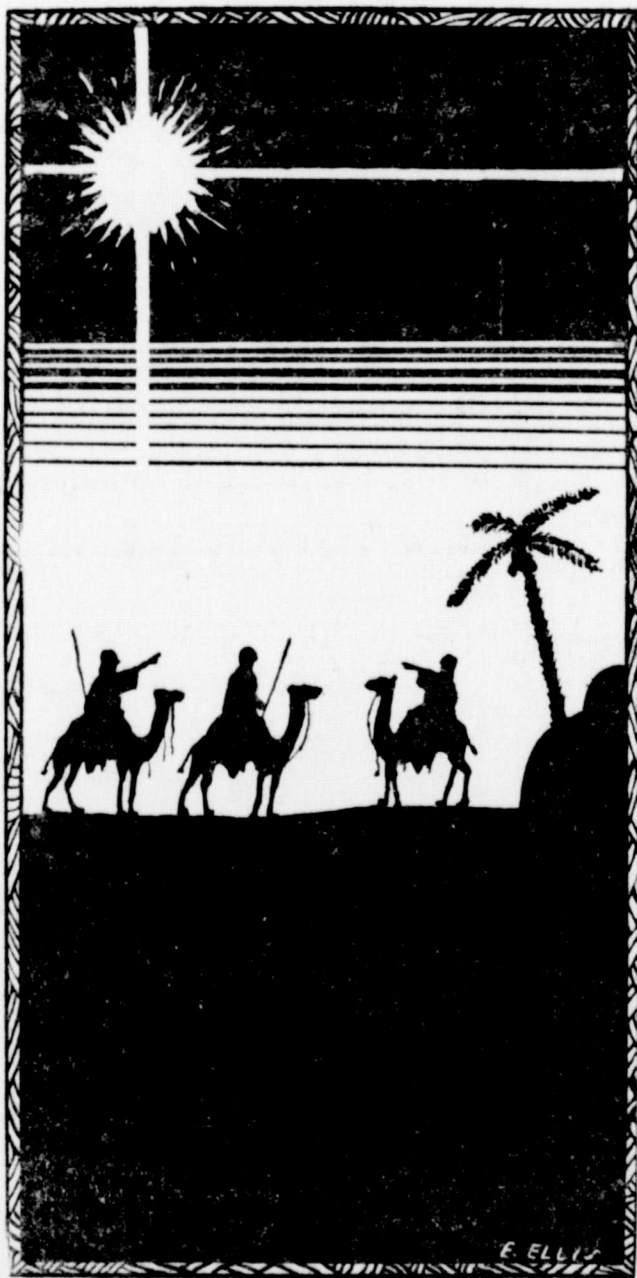
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The Christmas message has always been short but has more true meaning than any other given. With all the force of its meaning we give you our warmest greeting.

JOYOUS CHRISTMAS TO ALL

Dr. J. H. Swanson



As The Wise Men Came

They brought gifts of precious value to bestow their love and adoration. Though our gifts may not be of such material value, yet, the true meaning of Christmas is the value placed on the gift.

In our world today great value is placed on the kind thoughts and best wishes of our friends. We appreciate your friendship and trust that Joy and Happiness will be yours at Christmas and during the coming year.

We pledge our best efforts in serving you and you can expect courteous, efficient service at every visit.

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SOCIETY and CLUBS

Mrs. Ace Lucus Is Hostess to W. W. S. S. Class

The Willing Workers' class of the First Christian Sunday school was entertained in the home of Mrs. Ace Lucus on December 18 for their annual Christmas party.

The Christmas theme was carried out in appropriate decorations which were arranged artistically about the room.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the teacher, Mrs. J. F. Benedict, after which Mrs. Guy Ward, retiring president, was in charge of the business period when new officers were elected.

Officers chosen were president, Mrs. Claire Swartz; vice president, Mrs. Audrey Ezzell; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. I. A. Brunkenhoefer; reporter, Mrs. Guy Ward;

teacher, Mrs. J. F. Benedict; assistant teacher, Mrs. S. Mobley. A social hour followed during which refreshments were served to Mrs. J. F. Benedict, Mrs. Troy Powell, Mrs. Jas. Hatton, Mrs. Audrey Ezzell, Mrs. A. W. Triplett, Mrs. W. H. Clark, Mrs. I. A. Brunkenhoefer, Mrs. Guy Ward, Mrs. Claire Swartz, Mrs. W. M. Hickey, Misses Ethel Mae Wilson, Era Powell and Mrs. Lucus.

Alathean Class In Social Meet Tues. at Church

The Alathean class of the First Baptist Sunday school met for a Christmas social in the church parlors Tuesday afternoon. Gifts were emphasized in the decorations and appointments. Various indoor games entertained the group, the final game of the afternoon being "bingo." Prizes of whistles were given.

A lovely birthday cake topped with eight lighted candles, centered the dining table. Mrs. Porter was assisted in serving re-

freshments to the guests by her daughter, Mrs. E. G. Marsh, Jr., of Austin. Favours of "Santa" hoodies were given.

Philip Porter Complimented With Party

Complimenting her son, Philip Porter, on his eighth birthday, Mrs. J. J. Porter entertained a number of his friends Tuesday afternoon with a party. The colors of white, red and green were emphasized in the decorations and appointments. Various indoor games entertained the group, the final game of the afternoon being "bingo." Prizes of whistles were given.

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Gloria Henson Entertains SDC Club Saturday

Miss Gloria Henson was hostess Saturday afternoon to the regular meeting of the S. D. C. club. A Christmas motif was used in the decorations climaxed with a pretty Christmas tree. Business matters were discussed after which an exchange of Christmas presents.

Refreshments were served to the following members: Patsy Jim Putnam, Bonnie Jo Mapes, Helen Childers, Dorothy Jackson, Frances Hanrahan, Gene Grantham, Jeanette Myrick, the sponsor, Mrs. Yancy McCrea and the hostess, Gloria Henson.

CATTLE MARKET

Light supplies of cattle and calves that reached the Ft. Worth stock yards for Wednesday's trade cleared early at steady prices. Hogs sold about in line with Tuesday at a Wednesday top of \$10.85. The limited receipts sold steady.

Common to medium slaughter steers and yearlings ranged from \$7 to \$10.25 with one load of steers at \$10. Good fed steers and yearlings ranging from \$10.50 to \$11.25 included one load of steers at \$10.50 and two loads of yearlings at \$11.25.

Beef cows ranged from \$6.25 to \$7.50 and canners and cutters from \$4 to \$6. Hull prices ranged from 65 to 75.50.

Good fat slaughter calves sold at \$9 to \$10.50; plain and medium calves at \$7.25 to \$9; and culls at \$6 to \$7.

A few good stocker steer calves sold at \$11 down and a few stocker yearlings of medium grades at \$9 down.

Hogs were steady with Tuesday's average levels with the top of \$10.85 paid for bulk of the good

and choice 180 to 230-pound butchers while good 150 to 175-pound averages ranged from \$10 to \$10.75. Most packing sows sold at \$9.50 to \$9.75 with a few at \$10. Stocker pigs brought \$9 down.

The market was steady on all sheep offered. A deck of 65-pound choice clipped lambs brought \$10.25. The Ft. Worth livestock market will be closed Thursday for Christmas but will operate as usual on Friday and Saturday.

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95 JEWS EXECUTED.

BERN, Switzerland, Dec. 24.—The Paris correspondent of the

Bern newspaper La Suisse said Wednesday that 95 Jews held by Nazi authorities for attacks on Germans have been executed and that five others were freed on grounds that they had committed no offense.

Son, there is one person you must keep faith with at any cost and it's the fellow you see in the looking glass.

Alcohol was distilled first in Arabia—which had nothing to do with the famous Arabian Nights.

PALACE Christmas Day

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THE SPARKLE IN CHRISTMAS



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