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## BOYS RUNNER-UP IN CAGE TOURNAMENT AT BALMORHEA; GIRLS LOSE SECOND TILT

The Sanderson Eagles boys cage were runners-up in a tournament in Balmorhea last week-end. The girls won one and lost one.

In the first game for the boys they beat Fort Davis 46-28 with Luis Cobos scoring 18 points and Eggleston scoring 8.

They also won over Balmorhea in the second game by a score of 34-26 with Cobos scoring 20 points

and McDonald scoring 7.

Van Horn won in the finals by 366-23 with Cobos scoring 12.

Cobos and McDonald were named to the all-tournament team.

The girls won from Pyote by 1 point in their opener and lost to Balmorhea by a score of 52-32 in the second game, eliminating them from further tournament competition.



**JAMES CAROLINE**  
New C of C head

James Caroline, local manager of Community Public Service Co., was named president of Terrell County Chamber of Commerce at a meeting of the directors Monday night. He succeeds Clyde Griffith who served in that capacity for two years.

## Fat Stock Show To Be Saturday, January 14

Adult leaders and members of the Terrell County chapter of Future Farmers of America held a meeting this week to make final plans for the annual Fat Stock Show.

The show will be held on Saturday, January 14, in the Sanderson Wool Commission warehouse. The cash prizes offered will amount to \$180, according to Gene Nelson, vocational agriculture teacher in the Sanderson High School.

The members of the chapter have 100 lambs on feed and the open show is expected to attract 150 lambs, Nelson stated.

## GROUP FROM SEVEN COUNTIES MEET FOR EXPEDITING DIABLO DAM CONSTRUCTION

County Judge R. S. Wilkinson, C. C. Mitchell, G. K. Mitchell N. M. Mitchell and Clyde Griffith represented Terrell County in a meeting in Del Rio Wednesday of last week where delegations from

seven counties of the area assembled to discuss means of expediting the construction of Diablo Dam near Del Rio.

The meeting was held in McFarland's Cafe in the border city. Roger Wheeler, manager of the Del Rio Chamber of Commerce, and J. A. Slaughter, president of the chamber, met the delegates from the various towns, and H. M. Pettit, C of C Diablo Dam committee chairman, presided at the meeting.

## J. A. Gilbreath Named District Deputy To AF&AM Grand Master

J. A. Gilbreath was named district deputy grand master of the 58th Masonic District of the Grand Lodge of Texas, AF&AM, W. W. Booth of Paris, Texas, is the Grand Master of the Texas Masonic bodies.

The 58th Masonic District is composed of the lodges in Sanderson and Alpine.

The appointment was made at the Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of Texas in Waco last week.

Gilbreath is a past master of the Sanderson Masonic Lodge.

## S. L. Stumberg Receives Award At TS&GRA Meet

S. L. (Steve) Stumberg, Sr., of Sanderson, was presented the G. F. Swift Centennial Founder's Award in a surprise ceremony Wednesday, December 7, in Fort Worth. The award was made during the annual convention of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association at Fort Worth. Members of the association had selected Stumberg to receive the award which was presented by E. M. Justus, manager of Swift & Co. at Fort Worth.

The award is being given this year to livestock producers who have made outstanding contributions to the livestock and meat industry. It is being presented during this Centennial year to commemorate G. F. Swift's start in the meat packing industry.

Justus pointed out the long and faithful service Stumberg has given to both the Texas sheep and goat industry and the national wool industry.

Stumberg is a past president of the association, and has served as a director for many years. He has also served as director for the American Wool Council and later of the Wool Bureau, Inc. He was elected chairman of the Board of Directors of the Wool Bureau this year.

## Three-Fourths Of '55 Taxes Are Now Paid

Terrell County tax payers have continued to take advantage of the discounts offered for the payment of taxes during the last three months of the year, paying over three-fourths of the annual tax bill to date.

The total amount of school, county and state taxes payable was \$120,263.36. Up to December 1, \$91,141.55 had been paid. Through the month of December, a discount of 1 per cent is allowed. After that all taxes become due and payable by February 1.

Poll tax payments are slow with only 182 polls paid to date. The poll taxes must be paid by February 1 if a person expects to vote in any Texas election next year.

## Benefit Cage Games To Be Played Friday

There will be two benefit basketball games in the local gym on Friday night. The first game will get under way at 7:00 p. m.

The proceeds from the games will go toward purchasing mats to be placed under the goals to protect the players who go in for fast crisp shots and are often injured by bumping into the walls.

The second game will be between male faculty members and the Eagle boys' team.

Admission will be 50c for adults and 25c for children.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Then went king David in, and sat before the Lord, and he said Who am I, O Lord God?" 2 Samuel 7:18.

In his our life of constant hurry, let's not forget that we must as David come apart and make ourselves available to God's instruction and will. And when we do, like David, we will wonder just who we are, that we have found freedom in neglecting Him and His work. Back to God and the Bible.—H. B. Dean.

## Band To Present Christmas Concert

The Sanderson High School Band will give its annual Christmas concert in the high school auditorium on Tuesday, December 20, at 7:30 p. m. Prices for admission will be 25c for students and 50c for adults.

A wide variety of Christmas music will be played by the band and will include "Sleigh Ride", "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer", "White Christmas", and two selections with narrators, "Twas the Night Before Christmas", and "The Christmas Story".

Charles Matney is the band director.

## JACK LAUGHLIN TO FATHER'S BEDSIDE

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Laughlin went to Goldthwaite Saturday to be with his father, W. W. Laughlin, who had surgery Monday for the relief of a gall bladder ailment. Mr. Laughlin is in the San Saba hospital in San Saba and his condition is reported to be satisfactory. The Laughlins returned home Tuesday.

## Caroline Named C of C President

James Caroline, local manager of the Community Public Service Co., was named president of the Terrell County Chamber of Commerce at a meeting of the directors here Monday night. He will assume his duties January 1.

Caroline will succeed Clyde Griffith who has served as president of the organization for two years since its beginning. Other officers named were Ray Hodgkins, secretary-manager; R. S. Wilkinson, treasurer; Dudley Harrison, 1st vice-president and Julian Perez, 2nd vice-president.

All the above officers except Wilkinson are to succeed themselves in the offices they have held for the past year. Judge Wilkinson is to take the post held last year by Caroline.

## Girl Scouts To Carol Monday Evening

The combined Girl Scout units of Sanderson will go carolling Monday night, gathering at the Methodist Church to begin the carolling at 7 o'clock.

Three sites have been chosen by the girls and residents are invited to open their doors, gather in the yards or come to the site to hear the Christmas carols. The three sites will include the vicinity of the John Hayre home, Mrs. Mary E. Mitchell's home and the Clyde Whistler home.

After the carolling, the girls will assemble at the Methodist Church for refreshments.

Attending the quarterly conference of the Methodist Churches of the Pecos Valley district in Odesa Monday and Tuesday were Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Spurlin and Roger Rose.



L. and Mrs. D. B. Phillips are the parents of a daughter born in Greenville, Miss. Monday night. The baby, their first child, weighed nine pounds and six ounces.

Mrs. Peggy Sullivan arrived in Greenville to spend several days with her daughter and family. Mrs. Phillips is the former Miss Betty Faye Sullivan.

A son, their first child, was born in an Olney hospital Thursday, December 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Self. The little boy's birth-weight was eight pounds and 12 ounces and he was given the name, Mark King. The Selfs are residing in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Mrs. Self, the former Bobby Sarah Cantrell, is a granddaughter of M. L. Robertson.

## Santa Visits Here All Day Monday

Santa Claus visited in Sanderson all day Monday and talked with approximately 400 of the small fry of the area. He arrived at 10 o'clock in the morning and was on the streets until 11:30, then after lunch from 2 until 4:30.

All of the smaller children of town who wanted to talk to Santa Claus had an opportunity to do so and many of them showed no bashfulness in their actions nor in expressing their wishes for Christmas.

Many of the children had very little to say to Santa Claus in the way of Christmas desires, but some of the little tots expressed wishes for items ranging up to cattle ranches.

One of the children came with her mother to see Santa and later returned with her grandfather to be sure that everyone knew what she wanted for Christmas.

The rush of school children who were turned out at 4 o'clock quickly depleted the supply of bags of candy Santa had and he departed soon after 4.

## Two Men Held Here On Burglary Charge

Ramon L. Vasquez and Daniel "Memo" Galvan are being held in the county jail charged with burglary after the establishment of Jose M. Flores was entered early last Thursday morning.

Flores reported to the sheriff's department that cash in the amount of \$50 was taken from his store. Other items reported missing were a show case, the contents which included rings, watches, knives, watch bands, belt buckle sets, fountain pens and other small items, all of which amount to approximately \$175 in value, according to local officers.

The two men will be held awaiting grand jury action in the case.

## Lions Continue Sale Of Light Bulbs

The Sanderson Lions Club will terminate their sale of light bulbs Saturday afternoon in their efforts at meager profits.

Working house-to-house, approximately one-third of the town was canvassed with profits near \$16.

The sale is intended to bolster the financial condition of the club to help defray expenses from the football banquet and from the visit by Santa Claus here Monday.

## MONTE CORDER HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Monte Corder who has been hospitalized in San Angelo for several weeks was brought home last week and is recuperating satisfactorily.

## Coming Events

Thursday, December 15 — The Evening Study Club.

Sunday — Pageant at the Presbyterian Church.

Monday — Altar Society, Methodist W.S.C.S. monthly meeting of TSTA.

Tuesday — Eastern Star, Tuesday Club, Band concert.

Wednesday — Wednesday Club, annual Rotary banquet.

Thursday — Lions Club, Christmas program at Methodist Church.

## Ranch Laborer Burned to Death At Goodwin Ranch

A Mexican ranch laborer, identified as Enostracio Escamilla G. of Villa Acampo, Coah., Mexico, was burned to death and two other Mexican nationals escaped from the burning bunk house they were occupying at the Bill Goodwin ranch south of Sanderson Sunday night. The body was interred on the ranch.

It was believed that the fire was started after the three men had retired for the night.

The house and furnishings were completely destroyed by the blaze.

## Mail Rush Expected Until After Christmas

Postmaster Clyde Griffith expressed his appreciation this week for the fine response from individuals and business firms to his "mail early for Christmas" plea. He went on to say that the period between now and December 25th is bound to be the heaviest of the year for all postal employees.

The terrific stream of outgoing Christmas cards and gifts is now near full flood with a like torrent of incoming mail becoming greater every day. In the next few days the postmaster expects the Christmas load to hit its peak and break last year's record.

He said, "I know the time has passed to talk about mailing early. For the inevitable last-minute mailers, he suggests that they use air mail for every Christmas card or gift going out of town and by all means to get them in the mail as soon as possible!

There is still time for local deliveries but all Christmas cards should be sent first class for prompt delivery.

## Report Good On Christmas Seal Sale

The Terrell County Tuberculosis and Health Association met Monday evening in the Turner Hotel in regular quarterly session.

Mrs. Winnie Magill, president, named a nominating committee of Mrs. J. W. McKee, Mrs. James Kerr, and Jack Hayre. They will present a slate of officers at the March meeting.

A banquet is planned for the March meeting, with details to be announced later.

Mrs. Kerr, Christmas Seal Sale chairman, reported \$216 sent in to date on the seals.

Bustin Cason was taken to Alpine Monday where he will be hospitalized for treatment.

## ATTENTION READERS

Because of recent increases in the price of newsprint, and because of increased counter sales of The Times, we are forced to raise the price of The Times to 10c for local counter sales.

This price increase will be effective January 1.

We know as well as anyone that this price is too high, but our receipts from the counter sales is only 3c per paper with the agent making 2c profit. We would not expect our agents to take a further cut in their profits from these sales as they are a means of getting our paper into the hands of many visitors who would not otherwise have access to The Times.

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**State Capitol NEWS**

By VERN SANFORD  
Texas Press Association

Austin — One of the most startling events of the past week was the admission by Bascom Giles that he — and he alone — was responsible for the administration of the Veterans Land Program.

Giles admitted not once, but four times, during the past week — in two criminal and two civil trials in Crystal City and Austin — that he was solely responsible for the program — under the original policy set up by Board members Beauford Jester, Price Daniel and Giles in 1949.

Gov. Allan Shivers and Atty. Gen. John Ben Shepperd had staunchly contended that such was the case, but Giles was silent on this point until this week.

Giles pleaded guilty to two indictments in Crystal City. He drew sentences of six years in prison on each. He did not contest the civil trials for money allegedly paid him as bribes.

A total of \$53,000 in cash already has been paid back to the state by Giles.

Still pending against him are 10 criminal indictments and civil recovery suits totaling \$171,427.

**Shivers May Run Again**

Back in the limelight as a potential candidate for governor is Allan Shivers. He made it a point to remind newsmen that he is among the "possibles."

Governor Shivers promised to tell of his 1956 political plans about "dogwood" time. This, he explains, is usually between mid-February and mid-March.

Although Shivers has been expected to step out at the end of his present term, he has never said so definitely.

Meanwhile U. S. Sen. Price Daniel holds fast to his announced intention to tell no political plans until after January 1.

Added signs of life in Ralph Yarborough's office indicate something developing there soon. The Austin attorney has brought newsmen Lyman Jones back from California to work in the 1954 candidate's office.

**Labor Poll Tax Drive**

A drive to get a half-million union labor members to buy poll taxes is in high gear, says one of its leaders.

Poll taxes of union members are up as much as 70 per cent in some areas, said Jerry Holleman of Austin, executive secretary of the Texas Federation of Labor.

CIO, railroad brotherhood and Federation groups are working together on the project, according to Holleman.

**Teacher Retirement Pushed**

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examination and were sworn in by Chief Justice John E. Hickman of the Supreme Court.  
In the same ceremony, Dr. J. L. Walker of Austin became the second physician in Texas to be admitted to the bar.

**PERSONALS . . .**

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Gatlin were in Del Rio last week to visit their son, Kip Gatlin, and wife and to attend to business matters. Mrs. Gatlin came home Monday with Mrs. Lawrence Seeger, her niece, who was here on business at the Gatlin ranch.

Miss Sue Burchett spent the week-end in Alpine with her aunt, Mrs. V. W. King, and family.

Mrs. W. W. Sudduth and Barbara went to San Antonio Sunday for Barbara to have a check-up by an orthodontist.

Ms. J. M. Hayre went to San Antonio last week for a medical check-up. Jack Hayre accompanied her mother on the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Tredley were business visitors in San Angelo Tuesday.

Mrs. Greene Cooke spent several days in San Antonio the first of the week.

Mrs. Alfred Bendle went to Hondo Tuesday for dental work. Her mother, Mrs. Emma Riley, accompanied her.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kerr, Jr. of Del Rio visited here Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. Joe Kerr, Sr., and other relatives.

Miss Sandra Taff returned to

**ROYAL CAFE**  
**GOOD FOOD**  
**DEL RIO, TEXAS**

San Antonio Sunday after spending the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Taff. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moore of Ft. Stockton were business visitors in Sanderson Friday.

Barney Pyle, Texas Tech freshman, spent the week-end here on the ranch with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Col Coates.

Attending a special meeting of the O.E.S. chapter in Fort Stockton last Monday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Adams, A. J. Hahn Jr., Mrs. Winnie Magill, Mrs. Ross Stavley and Mrs. B. E. Carr.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sullivan returned home last week from Houston where they had visited with her parents.

Mrs. Virgil Ogle returned to her home in Wink last week after visiting here for several days with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Carruthers, Sr., and her sister, Miss Eva Carruthers.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Babb attended the annual barbecue given by Rex Ivey and family at their Lajitas ranch Sunday.

**Christmas Party For Presbyterian Children Wednesday**

The First Presbyterian Church School entertained the primary department Wednesday afternoon at the Fellowship Hall with the annual Christmas party. The manger scene, a musical church and Santa Claus were noted in the decor. A large decorated Christmas tree completed the picturesque decorations.

After singing Christmas carols, Santa Claus came to talk to the children and distribute goodies.

"A Christmas Dream" and "Ave Maria", two movies, were shown. Refreshments of sandwiches, hot chocolate and cookies were served to approximately fifty parents and children.

Mrs. Marvin Robertson went to Uvalde Wednesday for dental work. She was accompanied by Mrs. F. H. Talbot who will visit her sister, Mrs. Ruth Swofford.

**From where I sit... by Joe Marsh**  
**New Light on an Old Subject**  
Mr. Evans from the Lighting Company gave an interesting talk at the Community Hall last night — on how farmers can cut electric bills. For those who missed it, here's a short recap.  
Don't try to light up the cobwebs in the rafters. Use a reflector and a smaller bulb will probably do the job. Too many farmers use naked bulbs that waste 50% of the light.  
Try using moveable projector bulbs that beam light the way a searchlight does. A couple of these "spots" will often give you better illumination than a gang of juice-wasting overhead lamps.  
From where I sit, it's amazing how often we misuse the things we have... like electricity. We also make a mistake if we misuse our right of personal choice — about which candidate to vote for, say, or whether beer or coffee makes the ideal mealtime drink — by trying to force our opinions on others. Respect for the other fellow's point of view should be our "guiding light."  
Joe Marsh  
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**Bridge-Luncheon In Little Home For '51 Club**  
Mrs. J. O. Little, Jr., entertained the '51 Bridge Club with a Christmas luncheon in her home Wednesday. Clever and beautiful decorations in the Christmas motif transferred the living room into a winter wonderland for the party.  
The luncheon was served at 1 o'clock with the guests seated at quiet tables decorated in red and white. A red and green color scheme was noted in the decorations on the dining table and buffet.  
The guests exchanged gifts from a gold tree decorated in gold ornaments.  
In the bridge games the high score prize was presented to Mrs. Roger Rose, second high to Mrs. H. E. Fletcher and low to Mrs. Hugh Rose.  
The other guests included Messdames E. J. Hanson, J. D. Swanson, J. A. Gilbreath, Edward Kerr, Herbert Brown, Vic Littleton, H. E. Shelle, Troy Druse and S. H. Underwood.  
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**Christmas Theme  
 Noted At Meeting  
 of Baptist W. M. U.**

The members of the Baptist W. M. U. met in the home of Mrs. O. G. Gray Monday afternoon for the annual meeting of the year and to discuss the theme for the year. The theme was "Silent Night" and "Joy to the World". A period of silent prayer for foreign missions followed. The hymn "Silent Night" was read in unison by the members. Assisting Mrs. Thompson were Mmes. F. Weigand, C. E. Gray, Lloyd Weigand, B. S. Carr, G. Cates, J. Brown, and L. H. Lemmon. Also present were Mmes. Claude Edges, M. G. Northcut, J. W. Brothers, St. Maude Sullivan and Miss Eva Carruthers. The members exchanged gifts and a beautifully decorated tree was noted in decorations throughout the Gray home. Refreshments of fruit cake, coffee and mints were served. The next meeting will be on January 2 when a business session precedes the mission study.

**Christmas Theme  
 Noted In Meeting  
 of Presbyterian Ladies**

The Presbyterian Women of the church had their last meeting of the year Monday afternoon in the church. After the singing of the hymn, "Joy to the World", Mrs. Roy Eaton read the Bible passage, Gen. 15: 4-8, and Mrs. Sid Harlan led the program on "Immanuel". The hymn, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" was sung in concert. Mrs. J. D. Nichols reviewed the compliments of the organization for the year. Rev. John W. Ford installed the new officers. Mrs. Val J. LaForge told the story, "The Little Mixer". The dismissal prayer was given by Rev. Ford after the singing of the hymn "Leadeth Me." Mrs. G. K. Mitchell was hostess for the social hour in Fellowship Hall. The tea table was covered with a white cutwork cloth. Greenery surrounded the oval piece of styrofoam forming the base of the Christmas centerpiece. On one corner was a glitter covered tree with two snowmen candles in the foreground. On the other corner were three cathedral windows with airboy candles in the foreground. White and red balls were pyramided around the arrangement. Mrs. J. L. Whistler presided at the punch bowl to serve raspberry punch with the orange-date cake. Members present included Mesdames J. W. Byrd, Roy Deaton, E. Farley, W. T. Frazier, Sid Harlan, J. W. McKee, C. C. Mitchell, J. Pierson, H. C. Rock, R. S. Wilkinson, J. D. Nichols, J. L. Whistler, and G. K. Mitchell. Mrs. LaForge and Rev. Byrd were guests.

**Legion Families Meet  
 for Annual Party**

About 100 Legionnaires, their wives and children met in the Legion Hall Friday night for an annual get-together and social. A barbecue supper was provided for all present and Santa Claus had a visit for the benefit of the children. Bags of candy and fruit were distributed to all the small children present. Meat for the affair was provided by Herbert Brown and John Reinger supplied the beans. Other items for the feed were provided by Jimmy Hanson. P. M. Wood, post commander, opened the meeting with an expression of thanks to those who assisted in the planning and preparation of the food. After the supper those attending dined and enjoyed the fellowship and entertainment for the evening. Many Legionnaires expressed a desire to have such meetings more frequently.

**P.-T.A. Hears Talk  
 On Conference For  
 National Education**

The local P.-T.A. met Friday night in the high school auditorium in regular session. After the invocation by the president, Mrs. R. M. Bogusch, the secretary read the minutes of the November meeting and the treasurer gave the financial report. W. G. Downie discussed the seven points of the White House Conference on Education, and enumerated the idea of federal aid to education as the most important point under discussion at state and national levels. Mrs. Bogusch reported on the State Convention in Fort Worth, to which she was a delegate from the local organization. Students of the fourth grade under the direction of Charles Matney, told the Christmas story and sang Christmas songs. Miss Mildred Creek's fourth grade won the room attendance prize.

**Parties Last Week  
 Honor LaForge Girls**

Mrs. Val LaForge entertained with two birthday parties in her home last week, the party on last Thursday, honoring her daughter, Margaret, and the party Friday for her daughter, Janet, on her fifth birthday. The Christmas motif was noted in the decorations. Refreshments consisting of ice cream, red punch and candy in red nut cups were served with the birthday cakes; Mrs. LaForge assisting. Games were played and prizes awarded. The guests for Margaret's party included Bobby Hatchel, Linda Babb, Travis Williams, Donna Hill Keith Mitchell, Jr., Charles Swanson, Ada Lee Riggs, Buddy Moore, Nancy and G. C. Eggleston and David Hardgrave. Attending Janet's party were Kay Hatchel, Lelcie Mitchell, Nelda Kay Sudduth, Pam Vam Winkle, Beverly Farley, Christine Downie, Maylene McGinty, and Amanda Nicolls. Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hardin are in El Paso where he had surgery this week. His condition is reported favorable, but he will be hospitalized for several days.

**Pink and Blue Shower  
 Honors Mrs. E. J. Foley**

Mrs. E. J. Foley was named honoree for a pink and blue shower last Saturday afternoon in the home of Mrs. W. J. Ferguson with Miss Mary Ferguson serving as co-hostess. Diapers were given to the guests for monogramming and later presented to the honoree along with a large assortment of beautifully-wrapped gifts including some from several invited guests who were unable to attend the shower. The gifts were arranged under a pink modernistic Christmas tree made of native material and trimmed with lavish decorations. Pink roses were also included in the decorations. A red net Christmas cloth was draped on the piano and decorated with choir boy figurines. Mrs. D. L. Duncan and Mrs. Jack Turner served the light and dark cake with tea and coffee. The tea table, covered in a lace cloth, had decorations in the Christmas motif, including a Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus. The guests included Mmes. Jack Turner, Jimmy Hatchel, E. P. Halley, Lloyd Cowan, D. L. Durson, W. H. Savage, Clyde Higgins, W. E. Grigsby, James Word, Herbert Brown, A. D. Brown, Roy Bogusch, J. D. Nicols, B. E. Carr, W. H. Grigsby, Jack Laughlin Web Townsend, Reg Monroe, W. A. Farrer, John W. Byrd, J. H. Loeblausen, J. W. McKee, Claude Bridges, Elmo Sany, Maude Sulivan, J. W. Happle, E. E. Farley, Troy Druse and W. H. Dishman.

**Bonhomie Club's  
 Christmas Party  
 In Pierson Home**

The Bonhomie Club enjoyed a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. E. F. Pierson Wednesday afternoon. Following the period devoted to conversation and fancywork, the members exchanged gifts from the Christmas tree. Other decorations in the seasonal motif were in the living room. The hostess served coconut cup cakes with a tiny burning red taper on each, home-made mints, tea and coffee. Those present included Mesdames F. H. Talbot, I. B. Rusk, M. A. Robertson, James Caroline, Roy Haley, E. B. Holland, M. W. Duncan, A. B. Gates. The guests included Mrs. Wiley Holland of Alpine, Mrs. T. A. Briggs, Mrs. Chester Boyd and Mrs. L. H. Gilbreath.

**Reports Given On  
 Auxiliary Projects**

The Legion Auxiliary met Tuesday evening in regular business session. Reports were given on several projects — the purchase of a coffee urn, providing the Christmas treat for the children at the recent Legion social meeting, the payment of the local unit's apportionment toward the district nursing scholarship. A party will be sponsored by the auxiliary in the latter part of January to raise funds for the March of Dimes. Plans will be announced later. Thirty-eight members were reported for this year, but the auxiliary is still short of its quota.

**No-Hostess Party  
 For Thursday Club  
 In Dalton Hogg Home**

The members of the Thursday Bridge Club had a luncheon in the home of Mrs. Dalton Hogg last week, a no-hostess affair. The guests were seated at quarter tables which were decorated in the Christmas motif. Turkey and the trimmings were featured on the menu which was prepared and served by Mrs. Hogg. In the bridge games which followed, the high score prize was presented to Mrs. A. J. Hahn, second high to Mrs. Jack Riggs and low to Mrs. I. B. Rusk. The slam prizes were held by Mrs. Hugh Rose and Mrs. M. F. Bader. Other members present included Mesdames H. E. Fletcher, W. E. Stavley, O. J. Cresswell, Carlos Dunn, Willie Banner, M. W. Duncan, M. H. Goode, Jr., Vic Littleton, O. T. Sudduth, A. H. Zuberhueler and C. H. Stavley.

**Mrs. W. W. Sudduth  
 Hostess Last Week  
 At Bridge-Luncheon**

Mrs. W. W. Sudduth entertained the Wednesday Club with a bridge-luncheon in her home last week. After luncheon had been served at one o'clock, three tables of players, including five guests, participated in the card games with high score going to Mrs. James Kerr, second high to Mrs. S. H. Underwood and low to Mrs. E. J. Hanson. The other members and guests present were Mesdames R. S. Wilkinson, J. T. Williams, W. R. Stumberg, F. M. Wood, Herbert Brown, John Reinger, J. O. Little, Jr., J. D. Swanson, and Edward Kerr.

**Mrs. A. J. Hahn, Jr.,  
 Deputy Grand Matron,  
 Visits O.E.S. Chapters**

Mrs. A. J. Hahn, Jr., deputy grand matron, made her official visit to the Eastern Star chapter in Del Rio on Tuesday, December 6. At that time Mrs. W. F. Easterling of Del Rio was honored for her fifty years of membership in the order. Mrs. B. E. Carr and Mrs. Lee Grigsby accompanied Mrs. Hahn on the trip. Mrs. Hahn made her official visit to the chapter in Crystal City Monday; Carrizo Springs, Tuesday and Eagle Pass, Thursday. She was in Uvalde Wednesday to make arrangements for a school of instruction. Mrs. Grigsby accompanied her on her visits.

**LADIES AUXILIARY  
 MEETS MONDAY AFTERNOON**

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen met in the Masonic Hall Monday afternoon in regular business session. After the disposition of routine business matters, plans were made for a basket for a needy family as the Christmas project. The six members present were Mesdames A. C. Garner, H. E. Ezelle, Dick Sullivan, Ed Robbins, L. M. Wooten and Irvin Robbins. W. H. Savage, who is on three week's vacation, is at his home in Sanderson.

**PERSONALS . . .**

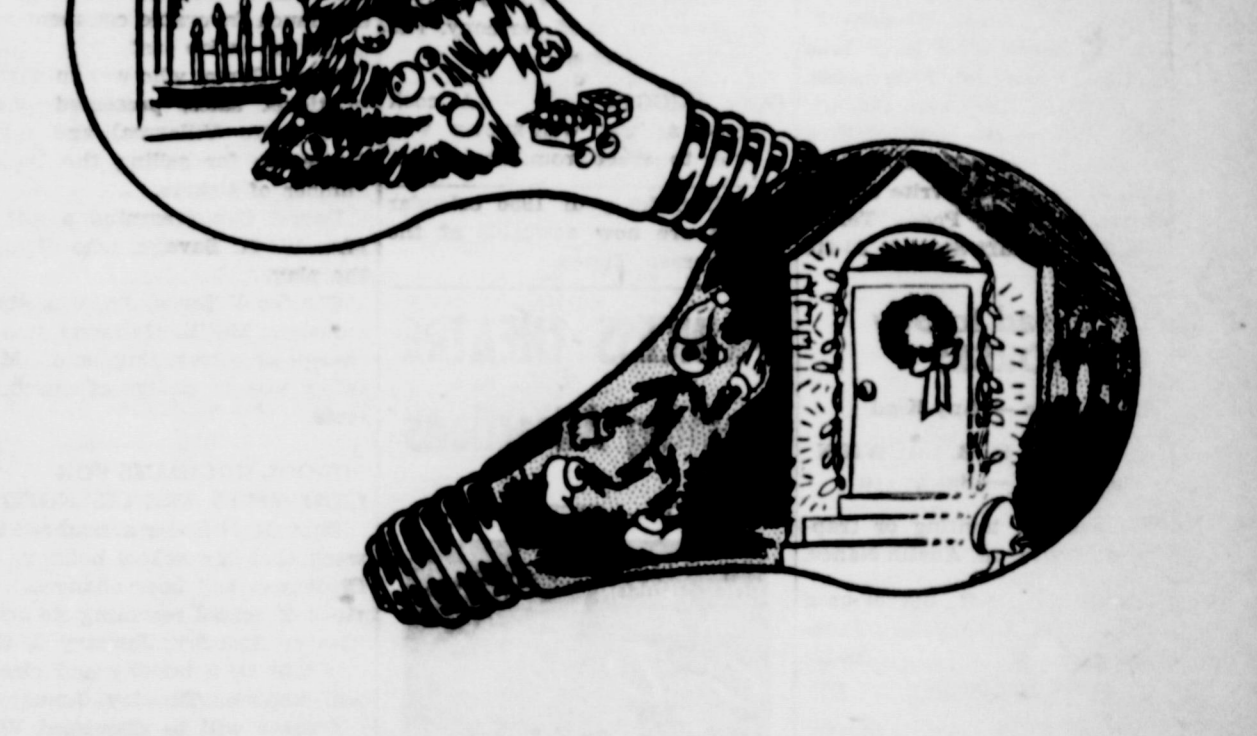
Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Burchett were Fort Stockton visitors Wednesday for her to have dental work. James R. Kerr spent several days in Gonzales last week with his wife who is at the Warm Springs Foundation. Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Thompson went to Brady Sunday morning to visit with her mother. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. O'Bryen and William Doyle were business visitors in Odessa Monday. Mrs. L. H. Gilbreath accompanied them to visit with her brother, C. N. Word, and family.

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**SANDERSON  
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**At Noon on Wednesday, December 21**

All Sanderson telephone numbers will change at noon on Wednesday, December 21, when the city's dial system goes in service.

From that moment, all the numbers in your old telephone directory — numbers you have been calling from memory, numbers you have jotted down somewhere — will be WRONG numbers.

Your new DIAL telephone numbers will be listed in the new DIAL directory, which will be delivered to you before the new system goes in service.

Until the change is made on December 21, please continue to use your present directory. After the new dial system goes in operation, be sure to look up the right number in the new DIAL directory before you call.

**HOW TO USE THE NEW SYSTEM**

Suppose you want to call Diamond 5-2811:

Place the receiver to your ear, and listen for a steady hum — the dial tone. Place your finger in the dial opening over the letter "D". Pull the dial around until your finger strikes the finger stop. Remove your finger and let the dial spin back freely. In the same way, dial letter "1" and the numerals 5, 2, 8, 1, and 1 in order.

When you have finished dialing, you will hear a "burring" sound if the called telephone is ringing. If the line is busy, you will hear a fast "buzz-buzz"; hang up, and try again after a short wait.

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### December 21 To Be 'D-Day' Locally

"Sanderson's new dial telephone system will be placed in operation at noon on Wednesday, December 21," Bob Montgomery, manager for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, said this week. "Final preparations for the cut-over to dial are now being made. Installers have placed the equipment into position in the dial building, and are engaged in hand soldering the thousands of connections necessary for the equipment to function."

"This is a slow, tedious task which requires time to complete," Montgomery explained. "Then it will be necessary to run intensive tests and make final adjustments to insure that the equipment is working properly."

Meanwhile, many additional tasks remain to be completed. New dial telephone numbers have been assigned to every phone in Sanderson. New telephone directories, listing all the new dial numbers and addresses of all subscribers have been printed and are now in the hands of the subscribers.

All Sanderson telephone numbers will have a central office prefix, "Diamond 5", followed by four more numerals. To dial a number like Diamond 5-2811, it will be necessary to dial the first two let-

ters of the central office name — D and I — followed by the numerals 5, 2, 8, 1, and 1 in order.

The manager pointed out that the actual cut-over operation will take but a few seconds. At noon on Wednesday, December 21, the cables leading to the old manual switchboard will be cut and the installation workers will remove a set of blocks from the new dial equipment at a given signal.

"When the signal is given, it will mark the culmination of all our efforts to provide Sanderson customers with modern dial telephone service," Montgomery concluded.

It has been pointed out by Montgomery that it would be well for everyone to memorize emergency numbers such as for fire, the sheriff, doctor, and other emergency departments.

In case of extreme emergencies, subscribers may dial "operator" and the message will be relayed to the proper authority. This will not be as fast as dialing for the proper person yourself, it was stated.

Below is a list of emergency numbers:

To report a fire — DI 5-2500.  
 Sheriff — DI 5-2525.  
 Other dial instructions are:  
 For long distance and numbers not in directory — "Operator"  
 To report a telephone out of order — "Operator" and ask for re-

pair service.

Telephone business office — "Operator" and ask for business office.

The emergency numbers and special dialing instructions are also listed on the inside of the cover of the new dial directory.

### Senior Play Approved By Large Crowd

The two male leading characters shared honors for popularity when the senior play, "Here Comes Charlie," was presented in the high school auditorium last Thursday evening.

Uncle Aleck Twigg, played by W. J. Vaughan, is a part ordinarily expected to be a minor part, but many times during the play it loomed as the leading part. Vaughan's speaking part was very lengthy but he seldom missed a cue and the naturalness always in evidence in his portrayal of the unique character, Uncle Aleck, won the hearty approval of the audience.

Stanley Sullivan as Larry Elliott, a young broker, would be considered the leading male role. An air of mystery and comedy became evident early in the play with the arrival of Charlie Hopps, Larry's ward, 17 and pretty, who was thought to be a boy because she was called Charlie instead of Charlotte. Charlie's part was a difficult one but Doris Jones carried it in a manner that was altogether pleasing and the audience gasped when she appeared in the last scene as an educated, refined young lady, pretty and well dressed, which was the realization of her heart's desire.

Suave, aggressive, always sure of himself, was Ted Stanley, Larry's college pal, played by Bobby Beckett. He played the role well, even down to the final puff on his cigar, a forbidden item in the household.

Nancy Mitchell was Nora Malone, cook in the Elliott household, and Carroll Eggleston was Tom McGill, an officer and Nora's sweetheart. Vivian Moore played the part of Mrs. Fanny Farnham, Larry's aunt by marriage and head of the house. Carlene Werneking was Vivian Smythe-Kersey, Larry's fiancée. Ida Esqueda was Mrs. Smythe-Kersey, Vivian's mother, and Darrell Cox was Mortimer Smythe-Kersey, her brother.

Although the time of presenting the play was two and one-half hours, there were no dull moments and much favorable comment was given the entire cast.

Eloda Garza, who was in charge of ticket sales, presented prizes to Arnulfo Villarreal and G. C. Eggleston for selling the largest number of tickets.

Darrell Cox presented a gift to Mrs. W. H. Savage, who directed the play.

Claudio Villegas, Jr., was stage manager, Matias Gutierrez was in charge of advertising, and Myrl Gilley was in charge of sound effects.

### No Traffic Accidents Here On S-D Day

According to a report made by Capt. Wilson E. Speir, commanding officer of the Pecos District of the Texas Highway Patrol, there were only four rural traffic accidents reported in 16 counties of the Pecos Highway Patrol district on Safe-Driving Day, December 1.

There were three property damage accidents and only one personal injury accident with two people injured. There were no rural traffic fatalities.

There was one urban traffic fatality which occurred in the City of El Paso.

Sixteen boys from the sixth and seventh grades were named as patrolmen for the day. They were given instructions in regard to their duties on the afternoon before S-D Day by Sheriff Lee Billings and were given arm bands to wear. On S-D Day they reminded motorists of their infractions in driving on local streets and traffic violations were reported to Billings.

The patrolmen were Buddy Joe Hahn, Humberto Rodriguez, Dale Turner, Bobby Keyes, Eloy Perez, Bill Stavley, Arturo Salazar, Tommy Billings, Gary Clay, Bob Littleton, Tomas Lozano, Zane McDonald, Marcelino Arredondo, Harvey Castellano, Bill Dunn and Juan Lopez.

The local project was sponsored by the Sanderson Culture Club under the leadership of Mrs. H. E. Ezelle who has presented several discussions of "Safe Driving" before clubs and organizations of the town.

### Dryden News

By Mrs. Jimmy Merritt

Mrs. R. R. Clark attended a bridal shower in Del Rio Thursday of last week honoring Miss Shirley McNutt, the fiancée of her son, James Clark.

Postal Inspector E. F. Strickland of El Paso visited the postoffice last week.

John Watts of Del Rio was a business visitor over the week-end. He leased his ranch to Reynolds Dingler of Pumpville.

Mrs. Jim Powers and her daughter, Mrs. Bubber Mathers and children of Fort Davis, visited relatives in Del Rio Tuesday.

Jimmy Merritt spent Monday and Tuesday with his aunt, Mrs. A. A. Shelton in Alpine.

Mrs. Lula McDonnell Smith returned the first of the week from Riveria.

### Mrs. J. W. HAPPLE TO BROTHER-IN-LAW'S FUNERAL

Funeral services for Fred Gibson, 74, who was killed in an auto accident Saturday afternoon between McCamey and Fort Stockton, were held in McCamey Monday afternoon from the First Methodist Church. He was a resident of McCamey. Mrs. Happle, a sister-in-law of Mr. Gibson, accompanied by her son-in-law, Web Townsend, attended the funeral services.

Mr. Gibson is survived by his wife and six children, also several grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. James Peace of San Antonio visited here last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Nichols, and her son, W. J. Vaughan.

### Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Cresswell

Friday for Harlingen to visit her son, W. M. Bowden, and family for a few days before going to Panama City, Florida, to spend the holidays with her daughter Mrs. Ray De Busk, and family.

Stated meeting of Chapter No. 134, Tuesday, 8 p. m. Eula Carr, Worthy Matron.

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**NOTICE**  
 The members of the Sanderson Retail Merchants Association have expressed their intentions of closing on the Mondays following Christmas and New Years. Customers will please note the days of closing and plan their shopping accordingly.

Mrs. Jettie Peavy, secretary. 44-2tc

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THURSDAY —

THE FAR  
HORIZONS

The Far Horizons

### SCHOOL HOLIDAYS FOR CHRISTMAS ARE CHANGED

Supt. Matt Bader announced this week that the school holidays for Christmas had been changed. Instead of school resuming its activities on Monday, January 2, that day will be a holiday and classes will begin on Tuesday, January 3.

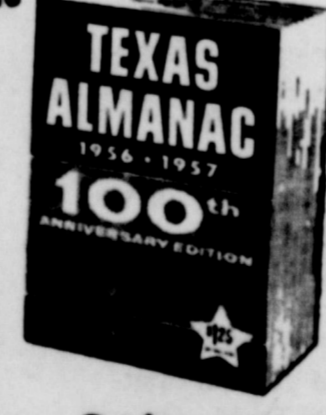
Classes will be dismissed Wednesday afternoon for the holiday season.

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