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Dates Selected For Annual County Livestock Show

The Gay Philosopher

By J. W. S.

WE'VE HEARD a lot of fine compliments on the cantata presented last Sunday night by the choir of the First Presbyterian Church. A capacity crowd turned out and we're sure the members were very proud indeed on a splendid event.

SPEAKING OF things, we're indebted to Mrs. Lucile Huffmyer for a box of home-made divinity candy. Dago told us he made it especially. Some time ago, we tried some cakes that he told us he cooked. He must be a handy man to have around the kitchen.

DO YOU SEE A lot of ads in the press and magazine regarding contests of every kind. And we see no one that is a more interested contest enterer than our good friend, Mr. W. P. Light, the map maker up at Lee Geophysical Corporation. And he has a prize now and then. It's a hobby.

Light is a good man. He has some idle moments thinking how he can make constructive suggestions to other people. Several of his ideas have paid off.

Understand Mrs. Sutton Crofts another devoted contestant in town. It must be a lot of fun. We're always going to enter a contest or another, but we seem to get around to it.

WE DIDN'T realize that pecan shelling is such a profitable occupation for Cisco area people. We informed that some \$5,000 a week has been going to grow in this territory for a good many weeks now.

Maybe a pecan shelling plant will get over here.

HERE THERE will be two more same Cisco County boys to receive their beef calves in the youth program — in fact three. One was sick and wasn't given. And orders for two more were made after the Cisco Lions and the T. & P. Railroad present in checks for \$200.

Z. Myrick of Cisco and County Agent Cooper will go to Tyler very soon to take back the calf and bring home three more.

COACH BUCK Overall of Cisco High School basketball court is being frank. Recently he introduced one of his star ballers as "the boy who's going to make me famous." They're now calling basketball the "thump thump" boys.

HEARD A GOOD story about a preacher the other day. It turned a die-hard Republican in Maine who was offered a job in Texas. He telegraphed to find out if a Republican could get to the state — safely. His friend wired back: "Texas laws protect Republicans."

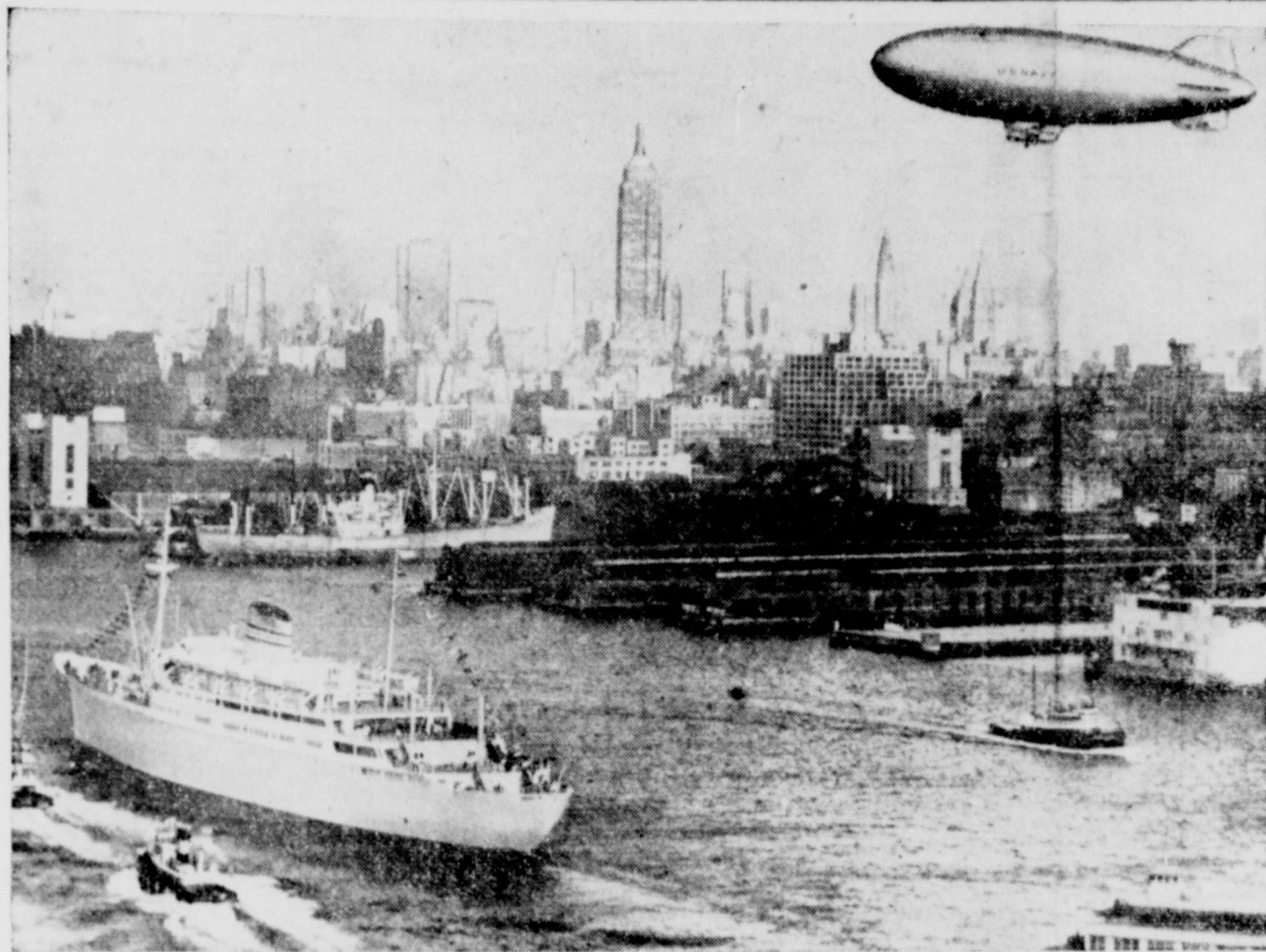
ALSO HEARD ABOUT the one who asked a negro preacher if he went about presenting weekly sermons. "First," he said, "I tell them I'm going to tell them. Next, I tell them. And, finally, I tell them what I told them."

Hardest Day Of Year: Winter Begins

Winter will officially begin in the hemisphere at 10:24 p. m. Tuesday, and today is the first day of the year. The rise today was scheduled at 11 a. m. with sunset at 5:29 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Grant and Mrs. Allen visited here the first of the week with his sister, Mrs. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Allen and family. The Allens are enroute to New Orleans to attend transportation to Chili and he will be employed with the company.

Trade-ins on the new Oldsmobile Motor Company, Eastland FOR GOOD USED CARS



A WELCOME FOR A NEWCOMER—The newest Norwegian ocean liner, the Oslofjord, sails up the Hudson River at the completion of its maiden transatlantic voyage from Norway. The pearl gray and white, 16,500-ton diesel motorship is given a traditional New York Harbor welcome, complete with a dirigible overhead, as it passes the famous skyline.

POST OFFICE HANDLES OVER 21,000 PIECES MAIL TO SET NEW RECORD

Out-going mail at the Cisco Post Office set a new record—as far as anyone at the office knows—Monday when more than 21,000 cancellations were registered. Postmaster L. H. McCrea said this was the peak day of the current season.

Cancellations of parcels and letters have been over 10,000 for several days. Boom business began last Friday with more than 13,000 cancellations. Saturday was another 13,000 plus day. Then came the record Monday, followed by more than 15,000 cancellations Tuesday.

Incoming mail was about the same as last year's heavy and numerous sacks, postal authorities said.

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The service will follow the Christmas story as written in the Gospel of Luke and is divided into seven parts. It will be presented by students of Grace Lutheran Parochial School, assisted by the choir of the Grace church, and the Waltham Leagues of Grace and of Christ Lutheran Church. Milton Pinger, teacher in the school is director.

Participants were urged to attend the final dress rehearsal.

The primary choir includes Ray Swindle, Thomas Chance, Susan Tarver, Katherine Ann Stroebel, Gerwyn Gerhardt, Jeannette Gerhardt, Danella Wende, Alice Ruth Stroebel, Ida Glueck, Gary Kimbrough, Harold Weiser, Katharine Fricke and Frank Cochran. The children's choir includes Robert Don Dunning, James Neuman, Mary Ann Stroebel, Glinda Zander, Richard Lenze, Nancy Stroebel, Kathleen Ziehr, Nettie Ruth Neuman, Wesley Cochran, Shirley Miller, Wayne Fricke, Jerry Weiser and Edna Ziehr.

The adult choir includes Anita Stroebel, Beulah Weiser, Elaine Eiehr, Mrs. Paul Weiser, Mrs. A. Zander, Mrs. H. Lorham, Virginia Weiser, Ann Zander, Mrs. A. Stroebel, Harold Reich, Edward Reich, Clem Neuhaus, Joe D. Ziehr, Reuben Ziehr, Alvin Ziehr, and Karl Ziehr.

Mrs. A. J. Davis and Mrs. Ticker were visitors Monday in Abilene.

F. H. A. HOME REPAIR LOANS Up To \$2500 For 36 Months 1ST NAT'L in Cisco—Mbr. F. D. I. C.

Freezing Weather Forecast For Area

The year's first real freezing weather was in prospect for this West Texas region Wednesday night. Weathermen had advised that a cold front, accompanied by snow and rain, was en route.

The Texas Panhandle registered below freezing temperatures Tuesday night. The winter's first stock warning was issued.

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Final Solution Of VD Rests On People Of State

AUSTIN, Dec. 20 — The final solution to the venereal disease problem in Texas rests squarely on the shoulders of the people in the individual community, State Health officer Geo. W. Cox has said.

Cox pointed out to community participation in the state's venereal disease educational program as "one of the most vital requisites in eradicating 'social diseases'."

"The medical profession and health authorities know venereal diseases can be controlled and ultimately eliminated," Dr. Cox asserted. "All that remains now is for communities to eliminate conditions which lead to a high venereal disease rate."

These conditions, the health officer said, are lack of recreational facilities, tolerance of vice operations, and "antiquated" court systems which permit juveniles to be confined with hardened criminals.

"These conditions lead to juvenile promiscuity, and promiscuity is the one big factor which makes for high venereal disease rates," Cox warned.

"Treatment of syphilis and gonorrhea isn't the business of the State venereal disease education and prevention."

Morbidity statistics reported from all over the State show syphilis and gonorrhea far outnumbered the combined cases of scarlet fever, smallpox, diphtheria, whooping cough, poliomyelitis, typhoid fever and chicken pox.

Well over 13,000 cases of syphilis, and 21,000 cases of gonorrhea have been reported so far this year.

Ledbetters Enjoy Reunion Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Ledbetter of Scranton were hosts to their eleven children and families last Sunday for the annual Christmas dinner.

Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ledbetter and family of Scranton, Bill Ledbetter and daughter of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Ledbetter and children of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ledbetter and family of Fort Worth, Mrs. Gladys Andrews of Stamford, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Andrews of Stamford, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ledbetter and family of Cisco, Mrs. Myra Speegle and family of Cisco, Mrs. Wilda Ruth Snoddy and family of Iran and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ledbetter of Sweetwater.

Field Work Slow Over State Due Bad Weather

Field work slowed to a standstill by midweek over practically the entire state. In the west and northwest, the dry norther with lowest temperatures near zero stopped outside activity except caring for livestock and other necessary chores. Over the eastern two-thirds of the state, rain and drizzle following the colder weather also curtailed farmers' activity.

The first killing frost of the fall occurred in central Texas and freezing temperatures extended south of San Antonio. Small grain over the eastern two thirds of the state was making good growth but wheat in the northwest needed moisture.

Wheat in the important high plains counties made very little growth as only limited areas received any relief from the critical shortage of surface moisture. Cool, damp weather slowed deterioration and serious damage has been limited to a few counties. Some wheat was irrigated during the week.

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Event Will Be Staged Here On March 24-25

March 24 and 25 had been selected today as the dates for the 1950 show of the Eastland County Livestock Association. Directors decided on the annual show dates at a recent meeting. The event will be staged at the show ground on the Moran Highway, just east of Cisco Junior College.

Plans call for an even larger show than in 1949, which was believed to have been the largest in this area. As an added incentive for increased entries, and additional show classes, the cash prize total has been raised to \$850. These cash prizes will be in addition to ribbons and trophies.

So that county vocational agriculture teachers can have copies of the official show program and

Hickok Well Is Being Cleaned After Shooting

Hickok Producing and Development Company was cleaning out their No. 1 Owens, a semi-wildcat just east of the Cisco city limits, today after shooting it with 20 quarts of nitroglycerin Tuesday.

The hole was bottomed at 3361 feet and pipe was cemented. Completion work was underway. The Lake Sand, in which the well will be finished, was topped at 3329 feet.

Oil shows have indicated that the well will be finished as a good pumper.

It was understood here that Chester Imes and C. J. Dornes of Abilene and possibly others plan to drill offsets to the southeast in the near future.

ELECTED OFFICERS

Two Cisco Future Farmers of America were elected officers in a district chapter organized at Eastland recently. Bob Cleveland was named third vice-president, and Travis Kunklin was elected historian.

Bill and Kay Tabor went to Norman, Okla., today to accompany their sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Boscarino and baby here to spend the Christmas holidays.

entry lists for distribution to all club boys as soon as possible, it was decided to start work on the program at once. Willard P. Knight, who was in charge of the layout and advertising for the 1949 show program, was given the same job for the 1950 catalogue, Association President A. Z. Myrick announced.

Mr. Myrick said that committees are being appointed to assure the 1950 livestock show the biggest and best this district has ever seen. Names of persons on the various committees will be announced soon, he added. A new feature that is expected to attract much attention at the 1950 show will be horse racing and other horse events.

Moran Football Banquet Held On December 19

Some 124 guests attended the annual football pep Squad banquet in the high school gym, Monday evening, Dec. 19. Rev. W. M. Gaston gave the invocation, Charles B. Chaney was toast master.

The hall was decked in the Christmas theme with greenery and red streamers. A large silver Christmas tree, behind the speakers table. Program and plate favors were a Santa Claus boot, lighted candles decorated the windows and hall, and tables were laid in white, centered with native mistletoe and red berries with lighted candles.

The menu consisted of baked chicken and dressing, gravy and rolls, sweet potatoes, English peas, salad, pie and coffee. Miss Donna English gave the welcome and the response was given by Edwin Kirkman. Coach Womack was the principal speaker. Football roundup was given by Jack Hagar. Other program parts were: piano solo, Carolyn Louder; music, Billy Bowne; pep talk Deloris Henry.

After the banquet by Supf. McKinney the boys went to the bleachers where Coach Womack showed four reels of football pictures of A. C. C. and Brownwood college teams.

Lt. and Mrs. L. P. Bumpers and family from Corpus Christi arrived in Moran to spend two weeks with his mother, Mrs. Deo Bumpers.

Mr. and Mrs. Cole Jackson expects to spend the holidays in Houston with her daughter, and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Truett Jones.

Offices, stores, the post office, and bank and all business houses will be closed on Monday to observe the Christmas Holidays. Housewives were asked to purchase enough food to last over Sunday and Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. William Bell left Wednesday for Safford, Arizona, where they will spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bell and Mrs. Isabelle Hays. They will return by Jan. 1.

Mrs. J. D. Fite returned Saturday after a ten days visit with her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Hines, at George West, Texas.

Mrs. Tom Purvis of Wichita Falls visited Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ballard and Mr. and Mrs. Worthy from Duncan, Oklahoma, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Randall of Houston are expected in Moran for the holidays. Mrs. Randall is the former Maurice Cottle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Cottle.

Next meeting of the Luncheon Club will be Wednesday Jan. 4, 1950. The new officers will be: D. A. Jones, toast master, Secy., and Treas., Mrs. C. C. Caddy, First Vice President, Yates Clayton. A new membership drive is now on for 1950. Each one bring one new member.

W. P. Kerwood, president of St. Marys Oil and Gas Co. will spend the Holidays in San Antonio with Mrs. Kerwood and relatives.

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John Cunningham To Preach Here

Guest pastor on Christmas morning at the First Presbyterian Church of Cisco will be John Cunningham of the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

Cunningham has visited the Cisco church on several earlier Sundays this fall.

He is a native of Fort Worth and a graduate of Austin College, Sherman. Currently he is seeking the Bachelor of Divinity degree from Austin Seminary, where he is classified as a mid-level or second-year student.

He has done student supply pastoral work at Presbyterian churches in El Paso, Comanche and Carlsbad, Texas.

Santa Claus Appears Interested In Answering Boy's Plea 'Job For Dad'

Santa Claus — in the person of a lot of Cisco folks — appeared very interested today in the case of a seven-year-old boy named David, whose letter in Tuesday's Press asked for "a job for my Daddy."

And a committee headed by Mrs. Lucile Huffmyer, secretary of the Merchants Credit Association, was busy on the matter. Checking into the case, it was found that David's dad is about 45 years old, is a World War I vet and brought his family here some two months ago from East

Ranger Wins Over Loboes As Game Goes Extra Time

Ranger High School basketball players sank two free throws in the second overtime period to score a 22-20 triumph over the Cisco Loboes in a hard-fought game here Tuesday night. Earlier, the Ranger "B" team had defeated Cisco, 36-13.

At the end of the regular game, the two teams were deadlocked, 18-18. Each club sank one shot to make the count 20-20 when the first overtime period ended. A foul gave Ranger two free tosses in the second extra period, and both shots were good.

Buz Sawyer was high point man with eight points. Coach Buck Overall used a freshman quintet in the "B" game.

The game ended basketball activities until after the holidays. Workmen today were refinishing the gym floor.

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FOAM AND SUDS—The carnival season opened in Berlin, Germany, with the traditional "Council of Eleven" meeting in the British sector. Here a speaker addresses his companions from atop an imitation beer mug. The signs are brewery trademarks. (Acme Photo by Staff Correspondent Dietrich Giesecke.)



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Letters

One of the most noteworthy events of this eventful year is the determined stand taken by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to meet the grave water crisis in that great, rich area of Texas.

With devastating force, the water problem is striking everywhere. The great city of New York has imposed restrictions on the use of water, and some who were guilty of wasting water were heavily fined.

Long ago water experts and engineers warned Americans that they were heading for trouble, largely because of the insane waste of the priceless resource, water.

running day? Water is likely to be rationed everywhere. There seems no other way. Experts are working on the problem. The entire nation is water conscious.

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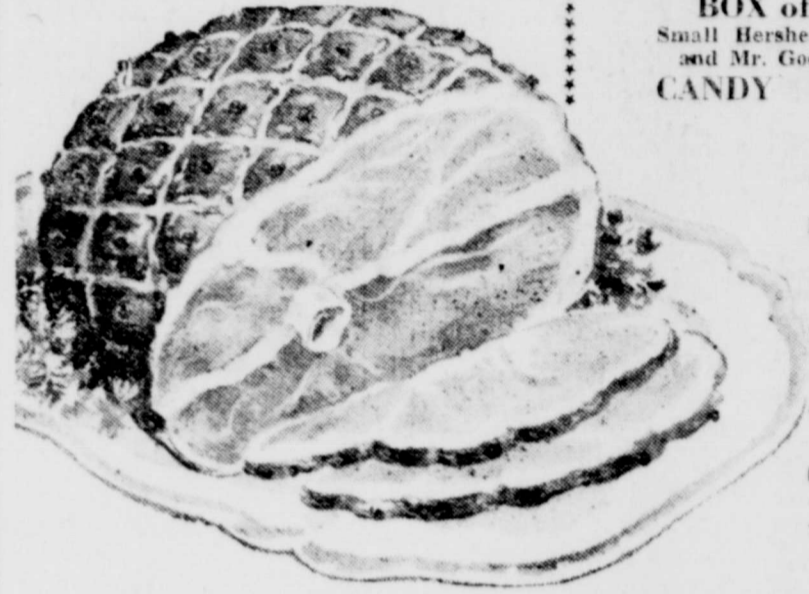
lature must pass necessary laws when it meets. Wallace Jenkins, Farmer, Dallas, Texas

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SOCIETY AND CLUBS

AND NEWS OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Progressive Class Supper & Social

The Progressive Class of the Methodist church met Monday evening in the basement of the church for the regular dish supper and social following. The room was attractive with decorations carrying a Christmas motif and the pretty Christmas tree was brilliantly lighted for the occasion, underneath which were packages brought for distribution to needy families in the city.

Before the meal, the lights were turned out while the group sang "Silent Night," led by Mrs. Carl Gorr with Mrs. Claude P. Jones at the piano. The lights then came on and the supper was served buffet style with guests and members seated at long tables. Invocation was offered by a guest, Rev. W. H. Cole, a former local district superintendent.

After the meal a short business session was conducted by Mr. Shy Osborn, class president. A number of games followed, directed by Miss Lela Latch. Mr. Osborn entertained the group by showing some beautiful pictures, in colors, filmed while on a trip to Colorado.

Visitors and members present were: Rev. W. H. Cole, Dr. and Mrs. Claude P. Jones, Rev. and Mrs. Oran Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Goff, Mr. and Mrs. Blair Clark, Mr. Trenham, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lee, Miss Lela Latch, Messrs. and Mrs. Derward Morris, Marshall Jones, Carrel Smith, Shy Osborn, Bob Isbell, Harry Gurney, Jack Pitzer, Richard Allen Jr., W. W. Smith, Carl Gorr, William Forester, J. E. Graham, D. B. Gaines, Louis Oliver, F. L. Yeates, and Jimmy Noethcott.

Noon Dinner Sunday Enjoyed By Group

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tucker of the Pleasant Hill community had as noon dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Carter and children, Jerry Galia, Jan, and Reidy; Mrs. Tee Langlits and children, Margaret and Linda Jean of Morton Valley; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hardin and children JoAnn and Bert; Mr. and Mrs. Clair Tucker and daughter Claudine of Cisco; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tucker and Gerald, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tucker of Pleasant Hill; Mrs. Billy Hardin and children of Eastland; the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Tucker and children, Billy, Bobby and June.

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There Will Always Be Christmas Trees

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special)—Fifty years ago a President of the United States banned the use of Christmas trees in the White House because he thought the practice of cutting young evergreens was wasteful.

That order, issued by Theodore Roosevelt, went unchallenged until two of his young sons were caught in the act of smuggling a Christmas tree into the Executive Mansion. To escape their father's presidential wrath they appealed to America's first professional forester and Theodore Roosevelt's good friend, Gifford Pinchot, to intercede for them.

Pinchot did, pointing out that proper cutting of small evergreens for Christmas use is not harmful and frequently actually helps a forest.

That advice, good enough 50 years ago to lift a White House ban and convince a strong-minded president, is echoed this year by no less an authority than the American Forest Products Industries.

"Don't worry about the plight of the poor Christmas tree," says this wood-industry sponsored organization, "it's as replaceable as the Thanksgiving turkey and just as indispensable to the American scene."

Nearly half of the 21 million evergreens that make up America's 1949 Christmas tree harvest were farm produced. Nearly nine-tenths of the entire crop was cut on privately owned timberland. To augment this domestic Christmas tree harvest, about five million evergreens are imported annually, most of them from Canada.

Besides bringing a fragrant freshness of the forest into two out of every three American homes this December, the three-month Christmas tree harvest pours an estimated 50 million dollars into the Nation's economic bloodstream.

Most American Christmas trees are thinned from natural growth forests. An original stand of from five to ten thousand trees per acre will actually mature only a few hundred sawlog-size trees. Most of the small evergreens, selectively cut for Christmas sale, would sooner or later have been eliminated by Nature in the life and death struggle for forest space.

When it comes to selecting a Christmas tree, most Americans have as many individual likes and dislikes as they have in motor cars or hats. Color, limb strength, shape, compactness, fragrance, an



These spruce trees from Northern Minnesota's second growth forests will bring Christmas cheer into homes all over America. This scene typifies the holiday forest harvest just completed. (Halvorson Trees, Photo)

ability to retain needles and, of course, price are factors.

Best seller on the Christmas tree market today is the balsam fir, a product of New England and Northeastern United States. About six and one-half million of these are sold in an average year. Douglas firs, products of the Pacific Coast, are the second most popular. Black spruce, red cedar and white spruce follow in that order. Together these make up 83 percent of all Christmas trees sold in the United States. Scotch pine, Southern pine, red spruce, Virginia pine, white fir, Norway spruce, hemlock, cypress, juniper and Englemann spruce also are marketed in commercial quantities.

Historians disagree over how and when this Christmas tree business started in America. Home-sick Hessian soldiers, brought over from Germany by the British to fight George Washington's Continental Army, probably introduced the custom.

Another German, the sixteenth century religious leader Martin Luther, generally is credited with originating the custom of decorating Christmas trees with lights. Noting how snowflakes on the boughs of evergreen trees reflected moonlight, Martin Luther determined to capture the same effect in his home by placing lighted candles on the tree. The idea spread through the centuries.

This Christmas eve, just as they have since 1923, people will gather around an evergreen tree on the White House lawn to participate in a tree lighting ceremony dedicated by the President and broadcast nationally.

Forestry-wise the United States has traveled a full circle since Theodore Roosevelt's day. Christmas trees, like sawlogs and pulpwood, have become a crop in America. This country's forests, if protected and wisely managed, can produce as much Christmas trees in quantities sufficient to meet present as well as future needs.

The dining table was covered with an imported table cloth, and was resplendent with a beautiful centerpiece of holly berries and fir, with other evergreens, surrounding an arrangement of poinsettia blossoms. A huge, cut glass punch bowl, filled with delicious beverage, and surrounded by individual matching glasses, was presided over by Mrs. Monk McClure. Fruit cake and mints were also served.

Games and contests were the principal diversions of the evening, and reminiscences of "ye olden days" were exchanged by the more elderly members of the party.

The guests in attendance on this pleasant occasion were Rev. and Mrs. Otis Strickland and sons Carlyle and Charles; Rev. and Mrs. Charlie Jones and son "Chuck" Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Ashenhurst, Mr. and Mrs. Felton Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Algie Skiles, Mr. and Mrs. Monk McClure, Mesdames Leon McPherson and J. R. Burnett, and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Cole.

Mrs. J. D. Browning Hostess For Nice Christmas Party

The Rainbow Girls of Cisco Assembly No. 37 and their mothers were entertained with a Christmas party by their Mother Advisor, Mrs. J. D. Browning, Monday evening in her home at 1404 Ave. L.

At the beginning of the party the Christmas story, from the revised standard version of the Gospel of Luke, chapter two, was read by Mrs. Bernice Gorr, new Mother Advisor Elect; which was followed by the Lord's prayer in unison.

A program of entertainment included the singing of Christmas carols, and others of comic nature which were directed by Mrs. A. H. Perdue and were heartily enjoyed. An exchange of gifts among the girls and surprise gifts from each girl to her own mother and to the Mother Advisor took place from the lighted Christmas tree.

Refreshments bearing a motif of Christmas were served from the lace covered dining table. The centerpiece was a "Rainbow" under which was the open Bible, surrounded by a wreath of holly flanked by

white candles in crystal holders.

Those attending were: Jeanette and Dixie Hansen and their mother, Mrs. A. A. Hansen; Joanna Chapman and mother, Mrs. Ray G. Chapman; Betty Brogdon and mother, Mrs. Guy R. Brogdon; Monterey Liscombe and mother, Mrs. T. E. Liscombe; Wanda Hailey and mother, Mrs. C. E. Hailey; Patsey Ruth King and mother, Mrs. Sam B. King; Rochelle Gorr and mother, Mrs. Bernice Gorr; Mrs. Bessie Reynolds, mother of two former Rainbow Girls, Mrs. A. H. Perdue and Mrs. Browning. Christmas corsages were presented by the hostess to all in attendance.

Due to many church and social activities of the holiday season, several members and their mothers could not be present.

Wedding Anniversary Is Celebrated

The home of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Cole presented a gay and festive appearance on Wednesday evening, December 16th, when a group of friends called after prayer meeting, to celebrate with them their thirty-sixth wedding anniversary.

A lovely Christmas tree, decorated with colored lights and Christ

Joint Meeting Held By Two SS Classes

Mrs. J. S. Mobley and Mrs. Carl Stewart were hostesses Monday evening to two classes, the Loyal Women and the Mary-Martha classes of the First Christian church school in the home of Mrs. Mobley.

After arrival of the class members prayer by Mrs. James Haynie opened the meeting, preceding group singing of Christmas carols. Mrs. Lattimer read the Gospel account of the birth of Jesus as told by Luke. Mrs. Minnie Hill read a Legend of Mistletoe; and Miss Olga Fay Ford read an article entitled "Is There a Santa Claus?" which closed the program.

Christmas baskets were filled for local people with gifts brought by members of the two classes.

Refreshments of delicious punch and home-made cake were served to the following:

Misses Olga Fay Ford, Marie Winston, Alice Bacon, Ethel Mae Wilson, and Mrs. H. R. Garrett, J. D. Yowell, A. L. Clark, J. R. DeArmond, James Latimer, Joe Tullos, D. E. Waters, Fleming Waters, Willrue Logan, J. F. Alsop, Edward Lee, Cora Davidson, H. J. Woodbridge, G. W. Troxell, Roy Fonville, H. T. Huffman, Grady

Johnson, W. R. Winston, Minnie Hill, Ace Lucas, Fred Steffey, Ada M. Miller, and two

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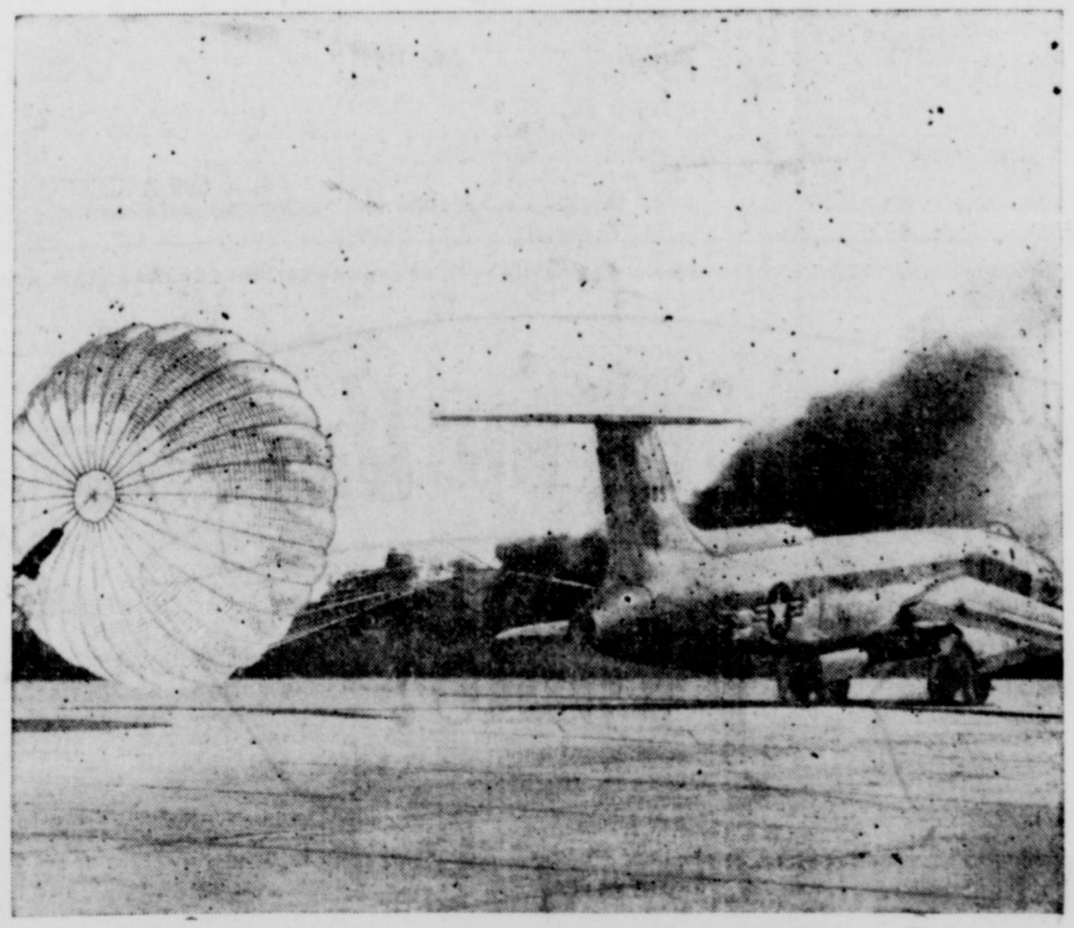
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BRIEFLY TOLD

PHONE 37

Miss Linda Fee of Austin will arrive Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George P. Fee and other relatives.

Mrs. Bill Brecheen and baby spent Sunday night and Monday in Abilene with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Brecheen.

Miss Katy Lou Atkins of Fort Worth arrived Friday for a holiday visit with her mother, Mrs. George Atkins, and other Cisco relatives. Miss Atkins is a student at Texas Christian U.

Fred Steffy Jr. is expected to arrive Thursday from Austin to spend the holidays in the home

of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Steffy Sr. Steffy is a student at the University of Texas.

Mrs. J. L. Thornton went to Denton today to accompany her daughter, Miss Dana Thornton, home for the holidays. Miss Thornton is a student at North Texas State College.

Parents Announce Approaching Marriage

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Honea have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Geraldine, to Mr. Robt. Robinson of Austin. He is the son of Mrs. M. O. Robinson of Ketchie, La.

The wedding will take place in Fort Worth at 7 p. m. Christmas Day.

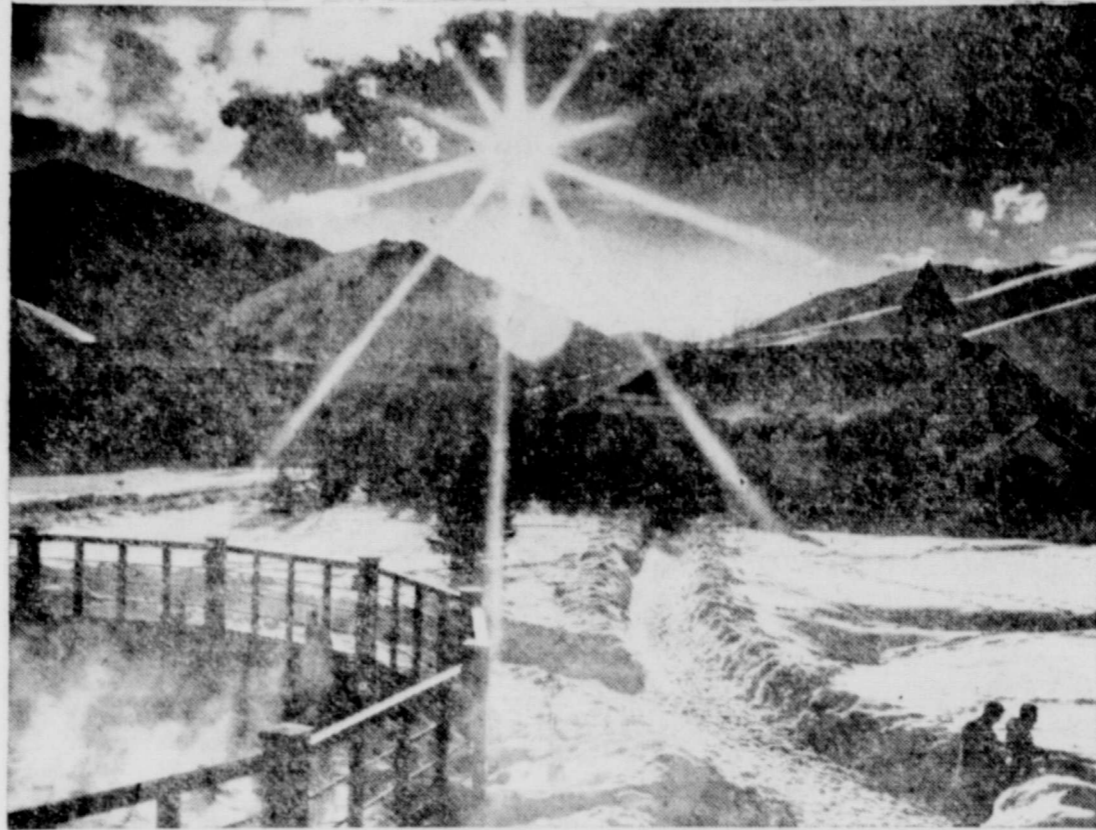
Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCall had as a weekend guest in their home his cousin, J. W. McCall of Nocona. The visitor is president of the Merchants and Farmers Bank of that city.

Mrs. Joe H. Payne, who is making her home at the Motley Hotel, will have as guests this week her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Payne and their daughter, Mary Joe, of Plainview.

Judge and Mrs. Eugene Lankford have just received a Christmas greeting by wire from their son, Dr. Livius L. Lankford, who is in Naples, Italy, with the U. S. Navy's Mediterranean fleet.

Aubrey Vanderford and his friend, Ray Clark, of Big Spring stopped in Cisco Monday night

Heavenly Christmas Greetings



THE SUN reflects the spirit of Christmastide as it beams down on the picturesque chapel at Sun Valley, famous Union Pacific resort village in Idaho. The late afternoon scene was taken by Sun Valley's photographer, George Long, Jr., who experimentally "shot" his picture directly into the sun. The strong rays of the sun streaked the film but the result was a rare star of Bethlehem effect and a beautiful picture characterizing the spiritual richness of the Christmas season.

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for a visit with his father, R. D. Vanderford, and his sister, Mrs. Gertrude Pollard. The two men were enroute to Dallas to attend an automobile dealers meeting.

Mrs. Barney Gregory of Dallas left the first of the week to join Mr. Gregory who is working at Chickasha, Okla., after visiting here with her father, R. D. Vanderford, who has been very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. John Horn of Abilene were Cisco visitors Tuesday. Mr. Horn was transacting business and Mrs. Horn visited with her aunt, Mrs. Berta Carmichael and her uncle and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Stephens.

Mrs. J. B. Popalio and baby, Katherine, were in Eastland on Tuesday where the baby underwent a clinical checkup.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McCanlies and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Shockey

spent Sunday afternoon in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. Phil McCanlies and baby.

Paul Harlan Woods will be home from Texas Tech to spend the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Paul M. Woods.

Miss Linda Fee will spend the Christmas holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Fee, and her brother, Pat Fee. Miss Fee is a student at the U. of Texas.

Miss Mary Martha Ball has arrived from Baylor College at Belton to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. D. Ball.

Mrs. Daniel Lincove will leave the latter part of the week for her home at Corsicana after a visit this week

with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Coplin. Mrs. Lincove will be accompanied on her return home by her brother, Donald Coplin, who will spend the holidays at Corsicana.

Dick Anderson is here for a Christmas holidays visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Anderson. He is a student at Texas Tech, Lubbock.

Miss Betty Jones, a student at Texas Tech, has arrived for a holiday visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Jones, in their home north of Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Reed and children Rhelda Jo and Ronny Reed, will spend Christmas at Snyder with their parents and other relatives.

Mrs. T. E. House returned

early today from Terrell where she visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Knox several days.



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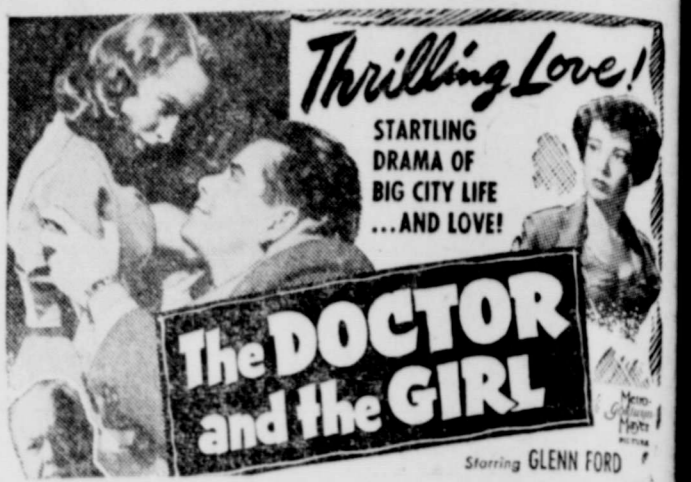
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