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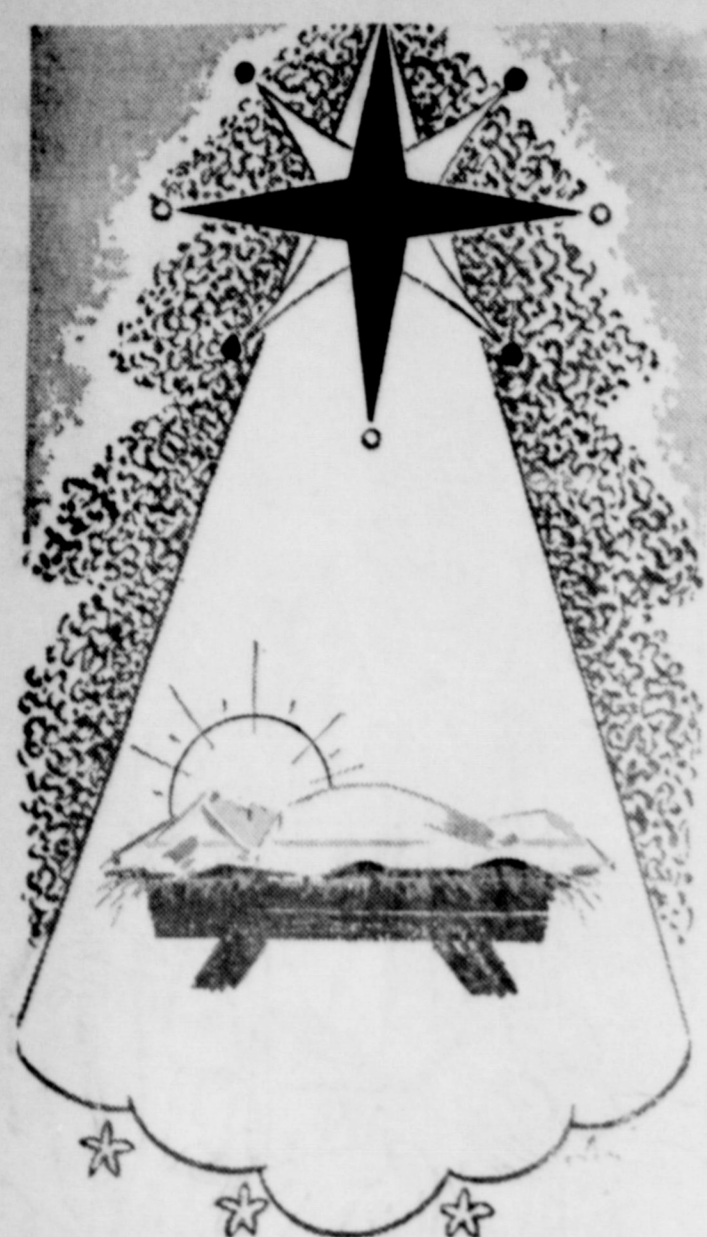
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On Earth, Peace, Good Will Toward Men.

"And A Little Child Shall Lead Them" ...
At Christmastime let us become as children, with faith pure and simple. Let our hearts open wide to the significant message revealed at Bethlehem and renewed once again unto us all this season. Let us strive for a lasting friendship with our fellows, and be blessed by Him with the spirit of the Holy Holiday all year long.





JOY TO EVERYONE

May the message of Peace and Good Will shine brightly in your hearts this Christmas, with a holiday rich in the joy of blessings received and bright with happiness.

Koenig Grocery & Station
OSCAR & PEGGY KOENIG



TO WISH YOU CHRISTMAS CHEER

— and thank you for the gift of your patronage!

Dillard & Falkner Station
CHARLES DILLARD & DAN FALKNER

Mrs. J. H. Coon Returns To Her Home In Pioneer

Mrs. J. H. Coon, long time resident of Pioneer, has returned to that community to make her home after spending the past 14 months in the home of her daughter and family, Mrs. J. H. Burget in Lawton, Oklahoma. Mrs. Coon was accompanied to Pioneer by her daughter and granddaughter, Celia, both of whom will remain with her during the yuletide. Her many friends will be happy to learn that Mrs. Coon has almost completely recovered after sustaining a broken leg more than a year ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley A. Stone and little daughter, Madeline, of Spearman, spent several days here last week with Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hanke, Jr were in Brownwood Thursday. They returned by Coleman where they visited for a while in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Ingram.

TEXAS TECH CROWD HOME FOR YULETIDE HOLIDAYS

Home from Texas Tech at Lubbock to spend Christmas are: Darwin Breeding, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Breeding; Joe McNeel, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. McNeel; Dan McCarty, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McCarty; Charles Neeb, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Neeb; James Foster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Foster. Classes will be resumed at Tech January 4. The Cross Plains area is believed to have more students enrolled at the Lubbock school than any other institution of higher learning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jones of Rankin visited here this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Tyler.

Mrs. James Hickman and Mrs. Beulah Lucas were in Brownwood last Wednesday.

W. J. (Jay) Mayes, a state highway patrolman stationed at Mount Vernon visited in the homes of his mother Mrs. Walter Westerman, and brother, Claude Mayes here this week.

Sheriff's Posse Will Meet In Baird Night of Jan. 8

Announcement is made by Homer (Blondy) McIntosh, president of the Callahan County Sheriff's Posse that annual meeting of that organization will be held the night of January 8, 1960, in the courthouse at Baird. A president, vice-president, secretary and three directors for the ensuing year are to be elected at that time. Dates for the annual rodeo staged by the Posse have been set for May 5, 6 and 7.

Mrs. A. J. McCullin was in Brownwood visitor one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Young visited with Mrs. Cecil Freeman in Coleman one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest C. Scott and three sons of Andrews visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forest S. Scott, north of Cottonwood, and Mr. and Mrs. Sargent McCann at Sabanno here this week. Mr. Scott is a teacher in the Andrew high school system.

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SAM INGRAM IMPROVING AFTER RECENT SURGERY

His many friends here will be gratified to learn that Sam Ingram who was seriously ill for several days after undergoing surgery in a Comanche hospital one day last week, is now reported recovering normally. The operation was necessary to repair stomach ruptures. It is not yet known whether or not additional surgery will be required.

Henry Ring left Friday afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gunn and little daughter will have as their guests here during Christmas Mrs. Gunn's parents, who live at Sinton.

Miss Martha Barnard, student in Abilene Christian College, is spending the yuletide holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Barnard here.

JAMES BARRS MOVING CHILDRESS TO ABILENE

Mr. and Mrs. James Barrs, formerly of Cross Plains, are making their home in Abilene. Mrs. Barrs has been transferred to West Texas Utilities. Mrs. Barr, the former Holland, has been employed at Childress for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Franz children were in Abilene afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. to spend Christmas in their daughter and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. children of Brookhaven friends and relatives over the week end.

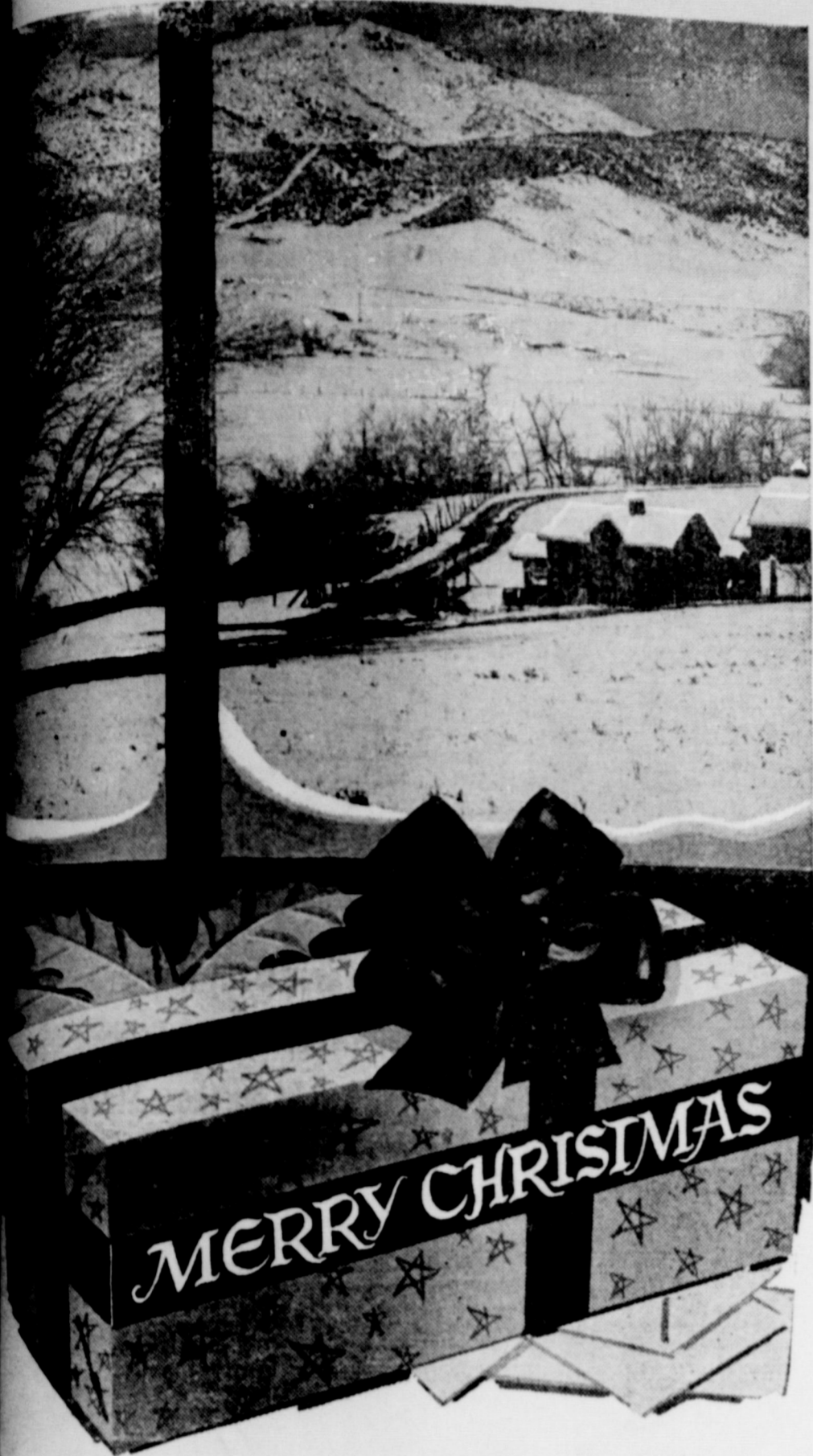
Tony Burns, student Junior College, is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Burns, at Burkett.

Merry Christmas



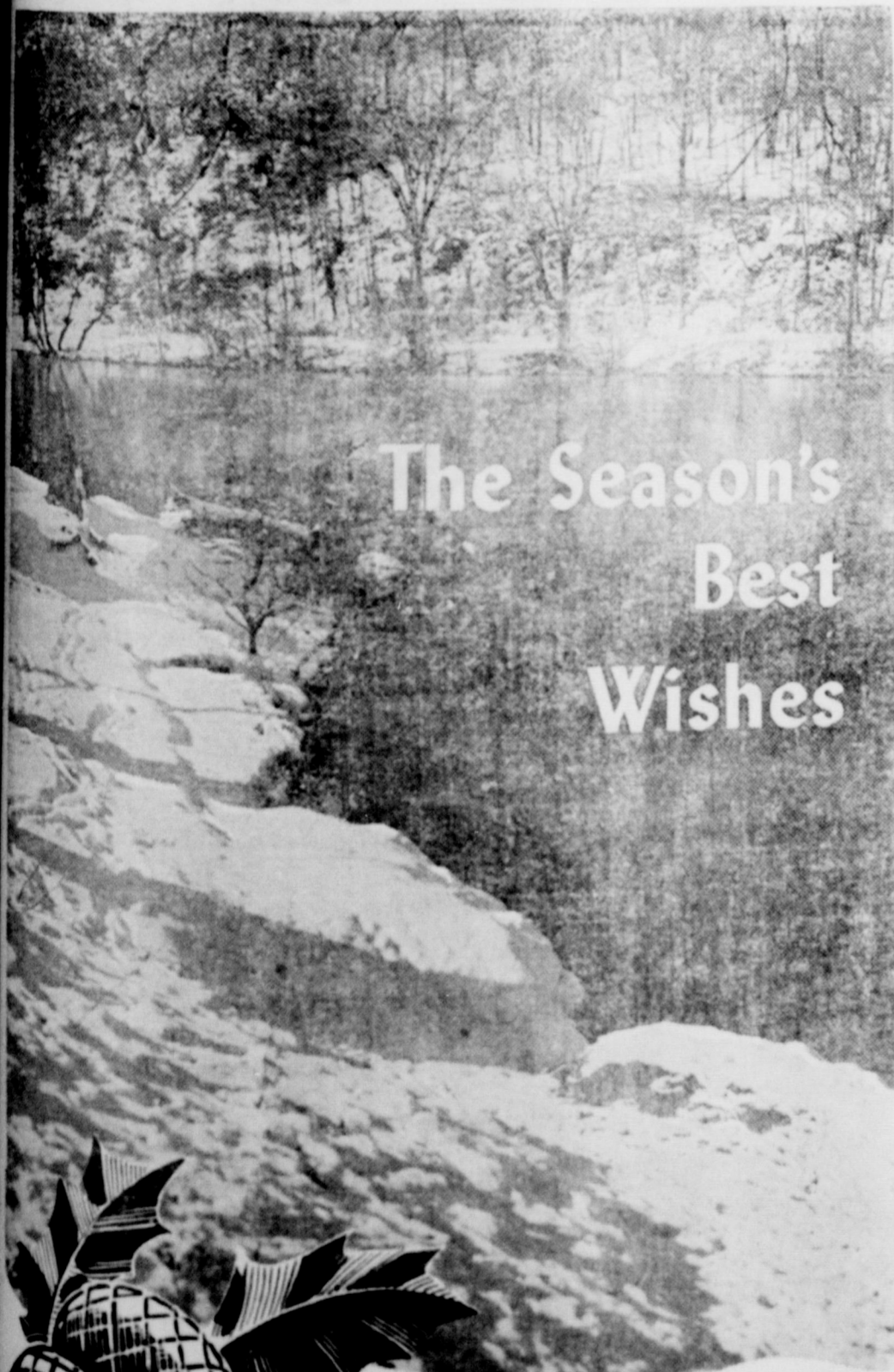
We extend to you friendly holiday greetings warm with old-fashioned Yuletide spirit. May this enchanting season gladden your hearts with its magical splendor and make this the best Christmas ever for your family. We say thanks too, for your continued loyalty to our firm.

HIGGINBOTHAM'S



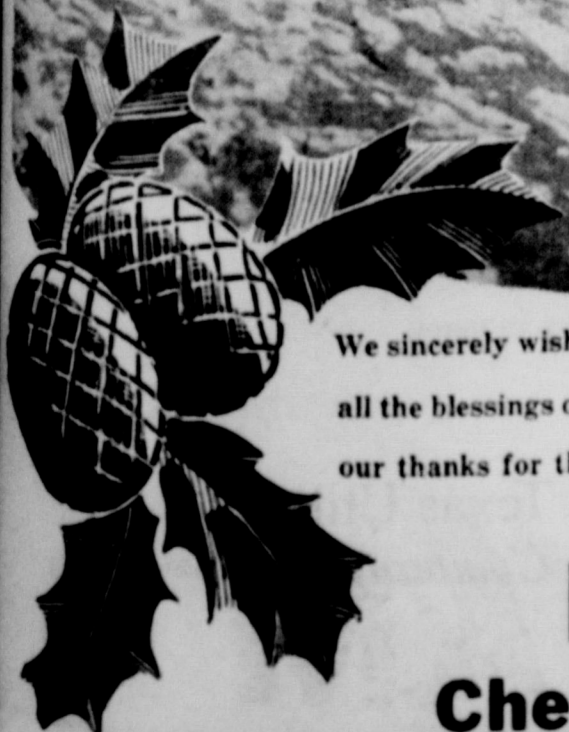
George Hutchins

MAGNOLIA PETROLEUM COMPANY AGENT



The Season's Best Wishes

We sincerely wish our many customers and friends all the blessings of this happy season, and extend our thanks for their patronage through the year!



BISHOP

Chevrolet Company

2 Shallow Tests For Burkett Area Slated

Two shallow oil tests for the area five miles northwest of Burkett have been staked by E. E. Thate. Both are permitted for 600 feet with cable tools.

No. 2 Eliza J. Watson spots 330 feet from the south and 1,265 feet from the west lines of William Mason Survey 163.

No. 3 Watson spots 300 feet from the south and 965 feet from the west lines of the same survey.

Fred Tunnell Home Scene Of Club Yuletide Party

Mrs. Fred Tunnell and Mrs. J. L. Settle were hostesses to members of the Saturday Club on Wednesday, Dec. 16, at the beautiful Tunnell home in Cross Plains.

The silver tree was reflected in a decorated mirror. Christmas greenery with other decorations were used to good effect.

After a brief business session the club's Christmas program was carried out, as follows: "Why the Chimes Ring" was read by Mrs. Fred Roberts, "Just Before Christmas" by Eugene Fields was given by Mrs. W. E. Ellis. Christmas carols were sung by the group with Mrs. H. S. Switzer at the piano.

Delicious pecan pie and coffee were served by the hostesses. Gifts were exchanged and the Yule party was enjoyed by the following members: Mesdames Lee Clark, W. E. Ellis, M. R. Groce, M. G. Joyce, A. T. Shults, H. S. Switzer, Fred Roberts and Robert Cook; a visitor, Mrs. Harry Fry from Colorado Springs, Colo., and the hostesses.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa:
My name is Gayl. I am six years old and in the first grade. May I please have a pink dressing table with a mirror and stool. Thank you very much.

Gayl Mikeska

Dear Santa:
I want a watch, a B. B. gun, pellet gun, train, baseball bat, a football and a basketball.

Mike

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a doll and a doll house. I also want some doll clothes and a bag to carry them in. Please bring them by my brother's.

I love you
Zade

Dear Santa:
I want a baby doll, doll buggy. I want some books. I want some games.

Your friend,
Sherri

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a doll, doll bed, nurse kit, picture album and a bank. Also bring sister a doll. Please bring all of the other little boys and girls the things they want.

Santa Claus, I love you very much.

Love,
Charlou Richardson

Dear Santa:
Would you bring me some boots, doll, doll buggy, and a watch? A merry Christmas to you. I hope you are not loaded down too much.

Love,
Viekie

Dear Santa:
I have been a good boy this year and I would like something like a watch, a car, a pair of boots and some guns.

David Dennis

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a bicycle and toy sewing machine for Christmas. Please bring a piano and a T. V. set.

Thank you
Jan White

Dear Santa:
I want a pair of house shoes, a sewing machine and a dollykin. And don't forget the poor people.

Love to you,
Debra Dillard

Dear Santa:
I want a doll with a suitcase. If you can get me that I will be pleased. And don't forget about the poor children.

Wanda Childers

Dear Santa:
I want two dolls and a bride doll.

Linda Kay Kelly

Dear Santa:
I want a football and a watch that runs.

Love,
Donny Ray Duncan

Dear Santa:
Will you bring me a doll and a barn-yard. I hope you will bring me that that. I like you very much. Thanks, Santa, for the things you brought me last year.

Love,
Clovis Lee Norris

Dear Santa:
I want a B. B. gun and a machine gun. I want my brother to have a rifle and a B. B. gun too.

Your friend,
W. C.

Dear Santa:
I am seven years old and in Mrs. Byrd's second grade. Please bring me a B. B. gun, kicking tee, a football, some Western shirts and a football helmet.

I have two brothers, Donny and James.

Love,
Richard Neal Wilson



TO OUR FRIENDS:

We hope your Christmas is a merry one - Chock-full of cheer and lots of fun!

Russel-Surles Abstract Co.

FARRIS BENNETT

BAIRD, TEXAS

VADA BENNETT



May the true meaning of the season come alive in your heart with joy and happiness for a truly Merry Christmas!

Mayes Lumber Co.

CLAUDE MAYES, Owner-Manager



Charles McCord Comes Home After Army Duty

Charles McCord arrived here this week to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McCord, after being released from active duty at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, where he took advanced infantry training. Prior to going to Fort Jackson he was stationed at Fort Leonardwood in Missouri.

Before entering the service, Charles was a student at North Texas State College in Denton. His present plans are to reenroll there at the beginning of the second semester.

Dear Santa:
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a train.
Brad Harris

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a doll with clothes and a closet, skates, a high chair for dolls.
Santa, don't forget uncle Tom and uncle Donald told you to get me a record player with records. Don't forget to bring my little brother a pipe truck and please remember the other children.
Love,
Vickie Lynn Illingworth

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a pipe truck, shot gun, skates, electric shaver and a pick-up pulling a boat.
Santa, don't forget Deaba, Pam, Jackie, Patricia, Tammi, Glen Carol and Rose Marie. They are all my cousins.
Love,
James Illingworth

An amoeba eats by slowly enfolding the food in its body.

PIONEER WOMAN REPORTED IMPROVING IN HOSPITAL

Friends in Cross Plains and Pioneer will be glad to learn that Mrs. J. W. Foster, who has been a patient in the Hendrick Memorial hospital in Abilene the past six weeks, is reported showing noticeable improvement. She was able to be up in a wheel chair first of the week.

During his wife's stay in the hospital, Mr. Foster has been living in the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. H. Day in Abilene.

Dear Santa:
I've tried to be a good girl, so will you please bring me a baby bed and some doll clothes; also a table and chairs. Please bring all the other boys and girls something too.
Your friend,
Katy Ford

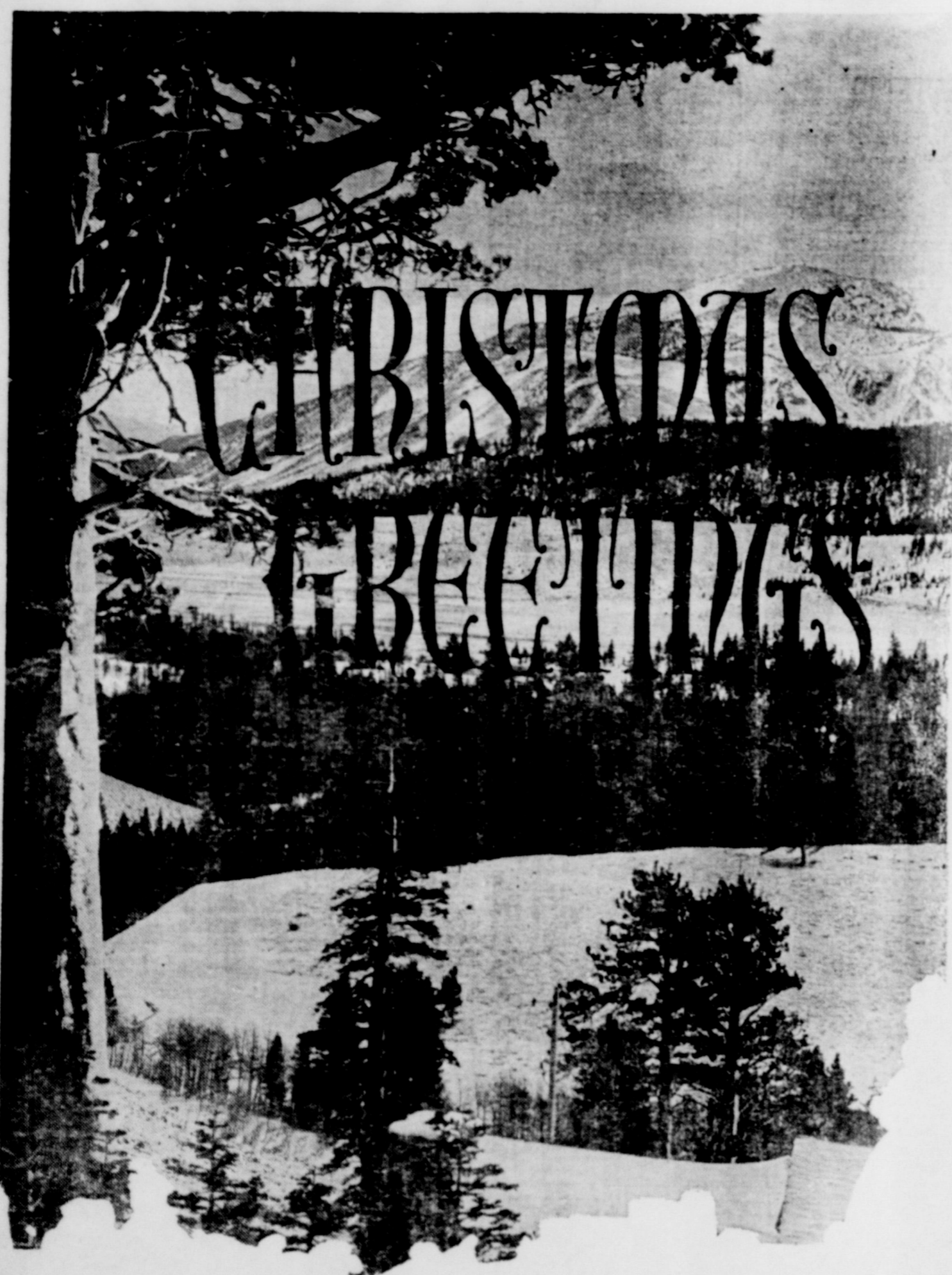
Dear Santa:
My name is Jackie Lawler and I have been a good boy this year. I would like to have a gun, train, baseball game, toy lugar and some moulding clay.
Tell Mrs. Santa hello.
Love,
Jackie Lawler

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl six years old and in the first grade at school. Please bring me a big doll.

Santa, I have two little brothers and a little sister. Bring my brothers each a gun and holster set, and my little sister a small baby doll. We'd also like some fruit and nuts.

Please bring something for the children who would not otherwise receive much.
Thanks,
Thelma Merle Walker

McNeel Supply Co.



To Our Friends and Customers:

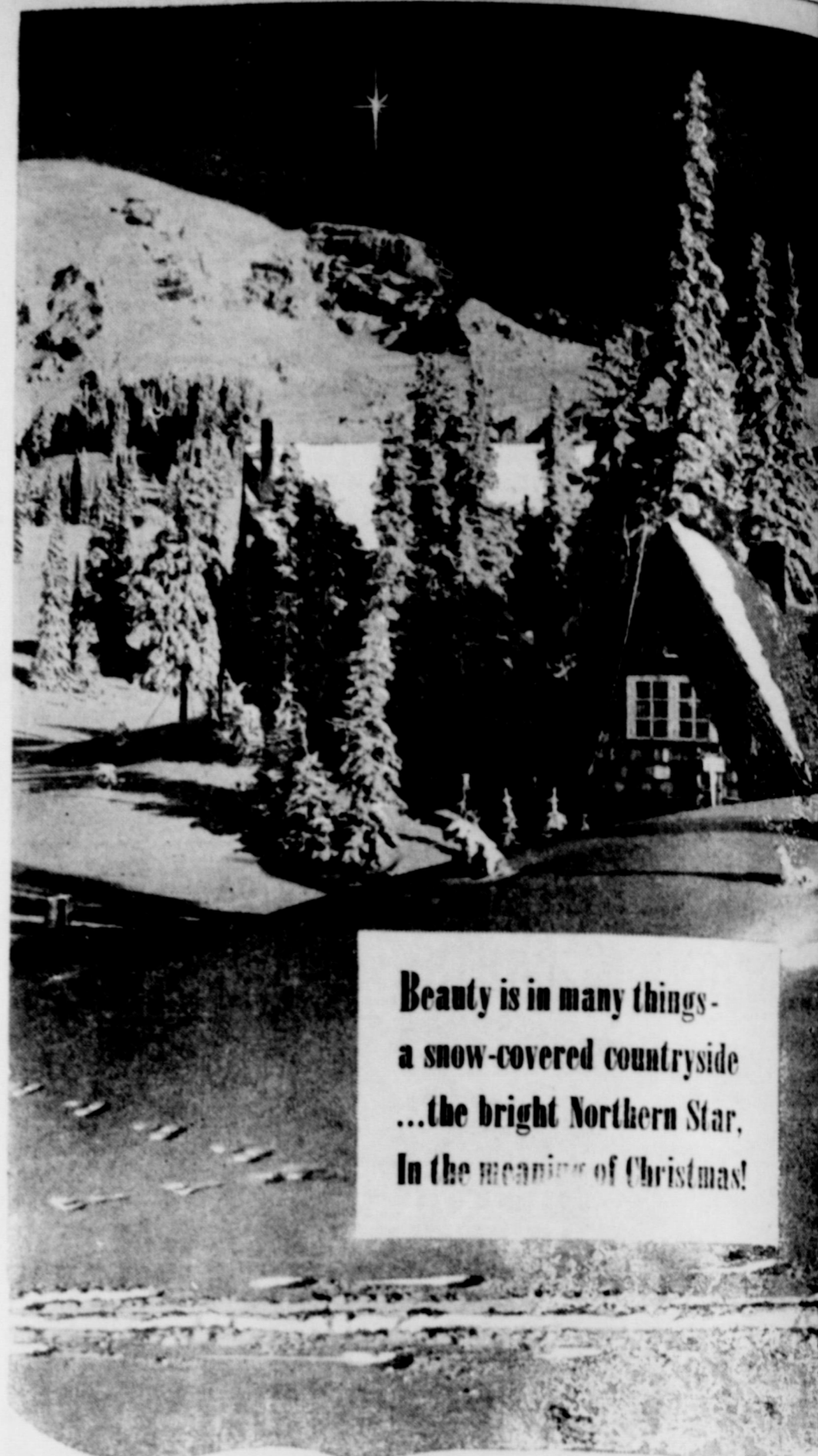
At this Happy Holiday Season, we pause to express sincere appreciation for your friendship, and send warm wishes for a very Merry Christmas.

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to serve you this past year . . . and to say that we are deeply grateful for your goodwill is but a mild expression of our true feelings. You have made our business possible . . . which has made it possible for us to keep working and striving to merit your continued friendship and confidence in the future. It is always our aim to make our business one of the better places to trade.

And today . . . with Santa Claus peeping around the corner and everybody thinking of everybody else . . . we wish you the finest Christmas of your life, with a New Year brimful of bounteous blessings for you and those you love.

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...the bright Northern Star,
In the meaning of Christmas!

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BAIRD, TEXAS



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. . . the story of how, so many years ago, the wise men saw the light . . . the Star . . . and followed it to a rich and wonderful reward.

Again it is Christmas . . . a time to draw our loved ones and our friends closer to us . . . a time to find

new faith and new hope in the true spirit of Christmas. It is in this spirit that all of us here at

West Texas Utilities Company send warm and cordial Christmas Greetings to you and yours. May you have a very Merry Christmas. And may its laughter, its friendships and its good cheer be yours in abundance in this joyous season.



West Texas Utilities
Company

Classified Ads

Cross Plains Review Thursday, December 24, 1959

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Baum were in Abilene Thursday.

B. H. Freeland of Baird was a business visitor in Cross Plains one day last week.

Mrs. R. B. McCowen of Monahans arrived here Friday to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. George B. Scott.

Chaplain and Mrs. Wallace Bennett of Fort Hood were visiting relatives and friends in Cross Plains and Cottonwood this week.

Carl McCord, senior student in Texas A&M College, arrived here over the week end to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McCord.

Thomas Harvey, who has been living with his uncle, Kenneth Jordan here and attending Cross Plains high school, left this week for Lamesa to spend Christmas with his parents.

Miss Jane Bonner, sophomore student at North Texas State College, arrived here Friday to spend Christmas in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bonner.

For Sale

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

New 1960 1/2-ton Pickup at \$250 below list!

1957 Dodge 4-door Sedan very clean \$1,145

1954 Mercury Monterey, 4-door 545

1950 Dodge 3/4-ton Pickup Runs good 150

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1949 K8 International with 2000 gal. water tank, only 650

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111 Texans Will Die In Yule Car Mishaps This Year

Faced with what is expected to become one of the most deadly Christmas-New Year's holidays in several years trafficwise, the Texas Department of Public Safety has readied its forces for the sudden surge of yuletide driving.

Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the Texas DPS, has announced that every available man, radar device and other law enforcement tools, will be used to the utmost in an effort to hold traffic accidents to a minimum. He said the department's manpower and equipment will be used to remove what he called "accident-prone" drivers from the highways.

The department announces its prediction of 111 persons to die in traffic accidents during the 12-day period extending from 12:01 a.m. Dec. 23 through 11:59 p.m. Jan. 3.

Max Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Watson, who is a student at N. T. S. C. in Denton, arrived here over the week end to spend the Christmas vacation.

FOR SALE: Excellent used dining room suites, priced as low as \$49.50. Higginbotham's. tfc

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: The Unknown Heirs and Legal Representatives of R. S. Thomas, deceased, if living and if dead, their legal representatives, Defendants, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court 42nd Judicial of Callahan County at the Court House thereof, in Baird, Texas, on or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 25th day of January A. D. 1960, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 15th day of October A. D. 1959, in this cause, numbered 11,267 on the docket of said court and styled Tim Spurrier Plaintiff vs. W. P. Thomas, et al, defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suits is as follows, to wit: an application for a division and partition of property jointly owned by the plaintiff and the defendants, said land and premises being two tracts of land situated in Callahan County, Texas, and being more particularly described as follows:

FIRST TRACT: Two (2) acres off the East end of a certain twenty acre tract out of the North one-half of the Southeast one-fourth of Section No. Sixty-five (65) of the BBB & CRR Co. Abst. 86, and

SECOND TRACT: Fourteen (14) res more or less, off the West end of certain twenty acre tract of land out of the North one-half of the Southeast one-fourth of Section No. Sixty-five (65), BBB & CRR Co. Abst. 86, Callahan County, Texas; as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Baird, Texas, this 10th day of December A. D. 1959.

Attest: MRS. CORRIE DRISKILL, Clerk, District Court, Callahan County, Texas. (SEAL)

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FOR SALE: Our home and rent house, located on Ave. D and 10th Sts. Two-story home has eight rooms and two baths; rent house on back of lot has three rooms and bath; lot size 100x140. A. D. Petty, phone 5-2333, Cross Plains. 7-tfc

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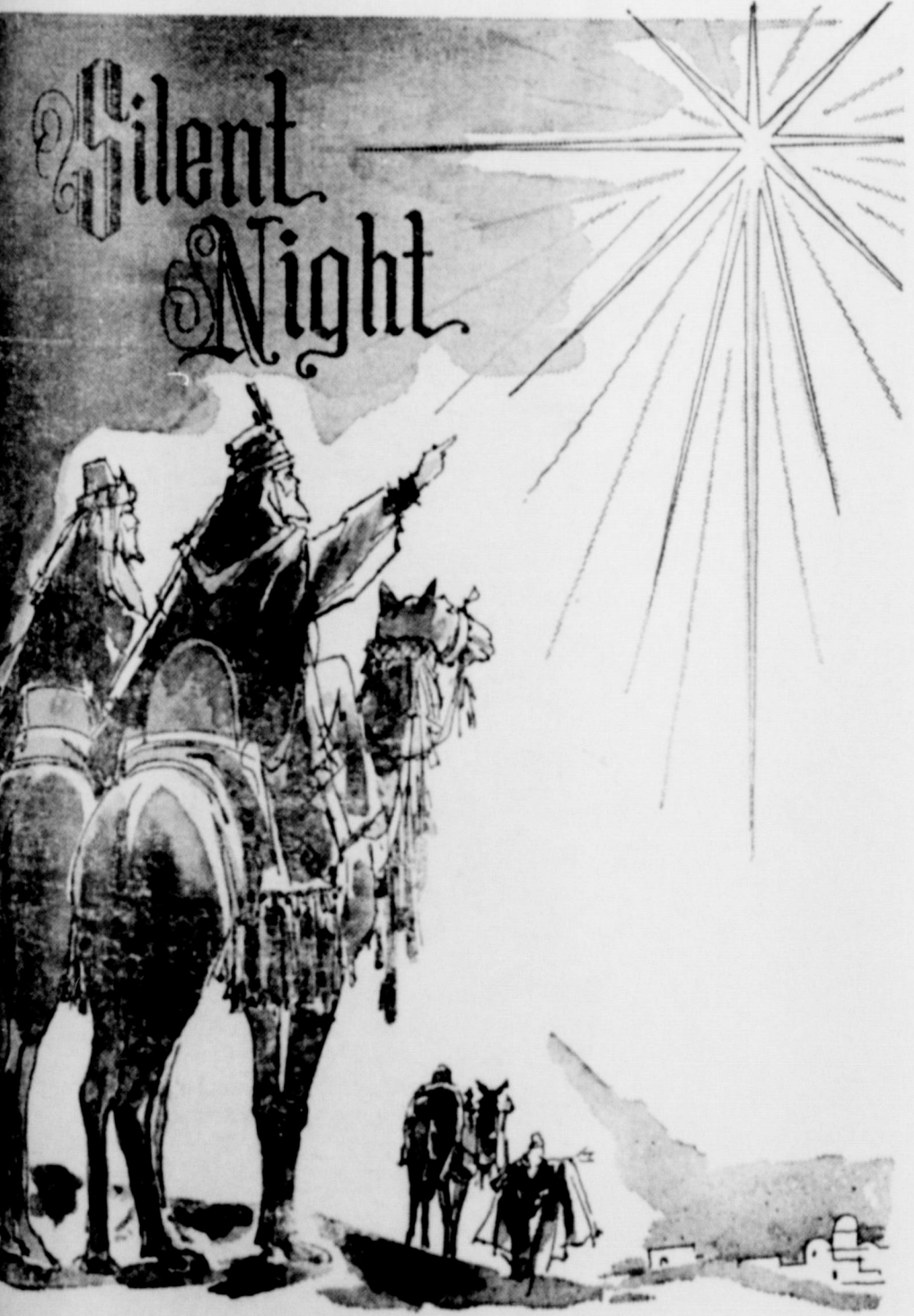
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The Season's Best Wishes



May the highways and byways of life lead to a Happy Holiday for you and yours! May we at this time express our gratitude to all of our many friends for their loyal patronage . . . To All

—A Very

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Adair's Dry Goods Co.

Scranton Area Gets 2 New Oil Tests

Two rotary tests which will be watched with much interest are now being drilled in the Scranton area by L. A. Warren, well-known Abilene oil operator.

Situated for 1,750 feet and located on the Aura Waddel fee is the first venture. It is being drilled by Dillard Drilling Company of Cross Plains. When this hole is completed the rig will be moved to the B. P. Cozart acreage, just South of the Waddel, where another test of the same depth is scheduled.

Location of the Waddel well is 3,300 feet from the north and 1,850 feet from the east lines of the M. Cherry Survey No. 4, Callahan County. The second test will be 400 feet from the north and east lines of the 100-acre Cozart fee in the same survey.

Warren has been producing oil from the Cozart place since March, 1939.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa:

I want a B. B. gun, a bike and some fruit, nuts and candy.
Mike Walters

Dear Santa:

My sister said that she wanted a tiny tear doll and some clothes for it for Christmas. And then she said she'd like an ironing board and a play telephone. Then she said a play lamp, an icebox, a stove and a washer.

I love you, Santa, and always will.
Nancy Ann Hester

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a B. B. gun and a pair of handcuffs. Please bring me a train and a toy car.
Gary

Dear Santa:

I want a B. B. gun and a machine-gun. My brother wants a B. B. gun, too.

Your friend,
Ray Kelley

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a dollykin for Christmas and a sleeping beauty sewing kit. I would also like a nurse kit.

A merry Christmas to you, Santa.
Your friend
Kala Sue Calhoun

P.S. Don't forget to bring something to the poor people, and a Merry Christmas to all.

Dear Santa:

Will you bring me a B. B. gun and a bicycle too. I also want a football helmet. Will you bring me a football set and a racer too?

Love,
Jimmy McCowen

Dear Santa:

I would like a doll, a set of dishes and a suitcase and some doll clothes.

Also, please bring my sister a doll and some doll clothes.
I have been a good girl.
Karan McNutt

Dear Santa:

I am eight years old. I want a train. I live in Cross Plains.
Victor Harris

Dear Santa:

I've been a good, little girl. I want a doll as big as a three year old and a microscope set.

Love,
Patricia Yarbrough
P. O. Box 236

Dear Santa:

I want a tiny tear, a big stuffed teddy-bear, and a cradle for my doll. I would also like a swing, and please don't forget the poor.

I love you,
Linda Ruth Shults

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a B. B. gun, a holster gun and a football. Please bring my twin brothers a shooters.

Love,
Stephen Fortune

Dear Santa:

Do you know what I want? I'd like a little bike for Christmas, a \$14 bike. Well, that is all.

Love,
G. A.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have all of the things I need this year. All I really want are smiles and many toys.

Thank you,
Joy Sadler

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a doll as big as a three year old, a record player and some records. Don't forget the poor children.

I live in Cross Plains, Texas.
Thank you,
Debra Neff

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a dollykin, a sewing machine and a pair of skates. Don't forget the poor.

I love you, Santa,
Dianna Jones

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have an electric train and two pairs of guns. Also bring me a dump truck.

Jimmy McNutt

Dear Santa Claus:

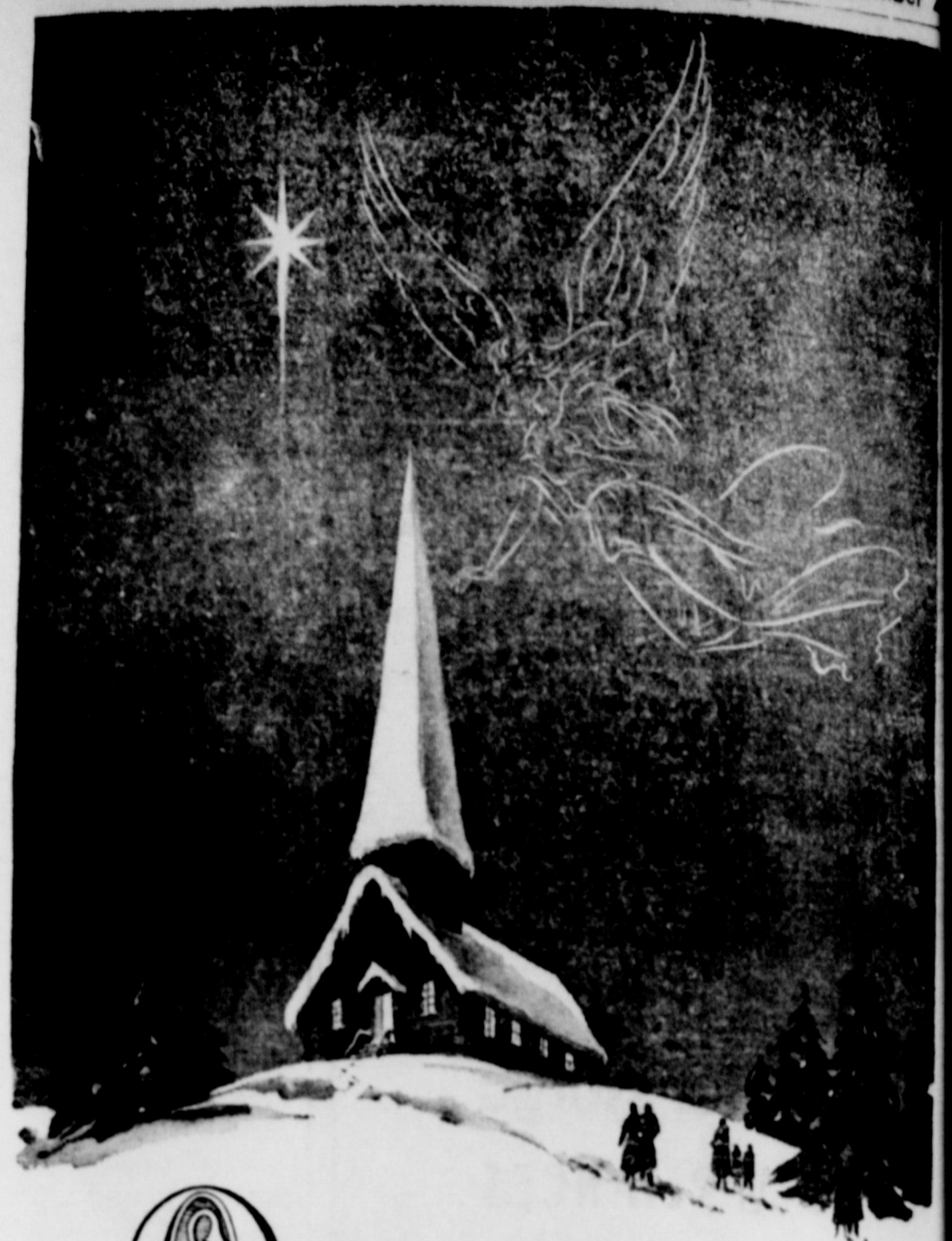
I want a red tractor and a B. B. gun.

I have been a good boy all year.
Love,
David Hargrove

Dear Santa Claus:

I am four years old and I want an iron, an ironing-board, a doll, music box and a new can-can for Christmas. I have a little brother Ronald Jack, who is a year old. Please bring him something too.

Love,
Beth McCowen



Oh Holy Night...

...with "tidings of great joy!" Again the Savior is reborn in the hearts of all mankind! May love and peace light your way this Christmas!

GLEN & ADELLA ROCKEY

ROCKY MOTOR COMPANY

"Callahan County's Only Ford House"
BAIRD, TEXAS



Have a heavenly Christmas! We hope that it is merry and gay - one to recall as a heavenly day!

Bryan Variety Store

NOEL



Big D Drilling Co.

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS



May you have an enchanting Christmas . . . with carols and cheer, glitter and glow and our Best Wishes for a Heavenly Holiday Time!

Dave Lee's Gulf Station

Clyde Garrett Dies At Eastland Friday

Clyde L. Garrett, 74, former congressman from this district, died of a heart attack at his home in Eastland Friday night.

Garrett defeated Thomas L. Blanton and served in the 75th and 76th Congresses, from January 1937 through 1940. In a bid for reelection he was defeated by Sam Russell by about 3,200 votes in the second primary of 1940.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa:
I'd like to have a doll with a music box inside, a cradle, some skates and a sleeping, yawning bear. I am three years old, and I have been a pretty good girl lately.

Love,
Kim Tatam

Dear Santa:
I'm a little girl five years old and I've been pretty good this year. Would you please bring me a ballerina doll, some skates, a toy drive-in, and some Lennon Sister paper dolls. Thank you.

Love,
Beverly Tatam

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a football, and if you have something more for me I will be thankful.

With love,
Jerry Benn

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl seven years old. I go to school. I want a baby doll, a set of dishes, a little record player, a big red wagon and some candy, fruit and nuts.

Ruby Taylor
Route 2
Cross Plains, Texas

Dear Santa:
I am a good boy. I am seven years old. I want a football, a Davy Crockett rifle and some different kinds of games.

Please don't forget my two little brothers. Do not forget some candy and nuts.

I love you,
Ronnie Pancake

Dear Santa:
I want a cavalry set, a farm set and a football.

Billy Melton

Dear Santa:
I would like to have a doll with a bottle.

Love,
Judy Jackson

Dear Santa:
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a doll and bring something for my brothers and sisters.

Love,
Carol Regian

Dear Santa:
I would like some dishes, a table and two chairs, a view master, stove and refrigerator, a dresser with make-up and a doll. My little sister, Sandra, would like a doll strowler, teddy-bear and musical top.

We have been good girls, so please don't forget us.

Thanks,
Anita Weiss

Dear Santa:
I want a wagon and a B. B. gun, also a watch and a football.

Brit Hollinshead

Dear Santa:
I want a doll set, ironing board, washing machine, sewing machine, a bride-doll, little T. V. set, dinner set, table set, stove, ice-box, and doll clothes.

From your friend,
Darlene Dillard

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a small bicycle with three wheels on the back. I have been a pretty good boy.

Bruce Regian

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy six years old and in the first grade. I would like to have a bicycle more than anything else you might bring me. I am going to the hospital Friday to have my tonsils taken out. Try and come to see me while I am there. Remember all the other boys and girls.

Love,
Jimmy Gregg

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a gun and holster set. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Your friend,
Eddie Nigar

Dear Santa:
Will you please bring me a football, dump truck and some cars. We will have a pretty Christmas tree for you to put some candy and nuts under.

Love,
Raymond Holland

Dear Santa:
I would like to have a football, a motor-scooter, a set of guns and caps and a dump truck.

Bring Rick something too. I have been a good boy.

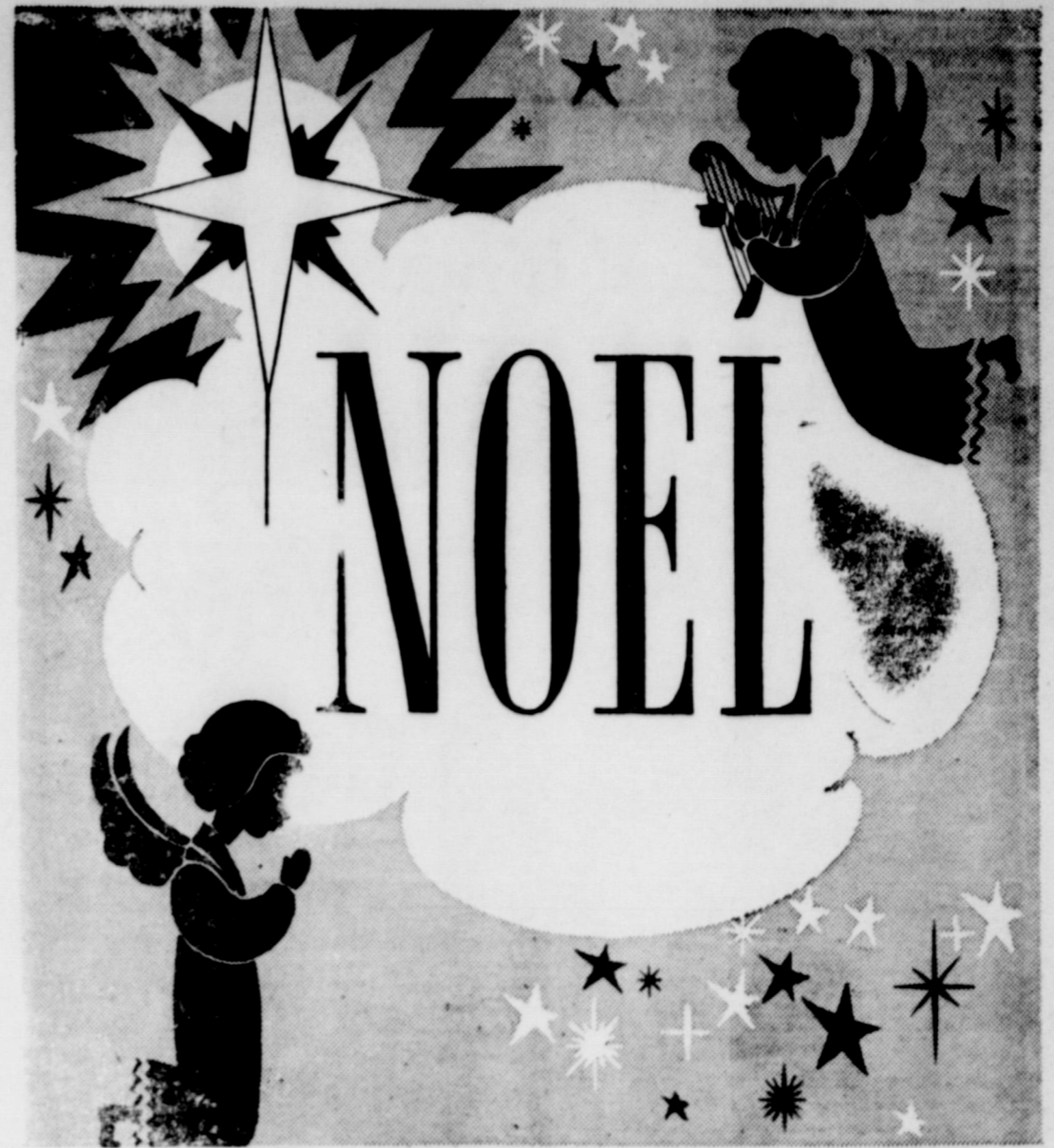
Thank you,
Tommy Potter
Box 431, Cross Plains

Dear Santa:
Thank you for the merry Christmas and happy new year.

Gayland

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy five years old and have tried to be a good. Please bring me a B. B. gun and a football suit. Please remember my big sister, little brother and all the other children.

Love,
Buddy Dillard



A joyous carol sends our Greetings!

May your Christmas be blessed with the joys you love best, and may all your days, too, be most happy for you...

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Callahan County Farmers Co-op

BAIRD, TEXAS

CLYDE, TEXAS



'Tis the season for carol singing, for gay wreaths of holly, glowing candles, and sugar plums. It's Christmas! Time to wish you all the HAPPIEST OF HOLIDAYS

Hornsby Electric Co.

ALTON, MADGE AND TOMMY HORNSBY



May your Christmas tree be bright and gay, and heaped with gifts and good cheer for you, and all the family!

NEAL DILLARD AND ALL THE BOYS AT

Dillard Drilling Company

CROSS-PLAINS, TEXAS



Former Teacher Is Buried In Coleman

Cecil A. Freeman, 71, former Cross Plains school teacher, died of a heart attack at his home in Coleman Saturday afternoon. He had been ill about two weeks.

Funeral services were held from a Coleman funeral chapel Sunday afternoon, with Dr. Floyd Leggett of Texas Christian University officiating. Burial was in the Coleman cemetery.

Born Dec. 17, 1888, in Mississippi, he married Laura Boyles in Cross Plains June 20, 1920. They established their home in Coleman county and a few years later in the city of Coleman, where they resided continuously for the past 34 years.

The deceased was a veteran of World War I, a member of the American Legion and the Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include the widow, one son, Charles A. of Midland; two daughters, Mrs. Dan Gent of Irving and Mrs. Lester D. Cochran of Austin; two brothers, Roy of Coleman and Dillard of Fort Worth; five sisters, Mrs. Janita Fletcher and Mrs. Wilson Lambert, both of Brownwood, Mrs. Lillian Parish of Fort Worth, Mrs. W. E. Gassiot of Irving and Mrs. R. A. Harrel of Elgin, Okla.

Present at the funeral Sunday afternoon were relatives and friends from all over Texas, including a number from Cross Plains. Among those from here were: Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Young, Mr. and Mrs. James Hickman, Bob Cutbirth, Mrs. Beulah Lucas, Jim Barr and Mr. and Mrs. Howard E. Coburn.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa:
Will you get me a doll for Christmas?
I want a buggy and some dishes.
Bring sister a dolly.
Love,
Ruby Nina King

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a cash register, baton, a bike, guitar, fruit and candy. Don't forget the other girls and boys.
I love you,
Debra Brown

Dear Santa:
My name is Kala Rene Dillard but they all call me "Pill". I am six years old and in the first grade.

Santa, I have been a pretty good girl this year, and so has my sister, LaNeal. Would you please bring me a little table and chairs so that Donna, Dena, Randy and Jerry will have a place to eat when they come to see me. I would also like some dishes, a doll and some clothes. My sister, LaNeal, would like to have a record player.

Santa, be sure and visit all the other boys and girls.
I will try to be better next year.
Thank you very much, Santa.
"Pill" Dillard

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a gun and a doctor's kit. Please don't forget the other boys and girls.
Bobby Lynn Newton

Dear Santa:
I want a pair of guns, a train and a wagon. Please don't forget my little brother, Larry, who wants a dump truck.
Dan Gardner

Dear Santa:
I would like to have a bicycle or a football. Please bring my sister some doll clothes.
Jesse Alan Clark

Dear Santa:
I want a big doll and a doll house. I would like some clothes for my doll.
Charlene Denise Bowman

Dear Santa:
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a baby doll, skates and a record player.
Please bring my brothers the things they want.
I love you,
Norma Jean Merrill

Dear Santa:
I want a baby doll and a little dress set. I would also like a train. Don't forget the orphans.
Love,
Sylvia Graham

Dear Santa:
I want a train and a story book.
That's all,
Charles Lee

Dear Santa:
I have been a good boy.
I want a football and a box of B. B. shells. I also want a B. B. gun.
Bobby Don Davis

Dear Santa:
I have been a good, little girl. I would like a bride-doll and a set of dishes.
Your friend,
Ruth Thomas

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a fire-truck and a gun set. Bring all of the boys and girls some toys.
Your friend,
George Cowan

Dear Santa:
I want a skating doll, a little car and I would like a doll the size of me. Remember my brother and get him something nice.
I am a good girl, Santa.
I love you,
Debbie Tyler

Dear Santa:
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a pellet gun.
Garland Gale Arnold

The Amazon has the largest volume of any river in the world.

Premier Oil Refining Company of Texas

BAIRD, TEXAS



... COME LET US ADORE HIM THIS DAY

When You're In The County Seat, Make Your Headquarters At

PATTERSON'S CAFE

"Where The Food's Good And You're Always Welcome"

BAIRD, TEXAS



And a Merry, Merry
Christmas to one
and all

RISING STAR HOSPITAL



Old St. Nick will soon be coming down your chimney and we'd like to "present" you with our best wishes for a joyful holiday!

W. T. COX FARMERS MARKET

Wicker Here Is
Uniform

of recent action of
city council, the
is soon to be
when on duty.
designing the
to Council-
and J. L. Settle.

is the Cross Plains

Shelton Dies
Long Illness

services were held at
Monday afternoon at
for Elbert E. Shelton,
of Cross Plains for the
years, who died Sunday
at a Baird hospital. He
for several years.

services were held in the
Baptist Church were
by Rev. James O. Bran-
by Rev. C. R. Myrick.
made in the Cotton-
under direction of
Funeral Home in
Masonic rites were
at the graveside.

Brownwood To
Boat Fees

apartmen who maintain
boats on Lake Brown-
will be effected by a ruling
recently by directors of the
County Water Improvement
No. 1.

regulation doubles dock and
at the lake.
increase was necessary, dir-
to compensate for loss
from boat licenses.

a new law passed by the
legislature, boats are now to
be by the state.

FARMING
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PRODUCTION
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CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

CROSS PLAINS' OLDEST BUSINESS INSTITUTION — THE LARGEST CIRCULATION IN CALLAHAN COUNTY

PATRONIZE
YOUR
HOME TOWN
MERCHANTS

VOLUME FIFTY

CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1959

NUMBER THIRTY-EIGHT

Cross Plains Area Gaining Attractive New Dwellings

Home building and improvement continues throughout the Cross Plains area, winter weather notwithstanding.

Nearing completion in the Edgewood addition is an attractive three bedroom home being built for Mr. and Mrs. Morris Odum and family. The dwelling, expected to be ready for occupancy shortly after the first of the year, is located just north of the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Pruet.

Just completed is a new home at the corner of 12th Street and Avenue E, built by Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Pierce. The attractive house is located just south of the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Westerman.

On the same block on the southwest corner, is a large, three bedroom home being built for Mr. and Mrs. R. D. (Bob) Needham and family. The house contains three bedrooms and two baths. It will face the south.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bonner will move into their enlarged and remodeled ranch home, 10 miles west of town, shortly after the first of the year. It will encompass approximately twice the former floor space and offer many enlargements and improvements.

The Dillard-Falkner service station building at the intersection of Main street and Highway 36 recently received a remodeling program, which modernized the exterior of the structure and enhanced the appearance of that busy corner. Interior redecorating and rearrangement was also a part of the project.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy B. Conlee are building an attractive new home on the Conlee place, three miles south of town, fronting state highway 279. Mr. Conlee is a local electrical contractor.

Mr. and Mrs. Duke Mitchell have added a large bedroom to their home on East highway 36. The Mitchells live in the first house east of the Dick Ames place, on the same side of the road.

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Montgomery are building a two bedroom house on a portion of the J. P. Lane place. It is expected to be completed shortly.

Local Boys Win Third Place In Tourney

The Cross Plains High School boys won three of four games in the Gorman Basketball Tournament last week and walked off with consolation honors.

The girls got off to a good start defeating the Scranton sextet, but were eliminated in the second round, losing to Lingleville in a thriller, 54-53.

The Buffaloes lost their opener in the tournament to Lingleville then trampled three consecutive foes into the hardwood. John Baird led the Buffaloes to their easy 51-31 victory over Moran in the second round play with 11 points. In the semi-finals, the Buffs the lead in the second quarter and slipped past Gordon 47-42. Tommy Adams took high point honors for Cross Plains with 18; J. L. Cearley was second with 13.

In the finals Saturday, the Buffs overcame a six point first quarter deficit, and stopped Putnam 45-35. Leading Cross Plains to victory was Adams with 14 points and Baird with 13.

In female action, Cross Plains lost a thriller to the Lingleville girls 54-53. After the first two quarters ended with the score knotted, Lingleville took a three point edge in the third canto and finished with a one-point victory. Vondean Walters bucketed 41 points for the locals on 13 field goals and 15 free tosses.

Split With May
In between games in the tournament, Cross Plains journeyed to May Friday night breaking even with the hosts.

The local boys humbled the Tigers 41-20, but the girls were defeated in a scoring duel 56-53.

The boys coasted to their victory in the final three quarters after leading only one point at the end of the first quarter. Adams paced the Buffs with 17, and Cearley was (Continued on back page this sec.)

Review Out One Day Earlier This Week

Today's Review is out one day earlier than usual.

To assure that the paper would be received in all portions of the Cross Plains area by Christmas eve morning, publication was advanced 24 hours.

The former schedule will be resumed with the year end issue next week.

Those who prepare and publish the home town newspaper extend sincerest good wishes to all for every happiness of the Christmas season.

Paul Smith Fund At \$135.65 Monday

Contributions received for a fund to provide the Rev. Paul Smith family with electrical refrigeration for their home, deep in the wilds of Mexico, totaled \$135.65 at noon Wednesday.

Gifts made thus far include: Mrs. Nora V. Baird \$1, Mrs. Marvin Smith \$20, Mrs. Minerva Eubank \$1, Jimmy Baum \$6, Teddy Souder \$2, Travis Foster \$5, Lida Robbins \$5, O. M. Bailey \$4, S. N. Foster \$5, W. M. Smith \$25, Dr. Carl J. Sohns \$25, Bill Pope \$10, Jack Scott \$5, Mrs. Mary Guyton \$2, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. White \$5, Mrs. Earl Smith \$5, Mrs. Clyde Bunnell \$3.50, Mrs. Dick Brown \$1, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Coats \$5, and Methodist Youth Fellowship \$1.15.

News has been received in Cross Plains that a friend of the Smith family in Florida recently mailed them a check for \$140 to go toward the fund. The goal of \$400 is now only \$124.35 short. Anyone wishing to help make-up this deficiency is asked to send contributions to Mrs. Bill Pope, Mrs. E. K. Coppinger or The Review.

Tod Newton Improving After Heart Attack

Todd Newton is reported improving at his home here after suffering a heart attack Tuesday of last week. He will be confined to bed for several more days.

Here to visit their father over the week end were: O. T. Newton of Baird, and Mrs. Buck Edgar and her husband of Pecos.

Outlook Bright As Christmas Arrives

FIRST PRIMARY DATE TO BE APRIL 7 INSTEAD OF IN JULY AS HERETOFORE

Revised election laws in Texas will send voters to the polls next year the first Saturday in May, instead of the last Saturday in July as formerly.

Date of the first Democratic primary is May 7. Second primary date is June 4.

County Attorney L. B. Lewis, who has made a thorough study of the recently-enacted statute, told the Review yesterday that the deadline for filing for office in 1960 will be February 1. Candidates will have until February 13 to pay assessments to County Democratic Chairman Tom B. Barton.

5 Post to Fill
In Callahan county, the offices

Ask Bids On 2 Road Jobs In This Area

Two area road projects have been let for bid by the Texas Highway Department. The department will have a deadline for taking the bids on January 26 and 27.

The projects are for 5.7 miles of grading, structures, flexible asphaltic concrete pavement and surfacing on shoulders of State Highway 36 to U. S. Highway 183 in Rising Star. This project will make the road from Cross Plains to Rising Star the same as that from here west. 200 working days will be allowed for completion of the job.

Other project is for 13.4 miles of grading, structures, flexible base and surfacing on U. S. 380 from the Callahan County line to U. S. 183 near Cisco. 275 working days will be allowed for completion of the job.

Seldom in recent years has the Cross Plains area approached the Christmas season with rozier prospects than now prevail.

Admittedly, boom conditions are not prevalent, however, the year has been marked by normal rainfall, average crops, growing volumes by business establishments, steady prices for livestock and agricultural commodities, and no devastating demonstrations of nature.

While the cold war and possibilities of a shooting conflict have not disappeared from the national scene, there has occurred in recent months some semblance of order being established between two disputing ideologies. Fewer local men are stationed in zones of impending danger.

The current year has been one which saw many long-cherished improvements completed by Cross Plains churches. The Baptist congregation recently occupied elaborate, new facilities which include a spacious sanctuary, surrounded by commodious educational rooms and modern facilities. The entire project entailed an expenditure of approximately \$75,000. The First Methodist Church installed all new pews, completely redecorated the sanctuary and made permanent improvements to the building. The Presbyterian church which began the year without a pastor is now served by a resident minister, Rev. William C. Buls, and is enjoying large congregations. The Church of Christ added a spacious new wing to its modern building, enhancing the over-all beauty and establishing facilities for its growing membership. The Evangelical Methodist Church which entered the year with a new building is likewise enjoying growth and enthusiastic support. Evidences of progress and accomplishment are to be seen at other local churches. Recently a Victory Baptist Church has been founded in Cross Plains and is currently meeting in the Eubank building on North Main (Continued on back page this sec.)

ALL OF US AT YOUR HOME TOWN BANK

WISH ALL OF YOU

A GENUINE OLD-FASHIONED

Merry Christmas

DURING THE YEAR AHEAD MAY YOU BE BLESSED WITH HEALTH,

HAPPINESS AND PROSPERITY IN ABUNDANCE



Citizens State Bank

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS



MIKE McCLURE IS BELIEVED ENROUTE HOME FROM KOREA

Mike McClure, who has been stationed in Korea the past year, is believed to have left Japan several days ago enroute for the United States. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McClure, had not learned yesterday whether or not Mike

would be home in time for Christmas. If not, however, he is expected shortly thereafter.

J. L. Bonner was a business visitor in Anson one day last week.

Alton Hornsby was an Abilene visitor Tuesday.

Drawn Specially for The Review
By RALPH TEE

Cross Plains Review

Thursday, December 10, 1959

HOW BOUT THAT



Greetings . . .

Time changes and we with time, but not in ways of Friendship.

Thanks and Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

OPAL'S BEAUTY SHOP



MERRY CHRISTMAS
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS
Purvis Service Station
REMEMBER US FOR TV REPAIRS

Santa Letters Written By Well Known People A Generation Ago Show Kiddos Haven't Changed

A generation has wrought little change as far as letters from children to Santa Claus are concerned. Printed hereunder are a few, gleaned at random from old files of this newspaper.

Christmas 1932
My Dear ol' Santa:
I am a little boy eight years old, and as there are so many boys my age I will not ask for much, so that all may get toys.
I want a pump, repeating pop-gun, a little car and some fire-crackers. Give the fruit, nuts and candy to the other little boys and girls who don't have any, as we have apples, peanuts, pecans and popcorn, and lots of syrup and mother will make candy out of it.
Gwyn Elliott
Christmas 1933

Santa Claus North Pole
Dear Santa:
I am a little boy four years old and I have been a nice little boy this year. Please bring me an automobile that I can ride in and a wheel barrow. I also want some candy and nuts. Santa, my stocking will be hanging on a nail by the fire-place.
With love, a friend,
E. I. Vestal, Jr.

Dear Santa:
I am 10 years old. Santa, I want some candy, fruit, oranges and some apples too. Please bring me a little wagon. I want some little toys. I want a story book and a baseball. Santa, please remember all poor girls and boys.
Your friend,
Howard McGowen

Christmas 1933
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy five years old. I have been a good boy all year, so daddy says. I would like for you to bring me a belt with gun scabbard, a little car with electric lights, some cowboy leather gloves, and a basket of fruit and nuts.
Jack Webb Lacy
Christmas 1933

Christmas 1935
Dear Santa Claus:
I want for Christmas a doll, blackboard, coat, dress and hat. Take every boy and girl some kind of present.
With love,
Verda Marie Gray

Christmas 1933
Dear Santa Claus:
Bring me a watch, knife and bicycle. I am 11 years old and in the fifth grade. Bring me some fruit, nuts and fire works too. Please do not forget my brother, sister and mother and father.
Glenn Payne
Christmas 1933

Dear Santa Claus:
I will drop you a few lines to let you know where I live. I live about a mile and one-half, southeast of Dressy.
For Christmas I want some candy, fruits, nuts and a target. Please don't forget my little brother. That is all for this time.
Yours truly,
Eugene Rhodes
Christmas 1935

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a wagon, a football and a car. I want some candy, nuts and fruit.
I was eight years old yesterday, December 11.
With love,
Noah Sealy Johnson

Christmas 1936
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl, seven years old. I am a pretty good girl. Please don't forget me. I want a doll, doll buggy, set of dishes and a bicycle. I have two little sisters; don't forget them. I sure will be good if you will come to see me.
Your friend,
Bobbie Jean Webb

Miss Billie Heien McMillan, who is employed in a bank at Big Spring, was expected to arrive here Wednesday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Exal McMillan.



Our best wishes for the very happiest of Holiday Seasons!
ALBERT LOVELL
Sinclair Service Station

Insure with TED McCUIN



Picture your predicament if your uninsured automobile is involved in an accident! Take no chances; see us today about Automobile Insurance.

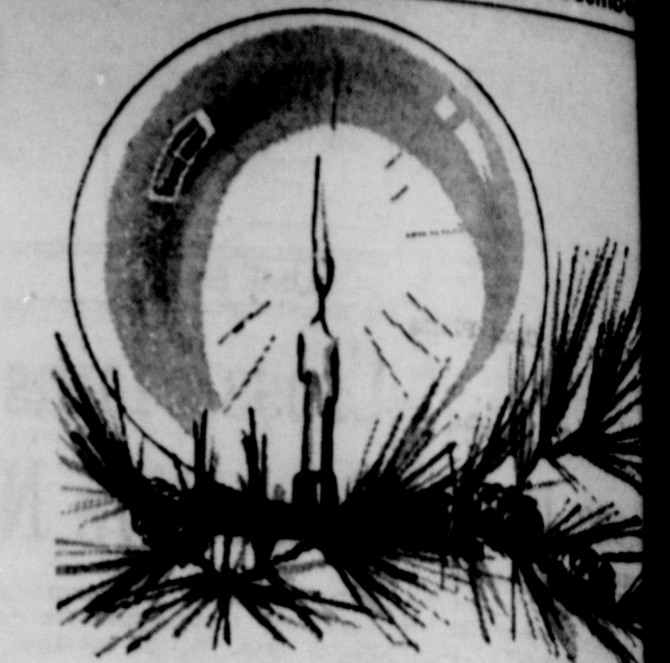
McCuin INSURANCE AGENCY
5 2091 717 MAIN ST. CROSS PLAINS, TEX.
CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

PAY TAXES NOW

Payments made before February 1st will not be subject to additional fees for interest and penalties, and to accomodate property owners this office has mailed statement of 1959 taxes.

Don't forget that if you wish to vote during 1960, your Poll Tax must be paid before February first. You will not want to be disfranchised for the need of a poll tax receipt, so attend to this detail at once. Poll taxes may be paid at the Citizens State Bank in Cross Plains as well as at the office of . . .

TEE BAULCH
Callahan County Tax Assessor-Collector



We're aglow with that intangible thing called Christmas spirit — and wish all our friends
A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
Johnnie's Beauty Shop
JOHNNIE FORE, Owner



SEASON'S GREETINGS
BROWN BROS. BUTANE CO.
AND
PETE GOLSON



Wishing
you — our friends —
the happiness of Christmas time!
Settle Tailor Shop
MR. AND MRS. JIM SETTLE

Worthy Grocery & Station
FONIA & SYBLE WORTHY

Cross Cut News

By MRS. LES BYRD

Happy Christmas to all who read this. Ours is happy already. Our children arrived home from Corpus Christi Saturday night after stopping in Austin to see Corpus Christi Ray and Wichita Falls football game. Hoyt, Toody, Judy and Alan Neil will be here until next Sunday.

A Christmas party was held at the Community Center Tuesday night of last week. A basket supper was enjoyed, domino games were played and gifts were opened from off the pretty Christmas tree. About forty people attended and enjoyed the party.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Kellar, Dannie and Lannie are on vacation in South Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Markham of Brownwood visited her brother and family Mr. and Mrs. Toad Baucom Saturday night and Sunday.

Visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Byrd over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Woods and children of Fort Stockton. Also visiting the Byrds were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bowers, Mrs. White and son, J. R. of Fort Stockton.

Mrs. Roy Stambaugh has been quite sick for a few days. Kenneth Sowell has also been on the sick list.

Mrs. Jake Byrd, Lewis and Gary from Maryneal visited with Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Byrd Monday and Monday night.

Mrs. Carl Sults, Mrs. Homer Seymour of Abilene and Mrs. Christian of Shep visited their sister Mrs. John Clark Sunday. Monday they all visited Mrs. Clark's daughter, Mrs. Ausie Woodridge in Brownwood.

Walter Chambers of Georgetown visited his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Newton Monday, for a while.

Robert Mills of Goldthwaite had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Les Byrd and Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Byrd Monday.

Abandon Shallow Oil Test in Rowden Area

L. H. Wilson has abandoned a shallow oil try on the Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Moon acreage, about a half mile east of the Rowden store.

Permitted for 3,000 feet with rotary, the hole is reported to have been quit around 1,000 feet.

Location was 1,606 feet from the east and 2,195 feet from the south lines of the James Drake Survey.

LOCAL PEOPLE ATTEND W.T.U. YULE PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde D. Sims, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Edmondson and son, Eddy Don, and Mr. and Mrs. John Pruet and son, Mike, attended the annual Christmas party of the West Texas Utilities Company in Cisco Friday night.

The affair was held at the Cisco Country Club and was attended by 150 people from eight nearby cities. Turkey dinner with all the accompanying delicacies was served at a Cisco restaurant.

Games of bingo with handsome prizes, singing of Christmas carols, photographing and genuine good fellowship were the principal diversions of the evening, for which District Manager E. L. Jackson was host.

Mrs. Darvel Hutchins of Odessa visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McClure here last week.

Mrs. Roy Arrowood spent several days last week in Coleman with her mother, Mrs. Tom Colvin.

Mrs. W. T. McClure and Mrs. Darvel Hutchins were in Fort Worth Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Tate are spending the Christmas holidays with their children in Tatum, N. M.

Miss Elizabeth Smith of San Angelo spent the week end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Arledge at Cross Cut.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferrell Newton and children of Clyde visited friends and relatives in Cross Cut and Cross Plains this week.

Billy Frank Spencer, sophomore at McMurry College in Abilene, is here to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spencer.

Miss Martha Banard, student at Abilene Christian College, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Banard here.

Jerry Erwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Erwin of Sabanno, a student in Texas University at Austin, is home for Christmas.

Roland Jones, student at Arlington State College, came in over the week end to spend Christmas in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Damon Jones.

David Wells, who is employed with an oil well supply concern in Eastland, spent the week end in Cross Plains with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Wells.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the people in and around Cross Plains for their recent kindness and manifestation of genuine friendship. Words are inadequate to express our gratitude, however, we would like for all to know that we shall not soon forget this generosity. Here's wishing a merry Christmas and very best that life has to offer to everyone of you. Mr. and Mrs. Lon Duncan and family

Miss Annette Falkner, who is attending school in Abilene, is at home to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Falkner and family.

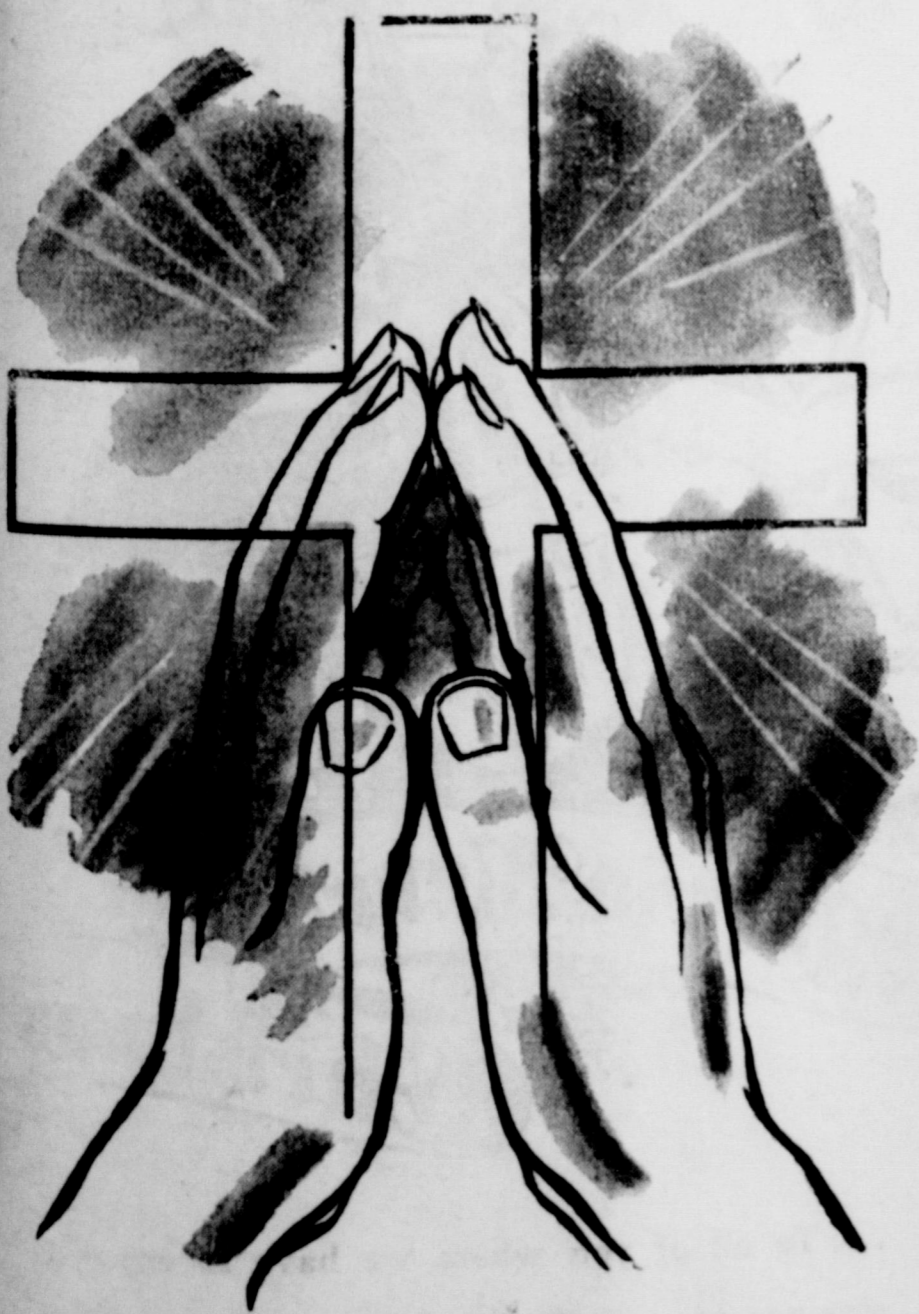
Mrs. Jeff Clark will leave here Thursday for Dallas to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of her son Donnel Clark and his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Gray and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gibson, of San Antonio, will spend Christmas with relatives and friends here.



May the magical wonder of the first Christmas be renewed in all our hearts!

FOSTER GROCERY



Our Sincerest Prayer is for a Peaceful New Year for all!

Gregory Truck & Tractor
NATIONAL DEALER

RIISING STAR



We wish you contentment and happiness this Christmas season.

ROSE BUTANE SERVICE



May the inspiration of this season bring a new understanding of peace to the hearts and minds of men this Christmas —

Pancake Service Stations

TEXACO SERVICE STATION

CROSS PLAINS TRUCK STOP

L. W. AND JACKIE PANCAKE, Owners



To all our many friends and customers—
may you enjoy the happiest holiday ever!

Krell Insurance Agency
ALL KINDS OF INSURANCE



We'd like to gaily-bedeck
your Christmas tree with
ornaments of Health, Wealth,
and Laughter!
MOTEL 36
MR. & MRS. BILL WEILER



Our entire staff wishes you all the
blessings of this holy season and joy and
happiness in the years to come...

Cross Plains Motor Co.
CLIFF GILMORE, Owner

**PHILOSOPHER ADMITS FARMERS MIGHT
SUCCEED AT MAKING NATION'S ROCKETS**

Editor's note: The Bayou Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on the Bayou probably is talking through his hat this week, but it's his hat. Dear editor:
Everyone talks about the lag in missiles and rockets the United States is embarrassed about, but nobody seems to know what to do, outside of wringing our hands.
As I understand the situation, Russia is several years ahead of us, and we're not catching up. Russia can send up a rocket with three or four thousand pounds of payload, while the best we have been able to do is a few hundred pounds, and what this means is that if she can send that much straight up, she could send it likewise parallel, with some place like New York or Chicago or Detroit or Cross Plains or my farm out here as the target.
One of my neighbors was talking about this the other day and he said he had the solution. According to an article he had clipped out of a newspaper and was carrying around in his billfold, the United States is as far ahead of Russia

in agriculture as it is behind in rockets.
"The thing to do," he said, "is to turn the rocket program over to farmers. If we can beat them Russians farming, we can beat them producing rockets. It's plain to see the real brains of this country are owned by us farmers."
I wouldn't argue with him about the brains, but I wish to say I wouldn't be interested in taking on any rocket production.
Oh, us farmer could maybe do it all right, but it's all we can do now to keep the government paying us for our surplus farm products, without having to worry about parity payments for surplus rockets. You let us get into the rocket business and flood the warehouses with guided missiles and four-ton satellites, and the city people would raise so much sand over the government hand-outs us farmers were growing fat on we'd never keep the agricultural part of our payments flourishing.
If the farmers of this country have any sense, they'll stick to farming and let the nuclear scientists worry about their own shortcomings in the missile business.
By the way, I just looked up and noticed the calendar. Christmas is almost here. I don't know how it got here, but Season's Greetings. Yours faithfully,
J. A.



**CHEERY WISHES
FOR A HAPPY
HOLIDAY SEASON!**
McMILLAN
REAL ESTATE

**Miss Kay McCarty and
Cecil White Are Wed**

Marriage of Miss Kay McCarty and Cecil White was solemnized here Saturday night at 7:30, in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McCarty. Double ring vows were recited before the two immediate families with Rev. Gordon Dennis, local Methodist pastor, officiating.
The couple will make their home in Cross Plains.
The bride, an honor student in Cross Plains high school, was a majorette with the Buffalo band, a member of the stage band, and active in extra curricular affairs. The groom, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. White of the Amerada Camp between here and Burkett, is president of the Buffalo band, first chair trombone player and a member of the senior class. He will continue in school, graduating in May.

ADVERTISING PAYS!



Merry Christmas,
one and all!

Pruet Flower Shop
NAOMI PRUET, Owner



**STAR-LIGHT,
STAR-BRIGHT!**
Shine down and
Cheer each child,
Each home,
This Christmas Night!

McCuin Insurance Agency
MR. AND MRS. A. J. McCUIN

**Sew and So Club Enjoys
Annual Christmas Party**

Mrs. Vollie McDonough and Mrs. Charlie Smith entertained the Sew-So Club Thursday afternoon of last week in the home of the former. Christmas songs were sung by the group with Mrs. A. D. Petty at the piano.
A guessing game of "Will I Hang on the Tree", was played. Names were drawn and presents exchanged from a beautifully lighted Christmas tree.
A delicious refreshment plate was passed to those members present.
Next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. A. A. Beekman on Dec. 31, with Mrs. Mack Campbell as co-hostess.
Those present at the meeting in the McDonough home were: Mmes. Charlie Smith, Marvin Smith, Luke Westerman, Beulah Lucas, Edwin Neeb, I. N. Riley, Harry Coppinger, H. A. Young, Jeff Clark, Claude McAnally, Wilbur Williams, C. P. McNeel, A. D. Petty, C. D. Lane, Craig McNeel, A. A. Beekman, Mac Campbell, and O. M. Bailey.

**Local Couple Wed
Tuesday At Noon**

Miss Lynette Hutchins and Jimmy Dewbre exchanged marriage vows at one p.m. Tuesday in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Dewbre. The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hutchins. Officiating for the double ring ceremony was the Rev. C. R. Myrick, pastor of the Mitchell Baptist Church.
The bride wore a sheath of true blue wool and had a corsage of white carnations.
The couple will reside here. She is a 1959 graduate of Cross Plains High School. He is employed by the D Well Service Company.

**Farm-Ranch Income
Tax School Is Set**

An income tax school, placing emphasis on farm and ranch problems, will be held in the Callahan County courthouse Jan. 5, from nine a.m. until noon, it was announced yesterday by County Agent Glenn Green.
The instructional program will be conducted by Sid Jenkins of the Texas Extension Service.
While discussions will pertain primarily to taxes as they apply to farmers and ranchers, Green pointed out, anyone interested in the subject is invited to be present.
A question and answer session will be included.

Granvel Scott, Joe McNeel and Bill Mayes were business visitors in Abilene Saturday afternoon.

Read the Want Ads



Merry Christmas
Humble Service Station
SAM BALKUM, Agent



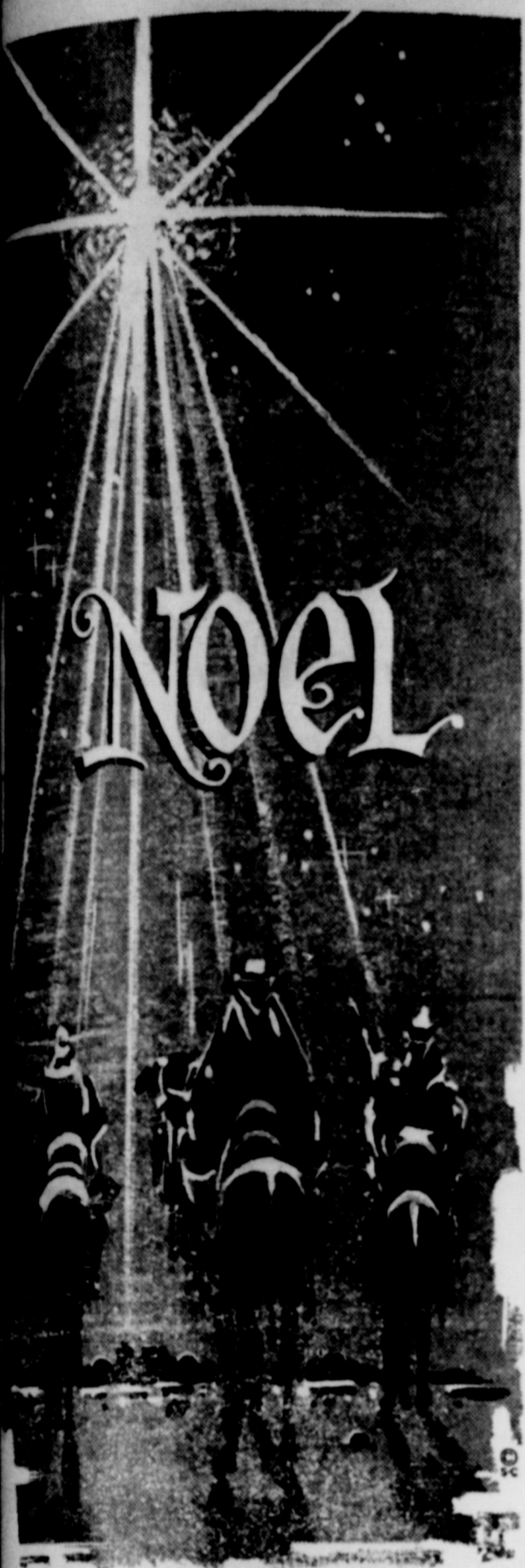
To all our Friends;
our Thanks and
Warmest Wishes!
Tatom's Barber Shop
Alton Tatom Oattie Knight Ab H



... To all of you whom we have so enjoyed
serving: we say thanks for your patronage -
And, may everything that's bright and gay,
Bless your household on Christmas Day!

We Will Close at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 24, and Reopen Dec. 26

ODOM'S CAFE
MORRIS & DOROTHY ODOM



Cross Plains Laundromat
MRS. JACK McCARTY

COUNTY AGENT HIGHLIGHTS PROSPECTS FOR FARMS, RANCHES IN YEAR AHEAD

BY GLENN GREEN
County Agent

Domestic demand for agricultural products will continue strong in 1960, according to John McHane, Extension Economist at Texas A&M. He says that the domestic demand for farm products has been strong most of the time since World War II, the population has grown more rapidly than expected, consumer incomes have remained high since the war, and except for short periods of recession, employment has been high. Also, government programs have provided additional outlets for large amounts of food. Since World War II the general trend of agricultural prices has been downward. During much of this time, supplies have been so large that prices have not responded to the very favorable developments in demand.

Since World War II there have been upward trends in non-agricultural prices, in consumer incomes, in business investments, and in other factors that contribute to a growing demand. The result of large supplies have been lower prices to farmers, larger government stocks of farm products, and



BILL BELYEU'S GARAGE

lower retail food prices to the consumer than otherwise would have occurred. The total agricultural output of farm and ranch products in 1959 probably set a new record, slightly above the 1958 and about 25 per cent above the 1947-49 average. Agricultural output in 1959 might have been larger except for the Conservation Reserve program, which retired 22.4 million acres from cultivation.

Agricultural exports in the fiscal year 1959-60 are expected to reach \$4 billion. This will be the third highest in history, exceeded only by the exports of \$4.7 billion in 1956-57 and \$4.1 billion in 1951-52.

Prices of industrial goods used in farm and ranch production will probably creep up still further in 1960. Even if there is some decline in the cost of farm produced items of production, the prices of marketing have continued to move upward and there is no reason to believe that this trend will not continue in 1960. The farmer's share of the consumer's food dollar will average about 38 cents, a post-war low.

Government programs for agriculture in 1960 will be about the same as in 1959. Available funds will permit an expansion of about 5 million acres in the Conservation Reserve in 1960. Public Law 480, which gives assistance to Agricultural Exports, has been extended for a two year period, ending Dec. 31, 1961. No major changes in price-support levels will occur in 1960.

Farm values, farm assets, and rural levels of living have continued to rise, in spite of heavy declines in agricultural prices and in farm income since 1951. However, trends in 1959 suggest that these increases may be tapering off.

The sharp rise in land prices the past five years may be approaching an end. The drop in farm income in the last half of 1959, and the prospect of some further decline in 1960, may remove some of the stimulus to the farmland market. The longer range outlook for land values is also clouded by further buildup of crop inventories and by uncertainties as to changes in farm legislation. Current levels of interest rates and stronger competition for the available supply of mortgage credit may also postpone some purchases of land, particularly if these conditions are viewed as temporary.

However, the continuing pressures for enlargement of farms and the demand of farm operators, with surplus funds, form the price depressing factors in the land market. The prospects of partly offset some of the price depressing factors in the land market. The prospects of further gains in general economy, continuing inflationary pressures, and the conversion of farm land for non-farm uses are likely to continue to support land prices at a high level.

Because of the substantial reduction in the number of farms and farm people, the decrease in per farm income, and in per capita income has been much less than the drop in aggregate farm income. The increased income from non-farm sources has been an offset from lower income from farming. However, during 1959, the per capita and the per farm incomes of farm people from all sources declined from the 1958 levels of 1958, while non-farm income increased.

During the first nine months of 1959, realized net farm income in the United States averaged 15 per cent below the same period in 1958. It is expected that the year 1960 will bring a further slight drop in average prices received by farmers.

Pioneer News

By Jean Fore, substituting for Leona Hitt

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gray from Iraan visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Gray last week.

Mack Gray has returned to his home here after a two weeks visit in Kansas. His daughter, Wanda Gary and son from Post are visiting him this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Brown and family from Shohoni, Wyoming, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Brown and other relatives this week.

Rudolph Brown and Joe Brown are in Fort Worth on business this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Griffith of Goldsmith are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rube Griffith this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Huntington, Susie and Holly, of Melvin, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Pete Fore.

Mrs. J. H. Coon and Mildred have returned to their home here, after spending more than a year in Oklahoma, recuperating after breaking her hip. We are nappy to have her back with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Marshall and family of Abilene visited with Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Marshall Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Westerman are in Stephenville this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Inabnet.

Mr. L. C. Cash from Baird and J. W. Foster from Abilene were visitors in Pioneer this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Gray and Mrs. Jack Alridge from Cross Cut visited in San Angelo with Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Tonne last week.

Hunters Pay \$13,115.00 In Fines the Past Month

More than 300 Texas hunters paid fines last month for violation of game laws, according to the director of law enforcement of the Game and Fish Commission. In all 461 persons were arrested for hunting and fishing violations. They paid \$13,115.35 in fines and costs. Four served jail terms.

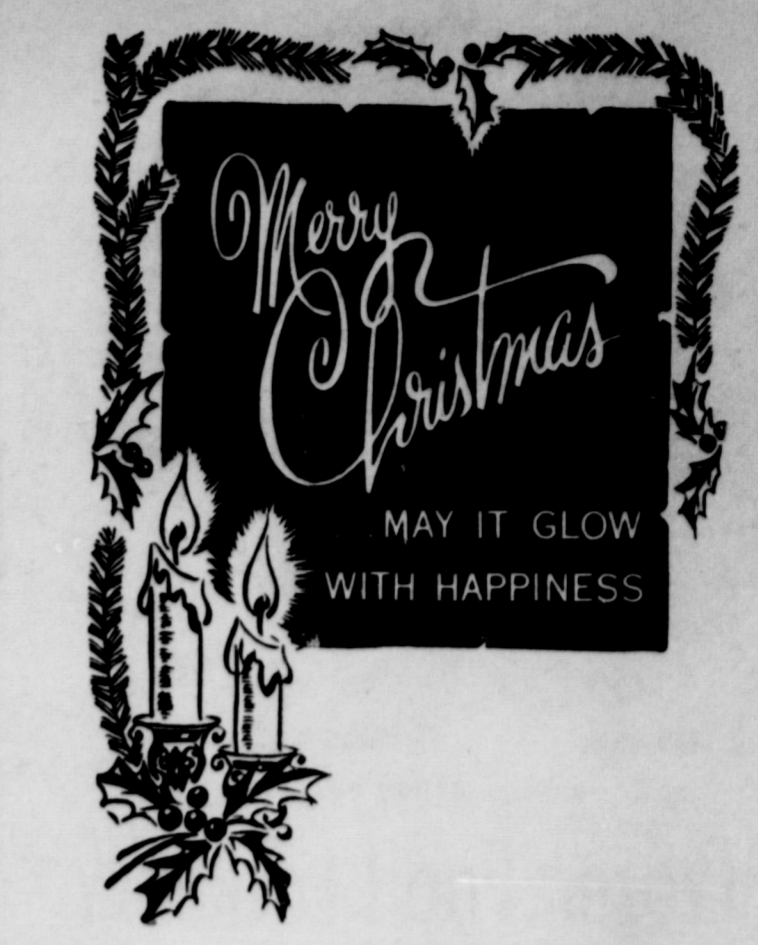
Mrs. Alton Hornsby and son, Tommy, will spend Christmas with her mother Mrs. Arah Marshall in Lubbock.

M-Sgt. and Mrs. Grady Ramey and son visited here last week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Thompson.

ADVERTISING PAYS!

POLITICAL Announcements

The Review is authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to action of the Democratic primary to be held May 7, 1960. FOR SHERIFF Homer Price



Cross Plains Machine Co.
JAMES HICKMAN, Manager



No words express more sincerely at this time of year what is in our hearts for our many friends — than the good old fashioned "Merry, Merry Christmas!"

Holdridge Variety Store
MR. & MRS. C. C. HOLDRIDGE

B & M Feed Co., Inc. Of Coleman

TAKES GREAT PLEASURE IN ANNOUNCING TO THE FARMERS AND RANCHERS OF THIS AREA THE APPOINTMENT OF

Len Steakley AS OUR ASSISTANT MANAGER

Mr. Steakley is originally from the Novice Community. He is a graduate of Texas A. & M. College, with a Major in Agriculture. He was employed by the Burrus Mill & Elevator Co. in Fort Worth before coming to B & M Feed Co. He is acquainted with the feeding problems of Farmers and Ranchers throughout this area, and is qualified to help you prepare the exact formula you need for your particular feeding needs. Mr. Steakley will be permanently located with us. He invites you to bring him your feeding problems and let him work with you in working out a satisfactory feeding formula that will be to your advantage. Complete facilities are at his command at the B & M Feed Co. to prepare the formula you need to exact specifications.

B & M Feed Company, Inc.

The Business That Courteous Service Is Building

JEWELL AND GUY MANNING
LEN STEAKLEY
Located in North Coleman in Old Highway Barn — Telephone 9-5615

Feed Expert Joins Coleman Concern

Announcement is made to the farmers and ranchers of the area of the appointment of Len Steakley as assistant manager and field representative of the B&M Feed Co. of Coleman.

Steakley, who spent his boyhood at Novice, is a graduate of Texas A&M College, where he majored in Agriculture. Prior to going to Coleman he was associated with Burrus Mill & Elevator Company in Fort Worth.

Elsewhere in today's issue of the Cross Plains Review the B&M Feed Company carries an advertisement inviting livestock men of this area to consult with Mr. Steakley regarding special feeding formulae or any problem which they may have in this line.

Social Security Tax Rate Will Be Raised in 1960

Employed persons covered by social security are reminded that the social security tax rate will be increased beginning with 1960. R. R. Tuley, Jr., district manager of the Abilene social security office, announced yesterday.

When employed people get their first pay envelopes or pay checks in January, they will find 3 per cent instead of 2 1/2 per cent deducted for social security tax purposes. When self-employed persons file their 1960 tax returns early in 1961, they must pay 4 1/2 per cent instead of 3 3/4 per cent social security tax. This increase will not apply to self-employment returns on 1959 earnings which must be filed on or before April 15, 1960. The above increases in social security tax rates apply to wages or self-employment income for 1960 through 1962.

Too Late To Classify—

LOST: White English Setter with brown flecks. Wearing red leather collar. See Ira Hall if you have information. tc.



With all the happy wishes
That come to you today
We'd like to add, from all of us:
A MERRY CHRISTMAS DAY!

We will close at 2:00 p.m., Dec. 24 and reopen Dec. 26.

Sisters' Truck Stop Cafe

DAMON & VELMA JONES, Owners



In other words
say it so well — MERRY CHRISTMAS

Frozen Food Locker
LINDSEY & FRANCES TYSON

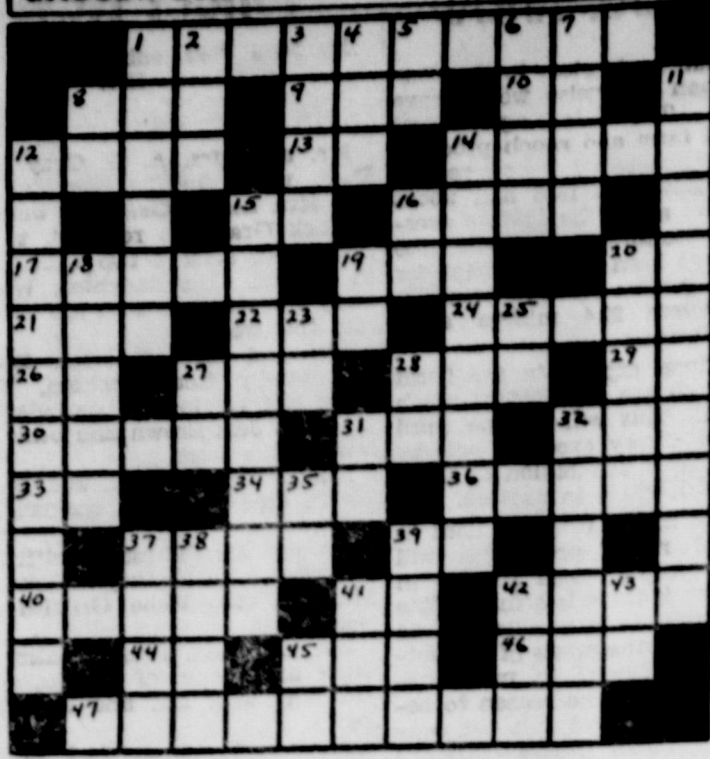


Season's Greetings

May the joys of Christmas follow
you throughout the coming year...

LUCKSINGER SECOND HAND STORE
FRED AND LORNA LUCKSINGER

CROSSWORD • • • By A. C. Gordon



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Puzzle Answers Appear on Back Page of This Edition

Do You Remember?...

December 22, 1939.
Cross Plains high school girls breezed to the championship of Pioneer's 8th annual invitation cage tournament Saturday night. The local lassies trimmed Rising Star 32 to 24 in the finals. In the boys division, Gorman took first place and Cross Plains second.
The all-conference football team for this district was named last week by conference coaches. Of the 11 awards, five place went to the championship Brady Bulldogs. Ballinger garnered three spots and Cross Plains, Coleman and Winters one each. The Cross Plains Buffalo winning a berth on the mythical eleven was Bill Upton, tackle.

regarded as one of the finest linemen ever to wear the spangles of C. P. H. S.
Sheriff C. R. Nordyke this week announces that he will pay \$250 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone guilty of cattle stealing in Callahan County.
Virtually all Cross Plains business houses will be closed Monday in celebration of Christmas.
County Tax Collector Olaf Holingshead announced yesterday that tax collections are coming in this year faster than normally. Forty-eight thousand dollars has been collected thus far this year, as compared with \$23,000 to the same period last year.

December 22, 1944.
Midshipman Randall J. Alken, of Cross Plains, has been commissioned as an Ensign with the United States Naval Reserve. Randall finished Cross Plains high school with the class of 1940.
Miss Anna Bell Barron and S/Sgt. Harold Freeman were united in marriage at the home of Rev. S. P. Collins, Presbyterian pastor, in Abilene, Dec. 13.

The Abilene high school Eagles eked out a narrow victory over the Cross Plains high school boys basketball team here Tuesday night.
Cpl. Monroe Kessel has returned from a 30-month tour of duty in the Pacific Theater of Operations.
Third year future homemaking girls of Cross Plains high school recently entertained faculty members with a formal dinner. Guests were: Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McCuin, Buford Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Lee, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Edmondson, J. R. Burrow, Mrs. Melvin Placke, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lusk and Mrs. Galloway. Hostesses were: Imogene Hill, Imogene Gage and Helen Plumlee.

Mrs. Roland G. Howell is visiting her husband Lt. Roland G. Howell in Liberal, Kansas, where he is training as a Lebrator bomber pilot.
Sgt. Clyde Walker has returned to Las Vegas Field in Nevada after spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Walker here.

Cadet Nurse Frances Westerman visited friends and relatives here last week.
Cpl. Homer F. Taylor has been awarded the Purple Heart and Combat Infantry badge while serving with the 36th Division in Italy.
Mrs. Cladue Mayes and Rex were in Abilene Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Smith will have as their guests here during Christmas: Mrs. Willie Childers and son, Gene, of Dallas, Miss Lyla Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Garland Smith and son of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Elliott and children of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall and son, Bobby, of Bonham visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Hall in Cross Plains, and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harris in Burkett over the week end. Mrs. Harris returned home Sunday afternoon, however, Bobby remained to spend the Christmas holidays.

A. B. Foster of Clyde was a business visitor in Cross Plains Tuesday afternoon.

County Superintendent L. C. Cash was a business visitor in Cross Plains Monday.

LOCAL BANK WILL BE OPEN UNTIL NOON ON SATURDAY

The Citizens State Bank in Cross Plains will be open for business as usual Saturday. The institution will observe customary Saturday hours, the doors being open from 9 a.m. until noon.

Dear Santa:
I want a Steve Canyon helmet and Steve Canyon jet fighter and a army set with a bunch of planes.
Love,
Ricky Neal

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a bicycle with training wheels. I am 5 years old and have been real good.
Love,
Larry Tatom
P. S. My little brother, Lynn, wants a pedal car and some little toys.

Thank you,
Larry and Lynn
Mr. and Mrs. Lige Tate and Mrs. Jimmy Hinkle attended church in Abilene Sunday and visited relatives there Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Paschall of Cortez, Colo., were visitors here several days the first of the week in the home of his mother and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Hinkle.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Young were in Brownwood Monday.

Typewriter Ribbons. The Review



Happy Holidays...

Meador Grocery & Stationery
MR. & MRS. J. H. MEADOR

Merry Christmas



Happy New Year

*From all of us
to all of you*



Those Of Us Charged With The Responsibility Of Operating And
Maintaining Your Municipal

**Water, Gas and Sewer
Systems**

Wish To Join With Other Cross Plains Concerns In Wishing For You
and Yours An Old Fashioned

Merry Christmas

It Shall Continue To Be Our Purpose In The Coming Year To Broaden
And Expand Services In Keeping With "Sound Business" Practices

HERE'S EVERY GOOD WISH FROM ALL OF US TO ALL OF YOU

W. D. (Dave) SMITH
Mayor
DONALD BAIRD
Sanitation Commissioner
L. F. FOSTER
Mayor Pro-Tem — Secy.

C. H. DAWSON
Gas Commissioner
C. F. (Pat) McNeel, Jr.
Water Commissioner
OTIS (Pro) PURVIS
Street Commissioner

LLOYD McMILLAN

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E. O. KIZER, President

RALPH KIZER, Secretary-Treasurer

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May Peace be yours this Christmas!

Strength Body Works

J. B. STRENGTH, Owner-Manager



"DECK THE HALLS"

We hope your home and heart will be filled with laughter, joy and good will this glad Holiday season—
MERRY CHRISTMAS!

BOND GROCERY

FOS AND MABEL BOND



From all of us to all of you

May the gladness and cheer of the HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON Bring much happiness to you!

Mary's Truck Stop Cafe

MARY, QUE AND GLENDA DURHAM



Hail the Birth of Jesus, Prince of Peace!

TOM LEWIS

TEXAS COMPANY CONSIGNEE

Cottonwood

By Hazel I. Respass

Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Fulton and Mrs. P. Hogbin visited Mabel Ledmonds in the Baird hospital Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Knott and daughter of Nebraska are visiting their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Boyette.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wilcoxon and family have moved back from Houston.

Rev. and Mrs. Day and two sons, and Rev. Thompson of Abilene attended the Christmas program at the Methodist Church Saturday night. The Days spent the night with Mrs. W. B. Gilliland.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kelley of Big Spring spent Saturday night with his mother, Mrs. W. B. Gilliland.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bowman are moving to Eden this week.

Beulah and Hazel Respass visited Mrs. Hazel Coppinger in Hendrick Memorial Hospital Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frenchy Bennett and daughter of Nebraska visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Bennett and other relatives here Monday.

Atwell News

By Mrs. Alton Tatom.

C. G. (Tuff) Hutchins is getting along fine after suffering an attack of pneumonia last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey McKinley and Virgil and Tommy, of Brownwood, visited Mr. Black and Vee over the week end. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Griffith spent Friday night and left for California to spend Christmas with Averil and family.

Roy and Roy Neil Tatom transacted business in Baird Friday.

Edgar Sessions spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Sessions. Ruby and Joaquin visited them Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Neil Tatom and Kim were in Brownwood Wednesday.

Several local ladies attended Christmas dinner at the Eastland County Sales Barn Tuesday night. It was furnished by the sales barn ownership for employees and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Glyn Quism of Levelland visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewes Saturday night and Sunday.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a horse, a football suit and a cement-mixer truck. Thank you.
Love,
Jimmy Harris

Dear Santa Claus:
I've been a good girl. I want a doll for Christmas, some doll clothes and a suitcase. I would also like some sleeping beauty paper dolls.
I love you, Santa Claus.
Love,
Larue Ethel Hutchins

Dear Santa:
I am six years old and have been a good girl. Would you please send me a bicycle and a game to play.
Thank you,
Janis Peters

Dear Santa:
My name is Deanie and all I want is a big spring horse and some candy. Please remember my Mommy and bring her something nice.
Love,
Roy Dean Dillard

Dear Santa:
Santa, I want a B. B. gun, a train and a football.
Love,
Randel

Dear Santa:
I want a doll, a play house, a rabbit suit, a baby buggy and some clothes.
Love,
Linda.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a bride doll, a nurse kit, a pair of skates and a set of dishes.
Thank you,
Marie Williams

Mr. and Mrs. James Alexander and Jim and Starr were in Abilene last Thursday.

Dear Santa:
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a basketball, a football, and football suit, machine gun, some fire crackers, and would love a new red bike. Don't forget the other girls and boys.
Don Scott

Miss Mickey Jowers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Jowers; Joe Gary, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gary, and Don Watkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Watkins, all of whom are sophomores in San Angelo Junior College, were to arrive here late Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

To All Our Friends!

THE WETZELS & DONALD REX

OUR GLAD CAROL RINGS...



'Tis the season to be merry
and to voice our sincerest wishes
that this Christmas be a
joyous one for you and yours!

Your County Officials

Lester Farmer
COUNTY JUDGE

Tee Baulch
TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

Mrs. Chas. Robinson
COUNTY CLERK

Hazel Reynolds
COUNTY TREASURER

Homer Price
SHERIFF

Corrie Driskill
DISTRICT CLERK

L. C. Cash
COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Claude Foster
PRECINCT COMMISSIONER

LOCAL BOYS WIN—

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runner-up with 10.
A 19 point fourth quarter rally failed to overtake the May girls big lead and the Cross Plains girls lost their second straight scoring duel contest. Walters paced the locals with 36 points.
Play DeLeon
Cross Plains teams will travel to DeLeon next Thursday (Dec. 31) in a return match with the class AA school.

L. W. Pancake was a business visitor in Odessa Tuesday.



Holiday Best Wishes

We extend to you our thanks for your loyal patronage the past year.

LUCILLE'S BEAUTY SALON
Lucille Rich, owner

COUNTY OFFICIALS STAGE YULE PARTY WEDNESDAY

Callahan County officials were to hold their annual Christmas party Wednesday afternoon.
Approximately 49 persons besides guests were to receive presents from the tree that has been set up in the lobby of the court house. The tree was selected and furnished by Claude Foster, Precinct No. 4 Commissioner, Cross Plains.

Den 2 Of Cub Scouts Meeting Regularly

First meeting of Cub Scout den two was held December 16. Present were: Jim Alexander, Sammy Balkum, Brad Calhoun, Rickey Jones, Freddy McNeel, Randy Walker and Donnie Wilson.
Second meeting was held December 22. Opening prayer was led by Jim Alexander. The roll was called and the Bobcat assignments received. Achievement assignments were made. Project for the meeting was making stick horses to be given to Goodfellows. The meeting adjourned and refreshments were served to the following: Brad Calhoun, Jim Alexander, Freddy McNeel, Randy Walker and Donnie Wilson.
Den mothers for den two are Mrs. C. F. (Pat) McNeel, Jr. and Mrs. Howet Wilson.

LOCAL OPERATORS PREDICT IMPROVED OIL ACTIVITY

L. A. Warren, Abilene operator and N. M. Dillard, Cross Plains contractor and producer, opined this week that the ensuing year would see renewed activity throughout this area.
Depressed demand for petroleum and a weak price structure slowed development considerably during 1959, however, it is believed by well-informed sources that changing conditions are in the immediate offing.
Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Petty are in Lewisville to spend Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Mikel and family.

IT'S THE LAW . . . In Texas

ROBERT'S RULES

Whether it's the nomination of a presidential candidate at one of the national political conventions, or the monthly meeting of your neighborhood PTA, a set of procedural rules compiled 80 years ago by an almost-forgotten Army General usually has much to do with the way the business is conducted.
You have probably heard of "Robert's Rules of Order" which was published in 1876. General Henry M. Robert ordered only 4,000 of his original edition, but since that time almost 1,500,000 copies have been printed. The rules have been modernized from time to time, but the revisions have been slight.

Actually the rules for conducting a meeting go back to the early days of the English Parliament, although General Robert based his upon the rules and practice of the U. S. Congress.

Robert's Rules come close to being "law of the land". They are given added legal status by the fact that the charter, constitution, or by-laws of almost every organization you can name—your wife's literary society, your labor union, or the corporation you work for (large or small)—ordinarily state somewhere that all meetings will be "conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order". Special rules may be made by any organization contrary to Robert, but if such provisions are not in the by-law his little book—where incorporated in such by-law—remains the "Bible" to be followed strictly.

All this means, in effect, that if a serious question arises over the legality of action taken by an organization, a court might have to consider General Robert's rules with the same care as it does the law to determine whether the action in question was proper.

If you take an active part in church, school, civic or fraternal organizations, some knowledge of Robert's Rules is important. At your lodge meeting, for example, things go much smoother if both the chairman and the members on the floor follow Robert and stick to the business at hand. That way you'll get home before the wee, small hours, and still have time for some relaxation after the business session.

There are many simple guides to Robert that will help, and unless you are chairman of a large or important meeting it probably isn't necessary to know all the details in the whole book.

Now we move to adjourn until next week—a motion which General Robert says take precedence over everything else.

FIREMEN REMEMBER CHIEF WITH CHRISTMAS GIFT

Members of the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department presented Fire Chief Ira H. Hall a specially-lined raincoat for Christmas, in appreciation of his leadership and service to the organization during the year.

The department is now efficiently organized with no vacancies in the company. Attendance at meetings held the second and fourth Monday nights have been especially well attended throughout the year.

Chief Hall also remembered each fireman with an individual gift for Christmas.

Mrs. W. T. McClure and Mrs. Darvel Hutchins visited in the home of Mrs. Lynn Nabers in Brownwood Wednesday.

Mack Coppinger was a visitor in Albany one day last week.

Mrs. George B. Scott and Mrs. R. B. McGovern were in Brownwood one day this week.

B. H. Freeland of Baird visited Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Coppinger in Cross Plains one day this week.

Mrs. Henry C. Williams will have as her guest here during Christmas her son, Orion C. Williams of San Antonio.

Roy Arrowood was a recent visitor in Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Nabers of Brownwood will spend Christmas with relatives and friends in Cross Plains.



This jolly snow man is helping us say: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our patrons!

MYRICK MONUMENT YARD

OUTLOOK BRIGHT—

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Street. Rev. Lee Rutledge is pastor.

Cross Plains school district was increased by about 40 square miles with the merging of a portion of Burkett's, making the local district now approximately 400 square miles in size. Attendance here is likewise above that of last year. New courses were added to the curriculum this year, giving the local institutions a program of instruction on par with a town several times the size of Cross Plains.

Perhaps the most noticeable innovation to the downtown area during the past 12 months was the elaborate improvement made to the building occupied by West Texas Utilities Company. Its modernistic design gives new radiance to North Main Street. The Citizens State Bank increased floor space by 625 square feet during the year, adding a new conference room and additional vault facilities.

No less than 20 new homes have been built during 1959 in Cross Plains and its environs. It is expected, however, that 1960 will see a quickening in the tempo of home building here, as a large number of residences are currently in the

planning stage.
Numerous highway improvements were made in the Cross Plains area during the year, all of which tend to increase the flow of traffic through here. Possibilities are now regarded as bright for the rebuilding and extension of State Highway 206, from Coleman via Cross Plains, to Cisco. The proposed road is believed to be sorely needed and to have much favor with the Texas Highway Commission.

Cross Plains is not booming—in the old fashioned meaning of the word—but there have been no business failures here during 1959, and consensus is that even brighter days are ahead. This is the outlook as the community marks the arrival of another Christmas season.

Cross Cut Sector Getting Oil Test

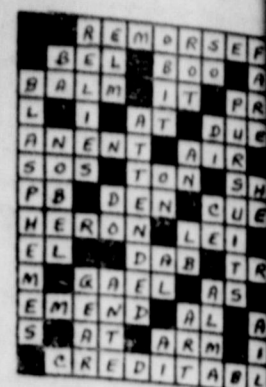
Young, Sikes & Baird of Wings staked No. 11-A E. P. & W. H. Kilgore as a 1,300-foot rotary project six miles northeast of Cross Cut in the regular field.

Location spots 978 feet from the south and 2,640 feet from the west lines of N. B. Mitchell Survey 153.

Jimmy Gregg Undergoes Tonsilectomy Friday

Jimmy Gregg, six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Gregg, was returned home over the week end after undergoing a tonsilectomy at the Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene Friday.

Jimmy came through the surgery excellently and is reported primed and ready for the reopening of school January 4. He is a first grade pupil.



Read the Want Ads

Howell Supermarket



SEASON'S GREETINGS

Our entire staff wishes you a very merry, merry Christmas



CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

- OUR VALUE SHORTENING, 3 Lbs.
- SUGAR, 10 Lbs.
- KERR MASON JARS QTS., Doz.
- Pts., Doz.
- Coffee** FOLGERS Lb. Can **69**
- ZEE TOILET TISSUE, 4 Rolls
- SCOTT CUT-RITE WAX PAPER, 125-Ft.
- TIDE** Regular Size **29**
- FOREMOST MILK, Gal. Jug
- CANNED BISCUITS, 3 Cans
- SUN SPUN OR OUR VALUE MARGARINE, 6 Lbs.
- CIGARETTES Reg. Size King Size
- FOREMOST WHIPPING CREAM, 1/2-Pt.
- Hams** PICNIC Lb. **29**
- CRESCENT SLICED BACON, 4 Lbs.
- SHORT RIBS, 3 Lbs.

DOUBLE B & B STAMPS
Wednesday and Thursday

WE WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY & SATURDAY

1959 School Taxes Due

Deadline for paying 1959 School Taxes will be January 31, and patrons are urged to get their payments in early this year to avoid penalty.

OFFICE TO BE OPEN DAILY

From 8:00 until 5:00 o'clock from now until January 31, 1960, at the Lovell Sinclair Service Station on Highway 36.

DON'T LET YOUR SCHOOL TAXES GO DELINQUENT!

ALBERT LOVELL, Collector



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS!

May each of you have a holiday full of cheer, enough to last all through the year!

HALL GROCERY
MR. AND MRS. IRA HALL

Marinello Beauty Shop

MYRTLE DAVIS, Owner



Merry Christmas

Santa pauses with his pack to join us in wishing you the merriest of holidays! May it be filled to overflowing with love, hope, and every happiness.

Dillard's 66 Station

BILLY DILLARD, Manager