

# The Hico News Review

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MINISTER—W. B. Howard, commonly and preferably known as "Junior" is pictured here with his family. With the new Church of Christ minister is his wife, Mary Kathryn "Sissy", and their three children, Kelly, 7, Kurt, 5, and Ross, 9.

## Services Held Sunday for Mary E. Allison, Former Fairy Resident

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Allison, 86, were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22 in the First Methodist Church in Hico. Doyle Henderson conducted services, with interment in the cemetery.

Allison was born Oct. 23, 1888 in Atlanta, Georgia, daughter of late Joe L. and Ida Hopkin Humphries. She passed away at Lakeside Nursing Home in Hico Saturday, Dec. 21. Allison was married to E. Allison Sr. who was deceased in 1961. She was a former resident of the Fairy Community where she lived for 73 years. She was a member of the Fairy Baptist Church.

Survivors include four daughters, Gay C. Hartgroves of Bishop, L. J. Patterson of Dallas, Edwin Seilheimer of Fort Worth and Mrs. George Stringer of Hico. She has three sons, D. E. Allison of Hico, W. W. Allison of Hico and Texie D. Allison of Hico. She has 20 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Survivors served as pallbearers were Dana Allison, Dr. Dan Anderson, Sam Nelson, George W. Jr., Darrell Allison, Wayne and Leonard Patterson.

## Men's Breakfast Held Saturday

Regular monthly Men's Fellowship Breakfast will be held at 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 28. The non-denominational fellowship is Dutch and all men in the area are invited to attend at the Koffee Kup.

## Gift Subscriptions Still Popular

We have added to the gift subscription list since last week. Mrs. Pat Harris of Hico and Mrs. W. H. McCoy will receive the paper from Mrs. Will Parker. Mrs. W. W. Oldham of Hico is remembering Mrs. Jeanette with a renewal to the paper. Mrs. W. A. Ruak of Dallas is remembering the paper as a gift to her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Morse Dale Walker are remembering the paper as a gift to their sister, Mrs. O. Knudson of Dallas the

## Junior Howard is New Minister for Church of Christ

W. B. Howard Jr., a native of San Antonio, is the new minister of Hico Church of Christ, assuming those duties this week.

Mr. Howard, who goes by the name of Junior, and his wife, Mary Kathryn, who is known as Sissy, have three children. They are Ross, age 9, Kelly, 7, and Kurt, who is five. Kurt is a Kootexai Indian boy who was adopted by the Howards while they were living in Montana.

Bro. Howard is a graduate of the Preston Road School of Preaching in Dallas, and has college credit from Louisiana State University, and Flathead Valley Community

## Graveside Services Held Here Saturday For Former Resident

John B. Sampley, 66, of Llano, formerly of Hico, died Thursday, Dec. 19 in an Austin hospital.

Funeral services were held in Llano Saturday morning, and graveside rites were conducted at 2:30 p.m. at Hico Cemetery.

Mr. Sampley was born in Austin. He was a retired lumberyard operator, being associated with Barnes & McCullough.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Mabel Anderson Sampley; and a brother, Dr. Arthur M. Sampley of Denton.

paper as a Christmas gift. Ross Baldwin of Grand Prairie is again receiving the paper as a gift from his mother, Mrs. Willie Baldwin. Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wadlington will receive a renewal from their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Oakley as a Christmas remembrance. Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Herrin are remembering Mrs. Ollie Davis of Duffau with the local news for a year. Mrs. W. H. McCoy of Iredell is sending the NR to her sister, Mrs. B. E. Kilcrease in Brownwood, as a Christmas gift.

## Local High School Students Attend Tarleton Seminar

Stephenville (Spl.) — Tarleton State University Chemistry, Biological Science and Math Departments were hosts Wednesday of last week for a seminar for high school students on "The Analysis of Experimental Data."

Twenty-four students representing six high schools attended the seminar. Schools participating were Stephenville, Hico, Comanche, Goldthwaite, Millsap and Mineral Wells.

Hico students attending were Newt Farrar, Brian Dayton, Clarice Huggins and Robert Wells.

Dr. Tom Hinkson, chairman of the Chemistry Department, said the seminar was designed to show high school students the latest methods used in chemistry, biology and math in performing scientific experiments.

Faculty members participating in the seminar were Dr. Lamar Johnson, Dr. Gerald Brooks, Mrs. Sue Stinson, and Dr. Tom Behannon.

## Funeral Services Held Monday Afternoon For Mrs. Minnie Malone

Mrs. Minnie Malone passed away Sunday, Dec. 22 in the Hico City Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Funeral services for Mrs. Malone were held at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23 in the Barrow-Rutledge Funeral Chapel, with Rev. Doyle Henderson officiating. Burial was in the Hico Cemetery.

Daughter of the late Henry Lambert and Liza Jane Cowan Lambert, she was born Feb. 16, 1889 in Searcy, Ark.

She was the widow of Ike Malone, who was deceased Nov. 18, 1955.

Mrs. Malone had made her home in Hico since 1942 and was a member of the Hico Methodist Church.

She is survived by one son, Warren Waddill of Hico; two half sisters, Mrs. Alice Dunnahoo of Fort Worth and Mrs. Frankie Lundberg of Davidson, Mich.; and one half brother, John D. Hodges of Tucson, Arizona.



BIG RATTLER—Ordinarily, one wouldn't think of rattlesnakes being out of hibernation this time of year, but this huge diamondback is proof that you should be careful regardless of when you're out in the woods. Larry Rainwater killed this 5-footer Sunday while quail hunting on the Joe Haynes place just south of Honey Creek. The snake had 12 rattles.

## Fire Destroys Egg Processing House at Williamson Farm

Hico Volunteer Firemen were called to the H. Williamson place about 3:30 a.m. Christmas Eve when a passing motorist noticed the egg processing house on fire. The cleaning and storage facilities were a complete loss. Also housed in the building were two snail tractors which were burned.

Firemen were also called to extinguish a minor grass fire Saturday afternoon behind the home of the Jerry McCormicks.

## Lighting Contest Winners Revealed

Winners in the Christmas Lighting Contest were released Monday by Mrs. Jack Farrar, contest chairman.

The contest, sponsored by the Hico Garden Club and Civic Club, awarded cash prizes to the following winners:

Window, Mrs. Jo Ann Noble. Door, Mr. and Mrs. Harlon Koonsman. Other Exterior Displays, Mrs. Ed-

na Mae Roberson. Overall, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Wilson, first, Mr. and Mrs. James Harris, second, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Chaney, third.

There were no entries in the Religious Division. Mrs. Farrar expressed appreciation from both the Garden Club and Civic Club to everyone who participated in the contest.



CONTEST WINNER—The door says "Hi," candy canes are up, Santa is trimming the tree, and two large glowing candles reflect a warm welcome at the

John L. Wilson home for the Christmas season. The Wilson home was judged best overall in the annual Christmas Lighting contest, and its attract-

iveness attests the reason. This picture does not do justice to the decorations, and if you haven't already, drive by and view the professional display.

## Attend Funeral

Mr. and Mrs. George Arnold accompanied their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Aron Naul to Gainesville Monday of last week to attend the funeral services for Mrs. Arnold's brother, John Smart, who passed away Saturday, Dec. 14.

## More Memorial Gifts For Foster Home Acknowledged

Presenting memorial gifts to the Stephenville Foster Home in memory of D. L. Wilson were Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bobo, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Spinks, and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Marshall of Hico, and Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Johnson of Lorena.

"Memorial gifts given in honor and memory of friends and loved ones are of significant importance to the program at Foster Home," said Richard M. Blythe, Executive director. "We appreciate our friends who choose to use Foster Home as a means to express their love and compassion for friends and loved ones in times of sorrow and illness."

## DR. BRYCE SANDLIN WILL SPEAK SUNDAY, DEC. 29 AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Dr. Bryce Sandlin, a professor at Howard Payne University in Brownwood, will speak at both the morning and evening worship services at the Hico Baptist Church Sunday, Dec. 29th. Dr. Sandlin formerly worked with the Home Mission Board in Georgia. Everyone is extended an invitation to the services.

## RAYFORD DUNNS PURCHASE HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Rayford Dunn have purchased the former home of Mrs. A. J. Patterson from Mr. and Mrs. James Hicks and moved there during the weekend. Mr. Dunn is Hico's new postmaster, having assumed the duties Nov. 9. Mrs. Dunn has been residing in Crowley while housing was being secured here.

Miss Suzanne Patterson of Houston is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Patterson.

## Funeral Services For Mrs. Virgie Lester Held Last Friday

Mrs. Virgie M. Lester, 84, of Iredell passed away Dec. 19 in the Hico Nursing Home after being a patient there for the past one and a half years.

Funeral services for Mrs. Lester were held Friday afternoon, Dec. 20, at 2 o'clock in the Barrow-Rutledge Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Glenn Granger officiating. Interment was in the New Iredell Cemetery.

Mrs. Lester was born Sept. 25, 1890 in Bosque County, daughter of the late John C. and Virginia Buchanan Hanshaw. She had lived her lifetime in Bosque County, and was a member of the Iredell Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. J. D. Craig of Iredell; one foster son, Andy McDonald of Wolfe City; one sister, Mrs. Leila Flannery of Meridian; one brother, W. K. Hanshaw of Iredell; nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

## CAPT. MARY ANN McCLURE RECEIVES CITATIONS

Capt. Mary Ann McClure of Beltsville, Maryland and a friend, Capt. Tom McMinn III of Fort Mead, arrived Wednesday of last week for a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd McClure.

Capt. McClure has recently received the Meritorious Service Award for three and a half years service at Walter Reed Army Medical Center for time spent as head nurse of an intensive care neurosurgery unit and supervision of seven surgical wards. She also received the Expert Field Medicine Badge for three days of testing in field conditions.

Miss McClure and her friend also visited in Killeen with his parents, Col. and Mrs. Tom McMinn.

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**TIGER TALK**  
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By BECKY FARRAR

A friend of mine named Paul received a new automobile from his brother as a Christmas present. On Christmas Eve, when Paul came out of his office, a street urchin was walking around the shiny new car, admiring it. "Is this your car, mister?" he asked.

Paul nodded. "My brother gave it to me for Christmas." The boy was astounded. "You mean your brother gave it to you and it didn't cost you nothin'? Boy, I wish . . ."

He hesitated. And Paul knew what he was going to wish. He was going to wish he had a brother like that. But what the lad said jarred Paul all the way down to his heels.

"I wish," the boy went on, "that I could be a brother like that."

Paul looked at the boy in astonishment. Then, impulsively, he added, "Would you like to ride in my automobile?"

"Oh, yes, I'd like that." After a short ride, the urchin turned and with his eyes aglow, said, "Mister, would you mind driving in front of my house?"

Paul smiled a little. He thought he knew what the lad wanted. He wanted to show his neighbors that he could ride home in a big automobile. But Paul was wrong again.

"Will you stop where those two steps are?" the boy asked.

He ran up the steps. In a little while Paul heard him coming back, but he was not coming fast. He was carrying his little polio-crippled brother. He sat him down on the bottom step, then sort of squeezed up against him and pointed to the car.

"There she is, Buddy, just like I told you upstairs. His brother gave it to him and it didn't cost him a cent. And someday I'm gonna give you one just like it . . ."

then you can see for yourself all the pretty things in the Christmas windows that I've been trying to tell you about."

Paul got out and lifted the little lad to the front seat of his car. The shiny-eyed older brother climbed in beside him and the three of them began a memorable holiday ride.

That Christmas Eve Paul learned what Jesus meant when he said, "It is more blessed to give . . ."

Love was born on earth at Christmas, and our wish for you is a 1975 full of this kind of love.

**Senior Citizens News**

The Senior Citizens met Friday, Dec. 20 and enjoyed a Christmas tree and singing songs. Tyrus King read some scripture, and told the Christmas Story, which was very good. Games were also played.

Thirty were in attendance, and everyone enjoyed the day. Next meeting is Friday, Dec. 27, and we would like for everyone to meet with us. Reporter.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and deepest appreciation for the many kindnesses performed for us and the many comforting expressions of sympathy we received during our time of deep sorrow at the passing of our loved one. We especially thank those who sent food, all the beautiful flowers, cards, and helped in so many ways. We want all of you to know we are grateful for the depth of our hearts, and may God bless each of you.

Mrs. Frank Stidham  
Leaman F. Stidham and sons.  
37-1tp.

**CARD OF THANKS**

It is with deepest appreciation that we express our thanks to each of you for your prayers, acts of kindness, words of comfort, your visits and calls, the beautiful flowers, delicious food, love gifts and memorials and the many comforting cards and letters. Without you, our wonderful friends, neighbors and relatives, and your many kind deeds and expressions of love, we would not have been able to bear the shock and grief of the sudden loss of our dear loved one. May God bless each of you is our prayer.

The Family of  
Belinda Christian Weatherford

**CARD OF THANKS**

Special thanks go to those who remembered us with prayers, visits cards, memorials, flowers, food and all other kindnesses. We shall forever be grateful to each of you.

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## Fairy Community News

They were very sorry to learn of the passing of Mrs. Mary Esther ... who passed away at 12:20 Dec. 21 in Benbrook. She was the only daughter of the late Mr. Mrs. Joe L. Humphries of ... The Humphries were living when this scribe moved here in 1904. So we had known her a long time. She and her husband lived at the present ... Parks ranch house until his death in 1961. She later moved to ... to be near her son, D. E. ... she had to enter a nursing home in Waco where a daughter, ... late Mr. and Mrs. Dellis Seago ... after her: until the death of Mrs. Seago, when she was moved to Benbrook where Mrs. Tom ... Jo Seilheimer had been looking after her. Her children made frequent trips to visit her. Mrs. Allison preceded in death by Mrs. ... another daughter, Ruby, age ... and a son, E. C. Allison Jr. She ... many hardships in rearing her large family, but took it with pride and joy and we do know she reared a family of sons and daughters who were beyond reproach. She watched her flock and

saw that they followed the right path. Those from here attending the services Sunday at Hico were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Goyne, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hoover, Mrs. Lloyd Bolstad, the writer, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Abel, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sellers and son and daughter, Jimmie Don and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Turner of Arlington, and many, many friends and acquaintances. We tried unsuccessfully Sunday morning to contact Ray Wright or his sister, Mrs. Mattie Vanna of Waco. When we arrived at the cemetery we found Mrs. Vanna, Smiley Wright and wife learned of the funeral in the Sunday paper and were in Hico for the services. Many former Fairy citizens enjoyed seeing each other again. A large crowd attended the services. The Stroud Sisters of Dublin rendered two beautiful songs and Mrs. Norman Johnson rendered organ music. We are still having mostly fair weather with cool nights. Some had a few good pecans this year but the borers got most of them.


Mrs. Ned Baugh of Waco and her sister, Mrs. Twila Ashley of Dallas visited Thursday with their aunt, Mrs. Ruth Cunningham. Some of our residents are taking a few days vacation at this writing. The writer was in Hico Tuesday to attend funeral services for Mr. Frank Stidham. We visited Mrs. Ben Wright, Mrs. Sue Davis, Myrtle Parks, Willie Bullard, Mrs. M. C. Anderson, and Mrs. Ed Bradfute, who are all bed patients, and other friends, Mrs. Fred Jaggars, Mrs. Jessie Connally and Mrs. Ellis at the nursing. Glad to find Mrs. Wright much improved and able to talk to us. Mrs. Anderson has been very poorly the past week and not able to be up any. We hope she is much improved soon. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Smith have returned home from the Clifton Hospital where he had been a patient for the past two or three weeks after suffering a heart attack. Their daughter, Mrs. Marie Porterfield is with them. Mrs. Ruth Cunningham attended the Senior Citizens meeting at Hico Friday afternoon. Mrs. Linda Dowdy and two children of Crowley spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Goyne and attended the Allison funeral. Mr. and Mrs. Truett Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Turner and baby of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Parks and Becky of Grand Prairie spent the weekend with T. R. Parks, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Streater, and had their Christmas tree and gift exchange at the Parks' home Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. Don Bullard and family of Arlington spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bullard and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Guinn had their two children with them Sunday for their Christmas tree and dinner. They were Mr. and Mrs. Semmie Guinn and two children of near Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Derwood Brooks and two children of Arlington. Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Clark Sr. had their children and families with them Sunday for their Christmas tree and dinner. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Dean Barnett and children of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Clark and children and Mr.

and Mrs. O. J. Clark Jr. of Fort Worth, also Mrs. Clark's sister, Mrs. Mammie Medlin of Hico. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Don Sellers, Jayson and Kristi and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Turner, Keith and Kimberly of Arlington came in during the weekend to be with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers and Janice and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Turner, also Mrs. R. A. Spencer of Hamilton. The group

planned their Christmas dinner and tree Monday evening. It was postponed from Sunday due to the funeral of Mrs. Allison. Glad to report Mr. and Mrs. Edward Guinn some better of a severe case of virus. Rev. Bob Ray filled his appointment at the Baptist Church Sunday. Glad Mrs. Ray and little son, who had the chicken pox last weekend, were able to come this week. They

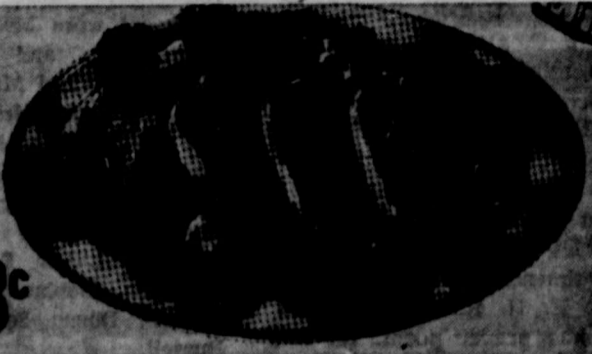
were luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Trantham in Hico. The fourth Saturday night singing will be held at Clairette this Saturday from 7 to 9. The fifth Sunday singing will be held at the Evergreen Baptist Church, located five miles west of Jonesboro. There will also be singing Tuesday night, Dec. 31 at the Lathams at Turnersville at the school building and they will sing

the old year out. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McCoy and Gary of Burleson, Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Licett of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Lesley New visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Blackley. Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Pendgrass of the Lanham community spent Sunday at Arlington and attended a Christmas program at Community Church of Christ.



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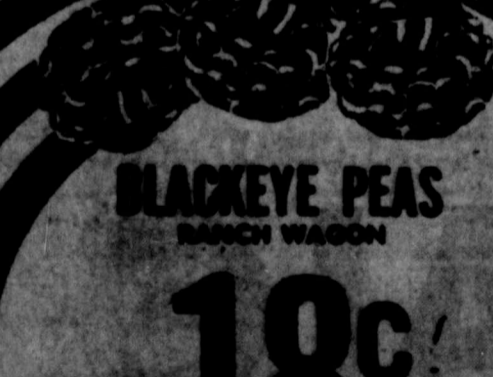


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# CLUB and SOCIETY PAGE

CLUBS — SOCIETY — PARTIES — PERSONAL MENTION

## Petsick Home Scene Of Christmas Party for Review Club Members

The Christmas program of the Review Club was held Dec. 19 at the beautifully decorated home of Mrs. Odis Petsick. Hostesses were Mrs. Petsick, Mrs. H. W. Sherrard, Mrs. Bernell Jernigan and Mrs. B. C. Ochojski.

The refreshment table was laid with a red Christmas cloth, centered with red candles and a flower arrangement of red carnations.

The members answered roll call with a special Christmas memory. Memories were various, happy, sad or sentimental.

Mrs. E. H. Randals Jr. read a Christmas prayer poem. Its theme was "the untaged gift," the gift that makes the day memorable, the gift from God that gives the day its meaning.

Mrs. B. C. Dayton spoke on "Thoughts of Christmas," a merging of then and now. We play and sing the same songs, we eat the same kinds of food, we even use the same Christmas stockings. Christmas is associated with the happy faces of children, bells ringing out, colorful bright lights, good food, and gifts.

In this season, faith conquers doubt, and hope is in the air. Christmas confers a special blessing on a family that can be together on that special day.

Mrs. Dayton concluded by reading the story of the birth of Jesus, according to Luke.

Mrs. O. C. Cook led the group in singing Christmas carols.

Conclusion of the program was the exchange of gifts.

The next meeting will be on Jan. 9 at the home of Mrs. Bryan Angell. Reporter.

## RONALD SCOTT ROSS' ARE PARENTS OF DAUGHTER

Mrs. and Mrs. Ronald Scott Ross of Abilene are announcing the arrival of a baby daughter, born Dec. 11 at 11:06 a.m. in an Abilene hospital. She weighed seven pounds and seven ounces and has been named Amber Deanne. Mrs. Ross is the former LaVerne Glover. Grandparents are Mrs. Edith Glover and the late Joe L. Glover of Hico, and Mrs. Ruby C. Ross and the late F. E. Ross of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Blue and children of Crane are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Winfrey Griffiths for the holidays.

## Jack Allens Host Party For Employees

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allen were hosts Tuesday night, Dec. 17 for a Christmas party in the dining room of the Koffee Kup Cafe honoring their employees and guests.

A gift exchange was enjoyed and refreshments were served. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bates, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Moody, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Shipman, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sherrard, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Moring, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holcomb, Myra and Wayne, Gwen Cozby and Jennifer, Doris Lane and Debbie, Minnie Connally, Lillian Roberson, James Roberson, Debbie Sowell, Vickie Cornett, Donna Sowell and David Russell.

Also Pat Carrington, Mike Sherrard, Mark, Rickie and Mary Ann Lively, Gladys Richardson, Emmett Libby, Joan Keller, Lynn Hanshaw, Tommy Harris, Ronnie East, Sarah Brown, Della Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Parks.

## Hospital Party Held At Country Club

The hospital staff, nurses, personnel and members of the board and their guests enjoyed their annual Christmas party Saturday evening at Bluebonnet Country Club.

A turkey and ham dinner was served buffet style and a gift exchange was held from a trimmed tree in the holiday decorated club room.

Approximately 75 were present for the party.

## EARLY CHRISTMAS

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stipe enjoyed an early Christmas during the weekend when their children and relatives arrived for a visit. Enjoying the weekend, and guests present for the Sunday dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Stipe, Cinda, Charlotte and Cheryl of Crowley, La., Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stipe, Charles Jr. and Rebecca of Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stipe, Mrs. Quata Roberson, Mrs. Evie Mackey and Mrs. Willie Baldwin. Other visitors in the home during the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Royce Lee Mackey and Roger of Everman, and Steve Mackey, home from the Navy on leave, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Mackey and Denise of Azle, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lupton, Allen and Angela of Fort Worth, who were weekend visitors in the home of Mrs. Evie Mackey.

## Faculty Dinner Held Thursday Evening at Local Country Club

Traditional holiday decorations were used at the Bluebonnet Country Club when the faculty of Hico Public Schools met Thursday night for their Christmas party.

A buffet dinner was served from a gala appointed table where the centerpiece was made by students of the fifth grade.

The faculty members and guests enjoyed a gift exchange and engaged in singing Christmas carols during the evening, followed by games of bridge, dominoes and forty-two.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Braune, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Rutledge, Mr. and Mrs. Houston Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Chas Arendt, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Parham, Mr. and Mrs. Butch Bateman, Mr. and Mrs. Don Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Bonner, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Park and Mr. and Mrs. Claudie Meador.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Billy Carlisle, Mr. and Mrs. Harlon Koonsman, Supt. and Mrs. Harold Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Ramage, Mr. and Mrs. Woodard Brummett, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Boone, Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Gray, Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Schneider, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Bullion, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Schrank, Mr. and Mrs. James Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Leldon Clifton and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Partain.

## Hico Aces Club Has Christmas Party

The lovely holiday decorated home of Mrs. John L. Wilson was the setting Friday afternoon for the Christmas party of the Hico Aces Club.

Games of bridge were enjoyed during the afternoon, and guests exchanged gifts and were served refreshments during the party.

At conclusion of bridge play, Mrs. D. E. Bulloch held high score and Mrs. Melvin Kinsey held second high. Mrs. A. T. Blackstock won the travelling duce prize.

Others present were Mrs. L. J. Chaney, Mrs. Marvin Marshall, Mrs. O. C. Cook and Mrs. Robert Jackson.

Sunday visitors in the home of Mrs. John Rusk and Mr. and Mrs. Morse Ross were Mr. and Mrs. Roy King, Bryan and Johnny of Denison.

## Mr. & Mrs. Henry Nix Honored Sunday on 50th Anniversary

The Golden Wedding Anniversary celebration honoring Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nix was held Sunday, Dec. 22, from 2 until 4 o'clock in the Community Center, with their children and grandchildren as hosts.

The serving table was laid with a white lace cloth, over gold. The centerpiece was a large arrangement of white mums trimmed in gold, with streamers bearing the inscription, "Henry and Faye." The cake was a large three-tiered wedding cake, white with gold roses, and topped with an ornament with a large "50." The cake was served with punch, mints and nuts.

The register table was covered with a white cloth, accented by a bud vase containing white carnations. Alternating at the guest book was a granddaughter, Miss Sherry Nix of Weatherford and a friend, Miss Paula Hamilton.

A gold cloth covered the gift table, which bore a centerpiece of a miniature Christmas tree, decorated and used as a money tree, having a \$50-bill pinned at the top and numerous other bills trimming the tree, along with other lovely gifts and cards.

Alternating at the serving table were granddaughters and granddaughters-in-law, Mrs. Jerry Harris Mrs. Don Rainwater, Mrs. Bill Willard and Mrs. Kenneth Lee Nix.

The honored couple's children are Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Nix of Weatherford, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Nix of Crowley, and Mrs. Marie Rainwater of Hico. All of the children were present and all but two grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

A large number of guests called during the appointed hours.

Mr. and Mrs. Nix were married Dec. 23, 1924 at the home of Bro. and Mrs. J. C. White in Hico. They have resided in this area all of their married life.

## Luncheon Club Enjoys Party in Ross Home

Mrs. Morse Ross entertained with a Christmas luncheon Wednesday of last week, feigning her bridge club.

A gift exchange was enjoyed during the morning when games of bridge were played.

Present for the luncheon were Mrs. W. F. Hafer, Mrs. Harry Hudson, Mrs. L. F. Bonner, Mrs. H. V. Hedges, Mrs. W. C. Howard, Mrs. Odis Petsick, Mrs. Ellis Rundals, and a guest, Mrs. D. E. Bulloch.

Following bridge play Mrs. Hafer held high score and also won the slam prize, Mrs. Hudson held second high.

## Clairette H. D. Club Hosts Families For Christmas Party

The Clairette Home Demonstration Club held its annual Christmas party for member's families Dec. 17 in the Community Center.

Mrs. Boyd McClure, president, opened the meeting by reading the Christmas Story from Second Luke 4-9. She also read a poem, "Christmas Givings." Mr. George Loden led in prayer.

The assembly room was beautifully decorated for the Yule season. The serving table was covered with a white cloth, having candles, bells and streamers. Fruit punch, cheese and crackers, and other sweets were served.

The Christmas tree was placed on a table covered with a red cloth holding many beautifully wrapped gifts, which were handed out by Randy Shadden.

Enjoying singing Christmas carols and visiting were Mrs. Jossie Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd McClure, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Shadden and Randy, Mr. and Mrs. George Loden, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Head, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Williams Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Henderson.

The next regular club meeting will be January 3 in the home of Mrs. Henderson.

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## Mother-Daughter Party Held in Christian Home

A mother and daughter holiday party was hosted in the home of Mrs. Sonny Christian and Susan Tuesday night, Dec. 17, with Mrs. Von Scott and Tanya as co-hostesses.

Guests signed a Christmas card at the guest register table when they arrived in the candlelighted home. Games were played during the evening and seasonal songs were sang.

Mrs. Mike Christian presided at the festive refreshment table where finger sandwiches, chips, dips and candies were served.

Attending were Mrs. James Autrey and Vickie, Mrs. Lloyd Bolstad and Deanne, Mrs. Richard Garza and Becky, Mrs. John Rumph and Beth, Mrs. D. C. Walker and Wende, Mrs. E. V. Meador and D'Ann, Mrs. B. C. Dayton and Sylvia, and Miss Dianna Park.

## First National Bank Honors Personnel With Annual Holiday Dinner

The First National Bank held its annual Christmas party Friday evening, Dec. 13 in the private dining room of the Stephenville Supper Club.

A delicious steak dinner was served to bank personnel, officers, members of the board of directors, and their guests.

W. C. Howard, chairman of the board, welcomed guests and extended appreciation to the employees for a job well done during the past year, and expressed the sentiment and hope that the ensuing year will be even a better year. The invocation was given by Mr. Leldon Clifton of Hamlin.

Thirty-three guests were present for the holiday dinner, including Mr. and Mrs. Clifton of Hamlin and Dr. and Mrs. Lamar Johnson of Stephenville as out of town guests.

## MRS. THOMAS ATTENDS LONGVIEW TEA-SHOWER HONORING DAUGHTER

Mrs. B. F. Thomas was in Longview Sunday, Dec. 15 to attend a tea-shower in the home of Mrs. Arthur Gray honoring her daughter, Noel, who will be married Dec. 28 to John Pat Martin of Dallas.

The Gray home was gaily decorated with a Christmas theme and the refreshment table carried out the bride/elect's chosen colors of red and white.

Twenty-five guests were present for the tea.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Linch and Dean of Smithville visited Sunday with his father, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Linch.

## Mrs. Odis Petsick Hosts Guild Social

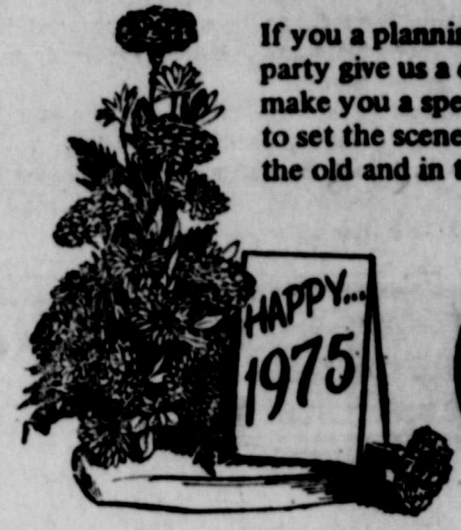
Lovely holiday decorations were featured in the home of Mrs. Odis Petsick when she was hostess Tuesday night of last week for the December meeting of the Wesley Service Circle.

The group engaged in a short business meeting, followed by a devotional by Mrs. A. H. Lackey who she told the Christmas Story. Roy Doyle Henderson led in singing songs of the season.

Refreshments were served from a beautiful appointed table.

Visiting in the home of Mrs. Jerry Todd this week are Roland and Roy Thompson of Amarillo.

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have enjoyed our regular visits this week, and were especially thrilled by the Christmas party that was held last Friday. Everyone had a wonderful time opening their gifts and visiting with friends and loved ones. We everyone a very Merry Christmas.

Monday brought visits from Williams for Mrs. Jessie and Mrs. Johnson. Peggy, Rex O'Neal and Trina Needham visited Mrs. and Clint, Cheryl, Paula, and Ronnie Herrin were to see Mrs. Gregory. Eunice Daniel of Fairy many friends Tuesday, and Mayfield visited the Brileys. and Ola McKandless called Berkleys. Mamie King and

Jessie Richbourg visited with Cora Wright and other friends. Mrs. Ellis was pleased to be visited by her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ware.

Mrs. Hubert Stuckey and Mrs. Otho Stuckey came Friday to call on Mrs. Ogle and Mrs. Alexander. Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Woody visited Mrs. T. M. Davis and Mrs. Jessie Connally was visited by Tracy Murray and Nell Ogle.

The L. E. Goldens received their children, the H. R. Goldens of Fort Worth Saturday. Also visiting that day were Deborah and Vickie Autrey, Karen Busby and Floyd Trantham who saw the Brileys. Mr. and Mrs. Grady Wilson, Lois Davis, Ada Davis and M. C. Currier were also Saturday callers.

On Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Rex Coffelt, Tami and Brad came to bring the services and also to

**Q. C. Cooks Host '42' Club Party**

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cook were hosts Saturday evening for a buffet dinner when they entertained members of their 42 Club in their new home in Dublin.

Club guests were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hilburn of Stephenville and Mr. and Mrs. John L. Wilson.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Conda Salmon, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Rutledge, Mrs. Odis Petrick and Mrs. J. E. Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Price and Larry of Albuquerque, N.M. are here for the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Frank Simons, and brother, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Simons and other relatives.

visit the Goldens.

Mr. and Mrs. William B. McIntyre of Rocky Mount, N.C. are here for the holidays visiting in the home of her mother, Mrs. Grover Renfro and sister, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Thomas and Noel. John Pat Martin of Dallas was a Sunday visitor in the Thomas home.

Mr. and Mrs. Early Shepherd enjoyed an early Christmas visit from their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Greene of Abilene and granddaughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Fitzhugh and Andy of Houston.

Sgt. Ic Jerry McCormick of Lawrenceville, Ill. arrived Monday night at the D-FW Airport to spend the Christmas holidays here with his family. Mrs. McCormick and daughters will accompany her husband back to Illinois Dec. 27 where they will remain until after New Year.

**TSU Professor Addresses Hico High Mathematics Club**

Dr. Joe Cude of Tarleton State University addressed the December meeting of the Society of Mathematics Etc. of Hico High Monday evening of last week. Dr. Cude is head of Tarleton's Department of Mathematics. Subject of his speech was Integral Calculus.

In the business session, members were presented with information concerning the Second Annual State Mu Alpha Theta Convention to be held at Hockaday High School in Dallas in February. Members are to determine later who the delegates from Hico Chapter shall be, and if any Hico members will be entered in a race for state office.

The chapter is to prepare a scrapbook of activities. President Robert Wells appointed Clarice Huggins and Melissa Bonner, and any they choose, to help prepare the scrapbook.

In a light-hearted vein, Mark Emery, reporter, was presented a wooden abacus as a going-away gift. Melanie Bonner was elected to serve as reporter for the remainder of the school term.

After the business session, Dr. Cude addressed the group, then the meeting adjourned for refreshments. Reporter.

**Medicare Deductible Will Increase Slightly On January 1st**

Beginning January 1, a person who goes to the hospital under Medicare will be responsible for the first \$92 of his hospital bill. The present deductible is \$84.

In announcing the \$92 deductible, HEW Secretary Casper W. Weinberger said this amount is equivalent to the average cost of one day of hospital care. The deductible is the part of the hospital bill for which the beneficiary is responsible for the first 60 days of hospital care in each benefit period. Medicare pays the rest of the costs of covered services. At the present time the average hospital stay under Medicare is about 11½ days, at a cost of over \$1,000.

Secretary Weinberger said the increase in the deductible results from continuing increases in hospital costs. He noted that the law requires an annual review of hospital costs under Medicare and an adjustment of the portion of the bill for which a Medicare beneficiary is responsible, if these costs have risen substantially. The law provides a formula for determining the amount of any adjustment in the deductible amount.

The hospital deductible amount is like the deductible amount specified in many auto insurance policies, where the car owner pays the first \$50 or \$100 on a repair bill, and the insurance policy covers the rest.

He said that when the hospital deductible amount changes, the law requires comparable changes in the dollar amounts that a Medicare beneficiary pays toward a hospital stay of more than 60 days, or a skilled nursing facility stay of more

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank the doctors, nurses and staff at the Hico City Hospital, and the staff at Village Nursing Home for their attentive care of our loved one. Also to the many friends who have expressed words of sympathy, for the floral offering, food, cards, and the many other acts of kindness. May you be blessed in this way at your hour of need.

The Family of Mrs. Minnie Malone 37-1tp.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We are deeply grateful for each act of kindness and every expression of sympathy at the loss of our loved one. We are especially thankful to our friends and neighbors for the food they so thoughtfully prepared, and for the lovely flowers provided by our relatives and friends. These acts of kindness we will always remember.

The Family of Virgie M. Lester. 37-1tp.

than 20 days.

When a Medicare beneficiary has a hospital stay of more than 60 days, he will pay \$23 a day for the first through the 90th day, up from the present \$21 per day. If he has a post-hospital stay of over 20 days in a skilled nursing facility, he will pay \$11.50 per day toward the cost of the 21st day through the 100th day, up from the present \$10.50 per day.

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By MRS. VINITA BLAKLEY

"Never a Christmas morning. Never the Old Year ends. But someone thinks of someone. Old days, old times, old friends."

Cards like these from those we do not keep in touch with through the year, and families getting together during the holiday season is what makes Christmas. And not forgetting the meaning of Christmas, "The Christ Child."

Christmas season is here and will be gone by the time this is in print. Hope each and everyone who reads this will have had a Merry Christmas and will have a very happy new year.

School turned out Friday for the holidays and will start again Jan. 2.

Each church had a candlelight service Sunday evening.

There has been much sickness and sadness to begin the holiday season. Many colds. Fannie Dawson remains about the same at this writing. Mrs. J. D. Craig came home from the Hico Hospital Saturday. She was unable to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Virgie Lester Friday. Mrs. Lilly Craig remains in the Hico Hospital after having a stroke at the Village Nursing Home. Mrs. Bill Terrell is about the same, also Mr. John Chapman.

I was unable to attend church services Sunday but heard a wonderful sermon on television from Rev. Jimmy Draper, assistant pastor of First Baptist Church. He is a former pastor of the Iredell Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Flanary,

Angela and Matthew, and Mrs. Linda Oliveria and Kenneth Ray of Temple were Saturday visitors in the home of Mrs. Frankie Flanary.

Mrs. Frankie Flanary accompanied Mrs. Willie May Bowman of Meridian to the Tuesday night singing and Christmas tree at Walnut Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. James Harris and Cliff of Gainesville, Fla. are spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Rachael Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill LaBowe were Friday night and Saturday visitors in the home of Mrs. Trixie N

Mrs. Gilbert Helm of Cranfills Gap and Mrs. Rachael Harris visit-

ed Mr. Koss Myers at DeLeon Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cunningham and children of Brownwood were recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Inez Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Linch and Dean of Smithfield were Sunday visitors in the home of Mrs. May Linch.

Mrs. W. A. Dotson and son, Walter of Stephenville attended the funeral of Mrs. Johnny Flanary at Glen Rose Dec. 9. Mrs. Flanary was the former Birdie Brown of Walnut Springs, where she was buried. Mr. Flanary is a brother of Mrs. Dotson.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Linch, Donna, Neva and James Harvick of Glen Rose visited his mother, Mrs. May Linch Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. McCollum of

Fort Worth were recent visitors in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dotson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Adkison had their Turner family Christmas dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Gray of Sanderson was a recent visitor in the home of her father, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Adkison. Also Mrs. Johnny Umphres of Stephenville is spending the holidays with the Adkisons.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. C. S. Toisma, Joan, Carey, Chuck and Andy of Nebraska are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jack Blakley have been transferred to Detroit, Michigan. He will still be traveling overseas with General Motors. They are spending the holidays with me and her family at Irving. Also Karen and a friend, George of Houston have visited in my home.

Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Guinn Sr. were Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Brooks and Billy, and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Bolan of Arlington.

Mrs. Bill Bradley of Cleburne visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bradley Sunday.

Lee McDonel of Corpus Christi is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Sinnia McDonel and other relatives.

If you have visitors and family gatherings, your friends would like to know about it. Please pick up your telephone and call or leave a note on my door.

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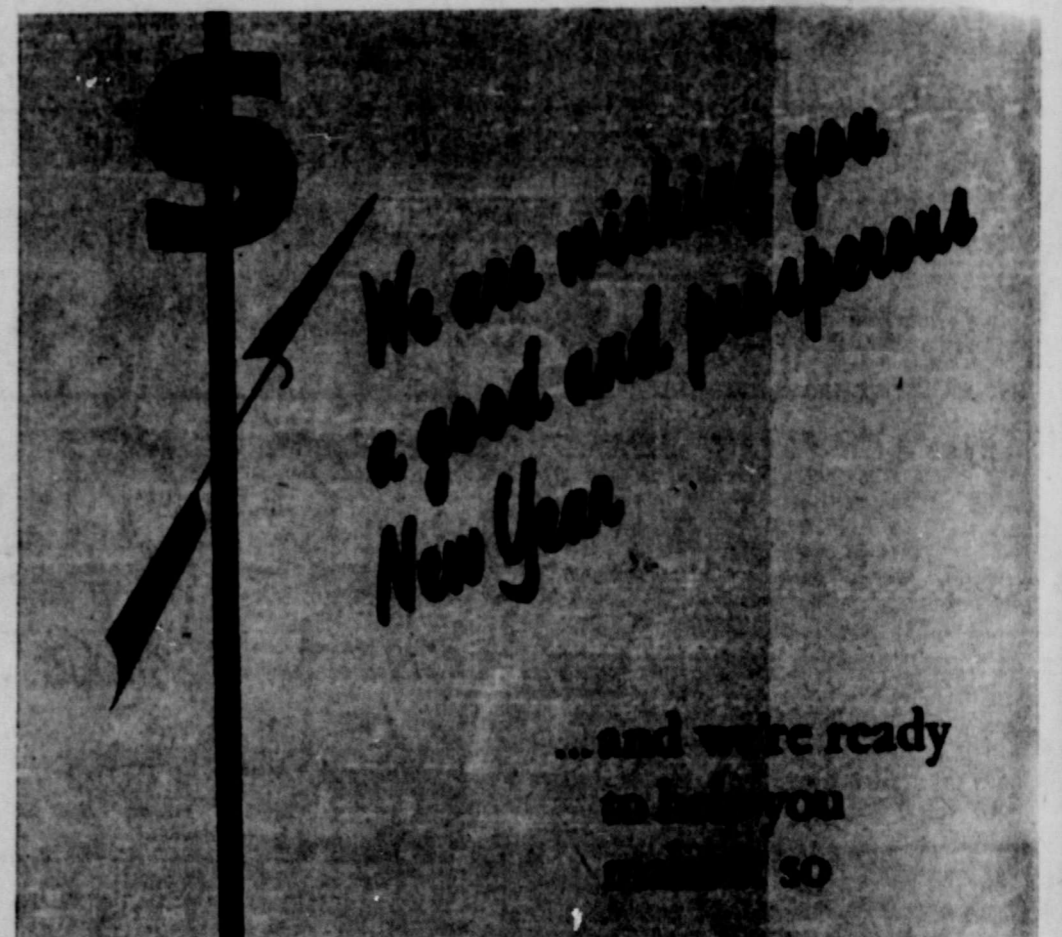
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## Olin Community News

By MRS. C. H. KING

I hope everyone had a good Christmas.  
Mrs. Rufus Patterson and Mrs. Marvin Turner of Hico and Mrs. Imogene Caruthers of Chalk Mountain spent awhile Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Clifford Waddell.  
Mrs. W. H. Akard and James were in Stephenville Thursday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Waddell, Denny and David of Milford came Saturday for a few days visit with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Waddell.  
Mrs. Glenda Holloway, Becky and Lora of Walnut Springs visited Sunday night and Monday in the W. H. Akard home.  
Rev. Don Beach was a luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Parker Sunday. Everyone missed

Mrs. Beach and daughter, who were ill and unable to come.  
Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Gray and Mrs. Cynthia Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis York of Comanche and Mr. Raymond Gray of Waco.  
J. P. Merritt went to the Dallas-Fort Worth Airport Thursday to meet Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Brown and Melissa. They will spend about ten days visiting relatives here. They are from Fort Campbell, Ky.  
Miss Janice Adams of Hico and Miss Leana Knapp of Hamilton visited Saturday night with Mrs. M. V. Knapp.  
A turkey dinner and all the fancy foods that goes with it was served by Mrs. Garland Parker to the following guests, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hickman of Cedar Hill, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Duvall of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Probst and Mrs. Henry Smith of Cleburne, Mrs. Betty Barrow and three daughters of Alvarado, W. T. Smith and Gary Garrison of Dallas, and Rev. Don Beach, pastor of the Olin Baptist Church.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Merritt and Mrs. and Mrs. Jerry Brown and Melissa of Kentucky, who are visiting here, were in Irving Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fackler and Lara.

## Hico Nursing Home

We would like to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Phillips, who are new residents in the home. We do hope that they will enjoy being here.  
Mrs. Tidwell had visits from many relatives and friends during the week. A listing of those persons included Mrs. Rachael Harris and Mrs. Vinita Blakley of Iredell, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Conley of Stephenville, Dr. and Mrs. D. D. Tidwell of Waco, Mr. and Mrs. Vashalike of Dublin, Mrs. Hugh Harris and Mrs. Jud Roach of Iredell, and Mrs. Ida Albus of Cranfills Gap.  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stanford of Hamilton visited her sister, Mrs. Roberts this week, and she also had Mrs. Lee Harrison of Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Roberts and Cathy and Hob Thompson of Carlton.  
Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Poff of Stephenville visited her mother, Mrs. J. M. Williams.  
Visitors with Johnny Kilcrease included Joyce Lay, Lois Derrick and Mrs. J. C. Kilcrease.  
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mays of Fort Worth called on B. Greer, and Mrs. Iris Eakins called on the Hancock and other friends. Clarice Turner also visited friends.  
Bro. and Mrs. Johnson of Stephenville visited with Mr. and Mrs. Phillips.  
Also visiting this week were Mr. and Mrs. Featherston and Mrs. Overton who called on Mr. and Mrs. Land, and Laura Webb of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McLendon and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ross McLendon and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Herrin.  
We were very pleased to have Mrs. Marie Churchill stop by and present favors from the South Hico Home Demonstration Club.

**OUT-OF-TOWN PERSONS ATTEND STIDHAM RITES**  
Among those from out of town who attended funeral services for Frank Stidham were Mrs. Virginia Stumbo, Miss Veola M. Moorman, Mrs. Edith Hale, Mrs. Billie King, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith, Dale Singleton, Mrs. Anna Lou Lionberger, Mrs. Eddie Faulkenberry, Mrs. Lee Wimp, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Anz, and Rev. A. L. Cronk, all of Fort Worth.  
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## Clairette Community News

By MRS. LUCILLE MAYFIELD

The Busy Bee Club annual Christmas turkey dinner and party was held Thursday night of last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ownby. The home was beautifully decorated in a Christmas motif. After the dinner, gifts were exchanged from a large decorated tree. Afterwards a grab bag was passed around for each to get a gift, not knowing the giver. Four members were not able to be present. Visitors attending were Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Chandler and Mr. and Mrs. Tull Havens of Los Angeles, Calif.  
Mrs. Jennie Hoffpaur became ill Monday night and was carried to the Hico Hospital where she has been very ill.  
Henry Mayfield received word Saturday that his sister, Mrs. Virgil McCoy of Chalk Mountain was

seriously ill in All Saints Hospital in Fort Worth.  
Mr. and Mrs. Chester Martin and their children met in Arlington for their Christmas gathering Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ownby were in Fort Worth Friday and Saturday to have Christmas dinner with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Ownby.  
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Head enjoyed a Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Dawson Head in Fort Worth Sunday. They went from there to Burleson to attend a Christmas program with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Magee.  
Johnny King of Stephenville became ill Sunday morning and was carried to the Stephenville Hospital.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wolfe had

their Christmas dinner Sunday. Visitors were Mrs. Dwan Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Harlon Koonsman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Koonsman, Mrs. Jackie Bullion and daughter of Hico, Mrs. Cud Baird of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Lelon Wolfe and boys of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wolfe of Richardson.  
Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wood had as their guests a couple of days last week, Mr. and Mrs. Cor Owley of Ely, Nevada.  
A Christmas program was held Sunday night at the Baptist Church. Lowell Lowery is a patient in the Stephenville Hospital.

**NOTE OF THANKS**  
I would like to express a special word of thanks to Dr. Hafer, the nurses and staff of Hico Hospital for their good care during my stay there, and to my relatives for their visits, flowers, gifts and cards. Your thoughtfulness shall be remembered. Maida Christian.

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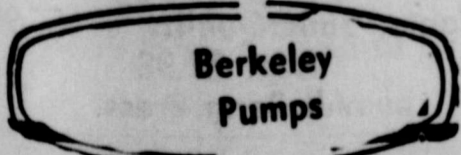
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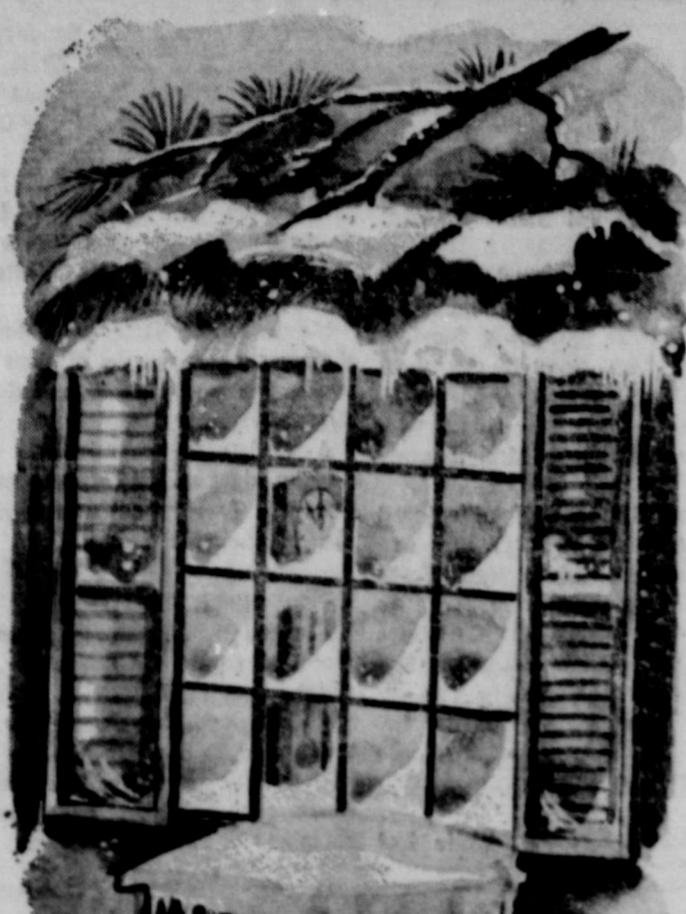
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