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## WADING UP AND DOWN MAIN STREET

BY WADE SCOTT

Spur is full of good cooks. Anyway I'd put the gals in the 1931 Study Club up against anybody. They really had a groanin' board full of gobs of the most mouth-watering food you ever saw Tuesday night at Bynum Britton's. By the way, PAUL MARION traded me his gift of the Christmas tree. It's a very useful item, but my wife is skinny and I'd like to trade it to someone else who might need it.

Construction has been started on O. B. Ratliff's brick building across the street from our office. Pretty soon when we look out our window, no vacant lot, but a nice new edifice, will meet our eyes.

My old friend, DEAN DAGLEY Piper Cub Distributor of Lubbock, called on us Wednesday. Dean was a Navy Ferry Pilot until his recent discharge, and is a very active member of the National Aeronautics Association.

JUDGE BOEDECKER was in town Wednesday trying to finish up their Christmas shopping. Mrs. Boedecker and their son are both sick in bed. Hope they are feeling better soon!

DICKENS is planning a big Community Christmas Tree at one of the churches Sunday with candy, fruit and gifts for everyone. I remember when I was a boy, sitting in the church while name after name was called, feeling more sure every minute that Santa had forgotten me. But when my name was finally read, what a wonderful feeling it was to march up to the Christmas tree and get my present! Dickens boys and girls are no doubt looking forward with impatient anticipation to this gala event Sunday night.

BOB WEAVER went on a deer hunt last week, walked one thousand and two miles and shot three times at one buck who gaily ran away unscathed. Well, there's still next year and another chance.

GEORGE GABRIEL, JACK GODFREY and JACK JONES ferreted out some birds that have been hiding from the rest of us, and each one got his limit when they went out Tuesday.

MRS. A. A. BAILEY who recently sold her contracting business has purchased the Spur Cafe. She is operating the cafe herself, and due to circumstances beyond her control, is spending about 18 hours a day on the premises. Mrs. Bailey is a real business woman who likes to see hungry people get good food and we know she will do well at the Spur Cafe.

A terrible catastrophe occurred to FLOYD GREEN, mechanic at Bryant-Link Hardware Co. Monday afternoon. Three fingers of his right hand were badly mashed when implements he was unloading slipped, causing the painful accident. Besides being a gosh-awful thing to happen to anyone, it happened during the quail season and now Floyd will probably have to cool his hunting heels for the remainder of the season. Maybe we can borrow "Old Red" from him now!

RUTH CAPLINGER, bookkeeper at Proctor's made an all-time sprinting record Monday afternoon, dashing toward her home in the Albin Apartments. She was quite relieved to find it wasn't her home on fire, but a barn nearby.

NOLAN C. HUFFHINES, Assistant FSA Supervisor, should be passing out cigars or something. He is the proud father of a seven pound baby daughter, born Monday at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock.

Our face was red again! J. D. HOPKINS came in and set us straight about Johnny Hopkins' folks: Johnny was an orphan boy, but was adopted by Mrs. Hopkins of Spur when he was just a wee lad and has been a member of his family ever since. J. D. and his sister visited Johnny in Forney General Hospital at Palm Springs and also at Beaumont General Hospital in El Paso where Johnny is now.

Mr. O. L. Hale has been seriously ill but his condition has been reported as some improved this week.

## Coach Rusty Russell To Be Speaker Here Jan. 4

### Band Director R. M. Pullis Says Good Band In Prospect

### Has Plans For Next Year That Promise Prize Winning Band

Mr. R. M. Pullis, Spur band director, who joined the faculty of Spur schools this year after several years at Grand Falls schools, has enthusiastic plans concerning Spur bands which, after being inactive for the past two years, have made a nice start toward developing into bands of which Spur can well be proud.

Mr. Pullis found only seven pupils in school who had had any band experience when he began the year. He now has fifty-five beginners whom he intends to have ready to make a good impression on judges of First Year bands at the next Texas band contests. Mr. Pullis came here highly recommended and given a little time will have the Spur bands in excellent form.

## Family Reunion Is Held at McMahan Home December 16

On Sunday, Dec. 16, the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. J. McMahan was the scene of a family reunion. All the brothers and sisters of Mrs. McMahan were together for the first time in ten years.

A twelve o'clock dinner with turkey and all its trimmings was served buffet style to the following families:

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Delisle, Fern and Donald, Grand Junction, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Lulburn Delisle and Alton, Spur.

Messrs: Frank and Tom Delisle, Gainesville, Texas.

Mrs. A. R. Osborn, and Pearl Lloyd, Gainesville; Mrs. Floyd Utley, Whitesboro; Mrs. Manford Proffer and Anita, Gainesville; Mr. and Mrs. Lyndell Holly, Glenis and Larry, Dickens; Mr. and Mrs. Archie Powell, Dorothy and Nancy, Spur; Mr. and Mrs. Riley McMahan and Joyce, Spur; the host, hostess and son, Bill.

## Drennen Family Enjoys Reunion on Last Sunday

The home of Mrs. W. W. Drennen was the scene of a family reunion Sunday, celebrating the first time in ten years that all those present had been together at one time. All of the Drennen children except three daughters, Mrs. H. D. Duncan and Mrs. Grant Helms of California, and Mrs. Pat Wright of Andrews, attended the reunion.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Christopher, their four sons, Neil, Wayne, Gordon and Max and one daughter, Linda Lou of McAloo; Mr. Ern Scott and son, William of Crosbyton; Mrs. Edna Robinson and sons, Garth and Baward, of Lamesa; Mr. and Mrs. Grover Drennen of Spur; Mr. Lewis Drennen of Houston and Mrs. Pansy Springer and daughter, Caroline.

## Daughter of Bill Holloway Marries in Baton Rouge

Miss Lois Holloway, daughter of Mr. William Holloway of Spur, was married Dec. 13 to Peter Lucko, of Oxnard, Calif., at the First Baptist church in Baton Rouge, according to reports received here.

The bride was attired in royal blue with matching accessories and wore a corsage of red roses. She was attended by Mrs. Susan Hampton, sister of the groom. W. L. Hampton acted as best man. The groom has recently been discharged from the army after two years of overseas duty. The former Miss Holloway was employed by J. P. Allen in Atlanta, Ga. before her marriage. The couple will make their home in Baton Rouge.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Ledbetter and Lanamee of Odessa spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ensey.

Announcement has been made by Superintendent Foster Cook that Spur has been fortunate in securing Coach "Rusty" Russell of S. M. U., high school coach with Mr. Cook at one time, now one of Texas' most outstanding coaches, as principal speaker at the Annual Football Banquet to be held January 4, at 7:30 p. m., at the Spur Inn.

Tickets for the banquet will go on sale at the Spur Inn Coffee Shop Thursday, Dec. 27. After this date, there will be a limited number of tickets available, the policy of "first come, first served" will be observed in ticket sales.

Coach "Rusty" Russell has earned a place as one of the most prominent high school coaches in Texas. Having coached Masonic Home football teams for fifteen years, and Highland Park High school for two years prior to his S. M. U. affiliation, Coach Russell has been to the State finals a number of times including the years of 1943 and 1944 when the Highland Park Scotties tried for the championship titles.

Coach Russell was Supt. Cook's high school coach at Granger, Texas in 1922.

## Spur Students Are Arriving Home From College Campuses

College and University campuses all over the country will be quiet and deserted from new until after the holidays for the young men and the young ladies will have packed their bags, and departed their alma maters with happy abandon for "Christmas holidays at home."

Miss Ida Lee Golding, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Golding, will arrive in Spur Saturday from Austin where she is a University of Texas student.

Texas Tech students who have arrived home already include Louise Ince, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ince, Lou Emma Shugart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Shugart; Fred Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Martin.

Young ladies arriving from Texas State College for Women at Denton include Miss Betty Weaver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Weaver; Miss Nellie Hindman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hindman; and Miss Jackie Rector, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rector.

Scholars at Abilene Christian College who have forsaken the midnight oil for Christmas lights at home include Miss Betty Barnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Barnett; Miss Vernell Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Wilson; and Miss Marjorie Randall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Randall.

Pete Dobbins, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dobbins, who is attending the University of Texas is expected home Saturday.

Henry Gruben, Jr., student at Hardin-Simmons University, arrived Wednesday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gruben.

## W. S. C. S. CHRISTMAS PARTY

The W. S. C. S. of the Methodist church met in the home of Mrs. Ida P. Lee on Monday afternoon for their annual Christmas party and tree. Entertainment for the afternoon consisted of "The Christmas Story" read by Mrs. Lela Evans, the singing of Christmas songs, and the exchange of gifts. Refreshments of excellence were topped with whipped cream and coffee were served. Hostesses were: Mrs. Jack Rector, Mrs. Dee Hairgrove, Mrs. Foster Cook, Mrs. Raymond Van Zandt, and Mrs. Lela Evans. The following members were present: Mrs. J. C. Payne, Mrs. Jack Rector, Mrs. Foster Cook, Mrs. Dee Hairgrove, Mrs. J. R. Laine, Mrs. George S. Link, Mrs. Lela Evans, Mrs. Otha Thompson, Mrs. Eric Foster, Mrs. Paige Gollihar, Mrs. J. E. Morris, Mrs. T. C. Ensey, Mrs. J. J. Ensey, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Raymond Van Zandt, Mrs. C. H. Elliott, Mrs. J. O. Morris, Miss Etta Fite, and Mrs. Lea.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lisenby will be Christmas guests of Mrs. Kidd Waddell at her home in Roby.

## Home Only Eight Hours, Veteran Is Killed in Wreck

Mrs. T. T. Dillashaw and Mr. Robert Dillashaw have returned from Waxahachie where they attended the funeral of William Pruitt who was killed Friday night in a car accident between Dallas and Waxahachie, just eight hours after he had returned home from receiving an army discharge.

William was the grandson of Mrs. Dillashaw, and at the time of the collision was returning with a group of young people from a skating rink near Waxahachie. William had just received his discharge after serving 18 months overseas with the 5th and 7th Armies.

William's brother, Travis Pruitt who had recently been released from the Navy, was also in the car when the wreck occurred, but received only a few scratches. Among survivors are Mrs. Dillashaw; Mrs. Seaman Reynolds, Mrs. Chester Powell, Mrs. Delbert Bailey, aunts; Jack, Charlie and Robert Dillashaw, uncles, all of Spur.

## Christmas Dinner Party Entertains Husbands of Club

### Home of Horace Hodges' Scene of Festive Buffet

Thursday Luncheon club members treated their husbands with a Christmas Dinner party Thursday night at 7:00 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Horace Hodges, which was gaily ornamented with lovely Christmas decorations for the occasion.

Dinner was served buffet style, the menu including cocktail, baked ham and dressing, sauted quail, green beans, fruit salad, hot rolls, relish, egg nog and fruit cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnston were guests. Members present were Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Chastain, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Swenson, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Golding and the host and hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Elliott were high couple and received a satin pillow as high prize.

## MUCH NEWS LEFT OUT

Folks we apologize. But even that does not help much. We like to have gone under in the struggle of getting out this issue, as it was, with most of the family force sick from flu or, perhaps, irregular eating and thus we are forced to admit we could not produce enough pages to take care of all news copy and advertising. We have been forced to leave out editorial comment and lots of local news in order to give business firms a chance to wish you a merry Christmas. We hope you will bear with us because we are working without sufficient help and are doing all that is humanly possible. After the first of the New Year we hope to have more help and take care of more news. The Publishers.

## Store Force at B. Schwarz & Son Is Entertained at Party

Included among holiday entertainments was a five o'clock coffee given Sunday afternoon for the store force of B. Schwarz & Son, and other guests by Mr. and Mrs. James B. Reed, at their home.

Sandwiches, nuts, olives, pound cake, fruit cake, coffee and hot chocolate were on the refreshment menu.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Floy Vernon, Mrs. M. C. Golding, Jewel McLaughlin, Mrs. J. D. Dyess, Mrs. E. C. Clinkscapes, Mrs. Jack Moore, Mrs. Casey Aldrich, Mrs. John Hazelwood and Mrs. Nona E. Starcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jennings are leaving Saturday to spend the holidays with a niece and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Marjorie Thomas, at their home in Navasota. While there they will also enjoy a family reunion for the first time in several years with relatives including two nephews who have been recently discharged from the service.

Mrs. Jerry Willard and daughter, Mrs. W. P. Foster Jr., were called to Cleburne Monday afternoon because of the death of Mrs. Willard's sister, Mrs. Mary Lou Post, who passed away at her home there at 4:30.

## Truman Greene Has Accepted Position in City of Lubbock

### City Manager Here For Past Eight Years Leaving

Mr. Truman Green, Spur City manager for the past eight years, has accepted a position with the City of Lubbock in the city power system. Mr. Green and his family plan to move to Lubbock some time in January.

Mr. Green, graduate engineer of Texas Tech, has very capably discharged his duties here as city manager, and announcement of his leaving has been received with regret.

No announcement as to the appointment of a city manager to succeed Mr. Green here has been made at this time.

## Downtown Use Firecrackers Is Violation of Law

Boys and girls love to shoot firecrackers around Christmas time, but downtown on the city streets crowded with shoppers is not a good place to do so.

Cooperation of everyone in discouraging this practice is asked by L. E. Lee, Mayor and Olen Arthur, secretary of the C. of C.

Further appeal to the youngsters is made to stop shooting firecrackers down town for the benefit of the large number of soldier boys home from war who deserve to be able to walk down the street without the annoyance of sudden loud noises going off under their feet. Parents are asked to explain to their children that downtown Spur is not the proper place to enjoy their firecrackers.

## Thirty-Nine Are Present For 1931 Club Dinner Party

### Christmas Affair Held at Bynum Britton Home

The sheen of candlelight on snowy napers, shining silver and bright Christmas decorations throughout the rooms pointed the Christmas party given by the 1931 Study Club Tuesday night for members and their husbands at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bynum Britton.

Thirty-nine people were served buffet style from a table loaded with a baked turkey entree, with dressing and gibel gravy, colorful red and green salads, hot rolls, and many delicious side dishes.

Hostesses for the party were Mrs. Britton, Mrs. Harold Karr and Mrs. Bob Simmons who received the guests and seated them at individual tables centered with white lighted candles decorated with Christmas cedar. Coffee was served to the guests after they had had their plates filled and had returned to their tables.

Following dinner, Christmas gifts were distributed from the tree by Lynn Busbee after which the desert course of floating island with pecan cookies was served.

Entertainment at the party consisted of merriment over the amusing Christmas gifts received and singing of Christmas carols with Mrs. Agnes Marrs at the piano.

Guests were Miss Margaret Elliott, Mary Olive Marrs, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Bridge, and Mr. James Cowan.

Members and their husbands were present.

## OPEN HOUSE HELD

Miss Mary Glaton of Macon, Ga., was married recently to Mr. A. W. Jordan, Spur resident for 25 years. The ceremony took place in Fort Worth and after a short trip the couple returned to Spur.

Many guests called at the Jordan home on the occasion of an open house held there soon after the arrival of the newly married couple, and were introduced to the bride.

## CORRECTION

In last week's Spur the date for the drawing at Proctor's was quoted as Dec. 29, and is should have been Dec. 19 at 2 p. m. The Nylon ticket numbers were given out Dec. 19, or numbers drawn for them, but you didn't have to be there.

Mrs. M. C. Goldin and Mrs. Nona Starcher were coffee guests Sunday afternoon of Mr. and Mrs. D. Burns at the Pitchfork Ranch.

## Santa Claus Be In Spur Friday 4 P. M.

### HAPPY COUPLE RECENTLY CELEBRATED GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Abernathy are old-timers of Spur who recently celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary, and are still receiving congratulations and best wishes from their many friends here and throughout the state.

## At The Churches AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Worship service at 11:00 a. m. Methodist Youth Fellowship at 6:15 p. m.

Intermediates at 6:15 p. m. Evening worship at 7:00 p. m. The Woman's Society of Christian Service meets each Monday afternoon at 3:00.

Mid-week prayer service each Wednesday evening at 7:00. Christmas Program Sunday Evening at 7:00.

We are presenting a Christmas program at the evening hour next Sunday. It is to be a program of story and song. The story, "The Shepherd Who Did Not See Jesus," will be told in reading and song. Everybody invited. We want you to feel welcome to attend our services. We need you and will be glad to have you.

Raymond Van andt, Pastor.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Charles Gilbert, Pastor

Program for Sunday night service:

Music—Mrs. W. T. Andrews. Solo: "The Holy City."—Mrs. George Gabriel. Playlet—"The Christmas Heart"

Characters: Dorrin Dean (a young wife)—Junell DeGraffenreid.

Linda (a friend)—Donna Gene Wright.

Mrs. Moore (an older woman)—Bobbie Morrow.

The Spirit of Christmas—Bobby Stanley.

The Spirit of Love—Virginia Ruth Shugart.

Reader—Mrs. Elmer Hagins.

Songs by the choir:

O, Come all Ye Faithful

O Little Town of Bethlehem.

Away In A Manger.

Silent Night, Holy Night.

Quartet: "The First Noel"—Virginia Faye Dunwoody, Donna Gene Wright, Bert Dunwoody and Davie Sue Sullivan.

Duet: "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"—Patti Jo and Piney Lou Dupree.

Trio: "W Three Kings of Orient Are"—Mr. Bob George, Mr. Jas. B. Reed and Mrs. T. J. Seale.

Song by Congregation: "Joy to The World."

Offering for Buckner Orphans Home to be taken at morning hour.

## Baptist Workers To Meet Here Jan. 4 Instead Dec. 28th

The Dickens County Baptist Worker's meeting, which was to meet with the First Baptist Church of Spur, Texas, Friday, December 28, has been changed to January 4. Please notice this change.

## COURT HOUSE WILL CLOSE FOR CHRISTMAS

The Dickens County Court House will be closed Monday Dec. 24 and Tuesday Dec. 25, according to Judge Boedecker, in observance of Christmas holiday.

There is a "Texas Club" aboard an LST in the bay at Tokyo.

"You better not cry—you better not pout."—that jolly old fellow with the white beard, the twinkling eyes and rosy cheeks will be here Friday at 4 o'clock. Yes, sir, Santa Claus is coming to town!

Santa Claus, in person will arrive on the main street of Spur Friday afternoon with a pack full of goodies such as nuts, candy and fruit, for all the children who come down to greet him. Santa is expecting to see a large number of the Spur young folks, many of whom haven't had a chance lately to view St. Nicholas in his bright red suit, at close range.

Be here Friday and bring all the kiddies.

## Shortage of Real Estate Relieved By New Homes

Although materials are still very scarce and difficult to obtain, several new homes are under construction in Spur at this time, which will alleviate to some extent the extreme shortage of living accommodations felt here.

A five room house owned by H. W. Puckett has been almost completed on a location near the high school, the work being done by Ray Morrow, contractor.

Carroll Hale is in charge of construction on a five room house being built by Vincent Bilberry on the highway east of town.

Buford Johnson is having a house built near the high school. Phillip Smith is in charge of the work on a four room house he is building in the southwest part of town.

W. A. Bell is building a three room house, with R. H. Wright contractor, handling construction. Two other houses under construction are those of Mr. McGoy and Kelly Morris.

## Those You Know

Mrs. Emma Russell and daughter, Miss Margie Nell, were here over the weekend with her children, Wanda, Royal and Mrs. R. J. Clark, and mother, Mrs. Kate Buchanan. They are teachers in the Crosbyton public schools.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walters spent the weekend here with her mother, Mrs. E. M. Ussery. Mrs. Mollie Walden was confined to her bed last week suffering from flu but is able to be up and about now.

Margie Lou, Melba Lee Campbell spent the weekend visiting relatives in Dallas. They made the trip by bus.

Mrs. Regin J. Clark will leave Saturday for Marysville, Calif., to make her home during the time her husband is stationed there. He is with the Hdq. Det. at Camp Beale, Calif. He has been stationed there since Nov. 19. Mrs. Clark is a daughter of Mrs. Emma Russell.

Misses Regina Lee and Wynell McClure and Oran McClure were shopping in Lubbock Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Van Zandt went to Abilene Thursday to get their son, Taylor, who is a student at McMurray College. He will spend the holiday season here with his parents.

Mrs. W. H. Rigby of Roaring Springs returned to her home Tuesday morning from a visit with her daughter, Lt. Louise Rigby, who is stationed at Temple in the surgery department of McCloskey General Hospital. Lt. Rigby has been in the service since last March, but will not be able to come home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Engleman will spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Martin, at Haskell.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson of Lubbock are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clark Forbis at their home in Afton.

Mr. and Mrs. Horton Barrett and son, Marvin, of Santa Fe, N. M., will be holiday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Barrett in Spur.

Mrs. May Henderson who has been visiting the M. P. Duncans, has returned to her home in Linden, Texas.

Pvt. H. C. Horton of Camp Crowder, Mo., has returned to duty after a visit here with his wife and children who are making their home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Duncan.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Delisle and children of Grand Junction, Colo., have returned home after spending three weeks visiting their daughter, Mrs. Lyndell Holley of Dickens and other relatives and friends.

Dallas is the first and only city in the United States to become a distribution center of cut flowers flown in in bulk. Academic credit for dancing is being given this year for the first time at the University of Texas.



**THE QUEST OF HAPPINESS**

has ever been the ultimate goal of human beings. Some find happiness in one way; some in another; and many never find it at all. Whatever road you may have been taking in your pursuit of happiness, may your fondest hopes be realized during this Christmas season of 1945.

One other thought: we want every one of you to know that we deeply appreciate everything you have done for us during the past year.

**CLOVER FARM ...STORE...**



**Proclamation**

We hereby proclaim that we are resolved to give our friends and patrons the superior kind of service that will keep them wearing a path to our door.

We furthermore proclaim that our friends are the finest in all the world, and we wish them loads of good luck, good cheer and good health for the year 1946.

Now On Display  
...the new...

**Crosley Shelvador Refrigerator and Easy Spindrier Washer**

We hope in the New Year to supply all our customers with these fine machines.

**Spur Tire & Appliance Store**

**Duck Creek Soil Conservation District NEWS NOTES**

RILEY WOOTEN, Chm. OSCAR MCGINTY, Sec.  
WILL WRIGHT TOM MURDOCK A. A. FRY

Many farmers feel that they can not get their terracing work done because they can not get some heavy equipment to do the job. It might be well that those who think that the only way to get terracing done is through the use of heavy equipment take notice of the work being done by farmers with regular farm equipment. A few farmers who have and are constructing terraces with farm equipment are: Herman Messer, Arnold Ritchie, M. A. Young, Harcus Copeland, Adrain Rickles, Chas. Dunlap and Charles Parks.

Most of the farmers agree that they like the terraces that they built better than those built by the heavy equipment.

Reese McNeill has a few acres of Balboa rye up to a stand and it is looking good. He tells of having some sweet clover planted in his pasture that has been established for several years and is maintaining itself well. He is interested in getting a trial planting made of this clover in his cultivated land.

Cal Martin is having some mesquite trees eradicated and is planning to establish alfalfa. He is going to have part of the trees grubbed and the rest cut off at ground level and treated with kerosene. He hopes to kill the trees with oil and later pull the stumps with a tractor. This experiment will be of interest to watch. He also plans to overseed some bermuda grass along the creek with Madrid Sweet Clover.

The permanent pasture grass planted on T. O. Sorelle ranch year before last made a good growth this year as well as a good seed crop. Sorelle is interested in planting several old fields to grass. Other farmers and ranchers who have sufficient dead cover on the ground that they want planted to grass should make arrangements to get their grass seed.

**Betty Barnett On Honor Roll at ACC for Superior Work**

Betty Barnett, 1943 graduate of Spur high school, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Barnett of Spur, had her name placed on the honor roll for the first nine weeks at Abilene Christian College, Abilene, as a result of her making a grade of "Superior" in one subject.

Betty is a junior in Abilene Christian College and is majoring in English.

Fred C. Haile, of Afton, once run for congress, now a prominent farmer, was in Spur Monday.

**SIDELIGHTS FROM WASHINGTON**

By GEORGE MAHON

This is being airmailed from Washington on Saturday, Dec. 15th. I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone who has occasion to read this a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Christmas is a joyous time; yet for many, there are heavy burdens of grief and disappointment to bear.

Perhaps there has never been a more difficult time than this. During 1945 we have celebrated VE day and VJ day, and we will soon celebrate Christmas day, but a reassuring atmosphere of peace and good will can hardly be found. There is strife and turmoil, suspicion, doubt and uneasiness. Many are cold and hungry. Angry words are hurled across the sea.

But the same courage that sustained us in war will sustain us in peace. America is at her highest pinnacle and at her greatest moment of opportunity.

After World War I, we looked forward through rose-colored glasses and with complete assurance to the golden age, but we came to grief. Now we have a different attitude which may well be the source of most of our strength. We are now fully aware that this is one world, one sick world. We face our problems with humility and in fearful recognition of the pitfalls before us. With that realistic approach to our problems, we will solve them. I have faith that the greatest days in human history—days of peace and security and opportunity—lie ahead of us.

After all, at Christmas time it is good to remember that God is in his Heaven and that He has never forsaken the humble and the contrite heart. We may be sure that righteousness will continue to exalt a nation; we may be equally certain that nothing else will.

THE TEXAS SPUR, SPUR, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DEC. 20, 1945

Twelve weeks ago, while enroute from U. S. Army Headquarters in Persia to our headquarters in Palestine, our party stopped in Palestine for a few hours. Olive trees still grow and bear fruit in the Garden of Gethsemane, and the little town of Bethlehem where Jesus was born is still there.

Yes, and still here and everywhere is the message which Jesus brought and the clearly marked road which he defined toward Peace on Earth, Goodwill toward Men.

**C. C. Kimmel and Byron Haney Are at Big Convention**

C. C. Kimmel, president, and Byron Haney, vice-president, of the local Farm Bureau, left Friday to attend the National Farm Bureau Convention at Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Smartt returned Friday from a tending trip to East Texas.

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**B. SCHWARZ & SON**  
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"The Store of Little Profit"



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Don't fret about shortages and such; don't worry about shopping delays. Give a Schwarz gift certificate in a gay Christmas wrapping. Shortly after the first of the year, when fine Stetsons become plentiful, he can select the hat he wants. We're so enthusiastic about this gift-certificate-for-Christmas idea that we're set up to help any number of people solve their gift problems. Drop in at Schwarz, write us in Spur, or call 290.

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STETSON GIFT CERTIFICATE  
A STETSON HAT  
Will be delivered to the bearer upon presentation to  
**B. SCHWARZ & SON**  
From \_\_\_\_\_  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Redeemable at this store only

**BRINGING BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS**



**TO OLD FRIENDS AND NEW**

We are quite old-fashioned over here—old-fashioned enough to know that to merit the confidence of the entire community every transaction we make must rest upon the solid foundation of full value given.

May good old-fashioned Christmas cheer brighten for you the hours of this glorious Yuletide season.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Culbert



**Noel! Adeste Fideles! Holy Night!**

Hark! The Herald Angels sing. Once again the air is filled with song and music... the music of the spheres. Once again it's Christmas with all that this sacred holiday implies.

We hope that this Christmas of 1945 will be a truly happy Christmas for you and yours.

Turkey Dinner Xmas Eve  
Closed Christmas Day

**Hill Top Cafe**

OPEN  
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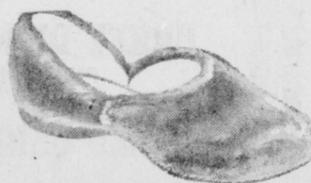


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**\$3.95**





A GOOD WAY to keep Christmas well is to bring joy to everyone we can. This, we believe, is the spirit of this community . . . one of the important reasons why living here affords such genuine pleasure.

To you who have stood by us so faithfully during the year 1945 we wish a whole world of happiness pressed into this Christmas season. Merry Christmas to you and to every member of your family.

## Farmall House

SPUR McADOO  
John Adams Jim Christopher  
Ed Engleman



"Let not one heart be sad today,  
May every child be glad and gay,  
God bless thy children, great and small,  
In lowly hut or castle hall,  
And may each soul keep festival  
At Christmastime."

We wish all of our friends a  
**MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS**

## Jack Christian

YOUR TEXACO DEALER



At Christmastime we feel more sensibly the charm of each other's society, and are drawn more closely together by dependence on each other for enjoyment.  
—WASHINGTON IRVING.

May this spirit of Christmas, which Washington Irving so ably wrote about, pervade your home this Christmas season of 1945.

Best wishes from us for a  
Merry Christmas

City Drug Store

### Wednesday Club Entertained

The Wednesday Afternoon Bridge Club was entertained in a Christmas setting at the home of Mrs. C. L. Love, Dec. 12, with ten members and two guests present.

Guests were Mrs. Fred C. Haile and Mrs. Horace Gibson, with Mrs. Haile winning high guest prize. High prize for members went to Mrs. Carl Proctor.

Members present included Mms. Henry Alexander, Nell Davis, Ed Engleman, Julia Hicman, Carl Proctor, L. D. Ratliff, Riley Wooten, Ann McClure and Mrs. A. C. Hull.

Christmas cards were used as tallies, partners pairing by finding matching cards.

The refreshment plate included congealed salad, hot biscuits, preserves, pickles, marble cake and coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Minyard Ensey, Odessa, spent Saturday and Sunday in Spur visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Ensey, and her brother, Archer Powell.

### 1925 Bridge Club Has Dinner Party

The home of Mrs. L. D. Ratliff was the scene of a Christmas party for the 1925 Bridge Club Monday night. A covered dish turkey dinner and trimmings was served buffet style to the members from a table ornamented with red tapers and an unusual arrangement of red flowers.

Christmas tallies from Santa's stocking were passed to the following members present: Mmes. Davis, Engleman, Golding, Jennings, Love, Swenson, Hull, Milam, McClure, Wooten and the hostess.

High score prize, a leatherette bridge cover, was won by Mrs. A. C. Hull. High table prizes went to Mrs. T. E. Milam, Mrs. Ann McClure and Mrs. Riley Wooten.

Christmas gifts were exchanged at the tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Floy Watson and family are expecting Mrs. J. W. Stanton of Pampa, mother of Mrs. Watson, as holiday guest in their home.

### GUESTS AT RALLS

Mrs. W. T. Andrews, Mrs. Fred Jennings and Mrs. C. H. Elliott were lunch guests Friday of Mrs. O. C. Thomas at her home in Ralls.

### ATTENDS DISTRICT MEETING

Mr. Wilburn S. Patrick, FSA County Supervisor, went to Amarillo Monday for the district meeting Tuesday of the FSA organizations.

Tillie Hill, Jean Arthur and Autry Nell Dyess wished Jane Brannen, many happy returns Sunday when they were her luncheon and afternoon guests in celebration of her birthday.



GREETINGS  
to all my customers  
Mrs. J. A. Marsh  
A V O N  
PRODUCTS



Spur, Texas,  
December, 1945

DEAR FRIEND:

It is with true Thankfulness and heartfelt Goodwill toward you, and everyone, that we pause in the rush of business to say: "CHRISTMAS GREETINGS."

We appreciate your friendship; we covet your goodwill, and we thank you for your patronage.

May the Lord richly bless you and your's in the days ahead.

Sincerely,

ALLEN AUTO SUPPLY

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Allen.



Merry Christmas one and all

### A Salute

to our friends and a big, hearty Christmas wish to you all, this merry, merry Christmas season.

Looking back over the year calls to mind our greatest source of pleasure has been our contact with folks like you.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★

## The Fair Store



MERRY CHRISTMAS  
★ TO ONE AND ALL ★

Unselfish interest in others is the keynote of happiness at Christmastime. May each gift you receive breathe love and devotion and bind the ties of home and friendship more securely.

As for ourselves, we desire to express our appreciation for your loyalty to us in 1945, and wish you a Merry Christmas.

URKEY DINNER MONDAY  
CHRISTMAS EVE

CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY

## Bell's Cafe



AS the light of Christmas again brightens our faces and lightens our hearts, we turn our thoughts from ourselves to help others. For this is the spirit that first saw the light of day in a stable at Bethlehem, two thousand years ago, and which has endured ever since.

May God bless and protect you and your dear ones and bring happiness to your home this Christmas season.

## Chandler Funeral Home

Helen and C. B. Chandler,

S. A. Lawrence

### Miss Minnie Ola Ward Hostess To Lubbock Guests

Miss Minnie Ola Ward was hostess to a dinner party at the Spur Cafe Sunday night in honor of her cousin, the former Miss Tommie Jean Ward of Lubbock, who became the bride Thursday of D. L. Stevenson of that city.

J. W. Meadows, at home with a broken hip, suffered in a fall several months ago, when he was replacing some glass at the KP hall and fell. appreciates the many Christmas cheer messages sent him by friends. He lives at the E. L. Hurst home and is still unable to be out.

Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson, Margie Nell Ward, Bill Yandell and Robert Haley, all of Lubbock, were guests entertained by Miss Ward Sunday.



THERE are a thousand and one ways of extending the season's greetings to you, but no words we can put into writing, no words we can frame with our lips, ring with more sincerity than the old-fashioned greeting—

**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU**  
Milams 5c to \$1.00 Store



#### To One And All

CHILDREN looking out of the window at a desolate landscape try to catch a glimpse of a mythical sleigh drawn by mythical reindeer. But there is naught that is mythical about the spirit of Christmas that transforms the commonplace. That Christmas of 1945 may be for you the happiest Christmas of all is our sincere wish.

#### Season's Greetings

To you, whose friendship has been so invaluable, whose understanding so constant and whose patience with us so unceasing—Greetings!

We hope you will know how grateful we are to you, how pleasant you have helped make our past year. And we hope too, that you will know with what genuine sincerity we wish for you every Joy of the Season, the fulfillment of your every hope in the New Year.

**Proctor's**  
ENTIRE PERSONNEL



#### Christmas Is All of These

Christmas is the good will shared at the family hearth; the carol sung together; the candle in the window, the glowing faces gathered around the festive board. And it is much more—ever so much more!

We cannot begin to put into words all that Christmas is, nor begin to express how ardently we wish for you the complete enjoyment of Christmas. So, all we can say to you, kind friends, is Merry Christmas To You.

**Quality Cleaners**  
LEE SNODGRASS



*Greetings at Christmastide*

#### When Snow Lies Softly on the Hill

Now, when the fir trees wear white collars, when the birds make tiny stitches in the snow and our footprints hurry towards the warmth of home and the companionship of loved ones, it's time to wish all our friends the fullest joys of the Christmas season. So, hello everybody . . . and Merry Christmas!

**Riter Hardware Co.**

FROM EACH OF US TO ALL OF YOU



*Best wishes for Christmas*

There's no place like home when Christmas comes around, and there's no time like right now to wish all you kindly home folks the merriest Christmas ever.

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to have served you in 1945, and we look forward to your continued friendship.

**Bryant-Link Co.**

### Wedding Gift Tea Honors Mrs. Ward, Recently Married

Mrs. Robert Ward, the former Leta Faye Bloodworth, who was recently married, was complimented with a lovely bridal gift tea at the home of Mrs. A. R. Howe, with Christmas colors and a beautifully decorated tree carrying out the holiday season motif. Fruit cake and coffee was served with tiny Santa Claus as plate favors.

Those attending the tea were Miss Minnie Ola Ward, Mmes. O. R. Cloud, W. H. Johnson, S. C. Reynolds, Gray Draper, John Reed, Jackie Jones, Marcus Copeland, Hershel McAlpin, J. B. Morrow, C. C. Kimmel, Donnie Pace, Thurman Morrow, Clyde Bingham, Mary Hinson, W. G. Hinson, Joe Draper, Edge Candle, Denton Draper, Newton Bingham, L. V. Vivian, of Matador; L. M. Dard, Roscoe McCombs, Tom Vivian, Durwood Stanley; Misses Bert Dunwody, Gene Rogers, Susie Sullivan, Inez Penn, Mary Eivens; L. M. Ward and A. R. Howe.

Eighty other gifts were sent to the shower by friends.

The first native son to become Governor of Texas was James Stephen Hogg, born at Rusk, Tex.



● The long awaited occasion is here—CHRISTMAS—and with it the opportunity of renewing friendships. We cannot tell you how much these friendships have meant to us. We treasure them, every one.

Let us celebrate the Yuletide with rejoicing and good cheer. Let us celebrate it with a genuine thankfulness in our hearts for the blessings that have been ours to enjoy.

**WILLSON LUMBER COMPANY**



That best part of a good man's life—His little, nameless unremembered acts of kindness and of love.

—WILLIAM WORDSWORTH

Christmas is the season of the open heart and the open door. Let none stand out in the cold or be unremembered.

In this community of good fellows, where each helps share the other's happiness and all do their part towards making the Christmas season enjoyable for each and everyone, it is a privilege to be in a position to serve you. We take great pleasure in wishing you a Merry Christmas.

**W. B. Francis**



There's no place like home when Christmas comes around, and there's no time like right now for our ENTIRE PERSONNEL to join in wishing Christmas Joy to those whom we have served, and to others as well. Accept our sincere thanks for the privilege of being of help in making this Christmas of 1945 truly Merry.

**Godfrey & Smart Motor Company**  
"YOUR FORD DEALER"

**PALACE**

MERRY CHRISTMAS

FOR CHRISTMAS COMES BUT ONCE A YEAR

FRIDAY and SATURDAY

**FOLLOW THAT WOMAN** WILLIAM GARGAN, MARY KELLY

**SONG OF THE PRAIRIE** Musical Gals! Laugh! Rhythm!

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**DUFFY'S TAVERN**

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Latest News

TUESDAY

**Gambonnet SUE** GALE STORM, PHIL REGAN

**Bond Nite \$325 BOND**

Also "THIS IS AMERICA" Short Subject

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

THE STORY THE HEADLINES DIDN'T DARE REVEAL!

**The House on 92nd Street**

with WILLIAM EYTHE, LLOYD NOLAN, SIGNE HASSO

Cpl James F. Duncan, who had just been returned to this country from overseas duty, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Duncan here. He has now returned to his former home in Richmond, Calif.

Civilian consumption of peanuts as nuts, peanut butter and in the form of candy during the past three years has been at the rate of over six pounds per capita, or about 35 per cent above the pre-war average.

GIVE *Entertainment* THIS YEAR

**THEATRE GIFT BOOKS**

Priceless hours at your favorite Movie... on sale at our Box Office.

SO MUCH FOR SO LITTLE!

\$1 \$2.50 \$5

Telephone Service Over Electric Power Lines Used by Sw. Bell Proves Success and May Be Used in Future in Spur Area

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lyerla Will Move To Former Home

After four years in the Army Air Forces, three years of which was spent in service in the European theatre, J. C. Lyerla recently received an honorable discharge at Camp Fannin, Tyler, and returned to Spur where Mrs. Lyerla has been associated with the local Farm Security Administration during his army duty. Mr. and Mrs. Lyerla spent last weekend in Carbon, Texas, visiting his parents there. After the first of the year, they plan to move to Safford, Arizona, their former home, where Mr. Lyerla will resume his prewar position as railroad engineer. Mrs. Lyerla is being transferred to the Farm Security Administration office in Safford.

CAPT. COWAN HERE

Captain James H. Cowan, recently discharged veteran of World War II, is in Spur seeing old friends. He is the son of Mrs. Lucy Cowan who now resides in Lubbock. Capt. Cowan is making the Spur Inn his headquarters for a while.

Twenty-nine states have a Washington county.

Also May Use Radiophone In Isolated Sections

First public tests of the rural power-line carrier telephone system in which the same wires carry telephone calls and electric power at the same time, were started this week (Dec. 17) near Jonesboro, Ark., according to C. H. Cale, manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company at Lubbock.

It is expected that eventually this system will provide another method of extending telephone service to thousands of additional farms, Cale said.

The Jonesboro tests, involving four users, are being made cooperatively by engineers of the Bell System and of the Rural Electrification Administration. They will be followed within a few weeks by a similar experiment at Selma, Ala., over facilities of the Alabama Power Co.

Laboratory work and field tests of the powerline carrying system, begun in 1938 but discontinued during the war, were resumed last summer, Cale said. He emphasized that further tests together with experience in installing and maintaining these systems must, of course, precede quantity production and general use.

Early this year Southwestern Bell announced a five-year program to provide rural telephone service to 165,000 additional farm homes. Extension of present telephone lines and the construction of new wire lines will service thousands of new users, Cale explained.

However, it may be more economical in many areas to use power-line carriers than to extend telephone lines, and, in a few remote locations, radiotelephone systems may be best. Local conditions will determine the kind of system used.

In outward appearance the powerline carrier telephone is much like the usual instrument. There is an additional box containing special electronic tubes to produce a high frequency current which carries the voice over the power wires. On the pole outside the subscriber's home is a "Coupler," through which the carrier current enters or leaves the power line, but which bars the power current from entering the telephone instrument. Somewhat similar equipment is used at the telephone exchange end of the power line. Over such a system a person can call anyone on his line, on another carrier system, or on any telephone line.

OSCAR KILLIAN IN LUBBOCK HOSPITAL

The condition of Mr. Oscar Killian, who was taken by a Chandler ambulance to the Lubbock General Hospital last week, is much improved, according to Mrs. Killian who had just returned to Spur from his bedside. Mr. Killian was suffering from a relapse of influenza, very close to pneumonia. He has a case history of three pneumonia illnesses, and was immediately treated with penicillin at the hospital to avert a fourth attack of the disease, Mrs. Killian said.

The distance between the two most remote points in Texas is considerably greater than that from Chicago to either the Atlantic Ocean or the Gulf of Mexico.

Although the Dempsey-Firpo fight for the heavyweight championship of the world lasted but two rounds, or little more than four minutes, it was a battle royal with 11 knockouts.

Texas Cotton Crop Shortest Reported In Fifty-Six Years

AUSTIN, Dec. 18.—A 1,820,000 bale cotton crop, the smallest for Texas since 1889, was four-fifths ginned by Dec. 1, the United States Bureau of Agriculture Economics reported Wednesday.

The Dec. 1 forecast of 1,820,000 bales was 60,000 bales below the estimate of thirty days ago, largely because October freezes cut off the late crop.

Ranges were rated at 81 per cent condition on Dec. 1, a decline of 3 per cent during the month, but 3 per cent better than the 20-year average for Dec. 1.

Patton Springs Home Making Club Invites Guests for Dinners

The Future Homemakers of Patton Springs made \$14.02 at their booths at the carnival Friday night. Those donating prizes and money to the booths were the following: Fair Store, pajamas; Red Front Drug, lotion and hair tonic; Allen Auto, car polish; Spur Bakery, cake; Safeway, 4 lbs. coffee; Rucker's Shoe Shop, shoe polish; Jess Fletcher, \$1; C. D. Foreman, 50c; Campbell's Furniture, hand painted picture; Hoover's Grocery, can of beans; Williams Grocery, mince meat; Dunaway Grocery, 2 cans tomatoes; Southside Phillips 66, 50c; Mission Service Station, 25c; Johnson's Grocery, spinach; Spur Trading Post, 25c; Cooper's Cafe, \$1; Panhandle Station 50c; Grubben's Jewelry, salt and pepper shakers; Ben's Cafe, peas and tomatoes; Newberry's Grocery, 1 can pineapple juice; Witcher's Grocery, one lb. coffee; Lawson Grocery, one can peaches; Randolph Cafe, one can tomatoes.

The sophomore homemaking class has been serving company dinners. They have been working in groups of two. They invited a sophomore boy to act as host and one of the girls acted as hostess. They also invited a teacher and another sophomore boy for guests.

We want everyone to know we appreciate everything they have done for our Homemaking Department this year.

The Freshmen classes have finished the serving of breakfasts to guests. Each couple of girls prepared a heavy breakfast and served it to two guests.

Collin E. Denson Home from Duty on Navy Transport

Collin E. Denson, son of Mrs. Leona Denson, was recently discharged from the Navy. Collin was stationed on the Lake Champlain carrier which after VJ day was converted into a transport to bring troops home. Collin made two trips overseas as crew member of the transport, going to England and to Italy, and back home himself to receive his release.

Henry Love Given Discharge at Pawling Hospital in New York

Pawling, N. Y., Dec. 16.—Pvt. Henry T. Love of Spur, Texas, recently stationed at the AAF Convalescent Hospital, Pawling, N. Y., has received his honorable discharge from the U. S. Army Air Forces.

A veteran of service since the 30th of July, 1945. His wife lives at Spur, Texas.

The State of Delaware has only three counties.

1945

Greetings FROM ST. NICHOLAS

A BLANKET of snow on the roof, a peace and stillness and warmth and firelight, the lovely litter of Christmas on the living room floor. Certainly there's a Santa Claus, and as we wish you a Merry Christmas we add this wish for good measure: May good old St. Nicholas come laden, this Christmas of 1945, with more of the good things of life for you than you have ever before enjoyed.

**SPUR CAFE**

Under New Management

Special Christmas Dinner

MERRIEST Christmas OF ALL 1945

And now comes another Christmas to be added to your store of memories. We hope this Christmas of 1945 will be a very enjoyable one—a truly happy one—fulfilling all the fine traditions of Christmas.

Accept our hearty thanks for the pleasant business associations of the past year. Once again we say Merry Christmas!



**Spur Security Bank**

A Merry Christmas

★ Stealing over the countryside is the blessed peacefulness of Christmastime. The very air seems charged with it. Even the birds—what few remain—appear to share in the general rejoicing that has come over the world.

We earnestly hope that this Christmas season of 1945 will bestow unusual blessings upon you and yours... that it will bring to your home the soft glow that even Christmas tree lights cannot bequeath—the full joy of Christmas seasons long past but forever remembered. May such a Christmas be yours!

**G. F. Wacker Store**

# SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

In order to accommodate the public of Spur and surrounding country, the following business firms of

## SPUR

**Will Remain Open All Day Christmas Eve**

# MONDAY, DECEMBER 24

RITER HARDWARE COMPANY  
BRYANT-LINK COMPANY  
THE FAIR STORE  
CLOVER FARM STORE  
B. SCHWARZ & SON  
SPUR TIRE & APPLIANCE  
JONES DRUG STORE  
THE FIRESTONE STORE  
MILAM'S 5c TO \$1.00 STORE

RED FRONT DRUG STORE  
THE CITY DRUG STORE  
PROCTOR'S  
THE CITY MARKET & GROCERY  
A. E. BRASHEAR'S WESTERN AUTO  
SAFEWAY STORE  
ALLEN AUTO SUPPLY  
CAMPBELL FURNITURE STORE  
G. F. WACKER STORE

**You Can Do Your Late Christmas Shopping In Spur Monday**

# CLASSIFIED

**FOR SALE—Real Estate**  
**FARM FOR RENT**—E. S. Lee, 1tc  
**FARM FOR SALE**—164 acres, 20 a. in cultivation, five room house, well, mill and good out buildings. 3 miles of Spur. Immediate possession. See O. L. Elley. 72tc  
**FOR SALE or Trade**. Two miles of city, 100 acres Duck Creek bottom land, well improved, clear of debt. Will take residence as part payment. See Jess Fletcher at Service Station. 7-2tc  
**FOR RENT**—166 acre farm, 6 miles north of Spur, half mile off highway. J. M. Steele, Rule, Texas.  
**FOR SALE**—One corner lot on West Harris street, one six room house, \$3,000; one 5-room house on Trumbull street, all modern, \$4,000; five acre tract. See Nona Starcher. 8-tfc  
**HOUSE FOR SALE**—Five rooms basement and garage, with floor furnace, venetian blinds and air conditioner. See Truman Green, Spur, Texas. 8-tfc  
**FOR SALE—Livestock**  
**FOR SALE**—2 purebred golden Buff Minorca cockerels, 9 months old.—Mrs. M. L. Rickels, phone 254. 7-2tc  
**FOR SALE**—Pigs and one young Herford bull. Robert Reynolds, Craton Community, Dickens, Texas. 7-4tp  
**FOR SALE—Miscellaneous**  
**FOR SALE**—Six foot Norge Refrigerator and Hotpoint Electric Range. Call 223-J. 8-2tc  
**FOR SALE**—One Ford tractor, '42 model with cultivator, planter, and go-devil. In fine condition, two small crops only made with it. See Frank Macon, McAdoo or W. W. Phifer. 1tp  
**FOR SALE**—2,500 bundles hegari with good grain, 8c bundle. Mrs. Lela D. Morgan, Rt. 1, Spur, 1tp  
**FOR SALE**—600 bushels of bearded less seed barley. W. P. Shugart, Spur, Texas. 8-3tc  
**BUNDLES FOR SALE**: 2500 bundles Hygera asd cane. See O. L. KELLEY, Spur. 5-3t  
**FOR SALE**—'42 model H John Reere tractor, starter, lights, two ow equipment. H. H. Hollingshead, Girard, Texas. 7-3tp  
**FOR SALE**—Used Ford, with new engine and overhaul job. Apply to Mrs. J. C. McNeill, Box 1103, Spur, Texas. 7-2tp  
**FOR SALE**: Red Fox fur chubby. Good condition. Medium size. \$40.00. See BERT DUNWODY tn  
**WANTED—Miscellaneous**  
**LAUNDRESS WANTED**: To do weekly bundle, washing and ironing in your home. Will bring and pick up. Inquire at Texas Spur office, phone 128.  
**NOTICES—Special**  
**FOR RENT**—Room to working girl only. Mrs. M. C. Hurst, 722 North Miller st. 1tp  
**ANNOUNCEMENT**—Mrs. Ramsey will not be in Spur for a while and cannot take hemstitching and other work for the present and near future. Announcement will be made when can take work again.  
**MRS. WALT JAMISON.**  
**LOST**—Between the home of W. A. Gardener and Girard, Friday, Nov. 30, a three-quarter Mattress and other bedding in roll. Please notify W. C. Chatwell, Haskell, Texas, Box 129. 7-3tp  
**BATTERIES for Sale**—New batteries for Ford, Chevrolet, Chrysler, etc. O. K. Rubber Welders, Spur. 7-2tc  
**NOTICE**: To property owners of Spur Town Lots: In keeping with our policy to render service for value received, we have condensed our abstracts on Spur town lots in such a manner as to make a saving of some \$10.00 on each Abstract from February 1, 1910 to the present time. We have the sanction of good legal authority to make such condensation. **WARREN ABSTRACT COMPANY** 5-tfc  
**ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**: That the annual meeting of the stockholders of the **SPUR SECURITY BANK** of Spur, Texas, will be held at the office of said Bank on the 8th day of January, 1946, at 10:00 o'clock A. M., for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.  
**E. S. LEE, Cashier** 6-4tc  
**Pvt. Mathew Gruben**, of Fort Bragg, North Carolina, is spending a Christmas furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gruben. Pvt. Gruben will report at Fort Bragg on Dec. 30.

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**CITY ORDINANCE**  
 Be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Spur, that from and after the passage of this ordinance the shooting of fire crackers and other fireworks by whatever name known, and of any and all descriptions, are hereby prohibited, within the following area within the limits of the said City of Spur, said prohibited area shall consist of Blocks numbers 28, 27, 21 and 22, and all of the streets and alleys adjoining said blocks, and any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined in any sum not exceeding ten dollars.  
 Mrs. Leona Denson and her son, Collin Denson, are leaving Friday to spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. A. F. Pope in Handley, where all of Mrs. Denson's children will be present to celebrate the holidays.

**Thursday Bridge Club Entertained By Mrs. Busbee**  
 The Thursday Afternoon Bridge Club was entertained with a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Lynn Busbee.  
 Mrs. A. C. Hull was a guest and members present were: Mmes. Truman Greene, Billy Hilley, Bynum Britton, Lee Snodgrass, Harvey Holly and Raul English.  
 Mrs. Raul English won high score prize.  
 Guests were served a refreshment plate of spaghetti and meat balls, celery and carrot strips, cookies and coffee.

**1917 Study Club Tuesday night** at the home of Mrs. Tom Johnston.  
 The Christmas program was led by Mrs. Hale. Miss Julia Mae Hickman gave a reading and Mrs. Nell Davis discussed the origin of some of the Christmas customs. Mrs. VanZandt sang "Little Town of Bethlehem," and the members sang different Christmas carols led by Mrs. Higgins.  
 Following the program Christmas gifts were handed to the guests who were: Mmes. J. E. Berry, Clyde Bingham, J. H. Bowman, Nell Davis, R. E. Dickson, C. H. Elliott, Clark Forbis, R. C. Rorbis, E. D. Hagins, Fred C. Haile, Julia Hickman, Horace Hodges, Tom Jones, Tom Johnston, E. C. McGee, Van Zandt, W. T. Andrews, M. H. Brannen, W. F. Godfrey, M. C. Golding, F. W. Jennings and Mrs. Ann McClure.

**Christmas Spirit Evidenced at 20th Century Party**  
 The Christmas spirit was in gay evidence at the annual Christmas party of the 20th Century Study Club Tuesday night when a one hundred per cent attendance of members enjoyed a beautiful turkey buffet dinner at the home of Mrs. P. C. Nichols. Co-hostesses with Mrs. Nichols were Mrs. A. M. Walker, Mrs. E. S. Lee, Mrs. O. L. Kelley and Mrs. J. R. McNeill.  
 Mrs. Kelley recited "The Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke, following which gifts were distributed from the tree.  
 Members present were: Mrs. J. C. McNeill, new member, Mmes. O. C. Arthur, Cliff Bird, H. H. Blackwell, E. L. Caraway, F. D. Crockett, Eric Foster, P. E. Goldhar, D. F. Hale, O. L. Kelley, J. A. Koon, E. S. Lee, W. B. Lee, George S. Link, O. M. McGinty, P. C. Nichols, J. R. McNeill, L. D. Rattiff, Jack Rector and Mrs. A. M. Walker.  
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**Saturday Nighters Have Dinner Party and Xmas Tree**  
 A Christmas tree with exchange of gifts, a sumptuous turkey dinner with all the trimmings and games of bridge were enjoyed by the Saturday Night Bridge Club at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Swenson last week. In keeping with the holiday season, the Swenson home was beautifully be-decked with Yuletide decorations.  
 High couple prize went to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Elliott, with Mr. and Mrs. Riley Wooten winning consolation prize.  
 Members present were Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Engleman, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Wooten, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Elliott and the host and hostess.  
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 Choice, Fat, Plump Birds  
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 30 Size Each **21¢**

# SAFEWAY

**Jr. High Honor Roll  
Fifth Grade**

A—Barbara Nalley, Gayle Reese, Peggy Reid, Mary Jo Rogers and Beverly Wood.  
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B—Robbie Gibson, Jean Karr, Jane Karr, Donnie Smith, Bobbie Jo Yalsworth, Faye Wright,

Darwin Callihan, Joan Hagins, Pinie Lou Dupree, Bill Fry, Clyde Blair, John E. Berry and Donald Hill.

J. M. Steele of Rule was a recent visitor to Spur. Mr. Steele has several farm properties in this area which he was down to look over. He is also owner of the J. M. Steele Mercantile business in Rule which he purchased many years ago from the late J. L. Jones, millionaire oil man who ran sheep in this area before the town of Spur was organized.

Golf derived its name from the Dutch word kolf, meaning club.

**Howard Richey  
Who Served With  
36th, Is Now Home**

T/4 Howard Richey of Dickens was recently discharged at Camp Fannin after serving 36 months overseas with the 36th division General Hospital in Africa, Italy and France.

Mr. J. M. Carr is a newcomer to these parts, having bought the Hiway Grocery and Station in McAdoo from Rush McGlaughlin last September. Mr. Carr hails from Parker county down where watermelons are cash on the vine and money grows on peach trees by the bushel. In fact Parker county holds the world's record for watermelon growing, but out here we have them bested in fine beef and the best citizenship in the world. Watermelons are nice and juicy but Dickens county welcomes newcomers in such a fine way they are never sorrow they left the old country, came to this grand country. Mr. Carr does like it at McAdoo. We are glad to welcome him as a new county resident and new customer on our subscription list.

Why is it that some people are humbly grateful, while others are grumbly hateful.

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It would be hard to find a more loyal supporter of the Spur than Mr. Frank Goff, who has been here ever since the beginning of the town. Mr. Goff came in to renew for the Star-Telegram and the Texas Spur, and told us that he had been a subscriber of the latter for 36 yeears. In fact since the very first issue. Mr. Goff was raised in Throckmorton county and as a young man had worked on ranches in this section. He was always crazy about the country around Spur, and as soon as he heard they were organizing a town here, "I just up and hot-footed it here," he said. Mr. Goff was first in the Dray business in Spur, and later became the first Magnolia wholesale agent in Spur. He continued as agent for eleven years until a truck turned over with him on a detour when the road from Crosbyton to Dickens was being constructed, seriously injuring and disabling him for some time. Due to his injuries he gave up this business in 1925 and since that time has been looking after farm property here. "I have lived in the same house in Spur all the 36 years I've been here," said Mr. Goff, which is some kind of a record we'd bet.

We had a chat with Mr. W. Williams of McAdoo who has been farming in that community since 1941. Mr. Williams has been in this county since 1912 and lived for many yeears on a farm out of Spur. Mrs. Williams came from Wise county to Spur where she met and was married to her husband. They have three boys, the youngest three and the oldest seventeen years old and a senior in McAdoo High school.

**THANKS**

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Yess and Son, take this means of thanking our many friends and business associates of the past year. Wishing them a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and may we still continue to please everyone. 1tp

People with poor eyesight are the hardest workers. They can't tell when the boss is looking.

Some women look like they had just come from the beauty parlor and the place was closed.

Mrs. H. P. Gibson sends the Texas Spur as a Christmas greeting to her sister, Mrs. Sam (Robbie) Caldwell of Mancos, Colo. Mrs. Gibson said "Robbie" enjoyed reading about all her old friends here and we are glad to send her the paper.

Mr. M. C. Formby, of McAdoo, was in recently to renew his subscription with us. He is the father of our friend Marshall Formby, newspaper man par excellence of Plainview. Mr. Formby stated that they are planning to have a big Christmas this year, with the war being over, and all their boys except the youngest who is still in France, and all their sons-in-laws have been returned home safely to the States from overseas duty.

James Gibb of England, invented the game called table tennis, now known as ping pong.

Texas has been unusually honored in the nomination by the President of General Dwight D. Eisenhower for the top position in the Army and Admiral Chester W. Nimitz for the top position in the Navy. Both are Texas born in Denison, and Admiral Nimitz in Federicksburg.

**ATTENDS ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Mrs. C. R. Gunn has just returned from Moran, Texas, where she was present at the Sixtieth wedding anniversary celebration of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Park. Thirty people attended a dinner given in honor of the occasion.

Egyptians played billiards hundreds of years before the Christian era.

She is a wise girl who looks for a single man and not a husband.

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**Holiday Greetings**



To each of us the word Christmas summons many happy memories. To some it recalls a ride over the frozen countryside to grandma's, sleigh-bells tinkling all the while. To others it recalls happy reunions in mirth-filled living rooms, gay banquets and glowing Christmas trees. But to all it recalls days of charm and endearment, the happiest days of our lives. May you know this happiness in all its fullness once again, dear friend: 'Tis Christmas season of 1945.

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Once Again We Extend the Age-Old Greeting

"Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year"

with all the meaning that the wish conveys to a happy people at this happiest season of all the year.

This glorious holiday season is filled with the added joy of welcoming home those of our loved ones who were so far away... those who have made it possible for us to again acclaim, "Peace on Earth and Goodwill Toward Men," which holds a newer and dearer meaning than ever before.

The Ben E. Keith Company and all the Independent Retail Dealers who serve the Southwest with fresh fruits and fresh vegetables—"Fresh - From Keith's"—join in the refrain...

Christmas Bells Ring Out Again  
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### WELCOME HOME TO SOLDIER BOYS

W. B. Steele, G. M. 3/C, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Steele of Spur, was discharged at Sa Pedro, Calif., with more battle stars than anyone we know. W.

B. was authorized to wear the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with 13 battle stars, the American Area ribbon, the Philippine Liberation ribbon with one battle star, the Tokyo Bay award, the good conduct and victory medals. He was a member of the famed USS N. Carolina crew, known as the "Queen of the Fleet" and served with Task Force 38, Task Force 58 and ended up with Halsey's Task Group 31. W. B. was in the battalion which was first to go ashore in the first Navy wave in Tokyo. W. B. has done some real "travelin'" during his Navy years and since the 29th of September he came from Tokyo Bay to Okinawa, Pearl Harbor, to Panama, Boston, New York, and from New York across the United States to Terminal Island where he received his release and back home to Spur.

Eugene Lester Ball, sergeant in the Marines, was discharged at Miramar, San Diego, Calif. Eugene was a radio turret gunner who went into the Navy in January, 1943. He was formerly employed by B. Schwarz & Son. C. J. Goodson of Glenn, received his discharge at Camp

Fannin. Before going into the Army he was a tractor driver. He served as a surgical technician and wore the EAME campaign medal with two bronze stars and the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon, good conduct and victory medals.

Raymond Williams of McAdoo, received his release at the AAF Maxwell Field, Ala. He last served with the 335th Army Air Forces Base Unit. He was in the service 3 years and ten months and wore the American Theatre, good conduct and victory medals.

Dempsey W. Sims Jr. of Afton received his discharge at the Regional Hospital at Camp Swift.

Martin C. Faubas of McAdoo saw service in the Rhineland and Central Europe and wore the American Theatre and EAME campaign ribbons with two bronze stars.

Ivy Vernon Duncan, of Mator, registered his discharge here.

Nuge J. Rose of McAdoo and Roaring Springs, received his discharge from Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Ark., after being in the service three years and three months. He wore the American Theatre, good conduct and victory medals.

Howard K. Richey of Dickens had served in the army three years and nine months when discharged at Camp Fannin recently. He wore the American Theatre, EAME with four bronze stars, the meritorious unit award, good conduct and victory medals.

Travis B. Hoover of Spur was discharged at Ft. Bliss after serving three years and ten months. He served in the Asiatic-Pacific theatre and in the Philippine Liberation.

Joseph C. Cornett, route 1, Afton, participated in the battles of New Guinea and Luzon. He wore the American theatre and Asiatic-Pacific campaign medals, Philippine Liberation, Distinguished Unit Badge, good conduct and victory medals. He entered the service in January, 1942.

J. C. Bilberry was released through Fort Sam Houston. He served in the American theatre, wore the EAME medal with two bronze stars, one service stripe and three overseas service bars. He was in the Army three years and seven months.

William J. Laine, released at Fort Sam Houston, wore the EAME campaign medal with five bronze stars, American theatre ribbon, good conduct and victory medals and two overseas bars.

Ira R. Westfall, after three years and four months of service was discharged at Fort Bliss. His decorations were the American theatre and Asiatic-Pacific ribbons, Philippine Liberation, the bronze arrowhead.

Dan V. Pritchett was in the battles of Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland and

Central Europe. He was in the service three years and one month. William C. Swift was released at Camp Bowie after five months in the army.

Gilbert Hue Ragland, Roaring Springs, was released from the Navy at Norman, Okla. after two years and nine months' in service.

Elmo B. Mackey was released at Camp Swift after one year of service. He wore the EAME and American Theatre campaign medals.

Our son may not find the perfect girl, but he's having fun looking.

The banner cotton crop year for the twenty-five counties of the 19th Congressional District was 1937, when we produced more than one million bales. As of November 1st of this year, our District had harvested 77,000 bales, which is 10,000 less than was harvested by the same date in 1934, an exceptionally poor crop year in West Texas.

Everyone wants his past forgotten and his present remembered.

The only man who can tell women off, and get away with it is the elevator operator.

Most movie stars who pretend to be young and shy are shy about ten years:

Glasses won't make marks on your nose . . . if you'll tilt the head back when drinking.

### Holiday Pleasures

Enjoy the Holiday Season more by taking a rest from kitchen drudgery. Enjoy good food at

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HAPPY CHRISTMAS

Phillips "66" Service Station



### CHRISTMAS IS THE TIME

for friendliness, for the open house and the open heart

It is the time, too, for us to greet our friends, to thank them for their consideration of us, and to wish them all a very Happy Christmas.

JONES DRUG

# Wishing You A Merry Christmas

To all our Friends and Customers, we sincerely hope that, as 1945 draws to a close, you find the world at Peace and yourself at peace with the World . . .

MAY PEACE REMAIN WITH YOU IN 1946 AND THE FOLLOWING YEARS

# And A Happy New Year

We have, as most mortals do, made many mistakes in the past. We wish to make amends for these and have high resolves to make the future as free of mistakes as possible.

# Announcing

NEW LOCATION AFTER JAN. 1

The Radiator Shop is being MOVED, January 1, 1945, to East 5th Street into the building formerly occupied by the Hoover Laundry. . . East of Spur Motor Co.

We have plenty of parking space at all times—FREE of charge—We invite you to park with us on crowded days.

We will have more room, better service, and a new service. We invite our customers and friends to visit us at the new location.

## NEW SERVICE -- AUTOMOTIVE TRADING

Something new is being added now that we have the room. . . an Automotive Trading Post. . . we BUY, SELL or TRADE anything from a Headlamp to a complete car . . . all parts for any make car handled. It is our intention to make this the most complete parts

and accessory house in West Texas. Again we wish to Thank our customers for your past patronage and friendship and extend the most courteous invitations for the future.

# Howe Radiator Shop And Trading Post

"YOU KNOW HOWE, HOWE KNOWS HOW"

# Junior High Echo

Edited By Pupils of Spur Junior High School

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## Rooms In Junior High Gleam and Sparkle for Xmas

Rooms in Junior High have been gleaming and sparkling with Christmas decorations for some time. In Mrs. Kelley's room, the Christmas tree is in the center of the room. Christmas rope is hanging from each corner of the room to the center. On the bulletin board and around the room are various Christmas pictures. There are red bells on the rope, and large balls hang from the top of the room and on the door. In Miss Lee's room, a picture of Santa Claus is framed in red

crepe paper on the bulletin board. The Christmas tree is on the western side of the room, and Christmas rope is hung around the room.

The Christmas tree in Mrs. Jordan's room is on a table on the western part of the room. Christmas rope hangs from each side of the room to the light in the center. Mrs. Walker's room is not decorated as her room will join that of Mrs. Jordan for Christmas party.

In Mrs. Plunkett's room, the Christmas tree occupies a place on the east side of the room. The front and side of the room is decorated with stockings made by the pupils and various other

## decorations.

Images of Santa Claus made by the pupils bedeck the front of Mrs. Pullis' room, with the tree being placed in the east side of the room.

Designs of stars, candles, trees and other Christmas things decorate the windows of Mrs. McArthur's room. The Christmas tree is in the front of the room. It is decorated with strings of popcorn and orange icicles.

Mr. Williams plans to have his Christmas party with the eighth grade in Mrs. McArthur's room.

## SANTA CLAUS

By KATHERINE STANLEY

Santa Claus is a man that has black boots, red clothes and long white beard. Santa Claus is a very, very good man. He comes to see us every Christmas night. He likes every boy and girl that is good.

When I was six years old Santa Claus brought me some dishes, a doll and broom. Every boy and girl should like Santa Claus. He has a sled and reindeer. I want a doll, a book, and a dress. I hope Santa will bring them to me. I wrote Santa Claus a letter. I am trying to be good for Santa Claus.

## Junior High Band Makes First "Bid" In Fine Program

By LUCY NELL BOOTHE

In their first public appearance, the Junior High band was presented in a concert in the Spur High gym Thursday at 1:00 o'clock by Mr. R. M. Pullis, band director. A number of parents and friends were present.

Numbers played were: "Hear Dem Bells," "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star," "Music in the Air," "Yankee Doodle," "Lightly Row," "Good King Wenceslas," "Deck the Hall," "Jingle Bells," "America," "Polly Wolly Doodle," "Long, Long Ago," and "Activity March."

Following the program, 22 girls in the High school band sang and dramatized some Christmas Carols which were very much enjoyed. A lot of parents and others remarked what good work Mr. Pullis has done in training the two bands.

## Seventh Grade Has Christmas Program Wednesday in Gym

By MYRA RATLIFF

A Christmas program was given Wednesday morning at 10:00 o'clock by Mrs. Lee's Seventh Grade in the High school gym, and was attended by a nice crowd.

The program was as follows: "Why the Bells Rang," read by Lucy Nell Boothe; "The Boy Who Laughed at Santa Claus," read by Annette Lee and pantomimed by Joe Reid Scott.

Quizz on Christmas songs and poems by Billy Hoover; "A Visit from Saint Nicholas," choral reading by Miss Lee's seventh grade; Singing of popular Christmas songs by the audience.

## Students Enjoy Xmas Parties This Week at School

The Christmas spirit prevailed in Junior high this week when each room was festooned and be-garlanded and treated by the teachers and room mothers to Christmas parties.

Mrs. Pullis' room had their party Wednesday. Names were drawn to exchange gifts and refreshments were served by the room mothers.

The rooms of Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Jordan had their parties together in Mrs. Jordan's room where they had Christmas fun and refreshments.

Room mothers of Mrs. Plunkett's room served them refreshments and gifts were exchanged.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Kelley's room which played games and heard Christmas music during their party.

Miss Lee's room had their Christmas tree and gifts and then were served refreshments by the room mothers.

## CHRIST'S BIRTHDAY

By BILL YRAY STANLEY

Once a little baby boy was born in Bethlehem. He was born to Mary and Joseph. His name was Jesus.

Once three wise men came to a town named Bethlehem. They came to a stable where Mary and Joseph were. They went in and found Mary. She had a baby boy. She told them that his name was Baby Jesus. The wise men gave presents to Mary and Joseph. Everyone in Bethlehem came to see baby Jesus and gave presents to Mary and Joseph. When Jesus grew up he was kind and good to everyone in Bethlehem.

## THE DARK CHIMNEY

By BOBBIE TOLLISON

Once upon a time there was a little girl who always wanted to see Santa Claus.

The little girl got up on Christmas night and hid behind the chimney. The little girl looked up the chimney. There was no one there. Then a tingling sound on the house top, and a fat jolly man, with a cherry nose came down the chimney. He had a big red sack on his back. He was dressed in a red coat and a red cap and black boots and red pants with white trimmings. He took the sack off of his back.

## THE TEXAS SPUR, SPUR, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DEC. 20, 1945

## FIFT HGRADE

He loaded the room with toys and fruits and nuts. Up the chimney he went! That was the last she saw of him until the next Christmas.

In geography we have just finished an imaginary trip to the far North and the far South. Short stories have been written on the life of an Eskimo and on the life of a Laplander.

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Buy War Bonds and Stamps.

## Merry Christmas



1945 Tidings of Joy

## 'HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING'

Once more we assemble in happy reunion to celebrate the age-old tradition of Christmas. Short though the days, long though the nights, the glowing background of Christmas makes all hearts light.

Recalling now the happy relationships of 1945 we wish you the choicest blessings this holy season can bestow.

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1945 SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS 1945

## OUR FOREFATHERS

celebrated Christmas sometimes under the greatest of difficulties, to say nothing of danger. Today, in warm, lighted homes we welcome the arrival of Yuletide, without thought of those early hardships. It might make our Christmas a little happier, our hearts a little more thankful, to take thought of these things.

In the reverent spirit of this glorious season we now wish each and every one of you the deep joys which only Christmas can bring.

# CITIZENS ...GIN...



## Joyous Christmas

1945

That best part of a good man's life— His little, nameless unremembered acts of kindness and of love.

—WILLIAM WORDSWORTH

Christmas is the season of the open heart and the open door. Let none stand out in the cold or be unremembered.

In this community of good fellows, where each helps share the other's happiness and all do their part towards making the Christmas season enjoyable for each and everyone, it is a privilege to be in a position to serve you. We take great pleasure in wishing you a Merry Christmas.

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★ Of far greater value than the most precious jewel or the most costly gift is happiness and peace of spirit. Could we wish more for you this Christmas season than its attainment?

For your fine cooperation and loyalty to us in 1945 you have our lasting gratitude.

FLETCHER Service Station



to one and all 1945 Christmas Cheer

Again may you know the fragrance Of hemlock, pine and holly. Again may friendly voices call A greeting warm and jolly; And again may the meaning of Christmas, Deep and still more true Bring faith and hope and gladness To the hearts of yours and you.

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# Christmas Joy

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**Junior High Echo**

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**MAILING A LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS**

By Betty Joyce Hammonds

Once upon a time there was a little girl named Jean. She was only four years old. It was nearly Christmas. She wanted a doll, doll buggy, dishes, telephone, and lots of others.

She had a brother named Jack. He told her she must write Santa Claus a letter. She could not write very well. She let her brother write it. It had on it what she wanted. She told Santa Claus to fill her stocking well. He was going to mail it the next day. She was helping fix

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the Christmas tree. Her parents told her that she could put some snow on it. She didn't know she had to put it on the tree. She put it on the floor. Her little brother scolded her. She told him that he had better be good, or Santa Claus wouldn't come to see him. Finally Christmas came and she got all her toys and they lived happily ever after.

**EDITORIAL CHRISTMAS HOUSE**

By THYRA TURNER  
To learn why the poem "A Visit From Saint Nicholas" most commonly known as "Twas the Night Before Christmas" was written one must go to the house of Dr. Moore.

Dr. Moore had three children, two daughters and a son. He had written many poems and the children liked to hear them. They had been asking him to write them a poem about Christmas.

On Christmas Eve Dr. Moore and his servant, Peter, went to deliver some presents. Peter was a little fat man who had come from Holland when he was a very young man. Now he was old. He had a beautiful, white beard and his face was red and ruddy. His blue eyes twinkled and when he laughed there were dimples in his cheeks. Dr. Moore remembered that he had promised to write a poem for the children. He wanted to write about St. Nicholas, but what did he look like? He thought of all the people he had seen. Suddenly he thought of Peter—the very man for the piece. Soon the words of the poem seemed to be tumbling around in the air.

When they reached home, dinner was ready but Dr. Moore excused himself and went upstairs to write his poem.

At last the verses were finished. He went down stairs where the family and guest were.

While the family and guest sat about the blazing fire, Dr. Moore began to read his poem

"Twas the night before Christmas,

When all through the house

Not a creature was stirring not even a mouse;

The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,

In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;

The children were nestled all snug in their beds,

While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads;

And Mamma in her kerchief, and I in my cap,

Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap;

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,

I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash,

Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon, on the breast of the new fallen snow,

Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below

When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,

But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer.

With a little old driver, so lively and quick,

I new in a moment it must be St. Nick.

More rapid than eagles his courses they came,

That shook, when the laughter, like a bowl full of jelly

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,

And I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself.

A wink of his eye and a twist of his head

Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread;

He spoke not a word, but went

straight to his work, And fill'd all the stockings then turned with a jerk, And laying his finger aside of his nose, And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose. He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle, And away they all flew like the down of a thistle. But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight, "Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night."

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**"For One Out There" A Christmas Prayer**

Dear God of life and truth and peace,  
Your love lives everywhere  
To you I give my longing thought  
In very earnest prayer.  
Oh God, you know that he has gone,  
Far, far away from here.  
To serve the country that he loves.  
And save what he holds dear  
Oh watch and guide him; bless his days,  
With your own living light  
Protect his body and his heart  
When darkness comes at night.  
God take our love close, close to him  
O spare him fear and pain  
And when his good brave work is done,  
Bring him to us again.  
Give him the peace of Christmas day  
And speed my Christmas prayer  
With all its loving wishes to  
The one we love out there.

**"Winter Wonder Land"**

Sleigh bells ring, are you listening  
In the lane, snow is glistening  
A beautiful sight, we're happy tonight  
Walkin' in a winter wonder land.  
Gone away is the blue bird  
Here to stay is a new bird  
He sings a love song as we go  
As we go along walkin' in a winter wonder land.

In the meadow we can build a snow man  
Then pretend that this is Parson Brown  
He'll say are you married, we'll say no man  
But you can do the job when you're in town.  
Later on we'll conspire as we dream by the fire.  
To face unafraid the plans that we've made  
Walkin' in a winter wonder land.

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**YULETIDE HAPPINESS**

At this time when Christmas trees are beginning to glow in the windows everywhere, and the holly wreaths are going up, we want to send you our best wishes for a very Happy Christmas. You have made 1945 a very pleasant year for us, for which we are duly grateful.

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