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Editor's Corner..

By Joe Harrison

With this Christmas edition, The Texas Spur has published the first color that has been seen here in recent years. A page ad, sponsored by the Spur Security Bank has the distinction of being the first of its kind here. Color in newspapers is the coming thing, and The Texas Spur plans to have color available for advertising in the coming year. If you see this ad, and like it, let the personnel at the Bank hear from you, or send your comments to The Texas Spur.

The editor was the recipient of a Polaroid Land Camera for Christmas. This instrument will make it possible for The Texas Spur to offer more local picture coverage in the future.

If you would like to have a picture published in The Texas Spur, let us know, and we will be glad to take it. We ask that you remember, however, that this camera has a limited use. Group shots can not be taken satisfactorily. However up to three people in a group can be captured. The pictures of the Caprock Peace Officers Dinner were taken with this camera. The results is evidenced on this page and on an inside page, as well.

This is the annual Christmas Greeting edition. Spur businessmen send you their best wishes for the coming year and thank you for your past patronage in these greeting ads. Won't you take notice of them... they are directed to each of you.

We would like to give belated thanks to D. L. Knight and his Chamber of Commerce committee for their work in getting the Christmas lights up early this year. Last year the lights covered only the square, and didn't go up until way late in the year. This year the lights covered a major portion of the business area, although some businesses are not receiving the benefits of their beauty.

Nevertheless, we feel that an effort to bring lights to part of we have heard some complaints that if "lights couldn't be strung up all over, then the town should be without them."

We don't go along with this theory and maintain that a little is better than none... and this holds true in most anything.

The children will be interested to know that the Palace Theatre is sponsoring a color contest. Kids under 12 may enter. Saturday, December 27 in the deadline for entries. Just color the figures pictured on Page 2, and return them to the Texas Spur office by the deadline.

With Christmas comes the oft-heard stories; Santa and his reindeer; songs; poems; etc. Below is a story that is often heard. The story of the reason we hang stockings at Christmas.

Several hundred years ago there lived a patron saint, Saint Nicholas, who in his lifetime was Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor. An old legend tells us that the kindly St. Nicholas unintentionally originated the custom of hanging stockings by the fire at Christmas. St. Nicholas was rich, and loved to make mysterious journeys bearing secret gifts to the poor. For a long time his identity remained hidden, but he was caught at last with his sack of gifts on his back.

St. Nicholas knew an old nobleman who was very poor, and who did not want anyone to know of his poverty. Wishing to give him a gift of money, St. Nicholas one day crept to a window of the house and saw the old man asleep by the fire. The good Bishop climbed to the roof and dropped his gift down the chimney thinking it would fall on the hearth at the nobleman's feet. But it so happened that the man's daughter had hung some stockings to dry by

Services Held Monday For Mrs. Minnie Moss

Funeral services for Mrs. Minnie B. Moss were held in the Dickens Church of Christ on Monday at 10 a. m. C. V. Allen officiating.

Born May 20, 1896, she died in Spur Memorial Hospital December 20. She had been a resident of Dickens County since 1928.

Survivors include one brother, J. A. Watson, Graham; three sisters, Mrs. Maude Reid, Munday; Miss Lydia Moss, Graham; Mrs. Samanthe Watson, Graham.

Step children include Mrs. Bill Dyess, Lubbock; Grady Moss, Anton; Mrs. H. E. Jones, Arcadia, Calif.; Mrs. Alfred Stephens, Montavia, Calif.; Harry Moss, Mexico, Missouri; and Covy Moss, Oklahoma.

Pallbearers included Fred Arrington, Hallet Holley, Charley Hawley, Ray Reid, Grady Reid, and Ben Steadman.

Seventeen grandchildren also survive.

She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Interment was in Afton cemetery, Campbell's Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Guest of Margie Mobley for Christmas day will be her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stinson, her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Mutt Hamilton, all of Paducah and her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Candon, Albuquerque, New Mexico.



..and the Herald Angels sing..

"On earth peace, good will toward men." So the herald angels sang. May this message of joy and hope, this glorious promise, sing in all our hearts today, and may we, at the Christmas season, gain new spiritual inspiration for all the days to come.

The Texas Spur

LETTER TO EDITOR...

Dear Editor:
I wonder if you would print

a letter for me.

I would like to give the town of Girard a salute for having such wonderful young men.

I have a boarding house at 2301 10th Street in Lubbock. The first week I opened my house six years ago, four boys from Girard came and rented a room. In the past six years I have had 23 young men from Girard.

If people think that most young people are not what they should be, out of the 23 young men from Girard, I didn't find a bad one.

My life has been made fuller and better having known them, and the sweet girls they married.

I think for a small town this is a record. This letter is my Christmas gift to Girard.

Yours truly,
Mrs. Melba Shipp
(Editor's Note: We certainly appreciate your fine letter Mrs. Shipp, especially at this season of the year.)

Too often we hear and read about the bad things that our young people are credited with. The good things are not often brought to light. Your letter is certainly a fine tribute to the youth of the Girard community, and to the people of the community as a whole. Thank you for taking the time to write your letter. People are quick to criticize, but often slow with compliments. I'm sure yours will be appreciated.)

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Hindman are the parents of a boy, born December 17, at the Taylor Clinic in Lubbock. He weighed 5 lbs. and 13 oz. and has been named Douglas E. Cal.

The grand parents are Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Barnett and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hindman.

Mr. and Mrs. John Boothe, Spur, are the parents of a boy, born Dec. 20. He weighed 7 lbs. and 6 oz. and has been named Keley Kenton.

Mr. and Mrs. Graden Bass are the parents of a baby girl, born Dec. 21. She weighed 8 lbs. and 1 oz. and has not been named.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ballard will spend Christmas day in Slaton, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Myers.

County Okays Marketing Vote

Results of the cotton referendum election held recently has been announced by W. W. Gunn, office manager of the local ASC office.

The vote carried by a vote of 621 for and 21 against.

The breakdown by boxes:

	For	Agst.
McAdoo	96	3
Dickens	56	6
East Afton	71	0
Afton	112	4
Spur	283	8

Gunn reports that the turnout was very satisfactory and a high per cent of the eligible voters voted.

Rainfall Totals 20.38 Inches

Rainfall for the year has totaled 20.38 inches. This represents a little above average.

Moisture during the month of October and November have been light, however.

The low temperature for the year thus far was 12 degrees recorded on December 14 and 15.

January	.69
February	.82
March	1.99
April	2.54
May	3.13
June	2.03
July	2.93
August	.85
September	4.24
October	.55
November	.61

Thus far no moisture has been recorded during December.

GIRARD PVT. GRADUATES FROM AIRBORNE SCHOOL

Army Pvt. Alex R. Long, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde H. Long, Rt. 1, Girard, recently was graduated from the 101st Airborne Division's Jump School at Ft. Campbell, Ky.

Long received his parachutist wings after completing the two-week course which included five training jumps.

He entered the Army last May and completed basic training at Ft. Carson, Colo.

The 20-year-old soldier is a 1956 graduate of Jayton High School and a 1957 graduate of Draughtons Business College, Amarillo. He was employed by Ft. Worth and Denver Railroad Co., in civilian life.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Erickson will visit her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sarsfield, in Slaton, Christmas.

Final 'Lucky Bucks' Drawing To Be Today

Tuesday afternoon at 3 p. m. will be the final drawing of the Chamber of Commerce-sponsored "Spur Lucky Bucks" give away program.

A bonus of \$200 will be given away today plus the regular \$140.

Last weeks winners were: \$5—Opal Brooks, Spur; and Lee Parker, McAdoo; \$10—Monteray Cravey and Monterey Cravey, Spur; \$15—Mrs. James Bridge, Spur; \$20—Claude Atkinson, Spur; \$25—Myra Marion, Spur; \$50—Delores Witt, Spur.

SPUR CHURCH TO HAVE GUEST SPEAKER WED.

Marvin Porterfield, minister of the Girard Church of Christ, will be the guest speaker at the Spur Church of Christ Wednesday night.

Porterfield moved to Girard about one month ago. He formerly served churches in central Texas. Services will begin at 7 p. m.



POLICEMAN'S BALL—Members of the Caprock Peace Officers Association were treated to a venison and beef barbecue last week by Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fox. Fox is president of the association. Pictured above left to right are Fred Arrington, Dickens County clerk; Dickens County Sheriff C. E. Rogers, and Highway Patrolman, Stuart Erikson. Empty plates and satisfied looks give evidence that the men enjoyed the feed. (Staff Photo)

Local Businesses Announce Closing Days For Christmas

Additional stores have indicated they will be closed two days for the Christmas holidays.

Last week an article published in the Texas Spur revealed that the grocery stores would close for two days, Thursday and Friday. The drug stores will close only Thursday, along with West Texas Utilities, and the department and variety stores.

The Spur Security Bank has announced they will close at noon on Christmas Eve, and will be closed Christmas day; Edwards-Kelley will also close at that time.

Stores indicating they will close Thursday and Friday include West Texas Furniture Company; Reagan Motor Co.; Alvin Jones Motor Co.; Hoover Motor & Implement Co.

Campbell's Furniture Co., and Godfrey Motor Co., have indicated they will close Thursday only.

The Texas Spur office will

close at noon Wednesday and be closed through Christmas day, the office will be open Friday.

HOSPITAL NOTES...

ADMITTED

Jack Jones, Spur; Mrs. Sophia Barron, Spur; Janice Lynn Sharp, Afton; Mrs. Cleo Murray, Spur; Mrs. Charles Stiffelmire, Clairemont; Mrs. John Boothe, Spur; Mrs. Donald Dunbar, Spur; Mrs. J. L. Robinson, Spur; Mrs. Graden Bass, Spur; Mrs. E. L. Smith, Spur.

DISMISSED

Mrs. Sophia Barron, Janice Lynn Sharp, Mrs. Cleo Murray, Jesse Morrison, Mrs. Hilton Moore, Mrs. Frank Ragland, Roaring Springs, Mrs. J. T. Archer Jr., R. L. Walker, Wanda Chambliss, Beth Inez Neaves, Paul Bennett, Mrs. Wilburn Ball, Mr. C. R. Hawley, Dickens; Bettye Dunn.

Benton Watson Named Gold Star 4-H Club Boy of Dickens County

Benton Watson, 16 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Watson of Rt. 1, Spur was named Gold Star 4-H Club Boy of Dickens County recently at the District 4-H Gold Star Banquet in Vernon.

Benton was chosen as the outstanding 4-H Club boy in Dickens County for 1958 club year. This choice was made because of Benton's well rounded project program made up of swine, gardening, cotton, grain sorghum, grass judging, rabbits, sheep, poultry, and beef steers. Benton has shown

extensive leadership ability in the past years being elected reporter, secretary-treasurer, vice president and this year president of the Spur High School 4-H Club. This past spring he was chosen as one of two 4-H Club boys to represent District 3 in the State Public Speaking Contest in which Benton placed third out of twenty-four boys from all districts in the state.

This past September Benton's 4-H Club record was placed third in this district. Twice he has shown the Grand Champion Fat Barrow at the Dickens County 4-H & FFA Fat Stock Show.

Besides being a top 4-H Club member Benton is active in band, choir, church activities, and is Sports Editor for the School Annual Staff.



MYSTERY FARM NO. 23—Here is Mystery Farm for this week. If you can identify this farm, come by the Texas Spur and register your guess. First person to correctly identify the Mystery Farm will be awarded a one year subscription to the Texas Spur. Second place winner will receive two free tree passes, courtesy J. D. McCain, manager of the Palace Theatre. Owner of the farm will receive a glossy, framed picture.

About Your HEALTH

A weekly public service feature from the Texas State Department of Health. HENRY A. HOLLE, M. D., Commissioner of Health.

It used to be in the old school house, that the health of the students was the problem of parents. The school "marm" would pay little attention unless a pupil actually became sick, especially with some contagious disease.

Even in those schools which had a nurse, the duties were generally related to a perfunctory examination and occasional vaccinations of one kind or another.

Today parents expect and demand much more from a school nurse program.

Our aim of the Material and Child Health Division of the Texas State Department of Health has been to foster a gr-

ater relationship between school nursing and the other educational processes of a modern school.

Since nursing consultation is limited, an attempt has been made to reach as many nurses as possible through district workshops. This is done annually and primarily with the co-operation of the nursing sections of the Texas State Teacher's Association and in some instances with local leagues of nursing.

In planning the program all school and local health department nurses in a given district are sent questionnaires to check for choice of subject matter, the first choice of the maj-



As each Christmas comes around we look forward to seeing and greeting our many loyal friends. We take pleasure in saying "hello" and wish you a Merry Christmas.

Simpson's Western Store

217 S. BURLINGTON

SPUR, TEXAS

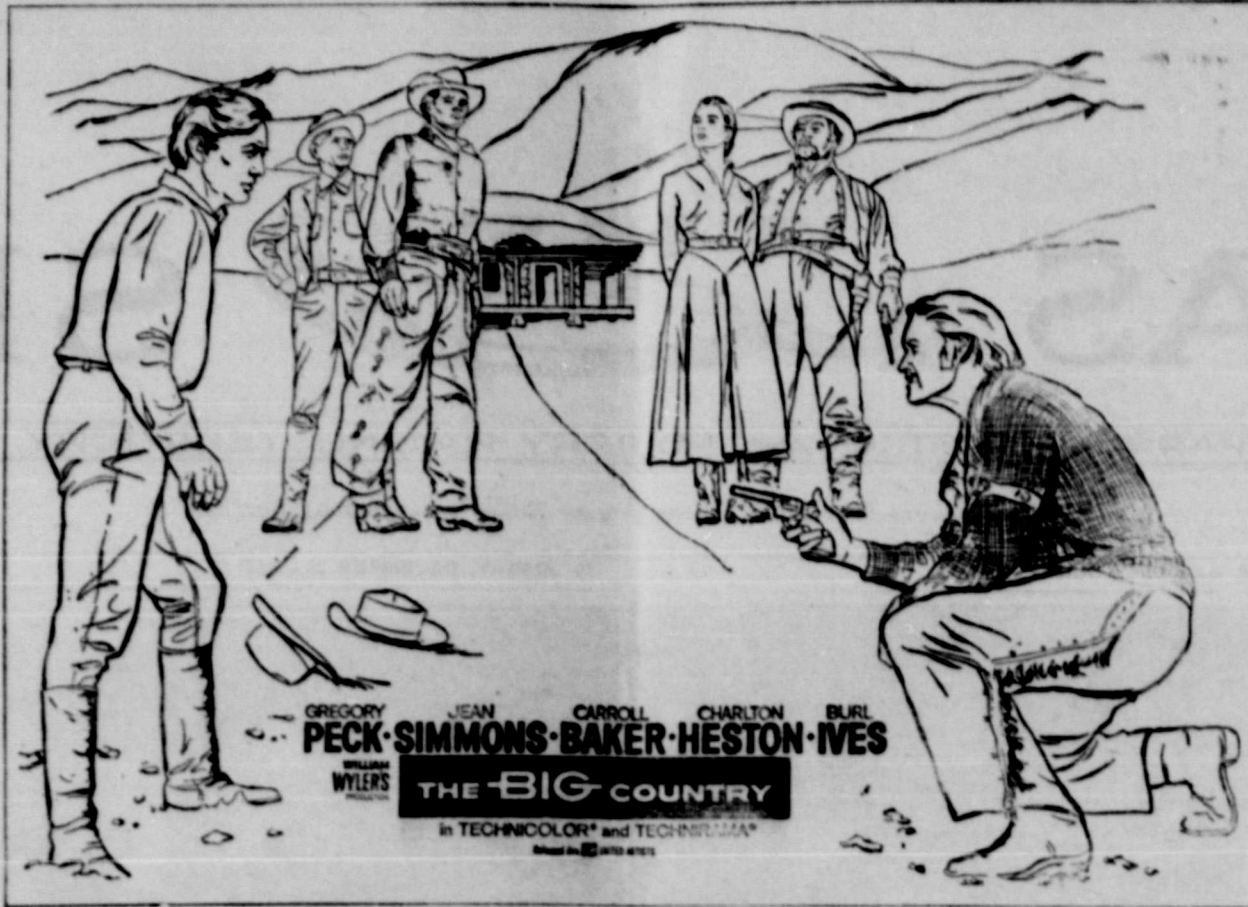


We wish you, with this little rhyme, A gay and carefree

Christmas time!

Spur Gin Company

W. P. SHUGART, Mgr.



GREGORY PECK, JEAN SIMMONS, CARROLL BAKER, CHARLTON HESTON, BURL IVERSON
WILLIAM WYLLERS
THE BIG COUNTRY
In TECHNICOLOR and TECHNISOUND

The Palace Theatre is sponsoring a color contest for children under 12 years of age.

Children should color the drawing above, using their own judgment regarding color scheme. Entries should be received at the Texas Spur office by Saturday noon, December 27. Decision of the judges will be final.

First prize will be a month's pass to the Palace Theatre; Second prize, 15 day pass; third prize, one week pass and 10 passes good for showing of the "BIG COUNTRY", Sunday, Monday and Tuesday at the Palace.

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ority is given priority.

As soon as there is sufficient leadership and "know-how" in the group they are left to organize and conduct their own programs.

A nursing consultant in school health acts as workshop leader, and is usually responsible for obtaining specialists who are not always available locally.

In all sessions a variety of methods are used—lectures for background, films, panels, demonstrations, observation and discussion.

Summaries and evaluations are given the last evening at a dinner meeting to which school administrators in the district are invited.

A local school administrator or supervisor acts as the summarizer and evaluator. In one

NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Randall Gilcrease and Ray Don Powell, freshmen at West Texas State College, are home for the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gilcrease and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Powell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Draper and sons of Kress, Mr. and Mrs. Denton Draper and son, Lowell, Arkansas, Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Ball and sons, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Copeland and Joe and Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Blackwell and sons, plan to have Christmas dinner in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Draper.

Mrs. W. F. Foreman, accompanied by her grand daughter, Barbara Nell Foreman, left Sunday for Carlsbad, N. M. where Mrs. Foreman will spend the holidays with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Al Coleman. Barbara Nell will return to Spur to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Foreman.

Sue King Hartmann, daughter of Mrs. Nina Mae King and a student at WTSC at Canyon is spending the holidays in the home of her mother.

area this has become a joint undertaking with a nurse which adds interests as the viewpoints of both nursing and education are given.

During one typical session held last summer, 97 nurses attended, some from as far away as 300 or 400 miles.

In addition to the workshop, nursing consultation is given on a continuing basis to a few schools for a two to five year period.

A major aim is to bring about insight on the part of administrators and nurses themselves into the need for educational preparation for the job of school nurse.

Donald George Snodgrass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Snodgrass, is home for the holidays. He is a student at WTSC, Canyon.

Miss Ann Reagan, student at Hardin Simmons, is home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Reagan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hardy and son, Trey of Abilene will spend Christmas eve night in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Reagan.

Mrs. Lilly Foster will have dinner Christmas day in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Powell.

Wayne Hoover, a student of the University of Houston is home for the holidays, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Hoover.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Reagan and Ann will spend Christmas in Munday with their mothers, Mrs. Etta Webb and Mrs. Maudie Reagan.

Rev. and Mrs. Riley Fugitt and son Mickey, will spend the holidays in Chillicothe, with their parents, Mrs. R. D. Senter and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fugitt.

Rev. and Mrs. John Rakestraw and children left Monday for Pasadena, Texas to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Rakestraw.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reese, Christmas day will be her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Watson, her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Boland and family of Jayton; their children, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bell and daughters of Big Springs and Mr. and Mrs. Collin Reese and children of O'Donnel.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Morrison, Christmas day will be Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Morrison and children, Mrs. L. A. Bell, Vernon; Jerry Bell, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Desmuke, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Morgan, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Morrison, Morton; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Morrison and Linda Beth.

Mrs. Don Elliott of Ranger is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Neaves. Guests of the Neaves Christmas day will be Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Ballard and children of Rochester, Texas.

Dr. P. C. Nichols has returned home from West Texas Hospital in Lubbock, where he had major surgery. He is doing fine.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Adams, during the Christmas holidays, will be their children, Mr. and Mrs. Buzz Young and children, Lamesa, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hilton and family and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Adams of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Adams and children, Wichita Falls, and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Adams and daughter, Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Fallis and children, Arlington, will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cayce Alldredge.

Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Alexander, plan to have all their children home for the holidays. Dr. Ted and family, Wichita Falls; Dr. Joe and family, Abilene; Jack and family, Big Spring; Mrs. Bernice Cochran, Denver City; William and family, Ft. Worth; Dr. Bob and family, Ruidoso, N.M.; Rex and family, Jayton, and Max of the home.

Jimmy Rex Holder, student of Hardin Simmons and son of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Holder, is home for the holidays.

THESE WOMEN!

By d'Alesio



"No rice for me... I only like it raw... thrown!"

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

1958

To all our many friends with whom we have had such a fine business relationship during the past year we send greetings and best wishes for the coming Holiday Season.



Brashear Supply Company

312 Burlington

Spur, Texas

Ph. CR 2-3773



Deck the Hall

As the glittering baubles wink their holiday excitement, let them reflect our good wishes to you for a happy Christmas celebration.

GABRIEL'S



TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

A & B Barber Shop



With hopeful hearts we join you in singing His praise. May people everywhere come to know and love the true spirit of Christmas and the joy that comes from giving as well as receiving.

Spur Super Market

JOHN DUNAWAY

LOUIS ARNOLD

Good Tidings



"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good-will toward men." . . . May your holiday be filled with the true spirit of the season. To all a very Merry Christmas!

West Texas Furniture Co.

FROM WHERE

I SIT ...

By JOE HARRISON



Three Newspaper Articles Bring Varied Reactions From Citizens

(Editor's note: With the close of the grid season, this column is usually shelved. However, we are bringing it out of the moth balls for one last dying gasp.)

Re-printed below is an article that appeared in last week's Stamford American. As you will see, if you read it, it contains an item of interest to sports fans.)

STAMFORD FOOTBALL FANS got needled from three

sources last week and they didn't take kindly to either of them. Probably causing greatest roar of disapproval was a pre-game story written by Kim Trinkle in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Trinkle quoted a Fort Worth gambler as to how well Stamford fans backed their team and suggested that when the word got around that Stamford was the underdog, "butter and egg money" came out of hiding



With grateful hearts we raise our voices in prayer that people in all places will know the true spirit of the Yule season and that peace will reign forever.

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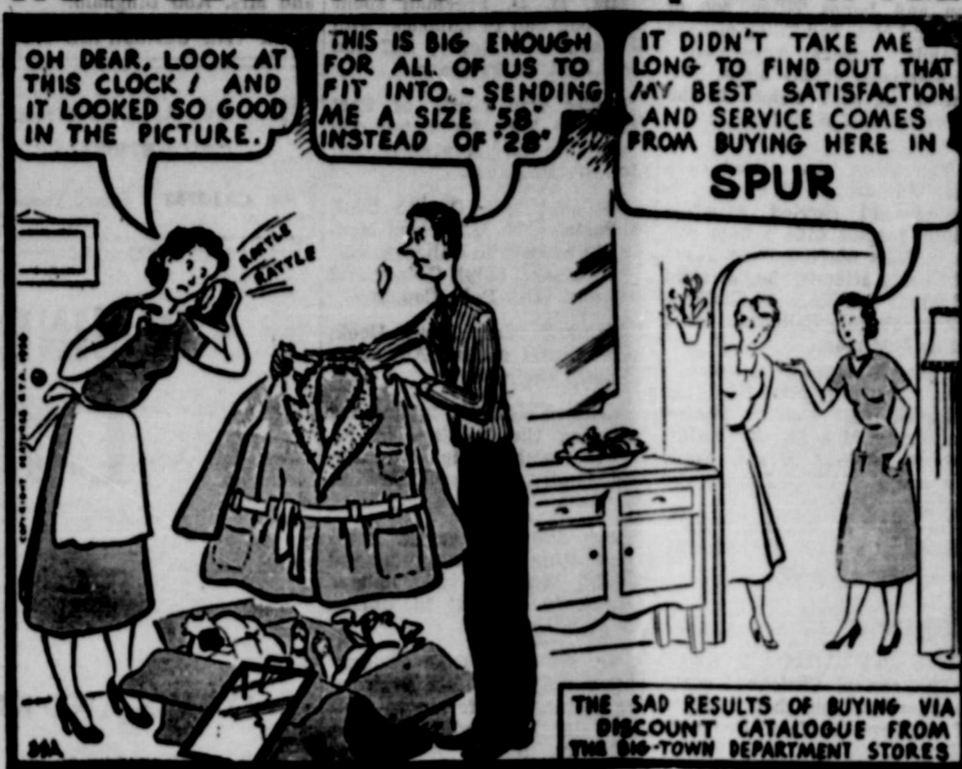
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HOW BOUT THAT

By RALPH TEE



and the odds quickly were pushed down to where the two teams were even.

I feel sure that Trinkle had no intention of offending anyone. In fact, I feel that he was well pleased with himself for finding a new angle from which to approach the story. He inferred as much when he was called by Roland Kelly, president of the Stamford chamber of Commerce. Coming up with something new to say each time, is not the easiest thing in the world.

The Star-Telegram writer has been thoroughly castigated. "I thought the folks out there would like the story. I was wrong and I am sorry," he said.

Joe Harrison, publisher of the Texas Spur, also got under the skin of a few fans with his remarks following the game here. Harrison pointed out that Stamford school officials had insisted on playing the game on the Blue and White field. Spur balked but a coin toss brought the game here anyway. "Where were those supporters of the 'mighty' Stamford Bulldogs last Friday afternoon?" Joe asked. "They didn't show up. Spur had more people there than Stamford did, and they came from all points. . . . If the attitude of the Stamford fans as displayed by their lack of attendance at the game Friday is what goes with a championship team, I'm glad Spur, lost," Joe concluded.

What was so bad about this Spur comment was that it contained a measure of truth—and truth always hurts. Support of Bulldog fans at the game this year has been far below par. Total gate receipts at the Spur game were some \$3300, which would indicate a total paid admission of about 2500-2700. Bands are admitted free. Students pay just 50 cents but reserve seats tickets are \$1.50.

Third point of criticism came from here at home. Eugene Brewer, minister of the Orient Street Church of Christ was critical of the halftime performance put on by the drill team. "Aside from the moral principles involved the whole thing (performance of the drill team) was inappropriate and in very poor taste from an ethical standpoint," Mr. Brewer wrote in his "The Bible Speaks" column which appears each week in The American as paid advertising.

This was the opinion of Mr.

Traffic Officials 'Hope' 1959 Will Be Good Year For Safety

"Texas will enjoy a much safer year on its highways in 1959 if every motorist will recognize driving as a privilege, not a right," J. O. Musick, General Manager of the Texas Safety Association, said today. "A driver's license entitles one to share the use of public roadways," he pointed out. "It does not allow individuals the right to do as they please if their actions interfere with the safe movement of traffic."

"Officials concerned with law enforcement, safety education and engineering activities related to highways hope 1959 will be one of our 'better years' in accident prevention," Musick declared. "But the key that will unlock a better future is a host of safety-minded individual drivers, proud to be safe drivers," he emphasized. He described the state's highway network as a "vast outdoor laboratory wherein every person at the wheel fancies himself as deserving to be at the head of the class when it comes to proving himself a good driver."

"However," he continued, "the accident occurrences continue at a rate which proves that many drivers have not yet learned their lessons well. They are flunking in their tests at the rate of nearly seven persons killed every 24 hours, and more than 300 persons injured in the same period. The economic losses from auto accidents in Texas for 1958 are expected to run to about 270 millions of dollars."

The safety expert added, "We may be starting a brand new year, but we're right smack in the middle of a long, sometimes-rough winter season when motorists are put to their toughest test."

Musick urged all drivers to:

1. Think for yourself, and at the same time be on the defensive for possible errors on the part of other drivers.
2. Lengthen distance between vehicles when winter weather turns bad.
3. Give signals to turn well in advance, realizing that the following drivers back of you need longer distances in which to stop on winter road surfaces.
4. When you have to stop, use a light pumping action on slick roads. Jamming on brakes may throw your vehicle out of control.
5. Replace old windshield wiper blades with new, live-rubber ones for clear, streak-free visibility. You must see danger to avoid it.
6. Keep your vehicle in efficient operating condition, paying special attention to vital winter equipment—lights, brakes, tire chains, defroster, windshield wipers, heater and battery.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Arnold for dinner Christmas day will be Mr. and Mrs. John Dunaway, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cross, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Fletcher, Brownfield; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Morin, Ft. Worth and Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Hoover, Lovington, N.M.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Austin will have their children, Ann of Lubbock Christian College, and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Ratheal and children, Vicki and Juli home for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Hindman and son, Douglas Neal of Lubbock, will visit during the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Barnett and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hindman.

Dickens County Savings Bond Goal In Sight

During the month of November the citizens of Dickens County purchased \$15,826 in series E and H savings bonds.

This announcement was made recently by R. A. Conner, chairman of Dickens County's Savings Bond committee.

"Sales for the first eleven months of this year totaled \$90,625," Conner reported. "We have now achieved 96.4 per cent of our 1958 goal of \$94,000."

Sales in Texas during the first eleven months of 1958 were \$157,642,990 which represents 90 per cent of the 1958 goal of \$175,000,000.

"For this Christmas, more than ever, people need to give the gift of peace—U.S. Savings Bonds. It's a present with a future; and for the New Year, to keep our country strong and free and at peace with the world; to build for all the tomorrows, a land which we will be continually proud; to provide security for the generations to come in the manner such as we have known, and above all—to keep the precious liberties and freedoms that are a part of our heritage," Conner concluded.

TOMMY BASS COMPLETES TRAINING AT FT. HOOD

Army Specialist Four Tommy Bass, 23, whose wife, Dixie Lee, lives in Huntington, Utah, recently completed eight weeks of basic combat training at Fort Hood, Tex.

Specialist Bass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Bass, Route 1, Spur, is a 1953 graduate of Spur High School and is a former employee of H. O. Wooten Grocery Company in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hurst, Friona; Mr. and Mrs. Joe King, Plainview, I. E. Abernathy, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ball, Mrs. Nina Mae King and Mrs. H. P. Gibson will be guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawis Lee, Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Henry are visiting her parents, at Trinity, Texas, during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Don Hassell of Dallas, visited last week end in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bill R. Barrett.

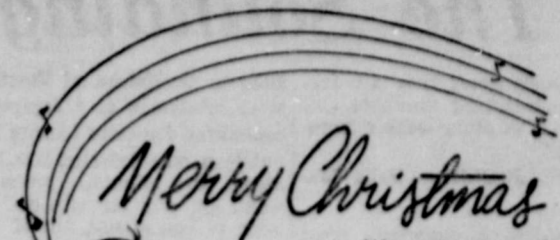
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The Big Country



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Spur, Texas Phone CR 2-3262



We praise Him with song and give thanks for His blessings.

HOLDER'S

BEN FRANKLIN STORE



Mrs. M. Wilson Grocery

226 BURLINGTON

Phone CR 2-4572



Let the smiling faces and happy hearts fulfill our fondest Christmas wishes for you and your family!

Bell's Cafe

R. J. - JUDY - RITA - HARDY - DUKE - RODDY
SPUR, TEXAS

Dixie Dog Drive In

DICK - LOUISE & RICHARD WALKER

COMMENTS OF WEEKLY EDITORS...

The Sounding Board

(Editor's Note: This is a feature introducing thoughts and comment of other weekly newspapers.)

ERNEST JOINER — Ralls Banner

President Eisenhower's great "moral crusade" hit still another snag this week with news that one of his Republican stalwarts forged a nasty letter that got Rep. Coya Knutson defeated for re-election in Minnesota, Nov. 4. A handwriting expert says a widely circulated letter, the "Coya Come Home" epistle bearing the name of Coya's husband, was in fact written by

Maurice O. Nelson of Fosston, Minn. chairman of a campaign committee for Odin Langen Republican, who defeated Mrs. Knutson. Mrs. Knutson probably won't get very far with her charge of conspiracy, but if our bewildered president is still casting around for a good reason why he and his lost their political pants in the late-lamented elections, he can multiply the "Coya Come Home" incident by a few hundred and get pretty close to the reason why Americans have little respect for the Moral Crusade.

The president is also waxing

vocal about his determination to curb "free-spending Democrats" at the next session of Congress. And right in the middle of his challenge to Democrats to "hold the line" on spending, he hands the American people an \$80 billion budget for next year! It is double-talk such as this that got the GOP on the dung heap on Nov. 4. The president is the soul of inconsistency. He pegs for 100 per cent of parity farm prices, then plugs for none at all. He deplores force, and sends troops to Little Rock. He wants a balanced budget, and spends more than any man in all history. He wanted federal aid to education, and behind the doors refused to back his own request. He's for free enterprise and all that crap, and we have less of it plus more federal control than ever before. And he still doesn't know what he could have done differently that would have returned him and his party to power!

Something new in Posted signs read something like this: "No Hunting Have Gun—Then Travel."

—Paducah Post

"If you find mistakes in this paper, please consider that they were put there for a purpose. We try to publish something for everyone and some folks are always looking for mistakes."

—Slaton Slatonite

CHARACTERISTIC AMERICAN

Some of the characteristics of Americans, as set forth in a trade publication, are quoted by the Waseca (Minn.) Herald as follows:

An American is the only man in the world who will pay 50 cents to park his car to buy a 30 cent sandwich.

He yells murder because we spend a billion on education, then goes out and spends \$3 billion on cigarettes.

He curses his government, then gets mad if some "for-signer" does it.

An American is a person who runs himself down trying to keep his earning power up to his yearning power.

He yells for speed laws and won't buy a car unless it can do 100 miles an hour.

An American knows the lineup of baseball teams and about half the words of the Star Spangled Banner.

He works hard on the farm so he can make money to move to town to make more money so he can move back to the farm.

He will spend hours looking for pills to make him live longer, then drive 90 miles an hour to make up for the time he lost.

An American has more food to eat than a man of any other country, and more diets to keep him from eating it.

He whips an enemy nation, and then gives it the shirt off his back.

An American expects hotel service at home, and then gets mad if he doesn't get the comforts of home at a hotel.

An American is mighty nice folks and he's lucky to be an American.

CHURCH REPORTS

Foreman Chapel	22	38
Church of Christ	196	183
Methodist	159	164
Presbyterian	28	28
First Baptist	196	223
Mission Baptist	28	26
Bethel Baptist	55	67
Assembly of God	43	65
Total	727	794

Johnson-Tilley Vows Read

Miss Sue Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson and James Tilley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Tilley of Casa Grande, Arizona, were united in marriage, Friday night, December 19, at 7 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Mary Dunn, Dickens.

The bride was attired in a pale blue dress with blue accessories and carried a white Bible, topped with a blue corsage. Miss Martha Faye Flood of Croton attended her as maid of honor and Kenneth McCormick of Fresno, California, served as best man.

Those attending the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. Neal McCormick and sons, Fresno, California; Mrs. Myrtle Hawley, Dickens; Robert Grant, Spur; Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hawley and children of Croton.

The couple will make their home in Casa Grande, Arizona.

Espuela H.D. Club Has Annual Party

The annual Christmas party for members and their families of the Espuela Home Demonstration Club, was held Friday night, December 19, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Price.

The party started off with the group singing Christmas Carols, led by Mrs. Jim Barron with Mrs. D. I. Loe at the piano. Rev. Victor Crabtree gave the invocation and Mrs. Alton Delisle read the Christmas Story. Mrs. Charlie Price and Margie distributed the gifts from a beautifully decorated tree.

Refreshments of cookies, candy, and coffee and soft drinks were served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Johnson and children, Mr. and Mrs. John K. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barron and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Price, Ralls; Mrs. Margaret Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Ramsey and Joe Don, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Karr, Mrs. J. L. Karr, Mrs. G. L. Delisle, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Delisle and Glen, Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Loe, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gannon and children, Rev. and Mrs. Victor Crabtree, Mr. and Mrs. Toby Collett, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ball, Mrs. Pearl Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dixon.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Don Ramsey, Thursday, January 1. The program will be to fill out the new Year Book.

Mrs. John Aston Hosts Soldier Mound H.D. Club

The Soldier Mound Home Demonstration Club met December 18, in the home of Mrs. John Aston. Six members answered roll call with Christmas customs in other lands.

Addie Martin won nickel game and Winnie Barnett won game prize.

Mrs. Aston played Santa Claus and handed out gifts to Addie Martin, Ruby Hindman, Audie Condon, Fay McArthur and Winnie Barnett. Fruit cake topped with whipped cream and coffee was served.

The next meeting will be with Winnie Barnett, January 1, at 2:30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Kissinger will visit relatives in Ft. Worth, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Lebew and children will visit during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ola Miller and his mother, Mrs. B. Crow of Baird.

Roaring Springs

Mrs. L. E. Cooper
Mrs. M. D. Freeman spent the week end in Lubbock, with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl G. Freeman.

Bobby Dan Lewis of Port Isabel, is here for a ten day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Doak of Portales, N. M. arrived Monday to spend the holidays with her brothers, Ralph Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Polk Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hook, have moved to San Augustine to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. King are spending the holidays in Ft. Worth, with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Swim.

Rev. and Mrs. W. R. Baird are visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Dewey, in Chicago, Ill. during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Odel Kingery and son Lyndon, left Saturday for Salinas, California to visit their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams and other relatives.

Mrs. W. A. Lewis, visited in Lubbock, last week end with her children, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Allen and Mrs. Frank Cshaw.

Miss Freda Keahey is spending the Christmas holidays in Wichita Falls, with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Cal Montieith.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harland and children, left Friday for Miller Grove, for a visit during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Burns.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis and son Ronnie, are visiting in Hearne, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stanley.

Miss Bess Ferguson and brother John, visited in Plainview Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bradford of Floydada, were guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson Friday.

Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Holcomb, are Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Holcomb of Plainview and Mr. and Mrs. Flinn Keele of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Williams and Sandra and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kingery, attended the Texas Tech - LSU basketball game in Lubbock Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sharp and Janie, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. James Sharp and Jenny Ann and Mrs. Barbara Simmons and Kimmy, plan to spend Christmas day in Knox City with her mother, Mrs. Lula Denton.

Guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bankhead, during the holidays will be his grand father, E. L. Bankhead, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Bankhead, all of Odessa; his sister, Velda, a student at Lubbock Christian College and his aunt, Mrs. R. E. Bankhead and sons, Royce and Doug, Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Kelley and children, will spend Christmas in Vernon as guest of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Mickey. They will be joined by their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. David Mickey of Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. John King Jr. and daughters of Almagordo, N. M. will spend the holidays in the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. John King.

Mr. and Mrs. Judon Rickels and son Brent, will spend Christmas at Clifton with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Parks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Walsworth will spend Christmas in Abilene in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Lindsey and Temple.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bingham and children and Mr. and Mrs. Lyndal Bingham, all of Lubbock, will spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abb Bingham.

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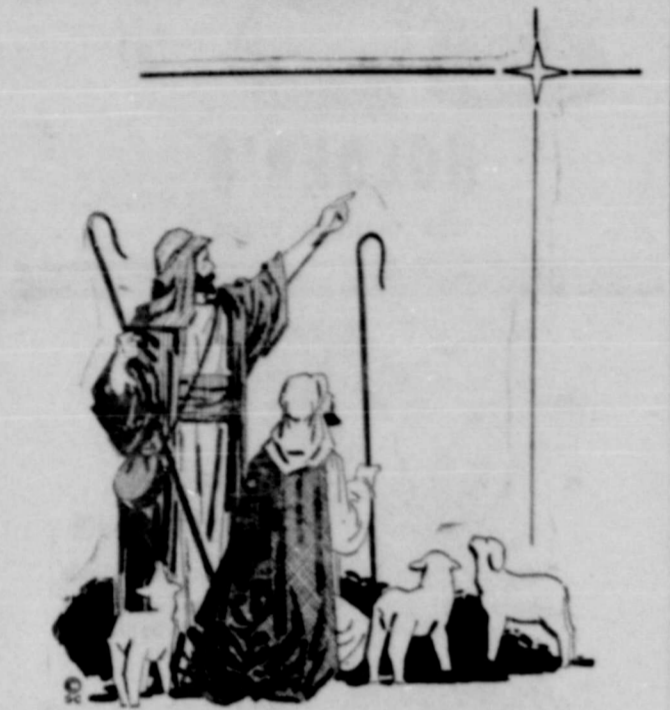
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TO THE WORLD**

Wherever the spirit of Christmas glows
like the bright shining star of yore —
There, we hope, lie peace and love in
the hearts of men, forevermore . . .

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



The Texas Spur

Baptist Pastor, Wife, Honored With Christmas Gifts Sunday

By Mrs. H. P. Hollinghead
 A Christmas program was presented at the Baptist church Sun. night with presentation of gifts from a lovely tree, the Rev. Pierce was given a dress suit and Mrs. Pierce a coat by the congregation.

Mrs. Diana Dancer and daughter, Nancy Jo of Wash-ton, D. C. are spending the holidays with another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Al Niemczak, in Farmington, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Herm Gilbert spent Sat. night with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Gilbert and children in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Thompson and Veda and Mr. and Mrs.

Don Gannon and daughter were in Abilene Sunday for Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kilpatrick.

Mon. night the Duck Creek community building was the scene of a farewell party honoring Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Hagins who will move to McAdoo soon.

Mrs. Hagin's father, Mr. Howard Campbell, of Calif. is visiting in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Wolfhill of Tulsa, Okla. visited here with his cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Woodson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Brooks spent last Monday night with their daughter Mr. and Mrs.



Mystery Farm No. 22 Belongs To G. C. Pierce

Last week's Mystery Farm, No. 22, brought a host of entries to the Texas Spur office. The farm has been identified as that of George C. Pierce, located in the Wichita community.

First to correctly identify the farm, and winner of a year's subscription to the Texas Spur was Mildred Loe, Sec. ond place winner of two free passes to the Palace Theatre was Mrs. Ruth Caplinger, Spur.

Others to correctly identify the farm were: Arner Watson, Durwood Pickens, Pete Gannon,

and I Quote

"Too many politicians feel they must approach every problem with open pocketbooks." —Homer Phillips.

"There are 35 million fishermen in America, and still the Russians are able to out-lie us." —Texas Tax Journal.

"It's never safe to be nostalgic about something until you're absolutely certain there's no chance of it coming back." —Bill Vaughan.

"Some so-called experts are just people who are a long way from home." —Sunshine Magazine.

"If you watch a game, it's fun. If you play it, it's recreation. If you work at it, it's golf." —Bob Hope.



The candles of Christmas beam our message to you of good cheer in the glowing Yuletide season!

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As the holy season arrives to unfold again its beautiful message, we extend to you our sincere greetings.

G. F. Wacker
 SPUR, TEXAS

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By d'Allesio



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Greetings

"away in the manger no crib for his bed."

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and with His birth came faith, hope and the

spirit of love and fellowship.

As this story of His wonderful birth is retold,

may we express our sincerest wish

that all rich blessings be bestowed

upon you and yours this Christmas!



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1958

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Dear Santa

I am a little girl three years old. I have tried to be a good girl this year and help my mommy. I would like to have a glamour doll, a telephone, and a mailbox. Don't forget my sister, Paula and all the other little kids.

Bye Bye Santa
Your friend
Linda Kaye Hagins

P.S. I'm leaving hot chocolate and cookies on the television for you. It's right next to the Christmas tree, so you can't miss it this year.

Dear Santa,

I am six years old and I'm in the first grade this year. My teacher is Miss Whitaker and I love her very much. I have been a good girl this year and helped my mommy as much as I could. Could you please bring me a glamour doll and an electric telephone? Don't forget my teacher Miss Whitaker, and my little sister, Linda and my cousin, Judy, and all the other kids in my room.

Love,
Paula Faye Hagins
P.S. I am leaving hot chocolate and cookies for you. Don't fail to get them this year.

December 9, 1958
Spur, Texas
621 Miller St.

Dear Santa,

My name is Katrina. I am 5. Please bring me a doll, some dishes and doll clothes.

I have 2 brothers Mike and Pat. It would be nice for you to bring guns, building blocks, and a teddy bear, for them also a wind up dog for Pat.

Don't forget some candy and nuts, please. We have been kinda good.

We love you very much
Katrina, Mike & Pat Harrison

109 E. Hill St.
Spur, Texas
December 4, 1958

Dear Santa Clause,

I would like a Spur football suit and a drum please. I will leave you a Coke to drink when you come by.

Spur colors are blue and gold.
Thank you
Bill Campbell

Dear Santa

I am a little six year old girl. I would like a doll and some levis. I have been a good girl.

I love you
Linda Cheyne

Dear Santa

I am a little six year old girl. I would like a purse and a piano.

With love
Nancy Melton

Dear Santa

I am a little six year old boy. I would like a bee-bee gun. I want roller skates. I will be at Roseburg.

With love
Arthur Vargas

Dear Santa:

I love you. I am a little boy four years old.

I would like a rifle, holster set, and plenty goodies to eat. Please do not forget my sisters, Elnora and Joy, mother and dad.

Stop by my little friends Steve, Dale, Janis, and Wayne, and please remember all my grown up friends down town. I hope you a merry Christmas too.

Love always
Aubrey D. King

Greetings



1958

Have a happy, safe holiday. When you are in town again drop in and see us.

Snack Shack

Dear Santa

I am a little six year old girl I would like a brown bear and a tiny tear doll.

With love
Martha Stephens

Dear Santa,

I am a little six year old girl. I would like a cowgirl doll I would like a blackboard too.

I love you
Gala Carr

Box 36
Roaring Springs, Texas
Dec. 5, 1958

Dear Santa

I am a little boy. I will be 7 years old the 22 of Dec. and I would like for you to bring me a red bicycle 2 guns with a canteen and a B. B. gun and I have a little sister named Cindy so please bring her a doll that goes to sleep and a buggy to ride in and lots of candy, nuts and fruit.

Don't forget all the other boys and girls in my class at school.

Love
Luke Stoneman
P. S. Don't forget Dua and Bobby.

Spur, Texas
November 21, 1958

Dear Santa Claus,

I have been a pretty good girl, and I am going to be better from now on.

My mother is writing for my sister, Amanda and me. I would like a Madame Alexander Doll with full skirt, silk stockings, glasses, and a straw hat. It is about 8 inches tall. If you have a toy piano, I would like one so my sister and I can share it. I would also like a ring because I haven't had one since I was a baby.

My sister wants a refrigerator and I want a cabinet to match it she also wants a monkey with a hurdy gurdy doll. Then she'd like a baby doll.

We will be looking for you on Christmas eve.

Love
P. S. We will at my grandmother's in Rotan, so we hope you can leave our toys there.

Dear Santa,

I want three things for Christmas. I would like a bike but if you can not get one I would like these things a baseball and baseball suit and Radio set Merry Christmas.

With Love
Kevin Ray Clifton
409 N. Burlington
Spur, Texas

Dear Santa,

I have been a pretty good girl this year. I want four things for Christmas if you have them. They are an accordion, and a deb-teen bride doll, and a watch, and skates with rubber wheels.

Thank you and good by.
From Vicki Lee Clifton
409 N. Burlington
Spur, Texas

Girl Scouts . .

TROOP 157

The Christmas spirit was in full swing as the girls in Troop 157 exchanged gifts at the last meeting of the year, December 17, at the Round-Up.

Meetings were discontinued until January 9, when they will begin the 1959 meetings in the Girl Scout House. Next year the meetings will be on Friday, instead of Wednesday.

In behalf of all the girls, leaders and assistant leader, the Troop wishes to thank the board and members of the Spur Methodist church, for furnishing them a place to meet, until such a time when music schedules could be arranged, and the meetings take place in the newly repaired Girl Scout House.

Reporter, Brenda Clifton.

Dr. Joe Alexander and son, Dan of Abilene, made a trip to Spur, Friday. Dan visited in the home of Pat Barrett, while Dr. Joe attended to business.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Simmons Jr. and son Trey, Midland, visited briefly in Spur Friday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Simmons.

Dear Santa

I want a bride doll with some clothes besides the bride dress with some hats. And books to read.

Love
Jan Godfrey

Dear Santa,

I would like a gun that has a hammer and pumps shells out the side. I would also like something about the farm like a tractor or just anything. I will try to do my school work good.

Love to Santa
Jimmy Coker

Dear Santa

I have been a pretty good girl this year. I would like to have a bike for Christmas, but if I couldn't have it I would like to have these things for Christmas. I would like to have a watch, and a Valentine Bride Doll. Thank you.

Merry Christmas
Brenda Ann Clifton

Dear Santa

I am a little six year old boy. I want a bee-bee gun.

With love
Johnie Burrow



1958

May this day bring you peace

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THESE WOMEN!

By d'Alessio



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GREETINGS

1958

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DRY LAKE NEWS

Dry Lake Is Scene Of Christmas Activity; Students Are Home

By Mrs. E. J. Lassetter
Bob Dixon had minor surgery at the Spur Memorial Hospital. He did not have to stay at the hospital and is doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. John Coursey and girls, visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pickens, Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Draper met their daughter, Mrs. Bill Saxon and sons, Lanis and Royce, in Post Saturday. They will visit with the Drapers during the Christmas holidays. Mr. Saxon will join them Wednesday. The Drapers also have their son, Jimmy for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivy McMahan and daughter, Mrs. Archer Powell, made a business trip to Lubbock, Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. McMahan are planning to visit their son, Billy Joe and wife, in Santa Monica, Calif., during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. T. A. Johnson and Mrs. Ruben Waddell made a business trip to Lubbock Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Dopson and son Donald and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wright and Barbara, visited a while Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lassetter.

Mrs. J. C. Keen of Spur, spent Wednesday night with Mrs. Bob Dixon.

Misses Dorothy and Nancy Powell are home with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archer Powell, during the Christmas holidays. They are both students at Texas Tech.

Mrs. J. L. Karr will have Christmas dinner in Jayton with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Montgomery.

Mr. and Mrs. John K. Johnson are leaving Lubbock Monday by train to visit their daughters, Mrs. Nina Cole and son and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Harkey, in Los Angeles, during Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pickens attended the Golden Wedding celebration of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hickman, McAdoo, Sunday.

Mrs. Alton Delisle, accompanied by Mrs. G. L. Delisle, spent Thursday in Snyder with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Cartwright.

Mr. and Mrs. Minyard Ensey will spend Christmas with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Archer Powell.

Miss Colette Collett, a student at Tech, is home for the holidays and will visit her mother, Mrs. John Montgomery in Jayton, her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Toby Collett and her grandmother, Mrs. J. L. Karr. Mr. and Mrs. Ivy McMahan had dinner Wednesday with Mrs. G. L. Delisle.

Laugh...

And The World Laughs With You

TRANSLATIONS FROM THE CHILDREN

I'm all dressed—he has his undershirt on.
I'm all dressed except my shoes—he does not have his undershirt on.
I'm just tying my shoe laces—he's looking for his shoes.
I don't know why, he just hit me—he hit his brother.
I didn't hit him, just sorta pushed him—he hit his brother.
I didn't do anything—he hit his brother.
Mommy! — his brother hit him.
It's awfully cold in here—he doesn't feel like going to sleep.
It's awfully warm in here—he doesn't feel like going to sleep.
There's an awful lot of bears in here—he doesn't feel like going to sleep.
All the other kids are going—some kid is going somewhere.
Miss McPhetridge is mean—he's being taught to read.
Miss McPhetridge hates me—he is not learning how to read.
Miss McPhetridge is peachy—he's learned how to read.
—Welfarer

Teacher: What is it that binds us together, sustains us, and makes us even better than nature intended?
Tommy: Girdles.

Kids often say things by sound, repeating what they've heard phonetically without really knowing what they are saying. A teacher listening to a small boy recite the pledge of allegiance heard this:
I pledge a region to the flag and to the country for Richard Sands!

And now, said the teacher, will someone please give us a sentence using the word 'candor'?

Please'm, said the bright little boy in the front seat, my papa had a pretty stenographer, but after ma saw her he candor.

Oh, what a funny looking cow, the chic young thing from the city told the farmer. But why hasn't it any horns?

There are many reasons, the farmer replied, why a cow does not have horns. Some do not have them until late in life. Others are dehorned, while still other breeds are not supposed to have horns. This cow does not have horns because it is a horse.

The six-year old had just received a detailed lecture from his father on the facts of life, the birds and bees, and simple biology. Papa leaned back at the end of the recital and said, Now if there is anything else

WRITTEN 30 YEARS AGO...

Letters To Santa

Spur, Texas
December 5, 1928
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy four years old. I have been a good boy and I want you to bring me a little car and some candy and apples, oranges and nuts.
You will find my stocking behind the stove and my brothers and sisters too. Please fill them all and don't forget other children.
Yours truly,
Glen Dail Hahn

Spur, Texas
December 5, 1928
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy seven years old and of course, I would like to get a lot of toys for Christmas, but I want all the other boys and girls to have nice toys too.
I will ask you to bring me a tricycle and a large ball and lots of candy, apples and nuts and don't forget other boys and girls, also my brothers and sisters.
Jerry Doyle Hahn

Spur, Texas
December 5, 1928
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy three years old. I have been a very nice boy and I want you to bring me a little kiddie car and a toy train, candy, nuts and fruit. Don't forget by brothers and my sister.
Robert Hahn

Spur, Texas
December 5, 1928
Dear Santa:
I want a little wagon a (coaster), a little train, a toy car, candy nuts and fruit. I have a little brother, Mar-in, that wants you to visit him also.
So Bye, bye,
W. D. Blair, Jr.

Spur, Texas
December 6, 1928
I have been a good little girl. I help my mother lots, please bring me a baby doll, two books, some water colors, two cut-out books and a toy trumpet. Please don't forget to leave me some goodies. I would like fruit, candy and nuts.
Lots and lots of love,
Elizabeth Powell

Mr. and Mrs. Horton Barrett of Amarillo visited Sunday in the home of his mother, Mrs. L. R. Barrett and with the William Starchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Simmons will visit during the holidays with their sons, Dudley and Jack Jr. and families in Midland and in Springtown with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duff Simmons.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Vernon for the holidays will be their sons, Dr. Jim and family of Ardmore, Oklahoma and Frank and family of Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

you want to know, don't hesitate to ask me son.
The boy pondered a minute, then gravely asked his father, How come they put out the Saturday Evening Post on Wednesday.
Three slightly deaf men were motoring from the north of London in an old rattletrap of a car which made hearing difficult. As they were nearing London, one asked:
Robert: Is this Wembley?
Harry: No, Thursday.
Bill: So am I, Let's stop and have one.



Blessings


...Into you is born this day... a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

May the words of the Christmas Story unfold their tidings of Yuletide joy.

City Drug Company
SPUR, TEXAS

JOE B. LONG JERRY ENSEY

With the coming of the Christmas season, we extend to our friends the sincere wish that their holiday will be enriched with many blessings.



Reagan Motor Company
LEON & JESSIE MAE REAGAN
Pontiac — G. M. C. — Cadillac

Merry Christmas



A friendly wish for you in this Holiday season—Have a Merry Christmas.

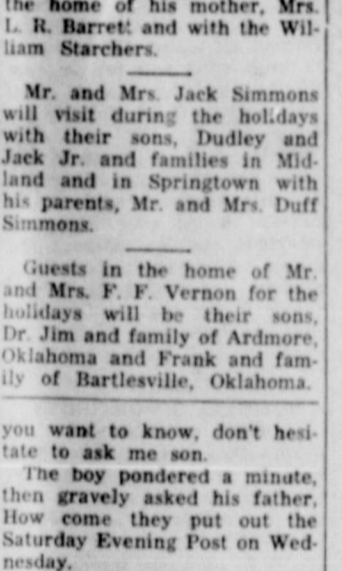
B. B. Pierce Jewelry



IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME!

Let the resounding joy of the holiday festivities echo through your house!

Spur Mattress Company



Happy Holiday 1958

May a feeling of love and charity fill your house this Christmas and for all the year.

Cherry's Service Station



Christmas 1958

Merry Christmas! A very, very Merry Christmas to all of our friends in this community. May this Holiday be filled with great joy and happiness. Merry Christmas!

Willson - Young Lumber Company
Phone CR 2-3212 SPUR, TEXAS

ADS

FOR SALE: Oil properties and Real Estate. Contact Leonard Joplin or Jake Jones, two doors north of Post Office. Phone CR 2-3774. 10-ctfn-20

FOR SALE

FOR SALE: 1955 Ford Pick-up. Custom Cab, Radio and Heater, New Heavy Duty Tires. E. L. Caraway. Ph. CR 2-1450. 9-ctfn

FOR SALE: Hampshire Gilts, the Good Kind. Breeding Age. Ph. CR 2-4421 or CR 2-3771. 6-ctfn-13

IF YOU NEED Casing or Structural Pipe call CR2-4330 Mrs. Cal Martin. 1-ctfn-12

FOR SALE: Used Norge refrigerator. Good condition. Randy Clifton TV and Appliance. 6-ctfn-12

1952 Chevrolet: Tudor motor just overhauled. For sale or will trade for small house. C. V. Allen. 4-ctfn-18

FOR SALE: 17" Emerson TV first class condition. Fully guaranteed 90 days. \$75.00. Randy Clifton TV & Appliance. 3-ctfn-13

FOR SALE: CBS 21" Table Model with stand. New Picture Tube, guaranteed 1 year. 90 day guarantee on set \$125.00. Randy Clifton TV & Appliance. 3-ctfn-26

FOR SALE: Reo electric reel type lawn mower with 65 ft. cord. Less than 1 year old. Originally \$98.50 — \$50.00. Call CR2-4428. 29-ctfn-21w

FOR SALE: Mustang Seed Oats, 80c bushel. Alton Delia, Dickens Highway. AX6-2122. 52-ctfn-11

JUST ARRIVED! A new Shipment of RCA Whirlpool home Freezers and Refrigerators. We have on display the famous RCA Refrigerator IceMaker. Also a new shipment of Whirlpool Automatic Washers. Edwards-Kelley Implement Co. 2-ctfn-33

COMPLETE floor covering sales, service, installation. Carpeting, inlaid linoleum, plastics, tiles, etc. West Texas Furniture Co. 28-ctfn-16

FOR SALE: Beef and hogs for your locker or home freezer. We have all sizes available. Half or whole. Wholesale price. Leon Locker Plant. Ph. CR2-4371, Spur. 46-ctfn-27w

FOR SALE: 120 acre farm 4 1/2 miles south of Spur. Contact Olney Walker, Spur. 34-ctfn-13

FARM FOR SALE: 6 miles Southwest of Girard. 101 and one-fourth acres, all in cultivation. 35 acres already sown to small grain. See Millard Smith, Girard, Texas. 8-ctfn-25

FOR SALE: Brick Veneer business building. 30 x 80. 2 rooms upstairs. Living quarters available in back of store. Grocery fixtures and counters for sale. Millard Smith, Girard, Texas. 8-ctfn-29

"We buy and sell good used farm equipment." AAB Tractor & Equipment Co., at Ken Bosenman's on Idalou Highway. Elmer H. Adams, Mgr. Ph. PO2-2510. Night, PO2-1866. Rt. 7, box 81, Lubbock, Texas. 44-ctfn-33w

FOR SALE: Good used cookstoves. \$5.00 to \$69.50. West Texas Furniture Co., Spur, Texas. 49-ctfn-14w

FOR SALE: 1952 Model Ford Tractor 2 row. \$650.00 with planter, lister, cultivator, Godvil. Mrs. Cecil Alexander, 606 Burlington. 47-24tp-20w

FOR SALE: 20 cu. ft. IH Home Freezer. Excellent condition. Guaranteed. Terms available. West Texas Furniture Co. Spur, Texas. 49-ctfn-20w

FOR MONUMENTS, Curbs, and Covers. See J. E. Lee. 3-ctfn-9

FOR SALE: 2" and 1 1/4" used pipe. See at Henry Simmons' welding shop. 16-ctfn-13

FOR SALE: Two bed-room house and lot for sale. Low down payment. Call CR 2-3175 after 5 p. m. 8-ctfn-19

FOR SALE: My houses in Spur, located at 416 — 2nd St., and 416 3rd St. Jerry Willard 115 S. Adonis, Dallas 8, Texas. 8-4tc-23

LET US Slaughter your beef or hog. Modern, clean, sanitary facilities. Experienced staff. Leon Ice Co., Spur. 34-ctfn-13

FOR RENT

FOR RENT: Small Apartment. Call CR 2-3329 or see it at 608 1/2 Trumbull. 8-ctfn-12

FOR RENT: Three room house and bath. Furnished. All bills paid. \$35.00 per month. See at 522 Trumbull or call CR 2-3725. Mrs. John K. Johnson. 8-ctfn-25

FOR RENT: Furnished Apartments: Three rooms, bath, c.l., close in. Call CR2-4137 or CR2-4212. Allen Apartments. 4-ctfn-16

FOR RENT OR SALE: 24 x 100 brick building with living quarters; parking space, in rear. Call or come by Morgan's Studio. CR2-3182.

FOR RENT: Furnished Apartment. E. S. Lee. 2-ctfn-7w

FOR RENT: 40' x 60' Sheet Metal Building. Located east of Willson-Young Lumber Co. Call CR2-4271. 52-ctfn-15

Miscellaneous

FOR EXPERT Piano Tuning and Repair see or call John E. Berry Jr., 4307 - 46th St. Lubbock, Texas, Phone SW9-9883 or call CR2-3116. 50-ctfn-23w

The Presbyterian Church is open at all times for prayer and meditation. 702 N. Burlington. 46-16tp

FOUND: House Key, may claim at Texas Spur by paying for this ad. 2-ctfn-13

LOST: Two pigs-sow and boar about six weeks old. Bob Cannon, AX6-2226. 4-ctfn-14

LOST: Reem Milch Cow and yearling heifer. 4 F connected brand. E. L. Mabon, Star Rt. 2, Spur, Texas. 7-ctfn-19

WANTED

CESS POOL DRILLING: Sepsic Tanks, Storm Cellars. Phone Crosbyton 2807 or see Clayton Cloud, Crosbyton, Texas. 10-16tp

WANTED: Grass Land, Large or Small Acreage. Call CR 2-3788. 6-ctfn-9

WANTED: Typing to do in my home. Pick up and delivery service. 24 hour service. Mrs. Arlene Wyatt. AX 6-2223. 5ctfn-19

NEED A PLUMBER? Call CR2-3212 for quick service and reasonable prices. Willson-Young Lumber Co. 27-ctfn-18

WANTED: FARM LOANS, 5% percent interest payable on or before maturity. Spur National Farm Loan Ass'n. Spur, Texas.

WANTED: Ironing to do in my home. See sign on Cemetery road. Mrs. J. C. Neal

WILLARD (BILL) DAY PLUMBING CONTRACTOR We give you prompt service and reasonable prices on repairs. Headquarters Willson-Young Lumber Co. Day Ph. CR2-3212, Nite, CR2-8115. 23-ctfn-21

WANTED: To Rent, Sharecrop, small farm with Cotton Allotment. First Christian Church. 9-7tp-12

NEED HOUSEKEEPER: To stay in my home beginning January 12. Contact Al Fincher at Girard School. 9-ctfn-16

CARD OF THANKS
The Spur Memorial Hospital would like to take this opportunity to thank the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Spur Methodist church for stocking the hospital nursery with baby clothes and Mrs. C. W. Barclay for the towels she gave the hospital.



LEGAL CHECKUP IS SAFETY MEASURE

Legal trouble is easier and cheaper to prevent than to cure.

Most wage earning, child-bearing, home-buying, installment paying families don't see much need for a family lawyer.

Often under prodding, one may get a lawyer to write a will.

But can you tell a big legal risk from a small one? Can you spot the signs of legal trouble?

Check with your family lawyer when:

1. Your status changes: upon coming of age, marriage, the birth of your children, buying a house, divorce and death. For you may need to revise your will, change your insurance, or re-figure your taxes.
2. You buy or sell. Look out for flaws in the papers before you go into debt, part with money, or sign anything involving big expenditures or long term obligations.
3. You enter into other contracts. Promises, spoken or written, bind you if they call for a "consideration", something of value in return.
4. Someone threatens your rights. The law exists to defend them, but with some rights you must take action yourself for them to work for you.

When you bring your lawyer "live" facts (e.g. unsigned contracts, vexing tax returns you haven't filed), he can do much for you, and at a smaller cost than when you bring him "cold facts" (mistakes you have made which threaten trouble). But above all, get both live and cold facts to him at once. For time may run out in many such situations. Your lawyer may be able to do something for you today, which he cannot do tomorrow.

Tell your lawyer what you want. Tell him all the facts, good or bad, and then keep informed all along. He is sworn to keep what you tell in confidence, and he cannot serve you well without full knowledge. (This column, prepared by the State Bar of Texas, is written to inform-not to advise. No person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who is fully advised concerning the facts involved, because a slight variance in facts may change the application of the law.)

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY MAN OR WOMAN

Responsible person from this area, to service and collect from cigarette dispensers. No selling. Car, reference, and \$592.50 to \$1975.00 investment necessary. 7 to 12 hours weekly nets excellent monthly income. Possible full-time work. For local interview give phone and particulars. Write International Sales & Mfg. Co., Inc., P. O. Box 1236, Oklahoma City, Okla. 10-1tp



AREA LAWYERS Charles Gibson, sheriff of Stonewall County, left and Robert Koonce, sheriff of Kent County, are pictured here with a group of children at the Caprock Peace Officers Dinner held last week. Children came from adjoining counties to attend the dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fox. (Staff Photo)

Americans Have Done A Lot For Saint Nick; He Returns Favor

It's little wonder that Saint Nick is especially generous to the American people. History proves that the Americans have done a lot for Saint Nick!

According to Donald Ludgin, Editor of the Holiday articles in World Book Encyclopedia, the Americans have given Saint Nick a new name, a new face and figure, and a new means of transportation.

The original European version of Saint Nick was a tall, angular man who rode on a bony, gray mare. Both the horse and Saint Nick looked as if they hadn't had a good meal in some time. The Saint had deep sunken eyes, and wore a flowing, threadbare cloak and a black skullcap.

The early English settlers in this country started giving Saint Nicholas his "New Look." The English children adopted the legendary Christmas figure from the Dutch, but they had trouble pronouncing "Saint Nicholas." Somehow the name changed to "Santa Kalouf," and finally it was corrupted to "Santa Claus."

However, this was only the beginning. In 1809 Washington Irving, in his "Knickerbocker's History of New York," wrote of the Saint as the guardian of New York City. Irving described Saint Nick as a jolly fellow with a broad-brimmed hat and huge breeches. He taught Saint Nick to smoke a long pipe, and, in the story, replaced his shuffling hay-burner with a trim wagon that floated over New York.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all our kind friends and neighbors, Dr. Hughes and Mrs. Lewis for every kindness shown us, in the illness and death of our husband and father. May God's richest blessings forever be yours. Mrs. L. A. Wilborn and Daughters.

NOTICE...

Please pick up Your Papers at the Post Office, December 25 and January 1 and 2.

I will be out of town.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR
BUZZIE JONES

FARM TOPICS

Cecil Parker, Extension Farm Management Specialist from College Station, will be in Spur for a farm income tax and social security meeting on Tuesday January 6, at 7:30 P. M. in the East Ward School Auditorium. This will be an informal meeting of all farmers and ranchers in Dickens and Kent Counties. After Mr. Parker presents each portion there will be a question and answer session concerning that phase of the discussion.

We invite and encourage all farmers and ranchers in Dickens and Kent Counties to attend, and bring their wives and families if they desire. Even though you may not fill out your own income tax report this meeting will give you tips on how to save on your tax management through the year. **NEW BULLETINS**
We have several new farm bulletins that are available in the Agents office in Dickens. One bulletin is on the "Shorter Dwarfs" in beef cattle; another on the construction of a Disposal Pit for Poultry and another on the Great Plains Conservation Program. If you aren't able to pick some of these bulletins up at the office, address a card to the Agent and tell which bulletin or bulletins you want and he will mail them to you.

Lloyd Womack Jr. of Sands Springs, Oklahoma will spend Christmas in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Womack of Jayton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Austin and Ann will visit during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duff Simmons of Springtown.



We can't call on you all so we take this means of sending our many friends a Christmas greeting.

Mac's Super Market

Merry Christmas

FROM EVERYONE HERE AT THE FARMALL HOUSE

- 1-M Tractor 1951 Model
- 4-Row Lister & Planter
- 4-Row Cultivator
- 1-M Tractor 1952 Model
- 4-Row Lister & Planter
- 4-Row Cultivator
- 2- 1951 Fords, 2-Row Tools - Good
- 1-W-9 Tractor on Butane Clean Tractor
- 1-1950-20 Ferguson Tractor
- 1-1951-20 Ferguson Tractor
- 2-Row Lister & Planter
- 2-Row Cultivator
- 1-No. 186-One Up & One Down Moleboard Plow for H & M Tractor
- 1-Whirlwind Terracer, Good
- 1-3-Point Toolbar with 4 John John Deere Beams ----- 80.00
- 1-2-Row Godevil, Good ----- 40.00
- 1-8 Two Bottom Plow Like New
- 1-New 6 ft 3 Point Hoeme, Our Cost ----- 200.00
- New 240 International 2-Row 3-Pt. Hitch was 2390.00. Any 3-Point Tools will fit NOW -- 2050.00

Edwards-Kelley

IMPLEMENT COMPANY
Spur, Texas

PALACE SUNDAY, MONDAY and TUESDAY, DEC. 28, 29, 30

GREGORY PECK JEAN SIMMONS CARROLL BAKER CHRISTOPHER HESTON DWIGHT LIVES
WILLIAM WYLLER'S PRODUCTION CHARLES BICKFORD

THIS IS 'THE BIG COUNTRY'

This is the story of the giants who bridled the untamed land... the wilderness that rolled down from snow country to sea country, and sprawled sea to sea.

It is the story of more than conquering giants. It is fire and blood and the women who shared their path-blazing, their power -- yes, and their passion, too.

And what a huge star-cast has been assembled to re-create the mightiest of American dramas! Gregory Peck as the stranger who came from the ocean, to tame a Texas son of gun, and violence... Jean Simmons as the girl who stood proud and alone... Carroll Baker, of "Baby Doll" fame, as the woman of uncontrollable love-hungers... Charlton Heston, in his biggest role since "The Ten Commandments", as the ruthless foreman... Charles Bickford, as the unrelenting range-baron... Burl Ives as the fierce, proud buccannor of the plains.

And it is only fitting that this giant among motion pictures should come from that giant among Academy Award-winning directors, William Wyler, whose credits read like a catalogue of all-time screen greats.

"The Big Country" is America... the stampeding land... the pinacled mountains... a million stars overhead... and six great ones below!

It's the biggest ever made!

THURS. - FRI.
SPECIAL XMAS SHOW
JERRY LEWIS
LOADED WITH SONGS!
LOADED WITH LAUGHS!
LOADED WITH TECHNICOLOR!
ROCK-A-BYE BABY
MARTIN DONOVAN
MAXWELL GARDNER BACCALONI STEVENS
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