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LIONS RAISE \$336 AT CHRISTMAS AUCTION

About \$336 was raised at the Lions Club Christmas auction noon Wednesday. The club held the auction at the regular meeting Wednesday noon in the community center. Acting as auctioneers were Worth B. Durham and Bob Brannon. The money will be used by the club to purchase the fruit, groceries, etc. for the Christmas Cheer boxes that will be distributed by the club the first of next week. Riley King, a visitor, said he would put a fat hen in each basket.

Hal Knight reported that a total of \$530 was realized after all expenses of the minstrel show.

Mrs. Levi Martin served a turkey dinner and all the trimmings to the club members and guests. No meeting will be held Christmas week, it was announced.

HEALTH TALKS

Prepared by the State Medical Association of Texas

Making fruit cakes and Christmas goodies, wrapping packages, opening a wedge through shopping crowds, and shaking hands with friends and relatives in holiday goodwill all bring those hands of yours into constant motion at this busiest time of the year. So much activity of the hands, in fact, make you wish you had a couple of extra ones.

Those hands you have are mighty wonderful things, however. The hands, the erect posture and the reasoning brain are the three things that make the difference between man and beast. And the brain devotes the largest part of its area concerned with motion to the function of the hands, the most exposed part of the body and the most highly developed for motion. Hands are the eyes of the blind and the ear and voice of the deaf and mute.

Since the hands must be so flexible to perform all the many functions demanded of them, they have very little fat to offer them protection. This makes them so susceptible to infections, wounds and deformities that even the most trivial injuries to the hands should receive immediate medical attention. Thorough cleansing and bandaging of slight cuts or scrapes will go far toward preventing infections and any more serious injury to the hands may require professional medical advice in order to keep the healing from interfering with the efficient mechanism of those organs.

One of the first winter cares of the hands is to keep the natural oils that serve as lubricants from drying out; outdoor cold and indoor heat have a tendency to rob the hands of those natural oils, making them rough and red which not only robs them of their beauty but also of their peak of efficiency. A bland hand cream or softener will usually overcome those difficulties.

Fingernail biting is not confined to winter or to small children. It is not a pretty habit, however, either from the looks of the biter or the looks of the hands. And if the hands are busy enough, the nails can't be chewed upon.

The doctors consider nail chewing as a nervous habit due to fear or anxiety. The child who chews nails while listening to the radio or watching a movie is probably getting too much blood and thunder in his entertainment diet and a little milder form of amusement, preferably one that brings the hands into use, may do away with the chewing.

Anxiety about school often leads to nailchewing in the first grade, which may last up until about the sixth grade if the child doesn't feel at home at school before then. If a child doesn't bite his nails before he's 12 years old, he's not likely to ever pick it up; but those who start the habit as youngsters may return to it in later life even though they have broken the habit once.

Sometimes the nails are evidence of other ailments besides nervousness. When your doctor looks at your fingernails he may find a signal of a number of different diseases or potential diseases elsewhere in your body. A short time ago the medical profession was stumped over an "epidemic" of fingernails that turned dark in spots and hurt pretty bad before separating from the quick. They investigated to see if it were caused by a fungus like ringworm which often has similar symptoms or a number of other diseases that cause the separation of



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School Dismissed Until January 2

The Sterling City schools were dismissed today for the Christmas holidays, and will resume classes on Wednesday, January 2.

This gives students and teachers a holiday period of a week and two days.

SCHOOL LUNCHROOM MENU FOR JAN. 2-3-4

School will resume here on January 2 and the menus for the school lunchroom the remainder of that week is as follows:

WEDNESDAY—Potatoes au gratin, cream peas, cabbage and apple salad, light bread, margarine, milk and ice cream.

THURSDAY—Tuna fish salad, green beans, corn, light bread, margarine, milk and ginger bread.

FRIDAY—Vienna sausage and pinto beans, sweet potatoes, greens, light rolls, margarine, orange juice and pineapple squares.

Billy Nelson McClellan Back From Korea

Sergeant Billy Nelson McClellan of the United States Marines, has arrived in San Diego after a year in Korea and is to be discharged on December 23. He called his mother, Mrs. Lura McClellan on Thursday of this week and told her of arriving in San Diego, Calif.

Sgt. McClellan had been in the Korean fighting a year last October.

To the Kind People of Sterling City

I want to express my thanks for the visits, cards, flowers and other kindnesses shown me while I was in the hospital.

I especially want to thank Dr. Swann and the nurses at the hospital.

Mrs. W. B. Atkinson

nails from the bed. Finally they traced the "epidemic" to a kind of undercoat to nail polish; it seems many ladies were allergic to the undercoat and that caused the reaction.

Psoriasis and eczema any place on the body may show up in a yellowish, pitted nail that sticks out from the quick. Any kind of pitted or ridged nails or brittleness of the ends of the nails may be just a local fingernail problem or a sign to your doctor that something is wrong someplace else in your system.

Hands and fingernails tell a medical story to your doctor and perform vital functions for you. Of all the wonders of the hands, however, the one which has entertained scholars the most from ancient to modern times is the fingerprint. From the cradle to the grave you may change in many ways but the one thing about you that never changes is the swirl on each of your fingers. The pattern may get dimmer or more pronounced, it may be cut off or burned off with acids, but the pattern can still be seen and does not change.

R. W. Foster Family Christmas Dinner Held At the C. L. Coulsons

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Coulson were hosts December 16 to the R. W. Foster family at their annual Christmas dinner. The children and grandchildren and their families gather for a Christmas dinner each year with one of the children acting as host in turn.

The table seating sixteen, was covered with an imported cut-work cloth and decorated with a centerpiece of red gladioli embellished by snow covered greenery and brilliant silver and red ornaments. This was flanked by tall, red candles in a setting of snow-covered fir branches, surrounded by wax figures of angels and fawns and bright ornaments.

The living room was decorated with scenes depicting winter landscapes and the Nativity. Cut flowers of carnations and gladioli were placed at points of vantage through out the house. In the afternoon gifts were exchanged around a brilliantly lighted Christmas tree.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Austin of Robert Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Baker Lee Conger of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Dayvault of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Lee Watkins of Garden City and their two daughters, Deanna Marie and Karla Jean.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Templeton Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Conger, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds Foster and Lee and David. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen and Freddie and Ronnie. Mr. and Mrs. Ross Foster and Rosanne, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Foster, Marvin, Melvin and Temple Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foster and Jacque, and Mrs. Sterling Foster.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients in the Sterling County Hospital on Friday of this week were Mrs. Green Williams, Mrs. R. L. Lowe, and Kent Jones.

Dismissals since last Friday include Mrs. Will Atkinson (who had been a patient the past 145 days), Oscar Arp of Garden City, Ralph Sanchez, Luther Hallmark, Joanna Murrell, and Mrs. J. M. Hornbuckle.

Mrs. W. B. Atkinson, who has been in the hospital off and on for about a year with a broken hip, has gone to Knickerbocker to be with her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Atkinson, for a while. Mrs. Atkinson has been a patient in the Sterling County hospital since the day it opened until Thursday of this week.

The Benny Greens of Everton, Arkansas will be visitors here during the Christmas holidays.

COLD SNAP

The mercury dropped way down Thursday night—even down below one's "long handles." Some one said their reading was 10 degrees. Anyway, the night was probably the coldest one yet, and did a good job of ushering in "official winter" which begins December 22.

SANTA PARADE IS SPONSORED BY W.O.W.

A Santa Claus parade was held here in Sterling Thursday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. The affair was sponsored by the Woodmen. The head office at Omaha sent part of the funds for the project.

School was dismissed early so school children could view the parade. The ponies, carts, stagecoach, and other items in the parade were furnished by John Norman's Lazy S ranch near Winters. It was an attractive affair, marred only by a high wind and dust storm that blew up, and a norther hit just about the time the parade was over. Notwithstanding, the affair was a success from every angle. The children enjoyed it, and bags of candy and fruit were passed out by the W.O.W. at the conclusion.

The streets were lined with the parked cars and crowds of bystanders. Several local people were in the parade, and a float of carolers wound up the parade.

NEILL MUNN HOME BURNED

The home of Neill Munn on the Divide was entirely destroyed by fire last Saturday morning. Nothing was left and nothing was saved but a hat, it was said.

Mr. Munn was out tending to his cow and he saw smoke coming from the house. He went in and the fire had started in the bathroom and the heater hose connection was burned in to there. In the excitement, Mr. Munn, now 80, got a burn or two, but they were of minor importance. He had them dressed at the hospital, and then went on.

The Sterling fire truck made a run to the place but the fire was too far gone for any good to be done.

"Covering the County"

By Fred Campbell, County Agent

Last Saturday night there were some 90 people who attended the 4-H Achievement Banquet at the Community Center. These people were served barbecued goat, beans, potato salad, pickles, onions, beard, coffee, tea, and cake. Each parent was asked to bring something—and the response was wonderful.

The boys and girls in the 4-H Club are very fortunate to have the backing of all the people, as they do. Were it not for the fine support which this organization has, it would be very difficult for it to exist.

J. T. Davis and David Glass furnished the goats, Jim Hinshaw did the butchering, and Jeff Davis did the barbecuing with the assistance of the official taster, Bob Brannon. It was as good meat as has been served in this area for a long time. The thanks go out to all who made this banquet possible.

John O. Casparis, Alpine eagle hunter, was in Sterling City December 12 to meet with the Executive Committee of the Game Management Association. The committee made a deal with Casparis to hunt eagles this winter—the deal being similar to that with Ray Baumgardner, who was killed last month.

Formerly, Baumgardner charged \$10 per hour of flying time, plus \$5 bonus for each eagle, and he charged for a one way trip from Fort Stockton. Casparis will charge \$10 per hour of flying time, no bonus for eagles, but for the trip from Alpine and back.

The committee proposed to make the same assessment as last year—\$1 per section. Letters will soon be sent out to each ranchman on this matter.

Casparis is now on call. He will come out as soon as possible, after being contacted, he advised the committee. Individual ranchmen can contact Casparis either by calling him direct, or by contacting the county agent, who will in turn call him.

Casparis' telephone number should be written down by all local ranchmen. It is 389J and 389W, Alpine.

4-H CLUB MEETING

The 4-H Club met Monday. All groups met together. Mr. Campbell showed some slides on judging beef steers. The slides were very interesting.

Reporter Wanda Fay Williams.

Sugg Oil Well Gets Offset

Honolulu Oil Corp. has staked location for a west offset to its No. 1-A A.A. Sugg and others, indicated first Spraberry oil producer in Sterling County.

No. 1 Herbert Cope and others will be 1,980 from the north, 660 feet from the west line of section 28-A-GC&SF, five eights mile north of the Tom Green County panhandle and five-eights mile west of the Reagan County boundary.

No. 1-A Sugg was shut in after flowing 200 barrels of oil, most or all believed load oil, in eight hours through a quarter inch choke filling storage. Earlier, it flowed oil estimated at 7 barrels hourly on a 1 1/4 hour drillstem test from 5,131-51 feet. Final recovery was clean oil with no water.

Mrs. Joseph Perkins Is Speaker for Club

The Wimodauss Club members met in the home of Miss Ethel Foster December 14, with Mrs. Joseph Perkins of Eastland guest speaker.

Christmas atmosphere in the play room was made by the pine tree with a large Santa standing near, the fire place with a crackling fire from the cedar logs, the Christmas greens on the mantle and a creche nearby.

Miss Ethel Foster introduced Mrs. Perkins, whose subject was "Christmas in the Fine Arts. Particularly Music." She said that music is the greatest gift we can give to the community. She commented on colored slides of famous paintings pertaining to Christmas as Mrs. H. L. Hildebrand projected them on the screen.

Refreshments were served to twenty-four members, Mrs. Perkins and her daughter, Dorothy, who teaches in Midland.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM ON DECEMBER 19

The Wimodauss Club met at the community center December 19, using "Christmas Throughout the Land" as general theme. Fourteen members answered roll call.

The club voted to buy a TB bond and to contribute to the American Bible Society.

Miss Pam Sanderson sang "O Holy Night", accompanied by Mrs. H. H. Everitt. Mrs. Roy Foster showed a collection of Madonnas by famous artists as she explained details of the prints. Mrs. W. O. Batten gave a Christmas prayer.

Mrs. John Reed read a take home thought gifts were exchanged.

Hostesses for the tea hour were Mes. Minta Phillips, Ray Lane, E. F. McEntire, W. R. Morgan and Harvey Glass.

LOCAL CLUB WOMEN HEAR PRESIDENT OF G.F.W.C.

Mrs. Roy T. Foster, Miss Ethel Foster, and Mrs. H. H. Everitt, members of the Wimodauss Club, attended a tea and program in Midland at the Ranchland Country Club on December 6. Mrs. Hiram C. Houghton of Red Oak, Iowa, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, was speaker.

On the morning of December 7, Mrs. Houghton was honored by Big Spring clubwomen at a brunch in the Settles Hotel. Miss Ethel Foster and Mrs. Fowler McEntire, president of the Wimodauss Club, and Mrs. L. C. McDonald from the Noratadata Club, attended.

Billy Humble Gets 4-H Gold Star Award

Billy Cain Humble was awarded the Sterling County 4-H Club Boy award Saturday night at the club's annual achievement banquet.

The award was made because of the outstanding work with beef calves, lambs, and range demonstrations, said Fred Campbell, the county agent. Billy is a son of Tom Humble, Sterling ranchman and a registered Hereford breeder.

About 90 people attended the banquet. Charlie Davis, club president, acted as master of ceremonies. Dr. Bryan Wildenthal, president of San Angelo College, was guest speaker. Out-of-town guests included Garlyn O. Hoffman, former Sterling County agent, now stationed at Goodfellow Field, and Si Phillips of the West Texas Utilities Co., San Angelo.

Year pins and county medals were given to 28 boys. Goats for the barbecue were donated by J. T. Davis and David Glass.

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Boy Scouts Christmas Tree

The Boy Scouts met Sunday at the Scout house, and had a Christmas tree. The Scouts drew names to see which Scout they would give a present to.

Present were Scoutmaster Kack Cole, Assistant Scoutmaster Harry Bradstreet, Junior Assistant Scoutmaster Mims Reed, Larry Greathouse; Senior Patrol Leaders, Wilbur Stone, Pat McWhorter and Leslie Cole; Patrol Leaders, Jackie Cole, and W. G. Fincher; Assistant Patrol Leaders Wayne Drennan, Jodie Emery and David Boatright; and Scouts Jimmie D. McWhorter, Donn Greathouse, Marvin Foster, Kent Greathouse, Alfred Chapple, Lewis Blackman, Steve McEntire,

Thomas Moore and Robert Garms. These Scouts were not present: Patrol Leader Jim Davis, Mascot Tony Allen, and Jackie Donn Harris.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. L. C. McDonald and Mrs. J. S. Cole, Jr.

Boxing matches were held between Donn Greathouse and Alfred Chapple, Larry Greathouse and Pat McWhorter, and Larry Greathouse and Leslie Cole.

Scribe Jackie Cole.

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Plum Pudding Days Are Here

By Frances Lee Barton

THERE'S a nip in the air that calls for heavier foods — just what our body engines need to give us "full steam ahead" in cold weather. Incidentally, these are plum pudding days — all the way through the rest of the year. So here's a recipe for a Plum Pudding that is nutritious, tasty, economical and — thanks to the use of flavored gelatine — downright unusual!

Plum Pudding

1 package lemon-flavored or cherry-flavored gelatine; dash of salt; ½ teaspoon cinnamon; ¼ teaspoon cloves; 2 cups hot water; ¾ cup finely cut raisins; ¾ cup finely cut cooked prunes; ¼ cup finely cut citron; ¾ cup finely cut nut meats; ¾ cup Grape-Nuts.

Combine gelatine, salt, and spices; add hot water and stir until gelatine is dissolved. Chill. When slightly thickened, fold in combined fruits, nuts, and Grape-Nuts. Turn into mold. Chill until firm. Unmold. Serve with whipped cream flavored with nutmeg. Makes 10 servings.

Note: If desired, 1½ cups cooked dried figs may replace prunes, citron, and raisins. You may also substitute ¾ cup crushed vanilla wafers or graham crackers for the Grape-Nuts.



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Texas 4-H Winners Go to Chicago



STATE championship honors for 1951 have been won by four 4-H Club members in Texas for outstanding work in the National Farm and Home Safety, Food Preparation, Health and Home Improvement programs. Their awards are all-expense trips to the 30th National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, November 25-29. Brief outlines of their records follow:

Billy Whitt, 16, of Muenther, has demonstrated what vigilant safety practices can mean to a community and has been named State 4-H Safety champion. By means of surveys, demonstrations and clean-up campaigns, he has made his home and community more safety-conscious and has helped to prevent accidents. His industry also won for him the General Motors trip award. During seven years in 4-H he has established an enviable record in leadership and in publicizing club work, having made 93 talks at meetings and on the radio and written 120 stories for release. He worked at distributing 500 Farm Safety sheets, and in making surveys on neighbors' farms as well as his own.

A comfortable and attractive home is no problem to the Mullins family of McDaniel since daughter Jeanie, 16, has become interested in the 4-H Home Improvement program. As state winner in the 1951 program she was awarded a trip to Chicago as guest of The Sears-Roebuck Foundation. Jeanie spent four years transforming her farm home, where she lives with her parent and younger brother and sister, into a place where they would all enjoy living. Her first big job was redoing her bedroom, which Jeanie says, was a mixture of dark antique furniture and linoleum of a sickly tan that clashed with faded wallpaper. Jeanie went to work with paint, brush, and sandpaper. The completed room boasted meadow-green walls, white woodwork, green and white linoleum, and pastel green furniture.

Acclaimed 4-H Health Improvement winner in Texas for 1951, Mary Scott, 16, of Brownsville, received a trip to Chicago as guest of the Kellogg Co. of Battle Creek. Untiring efforts to improve her own health and the health habits of family and community, earned for her this recognition. The Health program for her 4-H Club was started last year and her energetic promotion caused interest in better health to spread to the public school. The severe weather of last January caused considerable hardship among the migratory workers and Mary Helen and her club contributed much to their being helped by providing food and clothing.

The art of cooking has real meaning to Mary Ann Goertz, 18, of Red Rock, state winner in the 4-H Food Preparation program. Developing an understanding of the selection and preparation of nutritious foods, she has put these skills into daily use. The result has been improved eating habits for herself and family, as well as a considerable saving in food bills. A 4-H'er for eight years, Mary Ann has completed 45 projects, many of them relating to good and gardening. In her community and church she is recognized as a leader who willingly gives of her time and energy. She is usually made chairman of food committees and has had charge of serving dinners to a group of 200 people. In Food Preparation she has a total of 3,855 quarts of food canned, 1,000 pounds frozen, and 5,875 meals served. Mary Ann's trip was presented by Kelvinator.

All of these activities are conducted under the direction of the Extension Service of the State Agricultural College and USDA cooperating.

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HAVE a few hogs left for sale in January. Young, good.
Jim Butler.

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SIXTH GRADE CLUB

President Wilbur Stone called the meeting to order. The secretary read the minutes, and the treasurer gave the report on the money. The officers for the week were Glenda Sparks and Wanda Mae Tillie.

Jim Davis was named the best citizen of the week. The program chairman had his program. Wilbur Stone and Ronald Smith lead the program and the games.

Jackie Cole, reporter.

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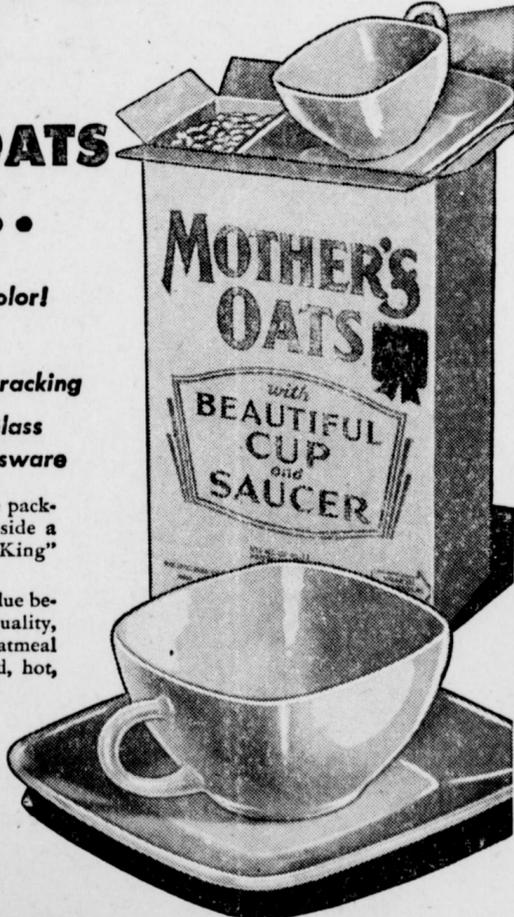
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STERLING COUPLE OBSERVE 48th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Forty-eight years is a long time to live with one woman, according to R. P. Brown. But a wink and a loving pat for his wife prove that is merely a standing joke for the Browns, who celebrated their anniversary on Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown are old-timers in Sterling County, having moved here in 1903 from Grandview, Texas, where they were married in 1903. The ceremony was read in the Methodist parsonage by the Rev. J.C.J.R. Patton.

HAULED LUMBER

Mr. Brown helped haul lumber from San Angelo to build the first church on the divide—including camping out for one night—with wagon and team.

He owned the 11th car to be registered in the county. It was a two cylinder Auburn which he used as a service car. Passengers were hauled to San Angelo for 50 cents a mile. He opened the first service station in 1912.

Mr. Brown went to work for the Texas Co. in 1916 and is still employed by that organization, now as consignee. He is 70 years old. He is a charter member of the Lions Club and took part in the club's minstrel show on Thursday evening. He is also a member of Suez Temple in San Angelo.

Mrs. Brown, the former Sula Jones, is 68 years old and a native of Mississippi. She moved to Grandview with her parents when she was 15 years old.

She became a member of the Wimodausis Club in 1916 and is now eligible for life membership in the club. Both she and her husband are members of the Methodist Church. During World War I, she was secretary of the local Red Cross and won a medal for selling Liberty Bonds.

Rubber Stamps at News-Record.

ISABEL RODRIGUEZ BURIED HERE

Isabel Rodriguez, age 43, was buried here Monday of this week. He had died in Levelland on Dec. 15 at 6 p.m.

Pallbearers were Agapito Rodriguez, Sarapio Castro, Hilario Rodriguez, Trino Morino, Cresencio Rodriguez, and Arnulfo Longoria.

Survivors include his wife, Lupe Gonzalez Rodriguez, a daughter, Lola R. Rios; grandsons, Ellis, Sammie, Helen, Alma Grace and Sylvester Rios; four brothers, Jesus, Paul, Bravlio, and Lolo Rodriguez; two sisters, Elida R. Valderas and Rosa Rodriguez, and sixteen nephews and nieces.

He was a member of the Mexican Baptist Church in Sterling City.

Claude Woods of North Dakota is here visiting his sister, Mrs. John Walraven, his brother, Doc Woods, and other relatives.

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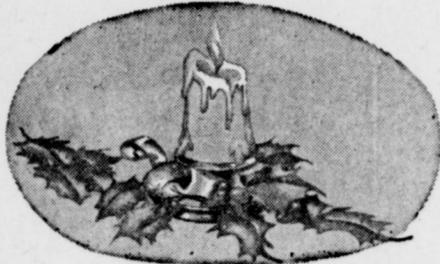
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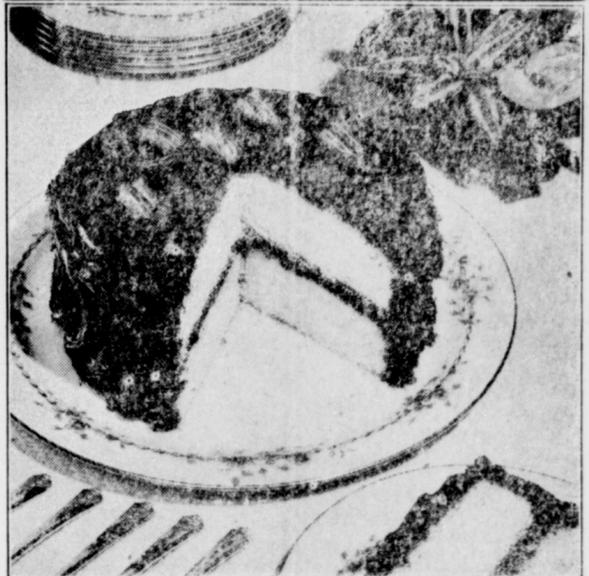


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in our time for all the world...
with the Christmas spirit holding
eternal sway over all our hearts.*



CHAPPLE'S FOOD STORE

Chocolate Tops the Cake CAKE OF THE MONTH



By BETTY BARCLAY

Like the weather, appetites change too, when autumn rolls around. Crisp fall days sharpen the appetite for hearty foods; and what's more perfect then, for dessert, than a pecan studded chocolate fudge layer cake? The flavor-rich chocolate contrasts delightfully with the white cake layers—speedily prepared with instant white cake mix. A grand dessert indeed, especially after a season of fruits and frosty goodies.

Pecan Chocolate Fudge Cake

Prepare two 8-inch layers using a package of instant white cake mix, following package directions. Spread with Rich Fudge Frosting and decorate with pecan halves.

Rich Fudge Frosting

- ¾ cup light brown sugar, firmly packed
- ½ cup boiling water
- 4 squares unsweetened chocolate
- Dash of salt
- 4 tablespoons butter or other shortening
- 1 cup sifted confectioners' sugar
- 2 egg yolks
- ¼ teaspoon vanilla

Combine brown sugar, water, chocolate and salt in top of double boiler. Place over rapidly boiling water and heat until chocolate is melted, then beat with rotary egg beater until blended. Cook 6 minutes longer. Cool to lukewarm. Cream butter, add confectioners' sugar gradually, blending after each addition. Add egg yolks, one at a time, beating well after each. Add vanilla. Add chocolate mixture, a small amount at a time, beating after each addition. If necessary, place bowl in pan of cold water and beat until of right consistency to spread. Makes enough frosting to cover tops and sides of two 8-inch layers.

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Behind
The
8 Ball

NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

Following the custom of many of the weekly papers of the state, we will not publish a paper next week.

The week will be used for the Christmas holidays, and we intend to get out our subscription expiration notices in the mail to those who have not renewed their Sterling News-Record.

Then, there is a little work to be

Merry Christmas
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done in the job printing and clean-up departments of the shop.

And, too, nearly all daily papers over the state skip Christmas day, in order to give their workers a rest. We're "gonna" rest one day.

8-BALL

IF AND

If Gallilee
And Bethlehem
And sky of blue
And guiding star
And wise men three
Could all come back
Across the years
And tell again
The matchless tale
That leads us on
To better lives,
Somehow methinks
The hearts of men
Would turn from gain
And ghastly war
And selfish ways.
And dream again
Celestial dreams.
And if the cross
Of Calvary
Could lift itself
Again today
Above the doubt
And fear and dread
Of those who toil
And those who lead,
Perhaps the voice
That trembled then
Could speak again
As once before
And still be heard
Above the din
Of struggling souls
Who seek to win
Without a loss
And have a crown
Without a cross.

8-BALL

DON'T get caught without your auto liability insurance! See Worth B. Durham for your coverage before January 1.

8-BALL

Now how did that ad above get into this column, you reckon?

8-BALL

We dread it and we cuss it and we literally work ourselves sick over it. We always spend more than we intended to, and then we condemn it because its commercial side has overshadowed its spiritual significance.

But when the bluster of preparation has subsided, we know in our hearts that we would not want to live in a world where there was no Christmastime. We would not want to live in a world where no season was set aside for man to pause and

measure the faith, the hope, the charity within his own soul.

The spirit of Christmastime does not come in tinsel wrapped boxes. It can't be bought. It can be caught. It can be caught from a little girl and boy with their grubby hands and snubby noses, singing Christmas carols, or even Rudolph, the Red Nosed Reindeer.

8-BALL

Bet you couldn't buy a dinner for a bureau of internal revenue man now. Bet you couldn't even give him a small Christmas gift. They're returning lots of small gifts, so reads a dispatch from Washington.

8-BALL

Mrs. D. C. Durham observed her 80th birthday anniversary here on Monday. She had a family dinner in the home on Sunday. Monday, a few of her friends dropped in to wish her many more happy returns of the day.

8-BALL

Planning to be here visiting R. A. Garrett on Christmas are his children, the R. W. Garretts of El Paso, the Pug Garretts of Notrees, the R. D. Garretts of Robert Lee, and maybe the Bill Cushings of Clarendon.

8-BALL

Elizabeth Hildebrand, student in Stephens College for Women in Columbia, Mo. will arrive home this week end for Christmas.

8-BALL

Darlene McEntire and Buddy Cole, students in Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene, are coming home this week-end for the holidays.

8-BALL

Fern Garrett, student in Draughon's Business College will be home for the holidays.

8-BALL

Henry Bliznak, Jr. and Walter Perry Davis, students in Texas A. & M., are due to come home for the Christmas holidays.

8-BALL

Dick Bailey, sophomore in Texas University at Austin, will spend Christmas here with his parents.

8-BALL

Texas Tech students Barbara Garrett and LaVerne King, are to spend the holidays at their homes here.

8-BALL

Dorothy Sue Lowe, student in S.M.U. in Dallas, will arrive this week-end to spend Christmas with her parents.

Harry Blanek, freshman in Baylor University at Waco, will spend Christmas here with his family.

8-BALL

Arlington Agricultural College students Hector Long and Leroy and Elroy Butler are to spend the holidays here with their respective families.

8-BALL

Those who missed The Negro Minstrel Really missed something. Johnnie Ozee's parts And Horace's sermon— That was a scream. And Jackie and Elizabeth With their special number They're good.

The full auditorium was Testimony That the crowd expected a Good show. And, I for one Think they got it. The chicken lifters And Riley King (As he appeared before judgment) And plead his case. He only had one pair of pants And they were worn out— So he just had to steal Them britches To be baptised in.

And the mind reading acts And the jokes and pokes The Smith family's harmony And the tap dance number And the solos sung Some duets too All added up to entertainment They all made up A first class show Of local talent. Which goes to show You never know How good the Lions Club can be When they set out to corral Local boys and gals And stage a show Everyone from Mr. Interlocutor (Bob Brannon) To Mammy's littlest (Rosanne Foster) Did a good job. And the result justified The effort.

(Free Verse)

8-BALL

SEEN IN STERLING CITY— The Christmas lights over the streets The lighted Christmas trees in the homes The decorated and lighted doorways of the homes The manger scene in the east entrance portico of the school building . . . The lighted evergreens in front of the courthouse . . . The Christmas displays in the store windows and the stores . . . School children decorating their rooms for Christmas.

8-BALL

Mrs. Marian Moore, Sterling high school homemaking teacher, and her two boys will spend the Christmas holidays at their home in Denton.

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"SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

Whiskey comes into its own in America. In setting price ceilings on liquor, the Office of Price Stabilization has now established whiskey as a necessity of life.

OPS concentration on whiskey has caused Washington cynics to comment "Without whiskey many of these nonsensical orders could have never been written so naturally it's a necessity in Washington".



OPS went in—C. W. Harder to whiskey deeply, too, for printed orders, publicity, etc., are among most elaborate set up on any commodity.

Just one of the whiskey price orders took 14 pages of newsprint, and many supplemental orders were also issued.

And all this concentration on possible high whiskey prices came at a time when whiskey stocks are the highest ever.

This surplus of whiskey was amply illustrated by another OPS order on bulk whiskey which set the ceiling price on four year old, 100 proof bourbon at \$3.96 per gallon. And the OPS also split hairs, or rather gallons, to determine that corn whiskey the same age is only worth \$3.38 per gallon.

But when it comes to wasting tax dollars on foolishness, the young OPS is a mere bush leaguer compared to the older Marshall Plan. Commerce Dept. just reports U. S. imports from Marshall Plan nations have doubled to reach over billion dollar mark since Korea. The imports are principally iron and steel products and textiles.

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But at the same time the Marshall Plan announces that over \$1 million worth of iron, steel and pig iron, and almost \$1 million worth of textiles has been given to Yugoslavia.

And at the same time the Defense Production Administration issues a bulletin stating that lead and copper are in critically short supply.

But DPA apparently forgot to tell Marshall Plan officials about this, for shortly after it is announced \$5,369,000 worth of lead and copper has been given to France.

This has led to a new definition of free trade in Washington.

"We buy from them the things which we give them free".

And as already mentioned, OPS spends days working out price control on whiskey based on 1947 prices, yet the newsprint price of vital concern to the last stronghold of the American independent free press, the weekly newspaper, has skyrocketed. Shortage of newsprint is the excuse given.

But ECA Bulletin No. 27 reports the Marshall Plan has bought \$270,000 worth of newsprint in Canada to give Yugoslavia. And as is well known, any Yugoslavian editor who uses this newsprint to print the truth would have to have a hole in his head. Or rather, if he did print the truth, Tito would see that he would have a hole in his head.

These are but a few of the many reasons why Congressmen are not having a happy holiday.

Folks back home are taking the viewpoint that individual Congressmen have not protected the American home. That is why new Congressional session may be stormy. Many Congressmen will return with feeling they are on probation.

at school next year, Daddy?"

I didn't know how to answer him honestly. You hear so much these days. "Morning Bible readings discontinued in public schools" . . . "Silent prayer period prohibited by school board" . . . "Bible classes banned by state law."

These things do worry me. I want my son to know that religion is a part of his heritage. I want him to grow up with the feeling that the things he hears in church on Sunday have meaning for all the days of the week. I want him to appreciate the things that are eternal as well as those that are transient.

If these things are ignored in the schoolroom, I am afraid he will conclude that they are unimportant. Tommys a pretty smart kid, and he will reason that school teaches everything that is important; if there's no place for religion in school, then it must not be very important.

So, at Christmas, I turn to the teachers of Texas. During the next 12 or 16 years, my son will spend half of his waking hours with you. By word and example, you will influence him greatly. My prayer is that when he has finished those years, he will have the same strong faith in the Prince of Peace that he has tonight.

Is it too much to ask for your help?

TOMMY'S DAD

8—BALL

Those little shetland ponies that pulled Santa's sleigh and the little carts and stagecoach in the W.O.W. Santa Claus parade Thursday were little son-of-a-guns.

8—BALL

The Woodmen of the World are to be commended for sponsoring the Santa parade here. It was a worthwhile project from every angle.

8—BALL

I wonder how Chapple got to ride or drive one of those little carts.

8—BALL

C. C. Ainsworth, who has been president of the Woodmen of the World for this district the past year asked to be relieved and the honor passed on to someone else. He nominated Ellis Lee of Maverick and Ellis was elected last week at the district convention. Ellis was a former resident of Sterling. He ran the dairy before leaving here.

8—BALL

You can buy your new 1952-53 Texas Almanac at the News-Record.

LOST—One red shoe out of car Wednesday night while caroling. See or call Mrs. C. D. McEntire.



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Behind The 8 Ball

Today, Friday, December 21, is the shortest day in the year—and thereby also tonight is the shortest night. Personally, I'll be glad for the days to start getting longer.

8—BALL

A LETTER AT CHRISTMASTIME (Reprinted from the inside cover of the December State Teachers Association magazine, The Texas Outlook.)

To The Teachers of Texas:

I am writing this letter because

it is nearly Christmas—and because my son Tommy thinks that next to Santa Claus teachers are about the most important people in the world. He is just five now, but he has been looking forward to first-grade for a long time.

I'm eager for him to start, too. It'll be good to see his first spelling papers, to hear him read his first book, to know he's making the grade with the gang. These things don't worry me. I know he'll have the advantages of one of the best education systems in the world.

One thing does bother me as I look forward to my son's entering school next fall. Tonight as we repaired the figures he uses in his manger scene each Christmas, Tommy asked:

"Will we have a big one like this



Thank you for your constant gifts of friendship and good will.

Merry CHRISTMAS

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For our many good friends we wish only that they may share fully in it.

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