

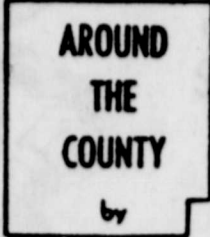
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Ranchers in Sterling County are now eligible to use the M-44 spring-loaded ejector with potassium cyanide capsules as a means of controlling predatory animals.

Materials may be purchased directly from the manufacturer, the M-44 Safety Predator Control Company, 2501 West Washington Street, Midland, Texas, 79701. Participating producers must report their results with the device directly to the Texas Department of Agriculture by means of reporting card.

Certification is not required. However, use of the publications, *Using the M-44 in Coyote Control*, and *Hydrogen Cyanide Safety Tips*, will help producers use the device safely and effectively. The publications are available in the local Texas Agricultural Extension Service Office.

The M-44 experimental program authorized by the Environmental Protection Agency terminated in June, 1975; therefore, use of sodium cyanide by ranchers was no longer approved. The program outlined above replaces it. The experimental program was started in 1974 and was the one which required each operator to submit an application, take the required training given here in March 1974 and file reports of use.

The M-44 devices are identical as are the materials and capsules except for the toxicant in the chemicals. Thus, no new materials other than the capsules are needed.

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Several Sterling County 4-H Club members will be participating in the 1976 Sand Hills Hereford and Quarterhorse show beginning January 4 and ending the tenth in Odessa. This is the beginning of the 1976 spring livestock show circuit in Texas.

Lenard and Lonnie Horwood each have one Hereford steer entered in the show. Entries at Odessa are limited to Herefords in the cattle show.

The lamb is limited to fine-wool lambs only. A blanket group of lambs has been entered. Those competing will be selected prior to the show. The Rambouillet breeding sheep show was dropped by the show officials several years ago because of the small number of entries.

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Two insect pests are a problem at this time of the year in cattle. One is lice, the other grubs.

Lice can weaken cattle, stunt their growth and make them more susceptible to other diseases. That's why it is important to check cattle periodically. The cooler temperatures and longer hair attract the pests at this time of the year. They are usually most numerous on the neck and shoulders of an animal.

Control consists of spraying, dipping, dusting, or the use of self-treatment rubbing devices. Control measures are found in the pamphlet, *Suggestions for Controlling External Parasites of Livestock and Poultry*, available in the County Extension office.

Grubs have been a problem here at this time of year even though cattle may have been treated at the recommended time. Apparently, there is a split cycle or two cycles here, and the grubs emerge late.

Treatment now should be limited to dusting with rotenone, the old recommendation. Appli-

## Behind the 8-Ball



By the editor.

School turned out Tuesday for the Christmas holidays. Classes will resume on Monday, January 5, 1976.

As we used to say when I was in grade school, "Now we don't have to go to school any more till next year."

8-BALL

Don Alexander, son of the L. C. Alexanders, is transferring to Angelo State University from Stephen F. Austin State University at mid term. He has been a student at SFASU for one and a half years.

8-BALL

This issue of the News-Record is a little early in the week—due to Christmas coming on Thursday. We normally skip the last issue in the year for a sort of a break, but this year, it will be the first issue in the new year. Most daily papers will skip Christmas day and give the workers a day off. We skip an issue and give ourselves a day (week) off. We will be around the shop most of the time to catch up on book work, making out expiration cards and cleaning up the shop in general. This has been a way of life at the News-Record for many years.

8-BALL

The Sterling school is holding open house here on Sunday, January. Patrons may go and see the results of the remodeling of the building that was completed this fall.

Many additions and improvements were made to the existing school building.

President of the school board Stan Horwood and the board members and administrators all urge residents to turn out for the open house that day.

8-BALL

## NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

Following our usual custom, we will not publish a paper on January 2, next week. We try to skip the week between Christmas and New Year. This gives us a Christmas break and we can catch up on book work and job work.

8-BALL

Old Santa Claus appeared to a number of Sterling kids here Monday night at the Volunteer Firemen's annual Christmas party and program. The program was held in the fire station and a big time was had by all.

8-BALL

The MYF kids went caroling Sunday night over town, serenading people with Christmas songs.

8-BALL

Betty Barrett, daughter of the Dayton Barretts, and a teacher in the Eagle Pass schools, is home for the Christmas holidays.

Lisa Horwood, daughter of the Stan Horwoods, is home from SMU for the holidays.

Collin Douthit, a cost engineer for Brown & Root, Inc. in Houston, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, the Jack Douthits.

**NOW IN STOCK**—The New 1976-77 Texas Almanac, only \$2.50 each at News-Record. They won't last long. Only a dozen in stock. Get them for Christmas presents.

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## 1976-77 Texas Almanac Out

The American Revolution of 1776 set in motion events that led to the colonization of Texas and eventually to its own struggle for self-government, notes the new 1976-77 edition of the Texas Almanac, published by A.H. Belo Corporation, publishers of The Dallas Morning News.

Those historic events affecting Texans have been traced in an article written especially for the Texas Almanac by the late R. Henderson Shuffler, editor, historian and, at the time of his death in the summer of 1975, executive director of the Institute of Texas Cultures at San Antonio.

What we call the American Revolution was simply the first stage of the revolution of the Americas, Shuffler wrote. Texas was affected directly by the American Revolution and the course of its history for centuries to come was shaped by the outcome.

Also in the Almanac's Bicentennial section, Sam Kinch Sr., chairman of the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission of Texas, tells of the American Bicentennial in Texas. A commission listing of Texas events during the bicentennial year is included.

The new edition also contains a special section on Gardening in Texas prepared by specialists of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. It is a guide for planting vegetables, fruit and nut trees and ornamentals in all sections of the state.

The LBJ Hill Country—written by Art and Elise Kowert, publishers of the Fredericksburg Standard, presents a description of the home of the late Lyndon B. Johnson, 36th President of the United States.

Nowhere else in this land is a place where, within a distance of a few miles, the story of an American President can be retraced through visiting the settlement of his grandparents, the birthplace, boyhood home, his White House away from Washington, and his ranch where he lived in retirement and where he died and is buried, they wrote.

Other special features of the new Almanac include a history of the Texas Railroad Commission, the latest U.S. Census on manufacturing, wholesale and retail trade, the service industries and transportation in Texas, an account of the 10 Travel Trails of Texas, and a history of Texas A&M University observing its 100th anniversary in 1976.

Included also are data on election results, listings of county, municipal and state officials appointive boards and commissions, officials of state and regional civic and trade organizations, and sections on agriculture, manufacturing, transportation and government.

Each Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area, the urban concentrations in which most Texans live, has an editorial page devoted to it.

A new Texas map in color, with major highways, supplements 254 county maps, updated from maps prepared by the Texas Highway Department. Tourism and recreation also are featured, with listings of state and national parks.

This is the 48th edition of the Texas Almanac that has been published since 1857, said Joe M. Dealey, president of the Dallas Morning News. We believe it continues the high standards that have made this publication the Encyclopedia of Texas.

Note—There is a limited number of these almanacs on sale at the NEWS-RECORD at a price of 2.50 plus tax. Out of town mail orders should be sent directly to the Dallas Morning News.

In case of fire, phone 8-4771.

## Wimodausis Club

The Wimodausis Club met on December 17 for the Christmas program, *United We Stand at the Creche*. This program focused on the origin of certain Christmas customs in order to point out how the mingling of cultures in celebrations both religious and secular, contributes to the unity of the American people in a democratic society. Mrs. Pete Hanson was program director.

Christmas carols were sung, led by Mrs. Harvey Glass, accompanied by Mrs. Mildred Mitchell. Traditions and customs of other nations were presented by Mrs. Arthur Barlemann, Jr.

Mrs. Alta McGibany reported that the Sterling County History was progressing on schedule. Members were asked to help with the writing, and a number volunteered.

Mrs. Roy Morgan, Mrs. Tom Asbill and Miss Maggie Reynolds were hostesses.

## Gets Degree at SWTSU Saturday

San Marcos—A Sterling City resident was among the 800 degree candidates who received diplomas from Southwest Texas State University in twin winter commencement ceremonies Saturday, December 20.

The commencement address at each ceremony was delivered by W. Maarvin Watson, President of Occidental International Corporation and former special assistant to the late President Lyndon B. Johnson, who was a graduate of Southwest Texas. Watson served as United States Postmaster General during the Johnson Administration.

Degrees were conferred in SWT's Strahan Gymnasium. Ceremonies for arts and sciences and Graduate School graduates were held at 8 a.m. with those for professional schools following at 10:30.

The local graduate was Robert C. Lively, the son of Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Lively. He received a bachelor of arts in political science. He was a member of Pi Gamma Mu and Delta Tau Kappa.

## Open House Honors Engaged Couple

Mr. and Mrs. Winn McClure held an open house at their home honoring their daughter, Debra and her fiance, Wayland Lee Foster. The engaged couple plan a February 14 wedding.

Among those in the houseparty were Mrs. John Copeland, Mrs. Ross Foster, Mrs. N. H. Reed, Mrs. Neal J. Reed, Mrs. Lee Augustine, Mrs. Lester Foster, Mrs. Billy Ralph Bynum, Mrs. M.C. Hendry, Mrs. Raymond T. Foster, Judy Copeland and Lisa Horwood, all of Sterling City, Mrs. Jimmy McClure of San Diego, Cal., Mrs. Barney Sisco of Water Valley, Mrs. Callie Sue Robbins, Mrs. Charlie Wright, and Marilyn Nowlin, all of San Angelo, and Cheryl Butler of Big Spring.

Over 125 guests called during the open house hours.

## Open House at School January 4

The Sterling City Independent School District Board of Education announces an open house from 2:30 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. on Sunday, January 4, 1976 to show the 1975 physical improvements to the school buildings.

All Sterling County citizens and visitors are cordially invited to attend, according to Superintendent James Thompson.



To wish you every happy thing the Christmas season can bring.

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**1975-76 School Calendar**

- August 11 Teacher Inservice
- August 12 Teacher Inservice
- August 13 Teacher Inservice
- August 14 Teacher Work Day
- August 15 No School
- August 18 School Year Begins (for students)
- October 27 District TSTA (A student holiday)
- November 7 End of 1st Quarter
- November 10 Teacher Work Day (student holiday)
- November 11 Holiday-Armistice Day
- November 27 and 28 Thanksgiving Holidays
- December 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, 31, January 1 & 2 Christmas holidays
- January 19 Holiday, Local Stock Show
- February 20 End 2nd Quarter
- February 23, 24, 25, Inservice (student holidays)
- March 12 Holiday (San Angelo Stock Show)
- March 19 & 22 Spring Holidays
- April 15, 16, 19, Easter Holidays
- May 22 Baccalaureate
- May 26 Graduation
- May 26 End 3rd Quarter
- May 27 Teacher Work Day

**NOTICE**

The Texas State Department of Health has established, in accordance with the Federal Public Health Service Act, the current annual level of uncompensated services for Sterling County Hospital and Nursing Home, Sterling City, Texas to be that the facility does not intend to deny anyone admission to the facility or any of its services because of an inability to pay. The documents upon which the determination was based are available for public inspection at the Texas State Department of Health, 1100 West 49th St., Austin, Texas from 9:00 A. M. to 4:30 P.M. on regular business days. The level of services set out meets the presumptive compliance guidelines of the Federal regulation.

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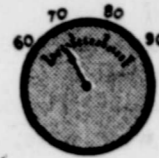
Social security checks should be cashed within a reasonable time to prevent loss or theft, even though there's no time limit on cashing them, according to social security officials here.

'If your check is lost or stolen, get in touch with your nearest social security office at once,' a spokesman said. 'The check can be replaced, but it takes time. Handle your check carefully when you get it and you won't have to wait while it's being replaced.'

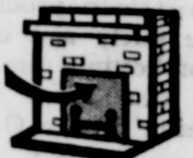
Social security pays over \$4 billion a month in benefit checks to almost 29 million people—eligible retired and disabled workers and their families and families of deceased workers who worked long enough under social security.

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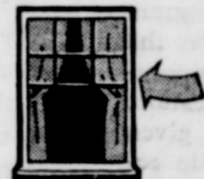
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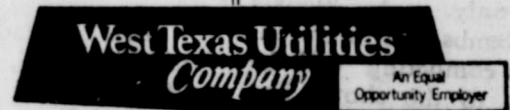
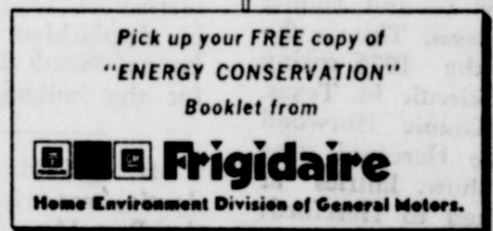
For savings on energy, set the thermostat on the temperature setting that provides adequate comfort. Don't continually switch it up and down. Remember, the lower you set the thermostat in the winter the more money you save on energy.



A wood burning fireplace should be equipped with an efficient damper. Be sure to keep the damper closed when not in use. A chimney with the damper open carries warm air out the house, wasting heat.



To decrease heat loss and reduce energy cost in rooms that are not in use at night or in extremely cold weather, draw the draperies and lower the shades over the windows, glass panels and doors. If the sun is shining on glass areas, open the draperies. The sun shining through the glass will supply additional heat at no cost.



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### 'Silent Night' Hymn Is Often Called Song From Heaven

"Silent Night" is often called the "Song from Heaven" because the story of its inspiration and composition is one of the most beautiful Christmas stories in existence.

On December 24, 1818, in the Austrian village of Hallein, as Father Joseph Mohr sat reading his Bible, there was a knock at his door. It was a peasant woman who wanted the priest to visit a poor charcoal-maker's wife to whom a child had been born. The parents had sent her to ask the priest to come and bless the infant.

Father Mohr was strangely moved by the visit to the mother. And that evening as he returned to his home saw that the dark slopes of the Alps around the village were



alight with torches of the mountaineers on their way to church. To him it was a Christmas miracle.

Later, as he tried to put down on paper his feeling and experience, the words kept turning into verse. When dawn came he found he had written a poem—a beautiful and moving poem.

On Christmas Day his friend, Franz Xaver Gruber, music teacher in the village school, composed music to fit the verses.

Village children heard the priest and teacher singing the song and learned it. From there it spread throughout the world. Today, it is regarded as the greatest Christmas hymn and wherever there are men of good will they sing:

*"Silent night, holy night—  
All is calm, all is bright,  
Round you Virgin, Mother and  
Child;*

*Holy Infant, so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace—  
Sleep in heavenly peace."*

### Redeemer Legends Common Among American Indians

Redeemer legends were common among American Indians. While some were aboriginal, others probably were greatly influenced by contacts with Europeans, especially missionaries.

One of these legends was gathered by the Reverend Ephraim S. Alphonse, a Wesleyan Methodist minister who lived among the Valiente Indians for 21 years. The legend concerns the Ulikron (orphan of the Virgin) and how he traveled long ago from the far, far north. He talked to stout little men, to tall red men, to men in huts, to men in tall houses made of stone, to men who make broad roads and wear fine soft clothes and pearls and silver and gold. The Ulikron passed among them long, long ago and told the men to be good, to love good, and to do good. The Ulikron passed and talked. His eyes were soft and seeing. His eyes saw through men. His eyes saw and saw and men looked on and wept and stopped their wars. They stopped their hate. Their bows and arrows shot the deer but never man again.

The Ulikron pointed to the stars. He talked of the Crab, the Plough, the Great Bear. He talked of the God above those stars and he told men to be good and he would come again for all good men; and men began to be good. All Indians wait for the Ulikron.

Such is the story of the Ulikron, which as you can see, closely parallels (and most likely is) the story of Christ.



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The evergreen bough, mistletoe and holly used as Christmas decorations have been associated with ceremony and curious custom for thousands of years.

Ancient Romans raised an evergreen branch at the December festival of Saturnalia, honoring the god of sowing.

Long before the Christian era, Tuetons and Scandinavians held the mistletoe sacred and hung it over their doorways as charms. They also worshipped the oak and their priestly Druids brought in a great Yule log at the feast of the winter solstice and lighted it from a brand of the log of the year before.

In parts of Europe the first trees used for Christmas decorations were dormant branches of fruit trees. They were brought indoors several weeks before Christmas and forced into bloom by Christmas time. Holly, the subject of many superstitions, was also used because its prickly leaves were thought to represent the Saviour's crown and its red berries drops of blood.

In parts of Sicily an olive tree is decorated today with oranges. In some countries flowers are used instead of evergreens, in keeping with a story told all over medieval Europe that on the night of the Nativity the trees of the forest, though cloaked in ice and snow, burst into bloom and bore fruit.

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The Books By Mail collection is not intended to help with school assignments, since school libraries take care of such needs. The popular collection includes, in addition to the categories listed above, cook books, how-to-do it guides, and other helpful materials. Lists of suggested books will be posted in the distribution centers, but requests should not be limited to titles on these lists. Subject requests may be submitted when specific titles are not known. Any questions regarding this service should be addressed to: Books By Mail, Abilene Major Resource Center, 202 Cedar, Abilene, Texas 79601.

### REWARD NOTICE

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This recognition signifies that there is no known foci of bovine brucellosis in the county at this time, and that if the infection is re-introduced into the county immediate steps will be taken to confine and eradicate it.

In order to qualify as a Certified Bovine Brucellosis-Free Area all herds of cattle must be tested and found negative or at latest ten per cent of all breeding cattle in the county two years of age and older must be blood tested each year when shipped to market or at time of slaughter with follow-up testing of herd of origin of all reactors disclosed.

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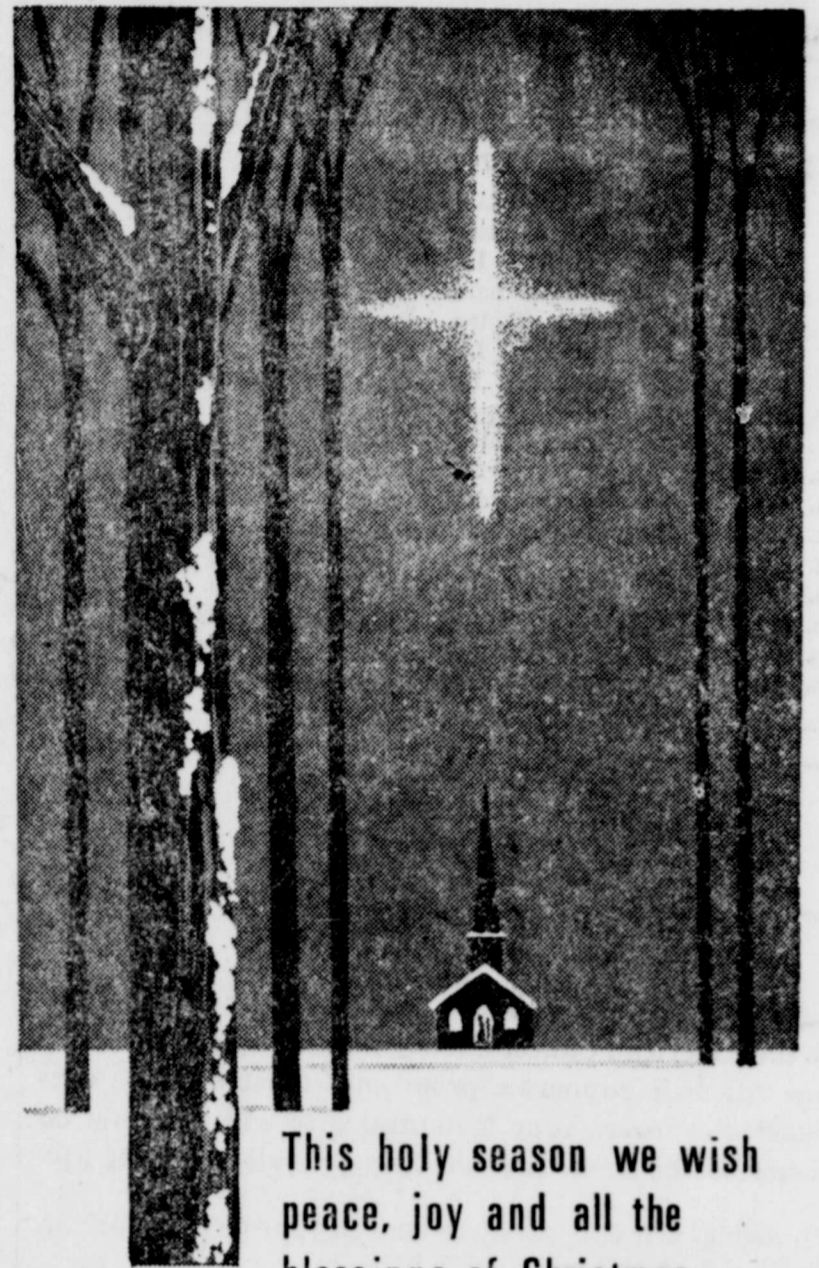
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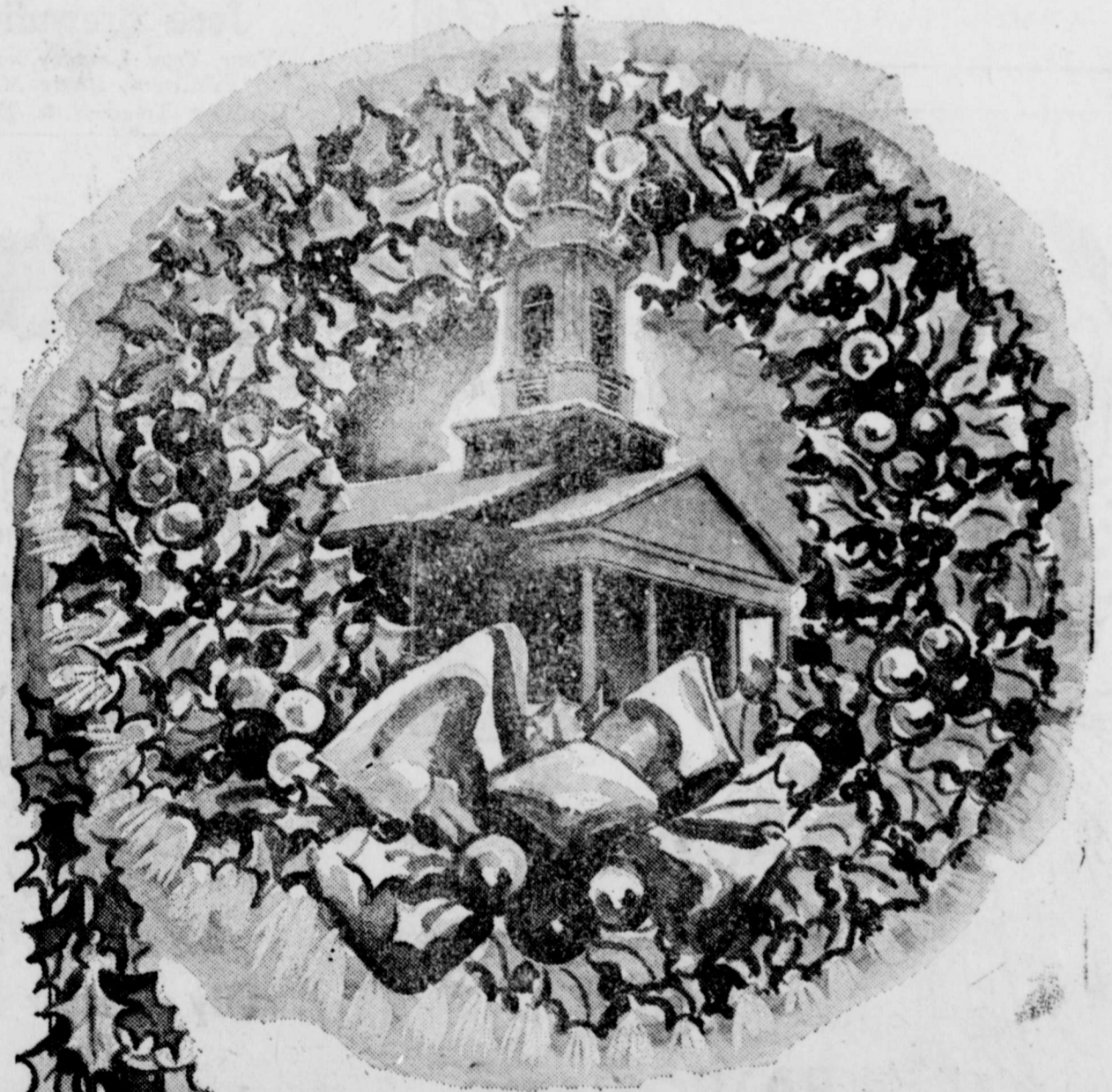
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This holy season we wish peace, joy and all the blessings of Christmas.

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'75-'76 S.H.S. Eagles Basketball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT TEAMS	Place	Time
Nov. 18	Mertzou Boys, Girls	H	6:30
Nov. 25	Mertzou Boys, Girls	T	6:30
Dec. 2	Robert Lee Boys, Girls	T	6:30
Dec. 4, 5, 6	Forsan Tournam. Boys and Girls		
Dec. 11, 12, 13	Sterling Tourn. Boys and Girls		
Dec. 16	Robert Lee Boys, Girls	H	6:30
Dec. 18, 19, 20	Robert Lee To. Boys and Girls		
*Jan. 9	Forsan Boys, Girls	T	6:30
*Jan. 13	Water Valley Boys, AB, Girls	T	5:00
*Jan. 16	Grady Boys, AB, Girls	H	5:00
*Jan. 20	Greenwood Boys, AB, Girls	H	5:00
*Jan. 23	Garden City Boys, AB, Girls	T	5:00
*Jan. 27	Forsan Boys, AB, Girls	H	5:00
*Jan. 30	Water Valley Boys, AB, Girls	H	5:00
*Feb. 3	Grady Boys, AB, Girls	T	5:00
*Feb. 6	Greenwood Boys, AB, Girls	T	5:00
*Feb. 10	Garden City Boys, AB, Girls	H	5:00

**A GIFT OF LIFE** Your contribution to the American Cancer Society in memory of your loved one will help support a program dedicated to the conquest of cancer. Your memorial gift will not only do honor to the dead. It could help provide a gift of life.

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**DUMP GROUND USERS**—New regulations require burning of trash before dumping. Please dump from both sides of the pit. No car bodies or wire or old large appliances allowed.

**STERLING COUNTY**

**Democratic Political Announcements 1976**

The following announce their candidacy in the Democratic Primary May 1, 1976:  
For County Attorney,  
**HOWARD V. CUDD**  
**WORTH B. DURHAM**

**POODLE GROOMING.** Have-A-Heart Kennel. San Angelo, 653-1625.

**STERLING JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE**  
Nov. 16: Coahoma T at 6:00  
Nov. 24: Greenwood T at 6:00  
Dec. 1: Forsan H at 6:00  
Dec. 8: Garden City H 6:00  
B Girls at 5:00  
Dec. 15: Wall H at 6:00  
Jan. 5: Wall T at 6:00  
Jan. 11: Coahoma H at 6:00  
B Boys at 4:45  
Jan. 19: Greenwood H 6:00  
Jan. 26: Forsan T at 6:00  
Feb. 2: Garden City  
B Boys at 5:00



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