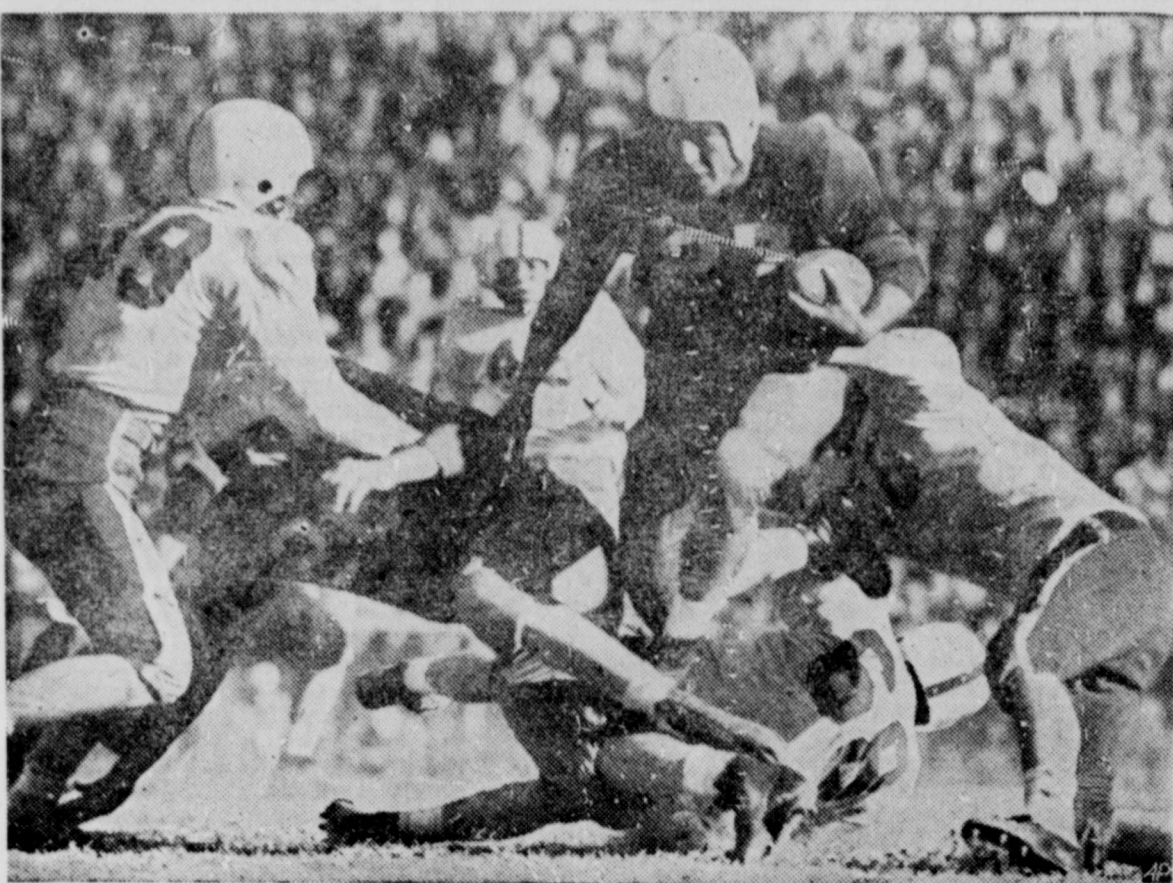


JUNIOR CHOIR OF METHODISTS TO SING SUNDAY

Pageant and Cantata to Be Given At Schelo Auditorium Sunday Evening for General Public

Junior Choir of the First Methodist Church will present a pageant and cantata Sunday evening at 7:00 o'clock in the Snyder High School auditorium.



PREP FOR COTTON BOWL GAME—Southern Methodist University's all-America Back Doak Walker carries the ball through a big hole in the line as his team opened practice December 15 in Dallas in preparation for their New Year's Day game with Penn State in the Cotton Bowl.

CANTATA TO BE GIVEN SUNDAY BY BAPTISTS

Musical Program to Tell Christmas Story at Church Beginning At 7:00 o'Clock

Annual Christmas cantata by the choir of the First Baptist Church will be presented Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the church.

Commissioners Seek Route To Ira But Get No Promise

No Other Schools Yet Invited Into New Grid Group

No other schools within the new District 6-A were invited to participate in district football competition when the executive committee of the recently classified group met Wednesday afternoon at Rotan High School.



LEGION LEADER—Miss Edna Lou Callan (above) ex-Wac and University of Texas junior, has been elected commander of the University of Texas American Legion post.

Highway Board Tells Group Plan To Be Considered

Fate of the proposed Highway 350 from Snyder to Big Spring still was unknown Wednesday as far as The Times could learn after appearance of the Scurry County Commissioners Court members and four other interested citizens before the State Highway Commission at Austin Tuesday afternoon.

E. L. Darbys Will Celebrate Dec. 29 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Darby of Southwest Snyder will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary Sunday when their children and grandchildren and other relatives and friends gather at the home.

Mercury Dips to Low Of 26 Early Saturday

Mercury readings dipped to a new season low of 26 degrees Saturday morning, according to Mrs. F. W. Wade, government weather gauger.

Eldon B. Mahon Succeeds Nunn as District Attorney

Eldon B. Mahon of Colorado City Saturday was appointed district attorney for the 32nd District comprised of Scurry, Nolan, Mitchell and Borden Counties.

Cotton Ginnings For County Pass 30,000-Bale Mark

Scurry County cotton ginnings climbed on toward the 30,000-bale mark this week as clear but cold weather permitted cotton pulling almost every day of the past week.

Woodard, Snyder To Vote on Plan To Merge Schools

Election to vote on the consolidation of the Woodard School District with the Snyder Independent School District will probably be held shortly after the first of the year, it was declared Wednesday by M. E. Stanfield, superintendent of the Snyder Schools.

Towle Renamed As Chairman of Optometry Board

Dr. H. G. Towle will begin his thirteenth year as president of the Texas State Optometry Board next month. The Snyder optometrist has been a member of the board for 22 years.

Firemen Again Will Give Cheer to City Needy Citizenship

Members of the Snyder Volunteer Fire Department will bring Christmas cheer to scores of Snyder community people again this year, it was announced this week by N. W. Autry, fire chief.

VFW Families Stage Christmas Gift Party

It was Christmas time Tuesday night when the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Ladies' Auxiliary and their families met for a social get-together at the National Guard Armory, south of the city hall.

Tentative Sale Made For Wade's Bakery

Tentative sales contract was signed last week-end wherein Wayne Boren and Kenneth Pitner will purchase Wade's Bakery from Foy Wade, the trade to be consummated effective January 2, it was announced by the three Snyder business men Monday.

Firemen's Families to Stage Gift Exchange

Members of the Snyder Volunteer Fire Department and their families will stage a Christmas tree program and exchange of gifts tomorrow (Friday) evening at the department's social room in the city hall, it was announced this week by fire department officials.

Anxiety for Safety Of Army Air Corps Member Relieved

Anxiety for a Hermleigh boy who was believed might have been a passenger on the ill-fated DC-4 Army transport that crashed last Tuesday in Labrador, was allayed first of the week when a message from Congressman George Mahon advised that the boy was not on the ship in which 23 were killed.

Services Set Sunday At Dermott Church

Dermott Baptist Church has announced that regular third Sunday services will be held next Sunday, with Sunday School at 10:00 o'clock followed by evening services at 11:00 o'clock.

WHO'S NEW Four new arrivals were tabbed at the Snyder General Hospital since last week's report in The Times. They are: A girl for Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Ball of Ft. Worth, Ronnie Lynn, who arrived December 12, weighed seven pounds two ounces.

Ira Church of God to Give Christmas Play

"Come to the Manger" is the title of a Christmas pageant that will be presented Sunday evening at the Ira Church of God, to which the public is invited, according to Rev. Harley Smith, pastor. Program will begin at 8:00 o'clock.

Two Teachers Resign From Snyder Faculty

No teachers had been elected to fill vacancies of two teachers in the Snyder School System that will be effective within a few days. Superintendent M. E. Stanfield told The Times Wednesday.

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Plans for Christmas Parties for County Clubbers Completed

Plans are about complete for the Christmas party and gift exchange that will be staged Saturday afternoon at the American Legion Hut members of the Scurry County Home Demonstration Club, boys' and girls' 4-H Clubs, according to club officials and Miss Mary Louise Pugh, county home demonstration agent, and Omer Fowler, county agricultural agent.

Snyder Wins One Of Three Games With Big Spring

Snyder High School basketball squads got a small taste of revenge Tuesday evening at the school gymnasium when they won one out of three games with crews from the Big Spring High School. Of the three games of Class A, Class B and Class C, the latter team won by an 18 to 19 score.

Baptist Pastor Talks At Rotary Luncheon On Thanksgiving

Rev. E. K. Shepherd, pastor of the Snyder First Baptist Church, was in charge of the program at the Snyder Rotary Club meeting at the Manhattan Dining Room last Thursday. His subject was "Giving and Thanksgiving."

Ten from Snyder Go to Fete Given To Harley Sadler

Ten Snyder men were among the Scurry County people who attended the "Flowers for the Living" ceremony honoring Harley Sadler Monday evening at Sweetwater.

CC Directors Being Named by Balloting

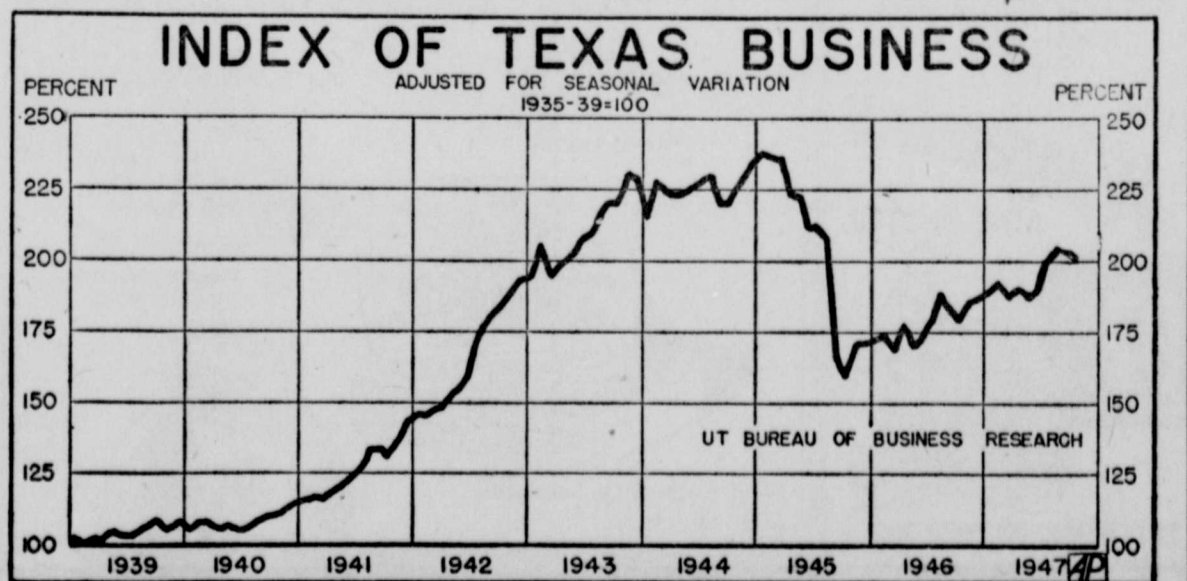
Ballots for naming of four directors of the Scurry County Chamber of Commerce were being cast this week, according to Bill Schiebel, manager of the CC.

Petty Thieving Jobs Reported in Snyder

Several reports of petty thieving in the business and residential districts of Snyder have been reported to the police department. Simon Best, police chief, said Wednesday. Articles have been taken from cars and other stealing is reported.

Three Area Girls on McMurtry Honor List

Elda Jean Littlepage and Natalie Walton of Snyder and Sue Carney of Hermleigh are on the mid-semester honor roll at McMurtry College, according to an announcement by college officials to The Times.



INDEX OF BUSINESS—The index of Texas business activity stood at 201 in October, still more than double its pre-war level and only slightly below the post-war peak established in August, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reported. It was the second consecutive month the index declined. The setback was due more to the decline in the department and apparel store sales than to any other factor.

Advertisement for shopping days with a cartoon illustration of a person shopping.



# The WOMAN'S Page

## Travis Rinehart and Veldean Davis Feted

Travis Rinehart and Veldean Davis were honored Thursday afternoon of last week at 1:00 o'clock with a gift tea given them by Mrs. R. L. Duck in the home of Mrs. R. R. Duck in the Lloyd Mountain community.

The serving table was laid with a lace tablecloth, on which chrysanthemums formed a centerpiece.

Present were Mrs. Carl Brunley, Mrs. Onnie Martin, Mrs. J. J. Stringer, Mrs. Bill Nobles, Mrs. Cliff Birdwell, Mrs. Myrtle Evans, Loretta Jean Evans, Almannell Evans, Ray Thompson, Nell Walker, Alma Nell Bell, Vivian Davis, Mrs. Noah Brown, Carolyn Brown, Mrs. Clarence A. Wade, Mrs. W. A. Wade, Dorothy Rinehart, Mrs. Carl Wood, Mrs. O. C. Rinehart, Mrs. Erdist Rinehart, Mrs. Oddist Rinehart, Mrs. Jap Beck, Mrs. George Parks, Mrs. B. M. West, Mrs. Eunice Davis, Mrs. Emma Shuler, Mrs. Cornelius Davis. Those sending gifts were Mrs. T. E. Simmons, Mrs. Mary Penize, Mrs. Sidney Johnson, Dorothy Duck, Mrs. S. L. Terry, Mrs. Troy Green, Mrs. N. E. Simmons, Mrs. H. B. Allen, Mrs. Henry Hart and girls, Mrs. Etta Evans, Mrs. Travis White and Mrs. George Brunley.

## Makes Her Hopping Mad.

First Wife—"Does your husband talk in his sleep?"  
Second Wife—"No, and it's terribly exasperating. He merely grins."

## Committee Chairmen For Council Named

The Scurry County Home Demonstration Council met Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the county court room. Mrs. Theo Soules called the house to order, and roll call was answered by eight clubs.

The finance chairman gave her report for the year, and the marketing chairman stated that eggs were 65 cents per dozen and quoted the market on turkeys.

Committee chairmen were named and asked to choose their committee helpers. They are: Mrs. Frank Strom, finance chairman, whose helpers are Mrs. Ben Weathers and Mrs. W. J. Coorrod; Mrs. Ray Lunsford, yearbook chairman; Mrs. J. W. Co'fee, triple E chairman; Mrs. Frank Nachlinger, reporter chairman.

Miss Mary Louise Piehl, county home demonstration agent, led the group in parliamentary procedure.

Each county club woman is urged to remember that Saturday December 20, from 1:00 to 3:00 o'clock is time for the county-wide club party at the Legion Hut.

One pound of poultry or one dozen eggs is calorie-equivalent to five pounds of grain; one pound of beef is calorie-equivalent to two and one-half pounds of grain.

He is happiest, be he king or peasant, who finds peace in his home.—Goethe.

## THESE WOMEN!

By d'Alessio



"Oh, Mr. Gas Man, while you're there, will you get me a jar of dill pickles from the third shelf?"

## Wilma Terry, Bride-Elect, Feted at Tea

Wilma Terry, whose betrothal to Lee D. Stone has been announced, was honored at a gift tea Thursday in the home of Mrs. J. C. Williamson with Mrs. N. W. Autry, Mrs. B. H. Moffett, Mrs. J. A. Pulghum and Mrs. Williamson as hostesses.

A Christmas theme was featured in the decorations. Boughs of juniper adorned with Christmas tree balls were placed above the French doors leading into the dining room. The lace-laid table was centered with salmon colored gladioli encircled by juniper.

Receiving guests were Mrs. Williamson, Mrs. R. L. Terry, mother of the bride-elect, the honoree, Mrs. B. H. Moffett and Mrs. J. A. Pulghum. At the register was Mrs. Bill Locke.

Mrs. Don Adams and Mrs. G. I. Autry served in the dining room.

Guests included Mrs. M. G. Hall, Mrs. J. W. Hamlett Sr., Mrs. Pat Johnston, Jaquita Adams, Mrs. W. L. Voss, Mrs. Carl Voss, Mrs. Cepha Harrell, Mrs. R. D. English, Mrs. W. R. Bell, Mrs. Hardy Scarborough, Mrs. Ennis Floyd, Mrs. Arthur Roberts, Mrs. A. C. Martin, Mrs. C. L. Banks, Mrs. Geneva Williamson, Mrs. A. L. Martin, Mrs. R. A. Hardee, Mrs. Earl Horton, Mrs. Roy Stubbs, Mrs. G. B. Clark Sr., Mrs. Ernest Taylor, LaRue Williamson, Mrs. J. C. Martin, Christine Hamill, Mrs. M. E. Stanfield, Jerry Jacobs, Mrs. John T. Lynch Jr., Mrs. W. A. McGlaun, Mrs. W. P. King, Kay Sharp, Mrs. Watt Scott, Mrs. Ben Thorpe, Mrs. Watt Glover, Mrs. Little Westbrook, Mrs. John Cole, Mrs. Carl Keller, Mrs. C. R. Burk, Mrs. Abe Rogers, Mrs. Austin Varner, Mrs. M. T. Popejoy, Mrs. C. W. Popnoe, Mrs. Weldon Kincaid, Mrs. Jack Gorman, Mrs. A. E. Duff, Mrs. J. E. LeMond, Mabel Brock and Merrian Crowder.

## Snyder Homemaking Girls Have Taffy Pull

Christmas party for the Homemaking Club at Snyder High School was a taffy pull in the homemaking laboratory of the local school last week.

Instead of exchanging gifts among themselves, each girl brought a gift to make Christmas brighter for some other children.

Officers of the group are: Anna Mae DeShazo, president; Wanda Koonsman; Trellis Elcke, secretary; Daphna Elcke, treasurer; Eltine Lloyd, song leader.

Twenty-five members attended the taffy pull, who were: Nancy Hill, Frankie Arnett, Emma Louise Glass, Willie Mae Gillum, Frances Billingsley, Bonita Lyons, Erlene Grimmitt, Cherry Boyd, Doris Jane Hough, Pearlle Nolan, Bobby Mill-

## Colleen Smith and Garland Bishop Wed

Miss Colleen Smith, daughter of Mrs. Meala Bell Smith of Snyder, became the bride of Garland Bishop, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. U. Bishop of Ira, at 7:30 o'clock Saturday evening, November 29. Bro. Austin Varner, minister of the Church of Christ, read the single ring ceremony.

The bride's dress was aqua with brown accessories. Her corsage was of red roses.

Miss Letha Woodard was maid-of-honor. She wore a gray suit with black accessories. Horace Fowler of Ira was best man.

The bride is a 1946 graduate of Snyder High School. Bishop is a 1944 Ira High School graduate. He served with the U. S. Navy for 18 months.

Others attending the wedding were Juanita Bishop and Herald Hester. The couple will make their home at Snyder.

## Eastern Star Group Attends Area School

Several members of the Snyder Eastern Star chapter attended a district school of instruction held at Colorado City Wednesday of last week.

Making the trip were Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Henderson and Mrs. N. E. Moore, Amy Glen, Clytie Roberson, Leona Weathers, Rhoda Clawson, Geneva Williamson, Zoe Horton, Ota Groves, Geneva Bryant, Mary Nell Mayo.

hollon, Marorie Hardin, Glenna Gray Bills, Vernelle Bird, Wanda Jean Rainwater, Ellen Jane Clarkson, Jo Ann Martin, Ruby Jewel Clements, Dorothy Taylor, Eloise McDow, Patsey Pogue, Trellis Elcke, Betty Jo Beavers, Opal McCormack and Freida Whittehurst.

Mrs. Dan Gibson, homemaking teacher, is sponsor of the club. Mrs. O. M. Fowler, high school teacher, was a guest at the affair.

## Tired of It All.

A big shot was reading a prepared speech at a convention of industrial tycoons. Toward the end of his speech he swung dramatically toward his climax as follows:

"The American business man is tired. When the war approached there were many problems that caused him much worry. Then all through the war he worked under countless handicaps and terrific pressure. And now, during the post-war period of adjustments, the many confusions and delays have created more strain and fatigue. Yet, the business man is tired. He is physically and mentally tired... but he isn't nearly so tired as the girls who have to type all this eye-wash!"

## Pyron Club Women Plan Christmas Party

Election of 1948 officers was the feature of a called meeting of the Pyron Home Demonstration Club last Thursday in the home of Mrs. D. Brock.

Mrs. J. C. Stahl is the new president; Mrs. H. L. McMillan, vice president; Mrs. Theo Soules, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. O. C. Hess, council delegate; and Mrs. D. Brock, reporter.

The retiring treasurer, Mrs. J. C. Stahl, reported that the Pyron club had \$3431 in the club fund.

A Christmas party for all club members and their husbands, plus any others who would like to attend, was planned for Friday night, December 19, at 6:30 p. m. Each one attending is to bring a gift not to exceed \$1 in cost to exchange. The party is slated to be held in the vacant house that belongs to Schley Adams.

Miss Mary Louise, county home demonstration agent, gave a demonstration on good kitchens and ventilated pantries before the following members: Mmes. Raymond May, C. A. Clifton, Frank Andrews, J. C. Stahl, H. L. McMillan, Theo Soules, Hy Coldewey, O. C. Hess, E. M. Grindstaff, Miss Piehl and the hostesses, Mrs. D. Brock.

## Must Stand in Line Again.

A retailer, annoyed because he had to wait several months for a large order, wired the manufacturer: "Cancel our order immediately."  
Back came the response: "Regret cannot cancel immediately. You must take your turn."

## Just Barely Make It.

Junior—"Don't men go to heaven? I never saw an angel with whiskers."  
Mother—"I imagine a few do go, but they all get there by a close shave!"

## R. B. Seares Give Dinner Party at Club

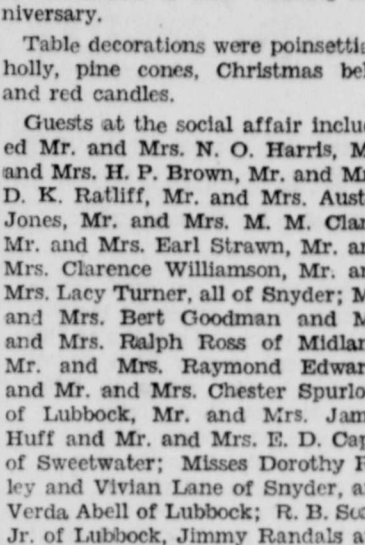
Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Seares entertained with a dinner party at the Snyder Country Club Saturday night in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

Table decorations were poinsettias, holly, pine cones, Christmas bells and red candles.

Guests at the social affair included Mr. and Mrs. N. O. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Radliff, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Jones, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Strawn, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. Lucy Turner, all of Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Bert Goodman and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ross of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Edwards and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Spurlock of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. James Huff and Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Caple of Sweetwater; Misses Dorothy Riley and Vivian Lane of Snyder, and Verda Abell of Lubbock; R. B. Seares Jr. of Lubbock, Jimmy Randalls and Clarence Schkade.

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## Despite Salvage Of Fats, World Is Still Under Need

Despite stepped-up production of fats and oils in the United States, Scurry County people are advised, the world is short enormous quantities of food supplies, according to Secretary General of the International Emergency Food Council D. A. FitzGerald. The food shortage, as such, will be felt in every American home, the American Fat Salvage Committee points out, and reduced world production of fats and oils along with increased U. S. exports have created a grave shortage of fats and oils for industrial use, which make even more necessary the need to conserve and turn in used kitchen fats.

Scurry County housewives have cooperated for months in the fat salvage program, but have gradually let up in their efforts, members of the salvage committee advise The Times.

The 12 per cent drop in current world production of fats and oils as compared to pre-war production means a world shortage of over 8,000,000,000 pounds of fats and oils for food and industrial use. The U. S. is sending to other nations over 452,000,000 pounds of fats and oils during the last three months of 1947—more than twice the amount shipped during the entire first six months of this year although all pre-war U. S. surpluses have been used up.

These stepped-up U. S. exports intensify the need to save every drop of used kitchen fats. Every pound of used fats recovered for U. S. industrial use helps to ease the world

## CROSSING HIS PATH

By COLLIER



shortage. Used kitchen fat collected anywhere in the U. S. is processed for reuse within 60 days after it is turned in to meat dealers.

Almost every U. S. industry depends on fats and oils either for operation or production of important materials such as lubricating

### True Story

In a certain school in New York there was a teacher, an energetic advocate of "Safety First," who opened her class each morning by rising and asking: "Children, what would you do if fire were to break out in this building?" The children would reply in chorus: "We would rise in our places, step into the aisle and march quietly out of the building."

One morning when the children arrived at school they found themselves honored by the presence of the well known and beloved Dr. Henry van Dyke. The teacher stepped before the class and, instead of the usual fire drill question, said, "Children, what would you say if I were to tell you Dr. Van Dyke is to speak to you this morning?" Instantly from the class came the resounding chorus: "We would rise in our places, step into the aisle and march quietly out of the building."

oils and hydraulic fluids, textiles, leather and coating fabrics as well as many other products. Salvaged kitchen fats will help meet these demands.

## Safety Council Urges Caution in Holiday Driving

"Don't Let Death Take Your Holiday!" With that slogan as a keynote, the National Safety Council announced this week a nation-wide campaign to check the huge annual Christmas holiday toll.

The Christmas-New Year season is the most hazardous single period of the year, according to Council statistics. In traffic accidents alone, three times as many persons are killed during a Christmas holiday period than on the same days of the preceding two weeks.

Heavier travel and the festive spirit of the holiday season increase the normal winter hazards, such as bad weather, slippery roads, etc. More than 130 national organizations, city and state officials, safety councils and civic leaders have joined forces with the Council in the year-end campaign. Together they seek to create in the public mind an awareness of the special holiday hazards, and to enlist voluntary cooperation on the part of every individual to hold accidents to a minimum this Christmas.

The Council emphasizes that the campaign is the final effort of the year to hold the 1947 traffic death toll below the 1946 total of 33,700. At the end of the first nine months of this year, there was a small reduction in traffic deaths—four per cent—from the same period of 1946. But the final quarter of the year always is the one with the most traffic deaths.

"Christmastime is family time, the season of reunion, of joy in one's children, of drawing even closer the most fundamental ties that bind us together—truly a season to be merry," said Ned H. Dearborn, president of the Council.

"But it is a season to worry, as well. The tragedy of an accident becomes even more poignant during the Yule season. It takes only a little forethought, a little extra care and, often, just a little extra courtesy to make certain a Christmas celebration of joy and festivity unshadowed by accidents.

"Remember—don't let death take your holiday."

### Try It Sometime

The old mountaineer gran'paw was sitting in his favorite rocker on the front porch of his little cabin. He was rocking leisurely east and west.

Sitting beside him, rocking north and south, was his youngest son Bub, an innocent little shaver of forty-two.

Without turning his head, the old man said: "Sonny boy, 'sno use 'twear yerself out thataway. Rock with the grain and save yer stren'th."

Simplicity, of all things, is the hardest to be copied.—Steele.

U. S. farmers use electricity in more than 350 different ways.

### Looks That Way

"Mother," said little Mabel, "do missionaries go to heaven?"

"Why, of course, dear," her mother replied.

"Do cannibals?"

"No, I'm afraid they don't."

"But, mother," the little girl insisted, "if a cannibal eats a missionary, he'll have to go, won't he?"

### Some Are

Two little children were playing. One pretended that she wanted to rent the other's house.

"Have you any parents?" the play-house owner asked. "Yes," said the other little girl, "two." "I never rent to children with parents, they're so destructive."

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Smart design of new automatic gas range will save you time and effort in keeping it just as beautiful as the day it was new.

White, stain-resistant porcelain exterior cleans quickly with simple soap and water care. New improved burners won't clog from spill-overs. Their rust-resistant finish wipes clean as easily as the top of range.

If you should spill something in the oven its smooth-as-glass

for Cleaner, fully Automatic Cooking  
select a **NEW** gas range

**GAS HAS GOT IT!**

See Your Gas Appliance Dealer or

**LONE STAR GAS COMPANY**

## Nutrition is Your Business and Ours

In this wintry month, as America prepares for that feast which celebrates the birth of the Prince of Peace, men and women of good will take spiritual stock, give thanks for many blessings.

Well-nourished bodies and minds are the wealth of America. One of the great blessings that this country enjoys is the food it produces in such abundance. Farmers and ranchers who produce this food, and we at Swift & Company who process and distribute it, have an occasion for satisfaction in our teamwork. Together we can say—and proudly—"Nutrition is our business."

Good nutrition begins with soil itself. Out of the soil come the crops—the fruits and grains and vegetables we eat. Out of the soil also come the grasses and legumes and grains on which livestock feed—the very foundation of the meat and dairy products that are the protein backbone of our nation's food.

Today the American people are better nourished than ever before in history. This is cause for pride and rejoicing. For a better fed, healthier people leads to a stronger nation with greater capacity for clearer thinking, for work and production.

Good nutrition adds life to your years and years to your life. Good eating, which today we call the science of nutrition, is not an accident. It must be planned—beginning with the preparation of the soil and continuing through the raising of the crops and livestock, to the selection and preparation of meals for the table. This is an activity in which we all play an important part. Swift men of research and technology, like you farmers and ranchers all over America, are seeking ways in which the food of our people may be improved and our joint operations made to thrive ever more abundantly.

**Martha Logan's Recipe for MINCEMEAT**

1 pound cooked beef	1 1/2 pounds brown sugar
shank, chuck, or neck meat	1 quart cider
1 cup meat stock	2 teaspoons salt
1/2 pound suet	2 teaspoons nutmeg
4 pounds apples	2 teaspoons cloves
1/2 pound currants	3 teaspoons cinnamon
1 pound seedless raisins	5 tablespoons lemon juice

Wash, core, and chop apples. Chop together currants and raisins. Add apples, sugar, cider, and meat stock. Cook about 5 minutes. Grind meat and suet. Add with seasonings to apple mixture. Simmer 1 hour, stirring frequently to prevent burning. Add lemon juice. This mincemeat may be made ahead of time and canned for use throughout the holiday season. (Yield: 4 quarts)

**Track Down the Facts**

The beaver is an industrious and intelligent animal. He fells trees, builds dams, and wastes little effort or material. A "by-product" of his building operations—the bark of limbs and logs—provides his supply of winter food.

We in the livestock and meat industry have been "busy as beavers" developing methods of saving the different by-products of livestock. These products benefit the human race in many ways. Many ailments are relieved by extracts from livestock glands. Numerous ordinary articles, such as glue, buttons, combs, knife handles, soap, etc., originate from livestock.

Under normal conditions the returns from livestock by-products are almost large enough to offset the operating and marketing expenses of the meat packers. The value of by-products has reduced the average cost of meat to consumers and has increased the prices the producer receives for livestock.

**Business is Built on Faith**

The American business system is based on keeping faith with the people whom business serves. For example, if Swift & Company is to continue to be successful, five distinct groups of people must have faith in our ability to serve them: producers, stockholders, employees, retailers and consumers.

Farmers and ranchers look to us to provide a daily cash market, and to compete in buying their livestock and other products. We, in turn, depend on you for raw materials. Our operations and yours are interdependent and based on mutual trust in each other's fair dealing.

The 64,000 stockholders invest their savings in Swift & Company with faith that good management will earn them a fair return on their investment. To keep that faith, the company must earn a reasonable profit.

Another definite responsibility of management is to provide regular employment, good working conditions, plants and tools for the 74,000 employees of Swift. Here again, mutual faith and understanding is essential.

In serving retailers in every city and town in the United States, Swift is very conscious of its responsibilities to this fourth important group. Through exacting quality-control we are able to supply the retailers with the grade and type of products their trade demands. To serve them faithfully, we have to study and understand their problems, and give them an understanding of ours.

The fifth and largest group served by Swift is the consumers of the nation. Their faith in the Swift name and Swift's branded products is the very basis of our business—and a great asset to both you and us.

As we review the operation of Swift & Company at year's end, we again resolve to do everything in our power to justify the faith placed in our business by so many people.

*John Holmes*  
President, Swift & Company

**OUR CITY COUSIN**

Why does City Cousin cry?  
He has no room for his Mince Pie!

**COMPETITION SETS THE PACE**

There's lots of competition in the livestock and meat industry—both in the buying of livestock, and in the selling of the meat and by-products. U. S. Government reports show the best evidence of this competition when they list a total of more than 4,000 meat packers and more than 22,500 other commercial slaughterers operating in the United States. Of course, Swift & Company does not bid against every one of these 26,500 slaughterers at every point at which it buys livestock. However, there isn't a purchase of livestock or a sale of meat that doesn't have to meet a considerable number of actual or potential bids of competitors.

To all our friends on America's farms and ranches, we at Swift & Company wish

*a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year*

**SWIFT & COMPANY**

UNION STOCK YARDS  
CHICAGO 9, ILLINOIS

NUTRITION IS OUR BUSINESS—AND YOURS  
Right eating adds life to your years—and years to your life



### Football Banquet For Tiger Squad Will Be Delayed

Football banquet sponsored by the Snyder Lions Club for Snyder High School Tiger grid squad probably will not be held until after the first of the year, it was announced this week by Carl Herod, chairman of the arrangements committee.

Herod explained that because invited speakers for the banquet were so busy with basketball plans and other interferences, the annual tribute to the Tigers could not be held until after the holidays.

Key team members and coaches from other schools in District 8-A will be invited guests at the banquet, arrangements declare.

#### Standing at Attention?

Critic—"It strikes me as being an impressive statue, yet isn't that a rather odd posture for a general to assume?"

Sculptor—"Well, it isn't my fault. You see, I had the work half completed when the committee decided they couldn't afford a horse for the general."

### ALMANAC



- Coal is a portable climate.
- DECEMBER
- 10—Peace treaty signed with Spain, 1598.
  - 11—Indiana admitted to Union, 1816.
  - 12—Washington, D. C., became the permanent site of U.S. government, 1800.
  - 13—General Burnside defeated at Fredericksburg, 1862.
  - 14—George Washington died at Mount Vernon, 1799.
  - 15—Bill of Rights Day.
  - 16—Boston Tea Party, 1773.

Really All Over It.  
Walter—"There is most everything on the menu today, sir."  
Crabby Patron—"So I see. Bring me a clean one, so I can read it."

### Collector Clarifies Matter of Who Is To File Income Tax Returns Early

"Great confusion as to who is required to file income tax returns by January 15, 1948, exists in the minds of many Snyder area taxpayers, declared John B. Dunlap, acting collector of internal revenue for the Second District of Texas in a release this week to The Times. This confusion is evidenced by the flood of questions received in Dunlap's office daily.

"For the information of the public, we would like to set forth two simple rules governing those who must file returns by January 15, 1948. All taxpayers not covered by these rules who file on a calendar year basis must file by March 15, 1948. No returns may be filed until after January 1, but the earlier they are filed after that date, the sooner those entitled to refunds will receive them."

The following types of taxpayers must file returns by January 15, 1948:

**Farmers**—Persons who derive at least two-thirds of their income from farming, ranching or similar agricultural occupations, must file either an estimated income tax return on Form 1040-ES for 1947 or their final individual income tax return on Form 1040 before January 15, 1948. If the final field return is filed, it will not be necessary to file an estimate.

**Persons Who Have Had Material Changes in Income or Exemptions**—Taxpayers who filed estimated tax

#### Gerald Heinzelmann Due Home on Leave

Gerald M. Heinzelmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Heinzelmann of 1108 26th Street, Snyder, is expected home at the beginning of the Christmas furlough at New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, New Mexico. He will arrive about December 20.

Enrollment at New Mexico Military Institute is limited to 599 cadets. Of this number, 157 are from Texas. Thirty-six states and foreign countries are represented in the geographic distribution of cadets at New Mexico Military Institute, a release from that school to The Times declares.

#### Coming Too Often for Him.

"Boss, may I have next Wednesday off?"  
"I don't think so."  
"But it's my silver wedding anniversary and my wife and I had hoped to celebrate."  
"For heaven's sake! Am I going to have to put up with this every 25 years?"

Margie says—  
Rolls are better made and served with Durkee's Margarine.

MARTIN DISTRIBUTING CO. Distributors

### County Men Visit at Spur Station Monday

Soil Conservation District Supervisor Bob Dupree, County Agent Oscar Fowler, C. E. McCormick and M. L. Andress were at Spur Monday for an inspection of the A. & M. Extension Service Experiment Station. They especially were checking recent tests in terracing and other soil conservation projects at the farm.

Particular problems of McCormick on his farm 10 miles west of Snyder were discussed with officials at the experiment station, Fowler told The Times.

#### Self Protection.

A small, nervous fellow walked into the grocery store.

"I want all the rotten eggs you have," he demanded.

"What do you want with stale eggs?" asked the clerk. "Are you going to hear Savage speak at the contest tonight?"

"S-sh-sh," hissed the buyer, nervously. "I'm Savage."

#### Plenty of Reason for It.

He—"I've never seen such dreamy eyes before."  
She—"You never stayed so late before!"

# PENNEY'S

Shop Our Store  
for GIFTS for  
THE ENTIRE FAMILY

New merchandise arrives daily from foremost fashion centers!

Boys' Wool Plaid  
**JACKETS**  
6.90

Gaymode  
**NYLONS**  
42-gauge—Zodener Sheer  
1.49

Women's Rayon  
**SATIN ROBES**  
7.90

Ladies' Boxed  
**Handkerchiefs**  
69c

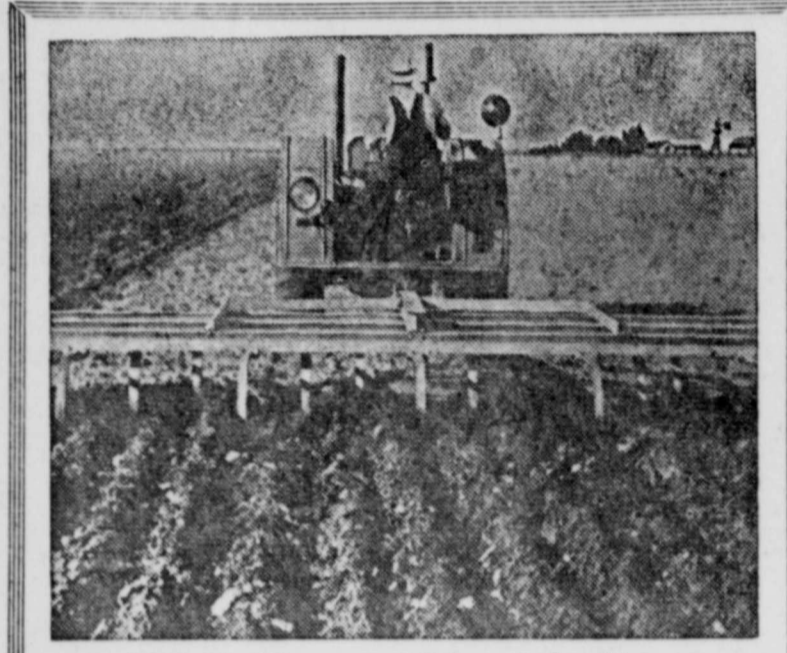
Gift Slippers 2.98  
Hand Bags 2.98 (plus tax)  
Men's Ties 9c  
Leather Belts .98c  
Seamless Nylon Hose .88c  
Towncraft Shirts 3.89  
Boys' Dress Shirts 1.70  
Infant's Bootie Sets 2.97  
Wool Shawls 1.98  
Misses' Briefs .50c  
Chenille Scuffs 1.29

Thrifty Penney Gift!  
**Women's Slips**  
1.98

Luxurious rayon satins or crepes—lace trimmed or tailored in the new longer length. Tearose, white. 32-40.

**WOMEN'S JERSEY GOWNS**  
Shimmering rayon jersey nightgowns lavishly lace trimmed! Fitted midriff styles with flaring skirts in pink, blue. Sizes 32-40. **3.98**

**WOMEN'S JERSEY PAJAMAS**  
Yes, two charming tailored styles in easy-to-laundry rayon jersey! Perfectly plain or lace trimmed. Pink, or blue. Sizes from 34-40. **4.98**



We will deliver an eight-foot Graham-Hoeme Plow to your farm for only

**\$235.50**

(less tires and tubes) up until January 1, at which time the price will be increased at least 10 per cent.

Two 600x16 first line Automobile Tires and Tubes \$32.00 Extra when sold with plows.

Sold Under an Absolute Guarantee of Satisfaction or Your Money Back!

**Don Robison Tractor Co.**  
West of Square on 25th Street

## Real Estate

480 acres; 170 in cultivation; five-room house and three-room house.

231 acres; 120 in cultivation; six-room house; good improvements; close in.

160 acres; 72 in cultivation; good well; windmill; no house.

53 acres; 49 in cultivation; good water and windmill; two-room house; near town.

Several 80-acre places.

SEE US—WE HAVE IT!  
**J. E. WEIR AND C. E. WALKER**  
Located in Raymond's Doot Shop      Basement Times Bldg.

## CHRISTMAS FOODS GALORE

Give FOODS for CHRISTMAS!  
These Specials Good Until CHRISTMAS

**25 lbs. ... 2.19**  
**10 lbs. ... .98c**  
**5 lbs. ... .49c**

**FOOD COMES FIRST**

FREE! to all FARMERS and their Families

another big **JOHN DEERE DAY PROGRAM**

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Department Store

**MEATS**

GET YOUR **Hens and Turkeys EARLY**

Swift's or Armour's **Christmas HAMS**  
Half or Whole **69c**

Longhorn **CHEESE**  
Pound ..... **49c**

Country Style **SAUSAGE**  
Pure Pork  
Pound ..... **49c**

Swift's Premium **BACON**  
Pound ..... **85c**

**GROCERIES**

**Pumpkin** Del Monte No. 2 1/2 Can **18c**

**Mince MEAT** Pecan Valley Per Package **18c**

**Pecans** Stewart Pound **49c**

**COFFEE** Del Monte Pound **45c**

**Shortening** Armour's 3-Lb. Carton **1.09**

**FRUITS and VEGETABLES**

**Celery** Large Stalk **23c**

**TOMATOES** Nice Firm Pound **18c**

**Oranges** California Pound **8c**

**Apples** Delicious—Double Red—Grade A **12c**

**PEAS** Mission No. 2 Can **16c**

**BEANS** Wapco Green No. 2 Can **16c**

**CHRISTMAS MIX**

**33c**

**PANTRYFILLERS**

**Bisquick** 45c

**Softasilk** 43c

**FROZEN FOODS**

Bird's Eye Pkg. **Strawberries 59c**

Stokeley's—Spears Pkg. **Asparagus .45c**

Red Sour PITTED **CHERRIES** No. 2 Can **29c**

## D & R Food Store

DOC GRIFFIN AND REX MILLER

BE WISE BUY WISE ECONOMIZE



### Donnie Everett and Shirley Coffee Named Most Popular Pair in S. H. S.

Favorites of classes and of the student body were elected by popular vote for the 1948 annual, Wednesday, December 10.

For the second consecutive year, Donnie Everett is the most popular boy in high school, as well as a senior favorite.

Most popular girl is Shirley Coffee, who is a yell leader and active in the social clubs.

Daphna Eicke is a class favorite again; she was a junior favorite last year and is honored again by the class.

Junior favorites are Jane Ann Woodson and Joe Dave Scott. Runners-up were Lou Miller, Charlotte Faver, Billy Sims, and James Littlepage.

Sophomore favorites are Max von Roeder and Dewey Faye Everett. Max is a newcomer from Knapp, and Dewey Faye was freshman favorite last year. Runners-up were Betty Jo Beavers, Nancy Hill, Paty Qulett, Billy Rip Boss, and Norman Inman.

Runners-up for most popular boy were Jack Gorman, and Tiny Moore; for most popular girl, Betty Lynn Gatlin and Daphna Eicke.

Runners-up for senior favorites were Jack Gorman, Robert Preulitt,

Jo Alyce Goss and Anna Mae DeShazo.

Votes for most beautiful girl have not been counted at this writing, and this story is the best scoop of the year, since not even the Tiger's Tale staff knows this story.—S. H. S. Tiger's Tale.

### Countians to Attend Anson Christmas Ball

Several Scurry County people have announced they will attend the annual celebration of the Cowboys' Christmas Ball at Anson on the nights of December 20, 22, 23 and 24.

Since 1885, when the first ball was held in the Morning Star Hotel, Anson has played host to hundreds of old and young admirers. They re-appear yearly to renew friendships and dance the old-time steps of the Virginia reel, square, waltz, heel-and-toe polka, new shoes and the schottische.

The first consumer received REA service in 1935. In November, 1947, the 2,000,000th customer was connected to power lines financed by the REA.

It takes more than 1,000 bees, working a life-time, to make a pound of honey.

### HOLIDAY CLOSING NOTICE . . .

In order that our employes may have more time for the Christmas holidays, this bank will close at noon, Wednesday, December 24, and be closed all day Christmas day (Thursday). Customers are requested to make arrangements accordingly.

**SNYDER NATIONAL BANK**  
Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

**AMERICA'S Choice!**



BARBARA JO WALKER OF MEMPHIS  
Miss America 1947

Miss America Pageant Scholarship Foundation is co-sponsored by the manufacturer of Laundrell.

**No other WASHER HAS ALL THESE FEATURES**

- \* RE-VERSO-ROL More thorough washing and rinsing
- \* TOP-FIL-DOR No bending or stopping—it's waist high
- \* SAFETY-LATCH Protects careless fingers and hands
- \* ROTO-DRIER Damp dries—dripless—ready for the line
- \* LARGER CAPACITY 10 full pounds—dry weight
- \* PRE-SOAKING ELIMINATED

Just as Miss Walker won the coveted title of Miss America because of her outstanding beauty and talents, so Laundrell has won the hearts of America's housewives for its outstanding performance.

Recent tests prove Laundrell washes more clothes cleaner, more economically than two other leading automatics. That's why more Laundrells were sold the first year than any automatic in its first two years.

Why not come in today and let us demonstrate "America's Choice" in automatic washers? See it wash, rinse and spin dry, all automatically—then you'll know why we say Laundrell is "Better Built to do a Better Job."

SEE US TODAY FOR LIBERAL TRADE-IN—EASY TERMS

**KING & BROWN**  
West 25th Street—Telephone 18

## Just Received



Big Lot of  
**MISFIT PANTS**

- No Pleats
- Hard Worsted
- All Wool

Let Us Help You With HIS Christmas!

Abe **ROGERS** Jay

"Tailored Clothes Needle Moulded to Fit You"

# FOODS

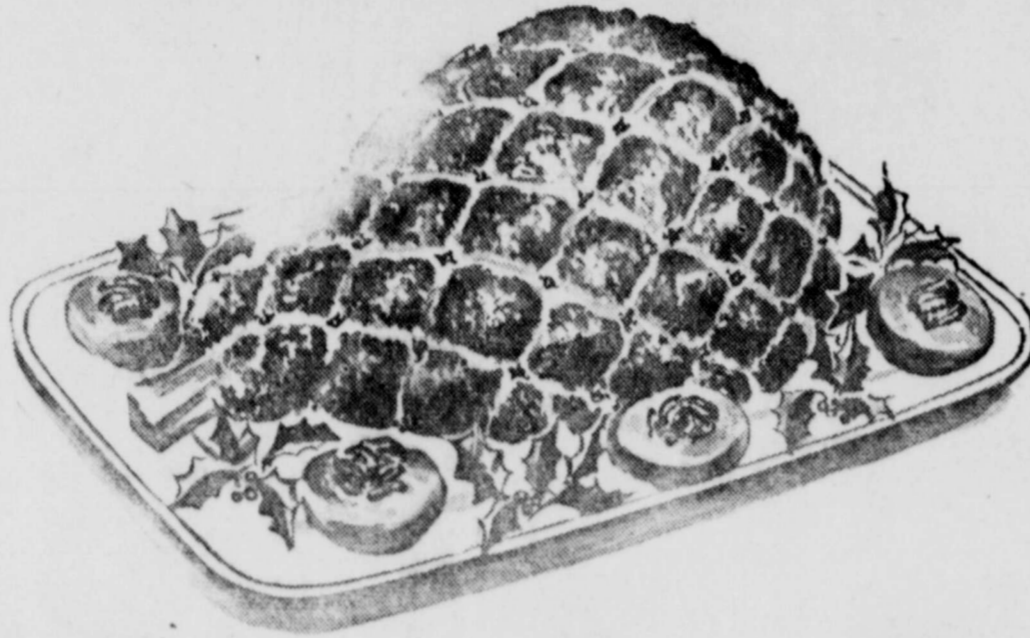


.. from CASH FOOD Market

When you think of food you naturally think of the Cash Food Market because of their unusual bargains and fine selection of quality foods. Let us help you make Christmas the most enjoyable time of the year.

## - H A M S - C H E E S E

FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS



Half or Whole lb. 55c

**KRAFT SPREAD - AMERICAN OR ROKA**  
This Is A 56c Value!

**2 for 25c**

**CRACKERS**  
SALAD WAFERS

**2 Lbs. 39c**

**Candy Walnuts**  
Christmas Mix Pound ..... 29c Large Jumbos Pound ..... 39c

**Fruit Cake Mix** Everything You Need 1-Pound Jar ..... 59c  
**Candy** Christmas Is Not Complete Without It 2-Pound Box ..... \$1.23

**Toilet Paper Limit 6 Rolls Each**

**Fire Works - - - Prices Right**

THE MOST COMPLETE LINE IN TOWN.

**These Values Good Through Dec. 24**

WE WILL BE CLOSED DECEMBER 25 and 26



**Garden Fresh FRUITS & VEGETABLES**  
CELERY Large bunch 19c  
MESH BAG  
Oranges or Grapefruit ..... 29c

**Apples**  
Box - Dozen or Pound ..... ???

**Oranges**  
ANY SIZE  
California ..... \$2.49

WE WILL NOT BE  
UNDERSOLD ON FRUIT

**Peaches** Del Monte Sliced or Halves No. 2 1/2 Can 28c

**Peas** Del Monte English No. 2 Can 21c

**Lard** Pure 3-Lb. Pkg. 98c

**Fruit Cocktail** LIBBY'S Tall Can 25c

**Meats FOR DELICIOUS MEALS**

**Pork CHOPS** Nice Lean Pound 49c

**Eggs** Fresh Dozen 69c

**Pork SAUSAGE** Fresh Pound 45c

**Oysters** Fresh Pint 79c

**Oleo** Nucoa Pound 37c

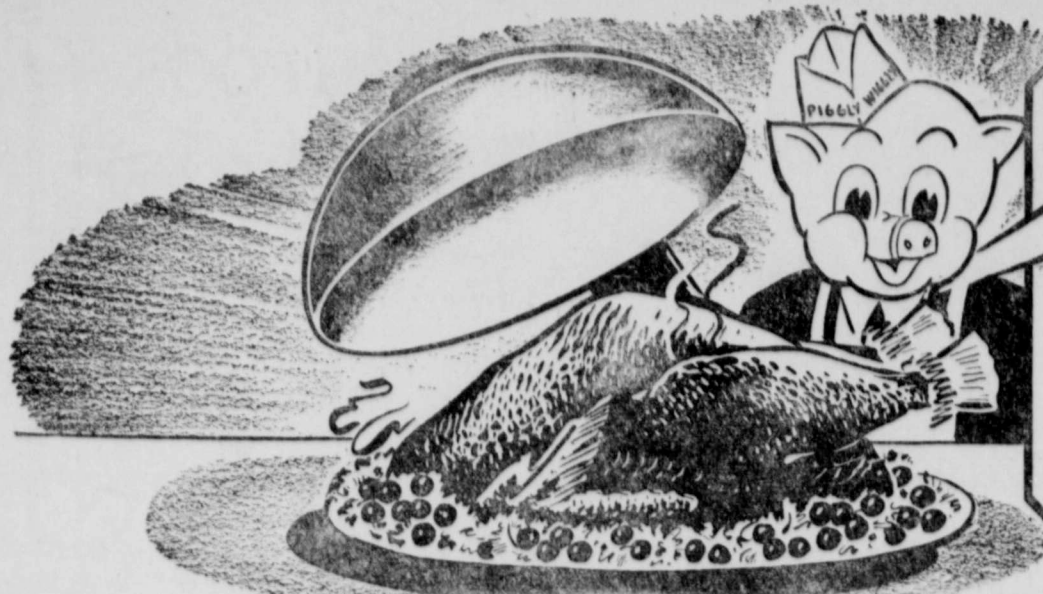
FREE PARKING ACROSS STREET FROM STORE — NEXT TO SIGN  
PAY CASH AND PAY LESS!

**Cash Food Market**

Jack Caperton, Owner

North of Snyder Hospital





**Merry Christmas Everybody!**  
**YOURS FOR GOOD EATING**  
**Piggly Wiggly**

Crystal Spinach No. 2 Can 12½c	Beets Libby's 12½c	CHB Catsup 14 Oz. 21c
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**Spuds** 10-Lb. Mesh Bag **49c**

# Turkeys

PLUMP  
TENDER  
DELICIOUS

Half or Whole—Lb.

**59c**

# Hens

Dressed and Drawn  
Pound

**49c**

# FRYERS

Ready to Cook  
Pound

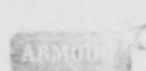
**69c**

# Ballard BISCUITS

Open and Bake  
Per Can

**15c**

# SAUSAGE



3-Lb. Bag **1.69**

# BACON

Any Popular Brand  
Pound

**89c**

# Roast

Cut from Fancy Beef  
Pound

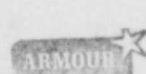
**49c**

# CHEESE

Any Brand  
2-Pound Box

**99c**

# SAUSAGE



1-lb. Roll **58c**



# HAMS

Swift's  
or Armour's

**69c**



## ALL POPULAR BRANDS

Carton  
**CIGARETS \$1.69**

1-Lb. Can  
**P. A. 89c**

1-Lb. Can  
**G. WASHINGTON .79c**

## Oranges

California  
Pound

**9c**

Half Box **\$3.00**

ORANGES Texas Pound **7½c**

Half Box **\$2.75**

LETTUCE Large Head Each **15c**

Washington Delicious—All Sizes Pound

APPLES **12½c**

Half Box **\$2.60**



Golden Ripe BANANAS	Lb.	Fresh Ripe TOMATOES	Lb.
Nice Size LEMONS	2 For	Large Bunch CELERY	Each
Fresh CARROTS	Bunch	Fresh EGG PLANT	Lb.



### DON'T MISS THESE HOLIDAY FOOD ITEMS

Pecans	Large Paper Shell Pound	<b>55c</b>
WALNUTS	Large Size Pound	<b>45c</b>
PLENTY OF SHELLED PECANS		
BRAZIL NUTS		lb. <b>47c</b>
Roasted PEANUTS		Pound <b>29c</b>
MIXED NUTS		lb. <b>39c</b>



FIG PUDDING ..... can **52c**  
 PLUM PUDDING ..... can **52c**  
 MILK Eagle Brand Per Can **29c**  
 CRANBERRIES ..... Lb. **39c**



Cranberry SAUCE Tall Can ..... **23c**  
 Fruit COCKTAIL No. 2 1-2 Can ..... **29c**

Cherries No. 2 Can **29c** Can

Corn Our Darling **20c**

Peas Happy Vale **12½c**

Beans Cut Green **12½c**

Beans Golden Wax **19c**



Peppermint Sticks  
 12-0zs. **.25c**  
 2½ lbs. **.93c**

XMAS MIX .....lb. **33c**

RIBBON MIX .....lb. **33c**

Cream Nut Half Lb. **17c**

Hay Stacks Pound **43c**

ORANGE SLICES .....lb. **33c**

GUM DROPS .....lb. **29c**

LEMON DROPS .....lb. **29c**

Chocolate Covered Pound **98c**

Chocolate Mint Lb. Box **89c**

Del Monte PEACHES, No. 2 1-2 Can ..... **33c**

Del Monte ASPARAGUS TIPS, Can ..... **30c**

## PEACHES

Hunt's No. 2 1-2 Can ..... **29c**

Pineapple JUICE No. 2 Can **22c**

Tomato JUICE Del Monte No. 2 Can **25c**

Coffee Folger's 1 Lb. Limit **49c**

## FLOUR

Parasnow 25 Lb. .... **\$1.89**

Swans Downs Cake FLOUR ..... **45c**

## PUMPKIN

Sweet POTATOES, No. 2 1-2 Can ... **17c**

## Pickles

Bits of Dill 2 Jars ..... **25c**

## CHERRIES

Marshmallow CREAM, Jar ..... **23c**

BoxMiracle Whip Jar **35c**

## Pears

Del Monte No. 2 1-2 Can .... **48c**

Chili Sauce 14 Oz. **19c**

Morton Salt Box **9c**

Pi-Do Box **15c**

Karo 5 Lbs. **69c**

Macaroni Skinner's **12c**

# PIGGLY SUPER WIGGLY MARKET



### Dr. C. E. Walker, Veterinary Here Many Years, Dies

Apparently a victim of a heart attack, Dr. C. E. Walker, 62, long-time Snyder veterinarian, died Wednesday morning about 9:30 o'clock while he was being carried from town to a hospital.

While, sitting in his car on the west side of the courthouse square Wednesday morning, Dr. Walker was discovered by Police Chief Simon Best in an unconscious condition. An ambulance was called, but the doctor was dead when the ambulance arrived at the hospital.

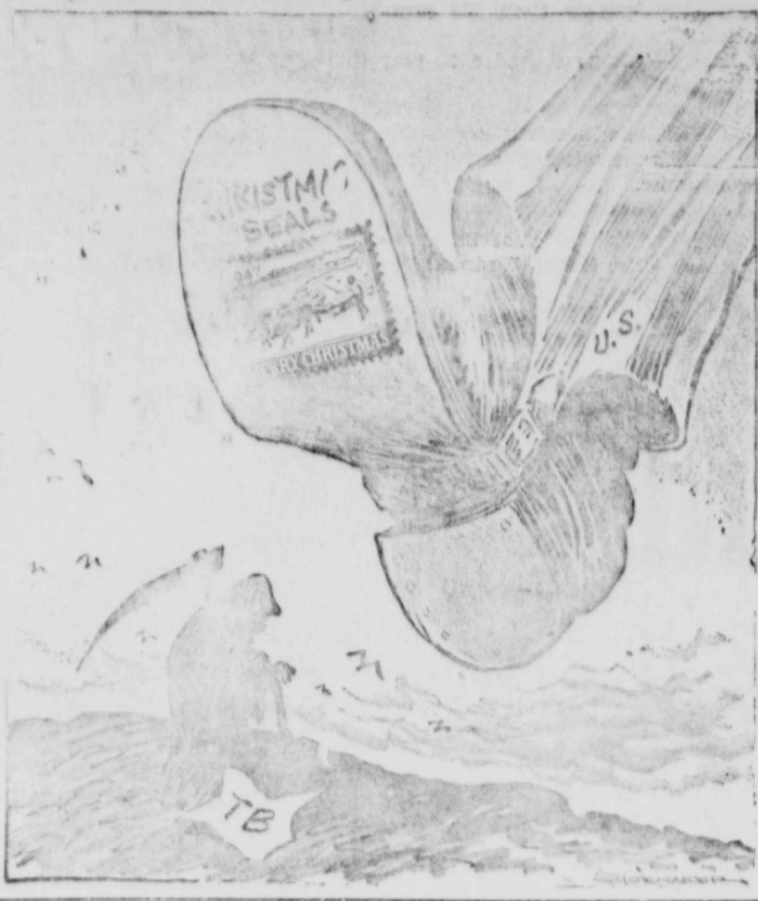
Born in Eastland County, Dr. Walker came to Snyder 47 years ago. Funeral services were scheduled for 3:00 o'clock this (Thursday) afternoon at the Snyder Church of Christ on North Avenue R. Bro. Howard Peacock of Graham will officiate. Interment will be in the Snyder Cemetery under direction of Odom Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be Melton Calloway, Roy Bonner, John Everts, J. E. Weir, Bentley Balze and N. R. Minnick.

Dr. Walker is survived by his wife, Mrs. C. E. Walker of Snyder; one brother, W. W. Walker of Elcebra; and five sisters, Mrs. R. W. Boyd, Mrs. W. B. Taylor, Mrs. E. W. Gladson, Mrs. A. L. Martin and Mrs. H. A. Preston, all of Snyder.

Showcard colors at The Times.

### Stamp It Out!



#### That Proves It.

"What pretty hair you have, Mary," said the visitor. "You must have gotten it from your mother."  
"No," replied little Mary, "I must have gotten it from daddy; his is all gone!"

### Poll Shows Half of Texas Families Have Blessing for Meals

A recent state-wide poll showed that five out of 10 Texas families say "grace" or a blessing before each meal.

A national organization polled families in the United States on this and other religious habits not long ago. The percentage of families in the country as a whole that say grace before each meal is four out of 10.

Mrs. Eloise T. Johnson, extension family life education specialist for Texas A. & M. College, says that families tend to do in their own homes what they learned as children. One-half of the people who do not offer thanks before meals said that the custom had not been observed in their homes when they were children, while 84 out of 100 Texans who offer thanks reported that this was a family custom as they grew up.

Grace before, each meal does more than give spiritual satisfaction, Mrs. Johnson says. The beauty and dignity of the blessing adds as much to the atmosphere of the meal as flowers, colorful linen or attractive china. The few moments of quiet

### Slight Gain in Cotton Price Marked Up Last Week as Crop Estimate Given

Prices for cotton advanced again during the week and gained about \$1.75 a bale according to the Department of Agriculture's weekly release to The Times. Farmers were reported to be selling a little less freely. Offerings of the lower grades increased. Mills continued to buy cotton, but in less volume than for last week. Cotton production for 1947 was estimated at 11,694,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight by the Crop Reporting Board. Ginnings through November totaled 10,656,000 bales.

Cotton ginned from this year's crop is higher in grade but shorter in staple than for last year. Picking was retarded by rains and wet fields in most sections of the belt.

Prices for middling 15-16 inch cotton in the 10 spot markets averaged 36.04 cents per pound on Thursday, December 11, as compared with 35.70 cents a week earlier and 32.07 cents on the corresponding Thursday a year ago. The average price for the week ended Wednesday was 35.85 cents per pound as compared with 35.64 cents for the previous week.

Prices were strong throughout most of the week but declined a little on Thursday. The principal gains were on Monday and Tuesday following the release of the crop forecast. The "basis" remained firm throughout most of the belt.

Prices for textiles continued firm to higher. Increases averaging over 10 per cent in prices for rayon and covering all categories were announced by one of the principal producers of rayon. It was expected in trade circles that others would also soon announce higher prices.

Indicated supply of upland cotton for the current season is about 13,777,000 bales, consisting of 3,289,000 bales in the carry-over August 1,

and an indicated production of 11,388,000 running bales. This indicated supply for this season is 12 per cent less than the 15,680,000 bales for 1946-47.

Cotton ginned through November 30 totaled 10,656,000 bales, according to the Bureau of the Census. This was 88 per cent of the indicated production. Cotton ginned through November this year averaged higher in grade but shorter in staple than during this same period last year. The supply of upland cotton for this season will contain about the same number of bales of middling cotton, much larger volumes of strict middling, good middling and good middling spotted cotton and much smaller quantities of most other grades. With respect to staple the supply for this year will contain somewhat larger amounts of 31-32 inch through 1 1-32 inch and smaller quantities of all other lengths. The supply of 1 3-32 inch and longer is expected to be considerably less than for last season.

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### Lamesa to Host Five-County Night Singing

Lamesa will be host Saturday night to the Five-County Singing Convention in an all-night session of gospel and class songs.

J. Lawrence Deavers of Snyder, convention president, reports the all-night session will get underway at 7:00 o'clock. Refreshments will be served singers and quartets of the South Plains at an appropriate hour.

The Five-County Singing Convention is composed of Scurry, Nolan, Dawson, Howard and Mitchell Counties.

Numbers of Scurry County folks are slated to attend the all-night session.

In Madison, Wisconsin, a woman was arrested three times in two days on charges of intoxication. The judge advised her to abide by her name—Rose Drinkwater.

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### Two Tourist Cabins Destroyed by Flames

Two tourist cabins at Carden's Tourist Courts, two blocks north of the Snyder square, were destroyed by fire Monday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock.

Flames, which started in one of the cabins, were well underway when the fire department crew arrived, but they were stopped by effective fire fighting by the group under Fire Chief N. W. Autry.

### Social Security Man Due in City Tuesday

A representative of the Social Security Administration Athlens office will be at the post office in Snyder on Tuesday, December 23, at 11:30 o'clock a. m. The Times is asked to advise its readers.

All persons wishing to see him should call promptly at 11:00 a. m. as he will remain in the office only a short time.

I have learned silence from the talkative, toleration from the intolerant, and kindness from the unkind; yet strange, I am ungrateful to those teachers.—Kahlil Gibran.

before eating calms emotions and consequently the digestive system is in much better working order. This is particularly true for small children, but adults also benefit from the short respite from worry, haste or excitement. It's an old-fashioned custom, perhaps, but it still fits in the modern picture of family life.

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### Hermleigh to Host Tournament for District 17 Girls' Basketball Teams

Hermleigh High School will be host to a District 17 basketball tournament for girls' teams the third week-end in February.

Election of a new director for District 17 in high school girls' basketball, acceptance of Hermleigh's bid to have the tournament there and voting of Colorado City into district play marked three highlights of the district meeting held Tuesday in the office of Ed P. Neinas, Nolan County school superintendent.

Schools represented at the party were Colorado City, Post, Westbrook, Hermleigh, Highland and Roby.

W. R. Taylor of Hermleigh and S. A. Walker of Westbrook were nominated for chairmanship of the district. Taylor was elected district chairman of the gathering. Clark Prater of Colorado City acted as temporary chairman when the meeting started.

After Colorado City was voted into District 17 High School Girls' Basketball League, Superintendent J. T. Bryant of Hermleigh extended an invitation for the tournament to be staged at the southeast Scurry County town. The league voted to accept Hermleigh's invitation. The district tourney, it was voted, will be held at Hermleigh the third week-end in February.

County winners, it was stated, will be certified by the second week-end in February. Short Lawson and a helper to be selected by him will be used for the district tournament.

District attendants voted to run consolation division of basketball play. Fee of each team entering has been set at \$2. Maximum number of passes to one school will be 15. Overnight accommodations will be allowed.

In addition to Neinas, others present for Tuesday's district conference were N. A. King of Post, Ed Williams of Colorado City, S. A. Walker of Westbrook, J. T. Bryant and P. R. Taylor of Hermleigh, P. H. Buster of Highland and John W. White of Roby.

**Not Bedfellows.**  
"I was so cold last night I couldn't sleep. I just lay there and shivered."  
"Oh! Did your teeth chatter?"  
"I don't know, we don't sleep together."

A recent survey of 150,000 secondary school children indicates that they believe the influence of home and family accounts for 38 per cent of their personalities. The influence of teachers and church tied at five per cent.

### Mrs. Georgia B. Egerton Passes In Pennsylvania

Mrs. Georgia B. Egerton, longtime resident of Snyder, died December 9, 2:45 p. m. at the home of a daughter in Lewistown, Pennsylvania. She left Snyder about five years ago.

Funeral rites were held December 12 at Lewistown, home town of two of her three daughters, and burial was in a Lewistown cemetery.

Mrs. Egerton was born near Iredell, Texas, and came with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Buchanan of Snyder, at the age of 11 years, and spent her youth in Snyder. Her married life was in Dodge City, Kansas, where her husband, the late Thomas S. Egerton, is buried. She, with her daughters, then came to Snyder to make their home. Two of the daughters now live at Lewistown, Pennsylvania. The oldest daughter, Mrs. R. E. Farley, lives at Pampa, she, too, having been with her mother most of the time since she had surgery last June 23.

Mrs. Egerton is also survived by five sisters, the oldest of whom, Mrs. Mattie B. Trimble of Pecos, who had been visiting with her son, Colonel Mattie B. Trimble of Pecos, who had lington, Virginia, since September, died at Washington, D. C., December 11. Mrs. Egerton is also survived by three grandchildren, Van and Kristine Tabb and Betsy Wray, all of Lewistown.

### Snyder General Hospital

Patients at Snyder General Hospital since last week's report in The Times have included:

Tonsillectomies—Miss Jean Hughes of Snyder; H. P. Billingsley of Dunn. Surgery Patients—Mrs. W. L. Rhoades of Snyder; Ellen Jean Clarkson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Clarkson of Arah Route; Mrs. W. U. Hicks of Hermleigh.

Medical Patients—Mrs. M. E. Goss of Snyder; Mrs. L. A. Crenshaw Jr. of Snyder; Carolyn Jean Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Clark of Ira; Roger Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Williams of Snyder; Jay Don Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Rogers of Snyder; Mrs. J. O. Martin of Route 3, Snyder; E. B. Alexander of Snyder; James Layfield of Snyder; Dorothy Wilburn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wilburn of Snyder; Wanda Kelley of Snyder; J. C. Justice of Fluvanna; Mrs. R. L. Peeks of Ira.

### County Schools Close Tuesday for Holidays

All Scurry County schools were slated to close next Tuesday for the Christmas holidays, according to Forrest W. Beavers, county superintendent.

Snyder Schools will dismiss classes until Monday, January 5, according to M. E. Stanfield, superintendent. Reopening date for other schools of the county could not be ascertained by The Times Wednesday.

### Older by Far,

Teacher—"Why does a man's hair turn gray quicker than his mustache?"

Jimmy—"Cause it had a 20-year start."

If a husband's words are sharp, maybe it's from trying to get them in edgewise.

**ON THE MAP THIS WEEK**

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Coffee	Admiration Pound	49c
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### Cottonseed Moves to Mills at Steady Rate At Prices Holds Up

Cottonseed movement to crushing mills increased in Texas and Oklahoma during the week, according to the certificates received by the U. S. Department of Agriculture's weekly report to The Times.

Generally good weather for harvesting during the first part of last week and the preceding week allowed gins to operate at a rapid rate.

Prices in Texas for wagon lot seed f. o. b. gins advanced \$2.40 per ton during the week. Average price for the state was \$102.10 per ton as compared with \$99.70 last week. Texas prices ranged from \$95 to \$110 per ton, the highest being in the South Plains area. Price was \$100 in Scurry County last week.

Cottonseed grades average 104 in Texas, which was the same as last week. In Texas several quality discounts were made for excess foreign matter.

Prices for cottonseed oil and other vegetable oils have declined recently. The decline reflects the reluctance of consumers to follow the higher prices and the uncertainty of developments with respect to exports of oils and fats. Market activity probably will continue slow until after the holiday.

**Loss Was Expected Soon.**  
Smitty—"Sorry, old man, to hear about your wife running away with that butler."  
Jones—"Oh, that's all right. I was going to fire him anyway."

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North Side of Square



County Resident 54 Years, C. M. Dock Kelley Dies

Heart attack was credited with taking the life of C. M. (Dock) Kelley, 62, farmer who lived three miles southeast of Snyder, Thursday morning of last week about 8:00 o'clock.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the First Baptist church, of which he had been a member for many years.

Piggly Wiggly Folks Go to Tuesday Party

Employees of Piggly Wiggly stores in Snyder and Sweetwater and of the Hot Spot Grocery in Sweetwater were guests in the J. M. Lawrence home in Sweetwater Tuesday night for the annual Christmas party of the three concerns.

The party was in the form of a buffet supper, which featured a menu of turkey, dressing, ham and other Christmas goodies.

Kelley of Snyder and Ernest Kelley of Wichita, Kansas; and three sisters, Mrs. Oscar Davis of Snyder, Mrs. Earl Patrick of Snyder and Mrs. Mae Brooks of Modesto, California.

IRA COMMUNITY NEWS

Mrs. Mabel Webb, Correspondent

It has been pretty cold the past few days here. Crops are almost out now.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bishop returned home Saturday after a month's visit with their daughter, Mrs. Elmer Winn, and family at Archer City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Huddleston and sons of Knapp spent Sunday in the Ellis House and J. F. Jordan home.

Jack Holladay had the misfortune of getting his side hurt while working on a school bus.

Those from here attending the Odessa-Wichita Falls football game Saturday at Wichita Falls were Mr. and Mrs. Rea Falls and children, Tommy and Ann, and Barbara Holladay, G. C. Chaney, Wayne Eubank, Eugene Kruse, Bob Norred and Curtis Hodges.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Holladay and children of Snyder visited Mrs. O. H. Holladay and daughter, Doris.

Edgar Taylor of Snyder was visiting in our community Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Webb and son, Buddy, of O'Donnell were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Suter.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Webb of Brownfield spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Des Bryant, and sons.

Mrs. Susie Gabbert of Lubbock spent part of last week with her brother, J. F. Jordan, and Mrs. Jordan.

Limit of Her Endurance

Wife (to husband who had had a few drinks too many)—"No, I can't forgive you, Archibald. This is the end. If this were the first time it would be different, but you came home in the same condition in November, 1918."

An old penal code of China provided that a man could obtain a divorce if his wife was too talkative, or if she ignored his parents.

ALMANAC

- Plough deep while sluggards sleep. DECEMBER 17—Pan American Aviation Day. 18—13th Amendment proclaimed in effect, 1935. 19—New Jersey ratified the Constitution, 1787. 20—Louisiana becomes a territory, 1803. 21—First day of winter. 22—U.S. Navy created, 1775. 23—Federal Reserve bank system organized, 1913.

Union News

Mrs. J. B. Adams, Correspondent

Jack Wright was honored at a surprise birthday party at the school house Friday night. After singing "Happy Birthday," games of forty-two were played and gifts presented.

Ellen Jane Clarkson underwent an appendicectomy Sunday afternoon at Snyder General Hospital.

Mrs. E. M. Boles and Donna Gean of Lamesa spent Friday and Saturday in the J. B. Adams home.

The adult Sunday School class of the Baptist Church met Thursday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Langford for their Christmas social.

Prosperity is too apt to prevent us from examining our conduct, but adversity leads us to think properly of our state, and so is most beneficial to us.—Johnson.

Dermott News

Johannie Maddipati, Correspondent

J. H. Caddell visited at Ranger and Merkel last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Crosson and Mervell Wilson visited Sunday at Old Glory. Don Bristow returned with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Roddy and John Henry visited Wednesday night with the A. N. Edmondsons.

Bobbie Millhollon visited Thursday night in Snyder with Verna Greenfield.

L. A. Williams is still sick at the home of his daughter, Mrs. H. O. Greenfield, in Snyder.

Several from this community attended the funeral of C. M. (Dock) Kelley at Snyder Saturday. We extend sympathy to Mrs. Kelley and Leslie in their sorrow.

Between 1930 and 1946, inclusive, the highest average weight of cattle slaughtered under federal inspection was 961 pounds in 1941 and the lightest was 859 pounds in 1935.

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Misellaneous FOUR PER CENT INTEREST on farm and ranch loans, 20 to 34 years time.—Hugh Boren, secretary-treasurer, Snyder National Farm Loan Association, Times basement. 25-lf Snyder Chapter No. 450, Order of Eastern Star, will hold stated meetings on the first and third Thursday nights, 7:00 o'clock at Masonic Hall. Visitors welcome.—Leona Weathers, W. M., Oma Wren, Secretary. 5-lf POULTRY RAISERS, you will get more eggs this fall and winter if you use Quick-Rid Poultry Tonic. It is a positive flock wormer, repels all blood-sucking parasites and is one of the best conditioners on the market. Sold and guaranteed by your dealer. 15-lf Scurry County Memorial Post No. 8231, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Snyder, Texas, meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month.—R. M. Hedges, Commander; J. C. Williamson, Adjutant; Aelfee Kincaid, Quartermaster. 4tc NOTICE Notice is hereby given that Tri-Service Drilling Company, a copartnership, composed of M. W. Branum, K. I. Pouch and E. T. Smith, is being incorporated under the name of Tri-Service Drilling Company, a corporation. All debts due the above mentioned partnership are to be paid and those due from the same discharged at 1810 30th Street, in the City of Snyder, Texas, which will also be the home office of the above mentioned corporation. The above named partnership is terminated as of the 1st day of December, 1947.—M. W. Branum, K. I. Pouch, E. T. Smith. Dated this 1st day of December, 1947. 25-4c USE WOOD PRESERVER in your chicken house to kill and repel insects, mites, fowl ticks (blue bugs) and termites. Application lasts for year.—H. L. Wren Hardware. 43-lf HURRY AND FINISH your bulb planting some time in December. We still have paper white narcissus for water, tulips, hyacinths, daffodils and amarillis.—Bell's Flower Shop. 27-3c NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the shareholders of the capital stock of Snyder National Bank, Snyder, Texas, will meet in their regular annual meeting in the offices of said bank, at 10:00 o'clock a. m., on Tuesday, January 13, 1948, for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any other business that may properly come before said meeting.—A. C. Alexander, Vice President. 27-4c CARD OF THANKS We wish to thank Sterling Williams, our state representative, and Congressman George Mahon for all their kindnesses in connection with determining that our son, Colin P. Carey, was not on the ill-fated transport that crashed last week in Labrador.—Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Carey, Hermleigh. 1p CARD OF THANKS We wish to express our sincere and heartfelt appreciation to the many kind friends for every deed of loving service and comforting word spoken in the trying hours following the recent death of our loved one May our Heavenly Father bless you everyone.—Mrs. Dock Kelley and Lesle. 1p



### Death Comes to Mrs. Trimble at Capital Hospital

Funeral services for Mrs. Mattie B. Trimble, former Scurry County clerk, were held Monday morning at the Snyder First Methodist Church. Mrs. Trimble had died December 11 in a Washington, D. C. hospital after a lengthy illness.

Rev. W. H. Hanks, pastor, assisted by Rev. M. W. Clark and Rev. W. A. Casseday, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiated.

Mrs. Trimble was born in Virginia and came with her parents to Central Texas in her childhood. She was married to Charles B. Trimble in Snyder October 18, 1898. Mr. Trimble died about 20 years ago. She was clerk of the county court from 1935 to 1939. Mrs. Trimble left Snyder about two years ago to make her home at Pecos.

Pallbearers were H. J. Brice, J. P. Nelson, Wayne Boren, W. E. Donk, Lee Stinson and E. J. Randall.

Flower bearers were Misses Eunice Smith and Maude Akers and Misses Inez Brown and Laman Wade.

Following the services held at Snyder Monday morning, the body was carried to Seminole, where funeral rites were held Monday afternoon.

Interment was in the Seminole Cemetery where Mr. Trimble had been buried. Odom Funeral Home of Snyder was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Trimble is survived by a son, Colonel Homer B. Trimble, with the U. S. Army in Virginia; two grandsons, Davidson B. Trimble of Austin and Charles Trimble, in service in Japan; and four sisters, Mrs. W. M. Caviness of Corpus Christi, Mrs. Courtney Mellard of Marfa, Mrs. Mary B. Shell of Kerrville and Mrs. E. P. Smith of Fort Worth. Another sister, Mrs. Georgia B. Egerton, died December 9, two days before Mrs. Trimble's death.

### Seven in Band Go To Clinic at Tech

Principal Purris Williams in assembly Tuesday, December 10, announced the names of the band members who were chosen to attend the clinic at Lubbock December 12.

A committee of music directors from Texas Tech selected the students on recommendations from the local band director.

The following attended: Max Wayne Haral, clarinet; Jack Gorman, alto saxophone; Purris Williams Jr., cornet; Eloise McDow, French horn; Charles Birdwell, trombone; Norman Inman, baritone; and Dabney Williams, alto saxophone. This clinic will be composed of 100 instruments and players.

Mr. Williams stated, "It is hoped that the entire band will benefit from participation and observing other students' participation in this event. Band members wish to thank all who made the trip possible." Mr. Williams added.—S. H. S. Tiger's Tale.

### COTTON QUIZ



**Hard on Shins, Too.**  
Of all the surprises, there's nothing to compare  
With treading in the darkness on a step that isn't there.

Peace is the proper result of the Christian temper. It is the great kindness which our religion doth us, that it brings us to a settlement of mind, and a consistency within ourselves.—Bishop Patrick.

### Merkel Loses to Levelland in Grid Regional Game

Merkel High School's Badgers, playing for the regional football championship, lost a heart-breaking tilt, 20 to 19, last Friday night at Levelland to the Levelland High School's Lobos.

No Class AA play-off, no championship struggle in any category ever packed more excitement into one final quarter than did this season's battle between Merkel's belligerent Badgers and a scarlet-clad group of warriors from Levelland.

It was jittery Bobby Hart, the Lobos' great little 155-pound field general, who pulled it out of the fire and sent Coach Truett Rattan's never-say-die gridgers from the South Plains into the lead when it counted most—slightly more than a minute before the final whistle sounded.

Merkel, winner of the District 8-A title (Snyder's district) had a week earlier defeated Seminole for the bi-district crown.

Merkel held a big edge in statistics for the game, counting 19 first downs to eight for Levelland, and gaining 229 yards rushing to 67 yards for the Lobos.

A well governed mind learns in time to find pleasure in nothing but the true and the just.—Ariel.

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## Area Farmers Closing Year In Good Shape

Wellesley, Mass., Dec. 15.—The other night I attended the Men's Club of a local church. On the program was singing by the High School Glee Club of 50 students. It was wonderful music. After the meeting, I suggested to one of the teachers that it would be more interesting to the business men present—most of who were employers—to put on demonstrations in spelling and in mental arithmetic. The teacher replied: "I'm sorry but it would be a failure."

Now there is no objection to high schools having Glee Clubs, bands, hockey teams, etc.—but why not also give exhibitions in spelling, arithmetic and some of the other things in which we business men are also interested? We especially would like to see the school teachers themselves give such an exhibition!

**We Want Better Spellers.**

I am very serious in making this suggestion: We want better spellers. Yet, if you as a reader pass these thoughts along to your high school principal he will pass them off with a laugh. He does not recognize that you and others are paying his salary. Voting of more money for schools will accomplish little. It even may hasten the breakdown of our entire economy through over-taxation. Most all communities appear to be in this unbalanced predicament. Do not think that Wellesley is any different from other places. Most teachers all employ the same non-useful systems which are taught at the normal schools.

Too many business men have employees who are high school graduates who can neither read nor write correctly. The manager of a large sized grocery chain had occasion to use high school help Friday afternoons and Saturdays. This help was hired at headquarters and sent out to him. About one in 10 of those who were sent to him had to return to the school because they either could not read his writing or he could not read theirs. As for simple addition subtraction and multiplication they were impossible.

I suggest that readers contact some old grade teachers and see what they will say. Many believe the present day system of emphasizing non-essentials will not stand the test of time. Don't blame the teachers. They must teach as their superiors order. When you finally trace down why your graduates are so inefficient you will find that the fault is with the school committees. They are looking for votes and hence make courses to please the children and avoid courses in which the children of their voters might fail.

**Dishonest Promotions.**

Another serious defect in our system is that school committees rate teachers by the percentages of failures in any one class. If this

### Christmas Program At Assembly of God

Smaller children of the Sunday school will be featured in a special Christmas program at the Assembly of God Church, according to Rev. Robert Owens, pastor, next Tuesday evening, December 23, to which members of the congregation and the general public are invited.

Program will start at 7:15 o'clock Tuesday evening. Scenes from the Christmas story will be given at the church program, featuring especially the actions of the wise men at the time of Christ's birth.

Leaders in the beginners, primary and junior departments are sponsoring the program, Rev. Owens states.

is above a certain fixed basis, the teacher is penalized for inefficiency. In other words, the committee blames the teachers rather than the student and the parents. This causes each teacher, in turn, to pass pupils from one grade to the next rather than be down-graded on her own records.

Recently a brilliant school teacher contacted my friend, John Walmer, in an attempt to get some sort of a petition signed. He kidded her about working with any group of "neither write or read correctly" would turn out graduates who could not read or write. When she sought to deny such is possible, she was given definite names of graduates. The teacher replied: "Very well, they may not be able to read or write now, but they could when they graduated."

**Social Promotions.**

I learn that many school committees permit social promotions. You just cannot put a quart of milk into a half-pint bottle. And school committees state it is just as obvious that you just cannot keep a 17-year-old child in the third grade indefinitely. It is most certainly so if the child has to go to school until he is 18. Most teachers are allowed a 10 to 15 per cent "social promotions" by many school committees. As an old teacher tells me, students are promoted from class to class, and finally "graduated," without the ability to read or write correctly or to do simple mental arithmetic correctly. They are vomited out on an unsuspecting public as "graduates," with fourth grade educations. This must be corrected if our public school system is to command respect.

**LETTERS to SANTA CLAUS**

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a set of Lincoln logs and 12 little cowboys. I also want a set of twin six-guns, a Walt Disney Mickey Mouse airplane and a one-foot station wagon.  
Your truly—Thomas Risby, at Travelers Inn, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa: How are you today? Please bring me a bicycle and a wrist watch. Please bring me some candy and oranges. I am nine years old. I have been good. I am in the third grade.  
Love—Clyde Watkins, Knapp.

Dear Santa: I would like a pig, a dog and a cat.  
Your friend—Dale Nolan, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a foot, ball for Christmas. Santa, I have tried to be a good boy. And I want a helmet, Santa.  
Your friend—Donald Stewart, Snyder, Route 2.

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Your friend—Harriet Redwine, 2704 Avenue W, Snyder.

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Love—Lottie West.

Dear Santa: I am a girl. I am in the fifth grade in Mrs. Devenport's room. I hope to see you Christmas night. There will be presents for you and Mrs. Santa under the tree.  
Your friend—Mary Ann James.

Dear Santa: I want a doll that laughs and cries, one that will open and shut its eyes, and a cradle that has a stand that was made in some other land.  
Mom wants an electric stove so she can't smell gas with her nose. She also wants some silver.  
Dad wants a pretty tweed suit and also a pair of boots. He wants a belt and a hat made of felt.  
Your friend—Mary Stinson.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a doll to bring me a flash camera, a jeep, a football suit and a horse, a silver plated saddle, a bike with puncture proof tubes.  
Your friend—Johnny Roberts, 2411 Avenue L, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a pair of boxing gloves and a pair of skates and I also want a football.  
Your friend—Billy Jack Wilson, Route 1, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like to have some guns and a knife and a pet and a watch, a football, a helmet, a baseball glove.  
Your friend—Billy Ray Sellers, Avenue K, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa: I would like a football and a BB gun. Could you bring me what I want? I am nine years old and in the third grade, and like what you gave me last year.  
Your friend—Edward Johnson.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a BB gun and an erector set and gun holsters, candy and peanuts and walnuts. I am nine years old. I am in the third grade.  
Love—Adrian Banks.

Dear Santa: I want you to bring my little brother a farm set, my little sister a doll that wets in its britches. Santa, bring my mother

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a pretty pen to wear on her coat. Santa, please bring my daddy a new belt and for me a sewing set.  
Love—Hazel Crews, General Delivery, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like to have an air rifle and nuts and candy. Don't forget the other people, too.  
Your friend—Bruce Henley, Box 454, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa: I am in the fifth grade and have been making good grades and hope you will bring me some gloves, a compact, a bicycle and candy and nuts and also fruit.  
With love—Patsy Ruth Lauw.

Dear Santa: I want a bracelet and a doll for Christmas. I also want a necklace. I live in Snyder, Texas. My house address is 807 26th Street. Be sure to fill my stocking. It will be hanging on the wall by the Christmas tree.  
Love—Miss Jane Ann Rogers.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a girl eight years old and am in the third grade. I am making good grades. I have a good teacher. I am very glad that you are coming soon. Please bring me a doll house and a little drum and a bicycle, and I

promise to be a good girl. I have a brother six years old and a sister four years old. Hope you will bring something to them, too.  
With love—Olga Gonzalez, 1906 22nd Street.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a doll, also a dog like the one I had when I was three. Please bring me a radio-record player combination. I also want a new bicycle horn. There is one more thing I want and it is some Christmas lights.  
Love—Carol Sue, 3012 Avenue X, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a ring and a sewing set and lots of nuts. I am eight years old. How old are you? I am in the third grade. My brother wants a ring, too.  
Love—Dorothy Murphy.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a boy in the fifth grade and I have tried to be good. I want a bicycle and a football and also nuts and candy. And I want some fireworks, too.  
Love—Jimmie Joy Key.

Dear Santa Claus: I am in the third grade and I am eight years old. Please bring me some candy and some apples. Please bring me a

pair of skates and a pretty wetting doll. Please bring me some dishes. And don't forget mother and dad.  
Love—Barbara Ann Neal.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a boy in the fifth grade and I would like to have a bicycle and don't forget too, candy and nuts.  
Your friend—Jerry Mac Dennis.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a boy of 10 years of age. I want a football and a football suit and some fruits and candy.  
With love—William Brownfield.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a bicycle and a Mickey Mouse wrist watch. I am in the third grade.  
Love—Fred McFarland, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a girl in the fifth grade. I am telling you what I want for Christmas. I want a kodak, pair of skates and some fruits, nuts and some candy, and also some presents, too. That's all I want this Christmas.  
Your friend—Mary Nell Strickland, Snyder, Texas.

More SANTA CLAUS LETTERS on Pages Four and Five of This Section

### Cash Income for October in State Soars to Record

Scurry County farmers and ranchers, like those of the rest of the state, were in good financial condition as the year 1947 nears its close, a review of bank balances, recent investments in farming equipment and buildings, and a check-up of debt payments for lands revealed.

Texas farmers cashed in with the stakes high during October as farm cash income soared \$100,000,000 above its September level to score a 42 per cent monthly jump, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reported in a special release to The Times.

Estimated farm cash intake for the state reached \$342,210,000 in October, exceeding October, 1946, income by 55 per cent. The bureau's seasonally adjusted index stood at 550 in October (base: 1935-39 as 100). The index was slightly under the September mark, since the monthly advance failed to come up to gains called for in the seasonal pattern.

The gain in intake over October last year is especially significant in view of the fact that gains were expected to be less spectacular for the second half of this year than they were for the first. The basis of comparison has changed: In the first half of the year the comparison was between a free market and OPA-celled prices of a year before.

Cumulative income for Scurry County and the rest of the state for the year to date is 47 per cent above the January-through-October intake last year. The \$1,501,351,000 total is a result in part registered by all but two districts of the state. Greatest jump for the nine-month period was in the Northern High Plains, where income shot upward 123 per cent to reach \$238,432,000 and mark up the second higher dollar intake figure for the state. Running first in cumulative income for 1947 was the Black and Grand Prairies District racking up a total of \$249,996,000.

The outstanding September-to-October record was made by the Southern High Plains, where the 29 per cent monthly hike pushed the seasonally adjusted index for the district up to 965. Scurry County is included in this district.

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# Kathleen Norris Says:

## What Is Christmas, Anyway?

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

"We can bring the true Christmas spirit into our hearts and homes."

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

ONE completely inexplicable thing has happened in all the world's history.

And this greatest and most influential event in our human story is also the one we can least understand.

If we could get away from ourselves for a while, look upon our lives objectively, as if from another planet, how trivial all the other events would seem—the wars, territorial changes, scientific discoveries, the heroes and the geniuses, the criminals and the warriors.

One story would shine out above all the rest. One story greater than human hearts can encompass, and so regarded by millions of human hearts as unbelievable.

Yet it is true. It is true that there was a baby born in a faraway land, nearly 2,000 years ago, and that his people were simple laborers, carpenters and fishermen, and that he very simply expressed an extraordinary theory of the fatherhood of God and the sonship of man, and laid down certain laws that were entirely opposed to the common sense of the day—as of this day, too—and that he did strange things, cured the lame and the blind, fed the hungry on a mysterious plenty of food, pardoned sinners with royal generosity.

This man never wrote a line, never had an influential friend, was deserted in his hour of need by his frightened companions, and died the death of a common criminal. And yet his name and his story go thundering down through the ages, and no other name, of leader or king, stands beside it. Saints have followed him, men, thousands of them, have died defending his law, but no other human ever spoke in a voice like his, and no other man ever could claim one-half, or one-tenth or one-hundredth of the fame that is His.

Let those who say they would believe if they could see one of His miracles consider this; that there is no human miracle that compares with the stupendous miracle that is this day this week — just this — just Christmas. Just the whole world rejoicing that He was born, great churches shaken with organ and glowing with thousands of candles, great hearts revelling in generosity and brotherhood, because of Him. Because of a young carpenter who died nearly 2,000 years ago, died under a cloud, died alone, and left only a few frightened friends to remember Him after His death.

What is the answer? Who can laugh off this stupendous fact? The only possible answer is that what He said was true, and that that truth of His, so difficult, so unacceptable to our human ways of thinking, persists on and on, and will not die. We cannot live it, it is too hard and high and dazzling for us, but we know that it is true.

We know that love fulfills the law. We know that we should forgive our enemies, do good to them that hate us. We know that we should not have two coats, that our less fortunate neighbor should have one. We know that we should feed the hungry, clothe the naked, comfort the sorrowing. And we know that if we had done all this there never could have been slums, crime, poverty, ignorance, war. We know it, but we cannot live it, and so the Christmases come and go, and we almost forget to connect His story with them at all.

This Christmas, give Him His



"Have the trimmings; presents, amusements..."

### For Your Child's Christmas Gift—A Shining Memory

By Grace Noll Crowell  
Christmas in a home should not require wearying preparations and burdensome expenditure. Small gifts, lovingly selected, small sacrifices willingly made, give strangely lasting joy.

### BIRTHDAY OF CHRIST

Once again, Christmas is here. To most of the world's population, this annual festival has no meaning. Even a large part of the so-called Christian world no longer sincerely believes in its central figure, Christ. They claim they cannot believe, says Miss Norris, unless they see "signs and wonders"—miracles. Yet, she goes on, what greater miracle is there than the continued world-wide celebration of the birthday of a humble carpenter, who died in obscurity and disgrace 1900 years ago?

It is the strange reality of the abiding faith in this Man that is the overwhelming mystery of Christmas, continues Miss Norris. While few actually live up to the elevated doctrines of His teaching, yet many strive to in a stumbling way, and almost everyone admits in his heart that the way of Christ is the way to peace.

This year, concludes Miss Norris, we should strive to emphasize the true meaning of Christmas in our family gatherings. The children especially should be impressed that Christmas is something more than a mid-winter festival, celebrated by feasting, giving of gifts and merry-making.

share. Have all the trimmings; the presents, the amusements, the feast, the family gathering. But remember that Christmas is based in this staggering miracle, and give it a little thought.

### Force of His Example.

If you do, many things must follow that finding of the Child who came at Christmas. You and I can do little to help the great troubled world, on this sad and shadowed Christmas. But we can bring the true Christmas into our hearts and into our homes. Forgiveness. Friendliness. Giving. Kindness. We all need these things so pitifully, and the rush and hurry, the fear and crowding, the anxiety and pressure that touch all our lives now, we forget them. Christmas has grown strangely away from Christ. And yet at the very core of Thursday's celebration there lies the force—the never-to-be-fathomed force—of His example.

It seems to me strange that in the knowledge of this mysterious element working among us, this un-silenced voice saying "Forgive. Love your neighbor. Blessed are the merciful," yet mankind still can regard other things as more important, other facts as more clearly proven.

What science says today science often contradicts tomorrow, today's great discovery is tomorrow's joke. But nothing makes out-of-date the simple words that were said so long ago, to so unimportant a group of bewildered fishermen. "Ask and you shall receive. The Kingdom of heaven is within you. My yoke is easy and my burden light. Come to me all ye who hunger and thirst."

On Christmas night, long ago, there came to this blind and blundering world the awful and trembling beginnings of a stupendous event. Nothing can ever happen again as terrifying, as shattering, as beautiful as the first Christmas.

### THE MANGER

By William Ellis  
We in America think of inns in terms of city hotels, and stables as separate buildings. Neither type applied to Bethlehem. There the inn, or khan, was a series of rooms about a courtyard, with only one common entrance to all. Built on a hillside, it followed the usual custom of digging into the limestone for the inner rooms of one side, which were really caves. These innermost apartments were used for horses and donkeys.

# The Times' Weekly Page of World News in Pictures



A CHILD SHALL LEAD THEM . . . Terry Tullos, a golden-haired polio victim from Laurel, Miss., has been chosen as the poster child for the 1948 March of Dimes campaign sponsored by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. At three, he is the youngest child ever selected for the March of Dimes poster to dramatize the anti-polio campaign. The appeal for funds will be made January 15 to 30.



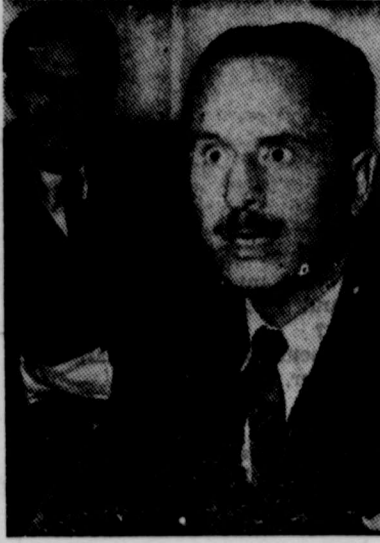
FRIENDSHIP TRAINING . . . It's a small-scale "Friendship Train" that trundles down temporary tracks along a production line in the Parker Pen company plant at Janesville, Wis., but it carries a lot of power to do good. The railroad system was inaugurated by employees as a means of collecting funds for Christmas gifts to Parker employees in England. More than 2,000 persons in U. S. plants and offices contributed to the fund.



MANHATTAN PORTAGE . . . New Yorkers, stolid and indifferent in the face of most unusual occurrences, stared when Peter Buritt sauntered along 32nd street from the Hudson river to the Pennsylvania hotel with a canoe on his head. Buritt, a Canadian World War II veteran, had just completed a two-year, 6,000-mile paddle from Victoria, B. C.



ON THE LONE PRAIRIE . . . Out in the wastes of the Arizona desert, 10 miles from the little village of Window Rock, lies this bleak, simple "war memorial cemetery" where bodies of Navajo Indians have been buried. Navajo Indian Tom Emerson stands before the little white headstones and fluttering stars and stripes to pay his respect to his fellow Americans who fell in the line of duty fighting for their native land.



OSWALD . . . Sir Oswald Mosley, prewar leader of the British Union of Fascists, staged a postwar comeback, announcing that he will form a "union movement" next year to attempt to win power in Great Britain.



"THANK YOU" . . . This Italian child may not know the English expression, "Thank you," but her gratitude is written clearly on her face as she receives a CARE package of food from the United States.



HO-HUM, ANOTHER RECORD . . . New air speed records are just routine these days. Latest was made by Woody Edmondson, who flew from Havana, Cuba, to Washington, D. C., one hour and 35 minutes faster than anyone else ever has negotiated the course.



ATTENTION STALIN . . . The gentleman with the eyes is Dr. Franz Polgar, Chicago hypnotist, who says he could insure world peace in five minutes by hypnotizing world leaders over the radio. "If they would let me," he adds wistfully.



POSTMASTERS . . . Jesse M. Donaldson (left), appointed postmaster general by President Truman, says farewell to his predecessor in that office, Robert Hannegan, who left the cabinet to take over control of the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team.



BIRTH OF A NATION . . . When the U. N. general assembly voted approval of the plan to partition Palestine into separate Arab and Jewish states, it was the signal for Jews all over the world to celebrate the achievement of a long-sought goal. At the base of the Statue of Liberty (left) soil which was brought to this country from Palestine in 1917 was mixed with free American soil. U. N. delegates (upper right) who supported the partition plan congratulated each other on their victory, and in New York Rabbi Abraham Shisgal (lower right) voiced a prayer of thanks and hope for peace in the new Jewish state of Judea.



ENIWETOK—ATOMIC BASE . . . When U. S. navy dive-bombers operated over the bleak, Jap-held Pacific atoll of Eniwetok (above) no one in the world was aware of the destiny in store for that little isle. It was impossible to know that Eniwetok one day would be made the world's most important "proving ground" for atomic energy experiments. Construction of facilities and installations for the purpose of developing and testing atomic weapons is now under way on Eniwetok. The army, navy and air forces are working together on the project.



"SEEING" HER PORTRAIT BY TOUCH . . . Bearded sculptor Jo Davidson looks on with deep admiration as Helen Keller, famed deaf-blind author, educator and social worker, views through the medium of her sensitive fingers the portrait bust of herself executed by Davidson. The bust, a remarkable likeness, was on exhibition at the art gallery of the American Academy of Arts and Letters in New York.



HEROES . . . Mickey and Sparky, the cat and dog, respectively, were decorated by the S.P.C.A. for saving 28 persons from possible death by gas in a Brooklyn apartment house.



MAYOR OF BOSTON—AGAIN . . . Five months after he was sentenced to the federal penitentiary at Danbury, Vt., on a charge of using the mails to defraud, James Michael Curley, 73, mayor of Boston, was pardoned by President Truman and returned to his job as Boston's top city official. Here, City Clerk John B. Hynes (right), who had served as mayor during Curley's absence, brings the returnee up to date on city affairs.



MOST VALUABLE DAD . . . Slugging Joe DiMaggio of the New York Yankees is shown with his son, Joe Jr., 6, as they staged a two-man celebration of Joe's selection as the most valuable player in the American league.







# LETTERS to SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a basketball, an electric train, a football, some fruits, nuts and candy, a BB gun and boxing gloves. I am seven years old and in the second grade.  
Love—Jerry Davis, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a horn, a basket for my bicycle, and some candy, nuts and fruit.  
With love—Janell Moore.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll with hair and sleepy eyes, some candy, nuts and fruit.  
With love—Patsy Faye Sneed.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a doll, a buggy, a story book, some fruits, nuts and candy. I am seven years old and in the second grade. I try to be a good girl.  
Love—Charlotte Ann Weller, 2803 Avenue X, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: I am eight years old. Please bring me two guns, a scabbard, a ball, bat and glove. Please remember all the other children.  
With love—Larry Ainsworth.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a BB gun, fruit, nuts, candy, a bicycle and football. I am 10 years old.  
Love—Ismael Gonzalez.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl nine years old. Would you please bring me a bicycle? I am in the third grade. I would like a set of dishes, too. My sister wants a doll and a doll buggy.  
Love, your friend—Barbara Lynn Frank, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa: We are two little boys five and eight years old. Please bring us two small bicycles, an electric train, musical tops and a rubber ball. We'll try to be good.  
We love you, Santa—Billy and Royce Watson.

Dear Santa: Please send me a BB gun and a gun, a pair of boots, a football, a bicycle, a bicycle tube, some apples and oranges.  
Your friend—Charles Harrall, Route 3, Hermleigh, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me records and a record player. I am eight years old.  
With love—Margaret Spence, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa: I want a pair of boots and a bicycle tube.  
Your friend—Rodger Blackard, Route 3, Snyder, Texas.

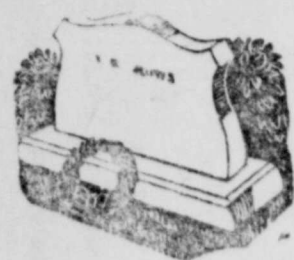
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a rubber, a farm, a caterpillar with a bulldozer on front, some candy, nuts and a gun.  
With love—Morris Dean Head.

Dear Santa Claus: I would appreciate it very much if you would give me a little white Shetland pony or any kind, and a beautiful home in Westwood for my parents.  
Your friend—Joanna Gale Forbes, Route 3, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me some boxing gloves, two guns, a cowboy suit, two scabbards, and some fruit, nuts and candy.  
Love—Dickey Martin.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a pair of skates and doll.  
Your friend—Sandra Ainsworth, Route 2, Snyder, Texas.

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Love—Keith McCormick, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a horse and bring my mother a set of silverware. Bring my dad a new car and bring my brother a horse and saddle. Thank you.  
Your friend—Carolyn Bill Nobles, Route 3, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me an electric train, an airgun and some fruit, nuts and candy. I am eight years old and in the second grade.  
Love—Jimmie Lee Matthews.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a BB gun and a box of BB's, some fruit, nuts and candy.  
Love—Johnny Huddleston.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a football and some shoulder pads for Christmas. I like to see

Christmas come and see the snow fall so that I can throw snow balls.  
Your friend—Elwyn Weathers, 3101 Avenue K, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me an electric train, some fruit, nuts and candy. I try to be a good boy.  
Love—Ronnie Pitner, 1212 28th Street, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a bicycle, a doll buggy, basketball, a doll sewing machine, a Dick Tracy camera and fruit, nuts and candy. I am eight years old.  
Love—Virginia Crawford, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like for you to bring me a motor scooter for Christmas.  
Your friend—Max Leon Martin, 2505 27th Street, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: For Christmas please bring me a rain coat and a pair of rain shoes.  
Your friend—Carmen Lee Simmons, 27th Street, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: Bring me a 22 rifle and a hunting knife and a football suit and a football. I would like a boy about my age to live by me.  
Your friend—Fred Eustis Cross, Route 2, Snyder.

Dear Santa: I have heard so much about you. Please bring me an electric stove and a rubber doll and a buggy and a pretty doll blanket and a pillow. Well, I guess that is all that I want. My mother said

that I could not have an electric stove. I am in the third grade and I am eight years old. December 16 I will be nine years old. My little brother loves you. Goodbye for today.  
Love—Rita Ann Grimmett.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a gun and scabbard and a sub-machine gun.  
Your friend—William Fikes, 2401 Avenue I, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a pair of skates, a doll house and lots of candy and nuts.  
Your friend—Ramon Ann Thompson, General Delivery, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll that has hair and can say "Mama;" also bring me some skates, candy and nuts.  
Your friend—Marsha Fisher, Snyder, Route 1.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a BB gun for Christmas, but most of all I want a wrist watch. I want a father rabbit to go with our mother rabbit. Also Sonny wants a BB gun

and we both want BB's to go with our guns. There are lots of other things I want but I can't think of them. I wish I could. I hope you have a very Merry Christmas. I forgot: For all of us I want a new car.  
With love—Sittie Harell.

Dear Santa Claus: I want a bicycle for Christmas and a sack of candy.  
Your friend—Ramona Leatherwood, Route 3, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: Bring me a pair of hunting boots and a chemistry set.  
Your friend—Hilton Horton, 2507 Avenue J, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me some nuts, candy and fruit. I would like to have a watch and a piano.  
Your friend—Christine Brown, 3111 Avenue M, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a pair of boots, a wrist watch and a bike.  
Your friend—Alfred Douglas James, Box 429, Snyder, Texas.

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Love—Dora Scarborough.

Dear Santa: I want a bicycle. Yours truly—Odin Leon Smith.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, a stove, some dishes and fruits, candy and nuts. I am eight years old.  
Love—Line Yvonne Setzler. I live at 812 32nd Street, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a BB gun and tool set. I am seven years old.  
Love—Charles Cockrell, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, nurse set, dish set and a ring, some fruit, nuts and candy.  
Love—Myrna Moore, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a BB gun, football and gun and scabbard and a cowboy suit. I am seven years old. I try to be a good boy. Don't forget the other children.  
Love—Albert Earl Hataway, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, sewing machine and a chenille robe, some nuts, fruit and candy. I am in the second grade I am seven years old.  
Love—Doris Lewis, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a bicycle and candy and nuts and fruits. I am seven years old and in the second grade.  
Love—Royce Dean Staton, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a bicycle, BB gun, fruit, nuts and candy. I am 13 years old and in the second grade. I try to be a good boy. Don't forget the other children.  
Love—Issiac Villarez.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a bicycle, a magic skin doll, some fruit, nuts and candy. I am seven years old and in the second grade.  
Love—Low Ann Norris, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a Sparkal doll and a zip-up note book and a ring.  
Your friend—Nancy Carolyn Ratliff, 2612 Avenue Y, Snyder.

## COTTON QUIZ

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Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a pistol, a packet, some boots (size 12 1/4), a game, boxing gloves and please bring Sammy a top and some toys, fruits, nuts and candy. Thank you.  
Love—Richard and Sammy Thomas, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like for you to bring me a record player. Your friend—Robbie Ann Pratt, 2912 Avenue S, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a gun, a mite and a ball.  
Your friend—Charles Lee Rinehart, Route 3, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a rubber skin doll. I want a bracelet, too. Oh, yes, I want a ring, too. I want a queque ball.  
With love—Dee Laverne Franklin.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me two guns and holsters, a cap and checked coat. Please remember all the other children.  
With love—Jerry Springer, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a gun and a red wagon and a dump truck. I am seven years old. I want lots of candy and nuts and fruit.  
With love—Melvin Wallace, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a gun and a red wagon and a dump truck. I am seven years old. I want lots of candy and nuts and fruit.  
With love—Harley Merritt.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a toy train, some candy, some nuts and a bat and a ball. Please bring me a cap gun.  
With love—Jim Simmons.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a cap pistol, caps, bat, ball, switch tracks for my electric train.  
With love—Ronald Miller, Route 1, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a pair of boots, a gun and scabbard.  
Love—David Shepherd.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a watch, dy-dee doll, a machine. Please remember all the other children, too.  
With love—Paula Dupree, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very nice boy this year. I would like to have a football, a bicycle

and a baseball and hat and some double-bubble chewing gum; and I would also like to have some nuts, fruits and candy. Thank you very much—Floyd Sutton.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a tool set, cash register, scabbard and two guns, a pany, a train and city.  
With love—Sammy Spikes.

Dear Santa—Will you please bring me a little steam shovel, wind-up tractor and a set of tinkler toys? Also a pair of cowboy boots. Thanks for being so good to me last Christmas.  
With love—Jimmy Jake Heffner.

Dear Santa Claus: We are two little boys, three, and two years old. We would like a tricycle apiece, a gun apiece and one train for both of us. We also want some fruit and candy.  
Sincerely yours—Dennis and Randall Decker.

Dear Santa Claus: I want you to bring me a football for Christmas. My sister wants a doll. Will you please bring them to us? I want a ball and bat, too. I have been a very good boy. Won't you bring it to me?  
Love—Larry Bills, Snyder.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a bicycle.  
Christy Kinsey, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: How are you? I want a diamond ring and a diamond watch, a car and a pair of shoes and a motor boat and a helicopter—and I think that it all.  
Mary Jo Harrell, Snyder.

Dear Santa Claus: I am in the fifth grade. I have made good grades, so please bring me a travel kit, a red scarf and a red skirt. I have tried to be good this year, so I will be looking for you Christmas eve. Please come.  
Love—Margaret B. McPherson.

Dear Santa Claus: How are you doing up in the North Pole? I think I have been a pretty good boy this year. What do you think? I don't want many things this year. All I want is a belt with my name on it and my daddy and sister and brother-in-law to come home for Christmas.  
Signed—Billy DeLoach.

Dear Santa: I would like for you to bring me a 22-rifle and also a camera. Please don't fail me.  
Yours truly—Jack Halpain.

Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a brand new bicycle for Christmas and a sack of candy,

oranges, apples and a whole sack of nuts. My birthday is on the 13th and you better not give me a paddling for me on my Christmas gift.  
Yours truly, Morris Paver.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a car, 30-30 rifle and a place to use it.  
A good little boy—Robert Glass.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a ring.  
Love—Lou Bird, Snyder.

Dear Santa: I would like two things for Christmas. They are a girl who has hair between a blond and brunette, and also bring me a football. Don't forget my four good teachers.—C. W. Dorman.

Dear Santa: I am a boy 13 years old and about five feet six inches tall, and weigh about 160 pounds. I want a negro doll, an electric train and some candy and nuts.  
Yours truly—Don Keller.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, a buggy, some fruit, nuts and candy. I am eight years old. I try to be a good little girl.  
Love—Oma Anne Iverson, 111 24th Street, Snyder.

Dearest Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a little doll with long black curls and a carton of bubble gum? I have been a very sweet little girl, and if you will bring me that, I will even be nice enough to ask you for a 1947 Studebaker.  
Yours very truly—Jenell Estell Darby.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a radio. I want a doll that shoots caps. I want a cash register.  
With love—Conlie Connell, Snyder, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a big wagon, some apples, some oranges and candy.  
Your friend—Larry Williams.

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60c per Pound or \$1 per Dozen  
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## Program for the Week:

# PALACE THEATER

Friday and Saturday, December 19-20—  
"WILD HARVEST"  
featuring Alan Ladd, Dorothy Lamour, Robert Preston and Lloyd Nolan. News and Comedy.

Saturday Night Prevue, December 20—  
"FEAR IN THE NIGHT"  
with Paul Kelly, Kay Scott, DeForest Kelley and Ann Doran.

Sunday and Monday, December 21-22—  
"WHERE THERE IS LIFE"  
starring Bob Hope with Signe Hasso and William Bendix. News and Novelty.

Tuesday, December 23—  
"TROUBLE WITH WOMEN"  
with Ray Milland, Teresa Wright and Brian Donley. News, Comedy and the latest "MARCH OF TIME." Bargain Night—Admission 14 and 25 cents.

Wednesday Only, December 23, Matinee and Night—  
"THE ARNELLO AFFAIR"  
with John Hodiak, George Murphy and Frances Gifford. News and Walt Disney Cartoon.

Thursday Only, December 24, Matinee and Night—  
"MERTON OF THE MOVIES"  
starring Red Skelton with Virginia O'Brien. News and Walt Disney Cartoon.

## MAKE HER Christmas Dreams COME TRUE



Nothing in this wide, wonderful world equals the joyous thrill of giving or receiving a piece of exquisite jewelry at Christmas. You and your loved one can enjoy this thrill—select her secret dream from our sparkling holiday collection.



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Exquisitely designed watches—all famous name makes.  
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Service for 8. Fine China in floral pattern.  
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Beautiful coffee service with serving tray.  
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Service for 8. Priced—\$39.75 to \$250.00  
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Very few things Mother can have will do as much for her as the new electric irons now available.

The gift of pleasure ALL will treasure—a new and modern radio. Stores which sell electrical appliances have many styles and sizes from which to choose.

First on many "would-like-to-have" lists—electric clocks. They are available in dozens of attractive styles.

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Electric blankets, comforters, foot-warmers and heating pads all have a lot to do with winter comfort. Look them over when you do your Christmas shopping.

For the woman who entertains—an electric coffee-maker set.

For Christmas Day, for every day, the whole family will enjoy the benefits that only an electric refrigerator can bring.

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Gift List: Mother, Dad, Grandpa, Sister, Brother, Harry

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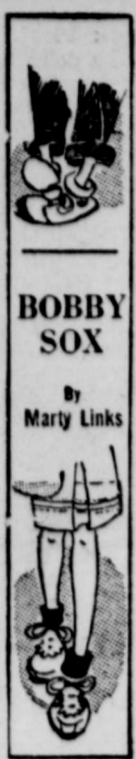
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"RIDERS OF PASCO BASIN"  
starring Johnny Mack Brown. "JUNGLE GIRL" Serial, Novelty and Comedy.

Sunday and Monday, December 21-22—  
DOUBLE FEATURE:  
"TUXEDO JUNCTION"  
a hill-billy Musical Comedy.  
"RAGTIME COWBOY JOE"  
with Buster Crabbe. Novelty.

# Williams Jewels





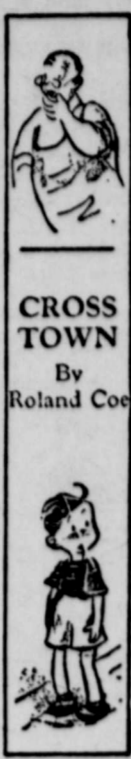


**BOBBY SOX**

By Mary Links



"But Alvin, wouldn't it be wiser to grow it first, and THEN get a mustache cup?"



**CROSS TOWN**

By Roland Coe



"Twenty-seven across, PLEASE?"



**Foreign Farm Aid**

CONGRESS seems inclined to go along with one presidential proposal—the baby of Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson—to encourage farmers in other countries to plant larger crops by promising them aid. Aid may be in the form of guaranteed prices, promises to buy, or in the form of machinery, fertilizer, seed or the swapping of consumer goods for food. If the proposal does go through, Secretary Anderson would become world secretary of agriculture.

In connection with aid to European farmers, the world farm plan is being revised. This plan was sponsored by Sir John Orr, England, before the FAO of the United Nations last year, but was side-tracked. But finances, industry and politics are involved. Great needs in Europe are fertilizer, seed and farm machinery. There's not enough fertilizer or farm machinery to go around here, so if it is shipped to Europe now some farmer in Indiana will have to do without. But talk is going on.

**Parity Formulas Vary**

What's your parity formula? You might as well get it into the pot, for everybody has one. Department of agriculture would use prices received and paid in the period 1909 to 1914 related to industrial prices adjusted for the last 10 years. National Grange has a sliding average covering the last 10 years and including cost of hired labor; the Pace formula would include not only hired labor, but also cost of labor of farmer and his family; National Milk cooperative provides a parity of income instead of prices to give farmers income equal to the average of industrial workers.

**Taft Control Totters**

The role of Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio, never too secure as GOP party leader in the senate, will prove infinitely more untenable during the regular session of congress convening in January, if his status in the special session is any criterion. The able Ohioan is finding there is a vast difference in—just being the senator from Ohio and chairman of the GOP steering committee, and in also being an announced candidate for the GOP presidential nomination.

Already the lines of division between GOP candidates for the presidential nomination are being drawn in the senate and house. There are Dewey adherents; champions of ex-Governor Stassen; Governor Warren admirers; a Vandenberg bloc. Over on the house side the same thing is true, with a segment of the congressmen beating the bushes for Joe Martin, their speaker.

Already Senator Taft has been severely censured for attempting to speak for the party without having counselled with other members of the policy committee. This was the case when he spoke out so sharply against the President's program for stopping inflation. Some Republican senators adhere to President Truman's program.

Particularly outspoken against Senator Taft's assuming the party voice have been Senators Flanders of Vermont, Tobey of New Hampshire, Baldwin of Connecticut, Watkins of Utah, Ives of New York, Cooper of Kentucky and others. From now on Senator Taft must speak for himself only, they contend.

The inside story is that while President Truman has been regarded as a "middle-of-the-roader," his message to congress on the state of the union in January will make a play for the tremendous independent and liberal vote. The hope is that his message may include recommendations for a big public health program, TVA programs in the Missouri valley and elsewhere, federal aid for education, a new FEPC, public housing, tax reduction for low income brackets only, tightening of anti-trust laws and other liberal legislation in the flavor of the Rooseveltian era.

**Further Action Unlikely**

Insofar as your Home Town Reporter can judge, about as near this special session of congress, or even the regular session, will go in giving President Truman a stand-by authority to reimpose rationing and price ceilings on basic commodities to halt inflation, is the appointment of a committee to look into the matter. That's what congress did in the closing days of the last regular session. These committees held hearings throughout the country.

Senator Flanders, chairman of one sub-committee, recommended almost all the measures which the President asked of congress, even price controls as a last resort. Senator Watkins, chairman of the Far West sub-committee, recommended the government corner the entire wheat supply. At this writing, Congressman George Bender of Ohio, chairman of the third subcommittee which held hearings in the Midwest, has made no report. He is Senator Taft's campaign manager in the presidential race.

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for either a boy or girl. Use a sturdy corduroy in navy or brown.

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**Liquid Sand**

Probably the only dry matter that behaves like a liquid is silver sand, used in grinding lithographers' stone. A hole punched in it immediately fills up, and any object that will sink in water will likewise sink in this strange substance.



Doesn't it seem more sensible?  
**ALL-VEGETABLE LAXATIVE**



AS PURE AS MONEY CAN BUY  
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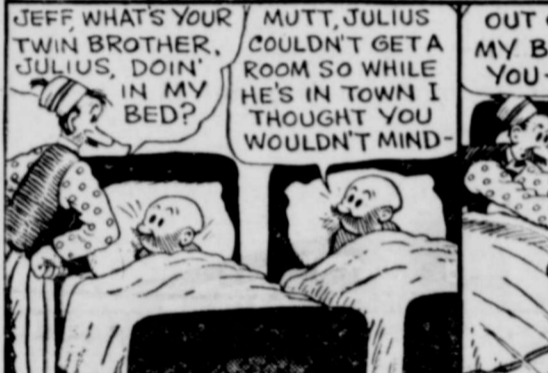
By Ernie Bushmiller

**LITTLE REGGIE**



By Margarita

**MUTT AND JEFF**



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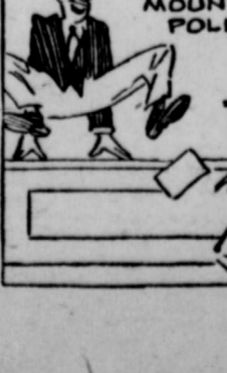
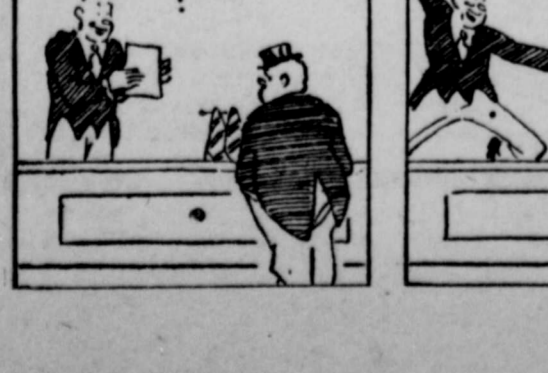
By Len Kleis

**SILENT SAM**



By Jeff Hayes

**POP**



By J. Millar Watt

HERE'S a practical set of play togs for winter wear—a pert suspender skirt for sis, and overalls and jacket that are suitable

**HOUSEHOLD HINTS**

Slip-cover baby's bottle. A wool bag will keep the milk from cooling. A drawstring at the top will fit the cover snugly to the bottle.

If your fabric has any holes or flaws in it, mark them plainly with pins, so you can cut around them. Be especially careful if the fabric has a definite pattern. Plan before cutting in such an instance.

To keep a recipe card in view and out of the way while cooking, insert the card between the tines of a fork placed handle down in a glass.

If you plan to have pop-corn strings for the Christmas tree this year, pop the corn a day or two before it's to be used. This gives pop-corn a chance to become tough, and the kernels won't break when the needle is pushed through them.

To cut cardboard, use a sharp pocket knife. Rubber is more easily cut if the knife blade is moistened with water. To cut thick leather, first immerse it in warm water for two or three hours.

Advertisement for 'The Lancer' shirt, featuring a man in a suit and a picture of the shirt. Text includes 'FRENCH CUFFS, WIDE-SPREAD ROLL COLLAR' and 'THE LANCER SHIRT'.

Large advertisement for Admiral 1000 Hour Power Pack. Includes text: '1000 Hour Power Pack Included with this Sensational New 1948 Admiral Battery Operated Table Model'. Features a large image of the power pack and pricing information: '\$39.95 Model 12 EASY TERMS'. Ends with 'Buy U. S. Savings Bonds!'.



Gems of Thought NEVER esteem anything as of advantage to thee that shall make thee break thy word or lose thy self-respect.

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BUSINESS & INVEST. OPPOR. SALESMEN—Christmas is coming. Make money now, selling "The Book of Knowledge."

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THE FICTION CORNER NO OTHER WAY By WILLIAM COLE

JUDY kept her eyes on the Jersey shore line all the while she was talking. "I don't know what to do," she said. "He asked me, if I could, to let him know tonight."

This Week's Best Fiction. sitting on the benches around them as though they were directly responsible. "Let me tell you," he said, "you've got to be somebody to survive to death in this town. Do you think they'll let anyone starve? Not you've got to have a background. You've got to have a college diploma and a law certificate and an office to hang them up in, and then, okay, you can go ahead and starve."

But Ted wasn't watching. His arms were hooked over the back of the bench and he was staring out on the Hudson. His short-cut hair and dark, brooding face stood out sharply against the cluster of lights from the Palisades. She reached out to touch him—to clear that face, even for a moment—then she fought back the impulse. "Oh, I'm going to kill him!" she thought wildly. "If he just sits there and takes it like that!"

"I think you should do it," Ted said. Judy went limp. She dug her nails into her flesh and felt nothing. "I . . . I promised I'd call him," she said weakly. "He'll be waiting. Imagine? Making a crack like that! She'd fix him good!"

Why shouldn't you? Ted said again. "This Richards can give you the things you should have." He straightened his leg and his heel tore a rut in the dirt path. "What can I give you?"

Nothing. Ted. Nothing at all, you big lug. Only everything a girl. . . "What could I give you?" Ted went on. "You'd have some life with me. Dinners in cafeterias. Evenings in parks. On our honeymoon, for variety we'd go to a museum. You'd have some sweet life!"

It didn't do any good to tell him that things were bad all over, that they would pick up; that, after all, he was only out of law school a short time. He didn't do any good, when he was like this, to tell him anything. He glared at the people

closed it quickly. When he let go of her she hung on to his lapels. Ted spoke through her hair. "You were saying something about some guy named Lloyd?"

JUDY waited until she could feel solid ground again beneath her. "Don't joke about it, Ted, please. The man wants to marry me." "He does?" Ted shook his head in wonder. "You don't say so?"

This was more like it. This was Ted. Judy sighed. If she could only keep him like that. "I don't suppose I want to marry you?" Ted said. "I suppose my intentions aren't honorable?"

He was still smiling, but it was very much on the surface. "I suppose, if there weren't a darn good reason, we wouldn't have married long ago?"

Two years, to be exact. Two years that could have been among the happiest in their lives. "Tell me," Judy said. She tried to keep her tone light. "Just for the record. What was that wonderful reason again?"

Ted turned away, wearily. "Let's skip that for once," he said. He was arrested (Ryan, not the chef, obviously). We do not know the restaurant involved or the merits of this case in detail, but we submit that to millions of American luncheon and restaurant patrons, Ryan represents a knight in shining armor. (But with an inadequate weapon.)

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The only enforcement of the auto laws in America is made out in the open spaces where there is little danger in the heart of the city, where there is complete chaos blended with mayhem and seasoned with slaughter, the word is "Keep it moving, let the pedestrian and the traffic rules fall where they may."

Seventy per cent of the auto drivers of America never heard of the elemental rules of the road, or passed a proper road test, and they are being encouraged to drive over their own grandmother rather than apply a brake.

Yours hopefully, Elmer. L.T.C. suggests, after listening to the U.N. debates, that what we are getting is "chin reaction."



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BREAK HOUSING JAM

ROCHESTER, N. Y. — In this modest city of 325,000 population, 15 business firms have organized to whip the housing shortage by building 114 more houses and renting them to 228 families for \$45 or less. It is not its first such housing project. Two previous developments have been begun, with one of them already completed.

The newest housing plan calls for an outlay of \$1,500,000 and will be the largest of the three. The non-profit corporation that is setting up the new units is composed of Rochester business firms, representing a cross section of the community's economy. In the newest development, with units renting for \$45, each family will have two bedrooms, a living-room, combination kitchen and denette, and full basement.

"There's nothing like it in the country, according to the Federal Housing Administration," said Harry Ruppert, city real estate advisor for the new corporation. The corporation got land for the developments from the city.

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Today's Style Proven Of Ancient Day Origin They call it the "new look." But the fashion designers are just kidding — the "new look" is at least 3,000 years old. According to history, the Babylonian girls of 1500 B. C. were wearing several garments of which adaptations now may be seen on the Montmartre in Paris, on Park Avenue or on Main street. The long, tubular tunic and the tight, long skirt was the fashion 3,000 years ago, according to World Book encyclopedia. So was the high-necked gown with flowing, three-quarter length sleeves and the darling, long skirt considered smart today. The only difference between then and now was that the women of 3,000 years ago had to provide their own hip lines. They hadn't thought of padding. For further parallels of today's styles, the encyclopedia editor had to ship to ancient Greece, around

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## Most Southwest Farm Markets Hold Firm as Hogs and Vegetables Decline

Generally firm to strong Southwest farm markets saw easier hogs and vegetables the only major exceptions last week, according to the Production and Marketing Administration's U. S. Department of Agriculture weekly report to The Times.

Poultry markets remained firm through the week, while eggs and turkeys scored material gains. Fresh eggs brought mostly 60 to 65 cents per dozen in the Southwest. Young turkey hens sold around 40 to 45 cents a pound, and toms 35 cents. Heavy hens moved mainly at 22 to 27 cents and fryers 32 to 35 cents, though New Orleans bid higher.

Cotton markets saw fairly brisk sales during the week but slightly off from the week before. Light to heavy rains curtailed harvesting, but most farmers sold freely. Fluctuating spot prices closed Friday \$1 to \$3.50 a bale higher.

Wintery weather in the Midwest grain belt cut country marketings the past week, and most grains scored new advances. Sharp upturn in wheat reflected important emergency allocations for December shipment. Active demand helped support fed grains.

Feeds were more settled, too, but mill feeds and cottonseed meal advanced \$2 a ton. Hay remained firm to strong on limited offerings despite restricted demand. Farmers stock peanuts continued to sell at support levels.

Butcher hogs eased slightly for the week at Southwest markets, as hogs lost some at Denver and feeder pigs dropped sharply at some terminals. Barrows and gilts closed at a top of \$25.75 at San Antonio and \$26.25 elsewhere. Sows moved generally at \$23 to \$25, and stocker and feeder pigs \$15 to \$22.

Sheep and goats scored general advances of around 50 cents or more. Good and choice fat lambs drew a top of \$23.50 at Fort Worth at the close, as Oklahoma City reached \$23, Wichita \$24, Denver \$24.50, and San Antonio \$22.50. Wools saw little activity, but some Texas 12-months sold at 50 cents a cress, pound.

Strong, active cattle markets showed general gains of 50 cents to \$1.50 during the past week. All groups shared the higher prices, though sows, calves and stocker calves dominated trade. Common and medium cows turned at \$13.50 to \$15.50 at Houston and San Antonio, \$14 to \$17 at Fort Worth and Wichita, and \$15 to \$17.50 at Oklahoma City. Denver paid \$16.50 to \$20.50 for medium and good lots.

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## Let Make Christmas Safe

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City officers are warning through The Times columns this week concerning the shooting of fireworks within the city limits. They caution youngsters and oldersters to use discretion in the pyrotechnic displays. Law enforcement officials were once boys, too, and no effort is being made to prohibit fireworks, but the use of common sense in their firing is urged.

City, county and state officials again warn automobile drivers to step easy on the gas and hard on the brakes during the holiday season, when traffic is slated to reach a new period of congestion. When we have a yen for speed and carelessness usually is when auto accidents occur. Seldom does a wreck happen when the automobile is traveling at moderate speeds.

In order for more of us to see Santa Claus next year, let us use a "sanity clause" in our observance of this Christmas season!

## Current Comment

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By LEON GUINN.

It is interesting to note a number of the former members of the treacherous Kamikaze Corps of the Japanese Air Force have now become gangsters and black market operators, according to results of a special investigation by the Tokyo Police Board recently. . . . These ex-air force members of the Rising Sun—which set some time ago—are notorious for the ruthless methods they pursue in keeping operations alive in the hell holes and "dives" still functioning in parts of Japan. . . . The Japanese, ill equipped to stand the approaching winter, have been rather silent on just what, incidentally, their volume of help from outside sources will be.

## Tolerance Is a Great Thing

Quick tempers, caustic remarks, bickerings, two-faced dispositions . . . these are some of the fruits of present times of stress and strain; of overwork and the bustle of today's life.

Natural outgrowth of this condition among our people is a bad case of intolerance that is apparent in almost every contact of individuals with others, of associations of one group aligned against another in nearly every walk of life. Intolerance is a deadly disease, that grows when pampered, becomes unwell when encouraged, makes enemies of friends.

The disease affecting people of the Snyder area is no worse than in other sections of the country. In fact, we are prone to believe that our people are more down-to-earth and considerate than those of any place we know. And that is the reason our lack of consideration of others, their opinions, their views and their feelings hurts so much. We love unity, harmony and congeniality and have thrived on such a condition. When bickerings and nasty insinuations and harsh words said of others in our section, they hurt more than they do folks with caloused consciences and warped minds that know less about tolerance.

As we approach a new year, we hope others will join us resolving to be more tolerant, individually and in the groups with which we affiliate.

## WHY SHOP AROUND

Experts in the U. S. Department of Agriculture are expecting grain purchases for foreign shipments to become easier after January 1. . . . It seems many farmers are holding their wheat primarily because more sales now would push them into higher income brackets. . . . Secretary of Agriculture Clinton Anderson has an ace in the hole if such holding directly threatens the relief program. . . . He has been advised by his legal staff the "certificates" plan of purchasing wheat can be revived without new legislation. . . . Used quite successfully two years ago, such plan would enable a farmer to sell and deliver his wheat to the government and, if he chooses, accept payment after January 1, which is beginning of the new tax year and at the market price then prevailing.

The Bureau of the Budget has not yet said so for the record, but tax collections are exceeding even the most optimistic expectations. . . . Postal revenues, which are a good barometer, are running at an all-time high. . . . Even with record receipts, the Post Office Department will run around \$200,000,000 in the red. . . . Since tax collections are running good, the Republicans will renew their war cry for reduced taxes during the special session of Congress. . . . Those who think the special session, which started November 17, will end in a few short weeks, will doubtless be shocked at the actual length of the session. . . . Besides the many projects already slated for consideration, the special session will hear a lot about the needed overhaul for the Fair Labor Standards Act. . . . One proposal that will doubtless be pushed is to eliminate overtime pay above the standard 40-hour week.

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## Soil Building Pays Off

Soil and water conservation measures were begun in earnest in Scurry County less than 10 years ago, but already even the casual observer can notice a great difference in the productivity of many farms and ranches that have conducted conservation practices. The practices will continue to be expanded because they have proven worthwhile.

Many farmers and ranchers looked upon early proposals for soil and water conservation as mere "scatter-brain ideas of college-bred farmers." But these same doubting Thomases are learning that most of those ideas are practical from the standpoint of remuneration.

Terracing, contouring, tank building, strip cropping, rest periods for pastures, planting legumes for rebuilding depleted fertility in soils, mulching of vegetation on top of the ground rather than plowing it under deep—all these things are tenets of the soil conservation program. Less and less water is running off the farms and ranches of Scurry County. And in this semi-arid section we need all the water that falls to carry us through the year if our crop and grass yields are to be anywhere near normal.

One farmer who has been a county resident for 40 years declares that if we continue to save our rainfall, many of our streams in the area will go running again within 25 years.

## Editorial of the Week

**TAKE AND PUT**

During this period of intensive soil cultivation to supply home and foreign food needs, farmers should devote every effort to replace those elements and minerals which heavy crops take from the land. According to the Soil Conservation Service, a 40-bushel yield of corn withdraws 60 pounds of nitrogen, 25 pounds of phosphorus and 42 pounds of potassium from each acre of the field.

One-half bale of cotton to the acre, 48 pounds of nitrogen, 19 pounds of phosphorus and 31 pounds of potassium; four-ton alfalfa hay, 183 pounds of nitrogen, 59 pounds of phosphorus and 143 pounds of potassium; 40-bushel oats, 35 pounds of nitrogen, 14 pounds of phosphorus and 28 pounds of potassium; 1,900-pound rice, 37 pounds of nitrogen, 15 pounds of phosphorus and 42 pounds of potassium; and 25-bushel wheat, 42 pounds of nitrogen, 18 pounds of phosphorus and 23 pounds of potassium.

By plowing under stalks and straw, the farmer can return part of or all the minerals taken from the land. In South Texas the practice of cutting and plowing under green cotton stalks has doubled production in many fields, as well as eliminating the menace of boll weevils and other insects. The preponderance of evidence pointing to the soil-building benefits of turning under crop residues must not be ignored.—The Dallas Morning News.

There is every reason to believe Luckman's voluntary food saving campaign will continue regardless of the outcome of Truman's effort to get involuntary control authority. . . . The committee will concentrate on consumers, and it is interesting to note that agreements worked out with distillers and bakers probably will remain if legislation affecting these industries is affected. . . . Timing, by the way, of tax relief is as yet up in the air. . . . Truman has given no sign he is relenting in his opposition to tax reduction, and to put it frankly, holding taxes at their present level will be one of the points stressed in control of inflation. . . . There is small reason to doubt the statement that the first year of European rehabilitation will cost around \$5,000,000,000—excluding the stop-gap funds now in the mill.

Universal military training, which has been the subject of much controversy, is certain to come up for immediate consideration during the special session of Congress. . . . It appears now to have a better than even chance of being enacted. . . . A bill to increase veteran subsistence allowances also stands a good chance of approval. . . . A tip worth watching is that one of the biggest fights during the Congressional "huddle" will be over an administration bill to let down immigration bars to admit some 50,000 displaced European persons to the United States. . . . Already, a public campaign for the measure is well underway.