

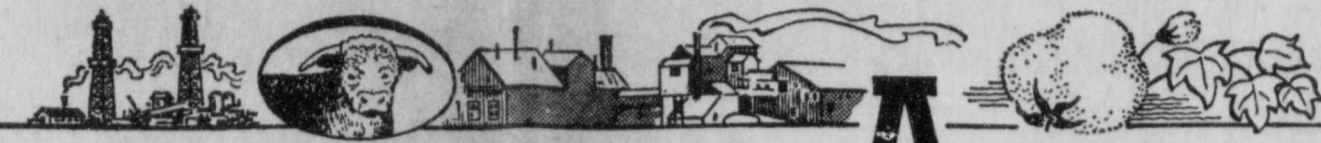
### The Weather

From records of Fred Dyerly  
Rotan Weather Observer.

Dec. '69	Prec.	Hi	Lo
Wed. 10	63	30	
Thur. 11	61	30	
Fri. 12	69	35	
Sat. 13	75	42	
Sun. 14	65	37	
Mon. 15	67	36	
Tues. 16	62	28	

Total precipitation to date  
1968..... 24.60  
1969..... 27.17

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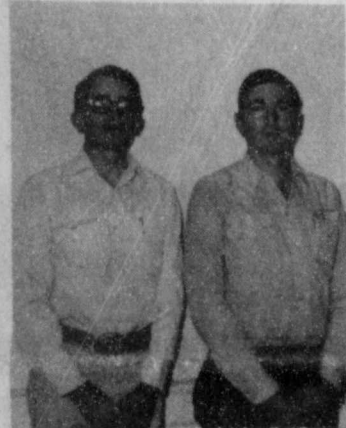
Thursday December 18, 1969

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## Roby Concert Well Attended

The Annual Christmas Concert, presented by the Roby Band and Choir, was well attended Monday night at high school auditorium. The High School Band, Beginners Band and Choir gave varied selections on the program. They are under direction of Harris Davis, with Mrs. Davis pianist for the Choir. The renditions showed much work on the part of Davis and members of the organizations. Proceed from the affair will be used to purchase new music for the Bands and Choir.

## Herron is Dist. 4H Treasurer



Mike Herron, 16 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Herron of Rotan, was elected Treasurer of the District III 4-H Council at the regular meeting of the Council in Vernon, December 13.

Other officers include Pat Cates, Foard County, Chairman; Fames Foster, Wichita County, Co-Vice Chairman; Karen Streit, Wilbarger County, Co-Vice Chairman, and Lynn Ward, Stonewall County, Secretary. The District III 4-H Council is made up of the 22-county area made up of Rolling Plains Counties. Council officers provide leadership for all District II 4-H activities each year. Annette Cleveland of McCauley is the out-going District III Council Secretary.

## Santa Visits Rotan Kids



Santa drew large crowd with his annual appearance in Rotan last Thursday. He is shown with a little tyke, beside Fire Chief A. B. Parker. Santa rode in on the Fire Truck and Firemen assisted him in handling the crowd and distributing goodies.

## 4-H & FFA Livestock Show In Roby-January

The annual Fisher County 4-H and FFA Livestock Show has been set January 10, according to County Agent Richard Spencer. The Fisher County Young Farmers sponsored event will begin with judging at 9:30 a.m. Spencer said. General Superintendent is Roland Ray Jr., assisted by John Matthies and Donald Coker. Jemmye Leigh Laurie is show secretary.

Dairy and beef will be under the direction of Jerry Hoodenpyle with the assistance of Don Ballenger and Keifer Cauble. Vernon Terry is in charge of sheep with Gene Terry. Derwayne Rasco and Zama Anderson as assistants. Tommie Jack Stuart is swine superintendent with Jeronimo Gaona, Mike Terry and Jack Terry as assistants. Haskell County Agent Max Stapleton will be show judge.

## Cpl. David Smith In California

Marine Corporal David W. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dillard G. Smith of 105 W. Burnside, Rotan is serving with the First Battalion, Twelfth Marine Regiment, a unit of the newly formed Fifth Marine Expeditionary Brigade at Camp Pendleton, Calif. His duties will include providing artillery support for infantry battalions in combat and training exercises.

## Rotan Young Farmers Meeting

The Rotan Chapter of the Young Farmers will meet Thursday night, December 18, at 7:30 in the Community Center.

## Mitchell Elected F U Director

Foy Mitchell of Roby was recently elected director of Texas Farmers Union Executive Board for two year term. This is a nine-member board which was completed at the recent State Convention at Abilene.

Shannon Rasco, of Roby, wants everybody to know he has a new baby brother. The baby was born December 9, 3:40 a.m. in Simmons Memorial Hospital, Sweetwater. He weighed 8 lb., 1 oz. and has been named Shad Lynn. Both Shannon and baby Shad Lynn are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Derwayne Rasco of Roby.

Mrs. Gene Day and children of Ft. Stockton visited his mother Mrs. Eva Day in Rotan last week-end.

**CORRECTION**  
We made regrettable error in last issue in reporting on Hobbs Panthers making All-District.

We listed four and it should have been five. Rudy Martinez an outstanding player with the Panthers was omitted. We apologize for this. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Martinez.

## Council Studies Gas Increase

The Rotan City Council met in regular session Tuesday, December 9. Attending were: Mayor Hogsett and Councilmen Sam Hamm, Jay R. Hendon, Mac Weathersbee, Tynus Harrison and Wendall Morrow.

Lone Star Gas Co. representatives presented their request for the 22 cents per thousand cubic ft. rate increase. At a prior meeting the council had agreed on a 16 cent increase which the Gas Co. had turned down. Motion was made to allow a 19 cent increase with three votes for and two against. Gas Co. representatives are to present this proposal to their company and the result would be presented at the next regular council meeting.

An amendment to the house moving ordinance was passed since a portion of section one did conflict with Texas Highway laws.

Mr. Black, of soil conservation service, gave an oral report on the flooding study made by Soil Conservation Engineers in November. No economical solution was derived, although they suggested contacting the Corps of Engineers for a more complete study of the problem.

## Thieves Cover Roby Rotan Area

Roby and Rotan area was worked Saturday night by gun thieves, who had a number of successful hauls, mainly from pickups parked at homes in both towns.

We hear of a number of thefts which were not reported, but the ones reported to the Sheriff's office and City Police included; Dr. LeBlau, medical bag from his car. James Ratliff, a .300 Savage rifle and 12 ga. automatic shotgun. Dave Posey, .22 bolt action rifle, pair of chaps and spurs and billfold containing credit cards. Bobby Yates, 12 ga. shotgun, shells and shell jacket. Floyd Wood, Roby, 2 shotguns, Marlin lever action rifle and binoculars. No arrests had been reported at press time.

Mrs. Bea Davis returned to Roby with her daughter, Glorzada Bookout from Houston where Glorzada recently had open heart surgery, and was in critical condition for several days, in intensive unit. She rapidly improved and she was permitted to come to Roby in Mrs. Davis' car. She will remain with her mother until she is able to return to her home in Buckhart, Okla.

## Industrial Seminar Held For Roby Lions Group

Texas Industrial Commission held a Planning Seminar for a group of Roby citizens Dec. 8 in Sam Houston State Office Building, Austin. Attending were Roland Ray Jr., President of Young Farmers organization; Carl Matthies, President Roby Lions Club, and other Lions Club members, Don Waddell, J. T. Palmer, Jim Price, J. B. Hughey, Alford Carey, Ed Deaton, Ivin Martin, Jimmy Hayes, and Cecil King.

This Seminar is in connection with the Commission and Governor Smith's concern for

the smaller towns of Texas. Much planning and effort is being made on the various problems and the Roby group were given much information and encouragement during the day.

The Seminar opened at 9 a.m. and continued until 4 p.m. Various consultants and officials of the Commission spoke to the group and gave them plans to start various types of industrial development from potentials we may have.

Projects are expected to grow out of this meeting, as the Lions are an active group.

## Cotton Harvest Going Better

Pretty, warm days the past week have enabled farmers to get cotton harvest underway. Rotan gins had a total of 2553 bales Tuesday afternoon; Roby gins had 1870 and Hobbs 860 bales.

Crop estimates still vary greatly as crops are spotted, but a very short crop is certain.

## Courthouse Group Enjoys Party

The annual Christmas party for all Courthouse employees and their families was held December 11 at 6:30 in the main building. Supper was served and gifts exchanged.

Those attending were, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Rollans, Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Hollabaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hale, E. G. Perkins and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Killingsworth, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buck, Mr. and Mrs. John Matthies, Mrs. Terry Breeding, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. John Ashley, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Rivers, Mrs. Ina Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. Al Finch, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Hamric and Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Spencer and Ricky, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hataway and family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Underwood and family, Mr. and Mrs. Thuman Terry, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Killingsworth, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Abbott, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Ballinger.

## Hospital News

Patients admitted to Callan Hospital December 3 through December 9:

Local Patients, Jerry Clawson, C. J. Cross, Mrs. Tony DeLeon, Mrs. Wayne Nowlin, Mrs. E. T. Warren, Mrs. Isaac Corin, Mrs. A. C. Snapp, Mrs. R. E. Cudlee, Louis Hayes, S. E. Edwards, A. C. Snapp, Joe E. Hull, David Campos, Calvin Crow, Oliver Loving, Mrs. Arthur Carver, and Mrs. Wayne White.

Out of town patients, Roberta Moppins, Hamlin, Sherrie McCright, Roby, Mrs. Ruben Rodriguez, Tye, Mrs. T. V. Ellison, Aspermont, Mrs. H. N. Reed, Roby and Cindy Smith, Aspermont.

Patients admitted December 9 through December 15:

Local patients, Ernest Smith, Pete O'Brian, Mrs. Sally Helms, Mrs. R. B. Bailey, Snyder Murphy, George Reyes, W. W. Sharp, Mrs. Clay Coggins, Bobby Hazelwood, Debbie Rains and Mrs. W. L. Terrell.

Out of town patients, Mrs. I. S. McMillian, Aspermont, Mrs. Freddie Williamson, Roby, Jack Daniel, Roby, Sherrie McCright, Roby, Linda Williamson, Roby, Cardie B. Butler, Roby, Mrs. Neda Kiser, Sylvester, Danny West, Snyder, Jessie O. Johnson, McCauley, W. Theo Johnson, Hamlin and Mrs. W. B. Wade, Hamlin.

A 7lb. 1oz. baby boy, William Buddy, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Williamson, Thursday, December 11, at 12:10 a.m.

## Posse Christmas Dinner



Posse President and Mrs. Jimmy Walker, Secretary and Mrs. Billy Joe McCombs, Vice-President and Mrs. Dorman Bratton and on left side of table, Parade Chairman Glen Upshaw and Mrs. Upshaw.

## Operation Sparkle Judged Tonite

Roby Homes, Windows, and Doors entered in the lighting contest, "Operation Sparkle" sponsored by the Young Home-makers will be judged tonight by out of town judges.

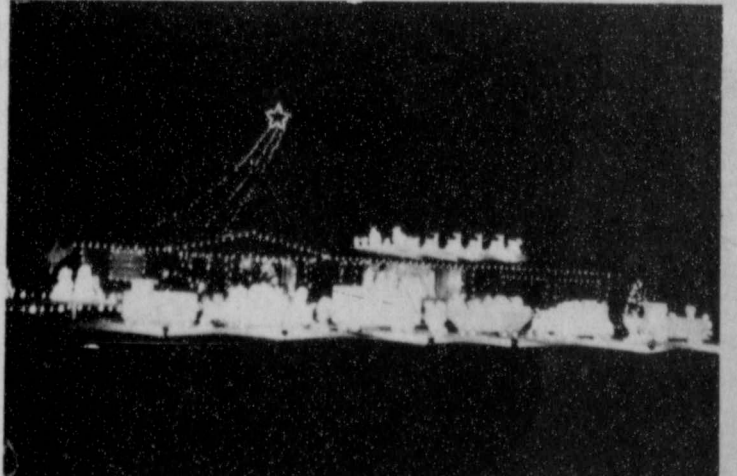
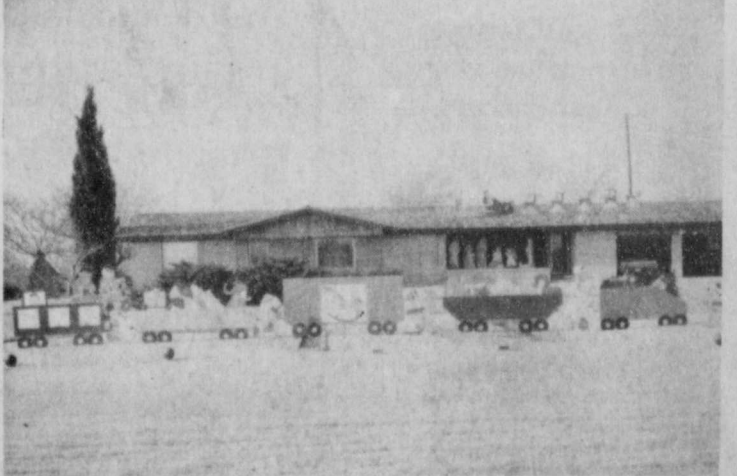
Cash prizes in these three categories will be awarded to the winners. Be sure to turn your lights on early and leave them on so judges won't miss any entry.

## Rotan Methodist Plan Cantata

The First United Methodist Church of Rotan will have its annual Christmas cantata on December 21 at the regular evening worship hour of 6 p.m. The cantata is entitled, "Born A King" by John W. Peterson. Mrs. Bart Strayhorn is directing the choir in singing the cantata.

All persons of the community are cordially invited to come and be a part of this service of worship.

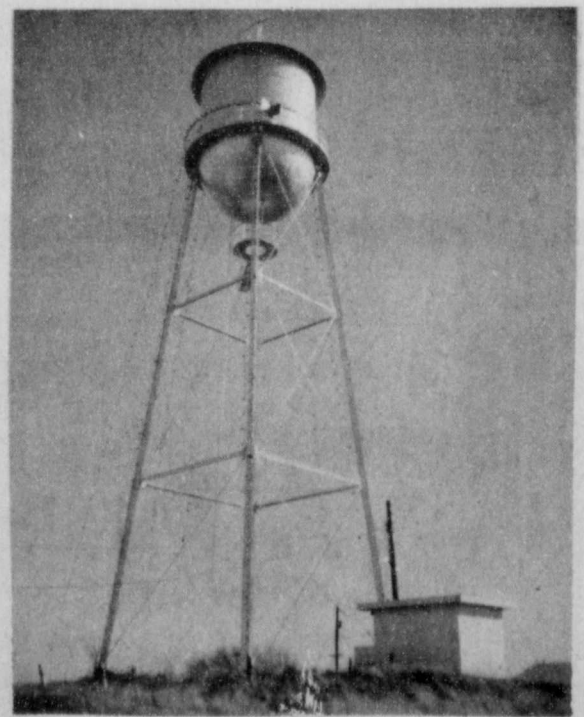
## Nowlin Christmas Scene



A most elaborate and beautifully decorated home for Christmas season is pictured above. Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Nowlin have added to their decorations each year, until they have a truly wonderful scene.

Our night picture shows mainly the general arrangement and night effect, while the day scene gives better detail.

## Roby Tower Lighted



Roby's Water Tower is outstanding Christmas decoration again this year. Under Lions Club sponsorship Roby Firemen strung red lights from the ground to top and around the tower. This is beautiful and being the highest point in Roby can be seen for many miles in all directions.

The Courthouse is also well decorated with Christmas lights by the Firemen. This with the attractive Christmas scenes around Roby add much to the holiday season.

## \$50 Prizes In Rotan's Holiday Lighting Contest

### Roby Fire Dept. Still Selling Trees

Roby Fire Department is having a most successful sale of Christmas Trees. They have many nice trees left for your selection and will be open at Legion Hall thru Monday night. Profit from the project is used for Christmas Lighting of Roby.

Mrs. Mattie Lou Davis of Sweetwater visited her mother Mrs. D. A. Williamson in Rotan Sunday. Mrs. Davis will go by plane to Virginia Friday to spend Christmas with the family of her daughter Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Montgomery and little son Craig.



**Yates Family Reunion in Roby**

The annual Yates Reunion was held Nov. 29-29 in the Agriculture Building in Roby. Had real good attendance and everyone had a grand time.

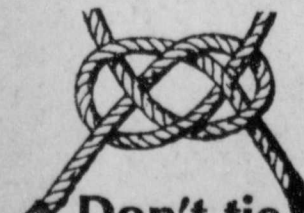
Those attending were; Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hatcher, Mark and Alton, Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Foreman, Roby; Mrs. Jewel Wiley, Levelland; Mrs. Eva Williams, Dameron; Mr. and Mrs. Truett Eaton, Pam, Darrell, Carol, DeAndrea and Dale, Ft. Stockton; Mr. and Mrs. Odell Eaton and Janie, Ft. Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Kirby L. Adams, Sandra, Irene Adams, Nada Lou, and Nadine Merrifield, Espanola, N. Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Adams, Penny and Gayla, Mrs. Gladys Adams, Colorado Springs, Colo., Mrs. Mellie Noles and Laura, Boonville, Ark.; Mr. and Mrs. Finley Eaton and Morrace, Magazine, Ark.; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kendrick, Dana and Teresa, Eastland; Mr. and Mrs. James Yates, and Ches, Mineral Wells; Mrs. Jimmy Jones and Dana, Andrews; Mr. and Mrs. James Hughes, Fletcher, Janet, Beverly and Blake, Ft. Worth; Mr. and Mrs. John Q. Adams, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Noles, Lavon, Cindy, and Jimmy, Midland; Mrs. Narcie Clegg, Rotan; John Poteet, Rotan; Will Trimble, Rotan; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Martin, Rotan; Mr. and Mrs. Ivin Martin, Judy, Russell, Lyndell and Preston, Roby; Mr. Fate Young, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martin, Kenny, Kathy, Khristy, Rotan; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Eaton and Regina, Roby; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams, Rotan; and Debbie Cleaver, Abilene.


Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gibson of Roby was their son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Gibson and Todd of Breckenridge.

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The Roby Garden Club's  
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The affair was in the home of  
Mr. and Mrs. Glen Upshaw. Mrs.  
Harold Wilcox and Mrs. Thur-  
man Terry were the co-hostess  
serving with Mrs. Upshaw.

It was a most gala affair  
with decorations carrying out  
the Christmas theme. Mrs.  
Johnnie Ammons, President,  
called the meeting to order  
and Mrs. Will Allen Hughey  
read the minutes.

Special guest and entertain-  
er for the program was Mrs.  
Parker Wetsel, with a reading  
she gave "Village Christmas"  
by Miss Reif.

The house was a beautiful  
setting decorated as the  
country-side of England. The  
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cloth with Christmas decora-  
tions as center piece. Cokes,  
tea, and coffee with a variety  
of cookies were served.

From a beautiful nine foot  
Christmas tree, all decorated  
with lights and ornaments,  
gifts were exchanged, and this  
was where everyone present  
began to get the Christmas  
spirit.

Members who attended were:  
Mmes. Edd Carter, Don Bal-  
linger, W. W. Morton, Will  
Allen Hughey, T. C. Jenkins,  
L. L. Stuart, Jess Goforth, Max  
Carraker, W. J. Austin, and the  
ladies already mentioned,  
Mmes. Johnnie Ammons, Presi-  
dent, Harold Wilcox and Thur-  
man Terry.

Everyone had a most enjoy-  
able time and especially Mrs.  
Parker Wetsel's "Christmas  
Poem". Mrs. Wetsel was the  
first president of the club.

When a man gets too busy  
to laugh he needs a vacation.

**Pond Spillway Is Important**

According to Jack Caden-  
head, Soil Conservation Tech-  
nician, who assists The Upper  
Clear Fork Soil Conservation  
District the importance to  
maintain a Good farm pond  
spillway can never be over-  
emphasized.

Farm ponds are designed for  
a fifth year rainfall frequency.  
The size of the drainage area  
above the pond then deter-  
mines the width and depth re-  
quired for a spillway. Actually,  
the spillway of the pond is a  
safety device to keep the farm  
from breaching or to keep the  
excess water from cutting a  
ditch around the end of the dam.

To obtain this objective, con-  
tinued Cadenhead, a spillway  
design is even more important  
that the design of the dam.  
The spillway should be de-  
signed so that it only functions  
a few times. It should be broad,  
shallow and covered with a  
permanent grass. Many ponds  
have a natural spillway which  
is excellent. However, many  
spillways have to be cut and  
shaped. Where cutting and  
shaping is required in a spill-  
way every effort should be  
made to get the area estab-  
lished to a permanent grass as  
soon as possible. Often this  
requires the spillway area to  
be fenced out so that cattle  
won't be farming trails in this  
area and destroying the vege-  
tation as it begins to grow.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill House  
visited their mother, Mrs.  
J. W. House in Rice Springs  
Nursing Home, Haskell, Sun-  
day. They also visited Mr.  
and Mrs. Frank Martin.

Mrs. Mark Strickland, Rotan,  
attended the funeral of W. B.  
Kerbow at Mertzon Thursday.

**GOLDEN HAVEN  
Nursing Home  
NEWS**



Mrs. H. D. Mitchell

Well its a hustle and a bustle  
everyone getting ready for  
Christmas.

The packages are beginning  
to arrive. We are looking for  
Santa Claus Tuesday night,  
Dec. 23 about 6:00 o'clock.  
We want everyone who can,  
to come and enjoy our Christ-  
mas with the residents.

Mrs. Elba Bates got a nice  
surprise, a cousin she had not  
seen in 3 or 4 years. Mr. Will  
Bates of Glendale, Ariz., Mr.  
Burk's son J. D., also a daugh-  
ter Mrs. Atwell of Rotan was  
here, and Velma Thompson  
came and took him to Rotan  
on busness.

Mrs. Burrows son Aubrey was  
here. Mrs. Joy's daughter,  
Mrs. Barnes was here, also  
Mrs. Irene Kellar and Grandson.  
Mr. New had as visitors his  
daughter Mr. and Mrs. Jack  
Stanley of Lubbock and Emma  
Loyd Morris. Mr. Burnhams  
daughter Lola Hildebrand of  
Kermit spent a couple of days.  
Mrs. Drennon's sister Mrs.  
Wisher from Snyder was here.

Mrs. Dallas had several visi-  
tors from Rotan, Mr. and Mrs.  
Gentry and family and Mr.  
York. Mrs. Owens' daughters  
were here.

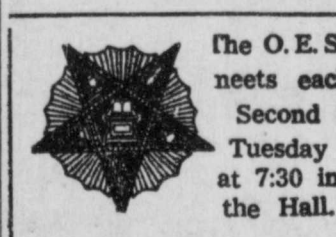
We want to thank the Long-  
worth Home Demonstration  
Club for the party held for the  
residents, cookies, punch and  
the singing they always enjoy.

At present we don't have  
any on the sick list in the  
home. Grannie Pritchard con-  
tinues to be in hospital.

Don't forget our Christmas  
party December 23, 6 o'clock,  
be sure and come be with your  
loved one, but drop by any-  
time. Merry Christmas,  
V. L. M.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We want to thank each of  
you for every kind word and  
thought during our berevement  
for our beloved husband and  
father. And to the ones who  
brought food and helped serve.  
May God richly bless each and  
everyone of you.  
The family of S. E. Edwards



Bob Allen, Worthy Patron  
Mae Pharis Worthy Matron  
Betty Hargrove, Sec.  
Visitors Welcome

**Kidds' To Be  
Honored Sunday**

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Kidd of  
the Capitoia Community will  
be honored Sunday, December  
28, 2-5 p. m. with a 50th  
Wedding Anniversary Party at  
their home on highway 419,  
out of Sweetwater and Roby.

Hosting the Open House and  
Tea will be their nine child-  
ren and their families; Frankie  
Lee, Mrs. Barney Toland of  
Big Spring; M. E.; Mrs. J. L.  
Waddell of Midland; B. C. Kidd  
of Sweetwater; Annie Clair,  
Mrs. L. G. Ceadley of Littleton,  
Colorado; Margie, Mrs. J. A.  
Flint of Nageezie, New Mex.;  
Betty, Mrs. L. C. Steele of  
Morgan City, La.; Jane, Mrs.  
Bob Driskill of Big Spring;  
Wanda, Mrs. Ronnie Casbeer,  
Beaumont.

Mr. Kidd was born December  
23, 1900 at Lone Wolf, in Mit-  
chell County. Moved with his  
parents, the late Mr. and Mrs.  
B. F. Kidd to the Claytonville  
community in Fisher county  
when a baby and was reared  
there.

Clair McCain, born August  
7, 1901 in Capitoia community  
in Fisher county, the daughter  
of a pioneer family, the late  
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCain. Mrs.  
Kidd, reared there, lived all  
her life on the same farm.

The Kidds have 22 grand  
children, and are members  
of the 4th and Elm Street  
Church of Christ, Sweetwater,  
Texas.

All friends are invited to  
attend the affair.

Army Private First Class  
Richard R. Garcia, 21, son of  
Mr. and Mrs. Pedro P. Garcia,  
Rotan, Tex., was assigned Nov.  
17 to the 25th Infantry Division  
near Tay Ninh, Vietnam, as a  
rifeman.

**Roby Soldier  
Promoted in V N**

Latham N. Burk, son of Mr.  
and Mrs. James M. Burk, Route  
2, Roby, was promoted Oct. 27  
to Army specialist five while  
assigned to the 4th Infantry  
Division in Vietnam.

Spec. 5 Burk is a baker in  
Headquarters and Company A  
of the division's 704th Main-  
tenance Battalion near Pleiku.  
He entered the Army in April  
1968 and completed basic  
training at Ft. Polk, La., where  
he was stationed before arriv-  
ing overseas last March.

The 21-year-old soldier was  
graduated from Roby High  
School in 1966.

Mrs. Oscar Head recently  
returned from visiting her  
daughter and son-in-law,  
Retta and Richard J. Pospiegh  
in Syracuse, New York. While  
there her daughter gave birth  
to a 6 lb. 7 oz. baby girl on  
November 30. They named her  
Leigh Ann.

Aubrey Crowley of Snyder  
who served as a deputy to the  
last sheriff R. L. Wilkins visit-  
ed in the home of Mrs. R. L.  
Wilkins and other Roby friends  
this week.

**RAINS BUYS REGISTERED  
POLLED HERFORDS**

Odeil Rains, of Rotan, re-  
cently purchased 5 registered  
Polled Herefords from Sam  
Swann, of Merkel.

**Hobbs HD Club  
Christmas Party**

The Hobbs Home Demon-  
stration Club met Dec. 11 in the  
home of Mrs. Tom Hargrove  
for the Christmas party.

Mrs. Leona Levins entertain-  
ed the club by showing slide pic-  
tures of Lebanon, Cyprus,  
Egypt, and The Holy Land.

Gifts from the Christmas  
tree were distributed and deli-  
cious refreshments were served  
to the seventeen persons pres-  
ent, including three visitors,  
Mrs. Leona Levins, Mrs. Alice  
Ballenger and Toya Hardy.

The next meeting will be  
Jan. 8 in the home of Mrs. Bill  
Hardy.

Reporter  
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**1% December 1 to December 31**

First and Last Days Inclusive  
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## Stephens 50th Anniversary



### Baptist SS Class Christmas Affair

Mrs. Richard Floyd's ladies Sunday School Class had their annual Christmas party at Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church, Thursday night. The table were beautifully decorated in the Christmas theme.

Mrs. Floyd was presented a lovely gift from the class and she expressed her thanks in a charming manner.

Mrs. Bill Hudnall read the Bible story of the Christ Child. Bro. Hudnall gave the prayer of Thanks.

Husbands were special guests. A turkey dinner with all the trimmings was served to: Mrs. Ardie Keener, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Floyd, Mr. and Mrs. Walton Rector, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Burk, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Rollins, Mr. and Mrs. Jud Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Davis, Rev. and Mrs. Bill Hudnall, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cleveland and Mr. and Mrs. Bill House.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stephens will be honored on Dec. 21 on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Home of the couple in Sylvester will be setting for the affair and calling hours will be from 2 until 6 p. m.

Children of the couple are hosting the celebration and they join with their parents in inviting all relatives and friends to attend.

Mrs. Stephens, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Jay was born Dec. 10, 1901 in Henderson County. She moved to Fisher County with her parents when she was one year old.

Stephens, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Stephens, was born Dec. 17, 1893.

Attending the affair will be the couple's children, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cooper of Huntington Beach, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Craig Stephens of Stamford and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stephens of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephens are members of the Church of Christ in Roby.

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Mankind may never have to go back to living in trees, but a good many are already out on a limb.

## Christmas Season Driving Caution is Urgent

Mayor Charles G. Hogest, representing Rotan City Council has received the following information from Governor Preston Smith in regard to holiday traffic accident potential. The Mayor joins Governor Smith appealing to motorists to use extreme caution during this holiday season: Dear Mayor Hogest:

I am sure that you share my concern about the traffic accident potential of the coming Christmas-New Year holiday season.

As Governor, I deem it my responsibility to do everything within the prerogatives of my office to appeal to all the citizens of Texas to reduce the tragedy and the heartbreak of traffic crashes during this period and throughout the year. It is a responsibility that we are meeting with all our effort, all our energy, and all our dedication.

Because of the severity of the traffic situation, I have declared a state of traffic safety emergency in Texas this holiday season. Those of us at the state level who are so deeply concerned about this problem are striving for the greatest possible traffic safety impact through the news media from December 14 through January 5.

This effort will be of little avail unless the heads of government at all levels lend their leadership and their support.

I know that together we can make an impact on this problem. With strong government leadership, the needless loss of life of Texas citizens can be reduced to the minimum at this time of the year when

the well-being of family and loved ones is so meaningful.

If we in the Governor's Office can help you in any way, you can count on our full support.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,  
Preston Smith  
Governor of Texas

### Former Resident Dies at Angelo

W. B. Kerbow, 87, died in a Rest Home in San Angelo Tuesday night of last week, where he had been living several months for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Kerbow had lived in Mertzon where they owned and operated a drug store several years.

They formerly lived in the Hixon Community in Fisher County and had lived at Roby where he served as Tax Collector for Fisher County. His wife was the former Myrtle Walker.

He was a member of the Methodist Church and also a mason and had received his 50 year pin.

Survivors are his wife, a son K. W. of Amarillo, a daughter Mrs. Paul Smithey of Steigler, Okla., four grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, and two brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held at United Methodist Church, Thursday afternoon with the masons assisting with the service.

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Learn to keep your troubles to yourself or they will expand.

## Wedding Anniversary Sunday



### Flash Bits

Hello everyone—from all of us at F. C. N. H. We are very happy to welcome a new resident. Mrs. Mary Starnes moved in with us last week. So glad to have her.

Mrs. Whitfield is home from the hospital and doing real well.

Another birthday this week. Lola O'Brian celebrated her 65th Tuesday the 16th. Happy birthday, Lola.

Among visitors this week were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Doyal and Randy of Elida, New Mexico visiting with Winnie and Gene Wallace. Mr. Morgan's brothers Joe of Roby and Raymond of Roscoe were in to see him. J. W. Staley of Abilene visited with Gyp Foy. Mrs. Colom's daughter from Aspermont and her grand daughter from Amarillo were here to see her.

A big thank-you to all for the many nice things they have been bringing in for our patients. They Posey sisters made bibs, pillows and capes. They are so pretty and very, very useful. The home made cookies that have been coming in are delicious. Makes us feel so glad to know our townpeople are so interested in our patients.

We were very happy to be able to donate 11 lbs. of pecans from our tree to the Fireboys to use for Christmas.

Well this Saturday is the day we have been waiting for. Our big Christmas Party starts at 2:30 p. m. Even ole Santa has promised to pay us a visit. Gifts will be exchanged and refreshments served. We invite all our families and friends to come by for the party. Hope to see you and you there. That's all till next week.

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### Brother of Mrs. Horton Dies

Mack Arthur Hodo, 86, longtime Taylor County resident, died at 6:55 a. m. Saturday in West Texas Medical Center Abilene after a short illness.

He was brother of Mrs. Carl Horton.

Funeral was at 2 p. m. Sunday at the Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel Merkel with the Rev. H. S. Earp, Assembly of God Minister from Abilene, officiating.

Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery in Merkel.

He was born Feb. 24, 1883, in Hamilton County. He moved with his parents to Taylor County in 1901. In 1905 he married Jennie Huddleston in Abilene. They had lived in Fisher, Jones and Taylor counties since that time. He was living in Merkel at the time of his death.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Mack Hodo Jr. of Merkel; two daughters, Evora Lang of 210 Carl, Abilene, and Mrs. J. J. (Madine) Osborn of Clyde; one brother, Homer Hodo of Cushing, Okla.; three sisters, Mrs. Carl Horton of Roby, Mrs. Bessie Moody and Mrs. Will Brown, both of Lytle; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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Mrs. R. L. Wilkins and Opal Neely, Roby, visited in Hemphill this week with Mrs. B. D. Smith and Mrs. Boyce Jones.

## Roby WSCS Christmas Party

The WSCS of the Roby United Methodist Church had their Christmas Party Wednesday, December 10 at 2:30 p. m. in the home of Mrs. H. R. Gibson. Mrs. Lillian Perkins brought the devotional. Serving on the Christmas program were Mrs. Rex Kemp and Mrs. R. H. Meixner.

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments of muffins, cookies, hot tea and coffee were served.

Those present were Mrs. Maggie Wilder, Mrs. Lillian Perkins, Mrs. Ode Levens, Mrs. Rex Kemp, Mrs. R. H. Meixner, Mrs. E. L. Yeats, and Mrs. H. H. Gibson.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Mallard of Sterling City are the parents of a new baby boy, born Dec. 9 in Loraine Hospital at Loraine. He weighed 8 lb. 4 oz. and has been named Jayson Ross. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Boyd of Loraine and paternal grandparent is Mrs. Mary G. Mallard of Roby.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Crawford of Odessa spent the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Crawford and other relatives.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Fisher County, Roby, Texas will receive bids until 10 A. M. January 12, 1970 for the purchase of one tandem drive, diesel powered motor grader of not less than 135 HP, with cab, heater, 14 foot power sliding moldboard, 14.00 x 24 10 ply tires, constant mesh transmission with shufflesift, six speeds forward and six in reverse, oil clutch, side shift adjustment minimum 51 inches, operated by direct hydraulic ram, full hydraulic controls including booster steering.

One used 4D-115 Huber motor grader will be offered in trade. The court reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any technicalities. By order of the Commissioners' Court of Fisher County, Texas.

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## The Flicker

### STUDENT COUNCIL PLANS CHRISTMAS PROJECTS

In their December 9th meeting, the Student Council made plans for Christmas projects.

The Council decided to place a Christmas tree in the main entrance of the high school building. They also plan to decorate the halls of the building.

Each homeroom class has been asked by the Council to decorate their doors for the Christmas season.

A third project planned was that of having Christmas music. The music would be played before the 1st period class began and during each five-minute break between classes.

Kaye McKimney  
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### THIRTEEN STUDENTS IN RHS MATH CLUB

Last year the Math Club was organized at RHS. It is composed of thirteen high school students.

The club which is sponsored by Mrs. Bart Strayhorn has two qualifications for membership. Each student must be enrolled in a college-bound math and have an average of 92 or above in the subject.

There are four seniors in the club. They are Peggy Coffman, Laura Crow, Kaye McKimney, and Cathy Allen. Marilyn Tonn is the only junior in the club. The two sophomore members are Pat Allen and Fairy Graham. The six freshman members are Karen Coan, Karen Blakeley, Vicki Burk, Joe Langley, Morris Womack, and Carolina Velez.

Cathy Allen  
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### JRS. AND SRS. RECEIVE PSAT AND ACT RESULTS

The juniors and seniors have received the results of their P. S. A. T. and A. C. T. tests.

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test was given to the juniors in October. Some of the seniors had taken the American College Test on October 18.

Individual conferences will be held between the seniors and Mrs. Rudy Hamric to discuss the Act scores.

Vicky Rushing  
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### FIRST TECHNICAL NIGHT TO BE HELD AT ROTAN

Rotan High School will be the host of the first Technical Night held in the state of Texas. It will be held March 14, 1970.

Technical Night is for seniors who are interested in technical or vocational work instead of a four-year college career.

There will be a representative from Amarillo Jr. College, John Connelly Institute of Technology-Waco, Odessa Jr. College, Howard County Jr. College-Big Spring, El Centro Jr. College-Dallas, and Tarrant County Jr. College-Fort Worth.

The schools surrounding Rotan that are invited to attend are: Hamlin, Anson, Roby, Stamford, Haskell, Rule, Aspermont, and Jayton.

Doris Pearson  
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### CAPTAINS FOR 69-70 BASKETBALL SEASON

The captains for the girls basketball team were chosen December 3 by the girls team. The boys' floor captain was chosen by Coach Dechario.

The girls captains are Doris Pearson, senior forward position; Rhonda Coan, junior guard.

The boys do not have regular captains. Phil Springer, senior, is the floor captain.

Debby Loving  
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### ALL-DISTRICT BAND CHOSEN DECEMBER 6

Laura Crow, a member of the Rotan High School Band, played in the all-district band concert, Saturday, December 6. The concert was at 7:30 in Brehem Chapel on the Hardin-Simmons University Campus. Dr. Neill Humfield, chairman of the music department at East Texas State University, was guest clinician.

Try-outs by sections were held earlier in the day. Try-out material consisted of all-district selections plus sight reading. A 110 piece band was picked from approximately 250 who tried out.

Ten bass clarinets tried out and six were accepted to play in the all-district band. Laura placed fourth on the bass clarinet.

The band practiced from 1:30 until 5:30 under the direction of Dr. Humfield. They prepared for their concert and played some numbers just for fun.

Laura received a shoulder patch and will be qualified for All-Region tryouts January 10, in Wichita Falls.

She placed in the all-district and all-region bands last year.

Kathy Cave  
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### FIELD TRIP TAKEN BY ROTAN AG. III BOYS

Ag. III boys took a field trip to Mr. Herman McSpadden farm west of Rotan. This was the first field trip taken by the Ag. III boys this year.

The boys were shown by class instructor Ray Womack, the correct procedure in preparing a mature bore for pork. Vernon Surratt, Dale Herron, Sam McClure, Henry Garcia, and John Wylie held ropes in an attempt to assist Mr. Womack.

Randy Rodgers, Jesus Ramones, Pete Garcia, Bret Clements, Johnny Alamanza, Jimmy Markham, Butch Roa, and Louis Barera watched the procedure take place.

After the work was done, McSpadden treated the Ag. boys to a soft drink.

John Wylie  
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### TCTA BANQUET HELD THURSDAY DEC. 11

The annual Texas Classroom Teachers Association banquet was held Thursday, December 11 at 7:00 p. m., at the Rotana Restaurant.

Mrs. K. C. McCasland, who was in charge of the program, introduced the guest speaker, Olath South. Mr. South is the Superintendent of schools at Sweetwater. After dinner music was furnished by the Blue Notes.

The Administrators and the School Board were guests at the banquet.

Kathy Cave  
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### WEST TEXAS UTILITIES INSTALLS GUARD LIGHTS

Something new has been added to the high school parking lot. Night lights have been installed to light the parking facilities.

West Texas Utilities installed the mercury guard lights on Wednesday, November 26.

The two lights are located on the south end and the middle of the eastern boundary of the parking area.

Kaye McKimney  
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### CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES IN ROTAN PRIMARY

Each year Primary has Christmas at school before the holidays.

They decorate their rooms in Christmas fashion with trees and images of Santa Claus. They practice carols to sing at an assembly. Each student writes a letter to Santa Claus which will be printed in the Advance. On Thursday of the last week before the holidays primary sees the Firemen's Christmas film, bringing canned goods or toys for admission. The week is concluded with parties in each room on Friday afternoon.

Laura Crow  
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### GOVERNMENT IN ACTION YOUTH TOUR SPONSORED

The Rural Electric Cooperatives of Texas is sponsoring their annual "Government in Action Youth Tour" contest.

The suggested rules for the contest are: (1) This contest is open to any boy or girl at least 16 years of age but not 18 years of age prior to September 1, 1970. (2) Entrants will be required to give a 5 to 8 minute talk on the subject "A Youth Looks At His Or Her Country". (3) A judging committee will select two finalists, one boy and one girl from each participating school.

(4) The finalists, with their parents and teachers will be guests of Midwest Electric Cooperative, Inc. at the final judging on February 16, 1970, at the "Willie Wirehand" room at the Midwest Electric Cooperative office building in Roby.

The judges will determine the winning boy and girl for the "Government in Action Tour" along with two alternates. (5) Entries should be mailed to Midwest Electric Cooperative, Inc. not later than January 9, 1970. The contest began December 1, 1969.

Students interested in entering should talk to Mrs. Clark, Linda Kingsfield  
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### SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED IN ENGINEERING TO RHS

The University of Texas Department of Petroleum Engineering, honors a scholarship program for High School Graduates. The Seniors of RHS were sent information on this program.

Scholarships available: Scholarship stipends range from four hundred dollars to seven hundred dollars for the Freshman year to five hundred dollars for the Senior year. Many of the scholarships may be continued for four years if the scholar maintains good academic performance. Optional summer employment with excellent pay in the petroleum industry is readily available.

Faculty and facilities: The scholars will study under a faculty of national and international reputation. High speed computer applications are stressed throughout the course of study and several computers including a CDC-6600, are available to the students. The Department of Petroleum Engineering has a comprehensive graduate research program in operation and the under graduate student is exposed to all of it during normal pursuit of a B. S. degree.

The Undergraduate Research Assistant thus broadens his education and earns extra income simultaneously.

Eligibility and application: High School Graduates with a 2.0 or higher grade average (A=3.0) may apply for an Honor Scholarship. You may obtain an application from Coach Dechario.

Judi Powell  
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### ORGANIZATIONS POSE FOR PICTURES DECEMBER 9

Nine organization pictures for the 1969-70 annual were taken Tuesday, December 9.

The Debate Club, Student Council, Annual Staff, Math Club, and Blue Notes are some of the groups who posed for pictures. F. H. A. members, F. F. A. members, F. H. A. officers, and F. F. A. officers also had their pictures taken.

Each individual group chose the location of its picture in or around the new high school building.

Vicky Rushing  
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### ROTAN SCHOOLS RECEIVE ANNUAL SCHOOL PICTURES

Junior High and High School received their annual school package during the week of December 8-12. There was a delay in the receipt of Primary pictures.

Becky SoRelle  
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### PRIMARY TEACHERS HAVE CHRISTMAS DINNER

The primary teachers with their husbands and wives had their dinner in W. T. Edwards home December 6.

A dinner of ham, turkey, potato salad, broccoli and rice casserole, green beans, corn casserole, fruit salad, hot rolls, cherry ice-box pie, cake, tea, and coffee was served.

After dinner music was furnished by Walter Miers, and James Duke.

Those attending the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCall, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Miers, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cave, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Tonn, Miss Verna May Pittman, and Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Hamric.

James Duke  
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### GIRLS HONORED AT D. A. R. SEATED TEA

Kaye McKimney who is the recipient of the D. A. R. award at Rotan will be honored along with the D. A. R. recipients from Roby and Sweetwater at a seated tea in Sweetwater.

The tea will be on December 16 at the home of Mrs. Rober Faver.

The girls will each receive a pin and a certificate.

Cathy Allen  
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### CHORAL CLASS SINGS IN CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

On December 19, there will be a Christmas assembly in the high school auditorium. The assembly consists of a play directed by Mrs. Yantis, songs played by the band, and songs sang by the Sextet.

The choral class will also have a part in the assembly. Choral class, directed by Mrs. Strayhorn, is practicing several Christmas songs to be sang in the assembly.

Karen Crouch  
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### PRINCIPAL TAKING THE JANUARY CENSUS

During the month of January the three principals will be taking the school census. All children born after September 1, 1962 and before September 1, 1964 must be enumerated.

If anyone who has a child within this age bracket does not receive a census blank in January is requested to contact one of the principals.

Lura Wallace  
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### CONCESSION STAND TO BE OPERATED BY AG CLASSES

This year at all home basketball games the concession stand will be operated by the members of the three Ag classes.

There is coffee, cakes, candy, and sandwiches for sale.

The profit made off this project will be used by the FFA Chapter.

Vernon Surratt  
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### Parallel Terraces

Even though cotton harvest is in full swing, many farmers are planning next year's farming operation. Many Fisher County farmers are planning a system of parallel terraces on their farms according to Jack Cadenhead, Conservation Technician, with the Soil Conservation Service in Rotan.

Parallel terraces are popular with farmers since they reduce soil erosion to a minimum, distribute water evenly between terraces, and cut down on operating costs since point rows are eliminated. Already, approximately 750,000 feet of parallel terraces have been planned by farmers of this county for construction during the coming winter and spring months.

Soil Conservation Personnel are available to landowners who are interested in planning a system of parallel terraces on their land.

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Past experiences give good counsel, but produce poor patterns.

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## CHRISTMAS Specials

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Big Dish 1/2 gal.	= 53¢
Cream Pies For 3	\$1.
Mixed Nuts lb	63¢
Walnuts lb	69¢
Apples 4 lb	59¢
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Miracle Whip qt.	53¢
Crackers Nabisco 1 lb. Box	39¢
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Pork Roast lb.	59¢
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Young's Market

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SPICE SET, reg. \$3.95	\$3.21
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G. E. STEAM & DRY IRON, reg. 12.99	\$9.79
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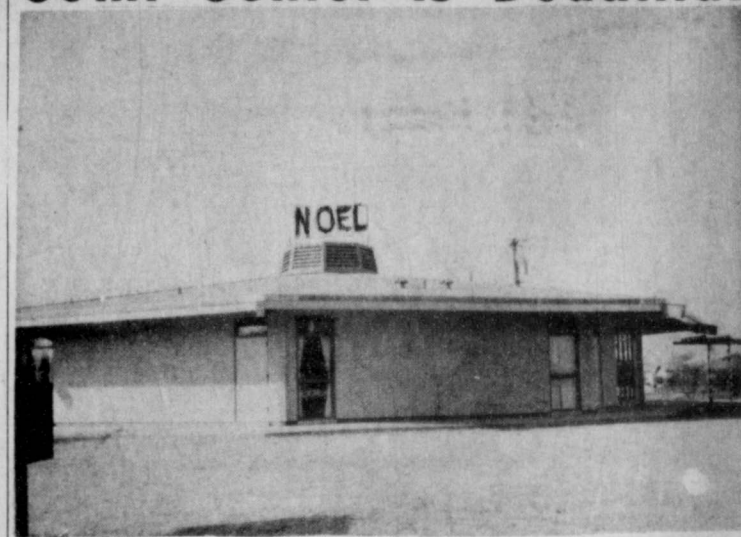
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- Gold Medal FLOUR 5\* 59¢
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- Extra Fancy APPLES 19¢ lb.
- Naval ORANGES 15¢ lb.
- BANANAS 10¢ lb.

Coca-Cola 7UP DIET-RITE 6btl. crt. 39¢ + dep.

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- Premium CRACKERS 1# 39¢

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## COUNTY AGENT NEWS

by Richard Spencer

Too many agricultural producers spend money and time on producing a crop or preparing a pen of cattle for market, with too little attention given to how, when, where and at what price they are going to market their product. Such action results in high risk. This kind of operation may limit the amount of fertilizer used, amount of irrigation water applied or place the entire farm or ranch in financial jeopardy.

Hedging is protecting oneself financially to minimize risk. Such feature is offered by the futures market--the opportunity to shift some of this risk to others.

How is this done? By selling or buying futures contracts equal to the quantity of product he expects to sell or buy in the cash market in the future.

A producer, processor, handler, or product user hedges when he positions himself in the futures market which is equal to and opposite to one previously taken or to be taken in the cash market. Producer. For example, the producer has a growing crop of wheat in the field. He has a developing inventory which will be sold for cash at some future date. He has a cash position.

He observes the futures market price quotations near his expected harvest or sale date and, after studying the market outlook, feels he can sell futures contracts equal in volume to his expected crop at a satisfactory price.

He elects to hedge. By selling futures, he takes an equal but opposite position in the futures market. Should the cash price go down as harvest or sale date approaches, he can buy back futures contracts at a lower price than when he bought. The difference is added profit, less commission and interest. Should the price go up as the harvest or sale date approaches, he buys back his contracts at a higher level than when sold. The difference is loss--plus commission and interest.

In either case, he has hedged--he shifted some of the risk of price change to others. On a declining market, he is financially successful--on an inclining market, he has incurred additional costs which lowers his financial success. Handler.

The handler of a farm product is in similar position as the producer. He merely buys or handles the grower's product for resale. Such action involves risk--risk of adverse price changes. No handler is in financial position to accept all this risk. Consequently, he is interested in hedging--protecting himself financially by lessening his financial risk.

The futures market offers him the opportunity to hedge his inventory against risk of adverse price change. By selling futures contracts equal to his inventory, he attempts to shift some of this risk to others. As in the case of the producer, the handler is financially successful if cash price should go down at or near time of sale. If price goes up, he limits his financial success.

In either case, he uses hedging as a tool to shift some of this risk of price change to others. Processor. The processor of a farm product can elect to hedge against future risk of price change by buying ahead. He does this by buying futures contracts equal to the quantity to be bought in the cash market at some future date. He observes futures price quotations near or at expected time of cash purchase and buys futures contracts equal to his planned future purchase.

He knows he will actually

buy the produce for processing at a designated future date--thus, he has a cash position. He takes an equal but opposite position by buying futures contracts. At or near time of cash purchase, he sells his futures contracts. If the price goes up, he gains financially by selling his contracts at a higher price than he paid for them. If the market does down, he limits his financial gain.

In either case, he hedged--he shifted some of the risk of price change to others. On a declining market, he doesn't profit as much by using the futures market--but gains on an inclining market. Cattle Feeder As A User. Cattle feeders are in a similar position as the processor. They normally don't have enough space to store a year-round supply of produce for feeding. Consequently, they purchase in the cash market when the produce is needed or when space is available. To reduce future risks of adverse price change, they too can hedge.

Buying futures positions the feeder equal to but opposite to his cash situation. Such actions shift some of the risk of price change to others. On an inclining market, he gains financially--on a declining market, he is less successful financially.

In addition to hedging himself for future supplies, he may elect to hedge his developing cattle inventory against risk of future price changes. In this respect, he acts similarly as the producer. Where a satisfactory price is offered by the futures market at or near his delivery date he sells futures equal to this inventory. In effect, he positions himself in the futures market equal to but opposite the cash position.

On an inclining market, he limits his financial gain--on a declining market, he gains financially.

The Swine Shortcourse held in Stamford last week was a big success. An average of 85 people attended the shortcourse two nights. The speakers were all well prepared and gave good talks. Some twenty people from Fisher County were at the meetings.

The Stock Show season is fast approaching us. Odessa comes the first week in January, followed by the County Show January 10. Then comes Sweetwater, Abilene, Ft. Worth, San Antonio, Houston and San Angelo. Incidentally Fisher County 4-H Members have 86 head of livestock entered in the Ft. Worth Show.

### Thanks

It seems to be the time to thank all of our Roby Star Record subscribers for their many compliments on our new offset type paper. Nobody knows, unless you are in the newspaper business, just how much your thank yous and your compliments on the paper mean to the editors.

It gives you a lift that nothing else can and makes you want to strive to give you the very best newspaper we can possibly get out. Then too, I would like to thank all of my many subscribers and businesses for their advertising, your cooperation and your patronage. Without this it would be impossible to print a paper. We also appreciate those who bring in your news items and for all of your locals, they help make the paper.

Again, our thank you, Mayme Shelton

Jack Daniel of Roby was in Callan Hospital last Thursday for treatment.

## Successful Goose Hunt



Alva Kolb appears with four Canadian Geese he and Hollis Rowlett of Sweetwater bagged in Haskell County last Wednesday. He reports the big birds are abundant there.

## Harris-Alls Wedding Dec. 20

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Harris announce the approaching marriage of their daughter Carolyn Sue to Larry Alls, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Alls, Saturday, December 20 at 6:00 p. m. at Calvary Baptist Church.

The public is invited.

## Rebekah Lodge Christmas Tree

Rebekah Lodge members enjoyed their Christmas program and tree Monday night, December 8 at the Lodge Hall. Floyd Jr. and Pete Garcia provided music during the affair as well as Mrs. Virgil Weems and daughters. A sing-song was also held during the evening with Mrs. Weems at the piano.

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments of sandwiches, cookies, coffee and hot chocolate were served. L. R. Weems dismissed the group with prayer.

## Calendar Club Plans Party

The annual Calendar Club Christmas party will be held at the Community Center, Friday, Dec. 19, at 7:00 p. m. It will be a box supper, and all proceeds will go to Rotan Fire Department.

Each member is asked to bring an old toy, also to be given to the Firemen. Bring a couple's gift to be exchanged. Club members should call 5-2554 or 5-3062 if they are unable to attend.

## CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS WARNED TO BEWARE OF AUTO THIEVES

Christmas shoppers should take every precaution to protect their packages and automobiles from thieves, warns the National Automobile Theft Bureau.

C. C. Benson, manager of the southwestern division of the NATB, said that Christmas shoppers who leave their cars unlocked and packages in the back seat are leaving an open invitation to thieves of all kinds.

"Car thieves frequently prowl shopping centers and other such areas where shoppers are likely to leave cars unlocked and keys in ignitions while they run inside stores to make quick purchases," said Mr. Benson.

During the holiday season the thief not only has more cars to pick from, but often find a car filled with packages. Thus, he can get two birds with the same stone--the car and the packages--and have an early Christmas, observed the NATB official. should lock all packages in the trunks of their cars when the automobiles are unoccupied. Over 80 per cent of the cars stolen had been left unlocked and over half of these were left with keys in the ignition.

## Rotan WSCS Annual Luncheon

WSCS of Rotan United Methodist Church enjoyed their annual luncheon party.

Mrs. R. T. Williams has been traditional hostess for the party for years. All look forward to this. The Christmas spirit was evident from the gracious hostess' welcome to the festive colorful decorations in red and green from the living room to the den. The crystal chandeliers glistened with Christmas lights. Mrs. J. W. Porter gave the opening blessing.

Mrs. Miers, president of the WSCS served at the dining table, laid in white and laden with goodies. Eight card tables decorated in red and gleaming silver were in service for the 27 guests.

After lunch, Mrs. Mamie Lois Johnson read from Luke "The Birth of The Christ Child" and three legends of Christmas and its meaning to different countries of our world.

Attending were Meses. J. W. Porter, Miers, Parker, L. B. Berry, Thadde Wilson, C. Burrow, Wayne Porter, Susie Webb, L. Newton, Polk, McCright, Kiker, W. Harris, Ford, Nancy White, H. Aaron, M. Strickland, Mamie Lois Johnson, Junsaker, R. Smith, Empress Day, Moffet, Senn, Birdsong, Misses Mary and Louada Posey and Special guest Mrs. W. S. Akens.

## 4 Leaf Clovers Met Dec. 9

The 4 Leaf Clovers met Dec. 9. The program was about fruits and vegetables. Charlotte Tompson, our Jr. Leader showed us how to make apple slices. Meeting was adjourned.

Reporter, Carmen Sparks

AG CHEMICAL CLEAN UP TIME---Fall clean-up is especially important to agriculturists who use chemicals. It's the time, points out Dr. Jack Price, Extension agricultural chemicals specialist, when left-over pesticides, pesticide containers and application equipment should be cleaned up and stored. He suggests that a copy of MP-825, "Farm and Ranch Guide to the Safe Use of Pesticides" be obtained from the local county agent as an aid in the clean-up program.

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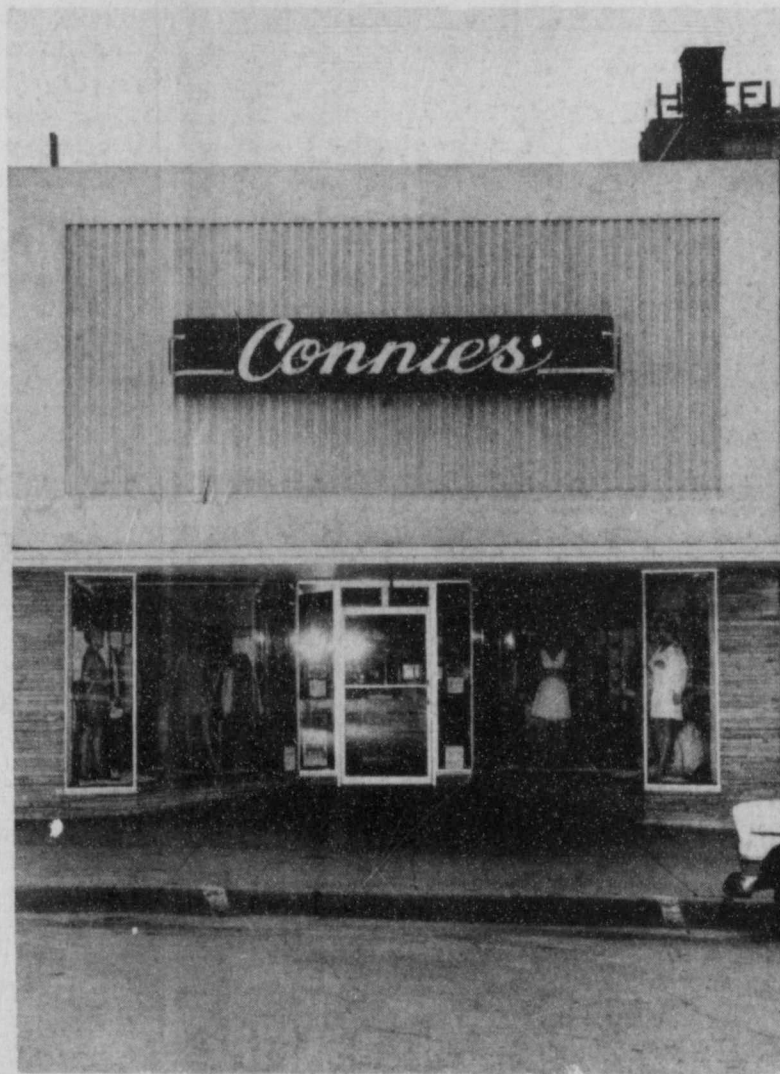
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## Roby H M Girls Hold Open House

The Roby Homemaking girls held their annual Open House for the members of the High School Student Body Tuesday, December 9 at 10:00 a. m. Cookies, cake, pie and punch were served to students and teachers.

Christmas Holidays for Roby Public Schools begin on the 19th of December. Classes will resume on January 5, 1970. Semester exams began this week on Tuesday, December 16 and continued through Thursday.

Friday is set for Christmas programs and parties. Each high school class will have a class party at 11:00 a. m. and the entire high school will enjoy a group party after lunch in the auditorium.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Melton and family, Shirley, James Arlon, Wayne Ellis, and Dorsey of Bonham, spent the week end in Roby with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arlon Melton and in Rotan with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Bickerstaff.

## Garcia-Click Wedding Friday

Donna Garcia and E. A. Click III of Abilene will be married Friday evening, Dec. 19, at 7:30 p. m.

Donna invites her Rotan and Roby friends to the wedding which will be at Elmwood Baptist Church in Abilene.

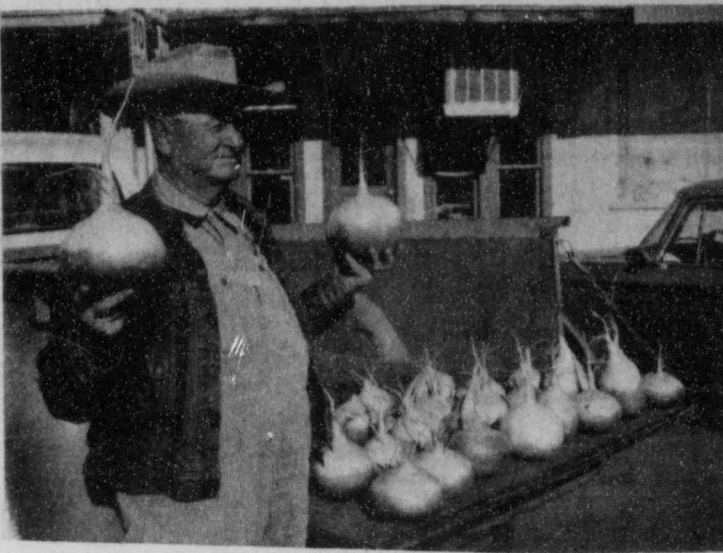
## Crestview Chat

On Saturday, Dec. 20 at 3:00 p. m. old Santa will be at Crestview. There already are a lot of presents around our tree and things sure look nice and "Christmassy". Hope we can have lots of company on this evening. The "Roadrunners", a local group of musicians, will be entertaining us. Then we'll welcome Santa.

Be sure to come and visit us during the Christmas holidays.

Wanda Murphree

## Martin is 'Turnip King'



Carl Martin is shown with several of his prize turnips. He claims to be "Turnip King" of Fisher County and each year he produces prize winning turnips. In his right hand he holds a 5 pounder and in left hand a 4-1/2. He has about an acre of turnip patch and says he has never sold one.

## 6 B All Dist. Football Team

Offense 1st Team, End, Lyndell Favor, Jayton, 135, Jr.; End, Ronnie Anders, Wilson, 160, Sr.; End, Bobbie Holcomb, Roby, 130, Jr.

Tackle, Steve Lewis, New Home, 210, Soph.; Tackle, Doug Upshaw, Roby, 198, Sr.; Guard, Steve Bernadz, Wilson, 180, Jr.; Guard, Earl Brownlee, Jayton, 180, Sr.

Center, Johnny Knox, Roby, 215, Jr.; Center, Carry Schwerter, Wilson, 155, Sr.

Quarterback, Baron Wetsel, Roby, 180, Jr.; Ronnie Farr, New Home, 160, Sr.

Back, Martin Garcia, Jayton, 160, Sr.; Back, Steve Bridger, Wilson, 180, Sr.; Back, Robert Doyle, Roby, 150, Sr.

Defense 1st Team, End, Woody Follis, Wilson, 155, Jr.; End, Felix Robels, Sands, Gary Stuart, Roby, 165, Sr.

Linebacker, Frank Lopez, Wilson, 160, Sr.; Wayland James, New Home, 230, Sr.; Larry Park, Roby, 240, Sr.

Linebacker, Earl Brownlee, Jayton, 180, Sr.; Steve Bernadz, Wilson, 180, Jr.; Steve Fillingim, New Home, 160, Sr.

Back, Steve Meador, Wilson, 170, Sr.; Jim Fillingim, New Home, 125, Jr.; Ray Douglas, Roby, 165, Jr.; Martin Garcia, Jayton, 150, Sr.

2nd Team Offense, End, Mike Koslin, Wilson; Tackle, Gary Kiser, Roby; Nickie Williams, Jayton, and Wayland Peterson, Wilson; Guard; Jeff McClure, Roby; Quarterback; Kim Nichols, Jayton; Back, Steve Meadow, Wilson; Fillingim, New Home and Gibson, Jayton.

2nd Team Defense, End; Williams, Jayton; Linemen; Upshaw, Roby; Bridger, Wilson; Gaskin, Sands and Smith, Jayton. Linebacker; Stone, Wilson, Farr, New Home, and Roemisch, Hermleigh, Back; Bigson, Jayton and Ewing, New Home.

Honorable mention were Mark Kiser, Keith Matthies, and Larry Daniel.

Mr. Evelyn Polk, Mrs. Jimmy Horton, Mrs. Mozelle Acker, and Mrs. Euna Holcomb were in Abilene last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joyce Boen and children of Odessa spent the week-end here with his mother, Mrs. Era Boen.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert O'Neal of Snyder visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Ashley of Roby and went on to Rotan to visit with relatives.

Jackie Ragan, little 3 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Ragan of Rotan visited several days last week with Robert Allen and his grandmother, Mrs. Jack Kiker of Roby.

Ira K. Morton of McAllen visited with his mother, Mrs. M. J. Morton of Roby and other relatives this week.

Mrs. Jim Dunigan of Abilene visited relatives in Rotan last week-end.

## Quail Habitat Management

Quail need various types of cover during daily activities. Brush, tall grass, or high weeds along gullies, fence rows, and edge of fields are used as travel lanes of protection as the covey moves about. Quail prefer to feed in light vegetation with thin cover over them and heavier cover close by.

Loafing cover is used at mid-day between feeding periods. Many types of odd areas provide this type of cover. They are best when scattered over the farm not over 200-300 feet apart. Any native woody cover will be used. Quality is improved when it is dense, close to the ground, but still open underneath to allow the birds to move around and still be protected. A wide variety of native shrubs are used by quail; dogwoods, wild plums, wild grape, sumac, cedar, and many more. Some of these produce food as well as cover.

Temporary cover of brush piles and half cut trees are desirable where cover is non-existent. The seeds of many shrubs pass through the digestive tracts of quail and are sown around brush piles. This will start a thicket of natural cover.

For nesting, quail prefer last year's lodged vegetation, such as little bluestem. Lodged vegetation may be found in odd areas of little mowing or grazing.

Quail must have food available at all times of the year or they will starve or move to another territory. Quail eat insects, fruit, and succulent green vegetation when available and shift to seeds when not available. Domestic grains are used by wildlife but deteriorate rapidly and germinate when it rains. Thus, other types of seed are preferable; crotons, sunflowers, panicums, and many others.

Many of the higher food producing plants are annuals and low succession perennials. The easiest and cheapest method of increasing these foods are fallow plowing or disking," reports Bill Lewis, SCS technician. "When performed within the odd area this places the food close to the cover."

Considerable interest is being generated in the planning and application of deferred rotation grazing systems. As applied to rangeland management, this term means a system of grazing whereby grazing on a portion of the land is delayed until after seed maturity of purposes of revegetation.

The benefits of deferred grazing are numerous but the three primary advantages are: 1) improves the vigor and forage production of the better vegetative species through providing greater leaf area and deeper root penetration 2) permits the better vegetation to produce seed, and 3) provides a period of rest to permit seedlings to become

## Jones 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Jones of Rt. 2, Roby, will celebrate their 50th anniversary Saturday with a reception from 1:30-4:30 p. m. in their home.

Children of the couple and their families who will host the affair are Mrs. Milton Westover of Mascoutah, Ill., Mrs. Lawrence Parsons of Odessa, Burt Jones and Don Jones, both of Abilene.

Mr. Jones was born March 8, 1897, in Stephenville, Mrs. Jones May 20, 1900, in Williamson County.

They met in Nolan community in 1917 and married in Abilene.

They lived near Sylvester until 1965 when they moved to their home near Roby. Jones is a stock farmer. He enjoys gardening, and her hobbies are quilting and sewing.

They have eight grandchildren.

## Birthday Dinner Honors Four

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Dickerson hosted a birthday dinner Sunday for four members of the family with birthdays in December.

Those enjoying the occasion were, Mr. and Mrs. David Lee Dickerson, Stamford; Mr. and Mrs. Lenoin Dickerson and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Gilbert, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. John Cross, Rotan; Mrs. Lee Dickerson, Sylvester. Mr. Dickerson is confined to the Hamlin hospital and was unable to attend.

established.

There are several variations of the deferred rotation system. So far, the best results have been obtained from systems where pastures are rested for four month periods. The easiest system to install is a two pasture system, whereby all the cattle graze in one pasture for four months and then are rotated to the other pasture. The rest periods fall during a different season each year. If a four pasture system is used, one pasture is rested each four months and the other three are grazed. At the end of four months, the livestock in one pasture are rotated and a different pasture is rested. Thus each pasture is grazed twelve months and rested four months.

The advantageous of this type grazing system are numerous. A 25% increase in forage production is feasible, plus weaning weights increase about 10 pounds. Calf crop percentage average 5% higher. The outstanding advantage is that less labor is required. On a four pasture system you have your cattle concentrated on 75% of the land.

## Rotan Boy Scouts Plan Christmas

Rotan Boy Scouts will hold regular meeting tonight, Thursday at Scout Hall.

All members are urged to attend and help plan the annual Christmas party which will be a hay ride and weiner roast and is planned for Dec. 23. Lawrence Bredemeyer is Scoutmaster and Jack Cadenhead, assistant.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Phillips and Maxine, of Rotan, went to Lubbock Sunday to take their daughter, Mrs. Billy Dycus and little son Robert home. They had visited here several days.

Mrs. W. L. Terrell, Rotan, went to McAllen Tuesday to spend the holidays with her son and family, Dr. and Mrs. P. D. Terrell and daughter Julie, a freshman at Stephen F. Austin in Nacogdoches.

## Rotan Classroom Teachers Dinner

Walter Miers, president of the Rotan Classroom Teachers Association, welcomed teachers and their guests to the annual Christmas Dinner party, December 11, at the Rotana Restaurant. Robert Witherspoon gave the invocation.

Mrs. K. C. McCasland introduced Mr. Olaf South, Superintendent of Sweetwater Public Schools, who was the inspiring speaker for the evening.

A group of Rotan High School girls, "The Bluenotes" sang delightful Christmas songs. The group consisted of Roxanne Gallan, Lura Wallace, Maxine Phillips, Stephanie Miller, Kathy Murphree, Laura Crow, Lou McCombs, pianist, and Mrs. Bart Strayhorn, director.

The beautiful Christmas decorations, that adorned the tables, were done by members of the association.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Palmer, Roby, over the recent Thanksgiving holidays were, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Palmer and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Russell and family both of Green Forest, Ark.

## CAR INSPECTIONS REPORTED LAGGING

Austin--Colonel Wilson E. Speir, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, said today that motor vehicle inspections in Texas are running almost 30% behind the inspection rate at this time last year.

"Unless the inspection rate increases, there are going to be some awfully long lines at inspection stations prior to the April 15 deadline," Speir said. During the year which ended August 31, some 6.3 million vehicles were inspected in Texas. Since September 1, only 538,000 have received the required inspection.

The State Motor Vehicle Inspection Act was amended by the Legislature to provide that inspection stickers issued after September 1 will expire 12 months from the date of issue. However, the law requires that all motor vehicles display a new sticker before April 15, 1970.

Speir noted that the new stickers are being placed on the driver's side of the windshield and contain a number tab showing the month of expiration. The old stickers are on the passenger or right-hand side and have no number tab.

"The inspection program is to discover vehicle defects which may lead to an accident. We urge all Texans to have their vehicles inspected soon to make sure they are safe for winter driving," Speir said.

## Lions Camp For Children

Members of Lions Clubs throughout Texas this month are pausing to pay recognition to their camp for crippled children which has given over 11 thousand handicapped youngsters a new dimension of freedom since it was opened in 1953.

The camp, located at Ker-ville in the Hill Country of Central Texas, is free to crippled, blind, deaf or mute children of Texas from the ages of seven through sixteen. The 17 permanent buildings and other improvements dotting the 504 hill-side acres represent an investment of more than \$700,000.

While the Lions are paying tribute to their camp, we would like to pay tribute to the Lions and their friends who have supported this great venture of the heart. We know a man never stands so straight as when he stoops to help a crippled child.

## Mrs. R.E. Curlee Service Held For

Mrs. R. E. Curlee, 71, a resident of Rotan area since 1948, died at 6 a. m. Sunday in Callan Hospital, where she had been a patient for about eight days.

Services were at 2 p. m. Tuesday from the First Baptist Church with Rev. Billy Hudnall, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Belview Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Mrs. Curlee was the former Ola Gladys Gamel and was born March 1, 1898, in Gustine. She married R. E. Curlee April 17, 1926, in Aspermont. They came to Rotan in 1948 from Delta, Colo., and farmed south of the city. She was a member of the Baptist church.

Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Mrs. Jack (Doris) Coonce of Odessa and Mrs. Harvey (Jeannine) Acker of Monahans; a son, Landon of Riverside, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Ila Gilson of Sacramento, Calif. and Mrs. Leona Reeves of Napa, Calif.; a brother, Glenn Gamel of Tacoma, Wash., and nine grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Hugh Huckaby, R. O. Allen, Bob Goodrum, V. B. Murphree, R. J. Rogers, and Richard Flovd.

Paying compliments is one sure way to insure quick popularity.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Johnston of San Angelo were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Langley and family.

Mr. O. R. Clark visited Mr. Clark in Big Spring Monday. His condition is about the same. Miss Genie Ivey accompanied Mrs. Clark and visited a sister, Mrs. Beeman in Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ashton and Mark of Abilene visited their parents Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ashton and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Martin in Rotan.



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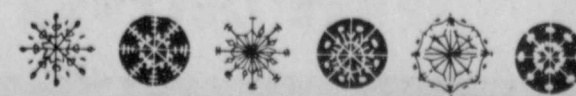
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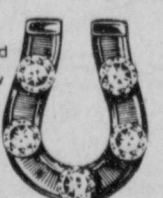
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**Sylvester News**

by Mrs. R. M. Fabb

Lovely week past and looks like we will have another nice week. Everyone is really busy getting their cotton out.

The John Tankersly family and Mrs. Delia Beard of Ft. Worth spent the week end visiting in the Ernest Kiser home and with the E. P. Harris'.

Mr. Lea Dickerson has spent several more days in Hamlin hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Lawlis drove to Noodle on Sunday and enjoyed an early Christmas dinner in the home of Woodrow's sister, Mrs. Sandy Sipes, also present were Mr. and Mrs. Finis Sexton of Slaton, Mrs. Lottie Lawlis of Roby, and Mr. Homer Lawlis of Sylvester.

Burford and Ruth Brown spent Sunday afternoon in Sweetwater in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Prather.

Melissa Hardwick of Abilene spent Sunday afternoon with her parents, the Chub Hardwick's.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mauldin and grand-daughter Tannya spent several days visiting in Azle with the Kenneth Mauldins.

On New Years Eve there will be a covered dish dinner, a good program with a lot of singing, everyone in the community is invited to come to the Baptist Church and watch the old year out and 1970 in, we will be expecting all of you.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Douglas and family spent the week end in the Alfred Douglas home, the Douglas' live in Sweetwater.

I hope everyone will have a wonderful Holiday including a prosperous 1970!

**Christmas Get To Gether**

Seven Roby couples and one Snyder couple left Saturday morning for a week-end visit with a former Fisher County couple, Jim and Lucy Harvey who now live in Kingsland. They enjoyed a nice Christmas "get-together" including Christmas dinner and playing "84". Sunday they had a big bar-b-que dinner at one of the ranches outside of Kingsland, and returned to Roby Sunday night.

Those making the trip were: Mr. and Mrs. Dub Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Murff, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ammons, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Mutt Neves, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Ammons all of Roby and Mr. and Mrs. "Potsy" Neeper of Snyder.

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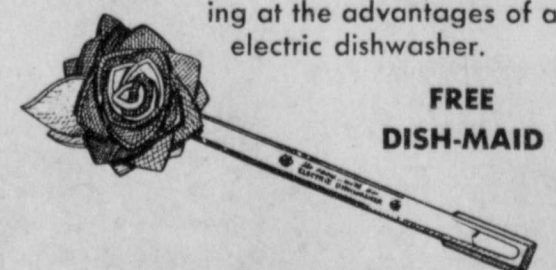
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