

# Lions Club To Assist In Goodfellows Christmas Fund Drive

The members of the Baird Lions Club have assumed the responsibility for the solicitation and collection of the Goodfellows Christmas Fund this year.

On Saturday, December 12, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. members of the Lions Club will be on the streets and in the business places of Baird to receive the contributions to the Goodfellows Christmas Funds.

The Lions will wear their Lions baseball caps for identification and will carry containers labeled "Goodfellows Christmas Funds" to receive the contributions.

The Lions Club members welcome this opportunity to assist the Goodfellows Fund Chairman, Terrell Williams, and other clubs and organizations in the city who are sharing in this Christmas project.

Remember, Saturday, December 12, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Goodfellows Christmas Fund.

Make Christmas a happy time for many who otherwise would not have much Christmas cheer. Give to Goodfellows Christmas Fund Saturday.

## SWEET 'N SOUR

By A. DILL

Christmas is getting closer and all over town doorways and windows are beginning to bloom with colored lights, and twinkling trees are putting in their appearance. Christmas is a joyful time, a time to love and be loved, and a time when the feeling of good fellowship runs high. But remember that the brotherhood of man just doesn't mean a thing unless we remember the Fatherhood of God from which it must stem — so this year, more than ever, let's keep Christ in Christmas.

We are indebted to Mr. Keefe Rowland, Superintendent of the Baird Schools, for an excellent article he handed us on how children in the Austin, Texas schools are learning the meaning of Christmas by the adoption of a needy family at Christmas time and turning all of their energy and resources toward gifts and acts of kindness toward others less fortunate than themselves. It's a fine plan and one that holds a two fold purpose — the family benefits and the children learn the blessed lesson of sharing.

Congratulations to little Johnny Spaulding who had a birthday Tuesday and a cake with two candles.

Have you seen the lovely Christmas doorway at the Hubert Ross home? It is very well done and makes a merry greeting to the town from the Ross family.

Tuesday is the December meeting of your P-TA and will be held at seven thirty in the evening in the Cafeteria. The Seventh and Eighth grades will be in charge of the entertainment which will be on the Christmas theme. The Grade School band, under the direction of Jackie Pruet will play and Melba Foy's choral singers will be included with a number of Christmas carols. Some children from the sixth grade will be included and Carolyn Nichols of High School will be featured in the reading of "Tasewell's" beloved "The Littlest Angel". The program is being planned and directed by Jackie Pruet, Melba Foy, Mrs. Lee Ivey, and Mrs. Gladys Webster and promises to be one of the best ever — try and be there.

We always love to see the Mayfield Christmas window display. It is artistically done and with dignity and beauty which would be a compliment to any store anywhere.

Do you know that we haven't gotten around to welcoming a brand new citizen to town? It is tiny Jim Snyder, Marguerite and James Snyder's baby son. But we've kept close tab on that young man and he must be a very fine baby indeed for when we asked his brother Byron about him he told us, "He's a pretty baby. He looks just like me." In our books you couldn't say anything much nicer than that. Make a special trip by and see Johnny Bowlus's lighted Christmas window. It is just as pretty as it can be — a bright tree in a picture window framed with lights and evergreens. The Bowlus' always have a beautifully decorated home but this year it seems prettier than ever.

We'll close off with this reminder to you to let us know when your Christmas decorations are ready for viewing or when your tree is lit and we'll make special mention of it. Please do that.

Billy and Ricky Brown of San Angelo, small grandchildren of Mrs. Dick Young spent nine days recently with Mr. and Mrs. Young.

## Christmas Seal Sales Returns

Christmas Seal Sales returns to date total \$710.00. At least \$1,200.00 will be needed to carry on the work of the Callahan County Tuberculosis Association, Mrs. C. H. Sladous, Seal Sale chairman, reported today.

Pointing out that Seal Sale funds contributed by Callahan County residents are the association's only financial support, she urged that everyone who has delayed in answering the Christmas Seal letter do so as soon as possible.

"As we draw nearer to Christmas Day, it is easy to lose sight of the Christmas Seal return envelope in the piles of Christmas mail," she said. "Yet this is one of the most important pieces of mail we receive. The Christmas Seal contribution is our gift to our neighbors, to the whole community."

Mrs. Sladous emphasized that Christmas Seal funds pay for specific tuberculosis control activities for the welfare of the community and the whole nation. They pay for medical research to discover better means of preventing and curing the disease, for health education, for case finding, and for the rehabilitation of patients. And do not lose sight of the fact that 82% of the money received remains in the county, and only 12% goes to the State and National Associations.

## NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at the American Legion Hall in the City of Baird in Callahan County, Texas, on the 12th day of January, 1954, for the purpose of electing two Directors of the Callahan County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.

The officers of the said election are: D. J. Anderson, Election Judge; Hugh Ross, Mrs. Farris Bennett and Mrs. J. R. Jackson, clerks.

All persons who are qualified voters and who pay taxes in said District shall be entitled to vote in said election.

Gilbert Hinds, Callahan County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1

50-3-c

## School Holidays December 19-28

Friday, December 18, will be the last day of school before the Christmas holidays, according to Supt. K. H. Rowland. School will begin again on Monday, Dec. 28, and the New Year on Friday will be observed.

## Church Of Christ News

The Ladies Bible Class meeting each Tuesday afternoon at 3 p.m. has just finished studying the book of Matthew.

Beginning next Tuesday they will take up a study of the book of Romans. All the women are urged to attend and we will be glad to have visitors study with us in this class. We feel this will be a profitable hour for those who attend.

## Baird Lunchroom December 14-18

MONDAY - Dec. 14th: Pigs in Blanket, Potato Salad, Black Eyed Peas

TUESDAY - Dec. 15th: Baby Lima Beans, Cheese Slice, Corn Muffins, Butter

WEDNESDAY - Dec. 16th: Beef Stew, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Vegetable Salad, Bread, Apricot Pies, Milk and Chocolate Milk

THURSDAY - Dec. 17th: Macaroni and Cheese, Turnip Greens, Bread, Ice Cream Sticks, Milk and Chocolate Milk

FRIDAY - Dec. 18th: Turkey, Corn Bread Dressing, Giblet Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, String Beans, Devils Food Cake, Milk and Chocolate Milk

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Hord were in Waco Dec. 2 and 3, where he attended Grand Lodge of Master Masons.

One day service imprinting Christmas Cards. Lawrence Drug Store, Baird, Texas. 50-1-c

## Basketball Schedule For Baird High

The following is the schedule of the Baird High basketball teams:

Dec. 11 - Gorman - Here  
Dec. 15 - Clyde - There  
Dec. 18 - Gorman - There  
Jan. 4 - Lueders - There  
Jan. 7-8-9 - Cross Plains Tournament  
Jan. 8 - Moran - Here  
Jan. 12 - Denton Valley - There  
Jan. 15 - Eula - Here  
Jan. 19 - Clyde - There  
Jan. 22 - Woodson - Here  
Jan. 26 - Putnam - There  
Jan. 28 - Lueders - Here  
Jan. 29 - Open  
Feb. 2 - Moran - There  
Feb. 5 - Denton - Here  
Feb. 9 - Eula - There  
Feb. 12 - Clyde - Here  
Feb. 16 - Woodson - There  
Feb. 19 - Putnam - Here

## Mrs. Surles Dies Tuesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Gusie Surles, 81, retired Baird school teacher, were conducted at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in Wylie Funeral Home chapel.

Rev. Riley Fugitt officiated and burial was in Ross Cemetery. Mrs. Surles died Tuesday morning at the home of a daughter, Mrs. C. B. Holmes of Baird. She had lived with her daughter the past 28 years. They lived in Baird several years and moved to Austin in 1935. They moved back to Baird in September.

Mrs. Surles was a teacher at Baird 11 years, taught five years at Menard and 10 years at Snyder School, located near Plainview.

She was the last survivor in a family of 12 children born to the late Mr. and Mrs. George D. Russell. Mr. Russell was a pioneer Baptist minister.

Mrs. Surles' husband, M. E. Surles, who died in 1895, also was a Baptist minister.

Other survivors are a daughter, Mrs. W. M. Oliver of Evant; seven grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Pallbearers were: Don Oliver, Winton Oliver of Evant, O. J. Russell of Cisco, Russell Surles, Jr. of Dallas, W. C. Gruver of Austin and O. D. Russell, Jr., of Stamford.

## Methodist Memos

The Christmas season finds many activities, and some specifically of a Christmas theme.

Last week the Emma Reynolds Circle had their Christmas party and the revelation of the identities of the "Secret Pals." The Circle brought gifts of clothing to put in a box for the Wesley Community House at Amarillo, a project of the Women's Society of Christian Service. The circle met in the C. M. Peek home.

Tuesday the Dora Barringer Circle met at the Hugh Ross home for the annual Christmas party and exchange of gifts. Mrs. Lutrick, in charge of the program, gave "The Anniversary", a Christmas story.

The MYF members met Tuesday afternoon to complete the packing of the clothing articles for the "Clothes for Korea" project. Many very useful and warm clothing articles have been received. The youth wish to express thanks to all who have assisted in this project.

The Young Adult Fellowship Class announced Sunday morning that the class will sponsor the Christmas tree for the Sunday School on December 23.

The Choir under the leadership of Mr. Glen Rockey will present the annual Christmas Cantata on the evening of December 20th.

The Family Night program of last Wednesday, December 2, turned out to be a special success for the parsonage family. While the supper was underway and the pastor's family out of the house the members brought in another generous pound, discovered as a surprise by the family as they returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson of Lampasas visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Walton and Rhonda Kay last weekend.

Mrs. Susie Gabbert of Lubbock is visiting her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Cox this week.

## Shelton Rites In Admiral Church

Funeral services were conducted at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at the Admiral Baptist Church for John Milton Shelton, 84, former resident of Abilene and Callahan County, who died Wednesday morning at Lubbock.

Rev. Frank Royal, pastor of the South Side Baptist Church, and Rev. T. M. Harrell, pastor of the North Park Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was in Admiral Cemetery beside the grave of his wife. Grandsons were pallbearers. Mr. Shelton was born Sept. 8, 1869, in Conway, Ark. He moved with his parents to Limestone County, Texas, when he was 5. He married Druclia Sandefer there March 14, 1888.

The couple moved to Callahan County in 1889 and lived in the Admiral community for 32 years. Mrs. Shelton died Oct. 31, 1941. Mr. Shelton was a farmer at Admiral.

He joined the Baptist Church when he was 13, was a church clerk for 20 years and also a deacon.

He had made his home for the past year at the home of a daughter, Mrs. S. A. Eubank of Lubbock, where he died. He had previously lived in Abilene for eight years at the home of another daughter, Mrs. A. M. Connell, who died Oct. 7, 1953.

Survivors are two sons, Milton Shelton of Admiral, and Floyd Shelton of Odessa; four daughters, Mrs. J. H. Anderson of Dallas, Mrs. Eubank of Lubbock, Mrs. Travis Odell and Mrs. W. J. Frazier, both of Abilene; one sister, Mrs. J. A. Coffey of Clyde; 22 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

## P-TA Meeting To Be Held December 15

The regular meeting of the Baird P-TA will be held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the Baird Cafeteria.

Program is as follows:

- (a) America
- (b) The German Waltz
- (c) Jolly Old Saint Nicholas
- (d) Jingle Bells
- Grade School Band
- Christmas Hymn - Grade School Girls' Trio
- (a) Joy to the World
- (b) I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas
- (c) Jingle Bells
- Seventh and Eighth Grade Chorus
- I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day —Sherry Fugitt and Ann Dennis
- The First Noel —Seventh Grade Chorus
- We Three Kings of Orient Are —Seventh Grade Boys' Trio
- Silent Night —Grade School Chorus
- The Littlest Angel —Carolyn Nichols

## ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Maner are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Carlene, to Joe Ross Milliron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Milliron. The wedding date is set for Saturday December 19.

Relatives from out of town attending the funeral of George Voigts, which was held last Sunday afternoon were: his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Voigts of Reno, Nev.; three sisters, Miss Lois Voigts of Winnemucca, Nev., Mrs. Elmer Miller, Paradise Valley, Nev., Mrs. Cliff Hosack of Nampa, Idaho; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Finto of Ranger; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Black of Ft. Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Jarrett of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. U. Trotter of Clyde; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Robinson of Quanah; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Swinson of Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Swinson of San Angelo; D. R. Brown of Rochester; Doss Brown of Abilene; Mrs. Florine Rodgers and Mrs. Carrie Hughes both of Ft. Worth.

## It's A Girl

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Moring of Austin are parents of a 7 lb. girl, Shelley, who arrived on Dec. 7 at Seton Hospital in Austin. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ivey of Baird and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Tait Moring of Stephenville.

## Mrs. Felix Crawford Rites Held Saturday

Last rites for Mrs. Felix Crawford, 77, of Oplin, were held at 3 p.m. Saturday in the Dudley Baptist Church.

Rev. Mack Richardson, of Abilene, officiated, assisted by Rev. H. B. Terry, pastor of the Denton Valley Baptist Church. Burial was in Dudley Cemetery, with Wylie Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Crawford died at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, after a long illness. She had been seriously ill the past two months.

Born Mary Maggie Avery in Iola, Kansas, Sept. 23, 1876, she married Felix Crawford at Teacum on Feb. 2, 1895. Mr. Crawford preceded her in death on May 20, 1953.

Survivors are four sons, Lawrence of Pie Town, N. M., Levi of Socorro, N. M., Ira of Oplin and Elbert of Route 2, Clyde; two daughters, Mrs. L. V. Harris of Oplin and Mrs. J. B. Sherrill of Abilene; two sisters, Mrs. Lula Acord of Bakersfield, Calif., and Mrs. Kate Crawford of Route 2, Clyde; one brother, W. I. Avery of Coleman, 18 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

## Wilma Ann Henry, 3, Dies At Baird

Wilma Ann Henry, 3, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billie Henry, who live on a ranch south of here, died Saturday at 3:30 a.m.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 4 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Charles Lutrick, pastor of the Methodist Church officiating. The Rev. Leroy Blackburn, Presbyterian pastor assisted.

Burial was in Ross Cemetery under the direction of Wylie Funeral Home.

Wilma Ann was born Dec. 24, 1950, and had been an invalid all her life.

Survivors are her parents, who live on a ranch south of Baird, and four sisters, Dorothy, Barbara, Elaine, and Nancy; her paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Larmer Henry of Baird, and her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson of Baird.

## Auxiliary To Have Dinner

The American Legion Auxiliary is having a Christmas dinner Tuesday Dec. 15th, at 6 p.m. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Anderson. The husbands and children or one guest are invited and gifts will be exchanged.

## New and Renewal Subscriptions

Gene Walls, Falfurrias  
J. F. Browning, Baird  
J. A. Brashear, Baird  
Mrs. W. D. Ferguson, Brownsville  
Mrs. S. L. Stokes, Corpus Christi

Mrs. Herman Harper, Abilene  
W. D. Boydston, Baird  
Mrs. J. Norton, Ft. Worth  
H. R. Rhoades, Clyde  
E. A. Franke, Baird  
Jennette Smith, Campbell, California

Elec Bainbridge, Rowden  
Hansel Sanders, Rowden  
Jerry McDonald, Rowden  
J. A. Sikes, Rowden  
Mrs. C. M. Peek, Baird  
Virgil F. Jones, Baird  
R. F. Jones, Weslaco  
Clifford Jones, Weslaco  
W. M. Price, Baird  
S. H. Warren, Baird  
D. W. Young, Newcastle  
A. E. Young, Baird  
Mrs. J. H. Buchanan, Cedar Crest, N. Mex.  
Mrs. F. S. Burt, Taft, Calif.  
E. M. Seale, Baird  
Billy G. Hatchett, Baird  
Mrs. L. P. Murphy, Baird  
A. C. Klepper, Clyde  
Mrs. M. B. Nichols, Baird

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Mitchell attended the golden wedding anniversary of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Plummer in Seymour last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Hickam, of Bloomington, Indiana, visited her sister, Mrs. Anna Jackson and sons, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rutherford and daughter, Laverne of Putnam, were visiting and shopping in Baird, last Saturday.

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## Vote On Cotton And Peanut Marketing Quotas Set For Dec. 15

### Accident Victim Buried Sunday

Funeral was held at 2 p.m. Sunday for Loriston George Voigts, 29, who was killed in a truck accident Thursday morning about 6:30 a.m. Rites were held at the Wylie Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Charles Lutrick, pastor of the First Methodist Church, officiating, assisted by Rev. Riley Fugitt, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

Burial was in Ross Cemetery. Mr. Voigts was born Dec. 15, 1925 at Oravada, Nevada. He served 5 years in the U.S. Army, attached to the 93rd Chemical Engineers, with 1½ years overseas in the European Theatre.

Surviving are his wife; three children, two sons, Bobby Lorister, 5, Johnny Eugene, 2, and one daughter, Barbara A., age 3; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Voigts, Reno, Nevada; four sisters, Mrs. Elmer Miller, Paradise Valley, Nev., Mrs. Eugene Swinson, Baird, Mrs. Cliff Hosack, Nampa, Idaho, Miss Lois Voigts, Winnemucca, Nevada; one grandparent, L. H. Lovejoy, Cyllinder, Iowa; two uncles and one aunt.

### Former Eula Resident Buried In Dallas

Funeral services for Robert Britton Ferguson, 67, a former Dallas resident, was held at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the George A. Brewer Funeral Chapel in Dallas. The Oak Cliff Masonic Lodge had charge of graveside rites in Hillcrest Memorial Park.

Born in Eula, he had lived in Dallas for thirty years. He was a Mason and a member of the First Baptist Church in Arlington. He was also a World War I veteran.

Ferguson died Sunday in a Dallas Hospital. He had lived in Arlington for the past eight years and was an express messenger on the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad for forty-four years prior to his retirement two years ago.

Surviving are his wife; two brothers, J. F. Ferguson of San Diego, Calif. and Bill Ferguson of Clyde; four sisters, Mrs. J. M. Watts of Clyde, Mrs. Myrtle Berry of Baird, Mrs. Jim Stephenson of Plainview and Mrs. Joe Gibson of Odessa.

Bill Ferguson, Mrs. J. M. Watts of Clyde and Mrs. Myrtle Berry of Baird attended the funeral. Rev. H. E. East, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Arlington conducted the services.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bookshier and children of Dallas visited her sister, Mrs. D. C. Cox and Mr. Cox last weekend.

## Two Wildcats Announced For Callahan County Saturday

Two wildcats were announced Saturday for Callahan County.

W. H. Green & Cle-Tex Oil Co. No. 1 W. H. Chambers is a 2,300-foot test one and one-half miles northwest of Clyde, 330 feet from the north and west lines of the southwest quarter of Section 60, BBB&C Survey.

T. E. Vermillion & G. F. Corbett, Cross Plains, staked No. 1 Klutts as a 1,900-foot wildcat seven miles southwest of Cross Plains, 980 feet from the north and 1,200 feet from the east lines of Subdivision 44, Comal CSL Survey 181.

M. D. St. John No. 1 S. W. Lily, Section 149, Block 2, GH&H Survey, wildcat eight miles east of Oplin, was at 3,742 feet waiting on orders at last report. There have been no shows.

Callahan Rotary Co. No. 3 Willie Moore, Section 28, BAL Survey, Box Palo Pinto Field, has been completed for a daily gauge of 87 barrels of 43 gravity oil, pumping from 40 perforations at 3,272-82 feet. Casing was set at 3,285 feet. Total depth was 3,292 feet. The section was treated with 3,500 gallons of acid.

On Tuesday, December 15, 1953, Callahan County farmers will go to the polls to vote on whether they favor marketing quotas on cotton for 1954 and on peanuts for 1954-1955 and 1956. Polling places have been set up in the following communities and eligible voters on both cotton and peanuts may cast their ballots at these places:

Cross Plains - City Hall  
Cottonwood - Coffey's Store  
Putnam - Shackelford's Implement Store  
Oplin - Schoolhouse  
Rowden - Community Center  
Denton - Methodist Church  
Eula - High School Auditorium  
Baird - PMA Office  
Clyde - Community Center  
Polls will open at 9:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

Persons eligible to vote are those farmers who shared in peanut crop on a farm on which more than one acre was picked and threshed in 1953 and/or who shared in the production of cotton in 1953. A farmer may vote in both the cotton and peanut referendum if he meets eligibility requirements, but he may cast only one vote in either the cotton or peanut referendum, regardless of the number of farms in which he has an interest in cotton or peanuts in 1953. Eligible voters are to cast their ballots in the community in which they reside.

If marketing quotas are adopted by the necessary two-thirds majority of the farmers voting in the December 15 referendum, each farmer who plants within his cotton and peanut acreage allotment in 1954 will be eligible to receive 90 percent of parity price support on his production. If marketing quotas are turned down by cotton and peanut farmers, then price support will drop to 50 percent of parity and only those farmers who plant within their 1954 allotments will be eligible for the 50 percent price support.

## NOTICE

The Goodfellows will meet Monday, Dec. 14, in the library at 4 p.m. all committees appointed by the various clubs are urged to attend this important meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Buckner and children, Linda Duane and Sylvia, of Oklahoma City, spent the weekend with Mrs. Hughes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hughes.

Mrs. Thelma Shelton and Mrs. I. A. Alphin were shopping in Abilene on Monday of this week.

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Robert W. McKissick, et al, Abilene, No. 3 Cheney, is to be 2,187 feet from the south and 1,361 feet from the west lines of G. W. Denton Survey 360. Proposed depth is 1,999 feet.

Schlake Bros. Drilling Co., Albany, staked No. 1 J. M. Morrisett as a wildcat seven miles northwest of Clyde in Callahan County. Location for the 1,800 foot cable tool test is 150 feet from the west and north lines of the southwest quarter of Section 68, Block 14, T&P Survey.

Paine Production Co. No. 12 Troy L. Gifford, Section 57, BBB&C Survey, Three Aces Field, has been completed for 85 barrels of 42 gravity oil per day through ¼ choke with packer on casing and 180 pounds on tubing from 48 perforations at 1,644-58 feet. Casing was set at 1,715 feet, total depth. Gas-oil ratio was 1,200-1.



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## CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE — Pansy plants, 60c per doz. Kelton's Flower Shop. 44-tf-c

MOVING?—Then call 4-4113 for a complete, safe and reasonable service.—Red Ball Transfer & Storage, Abilene, Texas. E. R. Ogle R. V. Carey 14-tf-c

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Sun. - Mon. - Tue.  
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starring  
ROCK HUDSON  
MARCIA HENDERSON  
STEVE COCHRAN  
Color by Technicolor

WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY  
TONY CURTIS  
"ALL AMERICAN"  
co-starring  
LORI NELSON  
and introducing  
MAMIE VAN DOREN

**FOR RENT** — Home place in Baird and apt. back of Lawrence Drug. Also Recreation Hall Bldg. Will decorate to suit tenant. Write Miss Pauline Terrell, 1823 Bissonnet St., Houston 5, Texas. 50-1-c

**GIFT FOR MOTHER** — New Necchi or Elna Sewing Machine. Premier Portable \$69.50; Premier Console \$114.00; Used Portable Singer \$39.50. Budget terms. Konczak's, phone 138, Clyde, Texas. 50-1-c

**FOR SALE** — Burkett paperback pecans. E. F. Butler, Clyde. 2 blocks south of Bowman Lumber Co. 50-1-c

### Peek Home Scene Of Circle Meeting

Eighteen members answered the roll call Tuesday evening Dec. 1st when the Emma Reynolds Circle met in the home of Mrs. C. M. Peek, with Miss Hazel Reynolds as co-hostess.

The meeting was called to order by the leader, Mrs. Clyde Latimer. During the business meeting, Mrs. H. W. Martin was elected leader for the next term.

Topics for the evening were Christmas Gifts From Christians Homes by Mrs. A. N. Johnson. A Christmas playlet by Mrs. Charles Lutrick. The members joined in on the program by singing Christmas Carols, after which the members revealed their secret pals by receiving a gift.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. Tom Barton, Bessie Mae Borden, Lowell Boyd, M. M. Caldwell, Irvin Corn, C. W. Curtis, N. L. Dickey, A. N. Johnson, Clyde Latimer, Charles Lutrick, H. W. Martin, C. M. Peek, Glenn Rockey, J. V. Thompson, Misses Sarah Parks, Hazel Reynolds, Burma Warren and Mae Clair Wheeler.

### Pink And Blue Shower Honors Mrs. Glasson

A pink and blue shower honoring Mrs. Dale Glasson was given in the D. C. Cox home Dec. 1st. Approximately twenty guests enjoyed games and admired the many beautiful and useful gifts.

A refreshment plate of sandwiches, nuts, cookies and punch was served by the hostesses: Mmes. D. C. Cox, J. L. Ault, Gilmor Hughes, Harvey Wise, John T. Towler and Terrell Williams.

Harold Ray, who had major surgery at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene last week, is resting much better and his many friends here wish him a speedy recovery.

## Make A Date

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**December 18**

To See A  
COMPLETELY  
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Coffee and cookies for all.  
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### Leader Class Entertains

The Leaders Class of the Methodist church met in the home of Mrs. V. E. Hill on Dec. 2nd at 12 noon for their annual Christmas dinner. Mrs. Hill's home was beautifully decorated in Christmas motif. The gift table was centered with a gum drop tree. There was an exchange of gifts after the delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Christmas songs were sung. Mrs. M. D. Bell read one song in verse.

These guests and members were present: Mmes. Martha Gilliland, Ace Hickman, Chas. Lutrick, Afton Hall, Bob Norrell, J. M. Reynolds, Joe Alexander, Job Beck, Tee Baulch, L. C. Cash, M. L. Stubblefield, W. A. Fetterley, Will Parks, D. S. Greene, Geo. Crutchfield, Brice Jones, Lester Farmer, M. D. Bell, H. A. Warren and Mrs. V. E. Hill. On Sunday morning Dec. 6th, the members of the Leader Class presented Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield, who is their teacher, with a lovely gift.

### T&P Friendship Club Meets Nov. 9th

At the last meeting of the T&P Friendship Club on Nov. 9th, Mr. Glen Rockey entertained the members with some of his wonderful music. The next meeting will be Dec. 14th with exchange of gifts.

### Gleaners Class Meets

The Gleaners Class of the Presbyterian church met Dec. 3 for their Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Arthur Johnson, 224 Pine St. Fourteen members answered roll call.

After a business session gifts were exchanged and a social hour was enjoyed. A delicious refreshment plate was then served by the hostess assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Juanita Danielson.

### New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pierson, Jr., of Jal, N. M., announce the arrival of a son, James Anthony, on Nov. 26. He weighed 5 lbs. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pierson, Sr., of Toyah are paternal grandparents and Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Pool are maternal grandparents.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincerest thanks and appreciation for the kindness shown us during the long illness and passing of our loved one.  
May God's richest blessings abide with you always.  
Mrs. Boyce Bolick and son, Bruce  
Mrs. T. J. Bolick  
Mr. and Mrs. James Bolick  
Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Measel

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincerest thanks and appreciation, to our many friends, for their acts of kindness, the food, and beautiful flowers you remembered us with during the loss of our loved one.  
May God bless each of you.  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy Henry and children  
Mr. and Mrs. Larmer Henry  
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson  
Miss Dollie Wilson of Ft. Worth a sister to Mrs. Chas. L. Robinson, visited her last weekend.

### New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burnett, Jr., of Amarillo, are announcing the birth of a daughter, Beverley Kay, Dec. 5th, wt. 7 lbs.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burnett, Sr., of Amarillo. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Weldon of Baird.

### Stork Shower Honors Mrs. Strickland

Mrs. Raymond Strickland was honored with a stork shower Dec. 3rd at the home of Mrs. O. B. Pool, which was beautifully decorated in Mrs. Strickland's favorite colors, pale green and yellow.

Mrs. Raymond Carn invited the thirty-five guests to register in the dainty guest book. The refreshment table was presided over by Mmes. D. C. Cox and Eddie Bullock.

Hostesses were: Mmes. Eddie Bullock, D. C. Cox, Buford Tyson, Pete Chatham, Gus Hall, John Bowls, Alvis Dill, Raymond Corn, B. B. McPherson, Larmer Henry, Terrell Williams and O. B. Pool.

### New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Don Love announce the arrival of a daughter, Ronda, who was born Dec. 5th, at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene.

## NOTICE!

The Safety Council will meet Tuesday, Dec. 15th, in the Commissioner's Court Room at 4 p.m. All who are interested in the Safety Council work and all members who have been appointed by the various clubs of Baird are urged to attend this meeting.

### Edith Bowls Hosts Study Club

Edith Bowls was hostess on December 7th to seventeen members of the Corinne Blackburn Wednesday Club and two guests, Mrs. Archie Nichols and Miss Carolyn Nichols.

Our study for the evening was Religious Heritage. Miss Carolyn Nichols read Keep God in Our American Heritage. Mrs. Lutrick gave Religious Tolerance Best Understood in America.

Enjoying the social hour with the hostess were: Mmes. Eunice Brock, Lowell Boyd, Juanita Danielson, N. L. Dickey, Horace Elliott, Charles Lutrick, A. A. Manion, C. S. McGowen, Roland Nichols, C. M. Peek, Margie Ray, G. E. Rockey, Terrell Williams, L. L. Blackburn and Miss Burma Warren.

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By Mrs. Daphne Floyd  
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You basketball fans get ready to see a good game Friday night, Dec. 11 here at the Oplin gym for Lawn will meet Clyde at that time.

Remember, too, that the third Thursday night of this month, Dec. 17, will be our community "get together." I am sure the hostesses have a nice entertainment planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Windham had a lovely new fence erected around their home this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Red Cranford visited last week with their children and families. Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Beaver and Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Nobles. The Cranfords made a weekend trip to visit a son, Jack Beaver of Ft. Worth. Another son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Beaver, accompanied them on the trip.

Mrs. Ed Kirkindoll was a dinner guest last Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Turner visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Floyd last Sunday afternoon. Several of the ladies attended a pink and blue shower at Lawn last Saturday evening honoring Mrs. Delmon Smith, who is the former Jorita Gwin, a native daughter of Oplin.

Mrs. Clyde Floyd was at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. J. E. Casey of Tuscola a few days last week. Mrs. Casey was reported to be quite ill but the latest report she was thought to be some better.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ivey went to Austin Saturday to see their new granddaughter, Shelley Moring, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Moring.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Hord visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Loper and children in Lubbock last week-end.

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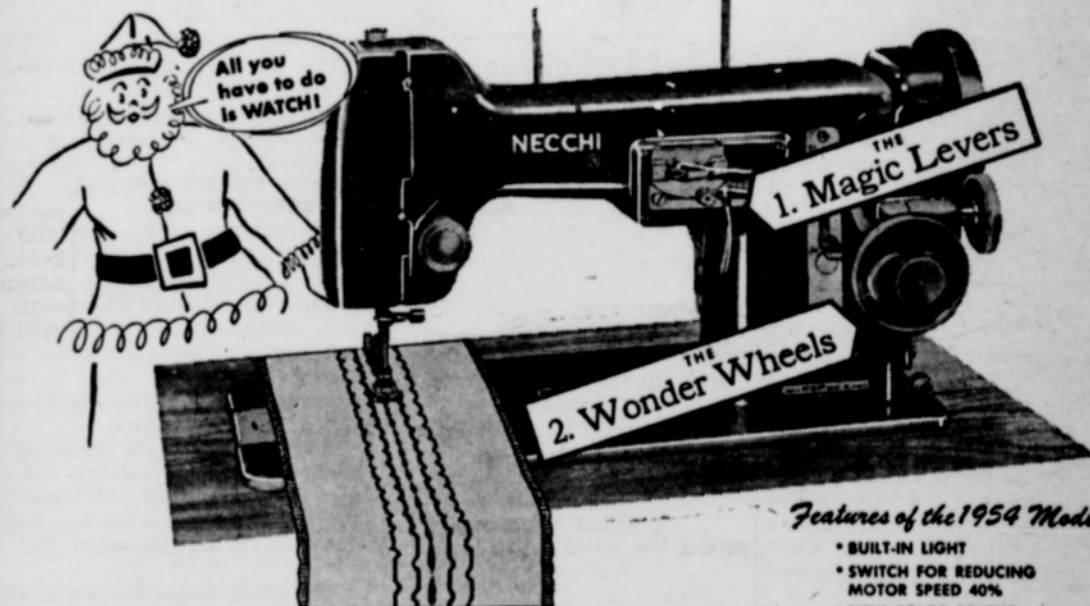
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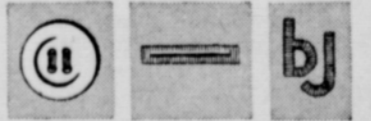


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# The Putnam News

Mrs. John D. Isenhower—Editors—Mrs. E. G. Perkins

## Happy Host

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Taylor were happy to have as their Thanksgiving guests, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Bruno of Denver, Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Roberson and sons of Snyder; Patsy Taylor of Rankin; Mrs. Sonny Taylor and little son David of Woodson; Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Abernathy and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burleson and Mr. and Mrs. John Stewart, all of Baird. Also, sons Bryant, Wayne and Carrol, Putnam. All of Mrs. Taylor's family were present with the exception of Sonny, who spent his Thanksgiving with "Uncle Sam" in Korea and another sister, Mrs. M. L. Wood of Leland.

## Good Deed For The Day

Two little boys were seen out loading wood. We just supposed they were planing on building a big bon-fire, but upon investigation we found these little boys were Boy Scouts and they were out doing their good deed for the day.

They took the wood over to Minnie Cook for stove wood. And, knowing Minnie as we all do, we know she deeply appreciated this act of kindness.

The boys names? John Doyle Isenhower and Carrol Taylor.

Incidentally Mrs. Lula Dixon has been cleaning the wood off her place and was thoughtful enough to save the wood for Minnie instead of burning it.

## Sportsmen

There are hunters, fishermen and sportsmen everywhere. Sportsmen like to give a fish, an animal or bird a chance for its life. They never shoot a duck, or other birds unless it is on the

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fly. They follow the rules of hunting and good sportsmanship at all times. Some people are not so considerate, yet they wonder why some are welcome to hunt or fish and others are not allowed and never wanted.

Observe the hunters and fishermen you know. Do some catch a small fish and throw it on the bank to die. The same when seining, selecting the large fish and not even taking the trouble to put the smaller ones back into the water.

We are thankful there are only a few who disobey all sport rules. Most of the time people from other places would probably follow the rules better if they were in a community where they were known.

Have you ever tried to cut a carelessly tossed can off of an animal's foot that has been on there several days? It is almost impossible to do.

Have you ever found cattle shot because a hunter failed to see his game before he pulled the trigger? There is no resemblance between a bird and a cow.

Have you ever found your fences cut and cattle mixed because some hunter did not want to go a few yards to the gate? All that like to hunt and fish, and are anxious to safeguard property as well as preserve animals and birds for future hunting would be welcome on property where people are allowed to hunt.

## Masonic Ceremony Held

The Putnam Masonic Lodge was in charge of the grave side rites of Bro. Boyce Allen Bolick, last Thursday evening.

Mr. Bolick was a Past Master in the Lodge and attended the meetings regularly. He was considered the most prompt member of all the Masons.

All active members of the Putnam Lodge were present with Bro. W. V. Walls from the Baird Lodge, assisting in conducting the funeral at the grave.

## Women's Study Club

The Womans Study Club met in the home of Mrs. A. B. Hutchison with 13 members present. There were four visitors, Mrs. S. L. McElroy of Baird, Miss Eudora Hawkins of Abilene and Mrs. Ross Finley and little daughter Debbie.

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Miss Hawkins brought picture films showing the story of Oil in Sudia Arabia and other countries of the Far East.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

The club adjourned to meet in the home of Mrs. R. D. Williams for the Christmas program.

## SCHOOL NEWS

The Putnam High School basketball teams weren't so successful when they played Hawley Monday night. I don't remember the scores, but I do know they weren't so good.

The High School teams play in a tournament this weekend at Cisco and hope to bring back several (two) trophies. Wish us luck!

December 17, 18, and 19 is the Putnam High School tournament. We're looking forward to large crowds and very good basketball games. We also hope we add a couple more trophies to our trophy case from our tournament. Come on folks and holler for "Good 'Ol' Putnam High."

## GRADE SCHOOL

The boys played in a tournament at Carbon the 3, 4, and 5 of December. They played Carbon Thursday night and lost. They played Desdemonia Saturday and won. The scores were 79 for Putnam and four for Desdemonia. Then they played May Saturday night and won 32-23. They got consolation trophy. They play in a tournament at Eula December 10, 11, and 12.

The eighth grade has been writing "personal", "thank-you", and "sorry your sick" letters.

## Union Usuals and Unusuals

Veda Yarbrough

Hello folks! How did you like the weather Saturday? That was about as bad a dust storm that I ever saw this time of year. This wind is staying in the south and west too much. We might have one of those things any day. Oh, well, Jim doesn't have anything else to do now days but clean house, so guess will just take the dirt as it comes.

Jim and I went to church yesterday morning. Then in the afternoon we went over to Cisco to visit my sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Wood. Then drove to Scranton to the Cemetery. Eastland County has their part of the highway finished to Callahan County line. Suppose they will start on this part by the first of the year. Really looks nice by the cemetery.

Johnny May Ramsey spent last week in Rankin with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hughes. She really had a good time. She also went over to Iran. Saw Freddy Farmer and family. The Farmers at one time were residents of Putnam. Mrs. Farmer taught in the Putnam school and Freddy was employed in the W. H. Narrid Dry Goods Store. They have a grown young lady now, Gladys Lucille.

Gayle Burnam spent one night last week with Caroline Sue White. Caroline Sue its your time to spend the night with Gayle. I bet you kiddoes have a good time because I still remember when I was a little girl and would go spend nights with my little friends and then they would spend the night with me. How we played, laughed and giggled. Some times we studied our lessons. Do you do like that too?

Miss Ruth, Bettie, Mabel and Mrs. Dott Mobley came over to see us Sunday night. We chatted and ate candy, read recipes on how to make Christmas goodies and just had a good time. Think most of us even pulled off our shoes so we could rest comfortably. As you know it is a custom of Jim's. He says he rests better with his shoes off so neighbor when you come to see us, if your shoes are a bit uncomfortable just feel free to take them off.

Yes, the hired hand got his cotton out. So did Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Earp and all the other neighbors. So guess they can really enjoy a good rain now.

Jim went to the Cisco Livestock Sale Friday afternoon. Said they had a pretty good sale. I visited Mrs. Enoch McCollum. Glad to say she is feeling pretty good.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Buchanan visited Mrs. Buchanan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tiner, of the Trent community.

Retha and Ollie Burnam were shopping in Abilene Saturday despite the dirt.

Mrs. Floyd Buchanan went shopping in Abilene Saturday. She said really had to hold on to your packages and hat and then you would nearly lose them.

Sorry to hear Mrs. Eli Abernathy is sick. Ester we hope you soon get ok and able to eat Christmas dinner at home.

Also heard last night Mrs. Besie Pass was in the hospital. Mrs. Pass we hope you too will get to be home by Christmas and eat Christmas dinner at home.

Sidney Harville, we enjoyed reminiscing with you and your old mules Jack and Jess. How well I remember. Second Monday everybody had to go to Cisco to the Trades Day to trade off that old balky mule or horse and maybe get one worse than the one you traded for but that was ok because you could take them back next time and trade again. Was lots of fun just to get to trade or swap horses if you did get skinned.

Guess I better get dinner ready. Jim will be in soon. Going to have speckled butter beans and corn bread today. Have got kinda tired eating turnps and greens. Say neighbors, why don't you come over some time. We might pop some pop corn. That is if you would bring the pop corn. I am just joking about you bringing the pop corn. I might be able to get some corn to pop.

That will be all till next week. Bye.

## Putnam Personals . . .

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Notice that Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graham have a TV antenna up. Wonder how they are enjoying their television.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sargent, Eddie Don and Mickey Ray of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Lynden Sargent, Linda and Bobby Ray of Lampasas were weekend visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sargent and Delores.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Vittitow and daughter of Arlington visited Sunday night with his aunt, Mrs. Earl Rutherford and family.

The Putnam Boy Scouts met Monday night with scout master, P. L. Butler, at the Methodist Church. Those present were Dan, John Doyle, James, Jack, Carrol and Pete.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett and Mr. and Mrs. Cal Ramsey attended church in Cisco, Sunday. Later they drove to Cross Plains and visited with Mrs. Wes Everett.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shirley visited friends in Pioneer, Sunday. Walter Shirley was home this week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shirley.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heysler returned from a Thanksgiving visit with her daughter and family in Alabama. Monday the Heyslers were enjoying a fishing trip at Rockport.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Donaway drove to Dallas Sunday in order that Milton could be at the hospital early Monday morning for a health check up. The Donaway children were enjoying a two-day visit with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Speegle. Monday, the Speegles were business visitors in Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Nolan and daughter Jo Ann were weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sunderman. Mr. and Mrs. Sunderman and Mr. and Mrs. Nolan were shopping in Cisco and Breckenridge, Saturday. The Nolans returned to their home in Andrew, Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Sunderman's new grandchild is named Ethlyn Ann.

Mrs. Lula Dixon visited Monday with Mr. Nettles who has not been feeling well.

Mrs. Mollie Brandon came home Sunday afternoon from visiting her son. It is certainly a welcome home to her. We have missed her so much.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Isenhower and family were visitors Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Isenhower of Valley Mills. Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Isenhower and children, Jane, Elizabeth Ann and Billy, were also visiting at Valley Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brazil ate Sunday dinner with her parents. Their daughter, Mary Jo, was baptised Sunday night.

The Putnam Masonic Lodge met Thursday, Dec. 3 in regular meeting with most of the Masons present.

Relatives from out of town attending the funeral of Wilma Ann Henry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billie Henry, on Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Kimmel of Big Spring, Cliff Johnson of Pecos, Mrs. Dora Ballard of Ft. Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Joel Griffin of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. C. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bozeman of Coleman and Fred Estes, Jerry Lou and Ronnie of Abilene.

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## Rowden Round-Up

By Theida Crow  
Community Activities Reliably Reported by The Star Reporter.

(Held Over From Last Week)

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Voncille Gibbs and Judy Saturday night was Mr. and Mrs. Odie Smedley. Mrs. Claude Stephens and Mrs. B. Crow visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lawrence and Glen and Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gibbs in Baird.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lawrence and Glen over the weekend was Mr. and Mrs. James Lawrence of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Booth, and Mr. and Mrs. Edwards, all of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Blain Odom visited friends in Abilene Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Voncille Gibbs and Judy and Mrs. Lella Gibbs visited Mr. and Mrs. George Sanders and Hansell, Mrs. Jess Gibbs and Raymond, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hazel.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kline and Maratha visited Mrs. Jess Gibbs and Raymond last week.

Rev. Aulfield of Abilene preached the sermons at the Rowden Baptist Church Sunday morning and night.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Crow visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Cutbirth Sunday

where they visited with other folks while being there.

Several people of Rowden attended the basketball games of the boys and girls at Cross Plains Tuesday and Friday nights of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Cutbirth, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Nickson and Mike, Mrs. Jay Dugan and Mary, all of Abilene visited Miss Theida and Velda Crow Sunday evening.

Mrs. Lella Gibbs left for Fort Worth Sunday morning where she has gone to work.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gibbs of Baird visited in Rowden Saturday evening.

Lt. and Mrs. Carl Mauldin visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mauldin and children the past week.

Mike Odom spent Wednesday night in Cross Plains with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tatom.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Fugitt visited friends from Baird who are patients in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene, on Monday of this week.

J. O. Hallmark, of Eula, spent last week visiting his father and relatives in Beebe, Arkansas.

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# CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS

By CLYDE J. HURST  
Professor of Bible,  
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The observance of Christmas is a reminder that long ago, as recorded in the Gospel of Luke, some humble shepherds of Judea heard the good tidings of the birth of "a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

Those shepherds also heard the angels sing, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Then they hastened to Bethlehem and found "the babe lying in a manger."

To early Christians, the most important thing that had ever happened in the world was the coming of Christ, his death, his resurrection.

His coming was the beginning of a new era.

During the first few Christian centuries more emphasis was given to the observance of the anniversary of the death of Christ than to the anniversary of his birth. (As to religious observances this is true also today among almost all Christian groups.)

Gradually, however, the anniversary of his birth came to elicit more interest among Christians.

Since the first half of the fourth century a church festival has been held in celebration of Christ's birth. As no one knows the exact date of his birth, December 25 was adopted in the West for this purpose.

Some Christmas customs are in keeping with the Spirit of Christ and with Christian ideals.

Music early became a marked feature of the Christmas season. Could the fact that the angels sang when Jesus was born have had anything to do with this?

During the 13th century many Christmas carols were written and popularized under the influence of Francis of Assisi.

From Italy carols spread to France, Germany, England, America, and all over the world. Everywhere they have retained their simplicity and fervor.

Some of the most sacred songs of the Christian faith are well-loved Christmas carols. Singing of carols is customary in religious observances of the birthday of Christ and also in the more secular or festive type of Christmas celebration.

Music in itself has become one of the greatest tributes to Christmas. Among the many noble compositions of the great musicians on this theme, special mention goes to Handel's Messiah with its "Hallelujah Chorus."

In Evangelical and Protestant churches Christmas church music is made up of anthems sung by choirs with organ accompaniment and of hymns and carols sung by the congregation.

Evergreen trees, branches, and other seasonal decorations usually form a setting for these musical services.

Dating from the sixth century Roman Catholics have held Christmas Eve midnight mass as one of the solemnities of Christ's birthday. The heart of this celebration is the cradle of Christ, the realistic tableaux in miniature of the Nativity, as the characteristic object of reverence. Some scholars hold that the "adoration in the cave", which is a religious custom of the Syrian cult of Adonis, the cave where the child Adonis was born was adopted for Christian cult by the Empress Helena and in 335 was richly endowed by the Emperor Constantine.

Others insist that the cradle of Christ had its origin in the story of the Magi bringing their gifts to the infant Jesus. If this usage did have its own origin, it seems to have become combined later with the custom known from the cult of Adonis.

Most Christmas customs now prevailing in Europe and America, as well as those recorded from former times, are not Christian customs, but are pagan customs which have been absorbed by Christians or tolerated by them.

Christmas customs in America have evolved from many lands and reflect various home, national, seasonal, and religious practices.

The use of fires and lights in Christmas celebrations has been traced to the Festival of the Sun of ancient peoples, the Feast of Lights of the Hebrews, the Saturnalia of the Romans, the Yule Festival of the Northmen, the Festival of Kronos in ancient Greece, and the Sacaea of the Mesopotamians.

Christmas has thus become another feast of the winter solstice.

The Yule log dates back to the time of the Saxons and Goths, who burned such a log at their winter solstice.

The Roman Saturnalia lasted eight days, being celebrated on December 17-24. Our Christmas season lasts eight days, from December 25 to January 1. The Yule Festival lasted for twelve days. In northern Europe the Christmas holidays end with the 12th night after Christmas.

The Saturnalia has provided the model for most of the merry customs of Christmas time, such as the carnival merriment of eating and drinking (often excessively), games, dancing, and giving of gifts (especially to children).

The Yule-time jolbot sacrifice to Thor was "for a good crop, for the year's luck, and for peace." Its influence is seen today in certain games, rhymes, riddles, and superstitious beliefs which prognosticate the events of the year, such as the weather, the harvest, the prospect of the girls, fortune and misfortune, death, and other things.

From England has come the modern custom of sending Christmas cards of today.

It is believed that the Christmas tree dates back to Boniface, an English missionary to Germany in the eighth century. He replaced the sacrifices to Odin's sacred oak by a fir tree adorned in tribute to the Christ child.

Accounts persist that Martin Luther introduced the tree lighted with candles.

German immigrants brought the custom to America. The Christmas tree, so universally celebrated now with the Sunday School and children's services, is the happy home and family festival transferred to the church and given more hallowed and religious connotation. The use of decorations is of pre-Christian origin.

The Romans ornamented their temples and homes with green boughs and flowers for the Saturnalia.

where he has always been a friend of children.

In America he is a fat, round, beaming elf who comes from the North Pole in his reindeer drawn sleigh (or more recently in his airplane).

He scrambles down the chimney and fills the stockings beside the fire-place. The custom of hanging up stockings for Saint Nicholas has been traced back to medieval Europe.

Some Christian groups oppose the celebration of Christmas, both as a religious observance and as a merry festival.

The Puritans of England in 1644, after they came into power, were able to pass legislation against the masquerading and wild license of bacchanalian Christmas celebrations which did not resemble the true meaning and inner vision of Christmas.

In early American history Christmas was not celebrated in New England because the Puritans opposed it.

They opposed gaily and merry-making because they regarded that as sinful; they opposed religious observances because they considered that Romish.

The tendency in America today, in addition to the observance of the season in a carnival spirit, is toward the complete commercialization of the whole idea of Christmas.

For generations both in Europe and in North America Christmas customs have focused around the fact that it belongs to a season of frost and snow.

People in tropical climates and in the regions "down under" celebrate Christmas in the summer.

In Brazil it is a summer festival with flowers for decorations, with fireworks, picnics, fiestas, and boating excursions.

Friends, from out of town, of the Billie Henry family who attended their small daughter's funeral last Sunday were: Mrs. J. A. Hutchison, Mrs. John Hutchison of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ferguson of Cisco.

Mrs. Bessie Pass had major surgery at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene last Saturday. As we go to press we understand Mrs. Pass is resting fairly comfortably.

Miss Charlie Stallings of Fort Worth, Mrs. W. J. Harrington and son, W. J., Jr., of Mineral Wells visited their father and grandfather Charlie Stallings last weekend. Mr. Stallings is in Callahan County Hospital suffering from a broken leg.

Mrs. Lacy Meredith is a patient in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene. She had major surgery last Saturday and at present is doing nicely.

He has taken various forms in different countries, but every-

# Down Memory Lane

December 10, 1909

B. L. Boydston spent Monday in Cisco on business. The Fulton Meat Market, J. E. Jenkins proprietor, has quit business.

J. I. McWhorter was up from the Bayou Tuesday.

Tom Cross and others, of Opalin, were in town with cotton Monday.

W. R. McDermott is able to be out again after several day's illness.

Virgil Hill, who is attending College at Dallas, visited home folks Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Lula Cutbirth after spending a couple of weeks at home, returned to Weatherford Sunday to resume her studies in Texas Female Seminary.

Oscar and Lester Lambert were in from the Clear Creek Monday.

Lee Champion, of Cottonwood was in town this week.

December 8, 1933

First issue of The Baird Star published 46 years ago today.

Mr. and Mrs. Duke McIntosh spent Sunday with Mr. McIntosh's parents at Denton.

Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Griswold left Monday for Houston where they will spend a week or ten days with their son, Dr. Griswold and family.

Mrs. C. S. Gee and children Lula Nell and Louis, of Quanah

and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Kelly and daughters Patsy and Coleen, of Ft. Worth, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Russell, Jr.

Mrs. Bob Darby, who had major surgery Sunday is reported doing well.

Mrs. Owen Connell of Clyde, was a tonsilectomy patient Sunday.

Mrs. Sam Stinson of Big Spring, Mrs. Eva Whalen of Wink, spent Thanksgiving with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Mullican.

J. T. Edwards of Eula, visited his son Sheriff Edwards Tuesday.

Al Young of Clyde, was a business visitor in Baird Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. Earl Hamlett of Amarillo, visited his sister, Miss Josephine Hamlett, who is in Callahan County Hospital critically ill, last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Sterling Reynolds and baby, who have been visiting relatives here for the past two weeks, are visiting in Ft. Worth this week. They plan to return to Baird soon.

Little Julie and Mary Lawrence, small daughters of Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Lawrence of Cisco, visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lawrence here last week.

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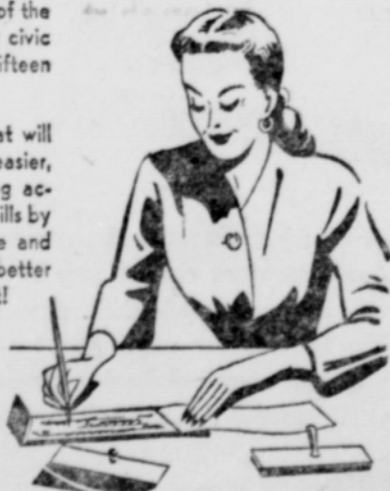
Further information and application forms may be secured at many post offices throughout the country, or from the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington 25, D. C. Applications must be filed with the Executive Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, General Accounting Office, Washington 25, D. C.

Dale Glasson visited relatives in Gorman last Thursday.

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**Mrs. Dick Young Club Hostess**

Mrs. Dick Young was hostess Tuesday to 14 members of the Belle Plain Community Club. One guest, Mrs. A. E. Young, was present. Plans were completed for the Christmas program and Christmas tree which will be held Saturday night, Dec. 19 at the Community Center. Plans were made to collect and deliver Christmas gifts for the patients at the Abilene State Hospital.



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Program for the afternoon was "Presidents of the United States." Mrs. Young gave a talk on presidents and their families. At 3 o'clock, President Eisenhower's address to the U. N. General Assembly was heard.

Mrs. W. A. Williams presented a Scrapbook of the Club's work for the year. The book is interesting, attractive, and a treasure to the club. Mrs. Williams was assisted by Mrs. W. R. Stroope in preparation of the book.

Members present were: Mmes. S. W. Lilly, W. R. Stroope, J. W. Hughes, A. H. Warren, W. A. Williams, Virgil Halle, Jesse Gilliland, Eugene Black, R. C. Joy, I. E. Warren, Roy Higgins, Misses Rubell Smart and Maurine Eubanks.

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**Receives Citation As "Man Of The Year"**



L. J. Cappleman

The Agricultural "Man of the Year" citation has been awarded L. J. Cappleman, Texas State Director of the Farmers Home Administration, for "conspicuous service in promoting improved farming and living practices." The Progressive Farmer award is made annually to a Texan in recognition of his leadership in agriculture in this state.

Two outstanding accomplishments have spotlighted Cappleman's Government service — both interwoven in the fabric of success of Texas farmers. Better farming always has been a factor motivating Cappleman's service to agriculture and Texas. Progressive Farmer pointed this up in its December issue. His slogan: "Let's do good farming" has been advice he has given every statewide or district meeting which he has attended and a motto he has strictly observed during the seven-year life of the present Farmers Home Administration, of which he is the Texas head.

Cappleman, five years ago, paramounted early cotton insect control as a factor in raising the lint yield on Texas Farmers Home Administration borrowers' farms. He put out the word and made it a "must" for field men to get Farmers Home Administration borrowers to fight early and late the cotton pests that were getting the profit dollars from Texas Farmers Home Administration farms. Quoting from the Texas farm magazine: "In two years' time he had Farmers Home Administration about 100 per cent on an effective insect control program. It included early-season poisoning and use of the newest insecticides and best methods of application. Today Farmers Home Administration borrowers beat the county average in acre-yield of cotton.

And they do it on land that is below average in both cost and productivity." Because he followed better farming practices himself it was no trick to get his farm borrowers to do likewise. The farm magazine added: "Cappleman's zeal for improvements in cotton production has in no way lessened his interest in other agricultural problems. His plans for improving corn yields, milk production, soil building, legumes, etc. on Farmers Home Administration farms have all been carefully worked out and are being pushed energetically.

"His motto has proven itself. When folks do 'good farming' they can pay their debts and move up the ladder of success."

At this time Cappleman is leading the nation in bringing financial aid to drought-stricken farmers and ranchmen. No other state approaches Texas in number and amount of special livestock loans to ranchmen who have suffered heavily in the long drought of the past three years. Loans advanced since July 1, 1953 now total \$23,000,000.00 for the Agency to date. Of this, the Progressive Farmer stated: "Directing this big job — and just stop and think what it means to lend that much money — was Lester J. Cappleman, State Director of the Farmers Home Administration. When 'Cap' — that's what his friends call him — saw the drought difficulties and got the go ahead to make the drought loans, his organization went into this extra job without any difficulty. That's typical of 'Cap' and the people of his organization. For many years they've been helping farm people go up the ladder of success through supervised farm loans."

Cappleman is a native of Fannin County, and Honey Grove was his birthplace. Educated in Honey Grove High School and Texas A&M College, he began his Government service as a rural supervisor for the Texas Rural Communities, which was the forerunner of the Farm Security Administration. During World War II he was called to Washington to be chief of the procurement and price support branch of the War Food Administration. Prior to this service he was Regional Director of the State Production and Marketing Administration.

Cappleman attributes the success of the Texas Farmers Home Administration to service rendered the program by county Farmers Home Administration committees. The local county committee is composed of three successful farmers, who aid the Farmers Home Administration

County supervisors in planning and carrying out the farm operations. These committees are all public spirited citizens interested in improving the welfare of farm families in their communities. Leaning heavily on these committees, Cappleman pointed out that the members make the task of the county supervisor and other officials lighter, as they aid in solving problems constantly arising locally within the program.

County Supervisor Elmer Purdie of Callahan County is in charge of the local program, assisted by Committeemen: Earnest Franke, Baird; Troy Allen, Rt. 2, Clyde; Fred Heyser, Rt. 4, Cisco.

**Soil Conservation District News**

A grass judging contest was held Friday, Dec. 4, for Vocational Agriculture students of the Baird High School. The contest was sponsored by the Lower Clear Fork Soil Conservation District.

N. M. George, chairman of the local Soil Conservation District board of supervisors, presented medals to the three high scoring individuals of the judging contest. The presentation was made Wednesday morning at an assembly of the High School. The winners awarded medals were Arvid Harris, first; Floyd Lee Woods, second; and Cleveland Ault, third.

Besides these three the following were among the high ten in the contest: George Lee Lambert, fourth; Charles Mosley, fifth; Robert Parks, sixth; Curtis Allphin, seventh; Tony Price, eighth; Robert Lambert, ninth and Glen Kerby, tenth.

The five highest ranking students will enter a district wide contest being held at Albany, Saturday, December 12. A trophy will be awarded the winning team. Second and third place teams will be presented plaques.

**O.E.S. Enjoys Christmas Party**

The Callahan County Chapter Order of Eastern Star No. 742 met Tuesday night, Dec. 8. The members enjoyed a Christmas program and a tree with exchanging of gifts. Christmas carols were sung by the members present.

There will be a call meeting of the Chapter on Friday night, Dec. 11, at 8:30 p.m. for the purpose of initiation. All members are urged to attend this meeting.

**Dudley Dabble Mary Ann Varner Delectable Deeds Delineated To Dazzle and Delight**

(Held Over From Last Week) Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Young and Cecelia Ann from Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Charnel McWhorter from Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. Seba Monroe from Lawn, and Mrs. Ebert Betcher and William from Lawn visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Summerour Sunday Nov. 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Coughran, Tonya and Wrenda from Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Crawford and Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Howe, Mrs. Hattie Howe, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wilkerson, and Una Breeding visited Mr. and Mrs. Finley Coughran and Betty Sunday Nov. 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Myers and family from Iowa and Arkansas are visiting friends and relatives in the Denton and Dudley communities.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Howe and Mrs. Howe, from Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. George Chrane Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Summerour had Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Young and Cecelia Ann in Abilene Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Yawn, and Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Wood and children from Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Lilly and family Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Robertson from Wichita, Kansas, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Robertson and boys from Abilene, Willis Robertson from Abilene and Jane Blakely from Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Robertson Thursday.

Mrs. Dolan Odom and Kay from Corpus Christi, and Mrs. Marum Watts and children from Midland are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Hawk Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Chrane and family from Wylie visited Mr. and Mrs. Leo Chrane and Gary, and Kathleen Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph and family from Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Howe, Mrs. Howe, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson had Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. George Chrane and Franklin.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ott Neal Thursday was Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wilkerson and Mr. Wise. Mr. and Mrs. Charley Varner and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Bates and family Thursday night.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dell Riley, and son, Randal Dell, from Imperial, and Mr. and Mrs. Moody Coffman, and son, Kenney, from A&M College visited Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Coffman during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Walker during the Thanksgiving holidays were: Mrs. Walker's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Prestridge and children and Stuart Jones, Mrs.

Walker's brother, from Clifton, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Garoutte and children visited in Dallas during the Thanksgiving holidays with her mother, Mrs. Denton and her sister, Mrs. A. D. Beck.

The Denton Valley grade school boys and girls will take part in the Eula Elementary basketball tournament which will be held Dec. 10, 11 and 12. The Denton girls will play Trent at 5:30 p.m. Friday and the boys will also play Trent at 6:30 Friday.

The 7th and 8th grades will present the hillbilly play, "Hessie of the Hills" at 7 p.m. Dec. 15 in the auditorium.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. Farmer and family Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Edd Farmer of Cisco, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Scott and boys of Albany.

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Sunday night was Youth Night at the Baptist Church. Nita

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Joe South, Clyde  
A. E. Dyer, Jr., Baird  
Clyde Bunnell, Cross Plains  
Billy Mac Coppinger, Cross Plains

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A. B. Hutchison, Putnam  
M. L. Gilliland, Baird, St. Rt. 2  
L. B. Jones, Moran Rt. 2  
W. R. Stroope, Baird, St. Rt. 2  
Stephen Warren, Baird  
L. H. Hayhurst, Clyde, Rt. 2  
R. H. Roberson, Baird  
Junior Ford, Cross Plains  
Billy Henry, Baird, St. Rt. 2  
B. E. Rutherford, Putnam  
W. E. Kennard, Clyde

W. P. Reed, Putnam  
Arle Nobles, Oplin  
Sam Hedrick, Cisco, Rt. 1  
B. F. Hutchins, Cisco, Rt. 4  
Harold Holden, Clyde  
C. J. Carter, Cisco, Rt. 4  
P. M. Ray, Cisco, Rt. 4  
M. A. Tatom, Cisco, Rt. 4  
Buster Hatchett, Baird, St. Rt. 1

W. C. Clough, Cisco, Rt. 1  
E. R. Battle, Cisco, Rt. 4  
J. B. Pierce, Oplin  
Barney Gibbs, Baird  
C. L. McCleary, Baird  
Lee K. Smith, Clyde, Rt. 1  
C. K. Odom, Putnam  
B. K. Eubank, Cross Plains

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gray of Snyder were business visitors in Baird on Wednesday of this week.

**Mr. and Mrs. Gwin To Observe Anniversary**

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gwin will mark their 57th wedding anniversary Dec. 13 with open house from 3 to 5 p.m. at their home, 441 Race St., Baird. All friends are invited. They have requested that no gifts be sent.

They were married Dec. 13, 1896, in the home of her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Warren of Loveless, Ala.

On Dec. 17, 1903, they moved to Texas and settled near Oplin where they lived 48 years. They have lived in Baird the past two years.

They have six children, one Dennis, died in 1924. The others are Leola (Peavy), of Abilene Linnie (Milliron) of Eula, Ernest

of Abilene, Euclid of Coleman and Willie (Watson) of Kermit. They have 17 grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fetterley had as their guests the past week, their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fetterley of Midland.

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1 package butterscotch pudding powder  
1 cup granulated sugar  
1/2 cup brown sugar  
1/2 cup Pecan halves (1/2 lb.)  
1/2 cup Per Evaporated Milk  
1 Tablespoon butter or margarine  
1 1/2 cups pecan halves (1/2 lb.)

Mix in a saucepan until smooth the pudding powder, granulated sugar, brown sugar, milk and butter. Cook and stir over low heat until sugar dissolves. Then add pecan halves. Boil slowly, stirring often, until candy reaches soft ball stage (see note). Remove from heat and beat until candy just begins to thicken. Drop quickly from a tablespoon onto waxed paper, spreading each as you drop it, to form patties 4 inches across. Let stand until firm. Wrap each in waxed paper, if desired. Makes 15.

NOTE: Drop a tiny bit of the hot mixture into a bowl of cold (not ice) water. If the candy stays together in a soft ball and does not fall apart when you lift it out of the water with your fingers, it has cooked long enough. Be sure to take the pan off the heat while testing the candy.

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