

Snooter Knows

By JAMES E. KELLY

I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do, or any kindness I can show to any fellow human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer nor neglect it for I shall not pass this way again. — Grellet.

THE YULETIDE SEASON IS upon us... a season of year we indulge in merrymaking, Christmas trees to be purchased and set up in the homes and to be decorated with tinsel and other material, easily ignited from a defective electric wire that supports tiny colored bulbs. Use extra precaution in making this tree safe from catching a fire.

The other hazard to life and limb who enters into the merrymaking picture at Christmas time, is the driver of an automobile who drinks.

Speaking in behalf of the Holiday Hazards program, E. C. McFadden, president of the Texas Safety Association, said: "Among drivers involved in fatal accidents last year, one out of five had been drinking."

And as to coping with the problem of drinking pedestrians, McFadden declared that: "The National Safety Council figures show that one out of four pedestrians involved in fatal traffic accidents last year had been drinking. The problem of the drinking driver and walker is a year around problem," McFadden said. "But it becomes more acute during the holiday season when party-going is the order of the day."

He warned merrymakers to leave their cars and take a taxi home if they find they have imbibed too freely. He also advised taxi transportation for drinking walkers.

If you drive don't drink; if you drink don't drive!

AN OFFSHOOT OF THE Southwest Research Institute was organized recently in the name of the Southwest Cooperative Project on Control of Evaporation of Water from Reservoirs, at San Antonio, Texas is losing almost as much water from reservoir evaporation annually as it uses each year.

Col. E. V. Spence of Big Spring, general manager of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, was appointed committee chairman to seek sponsorship for a research project to check reservoir evaporation.

Dr. Louis Koenig, vice-president of Southwest Research Institute, told the group that Texas is losing about 7-million acre-feet of water by reservoir evaporation each year. Total water usage in Texas is 5-million acre-feet a year, he said.

Dr. Koenig advised that further research be made on a thin (one-tenth millionth of an inch) chemical coating for reservoirs which would check evaporation. The thin film coating is non-injurious to aquatic life and has no effect on use of water for municipal, industrial or agricultural purposes. Experiments using this method have been tried out in Australia for the past several years with encouraging results.

ACCORDING TO STATISTICS compiled by The Texas Almanac, it was in the year 1926 Martin County issued its first report on its cotton yield. In that year the county ginned 10,243 bales. The next recording was 10 years later, 1936, the number bales ginned stood at 9,874. Another 10-year period elapsed before a recording was made of the number bales ginned. That was in the year 1946 with 9,833 bales. From this point on the Almanac recorded the number bales ginned each year up to the present.

Following is the order of years the county ginned in — 1947, 47,864 bales; 1948, 24,630; the year which holds the record for the most bales ginned in the history of the county is the year 1949, when the county came up with a bale-yield of 83,199 bales. The year 1950 holds the second largest bale yield made in the county—the mark standing at 48,828 bales. The following years the bales ginned in the county were—1951, 22,541; 1952, 17,535; 1953, 18,268; 1954, estimated 40,000 bales, with the same estimate of 40,000 bales made for this year of 1955 just closing.

The year 1949 which holds the cotton yield record for the county in its 29 years of keeping tab on the cotton output, was the year when dry farming was depended on for its crop production. It can safely be said that the 1949 year setting its record cotton bale production of 83,199 bales the 47 farm lands of the county are given the credit.

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New Wildcat Is Staked 15 Miles SE of Stanton

By JAMES C. WATSON

Fifteen miles southeast of Stanton in Northwest Glasscock County, Shell Oil Company staked location for an 11,500-foot wildcat exploration.

It is No. 1-A McDowell, 1,975 feet from south and 1,979 feet from east lines of section 30, block 34, T-2-S, T&P survey.

Drilling will start at once. Chambers & Kennedy and Zapata Drilling Company No. 1 University, scheduled Devonian wildcat in Northwest Martin County, was making hole below 6,588 feet in lime and shale on last report.

Drill site is 660 feet from north and west lines of section 42, block 6, University Lands survey.

In the same portion of the county, Pan American Production Company No. 1 Singleton, project in the recently opened Pleasant Valley (Devonian) field, was drilling ahead below 9,815 feet in lime and shale.

Location is 690.4 feet from west and 74.9 feet from south lines of labor 1, league 259, Borden County Land survey.

Barney Grafa, Midland, No. 1 Copeland is to be drilled as a 1,250-foot project in the Moore (San Andres) field of West Howard County. Site is 990 feet from south and east lines of section 11, block 34, T-1-N, T&P survey.

Fred W. Shield No. 4 T. L. Higginbottom is a new oiler in the Varel (San Andres) field of West Howard County.

Operator reported a 24-hour pumping potential of 85.25 barrels of 29-gravity oil, plus 20 per cent water, through perforations from 3,130 to 3,136 feet after 7,000 gallons of fracture solution.

Location is 330 feet from west and north lines of section 6, block 33, T-1-N, T&P survey.

C. S. Conrad completed two more oilers in the Moore field. No. 2-E Hewitt, 330 feet from south and east lines of section 30, block 33, T&P survey, was finished for a 24-hour pumping potential of 75 barrels of 30-gravity oil, plus 12 per cent water, from open hole at 3,122-3,143 feet.

His No. 4-C Hewitt, 330 feet from south and east lines of section 30, block 33, T&P survey, was finished for a daily pumping potential of 75 barrels of oil, plus 23 per cent water, from open hole at 3,197-3,207 feet.

Yule Cantata To Be Holiday Event

A Christmas Cantata will be presented at 7:30 Monday evening, December 19, in the high school auditorium by the junior high and high school pupils of the music department of the Stanton schools.

Approximately 50 students will take part in the program, which will be under the direction of Mrs. John Wood.

The public is invited to attend. There is no charge for admission.

Kenneth Stroup, son of M. and Mrs. Herbert Shipp, will be home Christmas to spend 15 days. He has been on maneuvers in Louisiana and was to return to Fort Hood December 12. Mr. and Mrs. Shipp will go after him the last of the week.



CANDLES TO LIGHT THE CHRIST CHILD'S WAY—Tiny miss in Berlin, Germany, is entranced as she watches the flame of the first of four Advent candles which traditionally light the Christ Child's way to earth. One candle is lighted on each of the four Sundays of Advent, the liturgical season which precedes the celebration of the Feast of Christmas.



JAYCEES OFFICIALS—Top above is E. A. (Ed) Stumpf of Houston, state president of the Texas Junior Chamber of Commerce, who will aid in the installation of officers of the Stanton Jaycees, here Thursday night. Below is Billy L. Moody of Fort Stockton, regional state vice-president, who is the installing officer for the Thursday night event here.

January 20-21 Dates For Junior Livestock Show

January 20-21 are the dates set for the annual Martin County Junior Livestock Show to be held. It is being sponsored by the agriculture and livestock committee of the Martin County Chamber of Commerce.

Arrangements for the show are being made by the committee and Earl Madding, agriculture teacher at Flower Grove; Gerald Hanson, county agent, and Elbert Steele, agriculture teacher at Stanton.

Exhibitors in the show are limited to Martin County members of the FFA and 4-H Club.

Plans for the show were made Thursday at a meeting of the agriculture and livestock committee. There will be three classes of fat barrows ranging in weights from 180 to 200 pounds, 201 to 220 pounds and 221 to 240 pounds. There will be about 50 piglets in the three classes.

Also there will be a class for breeding gilts. About 10 gilts will be exhibited. Other entries will include 40 lambs in the cross-bred and finewool division, and five or six milked calves.

All barrows lighter or heavier than the minimum and maximum will be sifted under the show rules.

James Eiland is chairman of the agriculture and livestock committee.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Puckett of Snyder visited Sunday in Stanton with Barbara Puckett, E. M. Massey and Loree Massey.

Installation Of Jaycee Officers To Be Impressive

E. A. (Ed) Stumpf, president of the Texas Junior Chamber of Commerce from Houston, will give the principal address on Thursday night at 8 p.m. in the high school cafeteria at the installation banquet of the newly formed Stanton Jaycees.

Jaycees from all over Texas will convene here to see Bill L. Moody of Fort Stockton, state vice-president of Region 4 which includes Stanton, install Bob Deavenport as president, Jack Treton as vice-president and O. L. Snodgrass as secretary-treasurer of Stanton's new civic organization.

Directors to be installed at the banquet are Dr. Bill Lively, Dr. Robert Dellman, Gene Clements and Bill Coggins.

The invocation will be given by Rev. E. B. Coon, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

About 25 Midland Jaycees and their wives and another large delegation from San Angelo are expected to attend Thursday's installation.

Included among the visitors are Rocky Ford of Midland, past president of the state organization; Red Hightower, past national Jaycee director from San Angelo; Allen Boedecker, a present national director from San Angelo; and William S. Montgomery, president of the Midland Jaycees.

Local dignitaries who will attend the installation are: Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hays, superintendent of schools; Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Jenkins, president of Lions club; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Arrington, president of the Rotary club; Mr. and Mrs. A. Clarence Smith, general manager of The Stanton Reporter; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Robnett, president of the school board; Mayor and Mrs. J. W. Sale; and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Henderson, treasurer of the Martin County Chamber of Commerce.

Organized approximately one month ago with the help of the Midland Junior Chamber, the local unit now boasts 21 members. Initial activities have included the planting of a Christmas tree on the courthouse lawn and the organization of a city basketball league.

Lions Vote to Aid March of Dimes

At the Monday night meeting of the Stanton Lions' Club members decided to help in the Martin County March of Dimes Campaign which will be held January 1 - January 31, 1956.

Carlton Chapman, campaign director for Martin County MOD drive, reminds Martin County residents that polio isn't licked yet. Any help received in this project will be appreciated by the 106,000 polio patients throughout Texas and the United States who are depending on the generosity of the American people in order that they might receive good patient care.

Martin County March of Dime chairmen include Mrs. R. S. Lewis, Mrs. Glen Cox, and Ed Davis.

Various fund raising ideas are being planned by the Lions' Club and other clubs in connection with the drive.

Funeral Held For William Pinkerton

Funeral services for William David Pinkerton, 76, were held Saturday afternoon in the Stanton Church of Christ with Ellmore Johnson, minister, officiating.

Mr. Pinkerton died Thursday night in a Big Spring hospital. He was born in Crawford County, Ark., and came to Stanton in 1937.

Burial was in Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring. Survivors include the widow; three sons, Henry and Lewis Pinkerton, both of Stanton, and Elmo Pinkerton of Big Spring; five daughters, Mrs. Hope Schuette and Mrs. Lela Shankle, both of Midland, Mrs. Ellen Warner of Sweetwater, Mrs. Jewel Reed of Big Spring and Mrs. Winona Foster of Houston; a sister, one brother, 17 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Martin and Linda and Judy spent the weekend visiting friends in Stanton, Lubbock and with Mr. Martin's mother, Mrs. Acklas Martin, in Lorenzo.

All Invited To Pilgrimage of Yuletide Homes

All Stanton residents have been invited to attend the Christmas Pilgrimage of Stanton homes from 3 to 5 Sunday afternoon. The Pilgrimage is being sponsored by the Rho Xi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

It will begin at the home of Mrs. Sam Wilkerson. Her home will feature a Madonna scene, under the sponsorship of the Stanton Garden Club.

From Mrs. Wilkerson's the group will journey to Mrs. John Woods' where the theme of decoration will be "A Musical Christmas."

After viewing "A Musical Christmas" sponsored by the Music Club, the next stop will be at Mrs. Glenn Brown's for a scene "Modern Christmas Fantasy," under the direction of the Stanton Study Club.

At Mrs. Woodford Sale's home the Xi Alpha Beta chapter will have a mantle scene, and from there a journey to Mrs. O. J. Jenkins' home where guests will look for the golden tumbledew and a surprise scene, sponsored by Mu Lambda chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

As a conclusion of the tour tea will be served in the home of Mrs. R. P. Simpson with Mrs. Margaret Moffett as hostess. At the Simpson home each visitor will cast a ballot for the prettiest decorated home. A small gift will be presented to the women whose home is designated as the one with the prettiest decorations.

Tickets may be purchased on Sunday at the Wilkerson home for 50c or this week from a member of the Rho Xi chapter.

Martin County Pix Wanted for TV Show

Anyone in Stanton or Martin County who has pictures showing different type of industry, points of interest, modern homes, historical scenes or other interesting scenes are requested to bring the pictures, to Ed Davis, chamber of commerce manager by December 23.

When the new KBST-TV station at Big Spring goes on the air, the pictures of Stanton and Martin County will be used by the station, along with pictures of the various other surrounding communities. The county will receive good free publicity. After the pictures are used they will be returned to the owner.

Need Increases For Desirable Houses

Ed Davis, chamber of commerce manager, requests Stanton residents who have unfurnished houses, furnished apartments, furnished houses, or unfurnished apartments for rent to contact the chamber of commerce office.

He says there are not too many houses listed now at the chamber of commerce and several persons from Webb Air Force Base in Big Spring have been in Stanton looking for living quarters.

GILES TAKES RESPONSIBILITY Wilev Cheatham Is Named DA Despite Protests

By VERN SANFORD Texas Press Association

AUSTIN, Tex. — One of the most startling events of the past week was the admission by Bascom Giles that he—and he alone—was responsible for the administration of the Veterans Land program.

Giles admitted not once, but four times, during the past week—in two criminal and two civil trials in Crystal City and Austin—that he was solely responsible for the program—under the original policy set up by Board members Beauford Jester, Price Daniel and Giles, in 1949.

Gov. Allan Shivers and Atty. Gen. John Ben Shepperd had staunchly contended that such was the case, but Giles was silent on this point until this week.

Giles pleaded guilty to two indictments in Crystal City. He drew sentences of six years in prison on each. He did not contest the civil trials for money allegedly paid him as bribes. A total of \$53,000 in cash al-



1955 4-H CLUB GOLD STAR WINNERS—Pictured above are Elaine Hazlewood, left, 1955 Gold Star Girl, and Bobby Sale, right, 1955 Gold Star Boy, at the annual 4-H Club Achievement Day program held Monday night at the American Legion Hall.

Cotton Meeting Friday in Lamesa

The suit for injunction which has been filed by four West Texas cotton growers against the state Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee will be discussed at a meeting to be held Friday morning in Lamesa, Ed Davis, secretary of the Martin County Chamber of Commerce, has announced. Davis and Floyd Smith, Martin county farmer and rancher and one of the principals in the suit, will attend.

The meeting will be held at 10:30 Friday morning at the Palace Theatre in Lamesa, and has been called by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. Fred Husband of Abilene, manager, and Loyal Walker, manager of the agriculture department, of the West Texas organization, will attend and will speak. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

Men's Basketball To Get Under Way

The adult men's basketball program, which is being sponsored by the Stanton Jaycees, will get underway December 17 with a game at 7:30 in the Stanton gymnasium.

There are four teams. They are being sponsored by Billington Motor and Irrigation Company, Stanton Drug Company, Friendly Foods and the Dr. Pepper Bottling Company.

Plans have not been completed but it is planned for at least one game to be played a week.

Howard Avery was in Amarillo over the weekend on business.

Gold Star Girl And Boy Awards Presented Here

Monday night at the annual 4-H Achievement Day program Elaine Hazlewood and Bobby Sale were recognized as the 1955 Martin County 4-H Club Gold Star girl and boy.

Miss Hazlewood, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Hazlewood, Sr. of Courtney, is a student at McMurry College.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sale, Bobby is a seventh grade student at Courtney school and has been active in 4-H work three years.

To be eligible for the gold star award a boy or girl must have been actively engaged in club work for at least three years and must have carried out at least three demonstrations.

Other awards were presented by Mrs. Mildred Eiland, county home demonstration agent, and Gerald Hanson, county agricultural agent Monday night at the American Legion Hall.

Achievement Awards Achievement awards, the highest annual award given on the county level, were presented Bobby Kelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Kelly; and Barbara Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Belton Hill; and to Johnnie Rhodes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rhodes.

Other awards presented included those in entomology to Leon Mattingly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Mattingly, and to Juggy Britton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Britton; field crops awards to Jerry Cave and Daniel Cave, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cave, and to Morris Ray Hastings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hastings; the meat animal award which went to Ronnie George, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin George, and the soil and water conservation awards going to Craig Beckmeyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beckmeyer, and to Philip Bryant, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bryant.

Betty Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Belton Hill, was awarded the clothing achievement award; farm and home electric award to Bonnie Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Green, and the food preparation award to her sister, Joyce Green; the leadership award to Virginia Bryant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bryant.

Dress review awards to Mona Epley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Epley; to Glenda Payne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Payne; to Carolyn Manning, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Manning; to Betty Hill and Virginia Bryant.

Mrs. R. P. Odom was recognized as the woman who has done the most during the year to assist with 4-H Club activities. Is Veteran 4-H Girl Miss Hazlewood has been in club work for eight years and has had demonstrations in clothing, bedroom arrangement, food preparation, food preservation, yard and home improvement, gardening, poultry, dairy foods and leadership. She has entered the county dress review seven years, the district dress review three years and the state review two years.

She was county home improvement winner in 1953, county clothing achievement winner in 1954, also winner in the girls record division and in dairy foods last year.

Bobby Sale is well known throughout the Texas Hereford show circuit for the number of winning steers he has exhibited at the state's major shows.

He has won numerous showmanship awards, and in other 4-H work has taken part in fund raising, talent shows, raised swine, chickens and at present is a member of the county-wide 4-H Club Council. In 1954 he won the meat animal award. His father, J. C. Sale, was recognized at the Monday night barbecue and achievement program for his outstanding record of adult assistance in 4-H Club activities.

The program followed a barbecue served by the 4-H Club members and their parents, Bobby Kelly and Bonnie Green, co-chairmen of the County 4-H Council, presided.

It was also announced at the meeting that the Martin County 4-H was district winner in the farm, ranch and home electric contest sponsored by the electric utility companies in Texas. This award included a cash prize of \$75.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Burns and Bill visited Sunday in Wingate with his father, W. L. Burns, and in Abilene and Merkel.

Shivers May Run Again Back in the limelight as a potential candidate for governor is Allan Shivers. He made it a point to remind newsmen that he is among the "possibles."

Governor Shivers promised to tell his 1956 political plans, "about dogwood time." This, he explains, is usually between mid-February and mid-March.

Although Shivers has been expected to step out at the end of the year, he has been reluctant to do so. GILES TAKES—Page 5

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We Could Help the Youth Center More

The McCamey News came out last week with an editorial that was fraught with interesting facts about its town being recognized far and wide for its lack of juvenile delinquency. The News brought out that due to this record of the youths' exemplary behavior in McCamey was traced to the "Youth program which revolves around the Youth Center." It spotted the Youth Director as outstanding in keeping youth delinquency away from the door of McCamey, as well as the assistance of local organizations and individuals in supporting and working with the youth program.

The News cited the manager of the McCamey Chamber of Commerce, as spreading the news that at every Chamber meeting he attended he was met with the inquiry "about our fine Youth Center and our program." Those inquiring people stated that they had been told that McCamey had one of the finest Youth Centers and programs of any of the smaller towns in the West Texas area, which takes in 132 counties in the Chamber work, the article said.

The News article continued: "The Youth Center was organized approximately six years ago under the guidance of the McCamey Chamber of Commerce and since that time it has grown into an outstanding asset to our community and to the youth of our city."

"But, do we as citizens and parents take enough interest and activity in our youth programs? Of course we know we have a good program, the record bears that out. But, do we take time out to see who is responsible and to tell those people what a wonderful job they are doing for our future citizens who someday themselves will be heading our city, our schools, our churches and our youth program?"

May we add here. Are the citizens and parents of Stanton supporting its Youth Center as it should, and to put the back and say a good word to those who are giving of their time and assistance to the youth program?

You Can Still Mail Packages Early

This editorial is coming rather late in the time between now and Christmas Day to carry much weight in lending assistance to our local postmistress, Mrs. Leta Eidson, and her able force of helpers to inform the public of the necessity of mailing their Christmas packages early, to avoid as much as possible a last minute pile-up in the postoffice of packages for distribution to the various mailing addresses the parcel bears.

Only 10 days before Christmas Day, yet there are enough mailing days in between to flood the postoffice with packages, thus loading down on already tired shoulders and weary feet of postal clerks, which could have been avoided by hustling the packages down to the postoffice now and mailing them!

From Changing Times comes this advice on Do's and Don'ts for Mailing Christmas Packages:

The post office says you cannot label a package "Rush" or "Do Not Delay" unless you pay a fee for special handling or special delivery. Nor can you, in most large post offices, mail a package of more than 40 pounds or 72 inches in girth. As a general rule, the best advice is not to wrap a package of more than 35 pounds in weight.

You should print your own address and the address of which you are sending the package. You can label it, "Do Not Open 'Til Christmas," "Perishable," or "Glass." You can enclose a Christmas greeting. And you can speed the package in three ways, by special handling, special delivery, and air express or air parcel post. Special handling is cheaper than special delivery, and does not include special delivery messenger service.

Hunting Accidents Take Big Toll

We suppose as long as deadly firearms are made and they fall in the hands of careless individuals, just that long will the country record the death of someone who met a premature grave through the careless handling of a loaded gun.

Thus far in the hunting season the Texas Game and Fish Commission reports 10 new hunting fatalities, making a total of 23 for this fall season.

Last year, 17 hunting deaths were recorded by the Commission.

Of the 23 fatal accidents reported this fall, 16 involved youngsters mainly in the lower teen-age group.

But some of the more spectacular cases were attributed to adults. A man mistook his wife for an animal while on a night hunt; a man shot his hunting companion when their canoe overturned as he readied to shoot a duck; a man dropped his rifle causing it to go off, striking him in the chest; a man reached into his car to pick up a gun, barrel first, when it was discharged, striking him in the head; a man fatally shot himself when he fell from the front of a car on a night hunt.

Among the new fatalities involving youngsters, a boy was killed when his gun exploded after a 16-gauge shell was placed into his 12-gauge; a boy shot his stepfather in a duck blind; a boy shot a young companion when he shot over the top of his car at a deer just as the second youth stepped into line of fire; two 15-year olds were killed in separate accidents, one involving a turkey hunt and the other a rabbit hunt.

Time-worn errors tripped some of the wounded hunters. A man rested the barrel of his loaded shotgun on his foot and lost part of the extremity when the weapon was discharged. A man shot off his right arm when his shotgun was discharged while he crawled under a fence. A woman duck hunter hurt her hand and arm when she pulled a loaded shotgun toward herself, causing it to go off.

Philosopher Gives Ike Some Advice On Working Farm

Dear editor:
With the natural interest of one farmer for another, I've been keeping up with all the gifts friends have been sending President Eisenhower for his farm at Gettysburg, and last week I was especially interested in a new tractor somebody gave him.

This tractor, as I understand it, is equipped with about everything, including a radio and a cigarette lighter.

Now all along I have suspected that some of these gifts, say like this new tractor, are coming from Democrats who hope to make the farm so attractive Ike will give up the White House for it, but the point I want to make is that it doesn't make any difference how many gadgets a tractor has to relieve the monotony, nobody has ever figured out how to eliminate a driver, and that's where the rub comes in, as if you hadn't already seen farmers standing up occasionally to plow.

You can equip a tractor with a radio, television, cigarette lighter, coffee maker, ice cubes, high fidelity phonograph, two-way telephone, push-button transmission, wrap-around windshield, power steering, white sidewall tires and an engine that uses atomic energy for fuel, but essentially, it's still a plow designed to go up one row and down another, and while there are worse jobs, you sit on one for eight or ten hours and you won't find the television program invented yet to keep you up past bedtime.

I know they're experimenting with tractors that operate by remote control, set the dial and let em plow all day un-manned, but you let one of em hit a field with a few point rows in between two terraces or a field with a few boulders or stumps, and you're gonna have a tractor on your hands with a nervous breakdown.

Understand, I'm in favor of all these new improvements, riding a tractor beats following a mule on foot, but sitting on a bank fishing beats either one. In fact, as I understand the goal of tractor manufacturers, it's to get a tractor that takes all the work out of farming, but I've found fishing does the same thing without nearly the investment.

Don't let em trick you with those gadgets, Ike. Farming is work.

Yours faithfully,
J. A.

Baptist Group Has Yule Party

Gifts were exchanged from a gaily lighted Christmas tree when the Homemakers Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met Thursday night for a party in the home of Mrs. Paul K. Jones.

A devotional was given by Mrs. Harry Billington and the closing prayer was by Mrs. Guy A. Elland.

"The Littlest Angel" was the topic of a story given by Mrs. R. B. Whitaker.

Games were played under the direction of Mrs. W. H. Yater, Mrs. A. Clarence Smith and Mrs. Bush.

Refreshments of Christmas cookies, spiced tea and stuffed dates were served to Mesdames: W. H. Yater, O. L. Rush, W. W. Doshier, Virgil Brothers, B. F. White, Phillip White, T. W. Haynie, Lila Flanagan, R. B. Whitaker.

Also Mesdames G. A. Elland, Carl Clardy, Ruby Burns, Edna Davison, Harry Billington, J. T. Davis, L. C. Stovall, George Lewis, D. O. Lawson, Roy Martin, T. O. Buckland, Paul Baulsterbaum, A. Ray Russell, T. Y. Allen, A. Clarence Smith and Mrs. Jones.

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The World Worships at Bethlehem

Soon, all who hold the Christian faith will journey afar in spirit. White and black, Caucasian and Asian, they will gather together in spirit at a manger in Bethlehem.

Truly, from the beginning, Christianity was designed to be a WORLD religion.

The message of the Gospel was that "God so loved the WORLD, that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him might not perish but have everlasting life." Jesus said: I am the light of the WORLD. His commission to the Disciples was: "Go ye in to all the WORLD, and preach the Gospel to every creature. . . . Make disciples of all nations."

When one considers the little company of Christians, in a small province of the vast Roman Empire, daring to think of making their faith and experience world-wide, the spiritual daring of it is amazing. It is no wonder if many have failed to catch the vision. Missionary vision and passion have, after all, been manifested by only a minority of those who profess the Christian way.

But what a minority! And how wonderfully those who have gone to the remote parts of the world, telling the story of Christ and of the love of God, have been vindicated.

And yet, their work is but begun. Prejudices die hard, and the world view of Christianity, and the world fellowship of Christian faith, life and service has had to overcome great obstacles.

As we gather at the spiritual Bethlehem, let us vow, each in our own heart, to so live our personal life that we make of it a mission of example whereby the cause of Christianity may beat with new fervor to the ends of the earth.

Anytime a man opens the door and helps his wife into the car, you can bet that he has just acquired one or the other.

Read the classifieds!

Snooter

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There were a scant few acres devoted to irrigation in that year. The year's record cotton production proved that a year with normal rainfall the county's unirrigated acreage will produce abundantly. And it goes without saying the profit to the farmer is greater and the work less than that of the farmer who irrigates. That of course, depends on the rainfall.

IF YOU HAVE WAITED UNTIL today to start on your Christmas shopping tour you only have nine days in which to buy your gifts. Waiting this late a date to Christmas shop, stand you in hand to get in the rush of last minute shoppers, a predicament that often leads to disappointment due to following in the wake of shoppers who were wise and were able to get the pick of the Christmas merchandise by shopping early.

But the local merchants have stocked their stores heavily of Christmas merchandise, and though their stocks are diminishing rapidly and the closing Christmas shopping days near the end, yet they report they have many, many, ideal gifts on hand to supply the wants of the last minute shopper.

IF THE 1956 COTTON ALLOTMENT for Texas is allowed to stand as authorized by the Texas Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, this county is due to lose 6,870 acres over 1955. Figuring this loss in bales on the basis the cotton was produced on the county's irrigated acres with the yield amounting on the average of one bale and a half per acre, the county stands to lose 10,305 bales of cotton next year. But, of course, this acreage decrease does not fall on the irrigated area, alone, but covers all the acreage in the county which was devoted to cotton in 1955.

Judging from what we hear, more people with coughs go to theaters, than to doctors.

Modern divorcees prove that women can keep anything but a husband.

What Was The News Of Note?

-Twenty-Five Years Ago-

From the files of The Stanton Reporter, December 12, 1930

BEEF, did it; Great hunks and gobs of it—20 pounds or more to the man over any member of the Buffalo squad.

BEEF, was the title of the funeral dirge played over the obsequies of the Buffaloes' ambition to be Bi-District title holder.

The Snyder Tigers walked off the Stanton Buffalo field last Friday with the bi-district crown, defeating the Buffaloes 30-0.

Monday night the American Legion entertained the Stanton Buffalo football members, district 8 champions, with a barbecue and all the trimmings. Sam Stamps was master of ceremonies and Bob Hamilton, the main speaker of the evening.

Saturday, Midland and Midland County held "open house" in its new \$300,000 courthouse. In the court rooms of the new building there will be no smoking permitted according to an edict issued by District Judge Charles Klapproth.

The close of the six weeks period of Stanton schools reveals the two pupils with the highest average in classes at high school are G. B. Shelburne, Jr., 93, senior, and his sister, Vola Shelburne, a junior, 98.

Courtney Notes: C. L. Eckert, H. M. McReynolds, Elmer Hull and H. Roberts went deer hunting in Mason County last week. They report the hills are full of

doe deer and fawns, but no bucks. For that reason they returned from the hunt empty-handed.

Bill Blocker and Tex Stewart have leased the old Van Engle place at Germanla and are "batching" over there while they tend their sheep.

This piece of news from the Big Spring Daily Herald, carried in The Reporter: Prentice Bristow, son of Dr. and Mrs. P. M. Bristow, Stanton, is the Herald's carrier boy in his home town. Prentice not only delivers the paper promptly and satisfactorily but he saves his money. He bought one beef calf, spent \$20 on his bicycle. Now he is ready to buy two more calves.

The Rebekahs met in regular session Tuesday night and elected the following officers: Gladys Horn, noble grand; Vena Belle Laws, vice grand; Vera Burnam, secretary; Flossie Burnam, treasurer.

Some 15 members of the journalism class of Courtney school visited The Reporter office last week. They were shown through the plant by Pink Robertson, foreman of the shop. This journalism class publishes a very creditable school paper, issued monthly. The Reporter prints the paper.

Cars are headed for the beaches these days, bumper to bumper, and when they arrive the crowd is so great the people sit the same way.

Most talked about woman is she who leaves the meeting first.

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NEWS FROM FLOWER GROVE

By MRS. C. A. WEBB

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Butcher went to Abilene Wednesday where Mrs. Butcher had the stitches removed from a cut she received on her left leg when she was in a car accident in Abilene.

Joy Cook, who attends Texas Tech in Lubbock, spent the weekend with home folks, Mr.

and Mrs. Murray Cook, and Billie Fern.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Green and sons, Freddie and Bennie of Forsan, spent Sunday and Sunday night with Mrs. Green's mother, Mrs. A. G. Webb, Lula Bell and R. B. They also attended church at Bethel at both hours Sunday.

Mrs. Kenneth Langham and Danny went to Tahoka Sunday afternoon to visit her father, Will McKee.

Visiting recently in the C. A. Webb home were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lawrence Webb of Monahans, and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Landreth of Odessa. Kenneth Langham recently went to Snyder quail hunting. Lee Hanson and Ann were

Mrs. Rogers Plans Yule Open House

Mrs. Flora Roger's annual Christmas open house for all her friends will be held Monday night, December 19, in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Leo Turner, Second and St. Joseph.

Mrs. Turner and Mrs. H. B. Mills of Midland will be co-hostesses for the annual affair, which was become a traditional Yule celebration for Mrs. Rogers and her friends.

All friends are invited to attend the celebration, which will begin at 6 o'clock.

shopping on Saturday in Big Spring.

Forty persons attended church at Bethel Baptist Church Sunday morning. Twenty-six persons attended services Sunday night.

Courtney P-TA Uses Christmas Theme for Meeting Held at School

By KATHLEEN LEWIS

The Courtney P-TA met in a regular meeting on Tuesday evening, December 6, at the school. R. A. Evans, president, was in charge of the meeting.

A program, under the direction of the program chairman Mrs. E. R. Warrington, was based on the Christmas theme. The first and second grades, under the leadership of their teacher, Mrs. Elfrieda Moseley, sang Christmas Carols.

"The Night Before Christmas," a play, was presented by the seventh and eighth grades.

Following the program gifts were exchanged from a tree. The class with the largest number of parents present received the tree to be used in its room. Refreshments of coffee, cocoa and candies were served to a large crowd.

The boys basketball team was presented the Sportsmanship Award Trophy on Saturday at Greenwood. They won the trophy because of their good sportsmanship during the tournament at Greenwood.

Kenneth Hale is captain of the team. Other players are Bobby Sale, Bobby Kelly, Buddy Glaspie, Teddy Stewart, Butch Bond, Truman Moseley, Weems Williams, Norman Graves and Omer Tercern.

Shirlen Yell and Bobby Kelly were chosen as all-tournament players. Shirlen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Yell and Bobby is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Kelly.

Neither team won a game. The girls were defeated by Greenwood and Stanton and the boys were defeated by Stanton and Greenwood.

Members of the girls' team are Captain Sandra Powell, Shirlen Yell, Judy Britton, Sandra Kelly, Joy Martin, Barbara Henry, Betty Hale, Glenda Powell, Marilyn Sale and Carol Smith. Jess Miles is coach for the boys and Jess L. Jackson is coach of the girls' team.

The Courtney Home Demonstration Club met Friday in the home of Mrs. Owen Kelly for a Christmas party.

New officers were installed with Mrs. Chalmer Wren as

president. Mrs. Owen Kelly was out-going president.

Games were played under the direction of Mrs. Ohmer Kelly. Spiced tea and fruit cake were served to Mesdames: Chalmer Wren, W. E. Kelly, J. P. Stroud, Elmer Hull, Lillian Franklin, Henry Rayford, Ohmer Kelly, R. P. Odom, E. W. Holcombe, T. B. Stewart, Jr., Claude Davis, Billy Mims, Earl Douglas, Joe Stewart, Max Graham, the hostess, and a guest, Mrs. C. C. Kelly.

The next regular meeting will be held on January 11, 1956 in the home of Mrs. Max Graham.

Jo Miles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Miles, has been a medical patient in a Big Spring hospital. She is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Theral Creech and Steve moved recently from the Lamar farm to the Kyle Shoemaker place. Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Shoemaker and family formerly lived there.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Payne and son moved recently from the Billy J. Smith farm to a home in Stanton.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Snodgrass, Sr. visited in Lubbock over the weekend with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sadler, and Cindy. Cindy has been ill, but is improved.

Gifts were exchanged by members when the Thursday Bridge-Luncheon Club met on Thursday in the home of Mrs. R. K. Rogers for its annual Christmas party and luncheon.

Yule decorations were featured throughout the house.

Mrs. Glen Cox won high score and Mrs. Bernard Houston was second high for the day.

Attending were Mrs. Glen Cox, Mrs. Bernard Houston, Mrs. Edmund Tom, Mrs. Jim Tom, Mrs. H. A. Houston, Mrs. Tom Houston, Mrs. Elbert Steele, Mrs. Yuell Winslow, Mrs. J. D. Poe, Mrs. J. C. Greenhaw, Mrs. P. M. Bristow, Mrs. June Graham and Mrs. R. K. Rogers.

A woman has reached middle age when her shoes pinch her more than men do.

Letters to Santa

December 1, 1955

Dear Santa

I am a little girl seven years old. I go to Grady School. I am in the second grade. I try to be a good girl. I would like to have a baby doll, house coat, cash register, and slinky dog for Christmas. Thank you Santa.

Betty Sue Hardin
Star Route
Lenora, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Virginia Springer. I am two years old. Please bring me some dollies, toys and candy. Bring my baby brother Preston a rubber dolly. I have another

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brother Allen who is 7 years old. He wants a Roy Rogers ranch set and candy. I also have a big sister Carolyn who is 9 years old. She wants a watch and doll.

Love
Janet Virginia Springer

Dear Santa,

I want a bow and arrow set, and a bat, and a ball.

Love,
Buddy

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Sandra. I am 5 years old. I would like to have

a doll, some dishes and a ring. Love,
Sandra Kay Pugh
Route 1
Stanton, Texas

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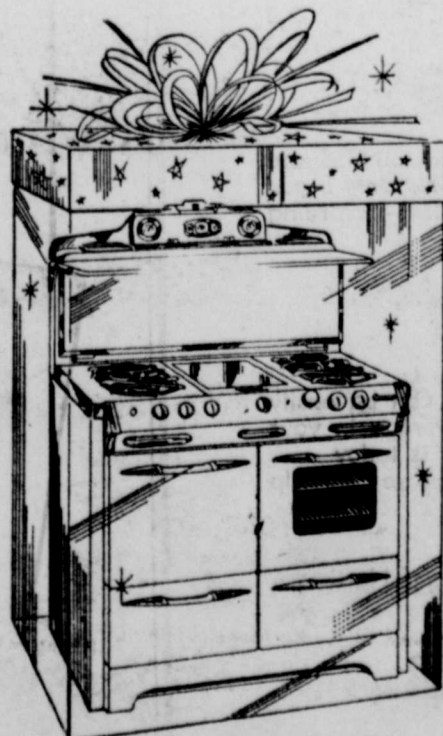
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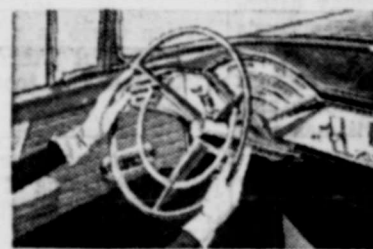
Now is the time to buy your wife a beautiful, dependable, fully-automatic gas range. An automatic gas range will enable her to enjoy more leisure time... time to spend with you and the rest of the family. See your gas appliance dealer today. Buy her an automatic gas range... a gift that she will enjoy for years and years to come.



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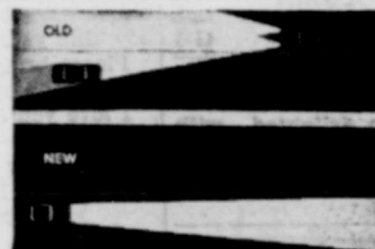
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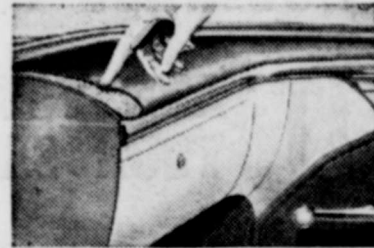
NEW IMPACT-ABSORBING STEERING WHEEL is stronger, gives better control, greater safety. Recessed hub protects driver, makes instruments easier to see.



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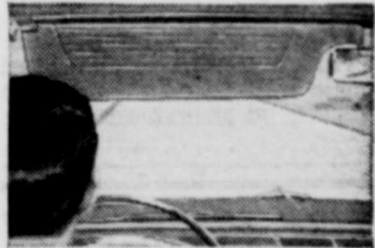
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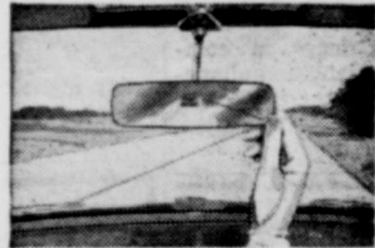
NEW PADDED INSTRUMENT PANEL. This attractive optional feature consists of an expanded plastic protective pad. Cuts down annoying glare in windshield.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS A
Lodge Notices A-1

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CARD OF THANKS B

I want to thank all my many
friends who were so nice to me
during the time I was in a Big
Spring and a Midland hospital.
My sincere thanks to all who
remembered me in any way. I
am not at home at 102 West
Second and will be glad to see
my friends. Flora Rogers.

LOST & FOUND C

FOUND—One set of Ford car
keys. Owner may obtain same by
calling at Reporter office, iden-
tifying and paying for ad.

AUTOMOTIVE D

Autos For Sale D-1

FOR SALE—We have for sale
the following cars and trucks:
One 1954 Power Glide Chevrol-
et, clean and in first class con-
dition.
One 1952 Power Glide Chevrol-
et car.
One 1955 Studebaker Com-
mander, used as a demonstrator,
low mileage.
One 1955 Studebaker half ton
pick-up, in top condition.
One 1953 Dodge pick-up in
first class condition.
See at Stanton Supply Co.,
Phone 4-3422.

WOMAN'S COLUMN G

Beauty Aids G-1

Come by and see our wide se-
lection of Revlon Christmas
gifts. You'll be delighted with
the many gifts from which to
choose. **ATCHISON BEAUTY
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EMPLOYMENT H

Help Wanted H-1

SALESMEN WANTED:
We need two salesmen for the
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farm machinery, a com-
plete line of household appliances
and Studebaker. **STANTON
SUPPLY CO.,** Box 157, Stanton,
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FARM & RANCH J

Feed, Seed & Grain J-3

ALFALFA HAY—A - 1 Heavy
bales. \$1.35 bale. The Country
Store. Phone GL8-3252.

FOR SALE—State registered
Western storm proof cottonseed.
Limited supply; get order in
early. S. E. Cross.

Livestock P Poultry J-4

TURKEYS FOR SALE—I still
have a few choice turkeys for
Christmas buying. Get yours
now. H. O. Phillips, Ph. 4-3417.

Miscellaneous J-5

**BASIN GROWERS ASSOCIA-
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Miscellaneous K-8

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STATIONERY** and **MATCHES**
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FOR SALE—Lingerie from lead-
ing factories of Texas. See me
before you do all your Christ-
mas shopping, and other under-
wear and sleeping togs and
needs at a saving you cannot af-
ford to miss. Mrs. J. R. Caldwell,
at Assembly of God Parsonage,
or call 4-3756.

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pays!

MERCHANDISE K

Miscellaneous K-8

KNAPP SHOES SOLD by S. W.
Windham. For appointment
phone 4-5797 collect. Big Spring,
Texas.

REAL ESTATE M

Houses For Sale M-4

HOME FOR SALE—I am offer-
ing my home for sale. It is well-
located, four blocks from town;
two bedrooms, roomy kitchen;
nicely finished inside and tight;
attached garage, fenced back
yard; grass all over, shrubs; rea-
sonable. See A. Clarence Smith
at Reporter office or Phone
4-2339.

Lots For Sale M-5

LOTS FOR SALE—Seven of
them, three blocks due north of
school, all utilities available, and
terms can be arranged. See J.
T. Davis, Phone, shop 4-3309,
home, 4-3419.

LEGAL NOTICE

Stanton School Board will ac-
cept bids on two used cook stov-
es, three hanging type heaters
and four electric refrigerated
water fountains.

Bids are to be in by January
2, 1956.
These can be inspected any-
time between the hours of 9 a.m.
and 3 p.m.

Stanton School Board

MORE AND MORE people are
finding that Reporter classified
pay... not cost!

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy. Please
bring me a tent, football, Davy
Crockett Cap and sword. Please
bring Danny something too. He's
been a good boy.
I love you.
David Saunders

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy four years
old. I have been a pretty good
boy this year.
Please bring me a slinky dog,
guitar, rifle and truck.
I love you Santa.
Love
Jerry Hardin
Star Route,
Lenorah, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan McDaniel
of Alaska recently visited in
Stanton with his parents, Mr.
and Mrs. Bill McDaniel. He is
stationed in the army in Alaska.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Davis and
Micky and Vickie visited Sat-
urday night in Lamesa with his
parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M.
Davis.



HOW TO UNSTICK SEALS
—Old-fashioned teakettle meth-
od is better for use on letters,
but if you have a seal around
the house—Phyllis L. Sherman
gives the ice-and-water treat-
ment to a crated seal at Miami,
Fla. It's next-to-last stop on
his journey via Pan Am Airways
from Santa Barbara, Calif., to
his new home in the Dominican
Republic's Ciudad Trujillo zoo.

Junior Music Club Discusses McDowell

Sharon Sale, president, was in
charge of the meeting when the
Stanton Junior Music Club met
Wednesday, December 7, in the
agriculture building at Stanton
schools.

Patricia Henderson gave a re-
port on the music convention she
attended last weekend in Al-
pine.

Certain scenes of the Mc-
Dowell Boyhood were read.
Sharon Sale introduced the pro-
gram on McDowell. Others par-
ticipating on the program were
Glen Reid, Sandra Sale and
Jean Mett who read several
Christmas stories and hymns.
Twenty-five members and
the sponsor attended the meet-
ing.

Valley View HD Group Has Party

Christmas bells and feasts
of colored rope decorated the
entertaining rooms when the
Valley View Home Demonstra-
tion Club met Thursday after-
noon in the home of Mrs. Lewis
Carlile for a Christmas party.

Mrs. Delmar Hamm, program
chairman, directed games and
led in singing of Christmas car-
ols.

Mrs. Urey Butler read the
Christmas story and Mrs. Jim
Miller gave a musical reading.

During the tea hour Mrs. J. D.
Sawyer and Mrs. Dewey Wil-
liams played Christmas music.
Gifts were exchanged from a
tree trimmed in festive colors.
A refreshment plate consist-
ing of fruit cake, frozen salad,
olives and spiced tea was served
to two visitors, Mrs. W. T. Wells
and Mrs. Dewey Williams, and
11 members.



ST. NICHOLAS—Garbed as
was his namesake, a fourth-
century bishop of Asia Minor,
"St. Nicholas" rides through the
streets of Amsterdam, The
Netherlands. Feast of the good
saint, traditional bringer of
gifts to Dutch children, is cele-
brated on Dec. 6. For centuries,
Christmas was purely a relig-
ious holiday in Holland, but
the gift-giving custom has since
spread to embrace Christmas
Day.



ALL READY FOR CHRISTMAS. Vivacious Jean Simmons, English
stage and screen star currently playing in the cinema version of
Guys and Dolls takes time out to wish everyone a Merry Christmas
and finish decorating her Christmas tree with Savings Bonds. Inel-
ligible to buy them for herself, Miss Simmons has purchased several for
her American friends. "What a wonderful present," she says, "to be
given a share of your country's future through Savings Bonds."



READY FOR CHRISTMAS—Mr. and Mrs. Tol Roberts of
Brady, Texas, look forward each year to a Christmas visit
from their children and grandchildren. Next week, this
typical ranch family's holiday will be featured on the Hum-
ble Company's TV program, Texas in Review.

GI Insurance Is Matter of Interest

"How is your G. I. Insurance?"
is the question Martin Gibson,
veterans county service officer,
is asking.

He goes on to say that in Jan-
uary, 1956, the VA will begin
paying some 200 million dollars
or more in dividends on over
5 1/2 million NSLI policies now
in force.

It is estimated 375,000 WW I
permanent-plan type policies of
USGLI are now in force. There
is a possibility the VA will au-
thorize a dividend for these policy-
holders and if so, these dividends
will exceed 20 million dollars.

There were 5,676,510 NSLI pol-
icies in force as of July 30, 1955
with the face value of over \$37.5
billion.

The veterans holding the new
Post-Korean term or disability
insurance policies are not eligi-
ble for a dividend, as these pol-
icies are nonparticipating.

Then there is the guy who
gave his girl friend some tooth
paste, but her tooth fell out
anyway.

Try beating the train to a
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put a real lasting finish on your
car.

**GIVE JEWELRY
THE GIFT THAT LASTS**

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Men's Stores	3.3
Women's Wear Stores	3.1
Furniture Stores	6.3
Drug Stores	2.9
General Merchandise	1.5
Specialty Shops	3.8
Jewelry Stores	3.1
Dry Cleaners	3.3
Hardware Stores	1.0
Other Business	2.0

(REMEMBER! THIS IS FIGURED ON YOUR GROSS SALES)

95%

95 per cent of all FAILURES IN BUSINESS are
from the ranks of non-advertisers... Only 5 per
cent of those that fail are advertisers—according
to Dun & Bradstreet.

What About You, Mr. Businessman?

Check your GROSS SALES and your advertising percentage can be easily
figured... Your business cannot differ much from the average in your
line and if you wish to improve it... or even hold it where it is today...
then you can not ignore your duty to yourself... And maybe we can help
you.

Figures compiled by Harvard Bureau of Business Research and Northwes-
tern University Bureau of Business Research.

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have heard recently a raving
beauty is a girl who didn't win
first in a beauty contest.

Leonardo da Vinci, famous Re-
naissance painter, invented an
airplane.

People who wake up famous
haven't been asleep.

The only community circus in
the world is the Gainesville
(Tex.) Community Circus.

There is nothing wrong with
the younger generation, except
that we don't belong to it any-
more.

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STANTON ELECTRIC
T. R. LOUDER

Library Receives Several New Books

The Martin County Library has received several new books according to Miss Carrie Alvis, librarian.

New books received include "Daughter of Jarl" by Fox; "Better Homes and Garden Cook Book;" and "Far Journey" by Grace Erdman.

Mrs. S. S. Sauer donated "A Bowl of Brass" by Paul Wellman. "The Thorn Tree" by White was donated to the library by Mrs. Inez Woody.

The 1956-57 Texas Almanac was given to the library by Texas Electric Service Company and the Martin County chamber of commerce gave the Texas State Directory.

Several magazines were given to the library by Mrs. R. B. Whitaker.

Miss Alvis says the library will be open only from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. December 24.

Sunday afternoon and night visitors in the Ed Davis home were his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Davis, Jr., Yank, Dick and Jo Beth of Lamesa.



HOLIDAY "SNOW" — Giant snow crystals drift from fairyland on to busy Regent Street in London, England, as Christmas approaches. "Snowflakes" are suspended on thin, nearly invisible wires from buildings at left, to buildings at right, not shown.

Engagement of Eula Belle Mott Is Announced at Morning Coffee

Announcement of the engagement and approaching marriage of Eula Belle Mott to Marshall Huffman was made Saturday morning when Miss Mott's mother, Mrs. J. C. Mott, and Mrs. J. D. Poe entertained with a coffee in the Poe home.

Miss Mott, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mott of Stanton, and Huffman, who is the son of Rev. and Mrs. G. L. Huffman of Plains, will be married December 31 in the First Baptist Church, Stanton.

For the occasion, the bride-to-be chose a dress of champagne colored cotton silk interwoven with gold threads. It was fashioned with a boat neckline, elbow length sleeves and a full gathered skirt. She wore a yellow mums corsage.

In the receiving line were Mrs. Mott, Miss Mott and her grandmother, Mrs. Ben Nutter, of Odessa. Mrs. Poe greeted guests at the door.

A unique winter scene was featured on the serving table. Announcement of the wedding date was made on red streamers floating from a sleigh driven by Santa Claus and pulled by his reindeer. In the sleigh a bride and bridegroom were riding away from a church sitting on a snow-covered hill surrounded by a cedar forest. A white linen cloth covered the table and silver appointments were used.

Announcement of the date also was made on the napkins which were engraved with "Eula Belle and Marshall, December 31, 1955."

Cedar, sprayed with snow and

decorated with Christmas balls, banked the mantel in the dining room. Holly also was used in decorating the open rooms.

Alternating at the table were Jeaneene Gibson, Barbara Smith, Mrs. Mickie Casey of Big Spring and Mary Beth White.

Also in the houseparty were Sara Mott, Sherry Nowlin, Mrs. Wayne Butcher, Marsha Bristow, Jean Mott, and Helen Joyce Wheeler of Odessa.

Mrs. Bob Cox was at the register with approximately 80 persons registering between the calling hours of 9:30 to 11:30. Out-of-town guests included Joan Mitchell, Ann Stewart, and Mrs. Maureen Crain of Midland, Mrs. Pete Wheeler and Mrs. M. C. Dennison of Odessa.

15 Attend Party For Luan Louder

A party honoring Luan Louder on her sixth birthday was held Monday afternoon from 4 to 5 in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Louder. Games were played. Cake and punch were served.

Attending were Terry Franklin, Gene Wheeler, Nancy and Sherry Phillips, Linda and Lila Phillips, Beth and Cathy Biggs, Johnny Louder, Luan, Stanley, and Rosalyn Louder, Mrs. Raymond Louder, Mrs. James Biggs and Mrs. Raymond Phillips.

Ever wonder why after dinner speakers are usually men? Women can't wait that long.

Giles Takes--

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his present term, he never has definitely said so.

Meanwhile U. S. Sen. Price Daniel holds fast to his announced intention to tell no political plans until after January 1.

Added signs of life in Ralph Yarborough's law office indicate something developing there soon. The Austin attorney has brought newsman Lyman Jones back from California to work in the 1954 candidate's office.

Short Notes

... One death and one serious illness at El Paso, following administration of rabies vaccine, were not the result of faulty vaccine, reports Dr. Henry A. Holle, state health commissioner, after a quick statewide check.

... Texas cut its Safe-Driving Day death toll from the usual 7 to 2; but followed through on the week-end with 10 traffic deaths in two days.

... The Democratic State Executive Committee held two days of closed sessions here, schooling leaders in convention procedure. There will be 100 such seminars over the state in preparation for the fight to retain control of the presidential conventions next May.

... One child out of every 10 born in Texas will spend some time in a mental hospital, says the Texas Society for Mental Health.

... O. B. Ellis, general manager of the Texas Prison System, advises that he and the Prison Board will ask the Legislature for \$8,000,000 at the next session, for a new five-year building program for the prison farms.

... Texas' supply of Salk polio vaccine may catch up with the demand by next April, says Dr. Henry A. Holle, health commissioner.

... New certificates are being mailed to 63,000 Texas teachers, under a law passed by the last legislature. Teachers with five years or more of college work receive "professional" certificates; those with only a bachelor's degree receive "provisional" certificates. Both types are permanent certificates. Of Texas' 65,000 employed teachers, only 2,000 do not have degrees.

... Garland Smith, chairman of the Texas Insurance Commission, reports that the commission needs at least 25 more examiners. At present there are 39.

... Texas schools and health units received more than \$8,000,000 worth of surplus federal property the past fiscal year. So states C. Read Granbery, chairman of the board of the Texas Surplus Property Agency.

... Lease bids by oil companies on 23,679 acres of school lands last week enriched the permanent school fund \$1,552,284.

... Midland Rancher J. O. Nobles, has resigned from the Board of Directors of Texas Southern University—because of the distance between Midland and Houston, where the university is located.

... Governor Shivers has appointed H. M. Hood of Borger as judge of the new domestic relations court in Hutchinson County. Also he named W. D. Noel of Odessa to the State Liquor Control Board.

... The reorganized Texas Livestock Sanitary Commission has taken first steps toward securing the financing from the livestock industry upon which its operation will depend after Sept. 1, 1957.

... Brenda Holland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Holland, was honored Monday afternoon with a party on her fifth birthday in the home of her parents.

It was also a surprise birthday party for Mrs. Bertha Gipsen.

An arrangement of fruit and Christmas candy centered the refreshment table which was laid with a white lace cloth. Cake, punch and coffee were served.

Attending were Jannetta Avery, David Avery, Benny Avery, Mrs. Bertha Gipsen, Mrs. Zeila Williams, Ann Williams, Barbara Williams, Mrs. Loretta Avery, Bobby Joe Holland, the honoree and the hostess.

... Rhythm Band Is To Present Concert

The rhythm band and class pupils of Mrs. O. B. Bryan will be presented in recital at 6 o'clock Tuesday, December 20, in the First Methodist Church.

The public is invited to attend the program, which is an annual Christmas affair.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Beauchamp visited Sunday in Brownfield with her sister, Mrs. Fred Nicholson.

Herbert Shipp has returned to his job at Billington Motor and Irrigation Co. after being ill for a week.

Garden City Is Winner In New BB Tournament

By SANDRA WILKERSON

Garden City high school basketball teams swept a double header from Water Valley clubs at Water Valley Friday night.

The local girls thrashed the Water Valley girls 40-33 after which the boys won, 41-29.

In the girls' game, Alice Clark scored 26 points for the winners. Marceline Gill had six as did Latrelle Venable while Mary Asbill tossed in two.

Sue Bannister accounted for 29 of Water Valley's points. Jane Baker scored the other 13.

In the boys' game, Eddie Engel paced Garden City with 12 points. C. Williams counted eight for the losers.

The next basketball game was to be Tuesday night at Garden City with Water Valley. Then next weekend both teams will go to Water Valley for a tournament.

Garden City Junior High teams went to Greenwood last weekend for a tournament. The girls won sportsmanship. The boys placed third and Harold Jones and Frank Murphy were elected for the all tournament team.

Jimmy Smith and Eddie Engel made the all-district 7-B six-man football team.

Dale Hilliger and Royce Pruitt made the second team, while Lorin McDowell and Jim Nelson got honorable mention.

The all-district 7-B six-man football team was chosen last week by the coaches of the 7-B district.

Mack O'Bannon, Weldon Parker and Joy Wilkerson went hunting over the weekend near Ozona.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jones and children of Lubbock have been here visiting her mother, Mrs. Lila Flanagan. Mrs. Jones and children will stay here through the holidays and around January 5 they will move to Fort Morgan, Colo. to make their home.

Read the Classifieds



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martin of Stanton have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Eugenia, to Don Hightower, son of Mr. and Mrs. Prentiss Hightower, also of Stanton. The wedding will take place at 6 p.m. Saturday in the home of the future bride's parents.

Clark Hamilton Is Gulf Station Owner

In one of the newest business changes here, Clark Hamilton has purchased the Gulf Service Station from Harvey White, and now is in charge of that operation. He invites his friends to come by and see him there.

At the same time Hamilton will retain an interest in the Humble station at the corner of

Highway 80 and the Lamesa highway, and he and his brother, John, of Sterling City, will operate it together, Hamilton said.

White was named assistant city secretary last week, and is retiring from the service station business.

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FRUIT COCKTAIL, Del Monte, 303 can 2 cans 49c
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SUGAR, Powdered or Brown 2 boxes 25c
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MIXED NUTS POUND 53c

ORANGES, California, Navel, lb. 12 1/2c
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Tarzan HD Club Has Yule Party

Mrs. Ollie Robertson was hostess when the Tarzan Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday in her home for a Christmas party.

Christmas games were played and the group discussed games for adults to play at Christmas parties.

Mrs. Woody Smith was elected as secretary - treasurer to fill Mrs. Charles Pierce's place, who has moved away. Names for secret pals were drawn.

Attending were Mrs. Ira McGlothlin, Mrs. Sam Cox, Mrs. Woody Smith, Mrs. Troy Pierce, Mrs. Eldon Welch, Mrs. Milton Olendening, Mrs. Douglas Crenshaw, Mrs. Vivian Howard, Mrs. Houston Woody and Mrs. Ollie Robertson.

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Advertising Pays!

Win One Class Is Entertained

Mrs. F. C. Wheeler was hostess December 6 when the Win One Class of the First Baptist Church met for a Christmas party. Table decor was in the Christmas motif.

Opening prayer was by Mrs. E. B. Coon and closing prayer by Mrs. Woodford Sale.

"Letters by Little People and The Christmas Spirit" was the theme of the devotional brought by Mrs. Earl Clemens, teacher of exceptional children in Midland.

Miss Marie Vandever, class president, was in charge of the business meeting.

Christmas gifts were not exchanged but were brought for children of the Texas Baptist Children's Home in Roundrock.

Mrs. F. M. Fulbright will be hostess to the next meeting on January 17, 1956.

Members attending were Mesdames: J. C. Sale, F. M. Fulbright, Gene Clemens, F. C. Wheeler, Ed Robnett, Bill Liveley, S. O. Weaver, P. M. Bristol, Woodford Sale, Earl Freeman, James Webb, Jack Ireton.

Also Mesdames E. B. Coon, Weldon Martin, Ralph Hedrick, Jackie D. Matlock, L. J. Pickett, Jack Hankins, Raymond Wheeler, Clayton Jones and Miss Marie Vandever.

Guests present were Mrs. G. W. Leach, Mrs. Charles Powell, and Mrs. Earl Clemens.

Everything looks green in the spring until the race tracks open and then the green disappears.

WITH THE COUNTY AGENT

By GERALD HANSON

The dates for the Martin County Junior Livestock Show have been set for January 20 and 21. There will be four classes in the swine division. There will be three classes of fat barrows ranging in weights from 180 to 200 pounds, 201 to 220 pounds and 221 to 240 pounds. The other class will be for breeding gilts. These gilts will not be sold through the auction. There will be a class for fat steers and two classes for lambs—one fine wool and a crossbred class. Premium money and ribbons will be given in all classes.

The County Agent attended a Soil and Water conservation meeting Tuesday, December 6 at Garden City. Jack Barton, Soil and Water Conservation Specialist of the Extension Service from College Station, discussed land evaluation and land judging and how it might be carried on in a county. County agents from surrounding counties and the district agent were present.

Several farmers have been asking about the value of gin trash as a fertilizer. At present prices it is worth about \$7.00 a ton. The big value in it is that it adds organic matter to the soil and added benefits are realized from the water holding capacity. Tests have shown that farmers in other areas have received a 10 per cent increase in yields of lint cotton the first year.

The danger of pink bollworms and diseases can be controlled by piling and composting. The heat created by watering the piles of burs is sufficient to kill the insects, diseases and the weed seeds.

The County Agent and Home Demonstration Agent attended a Farm and Home Development meeting in Big Lake Tuesday, December 13, with Cecil Parker, Extension Agent in Farm and Home Development leading the discussion. All the adjoining and neighboring County Agents and Home Demonstration agents attended the meeting.

Jim Franklin, a Valley View farmer, recently made a visit of Old Mexico's farm land with his two brothers Raymond and Tom from Van Horn. He found the country very interesting and we thought you might also.

The cotton situation there this year has been very unprofitable due to heavy insect infestation and late heavy rains. They made an average of one bale to the acre but was not able to realize any profit on it. The only profit

realized from their crops was the grapes they had planted in strips between the cotton. The varieties of cotton grown there are Deltapine, Stoneville and Empire. They were netting the farmers about 23 1/2 cents a pound after their taxes were paid. Mexico assesses them certain taxes on their cotton.

The area he visited lies about 125 to 150 miles south of the Big Bend National Park. They irrigate predominately from lakes, because most of the farmers there do not have the finances to drill wells. Wells that have been dug range in depth from 80 to 160 feet.

The undeveloped land can be purchased from 65c to \$10 an acre. Developed land in irrigation runs \$50 to \$75. A foreigner cannot purchase land within 75 miles of any border including water front borders. Also another restriction is one person is allowed to own only 247 acres. Each additional member of his family is allowed to own 247 acres, up to 2,470 acres.

The labor is very cheap ranging from 80c to \$1.00 a day. The cotton seed brings \$40.00 a ton. The average staple is 1 1/32 and over half of the cotton raised in Mexico averages middling or better.

The largest cotton state is Chihuahua and there is about 440,000 acres in irrigation. The cost of fertilizer and insecticides is higher there than in the U. S. because of American and Mexican laws. They do have the latest type gins and cotton oil mills. The soil and water analysis is similar to that in the Pecos area. It is high in nitrogen and potash and low in phosphorous and organic matter.

Franklin stated there was plenty of undeveloped land in Mexico, but he believed there were more headaches to farming there than here.

He did not check into the ranching business much while he was there but said good ranch land was selling for about \$4.00 an acre. He did not investigate it to determine all the restrictions one would encounter in ranching as he did farming.

If you are wondering what to do with party leftovers, we suggest that you don't invite them again.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if someone invented a lawn that sheds once a week!

Those postage-stamps size bathing suits the girls are wearing sure satisfy the males.

W.S.C.S. Group Has Christmas Program

An annual Christmas program was held Monday afternoon when the Women's Society of Christian Service met at the First Methodist Church.

Mrs. O. B. Bryan played Christmas music on the organ

before the meeting. The singing of "O Come All Ye Faithful" by all members opened the program. Mrs. Fern Tilson led the opening prayer, followed by a solo "The First Noel," also by Mrs. Tilson.

Mrs. Phil Berry read a scripture reading and Mrs. Calvin Jones gave a Christmas story,

"The Toys of A Wise Man." A prayer by Mrs. W. H. Kirby preceded a solo, "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," by Mrs. Cliff Hazlewood, Jr. Mrs. James Biggs led the closing prayer. The annual Christmas party will be held at 2:30 Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. O. B. Bryan. All women of the church are invited to attend.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

New Light on an Old Subject

Mr. Evans from the Lighting Company gave an interesting talk at the Community Hall last night - on how farmers can cut electric bills. For those who missed it, here's a short recap.

Don't try to light up the cobwebs in the rafters. Use a reflector and a smaller bulb will probably do the job. Too many farmers use naked bulbs that waste 50% of the light.

Try using moveable projector bulbs that beam light the way a searchlight does. A couple of these "spots" will often give you

better illumination than a gang of juice-wasting overhead lamps.

From where I sit, it's amazing how often we misuse the things we have... like electricity. We also make a mistake if we misuse our right of personal choice—about which candidate to vote for, say, or whether beer or coffee makes the ideal mealtime drink—by trying to force our opinions on others. Respect for the other fellow's point of view should be our "guiding light."

Joe Marsh

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"TWO-FIVE" IS COMING TO STANTON

NATION-WIDE "2-LETTER, 5-NUMERAL" TELEPHONE NUMBERING SYSTEM TO BE INTRODUCED IN AUGUST, 1956

ALL STANTON telephone numbers will have a "new look" when the nation-wide "2-5" telephone numbering system is introduced here in August, 1956.

The new "2-5" numbering plan simply means that all telephone numbers here will include two letters and five numerals.

Nearly all telephone numbers here will retain the last four numerals they now have, and will be preceded by the first two letters of the central office name and a number, SK yline 6 (SK 6). For example, the telephone number 4-5111 will become SK yline 6-5111, and you'll dial S-K-6-5-1-1-1.

A very few telephone numbers may have to be changed entirely because of technical reasons.

A new edition of the telephone directory—listing all the new "2-5" numbers—will be delivered just before the new numbering plan goes into effect.

The new central office name—SK yline—is needed so that telephone numbers here will conform with the standard nation-wide numbering plan, which is designed to increase the speed and efficiency of your long distance telephone service. Eventually, every dial telephone in the nation will have a "2-5"—or two-letter, five-numeral—telephone number.

The new numbering system is part of a nation-wide plan for dialing long distance calls, and will pave the way for expansion and improvement of Stanton's long distance dialing system.

We are proud to announce the coming addition of Stanton to the nation-wide "2-5" numbering plan, and we are sure you will like the increased speed and efficiency of your long distance telephone service.

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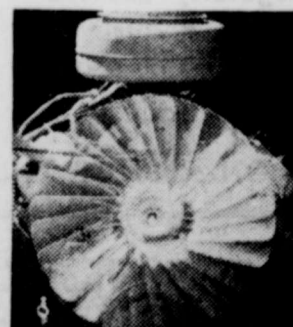


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Stanton HD Club Has Christmas Party

A Christmas party for the Stanton Home Demonstration Club was held December 7 in the home of Mrs. Sam Wilkinson with Mrs. H. M. McReynolds as co-hostess.

Mrs. Morgan Hall directed several games and the group was led in the singing of Christmas carols by Mrs. Clark Hamilton. Gifts were exchanged.

A tumbled Christmas tree, trimmed in silver and pink, was used on the table. Refreshments of pecan pie and coffee were served. Miniature candles and holders made from gum drops were favors.

The group presented Mrs. Mildred Elland, county agent, and Mrs. W. T. Wells, president, with gifts.

Members attending were Mrs. L. H. Alexander, Mrs. Morgan Hall, Mrs. Clark Hamilton, Mrs. Pearl Ory, Mrs. John Roueche, Mrs. Minnie Sims, Mrs. W. T. Wells, Mrs. Bill Wilson, Mrs. H. M. McReynolds and Mrs. Sam Wilkinson.

Mrs. Lewis Carille and Mrs. Mildred Elland were guests.

Read the Classifieds!

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James Cooks Honored With Shower At Home Ec. Dept. at Ackerly

By DOROTHY BAKER

Mr. and Mrs. James Cook were honored with a miscellaneous shower on Monday evening, December 5, in the home economics department of the high school.

The serving table, covered with a white Damask cloth, featured a Christmas theme. It was centered with a large red candle, cedar and holly. Red punch and white cake were served by Mrs. Jake Harry and Mrs. Riley Smith.

Mrs. Alfred Herren registered the guests.

Sylvia Ann Smith and Dana Ruth Horton played piano selections during the serving hour.

Forty guests registered. Hostesses were Mesdames C. C. Grigg, Alfred Herren, Jake Harry, Riley Smith, Donald Grigg, Tommie Horton, E. G. Murphy, Jack Grigg, Darrell Smith, Oren Rhea, B. O. Springfield, Dolph Rasberry, A. H. Smith, Fred Thomas, Gale Batson and Pete Grigg.

Mrs. Cook is the former Loreta Hinson of Big Spring. They were married on November 11.

The executive committee of the P-TA met at the school recently to make plans to buy a coffee urn for the home economics department. Mrs. Lester Brown was appointed chairman to get an estimated cost. Present were Mrs. Joe Lemons, Mrs. Bill Wallace, Mrs. Lester Brown, Mrs. Ethel Johnson, Mrs. Cliff Prather and school superintendent Johnny Clark.

The O'Donnell boys and the Loop girls won the championship trophies of the Ackerly Invitational Basketball Tournament Saturday night.

O'Donnell won the boys' division with a 52-42 victory over Ackerly in the finals.

Loop girls belted Ackerly 65-55 to win the title in their division.

Third place in the girls' division went to Novice, which defeated Klondike 58-55. Dawson's boys' team won third place in their bracket with a 30-28 victory over Novice.

J. C. Bell of Tye has been here

visiting his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Rhea.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Oaks of Odessa were recent guests with his mother and sister, Mrs. Nora Oaks and Joyce.

Mrs. Ray Adams was confined in a Big Spring hospital a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Reese and son of Midland spent Sunday here visiting relatives.

Mrs. James Cook underwent surgery Friday in a Big Spring hospital.

Mrs. Edd Hall and sons have had as guests Mr. and Mrs. James Hall of Brownfield and Mr. and Mrs. Mann Melhollon of Notrees.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cook accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Grigg and Debbie spent Sunday in Post visiting Mr. Cook's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cook.

Dorothy Gregg from Draughton's Business College in Lubbock spent the weekend here with her parents, the Tommy Greggs. She returned back to Lubbock with a classmate, Thelma Clanton, who visited her parents in Vealmoor.

Coach and Mrs. M. B. Maxwell, Jr. of Novice and their high school basketball teams were guests in the different homes of the Ackerly players on Friday night. The Novice teams participated in the Ackerly tournament.

Mrs. Weaver Honored With Birthday Party

Mrs. Clayton Jones entertained with a coffee in her home Friday morning in honor of Mrs. S. O. Weaver who was celebrating her birthday. Mrs. F. M. Fulbright was co-hostess.

Those attending were Mrs. G. W. Leach and Wendy, Mrs. Weldon Martin, Linda and Judy, Mrs. L. J. Pickett and Pam, Mrs. Jack Matlock and Gall, Mrs. Weaver and Danny, Mrs. Fulbright and Laura and Mrs. Jones and Bill.

Man puts his best foot forward when he gets the other foot in hot water.

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 3 years old and have tried to be good so would you please bring me a walking doll and doll buggy.
I love you.
Wendy Leach

Dear Santa,
I would like a bride doll and a doctor or nurse kit. Please Santa, if you have an extra accordion, you could leave one of those too. My little sister Judy Kay wants the same things I do, only she wants a windup train too.
Love,
Linda Lou Martin
Age 5

Dear Santa
I have been a good boy. I want a 2 gun set. O yes I forgot to tell you that I want Wild Bill Hickok guns. And want a electric football set, view master, football uniform, bicycle tires. Rin-ten-ten, Roy Rogers and trigger. Night Before Christmas with the view master and lots of candy and fruit, nuts.
Love,
Gary Franklin

Dear Santa
I am 11 years old and I have tried to be a good boy. And I want a leather set, a flash bulb camera and a muscle building set, and some candy, nuts, and fruit.
With love,
Dewane Franklin

Dear Santa
I am 7 years old. I have tried to be a good girl. I want a blackboard, a set of dishes, a cake mix set, a ironing board, a vacuum cleaner, a doll bed, candy, nuts and fruit.
With love,
Rebecca Franklin

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy of eight years old and I have been a pretty nice boy so please bring me a Davy Crockett suit, a farm set, a gravel truck, two guns and holsters, and a pair of boots. Bring me nuts and fruit and candy.
Also bring my brothers and sisters something.
Love ya, Santa
Lonnie Green

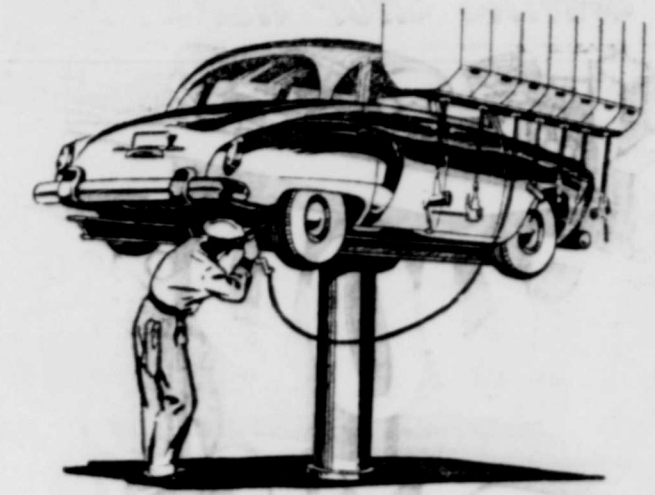
Dear Santa Claus,
I am Nancy Elaine. I am 3 1/2 years old. I would like a baby doll, some dishes and a bicycle. Please bring my baby brother Mervin some little toys. He is 5 months old.
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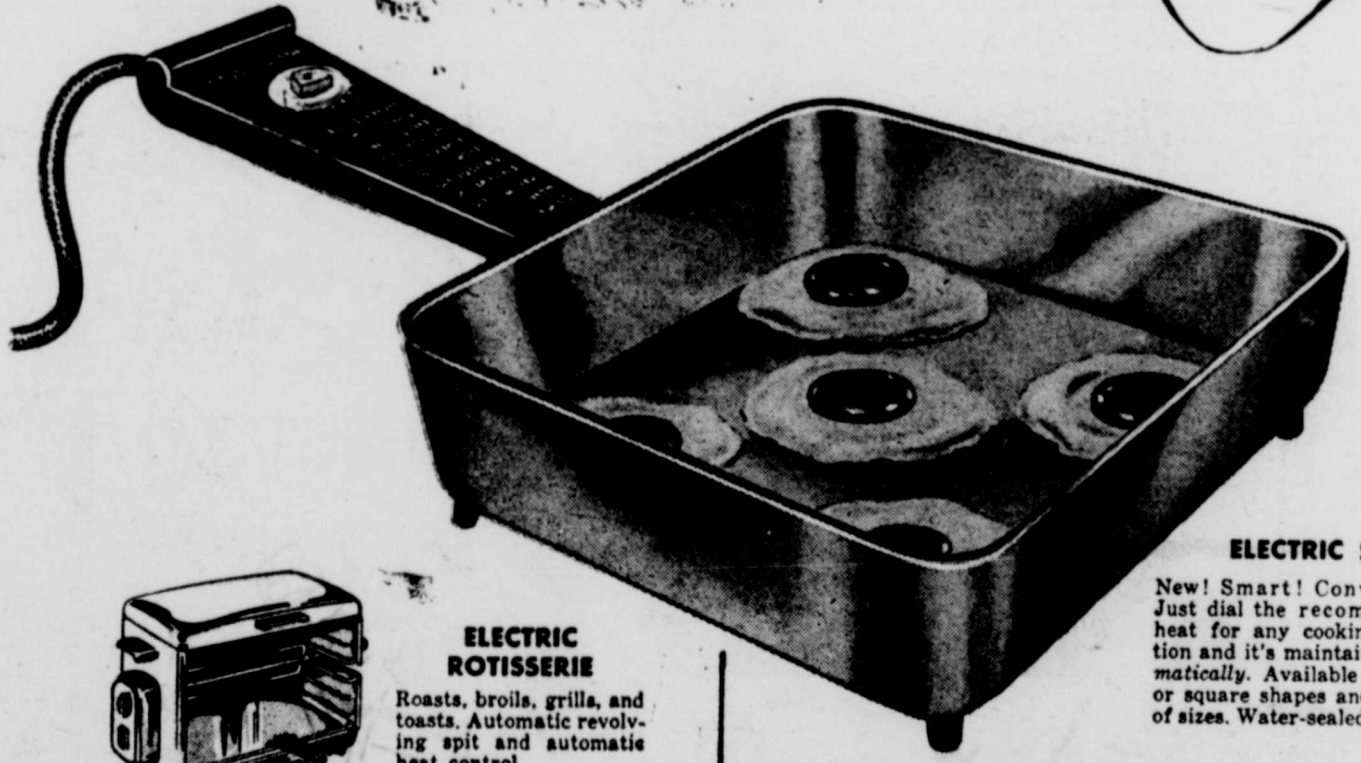
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Music Club Hears Life of Handel As Part of the Christmas Program

Mrs. Bill Lively was hostess when the Stanton Music Club met Wednesday, December 7, in her home to hear a Christmas program.

Mrs. Curtis Erwin, president, gave a report of the district convention held recently in Alpine. She also gave report of the club's activities for the year.

She told of the completion of the year's study, "Living Biographies of Great Composers," by Henry and Dana Lee Thomas. Also all special days such as Federation Day, Texas Composers Day, Church Music Day, American Music Day, Opera Day, were observed. The club also observed Music in the Home and

National Music Week.

It sponsored a concert by the Midland Symphony Orchestra and was represented at the state convention in Mineral Wells. It was the only club in the district to have a 100 per cent rating sheet.

Other activities included the growth of the junior music club, and paying half the expenses for a music studio for a piano teacher for Stanton.

Plans for 1956 include programs for the public, the observation of all special days, a May Festival and attending a performance of opera in Dallas.

Mrs. Sallie McGinnis presented a program on the life of

George Frederick Handel, after Miss Marie Vandever played recordings of "The Messiah," "Overture," "Aida," "I Know that My Redeemer Liveth," "Pastoral Symphony," and chorus "For Unto Us a Child is Born" and another chorus "Hallelujah."

Attending the meeting were Mrs. George Dawson, Mrs. Curtis Erwin, Mrs. Bill Lively, Mrs. Sallie McGinnis, Miss Marie Vandever, and Mrs. O. J. Jenkins.

Mrs. R. H. Wilhite and daughters, formerly of Odessa, visited here last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ogal Avery. She went on to Sunray and visited with her sister, Mrs. W. B. Hickman. Mrs. Hickman then accompanied her to Mobile, Ala. where she and Wilhite have moved to make their home.

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Mrs. Jones Honored With Surprise Coffee

Mrs. Clayton Jones was honored with a surprise coffee on Tuesday morning in the home of Mrs. Wendell Leach with Mrs. S. O. Weaver as co-hostess. The occasion was Mrs. Jones' birthday and wedding anniversary.

Refreshments were served from a table laid with an imported brown linen cloth and centered with a chocolate cake with white frosting.

Coffee, cake and Cokes were served to Mrs. Clayton Jones and Bill, Mrs. Charles Powell and Mary Fern, Mrs. Jack Matlock and Gail, Mrs. F. M. Fulbright and Laura, Mrs. Weldon Martin, Linda and Judy, Mrs. Weaver and Danny and Mrs. Leach and Wendy.

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Flower Grove Basketball Teams Beginning Season With Nice Wins

The Flower Grove grade school boys' and girls' basketball teams participated in Klondike's tournament last weekend. They played the opening games on Thursday night, meeting the Elbow boys and girls. Flower Grove won both games.

Friday the girls played Knott who had drawn a "bye" in the first round. Knott was the winner. The boys played Klondike, the winner over Dawson in the first round and won.

Saturday the girls played Elbow again and were defeated. In the finals the boys played Union and won and were recognized as the champions.

Members of the boys' team are Harvey Everhart, Joe Webb, Jerry Webb, Arthur Ray Carstenson, Craig Beckmeyer, L. D. Jackson, Truman Brooks, Mike Holcomb, Edward Barkowsky, Royce Bloodworth, William Cave and Jimmy Phelan.

Players on the girls' team are Ann Merritt, Penelope Butcher, Janice Wiggins, Melva D. Weatherford, Joyce Bloodworth, Carron Caughman, Jeanette Barkowsky and Brenda Medford.

The "B" girls won by four points and the "A" girls won their game, 52-50. The boys lost to the Post boys.

Jamie Trice of Sparenburg spent the weekend with Craig Beckmeyer.

Pat, Mike and Bob Albert spent the weekend with relatives at Ackerly.

Slater Johnson substituted for Mr. Crump at school for the first part of the week.

Ann and Anthony Hanson, Betty Jane and Barbara Hill, Craig Beckmeyer, Jimmie Merritt and Mrs. Belton Hill of the Flower Grove 4-H Clubs attended the 4-H Club Barbecue on Monday night in Stanton. Mr.

and Mrs. A. J. Beckmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hanson and Barry Hill also attended. Flower Grove members presented a musical number on the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Davis were shopping in Lubbock Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Troy Langston and Fay were in Lubbock Friday.

Mrs. Nettie Faye Crow and children of Fresno, Calif. are here for a few weeks visiting with Mrs. Crow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry McNew.

G. W. Kennemer was in Lubbock on school business Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Ringener and children are moving from our community to the Tarzan community.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Cook were in Lamesa on business on Thursday.

Marion Crump left Friday afternoon for Columbia, Missouri

to attend to business. He was to return early in the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wiggins went to Eagle Pass and Del Rio over the weekend.

Mrs. M. H. Nance had as her guest Thursday her mother, Mrs. S. E. Jones, and her daughter, Mrs. Carmichael, both of Stanton. Marvin Carmichael who had spent several days with his grandmother Nance returned to Stanton with his mother.

A. G. Barkowsky, who has been in a Lamesa hospital, was reported to be improving some Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Chesser and Paula Lynn of Columbus, Ga. are expected here Friday for a two-week visit with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Ooon.

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