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Sheriff's Office Solves Burglaries

Willie Vaga, Arrested in Cutting Scrape Confesses to Four Burglaries Last May and Implicates Tony Pulido Now in Gatesville

Quick thinking on the part of Deputy Sheriff Sherman Mundine of the Aransas County Sheriff's Department this week helped clear up a number of burglaries and vandalism that occurred here early in May.

When he was called Thursday

MRS. LeBLANC CALLS FOR VOLUNTEERS

Can you give an hour of your time to help raise money that may benefit one family out of every four in this country?

Volunteers are urgently needed in Aransas County to help with the new March of Dimes drive against birth defects, arthritis and polio, according to Mrs. Leonard LeBlanc, campaign director.

"Most people don't realize what vicious crippling arthritis and birth defects can be," the campaign director said. "About 250,000 children are born each year with significant birth defects. Arthritis and other rheumatic diseases afflict more than 11,000,000 Americans. More than 50,000 polio patients are still on the March of Dimes patient aid rolls."

"Volunteers who worked for the March of Dimes in past years have the comforting knowledge that their efforts helped sponsor the work of a young doctor named James E. Salk. We hope that our present efforts will sponsor a young doctor who will be to the war against birth defects and arthritis what Dr. Salk was to the polio war."

The phone number for March of Dimes headquarters is SO 4-6494.

Third Annual Basket Ball Tournament Slated

The third annual Toast of the Coast basket ball tournament is scheduled for the Aransas County High School gymnasium Dec. 31 and Jan. 2.

First game, between Ganado and Woodsboro at 2 p. m. Dec. 31; second game is between Industrial of Vanderbilt and George West at 3:30. Bloomington and Flour Bluff play at 6:30 p. m. and Gregory, Portland and Aransas County at 8 p. m.

Play-offs are slated for Saturday, Jan. 2 starting at 9 a. m., with the consolation game scheduled for 6:30 p. m. and the championship to be decided at 8 p. m.

Mid-Water Trawls Make Commercial Catches in Gulf

The first successful commercial-scale mid-water trawling in the Gulf of Mexico was accomplished during the most recent cruise of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Research Vessel Oregon, when catches of from 3,000 to 5,000 pounds of bumpers were made from schools located by electronic fish finders.

During the first half of the cruise, underwater observations and motion pictures were made of the trawls previously used in Gulf projects, and several defects noted that resulted in poor spreads. After the nets were brought up these defects were practically eliminated and test fishing in rough seas yielded from 3,000 to 5,000 pounds per hour of bumpers, with no admixture of trash fish.

To be sure the fish were being caught midway between the surface and bottom, at the depths indicated by the fish finders, scientists and gear research specialists fished under the recorder indications with no fish being caught.

Harvey R. Bullis, director of Gulf and South Atlantic fisheries exploration and gear research said that observations were also made with dip nets under night lights.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilhelm of Livingston, N. J., and their children, Paul, Dorryace and Mack, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Wilhelm's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McDonald.

night to investigate a cutting scrape in Fulton, in which Willie Vaga is said to have knifed August Rodriguez twice in the right cheek, it looked like another routine fight.

The row started downtown, and progressed to a street near the Fulton school when Vaga, Vincent Longoria and Pablo Garza are alleged to have followed Rodriguez to his brother's house and the battle started again.

Mundine arrested the three and charged Vaga with aggravated assault and Garza and Longoria with disturbing the peace.

However, when fingerprinting Vaga, Mundine noticed a long scar on one arm that looked like it had been made by glass, and upon questioning Vaga, he confessed that he received it when breaking into the Auto Service Co. the night of May 7.

Further questioning developed the fact that he had been accompanied by Tony Pulido, now serving a sentence in Gatesville Reform School, and that the two of them had burglarized four establishments the same night. At Picton Lumber Co. they opened the cash register and took \$1.05 in change. From there, according to Vaga's signed confession, they went to Roy Hinton's Fish Market and took \$15 in change; at Brocato's Cafe they took \$5 from the register and \$50 from another hiding place.

From Brocato's the pair went to the Del Mar Grill, which they entered by a window, and there they took \$15 in change.

At both Brocato's and in the Del Mar they committed acts of vandalism as well as theft. Candy and papers from the files at Brocato's were strewn on the floor and ground into the tiles by the vandals' feet; at the Del Mar cat-sup from squeeze bottles was thrown on the walls, floor and tables, and pies taken from the racks were smeared over windows and doors.

Leaving the Del Mar, they broke into the Auto Service Co., and it was here that Vaga cut his arm badly on glass as he smashed his way through the door, leaving the scar that Mundine spotted. At Auto Service the two took a black 1956 Chevrolet and started to go to Port Lavaca when they saw a car following them. Thinking that it was occupied by officers, they left the road at Lamar Peninsula, stalling their car, and hiding until the following car was past. Then, unable to start the Chevrolet, they walked back to Rockport.

Pulido was later sent to Gatesville for another burglary, but Vaga was at large until his arrest by Mundine.

Longoria and Garza paid fines of \$5 and costs after their arrest; Garza was placed under \$500 bond in the aggravated assault case and \$1,500 bond in the burglaries, and is now at large, awaiting action by the grand jury.

This makes 25 burglaries cleared up with 18 arrests by the Aransas County Sheriff's Department in the past year or so. They have filed a number of cases in addition to these.

54 Redfish Sent From Gulf Coast To Pecos River

Another shipment of 54 tagged redfish from the Gulf Coast of Texas has been sent to the Pecos River area, according to the director of the marine laboratory here.

The redfish were collected from Matagorda Bay by Don Day and Jim Lyon. Each was approximately 12 inches in length.

This is part of the program to transplant salt water fish from the Gulf Coast to West Texas streams of high salinity. Several other such transplants have been made in recent years, and a number of the redfish have been caught by fishermen from the Pecos.

Biologists doubt if the redfish will reproduce in the Pecos, but a careful study is being made of those fish being caught, and fishermen have been asked to cooperate in sending in tags of fish caught in the area.

Along The Waterfront



Frank O'Kelly of St. Louis, fished with Jim Ferguson and Joe Slocum last Wednesday. Their catch (Frank was high man) was just fair for this area, consisting of 15 trout and 40 reds, the largest weighing 10 1/2 pounds. Frank says he will be back in June to catch the big one that got away.

While fishing reports are scattering, Frazier Cantrell on the Balboa has had some parties and reports that Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hopkins of Houston, came in with 186 trout.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Bell, Fort Worth, caught 103 trout.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ferguson took a trip to the Aransas Wildlife Refuge and saw 12 whooping cranes in their natural habitat.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Moore, San Antonio, caught 202 trout.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Hollies, LaPorte, came in with 40 fish among which were trout, reds, rat reds, sheephead, flounder and whiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Aldrich and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cooper, of San Antonio, caught fish that weighed 50 pounds dressed.

New Presbyterian Officers Installed

J. F. Brundrett, Ted Little, Ted Atwood, Ray Holley, Bob Little, J. Allen Frye, Stephen Atwood, E. H. Carter and Floyd Smith were installed Sunday, Dec. 20, as the newly elected officers of the First Presbyterian Church.

RADAR STATION PASSES INSPECTOR GENERAL'S INSPECTION

The 813th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron stood its first Inspector General's inspection this past week and passed with flying colors. Heading the inspection team was Major Garvin A. Peters of the Central Air Defense Command. He was assisted by two officers and six airmen.

Winter Visitor Dies While Fishing Thursday

Walter Albert Mensior, 66, a winter visitor staying at Taylor Oak Trailer Park, died last Thursday evening, while on a fishing trip to Big Bayou.

Jim Stone, who operates a fishing camp in the neighborhood, said that he saw Mensior leave in his own boat and run aground. He pushed the boat off and tried to crank the engine, and Stone looked away for a moment. When he looked back, Mensior had slumped over on the gunwale of his boat and the boat was drifting. Stone went to see what had happened and found that he was dead.

Sheriff A. C. Shivers investigated the death and Justice of the Peace G. D. Johnson gave a verdict of death by heart failure. Mensior was survived only by his wife, who was at the trailer park. The body was shipped to their home in Crown Point, Ind., for burial.

Christmas Dinner Planned at Base

The traditional Christmas dinner will be served to airmen, guests and dependents at the 813th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron at the Aransas County Airport.

Military personnel will have their choice of roast turkey with giblet gravy, baked Virginia ham, dressing, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, green peas, broccoli, relishes, rolls, fruit cake, mincemeat pie, pumpkin pie and whipped cream, fruit, dates, candy, nuts, tea, coffee, milk and apple juice at noon.

A second dinner will be served from 1 to 5:30 for military personnel, guests and dependents.

813th BASKET BALL TEAM WINS ONE

The 813th AC&W Squadron won its sixth game in the Corpus Christi Naval Air Station Intramural League this week, when they drubbed the Communications section a 1NAS by 74-37. Airman 2/c Harley B. Ford was individual high scorer with 17 points, closely followed by Airman 2/c Bob Gulick with 14. The radar team has won six and lost three in league play.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva O. Freeman and children of Fowler, Colo., and Gene Smith of Dallas, will visit during the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Smith.

Holy Communion At St. Peter's Christmas Eve

A program has been planned for Christmas Eve services at 7:30 p. m., according to Mr. Harry Carter, lay minister.

First will be the organ prelude of carols, followed by the processional hymn, the collect and the Nicene Creed.

After another hymn, the Christmas greeting will be given by the Rev. Hubert C. Palmer, priest-in-charge.

Holy communion will be given by the Reverend Palmer, assisted by Mr. Carter.

On the first Sunday after Christmas, morning prayer and sermon will be at 9 a. m., and church school at 10 a. m.

Installation for Rev. Cecil Lang On December 27

The Reverend Cecil H. Lang, Jr., new pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, will be installed Sunday morning, Dec. 27, in a special service.

The South Texas Presbytery has appointed a special committee to install Reverend Lang, consisting of G. W. Crofoot, Sherwood Reischer, L. O. Ingle and Andrew Byers.

CATTLE TRUCK WRECKED ON CAUSEWAY

Jesus Becerra Navarro, of Pleasanton, driving a cattle truck belonging to J. K. Smith and Son of Elmendorf, crashed into the railing of the Copau Causeway at the north end early Tuesday morning. The truck caromed off the railing on the west side and plowed into that on the east before it came to a stop. Damage to the bridge was about \$400. Truck damage was estimated at \$800. Sheriff A. C. Shivers investigated the accident.

TEEN-AGE DANCE SCHEDULED FOR CLUB DECEMBER 30

A teen-age dance is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 30, at the Live Oak Country Club, at 8:30 p. m. Each member will be allowed one guest and the guests will be charged \$1 admission. For further information, those wishing to attend should call Mrs. H. F. Elliott at SO 4-2660.

Visiting their parents for the holidays are Mr. and Mrs. James Porter Baughman of New Orleans.

November Shrimp Fishery Declines Over 1958 Catch

According to C. E. Nickerson, federal fisheries statistician, landings of headless shrimp in Texas ports declined during November over the previous month. Preliminary figures also showed that the production this year was less than for the same month in 1958.

Brownsville produced only 867,200 pounds this year against 1,323,700 pounds in November of 1958. The Freeport and Matagorda area totaled 861,900 pounds; this year against 342,000 pounds last year; the Coastal Bend, including Port Lavaca, landed 745,300 pounds in 1959 against 1,029,300 pounds a year ago; Port Isabel this year brought in 549,800 pounds compared to 666,800 pounds in November, 1958; and the Galveston and Sabine area landed 508,300 pounds against 407,200 pounds last year.

Total production for November of 1959 was 3,532,500 pounds, or about 250,000 pounds of tails under last year's 3,789,000.

This drop in production, Nickerson said, came from vessels leaving the Texas coast to fish other areas, combined with northers, some change-over to other fisheries, and less yield per unit of effort. Increased landings on the upper Texas coast were offset by decreased landings in the Coastal Bend and around Brownsville and Port Isabel.

White shrimp were caught in all areas of the Gulf from four to 11 fathoms and, at times, around the coast. The area around Galveston and Sabine Pass produced about 20% brown shrimp, 100,500 pounds of sea bobs and the rest white shrimp. In other parts of the coast the catch was predominantly brown shrimp, although the ratio of white became larger along the southern coast.

Heavy losses of gear and considerable vessel damage was sustained during the month, as the trawlers attempted to ride out the northers and fish the off-shore mud lumps, trying to make up for a poor, overall season. Several boats were beached by high winds, and a good deal of net damage was suffered from sharks.

On the brighter side, the U. S. Fish and Wildlife man said, there was an increase in size of shrimp, with 21/25 count and 15/20 count being produced, and slightly stronger prices made the catches more valuable to the fishermen. Ex-vessel price for tails during

November ranged from 54c thru 60c for 15/20 count, with 5c less for each smaller size bracket. White shrimp generally brought 2c more per pound.

A heavy November glut of finfish brought prices tumbling in the bay catches, mainly comprised of redfish, trout, drum and flounder. Many fishermen, because of the drop in price, changed over to the oyster fishery. More effort was also expended by the big trawlers in fishing the offshore banks for red snapper.

The oyster crop was good enough to cause many more shucking houses to open, bringing about a shortage of shuckers in many areas. As oysters in the shell stacked up in the houses, Nickerson said that the price for shucking rose to \$1.75 and \$2 per gallon.

Wholesale oyster prices dropped to \$5.50 and \$6 per gallon, while the fisherman's price declined to \$3.50 and \$4 per barrel. Yields averaged about 1 1/2 gallons per barrel except in areas where tonging or heavy culling took place and the yield went over two gallons per barrel.

Some unshucked oysters were reported as being trucked to Louisiana from the Galveston and Seadrift areas.

Landings of blue crabs were considerably below those in October, Nickerson said.

Oyster production and shucking took up some of the slack left by lowered employment in the shrimp industry, the statistician said, and he called attention to the fact that several gulf trawlers had entered the oyster fishery in an effort to recoup the bad shrimp season. This did not make up the difference in total employment during the peak of the shrimp season.

All of the shrimp houses operated in Texas by Florida dealers closed during November, as they moved their operations back to Florida.

Several vessels were destroyed by fire or badly damaged during the month.

The City of Corpus Christi planned to place buoys as markers for the city limits, thus enabling them to have the state law prohibiting shrimping within the limits of a city enforced, as it was claimed that commercial fishermen hurt the sport fishery within that area.

Approximately 90 per cent of the vessels in the Palacios area were tied up during the month due to a crew strike.

Mrs. C. W. McDonald is spending the Christmas holidays with her son and his family in New Orleans.



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Mesdames Hinton, Gregory, Entertain Misses Herring

Mrs. Roy Hinton and Mrs. B. C. Gregory entertained the Misses Barbara Lynn and Lydia Ann Herring, granddaughters of Mrs. Hinton and great-granddaughters of Mrs. Gregory, with a party in the Hinton home this week as they visited here from Corpus Christi over the holidays.

Giant stockings, the Star of Bethlehem and many-colored multi-lights were the living room decorations.

The music room, where games of "Pin the Nose on Santa" and "If I Were Santa Claus" were played, featured a large green, silver and glitter Christmas tree.

Each girl received a gift from the tree; Christmas carols were sung around an old-fashioned player piano.

The refreshment table was laid in red and silver. Each girl was given a lighted miniature candle and holder, and they formed a circle around the table and sang "Silent Night." A large lighted "Santa" looked down on this ceremony.

Mrs. Gregory hung the big antique bell for the 50th year, this being a family tradition.

Guests were Sherry Ratiiff, Carlyn Taylor, Jeanie Prophet, Charlyne Taylor, Cynthia Gilley, Phyllis Ayers, Cynthia Agler, Beverly Agler, Diane Hunt, Beverly Young. Mrs. R. Y. Ayers assisted.

Travis Johnson, in Spohn Hospital for several days last week, is home again.

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Miss Marjory Jarboe Weds Thomas M. Roth In Houston Ceremony

Christmas colors were used in decorations when Miss Marjory Joan Jarboe became the bride of Thomas Mosser Roth, Jr. on Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 8 p. m. in St. Martin's Episcopal Church of Hous-

ton, with the Rev. J. Thomas Bagby officiating at the ceremony.

The altar was banked with red poinsettias, and flanked by twin branched candelabra, twined with spruce and holly, and holding red votive candles.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. James A. Jarboe. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs.

Thomas Mosser Roth, and the late Mr. Roth, of Elkin, N. C.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a designer's gown of antique ivory silk satin. The fitted bodice had a deep portrait neckline, framed by an insertion of heirloom lace, and the full-length sleeves ended in points at the wrists. The tulip-shaped skirt, in lavish fullness, swept into a circular court train. Her veil, of heirloom lace, was fastened to a Swiss crown of pearls, draped over the shoulders of her gown to fall within the train's hemline. The veil was an Irish lace heirloom which was worn by the bride's great-great grandmother when she was married in Dublin in the 1830's, and has been worn by a bride in the family each generation since that time. The bride carried a cascading bouquet of duchess gardenias.

Miss Maud Jarboe was her sister's maid of honor, and Mrs. David E. Hartman, of Houston, served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mesdames George Dortch, Robert L. Grainger, and Bruce Q. Green, all of Houston.

The honor attendants and bridesmaids wore identical dresses of spruce-green velveteen, fashioned with deep circle necklines and brief sleeves, the waistlines marked by a wide band of matching color satin that came into a soft bow detail at the back. The bell-shaped skirts were of intermission length. They wore Juliet caps of holly leaves, and carried muffs of spruce-green velvet adorned with a lei of red carnations and holly.

William C. Roth, of Elkin, N. C., served his brother as best man. Groomsmen were Edwin F. Harris of Elkin, N. C.; Robert L. Grainger, David E. Hartman, Homer M. Wilson, and the bride's brother, George G. Jarboe, all of Houston.

The bride's mother was gowned in a Nile green dress of rosepoint lace, with portrait neckline and chiffon cummerbund. She wore white kid gloves and a corsage of

white Thalionopsis orchids. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Houston Engineer's Club. Gold urns, holding magnolia blossom sprays, were placed at vantage points throughout the rooms, and the refreshment tables featured candelabra twined with holly.

Serving in the house party for the reception were Mesdames George G. Jarboe, Richard P. Leach, Everett Marley, and Robert R. Robertson, Jr., all of Houston.

For her going-away costume, the bride wore a rose wool suit, small black hat, black fox muff, and black shoes.

After a wedding trip to Mexico City, the couple will make their home in Houston until June, following which they will reside in Elkin, N. C.

The bride is a graduate of the Rice Institute where she was a member of Elizabeth Baldwin Literary Society. Before attending college she was a graduate of Aransas County High School.

The groom was graduated from Woodberry Forest School, Woodberry Forest, Va., in 1952, and from the Rice Institute in 1959. He is at present studying for his master's degree in electrical engineering at Rice.

Out-of-town guests attending the wedding were the bride's grandfather, Mr. George K. Taggart, Sr., of Corpus Christi; Mr. and Mrs. Dave W. Boswell, Mr. Timothy Boswell, and Master Charles Boswell of Fort Worth; and Mr. Thomas R. Bryant of Elkin, N. C.

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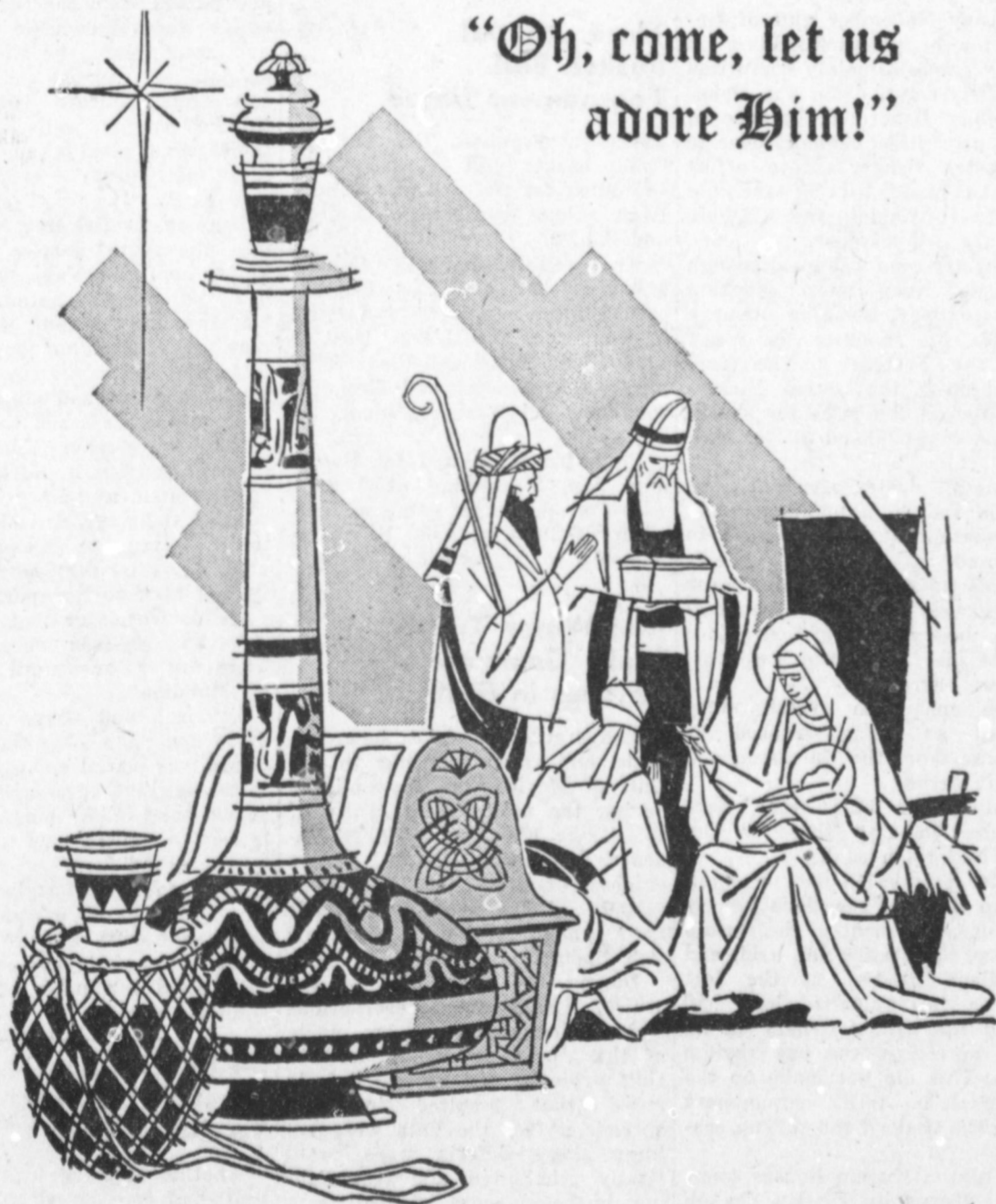
Mr. and Mrs. James O. Crews are proud parents of a daughter, born Monday, Dec. 21 in the hospital at Sinton, weighing 7 pounds and 4 ounces. Paternal grandparent is Mrs. Leona Crews of Aransas Pass. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Holland of Rockport.

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Panna Maria Christmas Story Strange One

One of the strangest Texas Christmas stories is that of the first settlers at Panna Maria. There were 800 or 900 of them. They were weary, silent, homesick and fearful of Indian raids as they walked, both men and women pushing and pulling on the Mexican carts carrying their belongings along the old San Antonio Road for they were too poor to buy mules or oxen. The children, too tired to whimper, rode atop the piles of household goods. Many of the women wore what were regarded at that time as

very short skirts, exposing their legs two or three inches above their ankles. Some of the group wore wooden shoes and almost without exception, men and women alike wore low-crowned, broad-brimmed hats of black felt, totally unlike those usually worn by Texans. Their jackets of heavy woolen cloth, reached just below their waists and were gathered into folds at the back with a band of the same material. Thus, on Christmas Eve 105 years ago, the first Polish families in America arrived at the junction of San Antonio and Cibolo creeks, not far from the present site of Karnes City, after an exhausting and perilous journey

from their old homes in Upper Silesia. On top of a hill where a few sturdy live oaks stood—the only ones in sight—the hundred families that were left after their three-months' trek dumped their belongings and took stock. Doleful was their situation and with little promise, yet the vast, rolling, fertile land looked like paradise to them. Here they could be free of the grinding poverty that they had known in Poland and the tyrannical rule of the Czars of Russia. Here they could have their own homes, raise their own food, worship God as they pleased, speak their own language and see that their children were reared and educated as they wished.

And so, on Christmas Eve so long ago, they celebrated Midnight Mass under one of the great live oaks, and it was not only a Mass of Thanksgiving but also a petition to God for strength to face the terrific tasks before them. Afterwards they settled for the night with the hard ground for a bed and the heavens for a roof. That oak tree still stands and, next to the church at Panna Maria, is the most revered relic of that memorable day. The moving spirit of the migration, Father Leopold Moczygemba, named the little colony Panna Maria—the Polish words for Virgin Mary—and looked forward confidently to the time when a sanctuary would crown the hill where the settlers spent their first Christmas. However, he was confronted with many vicissitudes before that happened. Some colonists, faced with pioneer hardships even worse than they had envisaged before they left Poland, wanted to hang him. Others, because of the unbearable and overcrowded conditions, went to Meyersville, some towards San Antonio, others along the banks of the Cibolo towards Martinez (now St. Hedwig). Still others went as far afield as Bandera, looking for better opportunities and founding newer colonies. Put some of them stayed, enough to build many a little stone home along the creek bottoms and to erect the first Panna Maria Church, with eight large and four small windows. Only in the priest's room and sacristy were glass window panes used; the rest of the windows were covered with homespun cloth. The floor was of sand; there were no pews, no choir loft, nothing but a tiny altar and an abiding faith when the settlers celebrated their second Christmas in the New World. The church was built of stone and of lime that the parishioners burned, using oak wood for fuel. This old church no longer stands, but the window frames were saved when it was torn down, carefully preserved, and built into the present church. Another memento of that original sanctuary is also found in the belly of the present one. It is a bell presented by Johann and Thecla Rzeppa in 1858, only three years after the colonists had arrived in America. A larger one was donated to the old church eight years later by Adelbert Knieski, but the old one was never discarded and both of them are

still used in observances of this community where so many old-time religious customs still hold sway. In fact, any attempt at changing or abolishing them is met with an almost fanatical condemnation at Panna Maria and other Polish colonies in the area. Among these are Falls City, Hobson, Kasciusko and Cestochowa, whose lofty spire rises from the prairie five or six miles north of the mother church. Though Latin is used in the Masses, the people still love their own vernacular hymns, and one may hear them chant in Polish the Rosary of the Little Hours before High Mass on Sundays and days of obligation. During Lent, immediately after High Mass, the "gorkie zale (Bitter Sorrows) are chanted by the congregation. On Holy Saturday, at sundown, the "Resurekcyja" (Joy of Resurrection) takes place. Then priest and laity march three times around the church in solemn procession, carrying the figure of Christ resurrected and singing hymns while the bells peal out against the Texas sky. Otherwise, that first Polish settlement has undergone many changes. A hundred years and more have passed. The people drive modern motor cars, wear modern clothing and go to modern schools. And, unless he stops to talk a while, and listens to the burr of the brogue that many of the older people have, and ask questions, the casual passerby will see just another section of America.

Mrs. Hinton Honors Mrs. Steele's Class
One of the festive parties of the season was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hinton, naming Mrs. Seth Steele and her 30 fifth grade students honor guests. The traditional red and green colors were used throughout the home. The living room featured a miniature cathedral arrangement and decorative candles and lights. Passing under the Shining Star of Bethlehem the children were invited into the music room for the singing of Christmas carols and for the gift exchange from a large tree decorated in silver, glitter and multi-color lights. The refreshment table covered in Christmas red, held a red and silver center arrangement flanked by silver candelabra with tall red tapers. Mrs. Charles Roe, Jr., poured and Mrs. W. D. Henderson served; also assisting were Mrs. C. E. Nickerson, Mrs. Cobb and Mrs. Roscoe Johnson and Mrs. B. C. Gregory.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Herring came in Sunday night to visit over the Christmas holidays. Billy Etheridge's new address is 1237 Catherine Drive, Alice, Texas. Cecil (Pop) Gray is visiting in North Carolina, where his address is P. O. Box 83, Hubert, N. C. Tom Holland is now in Refugio, where he may be addressed in care of A. J. Sumner.

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CHRISTMAS PARTY HELD FOR CHILDREN OF AC&W SQUADRON
A Christmas party for the children of the AC&W Squadron was held Wednesday night in the recreation building of the base, with the NCO Wives' Club as hostesses. Two movies were shown: "The Littlest Angel"; the other featuring airplanes. Afterwards Santa Claus appeared and each child received a special gift. Refreshments of ice cream, cookies, candy, and cold drinks were served. Sixty-five children attended the party. A larger group of young people from the local Church of Christ attended the area-wide young people's meeting held at Robstown this past week.

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A representative of the Social Security Administration will be at the courthouse in Rockport on Wednesday, Dec. 30, at 9 a. m. You may obtain information about your rights and duties under the Social Security Act. Eligible persons can secure assistance in applying for old-age, survivors, or disability insurance payments at that time.

CUB SCOUT NEWS
Den 4 held its Christmas party Friday night, Dec. 18 at 7:30 in the home of Mrs. N. F. Jackson. Refreshments of cookies and punch were served to Cubs Bobby Jackson, Johnny Jackson, Craig Taylor, Mark Johnson, Rocky Rouquette, Mark Lang, David Roaten, Robert Willis and Den Mothers, Mrs. N. F. Jackson and Mrs. R. W. Willis. Den Chief N. F. Jackson, Jr. and Den Dad R. W. Willis enjoyed the party too. Movies of the pack's field day, taken at Sinton last May, were shown by Mr. Willis. Gifts were exchanged and a grand time was had by all. Next Den meeting will be held Tuesday, Jan. 5 at 4 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Jackson.

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BEST WISHES TO OUR MANY FRIENDS

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Rockport, Texas

A HISTORY

of
**Rockport, Fulton,
St. Mary's, Lamar
and El Copano**
By
Mrs. Will W. Wood

The first newspaper known to have been published in Refugio County was established by Captain Charles F. Bailey and Gerardo Alonzo Beeman of St. Mary's about October, 1868. It was appropriately named "The Vaquero." Captain Bailey was an early settler of St. Mary's. His mother, who was a sister to Mrs. Ballou of Lamar, upon being widowed, came with her three sons to the coast. C. F. Bailey, as has been seen, was one of the organizers of the St. Mary's Wharf and Warehouse Co. and had been wharf agent prior to the war, and came out as captain of one of the companies. Captain Bailey married

a niece of Major Lieuen M. Rogers, thereby connecting himself with the old families of the County.

The Vaquero appears to have been published for about one and one-half years, commencing about October, 1868, and ending some time in 1870. Its plant at St. Mary's was in the upstairs of a two-story wooden building owned by Major John H. Wood.

In 1869 Bailey and Beeman moved to the new town of Rockport and founded the Transcript. They bought a new outfit, including a real "George Washington hand press" for the Rockport paper. The Vaquero appears to have been continued, probably being printed at Rockport, as after the dissolution, Beeman published the Vaquero alone at St. Mary's.

The election of 1866 was the last in which the white citizens of Texas would vote for several years, as the military replaced the civil government.

(Continued next week)

Buckwheat, by its rapid growth, stifles weeds and leaves the field clean for next year.

JOE HUGENBURG AND ALTON KINSEL, JR., HONORED BY DANCE

Mrs. Dorothea Hugenburg and Mr. and Mrs. Alton Kinsel honored their sons, Joe Hugenburg and Alton Kinsel, Jr., with a dance at the Youth Building on the High School campus Monday night.

Guests included: Bub Armstrong, Eddie Steele, Andy Everett, Gary Tuer, Billy Ormand, Ray Ormand, N. F. Jackson, Milton Court, Tommy Picton, Charles Cosby, Barney Reed, Larry Iles, Jack Jeffers,

Janice Garrett, Sandra Shipman, Julia Fox, Nan Jackson, Jean Miller, Karen Goodsell, Susan Keith, Azalea Shivers, Sue Hackett, Niki Dick, Betsy Fields, Fay Snyder, Gill Jeffers, Sally McCord, Tamara Camehl, Darlyne Fincher, Mary Krogsgaard, Mary Johnson, and Janet Grant.

MIKE MORGAN HONORED WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mike Morgan was honored with a party on his fourth birthday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Morgan, at their home.

Cake and punch were served and the guests received toys, candy, and favors.

Those present were Jeri Smith, Rosa Lynn Hunt, Billy Manning, Terri Layne Smith, Sherry, Sandra and Chuck Ingersoll, Pumpkin and Alice Carter, Jerry and Danny Bliss, Lisa McDavid, Audrey Ankele, Joe and Kay Oliver, Mellinee and Glen Landrum, Pat and Joy McLead, Ricky and Teresa Roe, and Johnny, Lennie and Coral Lee Reese.

Banshees, according to Irish and Scotch legend, wail near a house when an inmate is about to die.

The term ballot, meaning "little ball," stems from classical Green jury practice. White balls meant acquittal, black balls, banishment.

GOOD NEIGHBOR CLUB HAS HAM DINNER

Members of the Good Neighbor Club and their families enjoyed a delicious ham dinner served cafeteria style in the IOOF Hall at 6 p. m. Friday, Dec. 11.

The serving table was covered with a white net cloth over red and centered with a green vase of beautiful red roses. The other tables were also covered with red Christmas table cloths.

After dinner a number of the guests played games.

The next club meeting will be with Mrs. C. H. Heath on Wednesday, Jan. 20 at 2 p. m.

CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Sparks are parents of an 8 pound, 9 ounce baby girl, born in the Refugio Hospital Dec. 17. The little lady has been named Lisa Sharron.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means to express our appreciation for the many acts of kindness extended to us during our recent loss.

Mrs. Sol Silverman and Family. c38

CHRISTMAS PARTY AT IOOF HALL

The Rockport Rebekah Lodge and the Odd Fellow Lodge with their families and friends enjoyed a covered dish supper at 6 p. m. Thursday, Dec. 17 in the IOOF Hall.

After supper the group enjoyed a Christmas party, with Stan Heath leading a number of Christmas carols. The men sang the opening ode of their lodge and the Rebekahs sang their ode. The children enjoyed singing "Away in a Manger."

The hall was most artistically arranged, the long supper tables were each centered with a miniature Christmas tree, and covered with a Christmas table cloth with a band of holly reaching from the tree to the end of the table.

A tall Christmas tree which just touched the ceiling was attractively decorated and the hall was beautiful with garlands and large Christmas bells.

Gifts were exchanged at the close of the party. After the guests had left Mrs. Nora Casey, N.G., called the Rebekahs together for a short lodge session.

PIRATE BASKET BALL SCHEDULE FOR 1959-60

- Dec. 31 and Jan. 2, Aransas County tournament.
- Jan. 5, Taft A&B here, 6:30.
- Jan. 8, Refugio A&B, there, 6:30.
- Jan. 12, Refugio A&B, there, 6:30.
- Jan. 15, *Mathis, here, 7:00.
- Jan. 19, *Woodsboro, there, 7:00.
- Jan. 22, *Gregory, there, 7:00.
- Jan. 26, *Ingleside, here, 7:00.
- Jan. 29, *Mathis, there, 7:00.
- Feb. 2, *Woodsboro, here, 7:00.
- Feb. 5, *Gregory, here, 7:00.
- Feb. 9, *Ingleside, there, 7:00.
- Feb. 12, *Mathis, there, 7:00.
- Feb. 16, *Ingleside, there, 7:00.

*Denotes district games.

The local Church of Christ had many visitors this past week, according to N. E. Hicks, pastor of the church. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stewart, Burnett, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. George Robbins and Cindy, of Corpus Christi, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Steve Probst, Corpus Christi, Texas; and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gist, Sinton, Texas.

Mrs. A. L. Bruhl, still confined to Spohn Hospital, is recovering steadily, according to her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Gibson.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank my many friends for the many "get well" cards and for the flowers received while I was confined in the Sinton Hospital.

Mrs. W. A. Ormand

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Sheriff: ELVA MULLINAX ARLEY C. SHIVERS (Re-election)

For Tax Assessor-Collector: R. Y. (Bob) AYERS MRS MARGARET WEBER

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1: W. B. ALLEN, re-election

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3: A. L. DAVIS, re-election

For Constable, Precinct No. 2: G. G. (Pop) GILSON, re-election

Merry Christmas

In the spirit of friendliness and good cheer of the Christmas Season — we thank you for the many favors, and wish you all an old-fashioned Yule abounding with cheer and happiness.

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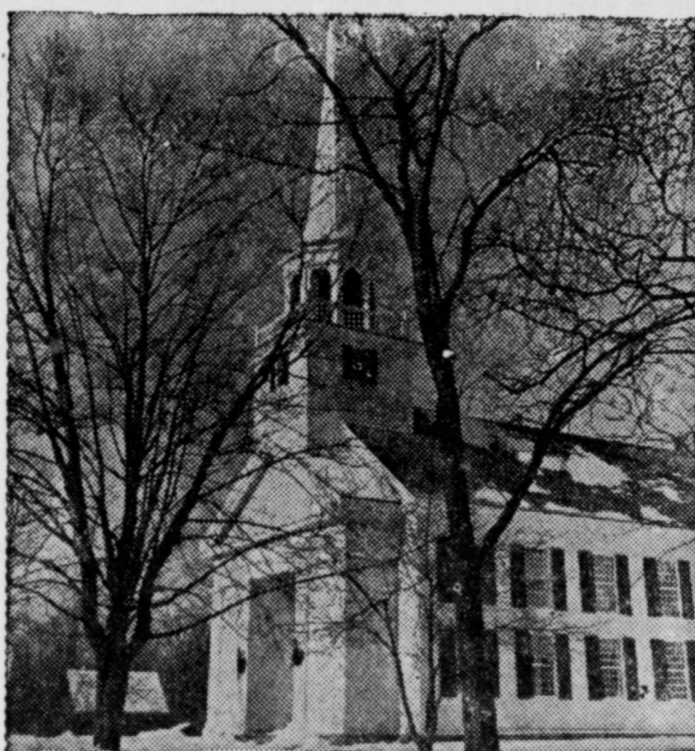
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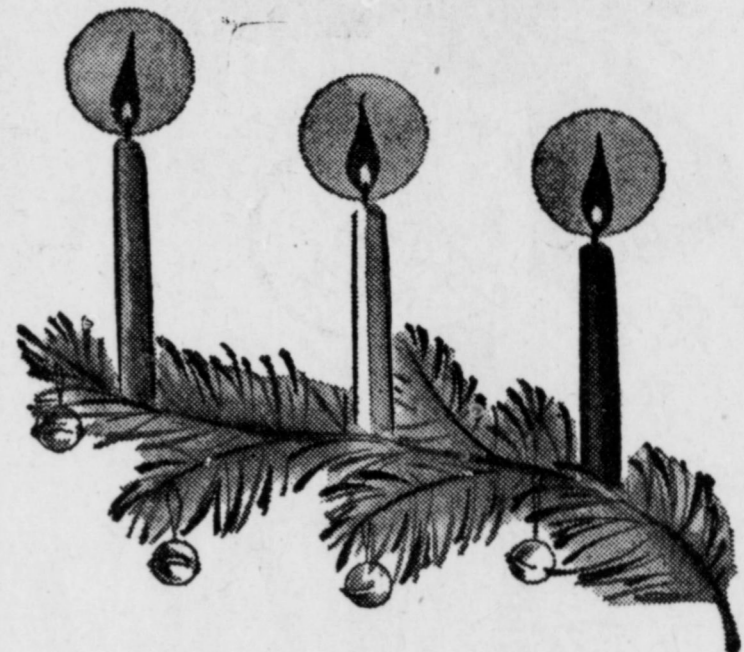
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Just Come In and Register--Nothing to Buy



Season's Greetings

May your stockings be just "sock-full,"

May your tree be "chock-full" -- of

all the wondrous things - that Santa

always brings . . . And may you

find these treasures by the score -- of

peace and joy, and good-will evermore!

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Rockport

Always at Christmas time, there comes that extra-special pleasure of extending to our many friends, the greetings of the season. It is with the thought of your good will and friendship that we wish you the fullest measure of Yuletide cheer and happiness at this time . . .

MRS. R. B. SIPE

SO 4-2603

Rockport



May our friendship continue
to blossom this CHRISTMAS
and in the days to come!

MIKE'S TEXACO SERVICE STATION

SO 4-2237

Rockport

Port Lavaca Cross Planted By La Salle

The cross that graces the steeple of Grace Episcopal Church is Port Lavaca is said to be one that La Salle planted over two centuries ago in the vicinity of the ill-fated Texas port of Indianola, to mark his discovery of Matagorda Bay.

After reaching Matagorda Bay the colony, which was 400 strong when it left France, went rapidly to pieces. A landing had scarcely been made when some of the settlers died from sickness and others from Indian arrows.

Attempting to enter the bay, one ship, the Aimable was wrecked, and the commander of the Joli, at outs with LaSalle, sailed back to France, carrying some settlers, soldiers and badly needed supplies.

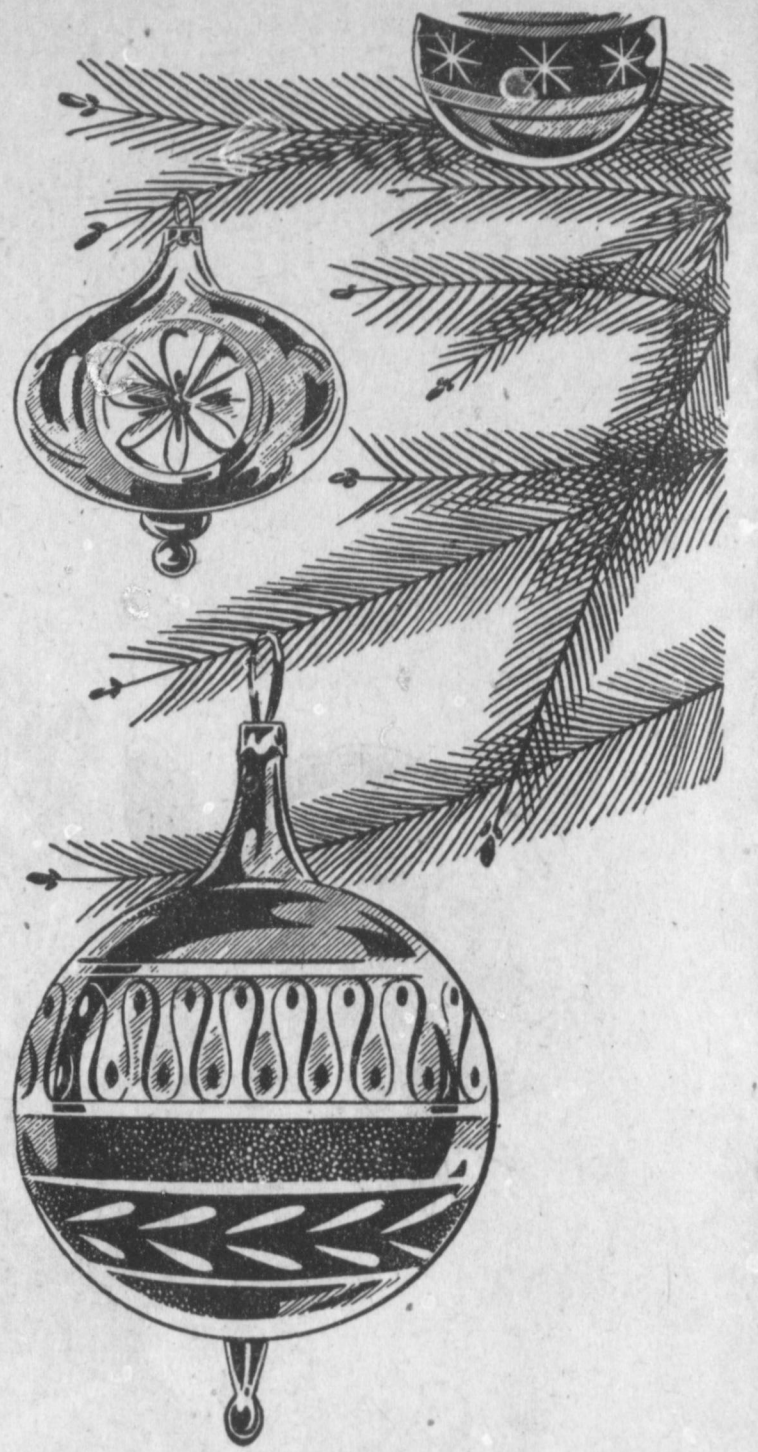
To make the best of a bad situation, LaSalle moved his camp to a better site at the head of Lavaca Bay, on a spot which has since been identified as being situated on the present Keeran Ranch.

Exploring the eastern portion of Matagorda Bay, his last ship, the Belle, was stranded in wrecked condition on one of the reefs. While exploring for a way home, LaSalle was murdered by one of his own party, and the colony, which had dwindled to a mere handful, was left in pitiful straits.

Many of the people died of pox and finally, in 1689, four years after they had landed, most of the survivors were slain by the savage Karankawas. A few survived, however, and during the next few years five children and four men were picked up in various parts of Texas and taken to Mexico, where they were imprisoned or otherwise disposed of.

Some years ago the late Professor Herbert E. Bolton definitely identified the place where LaSalle's colony stood as a site on the Keeran Ranch overlooking the Garcitas River, where remains of a wall were found just visible above the ground, and where fragments of blue and white porcelain were found, as well as half a great copper kettle.

The cross that crowns the steeple of the Episcopal Church was discovered far from the site of the settlement, by members of the Indianola Old Settlers' Association, near to where LaSalle is thought to have landed first. Since its discovery 25 years ago, the plain metal symbol has served as a reminder of the early and colorful history of the state.

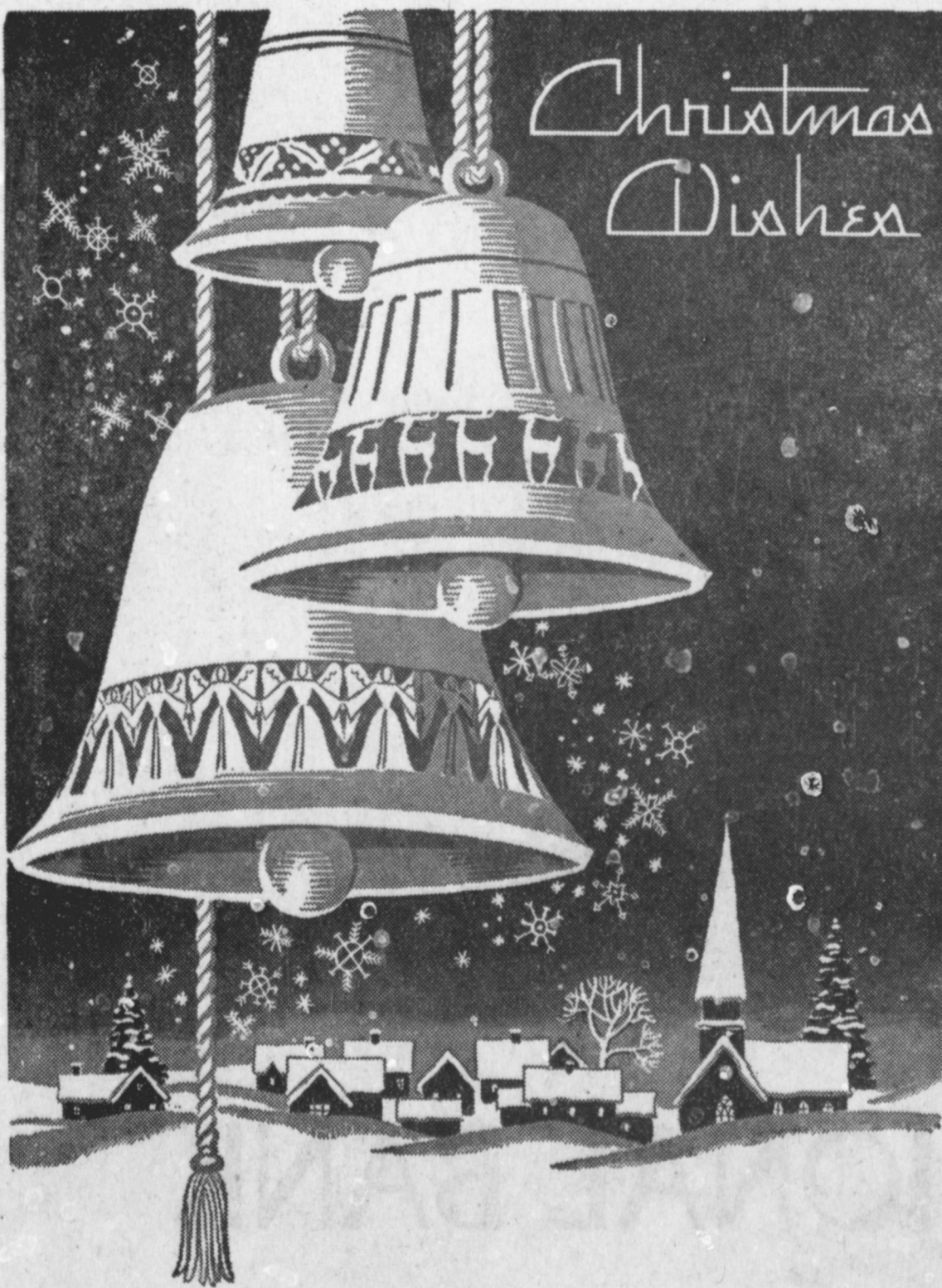


All of us — staff and management — extend to you our wishes that every joy and blessing will be yours in the cheery holiday season — and, that its many pleasures will thrill your household.

LASSITER'S TAILOR SHOP

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Rockport



Christmas Dishes

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Rockport



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Rockport



Season's Greetings



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Rockport



Bundles of
Christmas Joy
To all . . .

Tucked into your every Christmas package,
and into every gay card you receive, is our hope
that you will find the many blessings of Christmas,
and the fulfillment of your desires.

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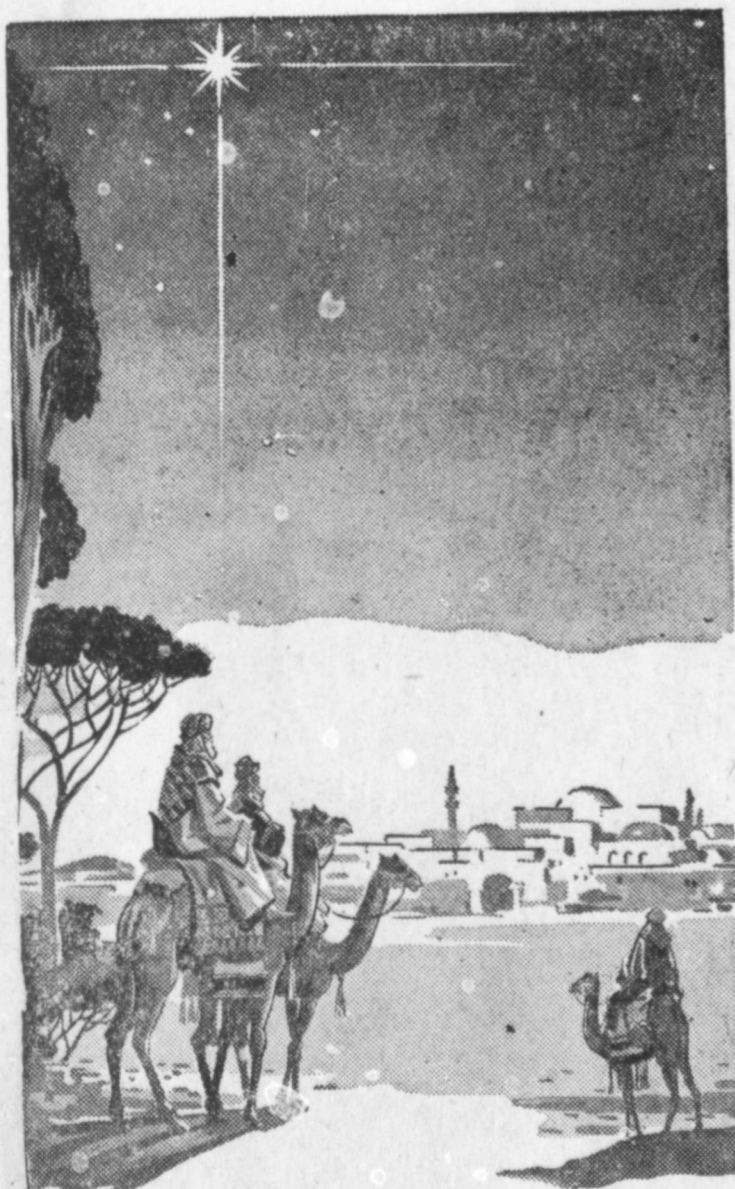


Christmas Greetings

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Rockport



Just as the Wise Men of old were guided
on their holy journey by
the wondrous brightness of a shining star,
so may our good wishes
guide our many friends to a happy
time to come — blessed with
the spiritual gladness of the holiday
and its happy memories.

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Rockport, Texas



HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Once again we pause from business details to honor our many fine customers and friends. Gratefully we say: Thanks, and merry Christmas.

KELSO GULF SERVICE STATION

Phone SO 4-8586

Victoria Man Is Sharp As a Knife

When Joe Hogan, a notorious chisler of Victoria, reaches for his knife, folks in his neighborhood are sure some plain and fancy cutting is going to take place. But both cutting and chiseling are confined to the blocks of wood he uses in his whittling, for Joe is no bad man, but a wood carver.

On the shelves of Joe's garage workshop at 3102 North Cedar are records of his prowess. Gunmen with Colts on hips jostle Alley Oop in a Western hat, cigar in mouth, and two guns in his holsters.

But right now, Joe says, "I'm working on another Western Village like the one on display in the college museum at San Marcos."

"That one has been displayed in museums, churches and schools in many Texas towns before it went into the museum. I hope to locate a sponsor for the one I'm completing, maybe some Texas manufacturer or business firm that would like it advertise their product."

The San Marcos display is nearly forty feet long and contains 97 figures, 27 animals, all the

buildings necessary for a Frontier town, and six covered wagons, complete down to the tiniest detail.

It depicts the West of a hundred years ago, when six shooters were normal articles of apparel and a man felt naked without one.

Joe can carve a cowboy boot in seven minutes flat, using only a pocket knife, although the larger figures take much more time. He has a wall covered with knives and chisels, and a jig saw stands to one side of his work bench to cut out blocks for his larger creations, but, he says:

"There's nothing like a properly sharpened jackknife for small and

detailed work."

During working hours, Hogan is maintenance man for the Citizens Memorial Hospital, and one of his carved scenes shows an operating room, complete with a couple of doctors and a table, presumably to take care of the casualties caused by his gunmen, for most of his carvings deal with the West.

This is understandable. His hobby dates back to his boyhood up in Travis county, at the little town of reedmore, where he took up whittling as a youthful pastime. Joe's father used to tell him tales of the early days when the elder Hogan had been a freighter. Joe's

grandfather had also been an early immigrant to Texas, and ran the first ferry across the Colorado after he came here from South Carolina in 1872.

"It just seemed natural," Joe said, that the things I whittled out would be the gamblers, freighters, ox teams and cowboys that my daddy talked about."

Joe's wife is almost as proud of his skill with a knife as he is, and doesn't mind the long hours he spends in his workshop.

"I can always find him without any trouble," she said, "and every once and a while he shows up with a new lamp or a pair of book ends or some other gad-

get for the house." Joe just grinned, he's pretty sharp.

BUILDING PERMITS FOR NOVEMBER

Fred A. Bracht, Jr., residence, \$7,000.

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R. L. Ba'eman, residence, \$2,500.

Guy Alexander, residence, \$8,500.

Floyd Luscombe, garage and porch, \$1,250.

Frazier Cantrell, addition, \$250.



Season's Greetings

ARROW TAXI

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AT CHRISTMAS

Our greatest delight, at this happy time of the year, is to wish our many loyal customers and friends a holiday season filled with the sparkle and gaiety of the Yuletide spirit.

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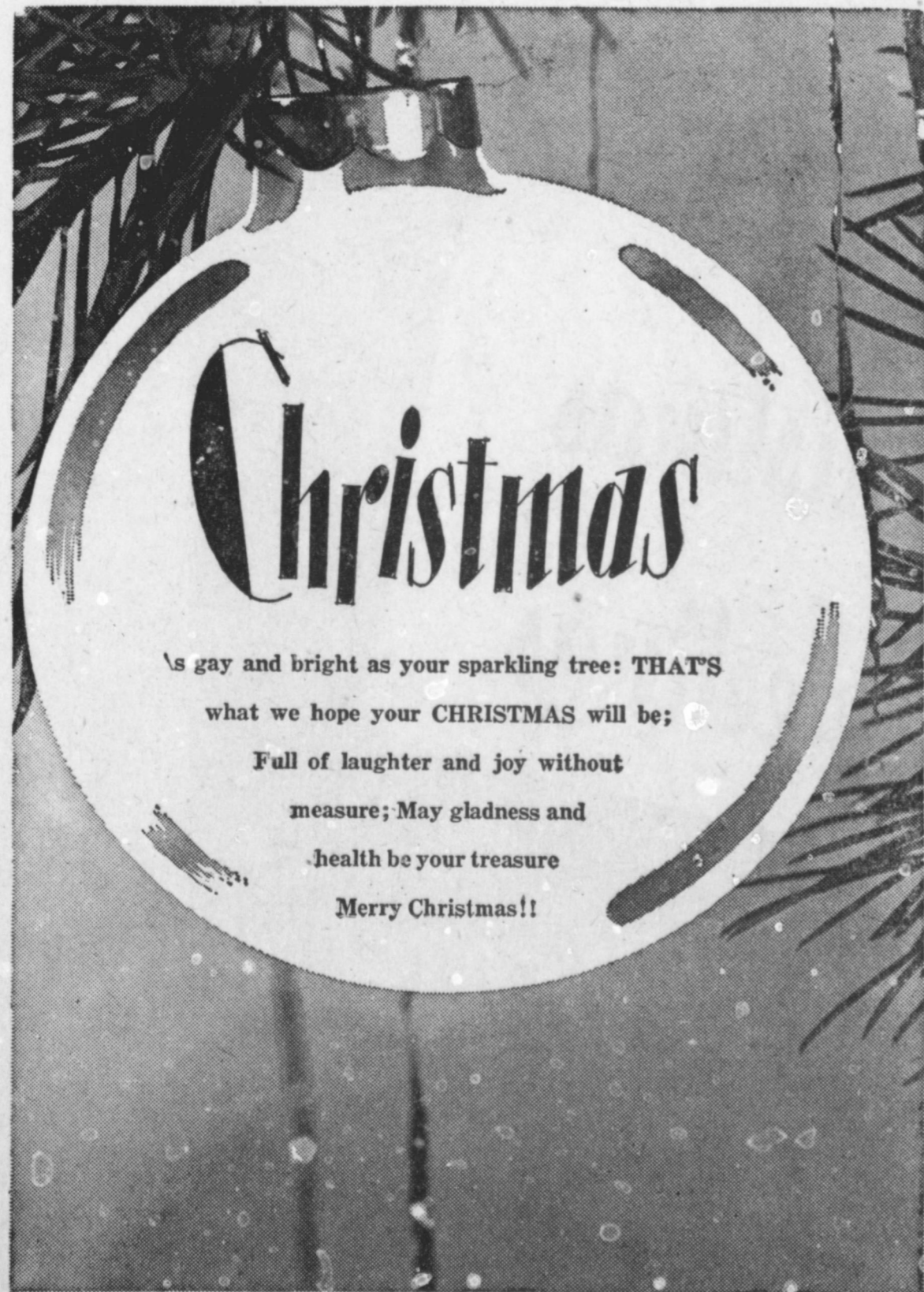
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Now, at this gay time, we are pleased to greet those whose friendship we prize: Our best wishes to you!

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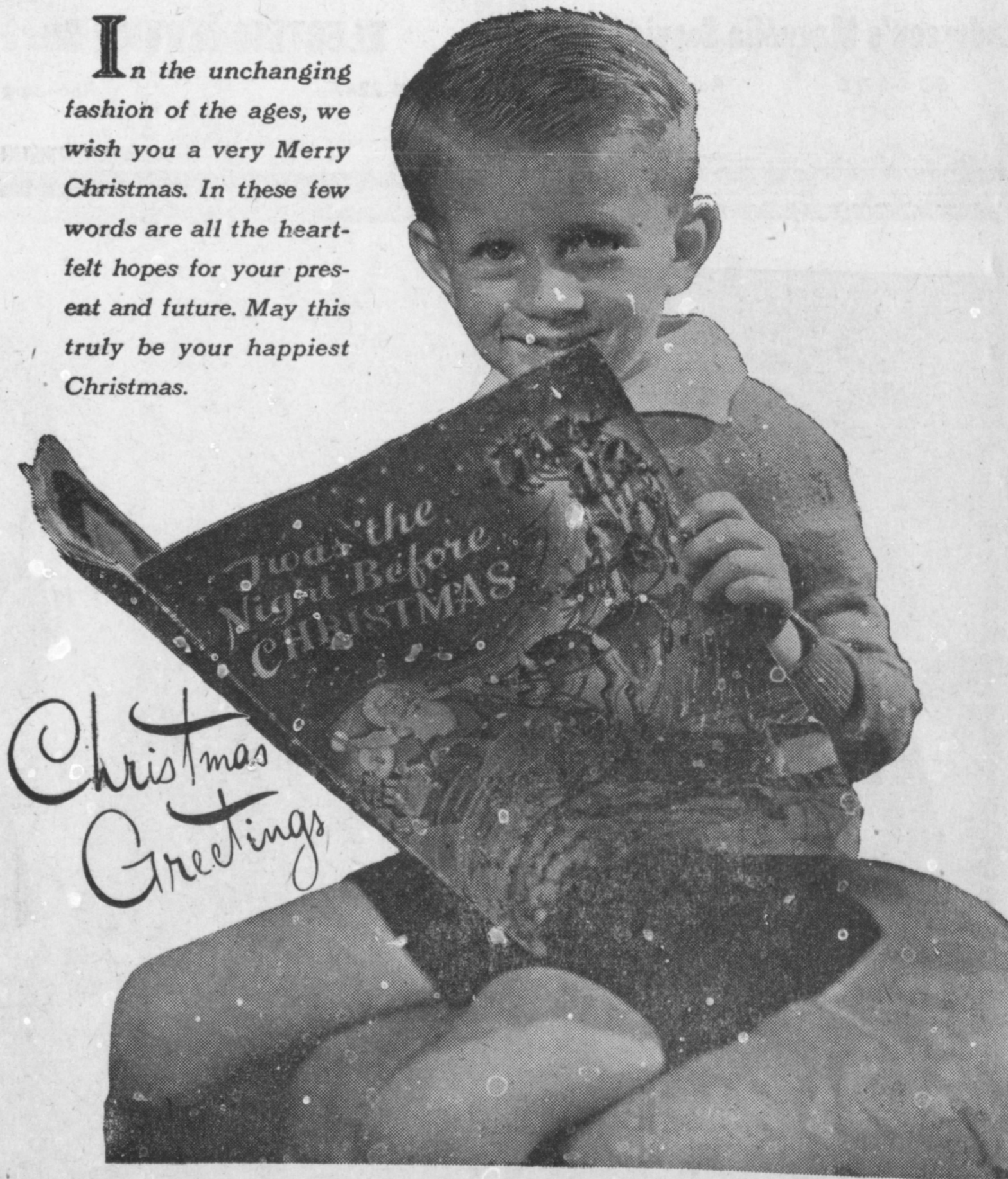
As gay and bright as your sparkling tree: THAT'S what we hope your CHRISTMAS will be; Full of laughter and joy without measure; May gladness and health be your treasure Merry Christmas!!

ANKELE'S HARDWARE & APPLIANCE

SO 4-2466

Rockport

In the unchanging fashion of the ages, we wish you a very Merry Christmas. In these few words are all the heartfelt hopes for your present and future. May this truly be your happiest Christmas.



Christmas Greetings

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For A Happy
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Fences Are of Many Kinds

Corrals and fences of early Mexican haciendas and missions in Texas were made of stone when it was available, or of wood in mesquite country, where there were several types.

The most common was of pairs of mesquite posts set in the ground from four to eight feet apart, the space between the uprights being filled with interlaced posts. Once these were in place, the uprights were bound together at the top with rawhide.

Wilmer Swink, up at Olney, is a barbed wire specialist, but has an eye for anything unusual in the fence line.

"I believe it was in Real County," he said, "while deer hunting in the twenties, that I saw a goat and sheep fence made of cedar trees cut down and dragged into line, close together. Then the small cross limbs were cut off by hand at an angle that made the barrier a veritable wall of wooden needles.

"An on the George Cowden ranch near Pearsall in 1930, I saw a mesquite corral made of heavy (eight to fourteen and sixteen inch diameter) posts, standing side by side, as close as possible in a trench perhaps three or four feet deep.

"Down there," Swink said, "the mesquites were so tall and straight one could almost get telephone poles—and they grow up to three feet in diameter."

In the old days, after the trench was filled in, the logs were lashed together by rawhide, making it hog-tight, horse-high and bull-proof.

Another type of wooden fence was used in plains country, where bois d'arc (Osage Orange) hedges were planted, and Charles Hairston, up at Taylor, remembers the day when shipping seed from these hedges to Oklahoma, Kansas and other parts of Texas was a thriving industry.

But barbed wire changed all that and Swink's collection tells a story that began in the 1870's and flared to open war before the barbs and fences were accepted, and the open range was a thing of the past.

"I have about 43 to 45 different patents," he said, "represented in my collection, and about 150 different kinds of wire."

All types were tried by various manufacturers—ribbon wire, right hand twist, left-hand twist, one-way barbed wire with barbs pointed in one direction, allowing stock to pass one way but not the other, long barbs, short barbs, barbs close together and far apart, sheet metal instead of wire barbs, and even little spur-like wheels are in Swink's collection.

But he's modest. "Henry McCallum, of Humble Oil and Refining Company at Taylor has the best collection of barb wire that I know of," he stated.

But while most stock fences are made of this style of fencing, other barriers throughout Texas are almost as varied as the men who own them.

Their styles change, too. Stone walls and log fences that once separated farmer's fields have given way to woven wire. Brick, cast iron and white pickets, once favorites of city dwellers, now take a back seat to chain-link and redwood.

One of the latter is perched high on top of the Texas National Bank in Houston, where it gives a rustic touch to a pent-house office, with some of the city's best-known skyscrapers looming in the background.

And to give some idea of the variety of present-day fences, the company that built the one on the Texas National (Houston Fence Company) says:

"We build several hundred types of wood fences—Heinz has only 57 kinds." Prices range from 69 cents a foot on steel chainlink to \$15 per foot on some wood. Average wood prices are \$2 to \$2.50 per foot. Most wood gates are \$21 (3 feet wide,) but we build some costing several hundred dollars, with hinges and hardware up to \$150 per gate."

JIMMIE CLOBERDANTS PARTICIPATED IN ARMY MANEUVERS IN GERMANY

Nurnberg, Germany (AHTNC)—Army Pfc. Jimmie B. Cloberdants, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson F. Cloberdants, Route 1, Rockport, Texas, recently participated in an artillery weapons firing demonstration near Nurnberg, Germany, for more than 60 members of the German Army.

During the demonstration, a light-armoured artillery battery occupied a firing position and delivered five minutes of continuous fire-power support for a combat command in a simulated attack.

A driver in Service Battery of the 4th Armoured Division's 78th Artillery in Crailsheim, Cloberdants entered the Army in October 1958 and received training at Fort Hood, Texas. He arrived overseas in April of this year.

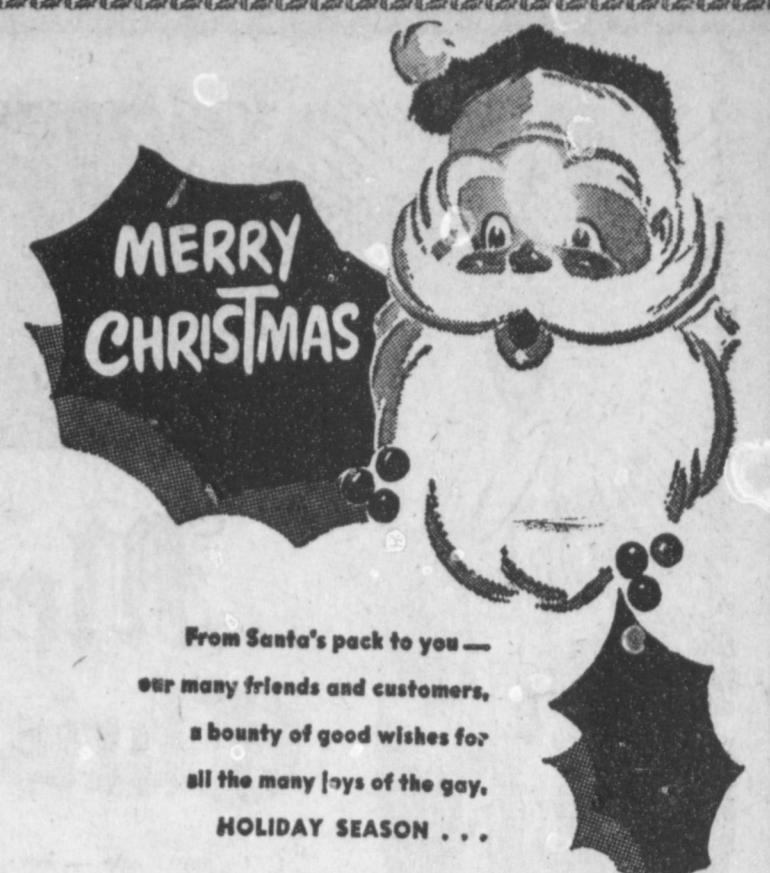
Cloberdants is a 1954 graduate of Rockport High School and attended the University of Houston.



... and a snowfall
of our best wishes in the
true pattern of the Yuletide.

May your day be a merry one and filled
all things good, this Christmas!

TOWNSEND'S DRESS SHOP
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From Santa's pack to you—
our many friends and customers,
a bounty of good wishes for
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MANY FRIENDS

We hope to continue to serve you with
friendliness and courtesy 'til
Christmas rolls 'round once more.

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To all of you who have favored us with
your patronage, we extend
our greetings for a
Very Merry Christmas!

ADAMS' GROCERY
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Each year we find our-
selves eagerly awaiting the Christmas
season because in it we find the oppor-
tunity to express again our apprecia-
tion for your thoughtfulness.

GLENDENING'S
Aransas Pass



Merriest
Christmas

There's no time like
now to say thanks and
Merry Christmas!

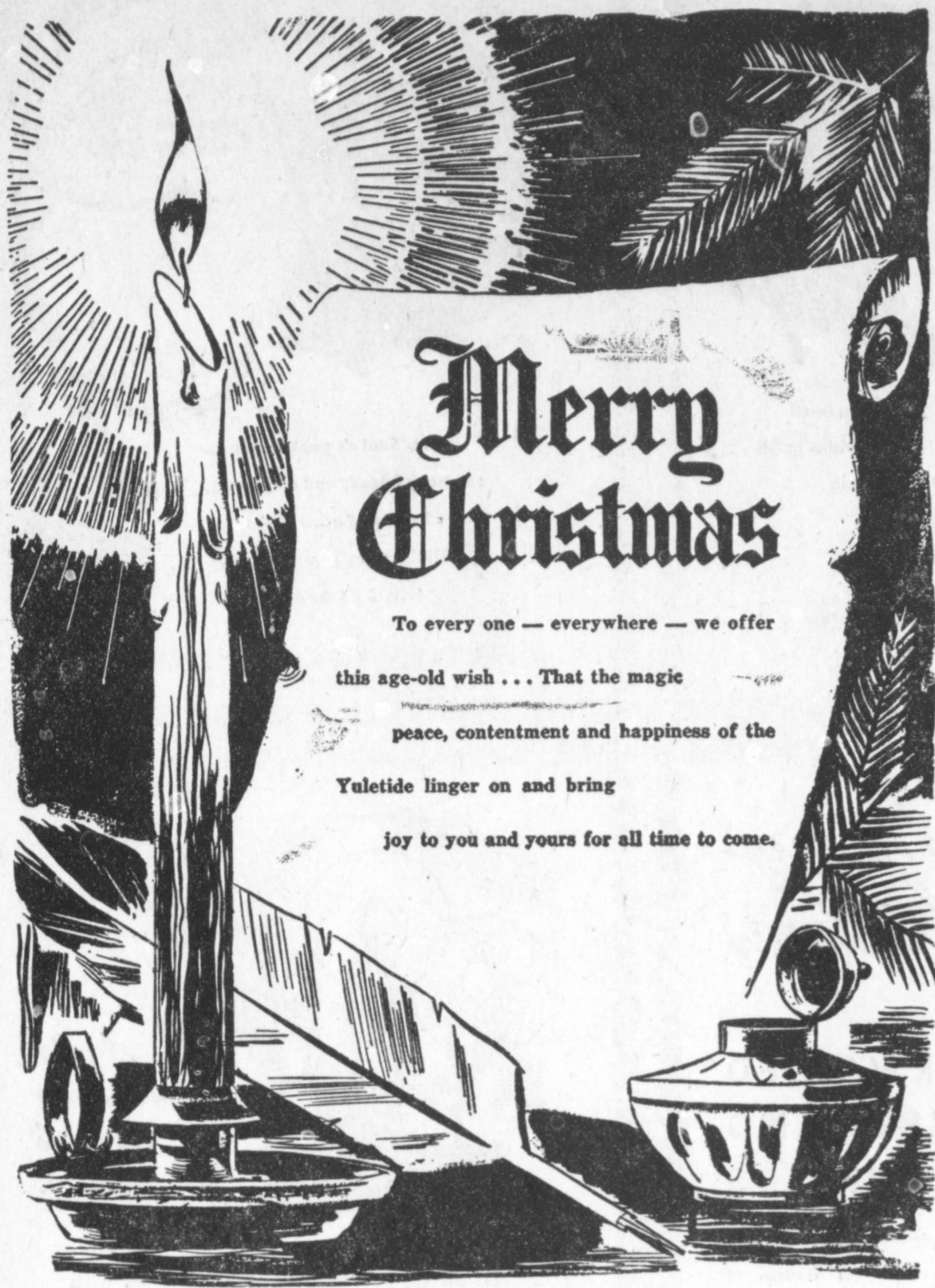
KAUFMAN'S DEPT. STORE
Aransas Pass

It's Christmas!



And we're delighted to wish you
the very best Holiday ever.

HOVEY'S TACKLE SHOP
Aransas Pass



Merry Christmas

To every one — everywhere — we offer this age-old wish . . . That the magic peace, contentment and happiness of the Yuletide linger on and bring joy to you and yours for all time to come.

WILSON & SON

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Fulton



There are no other words that expresses so well the age-old greeting of **MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR FRIENDS**

ANCHOR MOTEL

SO 4-6262

Rockport

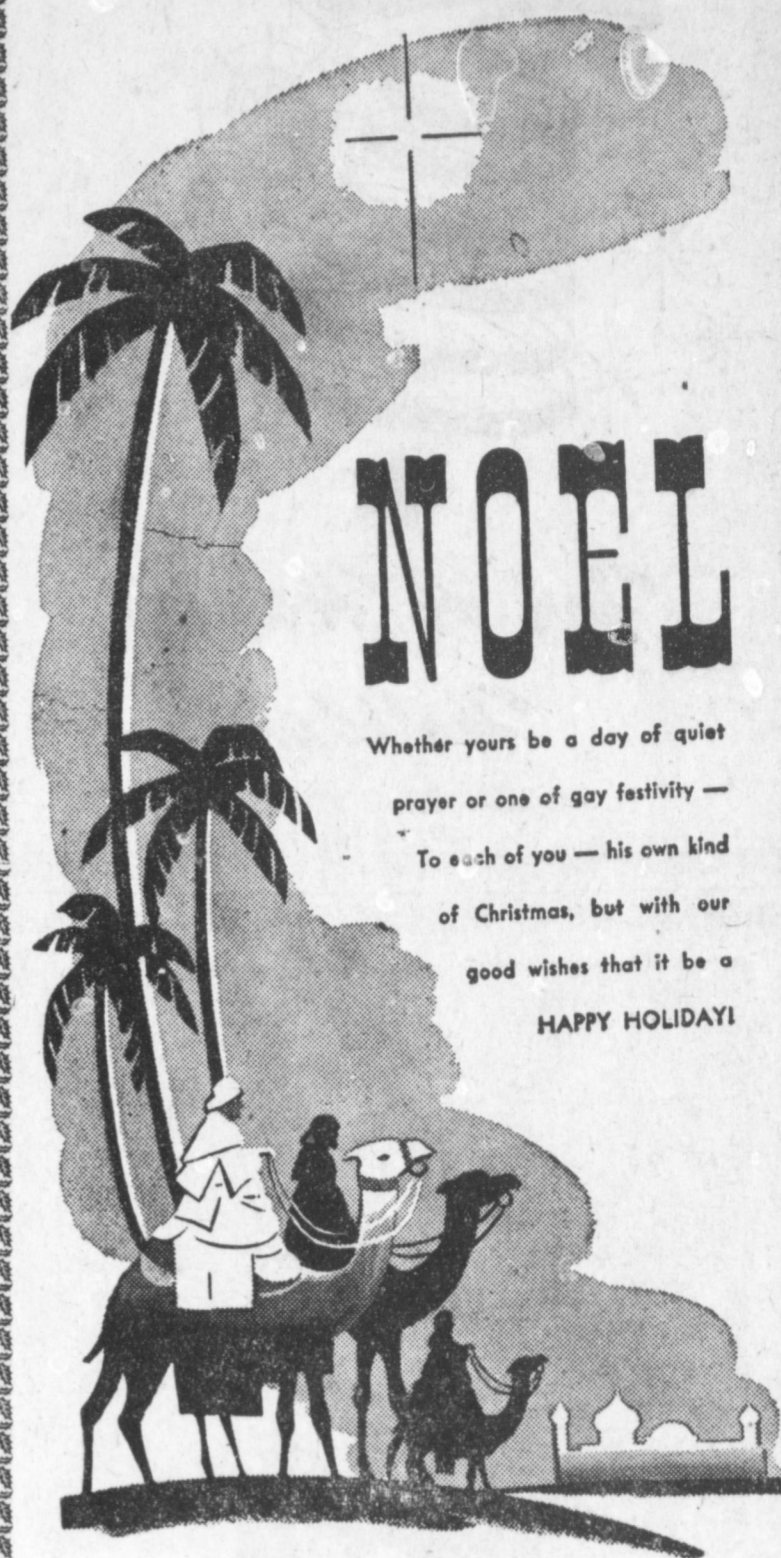


CHRISTMAS CHEER RIDES WITH OUR GOOD WISHES!

EARL'S DRIVE IN

SO 4-8559

Rockport



NOEL

Whether yours be a day of quiet prayer or one of gay festivity — To each of you — his own kind of Christmas, but with our good wishes that it be a **HAPPY HOLIDAY!**

VANDAGRIFF CLEANERS

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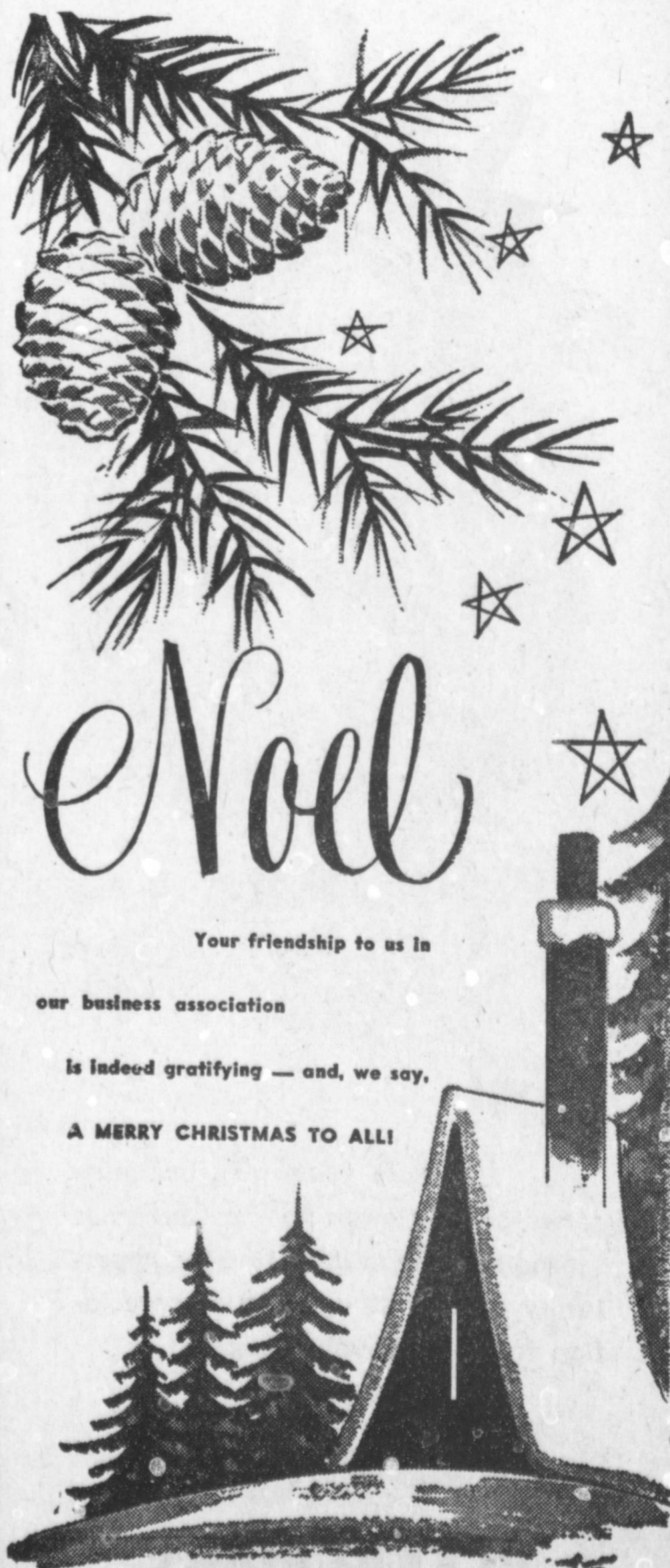


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DIPLomat BROUGHT POINSETTAS TO U. S.

Joel Robert Poinsett, first American minister to Mexico, and later Secretary of War under President Martin Van Buren, gave America the Christmas flower known by his name, bringing home cuttings from a humble Mexican plant and founding an industry which deals in such delightful commodities as beauty and Christmas cheer.

And Texans were particularly favored by Poinsett's love for growing things. In most of the nation at Christmas time, the hot-house variety of poinsetta flows with warmth on the table or mantle, but here, in the Lone Star State, they grow outside in all their crimson glory, to welcome the Yuletide.

There are pink, white and crimson poinsettias, and an especially lovely one that blooms in the Valley and South Texas is double. And while most of the nation sees only small plants in pots, in Texas, California and Florida they may grow high as a house.

Almost everyone thinks of poinsettias as flowers but they're not. The bright red bracts surround the small, inconspicuous gold blossom that clusters at the center of the brilliant whorl of crimson we usually think of as petals.

Apparently Poinsett was especially fitted by destiny to play an important part in inter-continental affairs. Born of Huguenot parents at the close of the Revolutionary War, he was sent to England for his education, and later took up the study of medicine in Scotland.

Like many people today, Poinsett was not fond of cold weather, and sought warmth by spending his winters in Portugal where he learned the manners and languages of the Latin peoples.

Returning to Charleston, S. C., where his family lived, he gave up the study of medicine for law, but liked it no more than he had the poring over pills and plasters. Later, tiring of study, he traveled extensively, learning diplomacy at first hand and, because of his Latin knowledge, was later appointed to an important mission in South America.

He served two terms in the legislature of South Carolina and was later elected to Congress, after which President Madison appointed him Minister to Mexico where he served for four years.

It was during this time that he found the little flower we now know as Poinsetta and brought his small handful of cuttings home with him to South Carolina.



TAX FREE—An exaggeration, perhaps, but this sign above a filling station in Anderson, Ind., is good for a chuckle for passing motorists.

He married after his return, and settled down to propagate this flower, which he wished to make a symbol of the friendship between the two Americas.

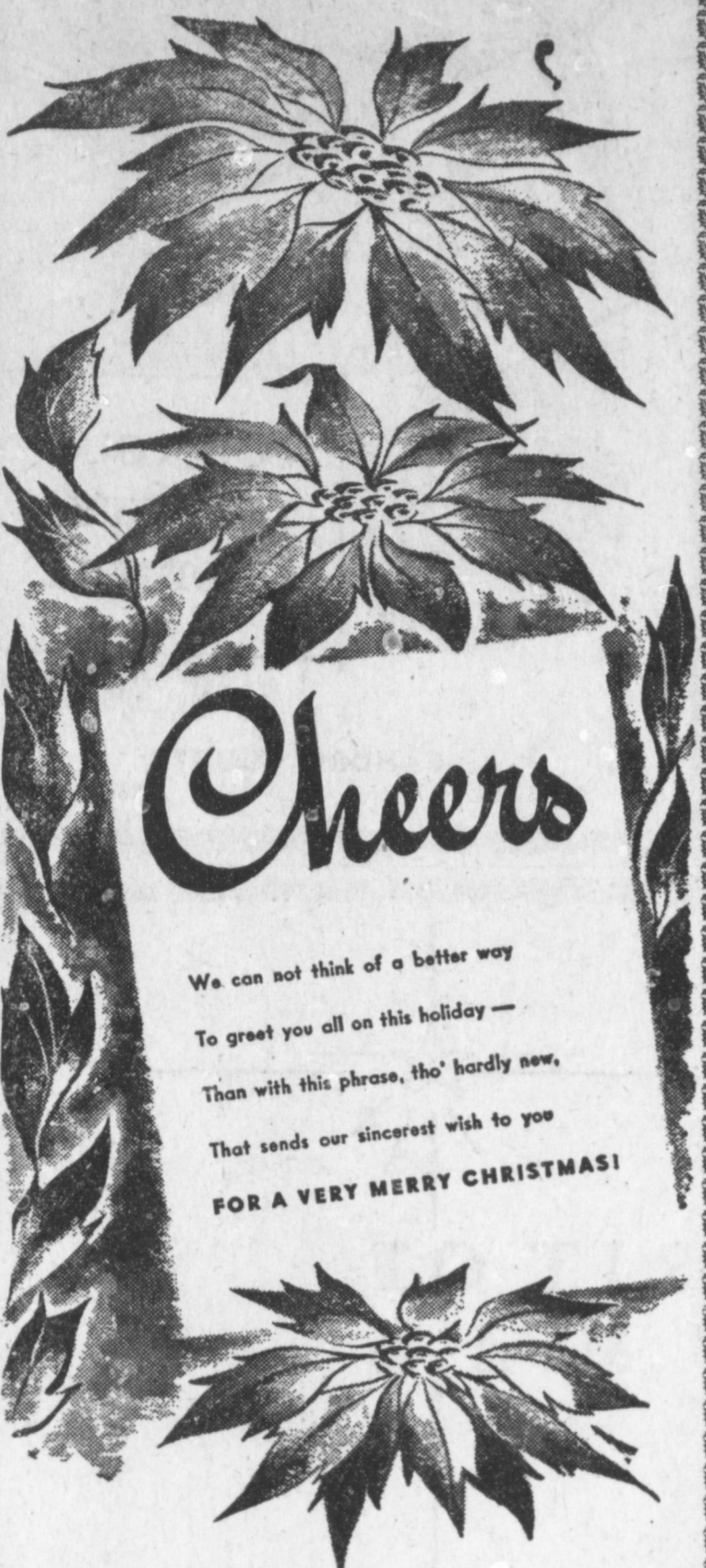
Botanists and florists bought cuttings from him, and they were introduced into Europe, where one scientist believed that the flower belonged to a new genus and named it after the diplomat, Poinsettia pulcherrima. Later this was changed to the original name given it by another scientist—Euphorbia pulcherrima.

Poinsett's name vanished from the scientific designation, but has

remained as the popular name of the flower.

The public services of Poinsett are little known, but he lives through the flower that year after year brings at Christmas time an age old message—"Peace on earth, goodwill to all men," which sums up the hope and aspiration of both Americas.

About 1870, Frank Meana, a Cheyenne saddlemaker, made a saddle with a leather flange extending over the cantleboard, to the rear, which became known as a "Cheyenne roll."



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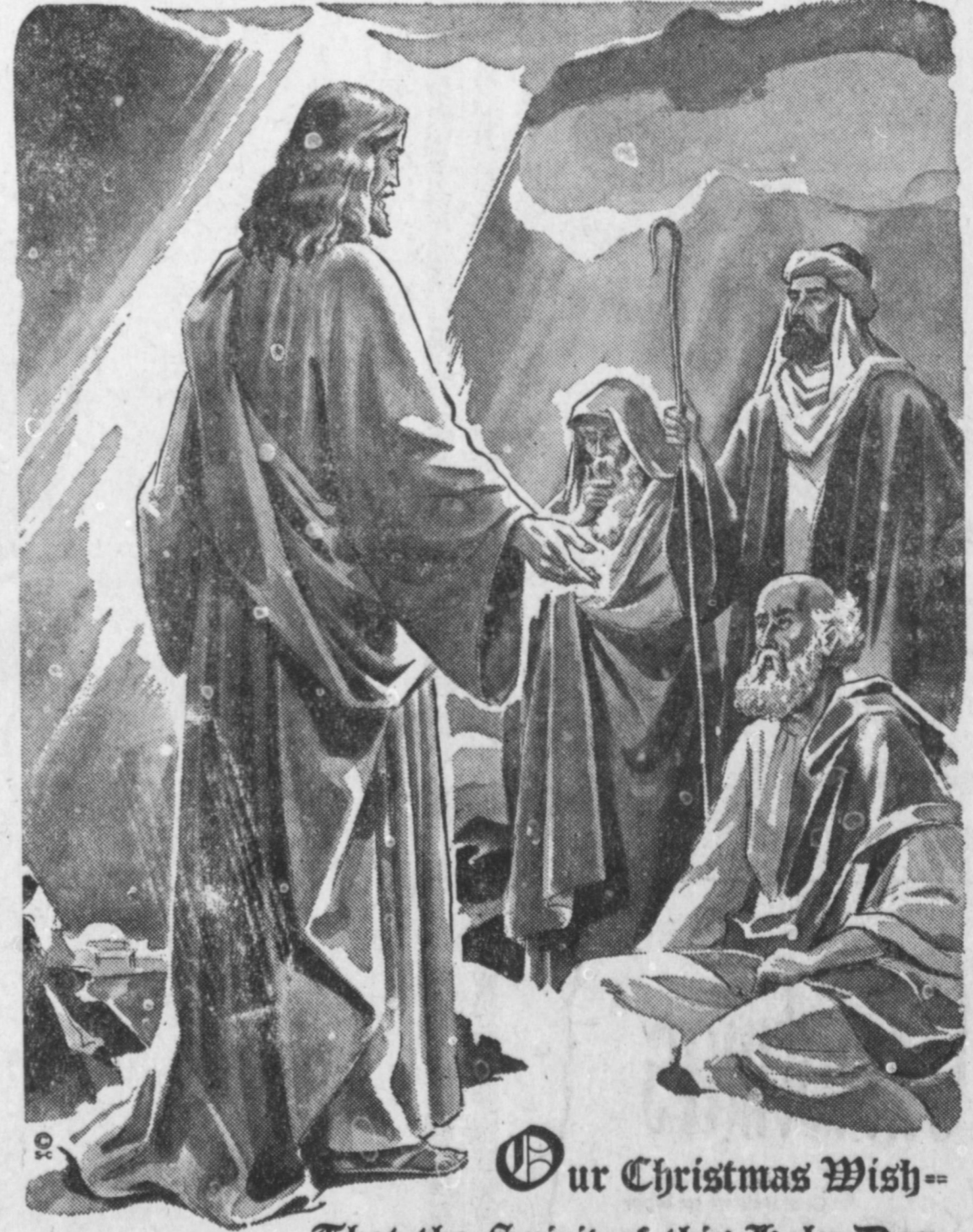
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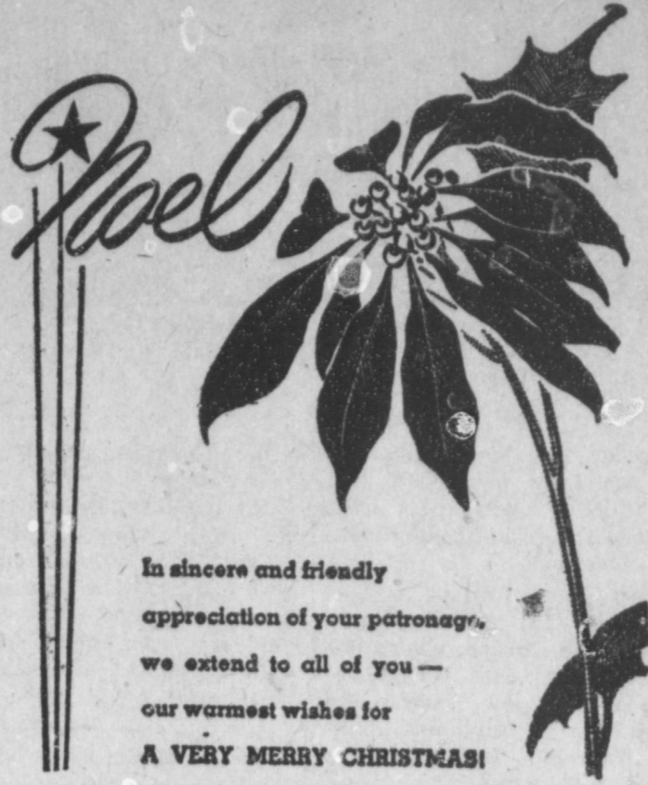


We extend our sincerest wish that your holiday be filled with spiritual joys and all the happiness that express the deepest significance of the blessed Yuletide....

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JANUARY DRAFT CALLS 310 TEXANS

Austin, Tex.—The state quota for Texas draft boards in January calls for 310 men, Colonel Morris S. Schwartz, state Selective Service director, announced Friday.

The state's January call of 310 compares with a quota of 454 for December and 447 for November. The January call is the state's share of a national quota of 7,000 men, all for the Army. The December national quota was 9,000.

Colonel Schwartz also announced that local boards would send around 1,053 men for pre-induction physical and mental examinations. These men return home after being examined at examining stations.

Local board quotas for the January call already have been figured and are scheduled to be placed in the mails to the boards Monday.

The January quota will be filled with men who are at least 22 years old on January 1, with the exception of volunteers or delinquents, who may be younger.

The last three days of March are called "borrowing days" in Scotland.



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IT'S THE SEASON FOR GREETINGS...

And here's ours: A wish as sincere and friendly as can be — a hope for a Merry Christmas to everyone we know!

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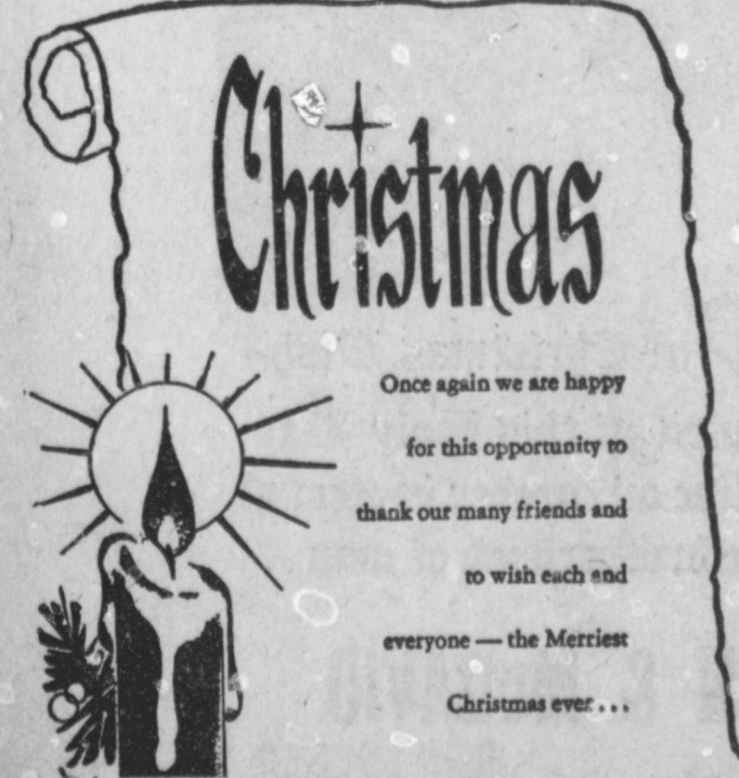
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Mesdames Means, Haynes, Dick and McCord Entertain

The home of Mrs. E. W. Means, on Live Oak Point, was the setting for a dessert bridge party of 10 tables on Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. H. H. Dick, Mrs. Orvil W. Haynes, Mrs. F. L. McCord, and Mrs. Means as joint hostesses.

The reception rooms were beautifully decorated in the seasonal theme, featuring especially a silvered Christmas tree, with twinkling lights, espaliered to the fireplace wall in the large living room. A similar tree was on the sunroom wall. Large potted Crotons were placed at vantage points as well as numerous Cattleya orchids, in different color combinations, grown in the Means' greenhouse. The guest room held an arrangement of roses in variegated shades; the breakfast room table was centered with a bouquet of blue and white carnations mixed with silvered sprays.

The refreshment table was laid with a white Madeira cutwork cloth, and centered with an arrangement of white chrysanthemums interspersed with small Christmas balls.

Mrs. I. L. Sorenson and Mrs. Martin Tverdal served the egg-nogg, while Mrs. Jack Hagar and Mrs. Charles A. Roe, Sr., alternated at the silver coffee service.

Mrs. S. F. Dohkins assisted the guests at the door. The hostesses and members of the house party wore orchid corsages.

High score winner was Mrs. Joe H. Slocum; Mrs. J. V. Ferguson was second, and Mrs. H. J. Templeton was low. The drawing for door prize was awarded to Mrs. Harry McDow, and Mrs. Travis Bailey won the tea guest prize.

The guests for bridge included Mrs. Fred Christilles, Mrs. Fred A. Bracht, Miss Genevieve Bracht, Miss Mabel Bracht, Mrs. A. R. Curry, Mrs. J. V. Ferguson, Mrs. James Sorenson, Mrs. Frank O. Lenoir, Mrs. Charles T. Picton, Mrs. E. T. White, Mrs. J. P. Hanway, Mrs. C. O. Lutz, Mrs. H. D. Smith, Mrs. C. F. Rozzell, Mrs. Arthur Bracht, Mrs. Harry McDow, Mrs. J. H. Mills, Sr., Mrs. J. D. Gray,

Mrs. H. F. Elliot, Mrs. Charles Cleveland, Mrs. William N. Sanders, Mrs. L. G. Wood, Mrs. Joe H. Slocum, Mrs. C. L. Thomas, Mrs. C. H. Whiteley, Mrs. C. S. Heath, Mrs. Arlo H. Hansen, Mrs. H. J. Templeton, Mrs. John R. Stapler, Mrs. Matt Scott, Mrs. Alex Scott, Mrs. A. L. Bachman, Miss Winona McFall, Mrs. Russell Eldridge, Mrs. A. G. Collin, Mrs. A. D. Dodson of Snyder; Mrs. Elton Page of Poteet; Mrs. Jones Christian of Claude; Mrs. R. L. Gum of Arriba, Colo.; and Mrs. Frank L. Harrington of Iowa. Tea guests attending were Mrs.

Tom Roper, Miss Lillie Fahr, Mrs. A. C. Shivers, Mrs. Jenny Linger, Mrs. Al Smith, Mrs. R. L. Harrell, Mrs. Charles M. Davis, Mrs. J. D. Griggs, Mrs. James Bracht, Mrs. Travis Bailey, Mrs. Everal L. West, Mrs. S. F. Jackson, Mrs. Roy Hinton, Mrs. R. P. Willis, Mrs. Volney Cavitt, Mrs. M. Hullett, Mrs. Glen Martin, and Mrs. J. L. Baughman.

Curtain Club Has Dinner

Members of the Curtain Club participate in the Variety Show, and their guests were entertained Thursday night with a dinner-dance social at the Silver Derrick. A Hawaiian motif was carried throughout the decorations and dinner.

Each guest was presented with a brightly colored lei to help create the Hawaiian effect. The dinner consisting of fried fish, pork with barbecue sauce, baked sweet potatoes, fruit salad, relishes, rolls, and iced tea was served buffet style.

Beautiful Hawaiian music contributed more to the Hawaiian mood throughout the dinner.

Afterwards music was provided for those who wished to dance.

The sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. Hamblin, and Mr. and Mrs. Horton.

There were 104 attending.

CHRISTMAS PARTY AT ABC TRAILER PARK

The annual Christmas party for folks at the ABC Trailer Park, Fulton, was held Monday evening, Dec. 21 in the recreation room. The room was decorated with a beautiful white tree, small Santas, reindeer and candy canes. Games were played and Mrs. Ebert read a Christmas poem. Then gifts were passed out to all.

Refreshments of home made cookies, candy, coffee and Tang were served to 37 guests.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Liechefske of Minnesota; Mr. and Mrs. Prescott, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. King, So. Dakota; Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. McCaleb, Arkansas; Mr. and Mrs. Lauer, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Luscombe and son David, Rockport;

Also Mr. and Mrs. Ebert, Mr. and Mrs. Cheak, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Oakman and children, Mrs. Schaeffer and children, Mr. and Mrs. Hatten and daughter, Mr. Davis, and Captain Christensen, all of Fulton.

DEANS RETURN FROM TRIP TO CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dean returned Sunday night from four months in California at Oxnard. While there, Mr. Dean said, they visited San Francisco, the San Simeon Castle of William Randolph Hearst, the redwoods and went fishing in the Pacific, where he caught a great number of yellowtails 36 to 40 inches long.

LOCAL MAN COMPLETES COAST GUARD TRAINING

Cape May, N. J.—Jasper E. Travelstead, Jr., SA, USCG, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Travelstead of Rockport, has completed 13 weeks of basic training at the U. S. Coast Guard Receiving Center, Cape May, New Jersey. He entered the Coast Guard last September, 1959.

Seaman apprentice Travelstead will now report to the 5th Coast Guard District for further duty.

Before entering the Coast Guard he attended Richardson High School, Richardson, Texas.

BAYVIEW HOSPITAL NEWS

Zulema Claud, tonsillectomy, admitted Dec. 18.

John Milton Clark, medical, admitted Dec. 18.

Elida Salazar, surgery, admitted Dec. 20.

Mrs. Traleda Avery, medical, admitted Dec. 20.

Cecil Hartsfield, medical, admitted Dec. 22.

Dick Guilbeau, medical, admitted Dec. 20.

Annual Joy Gift Program Held at Presbyterian Church

The annual Joy Gift program for the benefit of the Benevolent Budget of the Presbyterian Church with special emphasis on ministerial relief, was presented Sunday evening in the First Presbyterian Church.

It was a pictorial presentation of the Christmas story. The artist was Mrs. N. F. Jackson and reader was Mrs. Ellis L. Clark.

The choir, under direction of Mrs. Robert Morrison, featured the following soloists: Miss Sherry Lynn Brundrett, James Allen Frye, Robert W. Gulick and Rev. Cecil H. Lang, Jr.

Mrs. J. Allen Frye was organist and the program was under direction of Mrs. Ellis Clark.

The congregation of the Church of Christ gathered at the Tommy Wooten home after Sunday evening services to honor Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hooks who are leaving soon to make their home in California.



We would like to extend our very best wishes to all for a very Merry Christmas and a very Prosperous New Year.

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Santa Claus Was A Known Fact in Early Rockport

Christmas in Rockport in the early years was a big event, and no doubt existed in little Elinor Fulton's mind that Santa Claus definitely existed. He was a known fact. How else, she asked in a Caller-Times story this week by Madeleine Greene, could you explain the "miraculous" appearance on Christmas morning of the numerous gifts at the Rancho del Rincon?

The story follows:
As a rancher's family in the 1890's, the Fultons did no Christmas gift shopping in the small neighboring towns such as Corpus Christi.

"Instead, unknown to us, Mother ordered our gifts from the East through a catalogue," said

Mrs. Elinor Fulton Conger. "Since Mother did her ordering secretly and hid the gifts as they arrived, and since we had never seen a toy store, it just had to be Santa Claus who brought the toys. There wasn't any other way for them to have gotten there," said Mrs. Conger.

Her father, George W. Fulton, Jr., was superintendent of the ranch owned by the Coleman-Fulton Pasture Company, which was founded by his father, George W. Fulton, Sr.

The family began Christmas preparations right after Thanksgiving. "My two sisters and I sat around the dining room table seeding raisins and picking out nuts to be used in the fruitcakes and mincemeat pies," Mrs. Conger recalled.

Christmas trees were unknown to the ranch children. The trees are not native to this part of the country and they had not yet begun to be imported.

"With no trees there weren't any ornaments, and the only real indication that the holiday was coming was the food preparation," Mrs. Conger said.

On Christmas eve the family let the fire die down before Elinor, the youngest, went to bed.

"I always covered the coals to protect Santa Claus' feet when he came down the chimney. It was a regular ceremony," Mrs. Conger remembered with a smile.

On Christmas morning there was no creeping out of bed before dawn to open the enticing packages. The family had to eat breakfast before they could tackle their gifts.

"I can't imagine how we got our breakfast down because we'd already had a glimpse of what was in store for us when we walked through the living room on the way to eat," said Mrs. Conger.

After the gifts had been unwrapped, the Mexican ranch families came to the house bringing "beautiful baskets of tamales covered with spotlessly white hand-drawn cloths."

In return Mrs. Fulton had packages of candies and cakes she had made tied in bandanas which she gave to each family.

As always the ranch house was full of company. Mrs. Fulton's parents, the Caruthers of Ingleside, and her bachelor brother, William, the first editor of The Caller, were among the party which gathered each year for the special holiday meal.

Some time during the festive season, as at other times during

the year, the family would visit their grandparents, the Fultons in their large home on Fulton Beach.

Her grandfather had originally come to Texas from Ohio to fight against Santa Ana in Texas' war for independence.

As an engineer he surveyed the coast for the Texas government. During his stay here he met the granddaughter of Henry Smith, the man who was to be secretary of state for the republic and first governor of the state.

He married her about 1840 and they returned to the East. They came back to Texas many years later, and in the 1870s he built his mansion at Fulton.

"He designed and built the house like a public structure. Its steel frame and steel beams make it too expensive to tear down," Mrs. Conger said.

The house is tall and narrow instead of low and rambling as so many Texas homes are. It has a basement, three floors and an upstairs tower.

"There aren't many rooms in it. The first floor has four and the second and third floors have three bedrooms each," Mrs. Conger noted.

Among the innovations it boasted were bathrooms on every floor and the gas plant in the basement which provided central heating.

"The dining room stood out in my mind as a child. It was long and had a tile floor. I'll always remember the sound of the chairs on the tile as they were pushed away from the table," said Mrs. Conger.

Although the Fulton home has passed out of the family's hands, the land her Caruther grandparents owned still belongs to their descendants. The fifth generation of the family is now living on the same spot on which the old homestead stood near Ingleside.

As the great-grandchild and grandchild of these early Texas settlers, Mrs. Conger is a member of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas.

Just as her mother used to play Santa Claus for her children, Mrs. Conger, whose husband died several years ago, has become something of a Santa Claus in her own family.

An expert knitter, she spends the months before Christmas turning out socks and sweaters for her three step children, nine grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

In addition to socks and sweaters, Mrs. Conger has knitted bedspreads and dresses.

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Holy Communion and Sermon, first Sunday each month, at 7:30 p. m., other Sundays, Morning Prayer and Sermon at 9:00 a. m. Church School each Sunday at 10:15 a. m. Choir rehearsal in each Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. The Woman's Auxiliary meets the first Thursday at 8:30 p. m., and the Bishop's Committee on the second Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

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Rev. C. Wilson Brumley, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; preaching service 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Training Union, 6:30 p. m.; prayer service, Wednesday, 7:45 p. m.; Sunday School workers meeting, Wednesday, 7 p. m.; Women meet every Monday.
Monday: 4 p. m., YWA 7:30 p. m. BWC, Tuesday, 9:30 a. m.; S.B. and WMS, 3:15 p. m.; SB and WMS, 4:30 p. m.; Int. GA, Wednesday, 4 p. m.; Jr. GA.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

N. E. Hicks
Bible class, 10 a. m.; morning worship, 10:50 a. m.; Sunday evening class, 6:30; Sunday evening worship, 7:30; Wednesday night service, 7:30; ladies Bible class, Thursday, 9:30 a. m., and men's Bible class at 7:30 p. m.

FULTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Eulon Mills
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; preaching service, 11 a. m.; Training Union, 7 p. m.; evening service, 8 p. m.; mid-week prayer service, Wednesday, 7:45 p. m.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD

M. R. Crawford, Pastor
Sunday school, 9:45; Preaching service, 11 o'clock; Evening Evangelistic service, 7:30; Week night service Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; Worship Service, 11:00 a. m.; Senior Young People and Pioneer Young People, 6:00 p. m.; Deacon's meeting, third Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.; Choir Rehearsal Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.; Men of the Church, first Thursday of each month, 6:30 p. m.; All Circles meet second Thursday morning at 9:30 a. m., afternoon at 3:00 p. m. Evening at 7:30 p. m.; Session meeting second Thursday at 7:30 p. m.; Women of the Church, fourth Thursday at 3:00 p. m.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. A. H. Bankert, Pastor
Sunday school, 9:30; morning worship, 10:50; evening worship, 7:30; Methodist Men, 2nd Thursday, 7:30; WSCS, general meeting, 1st Thursday, 3 p. m. The Wesleyan Service Guild First Methodist will meet regularly each second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. MYF, Sunday, at 6:00 p. m.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor, Boyce L. Laqua
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; preaching, 10:45 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Prayer meeting, 7 p. m. Wednesday.

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Juan V. De Cruz, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; morning service, 11:00 a. m.; training union, 7:00 p. m.; evening service, 8:00 p. m.; prayer service, Wednesday, 7:00 p. m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Aransas Pass
Rev. H. D. Crone, Pastor
Bible school, 9:45; morning worship, 10:50; evening worship, 7:30; prayer and Bible study, Wednesday, 7:00 p. m.

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SUCCESSFUL METHOD FOUND FOR ROOTPLOWING LIVE OAK PENINSULA

For many years farmers and ranchers had been at a loss as to how to rid themselves of the extremely dense brush, mostly Sweetbay and Live Oak, that has infested the sandy coastal area ranging from Ingleside to far into Aransas County. Various methods of control have been tried with some success, but in all cases it was strictly controlling and not eradication. Choppers cut the brush but it always came back. Herbicides killed a portion but never a large percentage. Probably the first method of control tried was burning. Actually, this practice is responsible for the increase of brush rather than its control. Burning caused the brush to come out more densely than ever.

Rootplowing was tried and at first it also was not effective. The brush continued to grow. Somebody then conceived the idea to put fins or "kickers" on the rootplow blade which would lift the mass of roots to the surface or near the surface. In all cases where these fins have been used, the kill has ranged from 95 to nearly 100 per cent. All of this coastal area still has the original native grasses. With proper management, these rootplowed areas should not be troubled with brush for another 20 years or possibly much longer. Tall growing native grasses, big and seacoast bluestem, switch grass, crinkleleawn and Indian grass, once they have the upper hand, will keep down the encroachment of this brush. Proper management means deferring the plowed area until the

desired native grasses have come back, made a good growth and have completely covered the ground. After that, graze so that it is not grazed into the ground but approximately half of the grass is left ungrazed. The reason for this is so the plants will be able to withstand drought and other adverse conditions. By doing this the vigor of the plants will be much improved and the production of forage will be much greater than if grazed closely.

D. W. Grant, the first man in the district to do work of this kind, is plowing several hundred

acres at this time. Leroy Young and Ray Longino are also plowing good sized areas.

Last summer Walter Sparks of Taft rootplowed his only remaining brush adjacent to a natural drain. He made a trial planting of Gordo bluestem following the plow. The results look very good and it is hoped that Gordo will be the grass that can be used for this purpose on the low, rather wet soils, since it has a rather low air requirement similar to swale grass.

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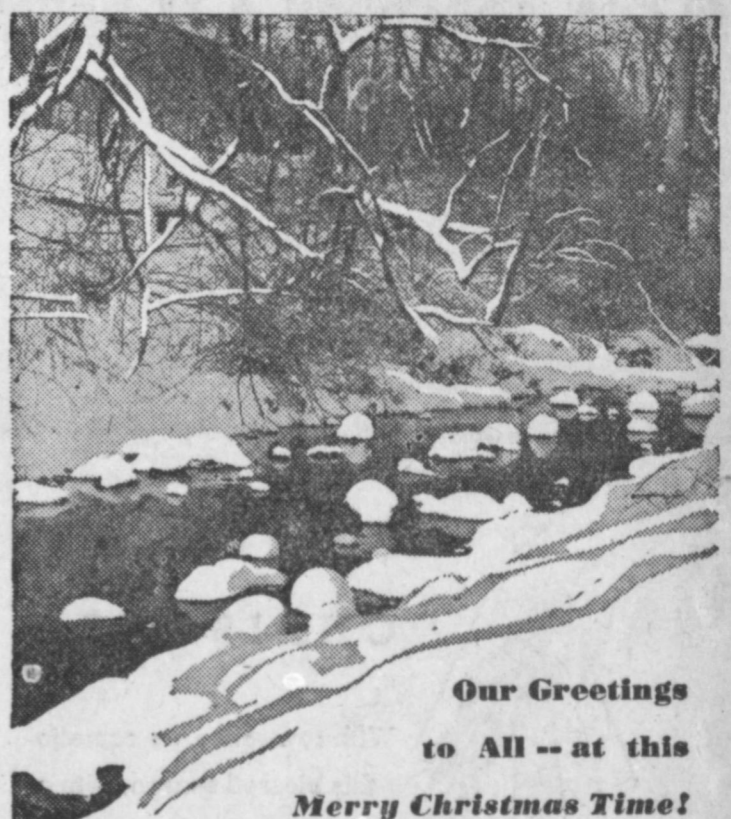
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**Dana Greens
Now In Chile**

Rev. and Mrs. Dana Green and their children send their Christmas message from Santiago, Chile, to the many friends they made while Dana was pastor of the First Methodist Church in Rockport. Because the letter was most interesting, The Pilot is printing it below:

SANTIAGO UNION CHURCH
Av. Pedro De Valdivia 54
Santiago, Chile
Advent, 1959

Dear Friends,

It is November 16th and spring is "bustin' out all over" down here in our half of the South Pacific. Long before now I had hoped to have our Christmas messages in the mail, written individually to each of you, but settling in a new church, new city, new country, and new culture has taken our time . . . and it is hard to think of writing Christmas notes in October or early November. This is mimeographed and mailed in Austin, so we cannot add our usual personal notes. We hope to be writing many of you soon and hope to hear from you in the

meantime.

To those of you who have not heard, Dana and I moved to Santiago, Chile on October 4. We are here serving the Union Protestant Church, one of the two English-speaking churches in a city of two million. Our congregation consists of pure British, pure Scotch, pure Chilean persons, and combinations of these, as well as numerous Americans overseas in governmental or private business. We also have Greek, Dutch, Swiss, and Latvian members in the congregation. Many of the British and Scotch, who are the senior members of the church, were born in this country while the Latvians, in contrast, came to Chile as displaced persons after World War II. Santiago is a relatively open world cross-road.

We live now as minorities both nationally and religiously. There are several thousand Americans in Santiago itself. There are about 800,000 Protestants in the entire country, but Protestantism is a growing and vital element in Chile's religious picture. While this is nominally a Roman Catholic country, there are active Protestants, and the vast majority of the population are either uncommit-

ted (often frankly atheistic) or attend church for their baptism, first communion, confirmation, and funeral masses. We met the Dean of a Roman Catholic Seminary at a US Embassy reception and he frankly told us that we would soon discover that Chile's Roman Catholics were not practicing Roman Catholics.

However, there are evidences on all sides of the Spanish-Roman Catholic history of Chile. There are, of course, the many Roman Catholic churches, most of them very old, but some very modern and attractive ones going up in new sections of the city. The buses frequently have pictures of the saints or of the Virgin on the windshield. Commanding a prominent view of the city, and able to be seen from almost any place in the city, atop a "small mountain" that rises right in the middle of the city is a huge statue of Mary to whose care Santiago has been dedicated. In those churches that are not dedicated to her, there are prominent statues and altars. Even in the cathedral, her altar and statue overshadow the very beautiful main altar.

Relations between Roman Catholicism and Protestantism in Chile are supposed to be the best in South America, and the few contacts we have had with their clergy have been most cordial and on very even terms. Two young seminarians stopped by our house one day to say they were studying Protestantism in one of their classes and wanted to visit to borrow something to read that would tell them from our point of view what we believe. The dean of the Roman Catholic Seminary, whom we met at the Embassy, was also very pleasant, and interestingly enough, was also curious as to what we studied and what we considered the basis of authority in Protestantism. We enjoyed both these visits and hope to pick up some contact with the Roman Catholic clergy, even to ask some of the questions that are always present in the Protestant mind.

We are enjoying our church and our people very much. There are problems, all churches have them, of re-organization, of the assimilation of their recent rapid growth, improving relations between the local permanent members of the congregation and the newer, short-term United States members (they often have little meaningful contact with each other) and of reaching out to more of the local population.

We stand in complete wonder at the work of the missions down

here. We visited a ten mile square slum area, recently developed as people swarm into the city, in which there are no schools, no churches, in much of it no running water or electricity. There are many Protestant missions in this area, and it is estimated by the Church World Service representatives here that in ten years it will be entirely Protestant, for only the Protestants are at work here, and they are bringing not only mission stations, but schools and medical facilities to the area. We visited a small Methodist Mission and dental clinic, the only medical facilities in the entire area. When the clinic was started last year, they had neither electricity nor running water. They now have the water, but no electric cable. The drill is operated by a foot pedal worked by the dentist as she drills. They have served some 1,500 patients in 18 months. In this area of filth, ignorance, drunkenness, and neglect, the church is making a real difference in the lives of the people. Dana and I have felt the strength and significance of the church as we looked into the clean (Dana says we just had a mild earthquake—I didn't feel it, I am typing, but I did see the lights dim.) smiling faces of children and adults and attempted to communicate across the language barrier. We stood together in spirit, however, as we all sang, in Spanish (we had a mimeographed form), "The Church's One Foundation Is Jesus Christ Her Lord." There were about 200 of us at the cornerstone laying for the new clinic building, and outside, behind the ever-present fence, stood another 75 people—men, women, and children, mostly dirty, watching us, and I wondered what they were thinking. Seeing the mission field at this end has given us a new picture of its worth, vitality, and urgency. The missions theme will have a much larger place in our teaching and preaching after this.

We live in the middle of a bustling city, even with its universal midday siesta. Everything is still new to us—the high fences behind which everyone lives; houses with fireplaces but no central heat; the most beautiful gardens—flowers, always, even in the midst of poverty; our maid, who lives in, has one afternoon a week off and earns \$13 a month, plus \$6 a month for social security; unskilled labor earns about 60¢ per day and skilled labor earns all of \$1.80; this, while living costs are not much less than US; all manner of vehicles fill the streets—horses have the right-of-way, cars second, and the pedestrians running a poor third; numerous private schools (there are not enough public ones) and seemingly millions of their students in school uniforms; the Roman Catholic clergy all in cassocks; and the stores, each for only one thing—meat stores, vegetable stores, bread stores, fruit stores, flower stores, canned food stores, and, of course, lots and lots of wine shops; dinner served anywhere from 8 to 10 p.m. (that is 20 to 22 o'clock here) . . . and on and on. It is a different life. In one week we attended a Salvation Army banquet celebrating its 50th year of work and a Russian Orthodox benefit. A Senator from North Carolina was here two weeks, Senator Wayne Morse will be here Thanksgiving, Lin Yutang in January, and Dr. Roland Bainton, our former professor from Yale, will be here in the summer of 1960. Why don't you come too?

We can't tell you what Christmas is like down here, except that it is in the middle of summer. Our seasons are reversed. However, from here we send you our Christmas Greetings and best wishes. We are ever more aware of our Protestant heritage and faith this year, as we settle in our new home and work. We hope that you, too, may feel the quickening glow of your faith during this Holy Season.

Sincerely,
The Dana Greens
(By Leonora)

P. S. Regular mail from the states takes a full month; airmail makes it in 4-6 days. Please send no packages. There are ways, but mail is not among them.

Buffet originally referred to a small room in which china and glass were stored.

**LOCAL AIRMAN REFERRED
IN ASIATIC GAMES**

Airman 1/c Burton C. Davis, of the 813th AC&W Squadron at Aransas County Airport, was one of the officials in the Asiatic Games held in Tokyo last year, while he was stationed there.

He refereed in the basketball tournament that was part of the games, and said that the top teams, those from Japan and the Philippines were very good indeed, although they lacked height. "They nearly ran me to death," he said, "and they're good ball handlers. They make plenty of long court passes, aren't as afraid of them as American teams, and they are quick as greased lightning."

Davis who was in Japan from 1956 until early this year, was coach of the Yokota Air Base softball team that was all Pacific Air Force champs in 1959 and that was runner-up in the Worldwide Air Force Softball Tournament, finally losing to Lackland Air Force Base in 10 innings by a one-to-nothing score.

He was one of three men from the Air Force that was asked to officiate at the games, which were much like the Olympics, but in which only Asiatic teams competed.

Events included all the regular track and field events, basketball, baseball, the decathlon, table tennis and swimming and diving. The Japanese took the game, sewing up the majority of track and field events, some of the swimming, and the table tennis.

Davis, who is a table tennis fan, said that the Japanese were by far the best players he had ever seen, and that the women players there were as good on an average as the best men players from this country. "They hit that ball like men," he said, and pointed out that the Japanese teams were now holders of four world championships in this particular game.

Spectator sports are track and field, swimming and diving, table tennis and baseball. Basketball isn't well-known to be as wide spread as in America, he said, and of course football hasn't taken hold at all, although the Asiatic teams do play soccer. This, Davis said, can be plenty rugged.

A Nationalist Chinese athlete took the decathlon, Davis said, and is rated third best in the world, being outclassed in points only by one Russian and an Amer-

ican, Rafael Johnson.

After three years in Japan, the airman is glad to be back in the United States.

"It was an experience," he said, "but you see practically everything that you want to see and do practically everything that you want to do in the first year, and after that it can get tiresome. The first year it's fun, but after that you can get awfully tired of having to haggle over every transaction, and its sort of inconvenient for your family for there are not many conveniences."

Weldon Haynes will be home over the holidays to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Slim Haynes.

J. F. Bullard is in Spohn Hospital.

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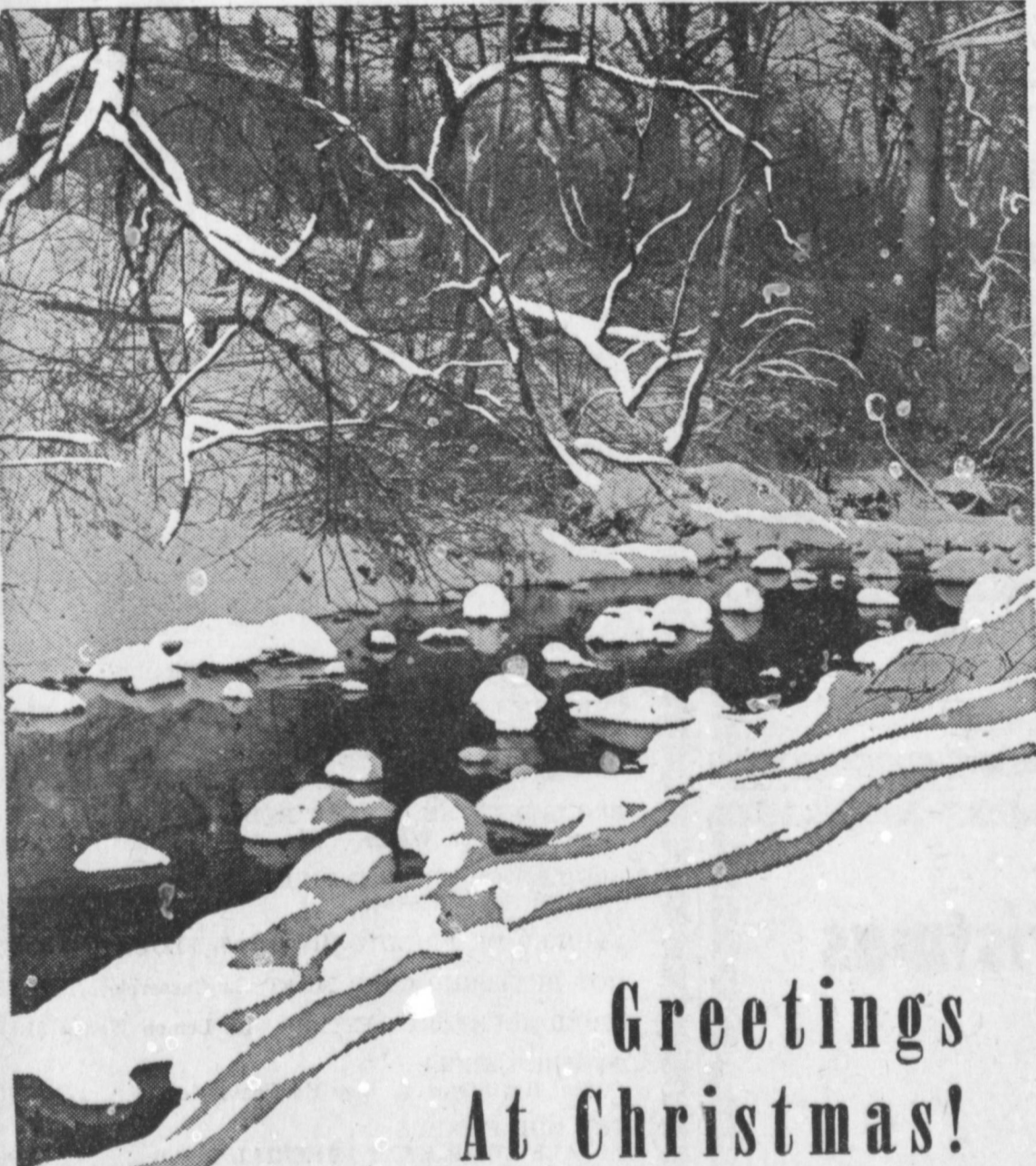
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