

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Garza County's DROUGHT COULD HAVE BEEN PREVENTED—

Enough Rain Fell In 1948 To Grow Grass For 387 Head Per Section

The United States Soil Conservation Service has proved that wasted rainfall can be prevented through conservation methods. In an effort to help prevent it here, local soil conservation technicians have compiled some interesting figures regarding the 1948 rainfall and what it could have accomplished.

Fantastic But True
The total 1948 rainfall for Post to date is 2,654.640 pounds per acre. That is 12 and 29 hundredths inches. Without run off or evaporation that is enough water to grow 6,632 pounds of blue grama grass on one acre. This would be a full feeding of 30 pounds of grass per day for a cow for 231 days. It is enough grass to run 387 head to the section. There is approximately 216,000 pounds of water per acre inch of rainfall.

Historical writing on the cattle business in this country says "The grass was as high as a cow's back. As many as 400 head was run to the section." July was this year's wettest month with 3.85 inches. October had 2 inches. June, May, and February had 1.78, 1.73, and 1.58 inches in that order. September and December are tied with only a trace. November had .12, March 1.19, January .25, August .35, and April .54.

Years dryer than 1948 were 1910 and 1917, each with 10.68 inches of rainfall; 1924 with 11.01 inches, 1933 with 12.31 inches, and 1934 with 11.15 inches. The 1924 drought was preceded by 30.38 inches of rainfall in 1923 and the 1933-34 drought by 27.67 inches in 1932. 1941's 43.20 inches of rain covered each acre of land with 9,331,200 pounds of water.

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Local figures on 1948 registrations were not available by press time.

Biggest Dispatch Of 1948 Presented With This Issue
With this, the annual Christmas Greetings issue, the Post Dispatch is presenting 28 pages in three sections chock full of messages of good cheer from the merchants and individuals who make possible the publication of this paper every week. Today's issue is the largest publication of any week since last Christmas when the Post Dispatch also issued 28 pages.

It is interesting to note that, although business was in general poorer this year than in 1947, the merchants are just as eager to express their greetings to the public as in years past.

Many of these merchants have been expressing such greetings every year for from 25 to 33 Christmas seasons.

In this issue also can be found generous sprinklings of news regarding the holiday comings and goings in all parts of the county, a number of poems and other special Christmas features to be read to the children on Christmas Eve, special Christmas commentary in the regular columns of the editorial and women's pages.

This issue has been for many weeks in the making, and members of the Post Dispatch staff sincerely hope that the general public will enjoy the 1948 Christmas Greetings issue as much as they enjoyed putting it together.

Extra copies of this paper will be on sale at the regular price, five cents each, at the Post Dispatch on Friday.

All Local Churches To Sponsor Citywide Services Monday Through Friday Nights
All churches of Post will participate in a special series of New Year services next week, beginning Monday and closing Friday night with a Watch Service. The services will be held daily at 7:30 p.m. as follows:

Monday, Presbyterian Church, Dr. D. H. Templeton, pastor.
Tuesday, First Christian Church, the Rev. Roemer Huddler, pastor.
Wednesday, First Baptist Church, the Rev. D. A. Bryant, pastor.
Thursday, Calvary Baptist Church, the Rev. H. E. McClain, speaker.
Friday, First Methodist Church, the Rev. A. B. Cockrell, pastor. This service will begin at 8 p.m. and last until 12:01.

Other participating churches and pastors are: Assembly of God, the Rev. A. W. Burdine, pastor.
Church of God, the Rev. M. C. Rains, pastor.
Nazarene Church, the Rev. H. E. McClain, pastor.
Church of Christ, the Rev. Paul Mayr, pastor.

The host pastor will bring an appropriate message for the occasion, and the choirs of all churches will provide special music under the leadership of the host church's music director. All the people are invited to attend all the services.

Farm-To-Market Road Project Is Confirmed Here
Confirming an announcement made several months ago by County Judge J. Lee Bowen regarding forthcoming construction of farm-to-market roads in Garza County, the Texas Highway Department this week sent the Post Dispatch the following copy of a minute by the Texas Highway Commission:

"In Garza County the following described roads are hereby designated as Farm-To-Market Roads subject to the concurrence of the Public Roads Administration and subject to the condition that Garza County will furnish all required right-of-way free of cost to the State.

Needy Families To Receive Gift Baskets Friday
The names of 17 families, who are to receive Christmas baskets, had been submitted to the Post Chamber of Commerce secretary by Wednesday morning. Three of the families were "adopted" by the Men's Bible Class of the First Methodist Church, one was "adopted" by the Fifty-Fifty Class, one was "adopted" by the John Lott family and one was "adopted" by the Mystic Sewing Club.

The remaining 11 families will receive baskets from the Lions Club, members of which will meet at Graeber's Grocery tonight to pack the baskets. The gifts will be delivered Friday afternoon.

Santa Claus Will Arrive Friday To Greet Big Crowd
Almost all the youngsters in Garza County are counting the hours until about 2 p.m. Friday when they will see Santa Claus in downtown Post.

Santa's Christmas Eve arrival is sponsored each year by the Post Volunteer Fire Department, which sends a firetruck outside the city limits to bring him to town when he reaches this area.

Ten business firms have each bought a tuffey, which Santa Claus will give away during his visit here. Santa Claus also will give candy to all the children.

The firemen bought the candy and they and their wives put it in paper bags during their recent Christmas party.

Grandson Of Post Couple Claimed By Death In Lubbock
Funeral Services and burial for William Ramsey McGuire, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McGuire, Jr., of Taos, N. M., were held in Throckmorton yesterday afternoon. The child died in the Lubbock Memorial Hospital Monday night after a two weeks illness.

He is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McGuire of Post. Other survivors include his parents, a sister and a brother and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Kelley of Throckmorton.

The body was taken overland by Hudman Funeral Home Tuesday afternoon.

Johnson Sells Out To Bivens Tuesday
Hayden Johnson sold his interest in the Lone Star Service Station to his partner, Reece Bivens, Tuesday afternoon. They have been operating the station jointly since April.

Bivens plans to continue operation of the station with the same policies and services that have been in effect.

Johnson had made no plans for the future by press time.

Cherches Are Having Yule Programs
Christmas in Post is highlighted by "the annual Christmas tree at the church."

Some of the churches already have had their visits from Santa Claus, and others are having them tonight and Friday night.

Santa Claus will visit the First Presbyterian Church tonight during a program which will begin at 7:30 o'clock. The children of the church will present the program.

The Calvary Baptist Christmas tree program also will be held at 7 o'clock Friday night at the church. A program will be presented by the Junior, Primary, Beginners and Cradle Roll Departments, and Santa Claus will distribute gifts. The church has been beautifully decorated for the Christmas season.

The First Christian Church always has its Christmas program and tree the Sunday night before Christmas. Each person attending last Sunday night took "a white gift for the king" and they were placed in a box which was sent to the family of Roy Holly, who has been bedfast since receiving injuries in an automobile accident on Easter Sunday. Mrs. Ben Owen was in charge of the Christmas program, which was presented by the young people of the church. Gifts were exchanged from a lighted tree.

The First Methodist Christmas tree was held at the church last night. The children's department presented a program, and Santa Claus distributed gifts to everyone present from a decorated tree.

A Christmas tree was also held at the Church of the Nazarene last night. All of the children of the church participated in a program, then gifts were distributed from a decorated tree.

More Dust, Colder Weather Predicted
The weather was bad almost everywhere this week.

New York City had its third heaviest snowfall in history—19.6 inches, Monday and the entire eastern seaboard of the United States was suffering from a whirling snow storm.

The snow storm swept the Midwestern states, and winds with gusts ranging up to 100 miles an hour struck erratically in Colorado and Wyoming, blowing out windows, knocking down signs and causing thousands of dollars in damage. Eastern and southern Idaho had piled snow which stranded automobiles and public transportation.

While this was going on, dust filled the Garza County skies and cut visibility at times to 1/16 of a mile. Lower temperatures, more wind and more dust were forecast for this week.

Comanche Leases Rodeo Property
It was announced this week that the Post Stampede and Rodeo Association has leased 24.9 acres of land near the rodeo arena to the Comanche Oil Corporation for one year.

Giles Connell, president of the association, said yesterday that it is not known at this time whether or not the Comanche Corporation intends to drill on the land, but it will be drilling during 1949.

Sheriff's Office To Close Two Days
The office of the Garza County sheriff and tax assessor-collector will be closed December 30 and 31 while Sheriff Nathan Mears and Deputy Assessor-Collector T. H. Tipton prepare annual reports.

SMOKE DAMAGES HOUSE
The home of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Henderson in north Post was damaged by smoke Tuesday afternoon from a fire which started in an overstuffed chair in the living room. No one was home at the time the fire started. It was extinguished by the Post Volunteer Fire Department, but not before the flames had destroyed the chair and burned a hole in the floor beneath it.

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GETTING OUT On The LIMB by EDDIE the EDITOR

It's not what we give, but what we share. For the gift without the giver is bare; Who gives himself with his arms feeds three— Himself, his hungry neighbor, and Me.

The Christmas gift tradition stems from an ancient appreciation of the rich gifts that the Divine Power has given us.

Too many give because we don't wish to be outdone by whomever is expected to give us something in return.

I'll wager there's hardly a Christmas card sender in the world who doesn't proceed in this manner: (1) Look up the list of people who sent cards last year; (2) add the list of new friends; and (3) order enough extra cards for the people he ordinarily wouldn't remember but who, for some strange reason, sent him a card.

I like the tradition of exchanging Christmas gifts and cards, and I'm never more pleased when I can afford to buy extremely nice gifts for those I love and especially nice cards for my friends. I will always do as much in this respect as my pocketbook will afford.

But there's something too few of us realize. Our responsibility—if we are to leave the above impression—does not end with the presentation of the gift or the sending of the card. The people who love me would trade all the worldly gifts that I could afford for a good, thoughtful disposition on my part.

There's one thing to be said for people and relatives who can't bear the sight of each other 364 days a year but exchange gifts and gather together for a Christmas tree party or family dinner on December 25: A reconciliation could come out of the experience.

There's a little poem—not exactly a Christmas tome—which expresses the message I'm trying to get across. It's entitled "When Someone Cares" and the author is a fellow named James E. Hilkey:

When you get some disappointment, an' you're feelin' kind-o-blue. When your plans have all got side-tracked or some friend has seemed untrue; When you're toilin', prayin', strugglin' at the bottom of the stairs— It's like a panacea just to know that someone cares. Someone who can appreciate one's efforts when he tries; Someone who can understand— and so can sympathize; Someone who, when he's far away, still wonders how he fares— Someone who never can forget— Someone who really cares. Oh, this world is not all sunshine— some days dark clouds disclose; There's a cross for every joy-bell, an' a thorn for every rose; But the cross is not so griev-

ROGER W. BABSON WRITES THIS WEEK:

Corporations Urged To Get Ready For World War

New Boston, N. H. — This week's column is not written for farmers, as I know nothing about farming. Nor is it written for those who live in small self-sustaining cities or rural communities. Rather, I am writing for my business friends in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit, Los Angeles, Cleveland, Baltimore, St. Louis, Boston, Pittsburgh and Washington, D. C. Because when World War III does come, some one or more of these 11 cities will suffer a terrible loss of life. Readers who live in the famous "Magic Circle" are especially fortunate and have nothing to fear. You are in "the richest in time of peace and safest in time of war" of any part of the U. S. Probably every state has some similarly safe, productive and attractive sections. Readers who live in such places should be very thankful. With the above introduction I will sail ahead.

Garza and the World

By EVELYN BOYD

Last year this column described Christmas in many lands. Several parents told us they appreciated it, because their children enjoyed hearing how Christmas was celebrated in other countries. So, here is some more of the same, based on information in this year's Christmas edition of Ideals Magazine.

In Denmark—"Jul-Nisse," the benevolent little man of the attic, is the essence of Christmas for many people of Denmark. Although he is seen by no one except the family cat, this little man, who lives in the attic and attends to farm animals, is responsible for many mischievous happenings in the house.

In Sweden—St. Lucia dressed in white with a brilliant red sash about her waist, and wearing an astonishing crown of pine boughs haloed with the light of seven candles, awakens the members of the household by bringing them coffee and cakes on a tray, thereby proclaiming the arrival of the Christmas season on December 13.

In Poland — One of the most beautiful celebrations of the religious traditions of Christmas is offered to the world by Poland. When the first star appears in the evening sky on December 24, Fast Day is ended and the Christmas supper begins. Straw is placed under the table, dishes, and table cloth, and one chair is left vacant for the Holy Child.

In French Canada — The charming, yet simple, declaration of Faith by the people of French Canada awakens memories of the ancient French Christmas, with its quaint, new, characteristic lightness of spirit, and intense religious feeling. Christmas day begins with a midnight mass of great splendor, followed by the Revellion, an elaborate after-church dinner in the home.

In Italy—Eclipsing the Christmas festival in Italy is the feast of the Immaculate Conception, honoring the Virgin Mary. Calabrian shepherds dressed in goat skin trousers and colorful jackets, come down from the mountains to play on their pipes and pastoral flutes, stopping before each shrine in the streets and before the doors of all carpenter shops to salute the Virgin and Child.

Italy's Christmas scene is set with a profusion of pretty flowers and graceful

omers. Most employers have summer places to which they personally could flee, but such places do not provide an emergency plant or emergency offices.

We, however, have not been content to do only this. Hence, we have been picking up some old farm houses to which the families of our employees could move. These are from one to three miles from our Emergency Plant at New Boston, N. H., for use in case of World War III. We bought an old brick building which we could use for offices and several nearby homes in which we could house a limited number of executives. We believe that many more business concerns in one of these vulnerable cities should do the same thing. They owe it to their customers.

than an insurance policy is an investment. Such a farm would give a family wholly dependent thereon only a meager existence. The same time and energy spent on a city job would pay four times as much as if expended on this farm;—but for employees who work in a large city, it is an excellent insurance policy.

This is not a recommendation that educated young and old people try to get a living on such a farm. The experiment would probably end in disappointment. Such farms are useful as summer homes for employers and executives within commuting distance, or those who have saved or inherited a modest nestegg. This however, is an appeal that medium-sized corporations provide not only for their owners

What Our Contemporaries Are Saying:

POST IS PRAISED — In her column in the Post, Texas, Dispatch last week, Evelyn Boyd had quite a lot to say about the much talked of juvenile delinquency. And according to that writer they had plenty of their share of just that, up until about a year ago. But Post people realized as other towns should realize, that no Santa Claus is going to step in and straighten out the matter after it is almost got out of hand.

In the first place they reorganized and rejuvenated a very inactive Boy Scout organization, got others in, instituted some Cub Dens, etc. In fact, Post realized that the whole thing had been thrown in their laps, and it would take some talent as managers, and some money—yea quite a bit of that to do the job. But they did not hesitate. They went at the matter in a matter-of-fact way and put it over.

Not only that, but places were provided for innocent amusement of course, properly supervised. And according to Mrs. Boyd, what a change in just a brief year of time. The rank and file of Brownfield youths, or perhaps those of Post, Tahoka and Lamesa, are not bad at heart. They have olive trees. Their Santa Claus is the beneficent old witch, "Gefana," who, clothed in rags, rides from house to house on a broomstick, leaving presents beside the hearth for the children.

The Precipio, truly symbolic of the Italian Christmas, is found in every home, with tiny statuettes of the Holy Family, angels, shepherds and Wise Men grouped about a miniature manger.

In Switzerland—"Samichlaus," as he is known in Switzerland, is eagerly awaited by the children on December 5. In the mountain hamlets he is heralded with a procession from the little village church. Cross Bearer and Banner Boys, wearing quaint, high peaked hoods for protection from the mountain air and snow, lead the choir and clergy through the street. In their midst is the Saint himself—Samichlaus—wearing a red, jovial mask, white flowing beard, fur-trimmed robe, and a gray sack and staff, both conveying rewards for the good and bad children.

energies are exerted in the right direction, we will always get what we want. And if a town grows through the initiative and ability of its own people and own capital, it can always feel that it has done a little better job.

The spirit shown in Levelland as it strives to secure a modern hotel, parks, playgrounds, new churches and schools, public buildings, street and utility improvements, is inspiring. Let's always keep that spirit and watch Levelland grow and go forward.—Levelland County Herald.

SWINDLERS REPORTED — In many sections of the Panhandle newspapers report that swindlers are at work. Hot checkers are swarming in droves over the Panhandle, according to reports published in the weekly newspapers. Peace officers are begging merchants and business firms NOT to accept checks unless they know the makers of the checks and the fellows who are trying to pass the checks.

Swindlers among magazine peddlers have increased, according to reports from all sections of the Panhandle. Citizens are advised that they are running the chance of being swindled out of their money when they give one of these birds money for magazine subscriptions. These warnings come from towns where the citizens have been gypped by these fly-by-night birds. — Canyon News.

DEPENDS UPON SPIRIT—The permanent and profitable development of any community, including Levelland and Hockley county, depends upon the spirit of its citizens and the utilization of local resources of money, materials and intelligence. Levelland seems to be one of those towns that isn't going to sit back and wait for someone else to help it keep on growing. Although not making too much "tuss" about it, our civic leaders go quietly on their way apparently determined that Levelland will continue to advance.

Contrary to much present-day thought, the development of this or any other community does not depend upon the amount of state money spent in our vicinity or the amount of Federal cash that can be sucked in. These funds will help of course, and may provide a spurt, but if their acceptance involves a surrender of local spirit, it might not be worthwhile.

We would not go so far as to say that we would forego all the advantages that come from outside sources. However, if our



"Fred, here's a \$25 raise for telling me about the new work at CONNELL CHEVROLET COMPANY."

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Fry's FEED AND HATCHERY

SEASON'S GREETINGS Bishop Body Shop AND BEST WISHES

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES Bishop Body Shop — JACK BISHOP

Mrs. J. W. Rogers and daughters, Patsy and Joan, will spend the holidays in Post. They have been living in Rhome, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mayr left Monday to visit her parents in Goldthwaite and his parents in Waco until January 3 or 4.

Supervisors Urged To Preach Saving Of Soil All Year

Pete Ottinger of the Duck Creek Soil Conservation office called the Post Dispatch editor's attention to the following statement in Texas Hospital, published by the Association of Texas Soil Conservation District Supervisors:

"Our job has just begun. As supervisors we must do a lot more with more efficiency than we have been doing. Putting in a couple of hours once a month at supervisors' meetings is important and necessary, but between these meetings we can do actually more than at them. "Every one of us can preach the gospel of save the soil and save the grass 365 days in the year. And to save the soil and save the grass, we have got to be crusading missionaries in our communities, and with a concrete plan in every one. We must be the leaders in all problems pertaining to erosion.

"We have the know how. We have many of the facilities to do the job. Yet we are not getting the conservation job on the land nearly fast enough. "First, we must learn ourselves and then preach to our neighbors the fundamentals of agriculture—the life and death of grass and soil. How many livestock men know that leaves are as important to a grass plant as its roots? They know that an important steer is no substitute for a herd bull, but do they know that grass so heavily grazed that it cannot make seed is impotent to reproduce itself?

"Soil, too, can be killed. It isn't just a layer of dirt. Good soil has life and poor soil is dead, killed by continuous cotton and corn cropping. To stay alive, soil needs feed and the best feed of all is a crop of a green legume turned under, while range land needs a layer of litter."

COTTON YIELD INCREASED

E. O. Turbyfill of Calgary says he has found that crop rotation increases his crop yields. Cotton following two years of feed crops yielded 50 pounds more cotton per acre than straight cotton on much better land, he said.

GETS IRRIGATION ENGINE

Tom Power delivered a 145 horsepower V-8 engine Saturday to L. G. Thuet for his fourth big irrigation well on 400 acres west of Shallowater. It made the second 145 horsepower V-8 engine on Thuet's farm. He also uses a 100 horsepower V-8 engine and a Cadillac engine on two of the wells.

Mrs. Lula Floyd spent last weekend in Lubbock visiting her son, Bunk, and wife.

The Office Of The Garza County SHERIFF-TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

WILL BE CLOSED December 30 and 31

While Annual Reports Are Being Prepared

Sheriff Nathan Mears Deputy Assessor-Collector T. H. Tipton



CLOSED Xmas Day and Sunday

Triangle Service Station

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Joyful Christmas

We Include With Our "Best Wishes"

A Promise To Serve You With Increasing Sincerity As Time Goes On.

Post Auto Supply

NOAH, DALE, MALCOLM, JAMES, LOYD

County Records

Courts and Marriage Licenses Real Estate Transfers Oil And Gas Leases

Warranty Deeds:

Rose L. Owens, et al, to J. C. Owens, 241.4 acres of land, being S/2 of Sur. 725, DS&E RR Co. Sur., Garza Co. Texas, Consid. \$16,915.00.

F. I. Bailey, et ux, to Hattie E. Meeks, Lots 1 and 2, Blk. 8, of Post, Consid. \$360.00.

Hattie E. Meeks, et vir, to F. I. Bailey, Lot 16, Blk. 32, of Post, Consid. \$10.00.

I. J. Duff, et ux, to I. J. Duff, Jr. A tract of land out of NW 1/4 of Sur. 1267, John H. Gibson, Garza Co. Tex. Consid. \$6,000.00.

Wesley Yandell, et ux, to D. L. Yandell, Lot 17, Blk. 90, of Post, Consid. \$1.00.

Marjorie Post Davies, et al to R. P. Tomlinson, Lots 11 and 12, Blk. 94, of Post, Consid. \$300.00.

Marjorie Post Davies, et al, to O. V. McMahon, Lots 15 and 16, in Blk. 18, of Post, Consid. \$350.

Marjorie Post Davies, et al, to Mrs. Sarah Jane Tew, Lot 5, Blk. 94, of Post, Consid. \$150.00.

Oil, Gas & Mineral Leases: D. N. Leaverton, et ux, to Sinclair Prairie Oil Co. NE 1/4 of Sec. 1, H. E. & E. & W. T. RR Co. Sur., Garza Co. Texas, 10 year lease; \$176.50 Rentals; \$2.20 Revenue Stamps.

Frank L. Smithy, et al, to Comanche Corporation, 56.91 acres out of Sur. 1223 and 1225, EL&RR RR Co. Sur., Garza Co. Texas, 1 year lease; \$1.10 Rev. Stamps.

Henry Curtis Davies, et al, to Comanche Corporation, 7.3 acres out of Sur. 1225 EL&RR RR Co. and 24.29 acres out of Sec. 1223, EL&RR RR Co. Sur., Garza Co. Texas, 1 year lease; 55c Rev. Stamps.

The Post Stampede, Inc., et al, to The Comanche Corporation, 24,908 acres out of Sur. 1225, EL & RR RR Co. Sur., Garza Co. Texas, 1 year lease; 55c Rev. Stamps.

Marriage Licenses: Chester Burt Hubbard, 24 and Miss Anne Carline Birkman, 24, of Lubbock, Issued 12-17-48.

Happy Birthday:

December 23, Mrs. L. P. Baker, December 24, Zora Ann Outlaw, Jess Wright and Jimmie Short.

December 25, Janene Haynie, Mrs. Earle Thaxton and Mrs. Laura Albright.

December 27, Hans Hudman, Katherine Kahler, J. C. Johnson and Mrs. O. R. Carey.

December 28, W. J. Tipton, December 29, Carolyn Martin and P. S. Nichols.

Miss Viola King who is employed in Lubbock will arrive home Friday morning to visit for a few hours with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andy King. She will leave that night for Brenham to meet the family of her fiancé, Joe Stahl.

Christmas guests of N. J. Lanette will include two grandsons, Carroll and Lindel Ward, students of Abilene Christian College, and a granddaughter, Miss Katherine Childress, also of A. C. C.

DISPATCH CLASSIFIED ADS

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First insertion, per word 2c
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Minimum, each insertion 25c
Card of Thanks, per word 2c
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All Classifieds Should Be In Our Office Not Later Than Wednesday Noon.

PLEASE SEND CASH WITH AD.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE — Good pigs, six weeks old, Homer Huddleston, 1/4 mile northeast of Jim Grayes. 2tp

FOR SALE — Box building, 12 by 25 ft., tin roof, half floored. See J. A. Meeks. 1f

FOR SALE — Bed room suite and baby bed. See Mrs. A. W. Bratcher at corner of 13th and North Monroe. 2tp

FOR SALE — 4 room modern house, 750 square feet of floor space; fully carpeted, in-laid linoleum, air conditioned. Would sell kitchen range, coffee table, breakfast table and four chairs, sectional divan, 2 gas heaters. Clint Herring, 615 West Main. Telephone 76 or 11. 4tc

FOUR SOWS AND PIGS — For sale, or pigs without sows, and six shoats. Guy B. Hunt, Rt. 1, across road from Barnum Springs School house. 2tp

FOR SALE — Ford tractor and equipment, less than 1 year old, like new. Will trade for John Deere with 4 row equipment. Vernon A. Turner, Route 3, Post. 2tp

HOUSE FOR SALE — 5 room and bath with 2 3/5 acres of land, or would trade it for another house closer in. Velma Page, 701 South Monroe. 3tp

FOR SALE OR TRADE — For trailer, eight inch saw and 1/2 H.P. motor. Claude Canterbury, corner 12th St. and Monroe. 1f

FOR SALE — Two 6 cu. ft. New Frigidaires—One used 8 ft. Frigidaire excellent condition. Terms, McCrary Appliance. 1f

FOR SALE — Good upright piano. All keys intact. Stool thrown in. A real bargain. Post Volunteer Fire Department. 1f

FOR SALE — 366 Acre Farm, with 160 acres in cultivation, a good well, plenty of water, four room house and one small house, good barns and sheds. Price \$10,000 per acre. Possession January 1. One-half minerals intact. Write or call O. L. Kelley, Spur, Texas. 1f

FOR RENT — Furnished bedroom, front entrance. Mrs. Ben Smith, 1/2 block north of Pure Food Market. 1f

FOR RENT — Furnished two-room apartment, for couple. Mrs. Earl Hodges. 1f

FOR RENT — 2 room furnished house. See Mrs. Jack Corley at 30 N. Monroe. 1tp

MISCELLANEOUS

DIRT CONTRACTORS
For general dirt work including oil field work, tank work, terracing or grubbing call 417. Homer Gordon, 414 West Main Street. 1f

WANTED—A woman between 40 and 55 years of age to live in my home, help care for a baby, cook and help with house work. Sundays off, if desired. See Mrs. Jeffie Northcutt at the American Cafe. 1te

NO HUNTING OR FISHING — On the Beulah Bird Ranch. 1f

WANT TO BUY—Large, clean, white rags. Post Dispatch. 1f

WASHING MACHINE PARTS AND REPAIR PARTS — for any machine except full automatic. See Guy Davis week days 12 o'clock noon to 4 p.m., 414 South Washington Street at old Help-Self Laundry Building. 1f

CHARIS CORSETIERE— Foundation garments, girdles and brassieres. See Mrs. Tom Morgan, 312 W. Ninth Street or Write P.O. Box 336. 3tc

LOST — At football game in Post, we think: My son's eye glasses, rimmed and in brown case. Mrs. Jim Ward, Box 126, Tahoka. 3tc

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS
Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to my loved ones and friends in and around Post. Mrs. J. A. Johnson.

CARD OF THANKS
We are taking this means of expressing to the people of Post and Garza County our heartfelt appreciation of the fine support which you gave us during the football season.

We are especially grateful to the local merchants and all the other people who had a part in remembering us with generous gifts and who, in other ways, have made our work here extremely pleasant.

As most of you realize, we are losing many of our best football players this year; but we will try our best to give you another good team next year.

Thanks, folks, and Merry Christmas!

Sincerely,
V. F. Bingham, Post High School football coach.
Vernon Ray, assistant coach.

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From where I sit ... *by Joe Marsh*

Dutch Miller's Back In Uniform

After ten days in the city, Dutch is back in uniform. I don't mean Army khaki or Navy blue—but a different uniform, that's every bit as patriotic and American.

Blue jeans and a denim shirt, for work around the yards and barns; stout boots for tramping through the fields; and a straw hat when the sun gets high—a uniform you see from Maine to Texas, Iowa to Alabama.

It's the uniform of an army—the great army of American farmers who, by their productivity, are helping to keep this nation strong—bolstering the forces of democracy that guard our freedom.

And in their way of life, too, they are champions of freedom. Temperate folk who enjoy a moderate glass of beer—but never quarrel with those who prefer cider. Tolerant people who fight to the bitter end against oppression and intolerance. From where I sit, a credit to America!

Joe Marsh



The Bazaar
Mrs. Oma Moreman

Merry
Christmas

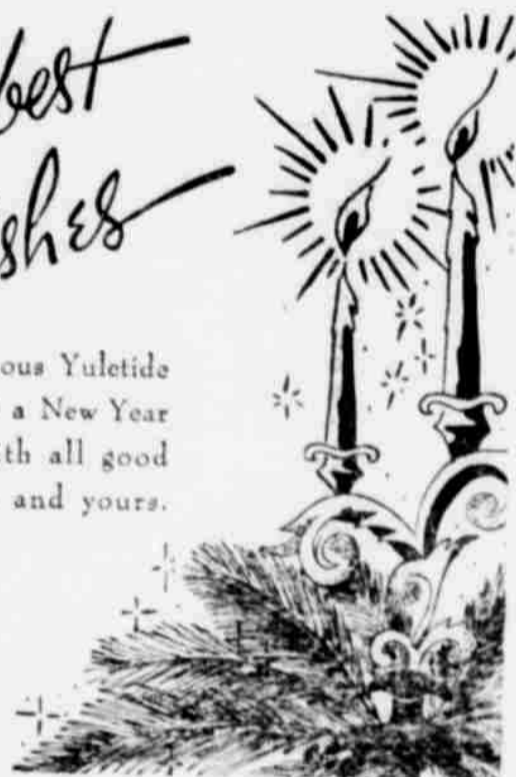


May the joy and peace of Christmas
be with you through the New Year.

SMITTY'S WELDING SHOP

With best
wishes

... for a joyous Yuletide
celebration and a New Year
overflowing with all good
things for you and yours.



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Company**

HOMER
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Close City News

Please Send News Not Later Than
MONDAY to
Mrs. WILL TEAFF
Close City Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. C. Fowler hope to spend Christmas with friends and relatives in their former home town, Mineral Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Kiker are expecting a Christmas visit from their son, Charles Ray, who is stationed with the army in Mississippi.

The Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Bratton will have Christmas dinner with their children in the home of a daughter at Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Carey and children will spend Christmas with relatives at Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Teaff are looking forward to having all their children except one home for Christmas. They will have a family tree and a dinner on Christmas Eve. Pfc. N. B. Teaff, who is stationed with the army in Tampa, Fla., will be unable to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Custer went to Floydada to visit his sister, who is ill.

Christmas Day guests in the G. C. Custer home will be Mr. and Mrs. Mike Custer and children of Post, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Childs and Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Duncan of Close City and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Bryant of Olney.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert and son of Clairmont spent Sunday as guests of her sister, Mrs. Floyd Byrd and family. Mr. and Mrs. Byrd and son, Junior, plan to eat Christmas dinner with the Gilberts at Clairmont.

Mrs. G. R. Day of Post visited in the Barney Jones home and attended church here Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Jones and children will spend Christmas in Seagraves with Mr. Jones' parents.

Mrs. Paul Foster and daughters of Post are visiting this week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Rosenbaum.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Alexander and children of Morton visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Redman, last week.

Visitors in the George Fulton home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Newsom of Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Thuett, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Tipton and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Tipton visited Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Tipton, Jr., at Amherst Sunday.

Mrs. Harvey Stotts, Sr., of Southland and Polly Stotts of Denton visited Mrs. Harvey Stotts, Jr., and new baby Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Carey and daughters entertained the young people's Sunday School Class Thursday night. Refreshments were served to 17 members and the teacher, Mrs. Will Teaff.

Mrs. Oran Clary and son of Post attended church services at the Baptist Church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Tipton, Jr., of Amherst will visit his parents Christmas.

Guests in the Woodrow Furr home Christmas Day will be her mother, Mrs. McCarty and son, and her sister, Mrs. Max Hutch-

Santa Letters:

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 1 year old and I would like to have a red wagon, big ball, some little dishes and a gold bracelet for Christmas. Please bring my big brother, Jerry Don, a pair of binoculars, scout knife and hatchet, and a cowboy shirt.

Thanks,
Judy Lee McCampbell.

Dear Santa Clause:
I am a little boy 6 year old. Please bring me a B-B gun, some candy, fruit, nuts, football, all little boys and girls something. Bring my sister something, a basketball and whatever else you can. Remember Mother and Daddy.

Please,
Garland Dean Daniel,
Route 1,
Tahoka, Texas.
P. S. I will be at Aunt Zeima's at Albany, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a colored boy 8 years old. I'm in the Fourth Grade. Please bring me a cowboy suit and anything else you'd like to and bring my grandmother, Cora Hall, something nice for Christmas.

J. P. Rogers,
Post, Texas.
(Editors Note: J. P.'s aunt, Fannie Gordon, told him it was not necessary to add Post, Texas, to his letter, but J. P. insisted that it be added. "Santa Claus might think I live in some other town," he reasoned.)

enson, and family of Plainview. Mr. and Mrs. Jess Cearley of Colorado will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Cearley, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Tipton will visit in the T. H. Tipton home Christmas Day and they will visit her parents, the E. W. Crosses, in the Grassburg Community the day after Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bowman will be host to their children and their families on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Mason will have all their children home for Christmas except Benton who is in Europe and Ruby who is a nurse.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fulton are planning a quiet Christmas at home but will go to Donie January 4 to attend the birthday celebration of her 80-year-old father.

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CHRISTMAS

TRADITIONAL AS THE
HOLLY WREATH

Each year, as Christmas rolls around, we find ourselves looking forward with keen anticipation toward the opportunity of sending Season's Greetings to our friends.

This custom has become as traditional with us as the holly wreath is with Christmas. To each of you we say, with a warm feeling of appreciation, "MERRY CHRISTMAS."

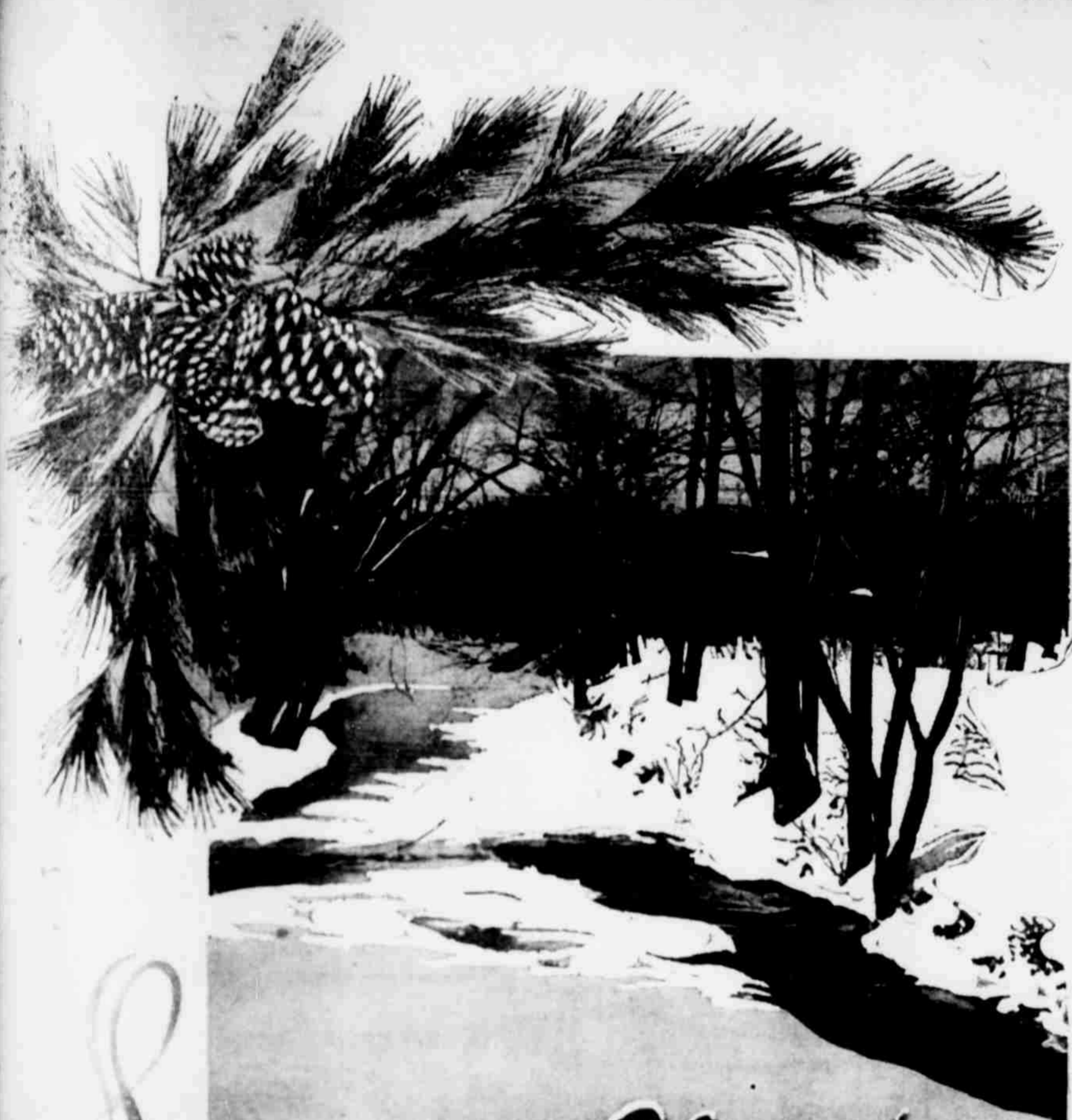
POST RECREATION CLUB
WALTER B. HOLLAND



AT *Christmas*

We think of our friends with deep affection and wish for them the very Merriest of Yuletide celebration and a New Year filled with good health and contentment.

Postex Cotton Mills, Inc.



Merry Christmas

Long-lasting friendships and the ever

present desire to serve bring about an understanding of a

better way of life and a deeper appreciation of the time-hallowed

wish - A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

*Hudman Furniture
Company*

Hudman Funeral Home

Small Fry Wants Electric Toys For Doing Work

Whether or not it is significant, today's children will take their small lives more serious than did those in the days of drums, tops and lollypops.

This year's toys mean hard work — and maybe callouses — for the small fry.

Take the latest thing for little girls—an electric vacuum cleaner. It has an electric motor and it really works.

When the little tyke gets through cleaning the rugs, she can wash the clothes in her new toy washing machine. It runs off a clock-spring motor and has an agitator just like Mom's. And Sis can wring out the family wash with the machine's rubber rollers.

If the little girl has any strength left, she can use her toy electric iron. It works, too.

Any spare energy can be used on the new toy lawn mowers, mops, brooms and sewing machines.

And the toy departments over the country are geared with stuff designed to keep little boys happy and on the verge of collapse from exhaustion.

Got any ruts in your driveway? Then why not ask Santa Claus to bring Junior one of the new scale-model road graders? It has balloon tires, a steering wheel and a bulldozer type scraper that works.

Many toy departments are featuring toy gas stations, equipped with air hoses, grease racks, gas pumps and car washers that all work.

With the youngsters all hard at work, Pop this year should have a chance to enjoy the old-fashioned toys that might show up in Santa's bag.

BITS OF NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Bingham and daughter, Margaret, and grandson, Martin Ray Taylor of Carlisbad, N. M., who has been visiting here, will leave Thursday for Carlisbad to visit until Saturday in the Sterling Julian and Herman Taylor homes. On Saturday, the Bingham's will go to Comanche County to visit Mrs. Bingham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Rene Jones and son, Steve, of El Paso arrived here Monday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Cox, until New Year's Day. Mr. and Mrs. Jess Hendrix and children, Gene and Lou Ann, of Lubbock will join the family here Christmas Day. Mrs. Hendrix is the former Gladys Cox.

Christmas Day visitors in the G. R. Day home will be Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lewis and son, Randy, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Day, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Richardson and son, Gill, all of Floydada, and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Gordon and family of Idalou.

BITS OF NEWS

Robert Gardner of Wichita Falls spent the first of the week here visiting his wife and son, who are here to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Esma Cash.

Christmas guests in the Lee Bowen home will be their children and families including, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Cannon and daughters of Idalou, and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Bowen and Bonnie Bowen of Abilene.

The Rev. D. A. Bryant and family will leave Friday evening for Amarillo where they will spend Christmas visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bryant, and other relatives.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

The joys of this season are many—and may you enjoy them all!

And after the last carol has been sung, we add our sincere wishes for a jolly year to follow.

Mr. and Mrs.
G. W. NORRIS



Norris
RADIO SERVICE

Holiday Greetings

We wish you each—we wish you all—the blessings and happiness of this Yuletide season. Our best wishes for your happiness now and all through the New Year.

It is again our pleasure to thank you most sincerely for your past patronage. We tried to serve you well—we hope to serve you even better in '49.

MRS. ALICE PARSONS

Parsons' Dress Shop

Mr. and Mrs. Joy McCartney and son, Alex, informed Mrs. McCartney's mother, Mrs. J. H. Babb, yesterday that they would spend Christmas Day with McCartney relatives in Kerrville but drive to Post for a visit some time between December 26 and January 3. Mrs. Babb will spend Christmas with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Boyd, and her grandsons,

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Bingham accompanied by their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Johnson of Lubbock, left today to visit the Bingham's daughters, Mrs. Sterling Julian and Mrs. Herman Taylor, and their families in Carlsbad, N. M. They will return Friday.

J. N. and Tom Power, and their families.

ADDITIONAL SOCIETY

OES Chapter Has Christmas Party Tuesday Evening

A regular meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star Tuesday night in the Masonic Hall was followed by a Christmas party and program attended by 49 members and four guests.

Reba Turner, who was in charge of the program, was assisted by Pauline Hagood, Fern Jones, Jo Webb and Faye Mathis, in presenting a beautiful Christmas play. After this, Mrs. Hagood read the Christmas story from the Bible and "Silent Night" was played by Mrs. Clint Herring, violinist, and Mrs. J. A. Stallings, pianist.

Gifts were exchanged and the members brought "white Christmas gifts" of food and money to be given to a needy family.

It was announced that on January 4 the local O.E.S. chapter will be host with a banquet at 6 p.m. in the City Hall in honor of the deputy grand matron, Mrs. Blanche Dodgen, of Littlefield, in Roby until Wednesday, by an initiation service at the Masonic Hall.

Naomi Class Meets For Yule Program In Bouchier Home

The First Baptist Naomi Class had an annual Christmas party last Thursday at the home of the teacher, Mrs. Tom Bouchier.

Devotional was given by Mrs. John Sutton, prayer was by Mrs. Oscar Chapman, Mrs. S. E. Camp read "If I had not come," followed by group singing with piano accompaniment by Miss Mary Margaret Duckworth.

Instead of exchanging gifts, each member gave an offering for the Lottie Moon fund for foreign missions.

Pineapple, layer cake, cocoa, star sandwiches and mints were served to the above mentioned and Mrs. Lewis Price, Mrs. C. K. Pierce, Mrs. Bob Williams, Mrs. Reece Bivens and Mrs. Nola Brister.

Mrs. J. W. Long Has Best Radio Record

Mrs. J. W. Long, member of the Barnum Springs home demonstration club, has the best record of any club members in the county for the home demonstration radio listening program during the past 8 months, Mrs. Jewell H. Strasser, county home demonstration agent, announced this week.

Mrs. Long will be honored at a district luncheon for the radio listening winners of other counties January 24 at the Hilton.

Barnum Springs HD Club Entertained

The Barnum Springs Home Demonstration Club met with Estelle Askins December 16 for an annual Christmas party. The house was decorated in a gay Yuletide motif.

A number of games were played and songs were sung, then Santa Claus came. Many members received their "sunshine" gifts were the past quarter. Fruit cake and coffee were served.

Attending were Mesdames Ray Hodges, Bill Norman, Arda Long, M. S. Smith, Bus Pennell, Clyde Wheeler, Byron Haynie, Bill Long and the hostess.

The club will meet January 13 with Mrs. Floyd Hodges.

Dietrich Pupils Are In Private Recital

Mrs. H. J. Dietrich presented her music pupils in a private piano recital at her home last Thursday evening.

Guests appearing on the program were Mrs. H. E. McClain, reading "The Littlest Orphan," and Mrs. R. E. Young playing a cornet duet with her son, Gene, with piano accompaniment by Mrs. Dietrich.

The Christmas theme was featured throughout the program, at the close of which gay Christmas cookies and a cold beverage were served.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Turner and children, Kenneth and Jane, will be hosts to members of the Turner families for a Christmas Tree and dinner Sunday. Attending will be Mr. and Mrs. Kid McCoy of McLean, Mr. and Mrs. Lennie Hood and family of Claude, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Moore of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Golahez of Jacksonville, Fla., Mr. and Mrs. Roger Turner of White Deer, Miss Robbie Turner of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Turner of Grassland and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Turner of Garnolia.

Mrs. John Cearley and children, John Allan and Marthanna, of Fabens arrived Tuesday to spend the holidays visiting relatives. John will join his family here Christmas.

Frank Stokes And Miss Scifres Wed

Miss LaVerne Scifres, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Scifres of Gilliland, became the bride of Frank Stokes, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Stokes of near Plainview, formerly of the Graham Community, at 6 o'clock Saturday evening in the First Baptist Church at Gilliland.

The ceremony was followed by a reception at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. L. Capps, near Gilliland.

Mr. and Mrs. Stokes will make their home near Plainview.

Novelty Luncheon Club Entertained Last Thursday

Mrs. Willard Kirkpatrick entertained members of the Novelty Luncheon Club last Thursday with a beautifully appointed party. Christmas flowers and decorations were used throughout the entertaining rooms and place cards at the luncheon tables followed the holiday motif.

Members of the club were asked to bring their daughters or a guest.

Following the luncheon, games of bridge were enjoyed. Prizes were awarded for the high score and Bingo.

Twenty persons attended.

Guests in the H. F. Anderson home last week were Mr. Anderson's sister, Mrs. J. T. Rogers of Laramie, Wyo., his cousin, Mrs. Ida Heckermann of Lubbock; Mrs. Anderson's brother and family of Fontana, Calif.; her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Fisher of Close City, and a cousin, Mrs. W. S. Jackson, of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Morrel will spend Christmas in Tahoka with their daughter, Mrs. Winston Wharten, and family.



The Rev. Roemer Hudler, pastor of the First Christian Church, will be the main speaker at the second of a series of New Year's churches, beginning at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday night at the Christian Church. The Monday service will be at the Presbyterian Church, the Wednesday service will be at the First Baptist Church, the Thursday service will be at the Calvary Baptist Church with the main address by the Nazarene pastor, the Rev. H. E. McClain. In event the Rev. I. D. Walker is unable to be present, and the Friday night service will be at the First Methodist Church.

Miss Billie Jane Robinson, student of Texas State College for Women in Denton and daughter of Dean Robinson, had an appendicitis operation in the Lubbock Memorial Hospital Monday and she probably will remain there through Christmas. Visiting her on Christmas Day will be her father and her sister, Mrs. Buck Adrian, and family of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian and son, Buck, Jr., arrived here Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Ownbey and daughter Sharon, and Mrs. Ray Ownbey, Sr., and grandson Kenny Ownbey, of Oklahoma City visited in the home of Kenney's maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Bowen from Monday until Wednesday.

Mrs. M. B. Ray has gone to Denton to make her home with a son, Dr. M. B. Ray, whose wife is ill with pneumonia in the Elm Street Hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Davis and daughter of Monta Vista, Colo., are here to visit Mr. Davis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Davis. Other holiday guests of the

Davises will include Mrs. Paul Davis of Plover and Mrs. Duward Brantley of Plainview.

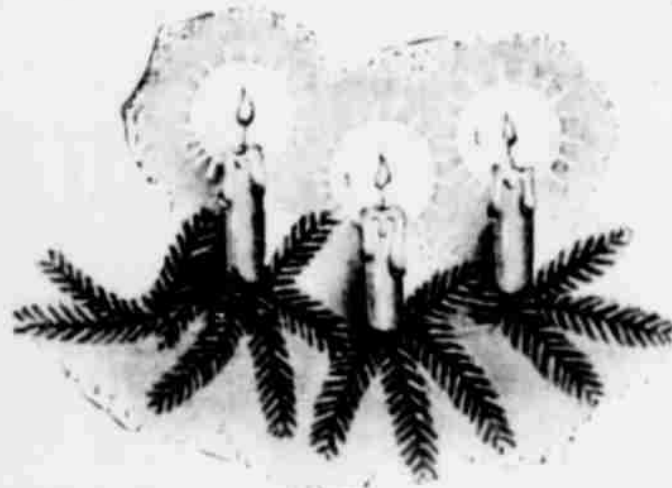
Mr. and Mrs. Dove and children will leave morning to visit Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Field in Roby until

Merry Christmas to All



Dr. B. E. Young

Season's Greetings



O. D. Cardwell

Southwestern Life Insurance Company

With best wishes for Christmas

In appreciation for your valued friendship we wish to express our sincerest wishes for A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

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C. R. BIVENS

SINCERE Christmas Greetings

Two of the best joys of Christmas are having good friends and wishing them a great deal of happiness.



HAPPY NEW YEAR

Al Norris

TRUCKING CONTRACTOR

Greetings

We wish to express our fondest hope that this Christmas finds you ready to enjoy to the fullest the warm, gay, happy spirit of the holiday season. May the Yuletide bells sound a greater joy for you than ever before.

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Carpenter, Russell Lubbock

Miss Mary Margaret Duckworth To Marry Grady Glenn Norman On New Year's Day

The engagement and forthcoming marriage of Miss Mary Margaret Duckworth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Lee Duckworth, to Grady Glenn Norman, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Norman of the Grassland Community, were announced at a tea given Tuesday afternoon at the home of the bride-elect's aunt, Mrs. Walter Duckworth. Hostesses with Mrs. Walter Duckworth were Mrs. Ray N. Smith and Mrs. O. L. Weakley.

Approximately 90 guests were greeted by Mrs. Walter Duckworth and the honoree and her mother, Miss Zora Ann Outlaw, presided at the guest register.

Others in the house party were Mrs. Norman and her three daughters, Mrs. Earl Gregg, Mrs. Howard Teaff, and Mrs. Roy Tasse of Slaton and Mesdames John Warren, George Duckworth, Lee Hodges, S. E. Camp, Misses Katherine Childers and Johnnie Cain and the hostesses. Each wore an evening dress with a white corsage tied with aqua ribbons.

Agate and white were the colors featured in all the decorations. The coffee table in the living room was decorated with a "fountain of youth" floral arrangement.

The announcement was permanently lettered on a plate which, with a background of aqua and white flowers, decorated one end of the tea table. It said that the couple would be married at the First Baptist Church on New Year's Day. The printing was done by Mrs. Sid Cross, the bride's cousin.

The table was centered with a white cake in the shape of wedding bells, which was served with tea and mints from one end of the table.

Among the out of town guests Mrs. J. A. Newman of Portoma, Calif., sister in law of the bridegroom, Miss Juanita Gregg of Abernathy and Miss Betty To Stevens of Midway, N. M.

Rainbow Assembly Has Yule Party

Approximately 50 persons attended the Rainbow Assembly's Christmas party which followed the assembly's regular opening and closing ritual, Monday night at the Masonic Hall. The members and their parents and other guests enjoyed an exchange of gifts, and a program was planned by Mrs. Shirley Mayfield and a committee of which Janie Shepherd was chairman.

Refreshments were planned and served by Mary Nell Bowen and her committee. The centerpiece for the refreshment table was of holly, cedars and red candles in the shape of a rainbow.

Roswell, N. M. For a wedding trip to Monterey, Mexico, the bride chose a gala green wool dress with a French model navy coat and matching accessories. Her corsage was an orchid.

The bride is a graduate of Spur High School and attended Texas Technological College and the University of Texas, majoring in physical education. The bridegroom was graduated from Post High School and attended Texas A. and M. and Texas Tech, majoring in civil engineering. During the war he served two years with a submarine crew, including one year at Subic Bay.

After January 1, the couple will be at home near Tahoka on a farm.

Church News

By GANELL BABB

ONE SOLITARY LIFE

Here is a man who was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in another obscure village. He worked in a carpenter-shop until he was thirty, and then for three years he was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office.

He never owned a home. He never set foot inside a big city. He never traveled two hundred miles from the place he was born. He had no credentials but himself.

He had nothing to do with this world except the naked power of His divine manhood. While still a young man, the tide of popular opinion turned against Him. His friends ran away. One of them denied Him. He was turned over to His enemies. He went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed up on a cross between two thieves.

His executioners gambled for the only piece of property He had on earth while He was dying, and that was His coat. When He was dead He was taken down and laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.

Nineteen wide centuries have come and gone and today He is the centerpiece of the human race and the leader of progress. I am far within the mark when I say that all the armies that ever marched, and all the navies that ever were built, and all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned, put together have not affected the life of man upon this earth as powerfully as that One Solitary Life.

Christmas Prayer:

Help us rightly to remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and the worship of the wise men. Close the doors of hate and open the doors of brotherly love all over the world. For Jesus Sake. Amen.

I have always thought of Christmas as a good time; forgiving, generous, pleasant time; a time when men and women seem to open their hearts freely, and so I say, God bless Christmas — Charles Dickens.

Great is the spirit of Christmas that brings to every heart Peace, Good Will — toward all mankind.—Horace Wilson.

For somehow, not only at Christmas, but all the long year through. The joy that you give to others is the joy that comes back to you.—Whittier.

"God bless us everyone!" prayed Tiny Tim, crippled and dwarfed in body yet so tall of soul, we tiptoe earth to look on him, High towering over all.—James Whitcomb Riley.

Have you any old grudges you would like to pay. Any wrongs laid up from a bygone day? Gather them now and lay them away. When Christmas comes, hard thoughts are heavy to carry, my friend, and life is short from beginning to end; Be kind to yourself, leave nothing to mend. When Christmas comes.—William Lytle.

ONLY THEN—CAN YOU KEEP CHRISTMAS.

Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe to the world; to put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground; to see that your fellow-men are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy; to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life; to close your book of complaints against the management of the universe, and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness—are you willing to do these even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

Are you willing to stoop down and consider the needs and the desires of little children; to remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old; to stop asking how much your friends love you, and ask yourself whether you love them

Nola Murrah And Oscar Howard Are Married Tuesday

Miss Nola Murrah became the bride of Oscar Howard of Gorman at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning at the First Methodist Church, with the Rev. A. B. Cookrell officiating.

The altar was decorated with evergreens and Christmas appointments and lighted by white tapers in floor candelabra.

A program of pre-nuptial music was played by Mrs. J. A. Stallings, then Miss ElWanda Davies sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly." Mrs. Stallings played the piano accompaniment and also the traditional wedding marches.

The bride wore a soldier blue crepe dress with black accessories and a Christmas corsage. Her only jewelry was a double strand of pearls with a rhinestone clasp, a gift of the bridegroom, and a pin more than 100 years old that she borrowed from a friend. She carried out the tradition of "something old, new, borrowed and blue," and for "good luck" she wore a dime in her shoe.

For traveling, the bride wore a brown two-piece wool ensemble with black accessories.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard will make their home in Gorman, where he is a mechanic.

The former Miss Murrah was honored at a shower Monday in the home of Mrs. J. E. Parker. The theme of the program was "Love's Quest," and it included readings and musical numbers.

Mrs. B. E. Williams presided at the bride's book. Many beautiful and useful miscellaneous gifts were presented to the honoree. Her sister, Miss Lola Murrah, assisted with opening the gifts.

The wedding cake was cut and served with coffee, tea and open-face sandwiches. The house was decorated in the Christmas motif.

Twenty-five people were present.

T.E.L. Class Members Entertained With Party Wednesday

The T.E.L. Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met in the new country home of Mrs. W. T. Cook last Wednesday for a business and social meeting.

Mrs. Tom Morgan gave the devotional and Mrs. L. A. Barrow told a story about the Christmas carol, Silent Night.

Names were drawn for entertaining dates next year and gifts were exchanged among the members.

Refreshments were served to 33 members.

Melinda Carter Is Honored Saturday

Melinda Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reece Carter, was honored with a party on her first birthday, in the home of her parents.

Gifts were opened and birthday cake and chocolate were served to Marilyn Williams, Linda Sue Ward, Karen Shepherd, Mrs. Bruce Shepherd, Mrs. W. J. Shepherd, Gertrude Ward, the honoree's grandmother, Mrs. Williams, and Mrs. Margaret Williams.

enough; to bear in mind the things that other people have to bear on their hearts; to try to understand what those who live in the same house with you really want without waiting for them to tell you; to trim your lamp so that it will give you more light and less smoke, and to carry it in front so that your shadow will fall behind you; to make a grave for your ugly thoughts, and a garden for your kindly feelings, with the gate open — are you willing to do these things for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

And if you can keep it for a day, why not always?

But you can never keep it alone. — Henry Van Dyke.

Well Worth Remembering Contributed by James Hill. For when the one Great Sorcerer comes. To write against your name, He writes not that you won or lost, But how you played the game.

Gossip About Garza Guys And Gals

—by gay nellie

D. G. Porterfield was recently initiated into the Ko Sari men's social club at McMurry College. He is a sophomore student there.

Mary Margaret Duckworth, who will be Mrs. Glenn Norman after January 1, is making all sorts of plans for their new home near Grassland.

Billy Bob Hoover, who is in the Navy and stationed in California, arrived home Monday to spend the holidays here with his parents.

Helen Williams of Dora, N. M., formerly of Post, is a member of the Wayland College girls' basketball team this year. En route to Plainview from a game with Hardin-Simmons, she visited Post friends one day last week.

Glen Mauer of Kingsville will be a guest of Am Floyd during the holidays.

Ruth Lavelle McMahon arrived home Saturday from Bethany College in Oklahoma, to spend the holidays.

Sonny McCrary who is a student in Coffeyville, Kans., Jr. College is home for the holidays.

Iris Floyd is going to be in the wedding party of a friend, Jo Woodell, in Eunice, N. M., January 1.

E. W. Williams of S.M.U. in Dallas was home the first of the week.

Bonnie Cupp's boy friend, Wallace Reed of Baylor U., is visiting here this week with her and a former college classmate at Wayland, Rusty Bowen.

Vada Childers received her Christmas gift a little early this year. It is an engagement ring (from James McBride of Merkel) that has a central stone with a smaller stone on either side.

Did you know that Cecil Trull is a policeman in Lubbock?

Betty Williams of Kilgore arrived home Tuesday for the holidays.

Jack Wright is home from A. and M. College for Christmas.

Friendship W.M.S. Meets For Party

The W.M.S. of the Friendship Baptist Church at Close City met Monday afternoon in the home of the president, Mrs. A. M. Smith, for a Christmas party.

The group sang carols and Mrs. Bratton, Mrs. Fulton and Mrs. Jones each told a Christmas story. Mrs. L. R. Mason read a scripture and three small girls, Timmie Lou Russon, Rheta Fern Jones and Kathleen Smith, sang "Here Comes Santa Claus."

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments of cake, fruit salad and hot chocolate were served to Mesdames Walter Brown, L. R. Mason, R. E. Bratton, George Fulton, Will Teaff, Ira Cook, Russon, R. H. Carey and Marshall Tipton and the three girls who sang.

One Hundred Are At Rotary Party Monday Evening

The Rotary Club's Christmas dinner, Monday night in the City Hall, was attended by approximately 100 Rotarians and Rotary Anns.

O. L. Weakley was master of ceremonies for the program, which included music by Mrs. J. A. Stallings and her Melody Maids and group singing of Christmas carols. The dinner was served by Imogene Jewell.

Santa Claus entered the room through a window and distributed gifts from a large decorated tree.

Lions Club Has Dinner Program In City Hall

Twenty-seven members of the Post Lions Club and their wives, Merle Jenkins and three of his pupils enjoyed the club's annual Christmas dinner and program at the City Hall Tuesday night.

The program included a history of Christmas celebrations and themes, dating back for centuries before the birth of Christ, related by S. D. Strasner, and music by Jenkins, Sue Bell Brister, Gene Young and J. W. Butler.

Dinner was served by Imogene Jewell. The centerpiece was of pine cones, Christmas candles and evergreens.

Gifts were exchanged from a lighted tree.

Antique Cloth From Germany Is Received

The dining table for the traditional family Christmas dinner in the home of Mrs. W. R. Graeber will be covered with a hand-embroidered linen cloth which Mrs. Graeber recently received from Germany. The cloth was made many years ago by the sister of the late Mr. Graeber. Mr. and Mrs. Graeber ate at a table covered with it when they visited Germany 25 years ago. The sister wrote that she hid the cloth, along with other precious keepsakes, "in the country" at the home of a friend during the war.

Mrs. Graeber's Christmas dinner guests will be Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Presson and son, Kent; Carl Allmon, Mrs. Nellie Allmon and Miss Effie Presson. Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Presson, who usually have Christmas dinner with the family, will leave Christmas morning for Kingsville where the W. F. Presson's son, Glendon, and Miss Margaret Roe of that city will be married December 27. Mrs. Graeber and the W. F. Presson family will leave for Kingsville after Christmas.

Kent Presson, who is in Washington, D. C., was expected to arrive home by plane today.

Chicago was the site of the Worlds Fair of 1893.

BEST WISHES

for a Season of

GENUINE HAPPINESS

It's time for Santa again and we're sure you are busy getting ready for him. Please take a moment to accept our greetings on this glad occasion. Our Christmas is complete only when we have taken the opportunity to renew our pledge of friendship to each of those whom we have been in a position to serve the past twelve months. We wish you the best of everything.

Laws Dept. Store

Greetings and Best Wishes

Our cheeriest Yuletide sentiments harmonize with the merry notes of Christmas bells as they ring out—Joy to the world and Happiness to all.

Hamilton Drug

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Salliers of Dallas will come to Abilene Friday and meet Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Travis, Jr., and they will come here to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Everett and Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Travis.

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Moreman and children will be hosts to Mrs. Oma Moreman and an aunt of Mr. Moreman on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Greenfield are expecting their daughter, Mrs. Bill Edwards, and family of Fort Worth to arrive here Christmas Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Gordon and family will spend the Christmas weekend in Brownwood with Mrs. Gordon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Cabler.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hodges and daughter plan to leave here Friday afternoon for several days visit in Wichita Falls with Mrs. Hodges' sister.



Flourescent Tube Disposal Unsafe For Careless One

With flourescent lighting being more widely used in homes and work places, note this warning: Cuts from broken tubes containing beryllium can have serious results if not treated by a physician. Ordinary first aid isn't always enough.

The above warning was provided this week by Ted Hibbs of the Southwestern Public Service Company, who also gave the Post Dispatch the following information on the subject released by the National Safety Council:

The disposal of burned out flourescent lamp tubes may introduce a health hazard (developments in the near future, however may eliminate the major portion of the health hazard). The possible hazards, in order of their severity, are these:

1. The dust of beryllium compounds with which the tubes are coated may be inhaled.
2. Cuts or scratches from the broken tubes may retain some of the beryllium compounds.
3. Mercury vapor (tubes contain some free mercury) may be inhaled.

It is recommended that small users of flourescent lamps dispose of the used tubes by placing them in a weighted burlap bag, immersed in water in a trough or shallow tank where they can be broken with a crowbar or length of pipe. The wet bag, unopened, is then removed and dumped.

In the open air where phosphor dust and mercury vapor will be quickly dispersed by air currents, the tubes may be broken individually in their cardboard jackets by a crowbar or length of pipe. The operator should stand to windward.

Disposal in incinerators is not recommended.

Although the tubes are under vacuum and implode when broken, once in a while one will explode. In any method of dry-breaking or in handling wet broken glass, heavy gauntlets and goggles should be worn.

It is very important that cuts from the coated glass be seen at once by a physician. Experience has shown that even a small amount of the powder remaining in a minor wound may delay healing and cause excessive growth in the scar.

BITS OF NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Will Cravy are expecting all of their children and their families home for Christmas. They include Charlie Cravy and family of Morton, Homer Cravy of Lubbock, Bill Cravy and wife of Plains, Mrs. George Waldrup and family and Mrs. A. G. Brant and family of Hobbs, N. M., and Fred Cravy and wife of San Antonio.

A guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Lott is Mrs. Lott's mother, Mrs. Tizard, of Kansas City. She is here for an extended visit.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Daugherty include her mother, Mrs. Ollie Smith of Tomball, and Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Glass and daughter, Janice of Stillwater, Okla., who arrived yesterday and Dr. and Mrs. George Edds of College Station, who are expected today.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Herd and two of their children, Tevis and Betty Claire, of Midland spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Herd. Other guests in the Herd home Sunday included Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hopkins and children, Larry and Gayle, of Lubbock, M.; and Mrs. Herd plan to spend Christmas Day in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Claiborne Pirtle and daughters, June and Lee Beth, of Pueblo, Colo. arrived Sunday afternoon to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. L. A. Pirtle. They arrived in a new Cadillac, which they bought five days before leaving Colorado. All the members of Mrs. Pirtle's family are meeting today for a Christmas dinner.

Santa Letters:

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 7 year old I have been a good little girl I would like for you to please bring me some baking dishes, table and chairs, some fruit nuts and candy. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.
Thanks,
I love you
Carolyn Jones

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy six years old I have been good I do dishes for my mother Will you please bring me a bicycle for Christmas Don't forget my brothers Jerry and Herby something nice. Also bring Mama Joe Holly something nice for she has been a good girl.
Donnie Hays

BITS OF NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Bouchier and son, Tommy, will spend Christmas Day in Snyder with Mrs. Bouchier's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Strayborn.

Howard Adams of Corsicana, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Eggle Stewart entered a veterans hospital in Dallas Sunday for an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hill and daughter, Linda, will leave Thursday for San Angelo where they will spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hill.

Adding beauty to the general Christmas scene are the brightly lighted decorations above the entrance to Post High School.

Ann Wharton of Tahoka spent the weekend with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Morrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Jobe of San Angelo spent the weekend here visiting friends.

Christmas visitors in the home of Mrs. W. J. Shepherd will include Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Payne of Tahoka and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Day of Floydada.

Mr. and Mrs. Reece Carter, Jr. and daughter, Melinda, left Sunday morning for Florida to spend the holidays with his father, Reece Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ott Nance and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Meek of Amarillo, will spend Christmas Day in Snyder with Mrs. Nance's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Periman.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Reese of Shallowater spent Sunday here visiting their daughter, Mrs. Bruce Shepherd, and family.

Mrs. John Sutton, er, Donna Kay, will spend Christmas in Peos with company there.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob daughter, Lin Allyn tomorrow for Straw the holidays with and family, the Loy

Mr. and Mrs. Br and daughter, Kay spend Christmas at Shallowater



The long awaited occasion is here and with it the opportunity of renewing friendships... of saying to our acquaintances that all our good wishes go to each of them and our heartfelt thanks for the patronage that we have had during the time we have served the people of this community.

So, for Christmas we say,

- ★ PEACE FOR YOUR PATHWAY
- ★ WISDOM FOR YOUR WORK
- ★ PROSPERITY IN YOUR UNDERTAKINGS

Homer Gordon
DIRT CONTRACTOR



Season's Greetings

It is the "wealth" of good will, and the "strength" of good fellowship that make for a Merrier Christmas and a Happier New Year.

OK Food Store
OSCAR AND MARGARET BOWEN



Our greetings go out to you for the merriest Christmas ever. May yours be a holiday overflowing with happiness and good cheer. With our Yuletide greetings and best wishes for a happy New Year go our heart-felt thanks for your kind patronage of the past — for your continued patronage in the future.

Lester Nichols
GULF PRODUCTS

Our Best Wishes

FOR A HAPPY CHRISTMAS SEASON TO EVERYONE

BOWEN
Service Station And Garage

O. L. Wilkerson Lumber Co.
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 POST, TEXAS

Christmas, 1948

Dear Friends

We believe that one of the happiest experiences a LUMBERMAN can have is the feeling that his customers are his friends. For the past THIRTY-ONE YEARS that is an experience we have enjoyed.

We want to say, **THANKS A MILLION** for your friendship and patronage.

May your cup of happiness be full and overflowing in the CHRISTMAS SEASON and in the NEW YEAR.

We believe that you deserve it.

Sincerely your friends,

R. E. COX & ROBERT COX

Verbena Bits

Please Send News Not Later Than MONDAY to **HENRIETTA NICHOLS** Verbena Correspondent

Wayne Rankin, formerly of this community and a brother of Howard Rankin of Post, broke an arm and a leg when he fell from a R.E.A. pole while at work on a line near Aspermont. He is in Hendricks Memorial Hospital in Abilene.

Mrs. V. B. Reding and daughter returned home Tuesday after a visit with her relatives in Denton. Mrs. Reding's grandmother, Mrs. Lee Farmer, returned home with them and stayed until Saturday.

Dale Cravy is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cravy. He recently completed his basic army training at San Antonio. He will leave Sunday for Waco where he will continue his training.

The J. L. Cunningham family spent the weekend in Ballinger.

A program and a Christmas tree was enjoyed at the Verbena school Monday night. Several ex-residents of the community, including Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bird, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rankin, Mrs. Maggie Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Kennedy, and their families of Post were present. The program was arranged by Mrs. Al Bird and Mrs. V. B. Redding. Sacks of candy, fruit and nuts were given each person attending.

The Leonard Morton family is moving from this community to a place north of Post during the holidays. We regret losing them from Verbena.

The Tom Gilmores of Grass-burr attended church here Sunday and were dinner guests in the John McQuinn home.

Mrs. Flora Stiles and family of Farmington, N. M., visited recently in the home of her cousin, Mrs. Bill Cravy and family, and also in the home of Mrs. E. L. Kirkendall in Post. She and Mr. Kirkendall also visited Mrs. Stiles' relatives.

Henry Stiles, a former resident of this community, has been in a Lubbock hospital where he had a leg amputated recently. He is reported in satisfactory condition at this time. When he was a child he was bitten by a snake and his leg had never been well since. He is convalescing at his home in Girard.

Moses died after he saw the Promised Land from the top of Mt. Pisgah.

Grade School News

Written By Pupils

A to Z with the Sixth Grade—By Agnes Dodson and Junele Ticer:

- Absent-minded, Charles Hughes.
- Brains, Juanita Rains.
- Conceited, Michael McFadin.
- Dope, Leonard Short.
- Eager, Venita Kilpatrick.
- Friendly, Tommy Lou Scott.
- Giggles, Shirley Bird.
- Handsome, Tommy Mialouf.
- Impossible, Don El Dale.
- Jealous, Modie Faye Ray.
- Kind, Sofia Jiminez.
- Lean, Craylon Odom.
- Mischievous, Jack Shepherd.
- Noisy, Jack Lott.
- Outrageous, Sixth Grade Class.
- Peppy, Christine Blodgett.
- Quiet (when asleep), Glenda Askins.
- Rough, Dee Ingram.
- Silent, Daisy Foster.
- Tomboy, Sue Jean Blacklock.
- Unusual, Billie Louise Wells.
- Vast, Brownie Hayes.
- Wise, Milton Welch.
- X-cellent, Onella Shedd.
- Young, Patty Veach.
- Zealous, Lonnie Wilburn.

Mrs. S. C. Storie, Jr. and Mrs. J. W. Butler, room mothers, took the pupils of Grade 7-2 to the Garza Theatre after the class party today.

Justiceburg News

Please Send News Not Later Than MONDAY to **MRS. R. J. KEY** Justiceburg Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Pettigrew spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. W. C. Caffey and family at Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bevers and family were in Snyder Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Evans were in Slaton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Dorman and daughter spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Dorman and family at Snyder.

Mrs. Russell Witherspoon and children were in Lubbock Saturday.

Mrs. Joyce Claiborne and son and her mother, Mrs. Etta Clarkston, are in Alpine where Joyce is employed.

Lee Nolan was in Snyder Saturday.

Mrs. Raymond Dunigan and son were in Lubbock Thursday.

Visitors in the W. A. Masters home over the weekend were Mrs. Raymond Boren of Rotan, H. D. Dunn of Sweetwater, and Mrs. Master's father and brother of Abilene. Willie Masters returned to Abilene with his grandfather for a visit.

Mrs. Curtis Brown of Slaton recently visited her mother-in-law, Mrs. Beulah Brown here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Justice attended a Christmas Tree and party Friday at the school in Lubbock where their son, Jeff, teaches.

BITS OF NEWS

J. A. Rea of Lubbock, 86-year-old father of Mrs. L. G. Thuett, was injured when he fell at his home Sunday. Although he received no broken bones, he received a gash on the back of his head and bruises on his face. He was resting satisfactorily when Mr. and Mrs. Thuett visited him Monday. Mrs. Thuett said he had been helping his wife clear away the dishes from the dining room after their Sunday dinner, when he became dizzy. Mrs. Rea suggested that he go sit down. He started to the living room, and fell.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Cobb of Wichita Falls will arrive here on Christmas Eve to spend the holiday weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Al Norris and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Kirkpatrick left Monday to spend the week in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Barnes will spend Christmas Day in Tahoka with Mrs. Barnes' mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Pierce and baby of Petersburg will join them there.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill J. Davis arrived home Tuesday from Austin to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Davis.

E. E. Davis, Dean Emeritus at N.T.A.C. in Arlington, is a guest in the home of his sister, Mrs. W. L. Davis.

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Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hodges went to Lubbock Sunday to get her mother, Mrs. W. A. Cook, of that city, who visited here until Tuesday.




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Christmas is more than a day or a season. It's spirit lasts forever with an ever deeper, stronger faith in "Peace — Good Will — To all Men."

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SPORTS

FROM A STRICTLY LOCAL ANGLE

Oil Belt League Executive Committee Makes Plans For Season, Names Officers

Although nothing has been done to date toward organizing a Post Millers baseball team for the coming season, Claude Bailey represented Post at a recent Oil Belt League executive committee meeting in Lubbock. Other towns represented were Sundown, Seagraves, Slaton, Denver City and Levelland. Littlefield and Brownfield were not represented.

The committee reported that Plainview and other cities have asked President Joe B. Holmes of Lubbock for admittance into the loop, but a decision will be withheld until Littlefield and Brownfield report.

Holmes was re-elected president of the league; Claude Hearne of Seagraves was elected vice

president and Herman Brown of Lubbock was elected secretary-treasurer.

Retiring officers are Earl Wilgus of Brownfield, vice president; Lomer Nelson of Littlefield, secretary-treasurer, and Charles Didway of Brownfield, league statistician.

President Holmes will appoint a league statistician at a later date and will investigate a two-umpire system for another year, he announced.

Post, Sundown and Seagraves already have lighted parks and it is believed that several other clubs will install lights before the new season.

The next meeting will be March 6 at the Hilton Hotel in Lubbock.

Monahans To Meet New Braunfels At Odessa Dec. 25

Monahans scored an upset 12-0 victory over New London in Brownwood Saturday afternoon in the semi-finals of the northern bracket of Class A state schoolboy football campaign.

Rain fell for 24 hours before the game, resulting in a slow and slippery field, although no moisture fell during the game. Approximately 4,500 fans attended the clash between undefeated eleven.

The two teams fought to a scoreless tie in the first half, with Monahans making only one scoring threat. After a drive downfield to the 10-yard line Wild Waldo Young fumbled and New London recovered.

Young adequately redeemed himself in the second half. He took the second half kickoff on his 10-yard line and romped 62 yards to New London's 28. A personal foul moved the ball down to the 13. Three line plays pushed the ball down to the two, and Young went over for the counter.

Young failed on a line-plunge for the extra point.

In the fourth quarter, Monahans staged an 82 yard attack for the second touchdown. The drive started on Monahans' 18 when Monahans took over on downs. Fullback Ray Cathey, Quarterback Eddie Sampson and Young alternated in carrying down to the 15 yard line.

On the fourth down Sampson tossed a jump pass to End Alt on Line for 13 yards gain. Then Sampson went over from the two. Weldon Boggus' kick for extra point was blocked.

The last touchdown came with just 25 seconds left to play.

Young was the outstanding ground gainer Saturday making 160 yards in 21 tries with the ball.

Monahans earned 13 first downs to nine for New London. Monahans gained 253 yards rushing and lost 13. New London gained 138 rushing and lost four.

Out of three attempted passes Monahans completed one for 13 yards. New London tried 12 passes, completing four for 29 yards.

Three Games Are Won By Girls In Lamesa Contests

Coach N. R. King and the three local Girls' Basketball Teams journeyed to Lamesa Tuesday night to be victorious in all the games.

The Juniors won their game by a score of 11-2 with Margie Freeman and Betty Mills each scoring 4 points.

In the B game, the locals came out 2 points ahead. This was the best game of the evening and Lanell Brown, Barbara Lusby and Ann Floyd did a fine job in the guard positions. Peggy Johnston chalked up 9 points as high scorer. Post led in the first quarter 4-2; at the half, 7-4; at the end of the third 11-9 and 15-13 in the fourth.

Good teamwork was the reason.

Bud Byrd of Rawlins, Wyo., who lived at Snyder 45 years ago, is enjoying his first visit to this area in that many years. He is visiting his aunt, Mrs. John Coleman; his cousin, Lee Byrd, and other relatives here and in other West Texas towns. He arrived Monday and will remain in this area until after Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Nance and Mr. and Mrs. Bryan J. Williams attended the annual Texas Cow-Boys' Christmas Ball in the Star Hotel in Anson Tuesday night.

Girls Do Better Than Boys During Weekend Tourney

The local girls' basketball team came home from the New Deal Tournament Saturday night with the second place trophy.

They won over Kress in their first game Friday, by a score of 24-11. Joy Stewart took the scoring honors with 9.

At 9-15 that night the locals met Anton and defeated them to the tune of 26-21. Janet Stewart racked up half of the points Post made in the game.

The Post six met New Deal in the finals Saturday night and lost by 9 points. At the end of the first quarter the two teams were tied 9 and 9; at the half, New Deal was leading by 1 point; in the third quarter the visitors got ahead and Post never caught up. Janet Stewart scored 9 points followed by Jeneice Fluit who marked up 8.

Coach N. R. King said the girls really met some competition with New Deal from a pivot player on the team who can shoot the goal with either hand. He is proud of the Post guard who held her down to 16 points, which is the lowest score the pivot player has made in a game this season. King also said that although Frances Benson received no special recognition, she was one of the best guards in the whole tournament.

Coach Vernon Ray's A boys had a little tough luck in their first game of the tournament when they met Lorenzo and were defeated by 2 points in the last 30 seconds of the game. Post led all the way, except for a time during which the teams were tied 15-15. Junior Malouf took scoring honors with 10.

After being defeated in their first game, the Post five were thrown into the consolation bracket and met Kress at 7:05 that night. R. E. Josey, Charlie McGuire and Billy Ramage each chalked up 4 points of the 22 made by the locals to defeat their opponents by 4 points.

The Post boys did not place in the tournament as they lost to the Lubbock B team Saturday afternoon 23-28. Kay Kirkpatrick racked up 10 points. Ray said he was well pleased with the showing the boys made in these games since they had not had much time to work out, and that he believes Post will have a good team this season.

Post Boys Win Two Cage Tilts Against Ralls

The Post Boys' Basketball teams went to Ralls Tuesday night and won both the A and B games.

The B team, coached by V. F. Bingham, played the first game of the season and won over the opponent 29-20. Jack Kirkpatrick racked up 15 points and Ronald Joe Babb hit the goal for 5. Bingham says the boys looked good and that he is pleased with the showing they made as he has several boys who have never played the game before this year.

Coach Vernon Ray's A team played a thriller, winning by 2 points in the last two minutes of the game. Charles King was high point man with 10.

Post will begin its conference schedule when it meets Tahoka here, January 7.

For the 36 points Post made against Lamesa's 12 in the A game, King said, Post led all the way and played a good game. Janet Stewart was high pointer with 27 and Jeneice Fluit racked up 7.

The local girls will be host to New Deal Tuesday, January 4.

BITS OF NEWS

Winter began Tuesday, December 21.

C. R. Smiley and daughter, Billye, spent the weekend northwest of Plainview visiting Mr. Smiley's father, Charles Smiley. Christmas guests in the Smiley home here will be Mr. and Mrs. J. P. O'Connor of Earth and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. O'Connor and family of Levelland.

Misses Ruby and Alarah Pierce, who have been attending school in Fort Worth, arrived home Tuesday to spend the holidays with their parents. Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Pierce Ruby is a student at Brantley Draughon's Business College and Alarah is attending Texas Christian University.



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May this Christmas bring you gladness and a measure of contentment. And may the New Year open up new vistas of happiness!

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A Happy Christmas to all

Health, happiness, prosperity - may they all be yours to enjoy this Christmas and in the days to follow. And while we are extending these greetings to you and your family, we also wish to express our appreciation for the treatment afforded us in the year just closing. These courtesies are gratefully acknowledged with a pledge to strive for even greater service than has been our custom in the past. MERRY CHRISTMAS, ALL!

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HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

We wish all of you the many pleasures and happiness which are deservedly yours.

THIS YEAR'S DROUTH—

(Continued From Front Page) Creek Soil Conservation District helps farmers and ranchers produce more crops and grass on their land in any kind of weather. The weather data was given to soil technicians by J. R. Durrett, who collects the information for the weather bureau of the United States Department of Commerce office in Houston.

ROAD PROJECT—

(Continued From Front Page) mately 4.8 miles.

"Upon fulfillment of the conditions of this order, the State Highway Engineer is directed to proceed with plans for construction at an estimated cost of \$105,550 and to assume the maintenance upon completion of construction."

Judge Bowen said the contracts probably would be let in May and that construction probably will begin in June or July. Bowen also told the Post Dispatch this week that the Commissioners Court is seeking additional construction of rural roads in the county, and the Commissioners expect to attend a hearing in Austin in the near future.

The Texas Highway Department letter, signed by State Highway Engineer D. C. Greer, said, in part: "Although the bill (enacted by the U. S. Congress) provides for federal funds to be used in a 1950-1951 program, the Texas Highway Department will let contracts and build roads in 1949 as rapidly as possible, even though the funds will not be available until 1950—You may be assured that the Texas Highway Department will expend every effort to equitably increase the present network of 8,700 miles of Farm To-Market Roads.

GRIM CHRISTMAS—

(Continued From Front Page) lines, but have not given formal approval. The Jewish army said officially the faithful may pass through Israeli lines.

Those who do visit Bethlehem will be searched for security reasons.

FOOTBALL PROCEEDS—

(Continued From Front Page) \$1,006.99.

Gross proceeds of the game were \$5,215.40 and net proceeds were \$4,348.91. Phillips check was for \$1,648.20, including \$1,519.20 for half the net receipts, \$130 for expenses, less \$18 for money retained from ticket sales in Phillips.

BITS OF NEWS

Mrs. A. R. Mills and daughter, Betty, who spent several months in Topeka, where Mr. Mills is employed by the Santa Fe Railway Company, returned here last week to stay until summer.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Ottinger and children, Carolyn Sue and John, will leave Friday to spend Christmas with relatives in Alpine, Okla. They will be back on January 3.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Dalby and grandson, Giles Dalby, will attend a family reunion Christmas Day at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Allen Benton, and family in Lubbock. Joining them there will be their son, Arno, of Lubbock and their son, Delbert, and wife of Amarillo and a boy which the Delbert Dalbys will bring from the Boys' Ranch, near Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brandon have all their children here for the holidays. They are Mrs. Verma Horn and son, Jackie Bill, of Santa Monica, Calif. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Howell and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Terry and children, all of Tahoka and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brandon, Jr. and daughter of Pocat.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Zoren and children, Mildred, Carolyn, Jan, and John, will spend Christmas Day in Lamesa with Mr. Zoren's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wood.



Dr. David H. Templeton, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, will be the main speaker for the first of a series of New Year's services sponsored by all the local churches, beginning at 7:30 o'clock Monday night at the Presbyterian Church. The public is invited to the services at the various churches at 7:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and the special Watch Service at the First Methodist Church Friday from 8 p.m. until one minute after midnight.

MAIN STREET—

(Continued From Front Page) electric toasters from 38 cents up and 22 targets at \$4.95 up. The Arkansas Traveler, featuring Bob Burns, was being advertised for the New Year's Eve frolic at the show.

Last Minute Reminders . . .

Giles Dining Room will be open Christmas Day and every day except Sunday. The American Cafe will close Christmas Day but will be open on Sunday. Cosh's Cafe will be closed on Christmas Day and Sunday. Conoco Service Station will be closed on Christmas Day. Triangle Service Station will be closed on Christmas Day and Sunday.

Santa Claus will come to town soon after noon on Christmas Eve and the live hens will give away 30 turkeys about 2 o'clock.

A special kiddies matinee will be held at the Garza Theatre Christmas Eve. A bag of popcorn will be given to each child purchasing a ticket.



Happy Holidays, everybody!

Santa Letters:

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl four years old. I would like a doll, doll clothes, and a stove, and please bring me some fire crackers, fruit, candy and nuts.
Sheila Morris.

Dear Santa:
We are two little girls and one little boy, who have been good part of the time, but Santa please forget the times we have been bad. Please bring us a Sparkle Plenty doll and a sewing machine. Please bring me (Pat) a wagon and some toy cows, so I can butcher them like George does real cows. Please be good to our little friends, too.
Cicra Frances, Billie and Pat Smiley.

Mrs. Beulah Rayborn of Wichita Falls arrived Friday to spend Christmas with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Webb. Joining this group for a family Christmas dinner in the Alex Webb home will be Alex's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Webb and son, Sonny.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Herring and daughter, Jan, will spend Christmas in Plainview with Mr. Herring's parents.

BITS OF NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dale and children will spend Saturday and Sunday in Brownfield visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Brown.

Clayborne La Rochelle, grandson of Guy Peterson, will be three months old on Christmas Day. His grandparent has gone to Snyder for the holidays and has left the boot shop in charge of Mr. and Mrs. La Rochelle.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Henderson and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller will spend Saturday and Sunday in Snyder with Mrs. A. R. Caldwell.

"Guess I'll have to read the Dispatch to know what all you Kennedys are doing," said F. L. Nicholl who Tuesday called his wife, the former Bertie Kennedy, who is visiting here. Even though Nicholl has never lived in Post he is an avid reader of the Dispatch. He called from their home in Belfleur, Calif. to say "Merry Christmas" to all the Kennedy kin.

Guests in the J. A. Propst home Christmas will be Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bloemer and daughter, Jackie Lee, of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. McLaugh, Jr., of Petersburg, Jimmy Napier of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Markham of Grassland and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Huff.

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Ed Frye, who underwent surgery in the Lubbock Memorial Hospital several weeks ago has been brought to his home.

A. C. Thomas, Army and station Hood is here for the holidays.



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And so we join with those who have a sincere interest in your happiness and prosperity to extend our best wishes to each of you.

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"The Post Dispatch Covers Garza County Like A Sandstorm"

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AND SEWER PROJECTS FEATURE NEWS FOR YEAR

Looking Back On 1948 Recalls Year Of Progress

Looking back on 1948, one sees that there has been anything but a dull year in Garza County. Post Dispatches of the past year recalled the following for posterity:

January 15 — Deposits in the First National Bank hit an all-time high; the March of Dimes Campaign began; the Leap Year parties got under way; the political calendar was announced, and the rodeo directors met.
January 22 — Jimmy Smith and Junior Malouf were announced as football captains. Plans were announced by R. H. Collier for the remodeling and moving to the old Piggy Wiggy headquarters.

January 29 — Gas Emergency halted business; lack of butane had farmers in a dither; an ill-fated project to "redo" Two Draw Lake got under way; wedding plans were announced for Lucille Cass and Jerry Lee Queen.
February 12 — It was announced that Garza County's 1947 cotton crop netted 15,177 bales and \$2,656,175; food prices dropped for a few days; they were giving parties for June Taylor, bride-elect of V. L. (Punk) Peck.
February 26 — Dr. Glenn Kahler was elected Rotary president; expansion of electricity service was under way; Merle Jenkins began work as handmaster; the Garza County 4-H stock show was a success; the Red Cross Drive got under way.

March 4 — An "average" epidemic of bumps broke out; Post's fire insurance credit was increased; 4-H youngsters started their campaign to raise money for an exhibit building; the Air Scouts were organized; a total of 198 oil wells were producing in Garza County.
March 11 — J. T. Curb started taking the annual scholastic results; French started selling tickets to their annual ball; the Red Cross Drive went over the top; the Post Dispatch got a new intertype; the Plymouth Oil Company sent a seismograph crew here; school board candidates were named.
March 18 — The Cemetery Association urged everybody to pay the annual dues; pipe shortage began threatening oil operations; a pie supper was given at Southland for the candidates; Mrs. Ben Williams received a "Tom Breneman" orchid; J. W. Henderson became commander of the VFW post.

March 25 — Garza County was asked to aid in the Cancer Society program; James Dietrich began producing pasteurized milk in the Cap Rock Dairy; Johnie Rogers became president of the V.F.W. Auxiliary; Collier's Drug Store stock was moved to the new location; "Poor to average" crops were predicted for the South Plains in 1948 by Indian methods.
April 8 — A large crowd attended the annual Post Chamber of Commerce banquet; Dr. Glenn Kahler succeeded Clint Herring on the City Commission; Garner Appliance Company moved to its new location on the Tahoka highway; John A. Lane sold the Pleasant Valley Gin to Paul Lawlis of Lubbock.
April 15 — The Post Independent School Board re-elected qualified teachers; the First Baptist Church initiated its new pipe organ; the wedding of Maxine Redman and Hubert V. Cook was announced; G. W. Norris spent a Sunday experimenting with FM reception.
April 22 — The Lubbock ABC Club again sets its Gene Autry rodeo on Post's Stampede dates; the Trussell Brothers returned for a Baptist revival meeting; two of H. J. Dietrich's German Shepherds walked off with the first prizes in a South Plains show at Lubbock.
April 29 — Additional gas lines were installed; the City Laundry opening was announced.

May 6 — Rodeo booster trips got under way; the Roping Club began practicing every Tuesday night.
May 13 — Post exceeded its membership quota in the West Texas Chamber of Commerce; work began on the new Southwestern Public Service line; grade school commencement exercises were held; Southland Seniors went on a tour of Texas.
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July 22 — Promotion started on the Southwestern Junior Championship Rodeo; G. T. Mason, Jr., took polio; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Pierce announced birth of a daughter, Paula Lyn.
July 29 — A school consolidation election ordered; Garza boys were planning for a 4-H encampment; County Judge L. Lee Bowen won his re-election by two votes in the first Democratic primary, in which a record vote was cast.

August 5 — Bids were requested on sewerage and waterworks extensions; the Boys Ranch planned to send performers to the Junior Rodeo; hail stripped bolls from several cotton crops; the county health officer warned against flies and raw foods which cause dysentery.
August 12 — Contract was let for new school cafeteria; Chamber of Commerce urged a hospital project; Post folks were making the acquaintance of Mrs. Lewis Nance.
August 19 — The first bale of cotton was brought to a local gin by A. Sanchez; postal receipts showed a small gain; the 1948 football schedule was advertised; a new REA line was approved for Garza areas; 18-25-year-olds prepared to register for Selective Service.
August 26 — Election to consolidate schools failed; eleven bids were received on the sewer project; S. E. Camp was elected American Legion commander; candidates were listed for second Democratic primary.
September 2 — A kindergarten was offered but there were not enough takers; consolidation of schools was asked in a new petition; Jimmy Bird was going great guns in calf roping.
September 9 — Events of Junior Rodeo were listed; instruction books were issued for the county fair; deep tests started again in the Central Garza Field; the new switchboard increased local telephone business.
September 16 — Public was invited to meet the teachers at a school party; the Rev. D. A. Bryant was called as First Baptist minister; Bobbie Ruth Ward and Charles Ray Casey's wedding was announced.
September 23 — High point 4-H girls were announced; exhibits were being prepared for the Panhandle-South Plains Fair; the Community Public Service Company was turning the water business over to the city.
And so, the events went on. Those of October, November and December are still fresh in the minds of the local folk.

Mrs. A. Sparlin's Father Is Claimed

Funeral rites for Gus Estill of Brownfield, 83-year-old father of Mrs. Albert Sparlin, were held December 17 in the Assembly of God Church in Brownfield. Mr. Estill died of a heart attack last Thursday afternoon at his home. Burial was in the Union Cemetery at Brownfield.

Flaming Box Car Is Derailed In Post

A box car with 110 bales of cotton was derailed here Friday afternoon because a fire had broken out in the car and was out of control.
The flame was extinguished by the Post Volunteer Fire Department after a tedious battle. Forty or 50 bales were damaged. Fire Chief Homer McCrary said.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Tate plan to spend Christmas in their former home, Jacksboro, with their two children and their families. It will be the first reunion of the entire family in about seven years.

Question Given Post Minute Christmas Gifts

Suggestion for the first Christmas gift?

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July 29 — A school consolidation election ordered; Garza boys were planning for a 4-H encampment; County Judge L. Lee Bowen won his re-election by two votes in the first Democratic primary, in which a record vote

To Our Friends!

We greet you at Christmastime with all the sincerity in the world. May the season hold abundant joy for each of you, our friends. And may the coming years see the fulfillment of your every ambition, hope and desire.

A HAPPY HOLIDAY

Hudman Service Station

HANSFORD AND MAURINE HUDMAN

Business And Financial Outlook Of 1949 Will Be Published In December 30 Issue

The Post Dispatch will publish Roger W. Babson's BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL OUTLOOK FOR 1949 in the December 30 issue.

Mr. Babson's 1949 Outlook contains 50 forecasts covering such important topics as: General Business, Commodity Prices, Taxes, Retail and Foreign Trade, Labor, Inflation, Farm Outlook, Stock Market, Real Estate and Politics.

A pioneer in the field of business and financial statistics, Mr. Babson enjoys a truly remarkable record for accuracy in his Annual Forecasts. His score for 1948 was 91 per cent correct.

On January 1, 1948 Babson was the only commentator who dared to predict:

(1) That there would be no World War III in 1948.
(2) That "due to the bungling of the price controversy Mr. Truman has a fair chance of reelection."
(3) That the Dow-Jones Industrial Averages would fluctuate between an upper ceiling of around 185 and a floor of around 165, and that Commodity Speculation would be curbed.

Insists On Religion
American business has no more inspiring personality than Mr. Babson, who is an internationally known commentator and investment adviser. An outstanding feature of his philosophy has been his lifelong insistence on the importance of religion in business.

Born in 1875, reared in an old-fashioned atmosphere of hard work and hustle on a farm in Gloucester, Mr. Babson went to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Upon graduating in 1898, he turned instinctively to financial and business activities.

His exertions, however, undermined his health; he contracted tuberculosis and he was sent West "as good as dead!" It was while he was convalescing from this dread malady that he worked out some of the possibilities and problems of business statistics.

Started 45 Years Ago
That was more than 45 years ago. Today his weekly statistical and financial reports are read by thousands of business men and his research work is carried on by a large staff of workers.

Mr. Babson founded Babson Institute for men; and, in cooperation with Mrs. Babson, developed Webber College for women, — both nationally-known educational institutions. Here young men and women may concentrate more in the fundamentals and less on the frills of business.

Started Utopia
More recently he has completed the arrangements for another College named "Utopia" which is located in Eureka, Kans., the center of Mr. Babson's "Magic Circle." Here people of all ages may check their financial well-being much as at the Mayo Clinic they would check their physical well-being. He is also reviving an interest in Sir Thomas More who—400 years ago—outlined in his "Utopia" the only solution to our problems.

To millions of newspaper readers, Mr. Babson is best known by his familiar weekly stories on business which appear in more than 380 papers throughout North America. Of unbounded energy, Roger W. Babson has probably done more than any other man to bring statistics to life, to instill a broader vision in business men, and to publicize the ups-and-downs of the business cycle.

The Naval Ordnance Test Station, Inyokern, Calif., roughly equals the state of Rhode Island in size.

Joy to the World



The season of joy and gladness is here. As Christmas carols once again fill the air with the spirit of friendliness and good cheer—we feel inspired to observe the holiday in the traditional way—to wish everyone a joyous Yuletide and a very Happy New Year.

Herrings

... a Latin expression, "by itself."
 ... pillars of stone are
 ...

William Caxton was the first great English printer.
 A believer in Mohammedism is a Mullulma.

Eighty-five per cent of new Navy recruits are unmarried and not engaged to be married, and about one-third of them give financial aid to a dependent.

US Savings Bond As Investment Is Without Equal

There's one crop that Texas farmers can always harvest, come rain, shine, flood, drouth, insects or plant diseases. And that is United States Savings Bonds, says C. H. Bates, extension farm management specialist of Texas A. & M. College.

The 1947 income from farm marketings in Texas totaled almost two billion dollars, says Bates, and that's a lot of "leture." This figure was 74 per cent above the 1945 income of 1,115 million dollars Texas received for crops and livestock.

Bates also has some figures on the influence of inflation, and what it means to Texas farmers and ranchmen to buy "E" bonds. Some of the nation's economists expect our present 57-cent dollar to be up around 62 to 65-cent value in buying power within less than five years.

Assuming this trend is correct, Texas farmers and ranchmen will likely find a good harvest in Savings Bonds. It's good business to salt away part of these earnings in government securities for at least two reasons: (1) By purchasing these bonds, the farmer is siphoning off money which would otherwise be bidding up prices, and (2) it builds up liquid reserves for more advantageous uses in the future.

These bonds offer a farmer a chance to hedge against possible reductions in farm income and land values, and, at the same time, offers a rainy day reserve that is safe and interest bearing.

So it's really a good way to safeguard your economic future, says Bates.

The Civil War battle between the Monitor and the Merrimac was fought in Hampton Roads, just off the present Norfolk Naval Supply Center.

Building Code For All Texas Badly Needed

It would take just one simple item to make public buildings fire safe in construction, declared Marvin Hall, State Fire Insurance Commissioner.

Advocating a uniform building code, rigidly enforced, for Texas, Hall said tremendous losses of life could be prevented such as occurred in the New London school disaster, the Winecoff and LaSalle Hotel fires, Coconut Grove night club fire and Iroquois theatre fires.

Hall pointed out that 50 per cent of the large money loss fires have been from inferior construction.

"An adequate and reasonable building code would take much study, time and effort, but in the meantime, each Texas town and city not having it should adopt legislation dealing with the correction of deficiencies in existing buildings and sound rules for keeping future buildings fire safe," the Commissioner urged. "Fire Prevention Week is a good time to appoint a committee to start work on such a code."

A good building code would control combustible interiors as well as requiring fire resistive exteriors for buildings, Hall said. Wood, fabrics and other combustible material used for interior decoration to an unsafe extent, would be eliminated. Also inflammable temporary decorations, such as paper strung across ceilings in night clubs, would not be permitted.

A code would require an adequate number of proper exits. Also vertical openings such as elevator shafts and stairways would be enclosed so that fire could not spread from floor to floor through them, an especially fatal hazard in hotels.

Such control would also provide regulations regarding the proper installation and maintenance of heating and electrical systems and appliances.

Special hazards, such as a projection booth in a theatre, a boiler room in a school, a storage room for explosive liquids in a plant, would be isolated by special walls and fire doors.

Approved fire doors and wired glass windows would keep a building safe from catching fire from burning exposing buildings.

Hall believes, "these provisions and many others properly enforced would insure Texans that

GOD REST YE, MERRY GENTLEMEN
(Old English Carol)

God rest ye, merry gentlemen; let nothing you dismay,
 For Jesus Christ, our Saviour, was born on Christmas Day.
 The dawn rose red o'er Bethlehem, the stars shown through the gray,
 When Jesus Christ, our Saviour, was born on Christmas Day.
 God rest ye, little children, let no more wholesale slaughter
 would be made of its people by fire."

nothing you affright,
 For — Jesus Christ, your Saviour, was born this happy night;
 Along the hills of Galilee the white flocks sleeping lay,
 When Christ, the child of Nazareth, was born on Christmas Day.
 God rest ye, all good Christians; upon this blessed morn
 The Lord of all good Christians was of a woman born.
 Now all your sorrows He doth heal, your sins He takes away;
 For Jesus Christ, our Saviour, was born on Christmas Day.

Merry Christmas

We're sextons this Yuletide... We're climbing to the belfry and ringing those joyous, silver-toned bells till everyone of our friends hears the peals of Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Thank You For Your Patronage During Our Course Of Business

City Laundry

Mr. and Mrs. Max Gordon
 Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Berry



Garza Tractor & Implement Co.

Joy to the World...



To everyone — we wish all the joys of the Christmas season — its warm and gay spirit, a rich and beautiful fellowship, the spiritual goodness of its festive flavor. And may the New Year be one of continued happiness and good health

Pioneer Cookie Co.

1704 Ave. H — GEORGE LEMON — Lubbock, Texas

Christmas Greetings to All



Deck the tree with boughs of jolly good spirits... tinsel bright as the faces of little ones on Christmas morning... ornaments reflecting happiness, joy, peace on earth — good will to all men. We sincerely wish you all the joys and happiness of the season and a wonderful New Year to come.

"DAD" GREENFIELD — JACK KENNEDY
 BLACKIE WRIGHT — JIM HAYS

Pure Food Market

Peace On Earth; Good Will To Men May Be Found In Psychology Of Child Life

Parents elsewhere this Christmas will join in the fervent hope for "peace on earth and good will to men." But to most of them the problem of maintaining peace seems far removed from the duties of child-rearing and homemaking. We think of diplomats and the United Nations as the agencies for world-wide peace, but it is becoming clear that the task of maintaining peace and good will on earth rests with the parents and teachers of our future citizens.

The above was written by Lawrence K. Frank, director of the Caroline Zachary Institute of Human Development, for a recent issue of the New York Times magazine. The remainder of his interesting article follows:

This is the theme of a pamphlet on "Resentment" by Dr. Oscar Forel, psychiatrist and president of SEPEG (the international organization for aiding children in the occupied and devastated countries of Europe). The pamphlet, written in English, was printed in Switzerland and it is hoped it will be published here in the United States for general circulation.

Resentment Explained

As Dr. Forel describes it, resentment is a "feeling rooted in some injustice and mortification experienced in the past." "A constant gnawing feeling of rebellion, the many-sided attitude of the weak in relation to the powerful," of those "who are constantly ready in their 'life-entire' to revenge themselves or to continue their state of malicious resentment.

"With resentment goes a feeling of powerlessness, but also those dynamics that are expressed in the endeavor to gain revenge, respect and might. . . . While the feelings most akin to resentment, such as ill will, envy, bitterness, defiance, malicious joy, jealousy, etc., are chiefly found in individuals, yet

whole races and nations can be filled with the same resentment as single persons."

Begins In Childhood

Dr. Forel then goes on to show how this corrosive feeling of resentment begins in early childhood when the child "feels he has suffered injustice and at the same time realizes his impotence to alter conditions."

To the young child, struggling to meet parental requirements, life is often very difficult. Even under the most kindly and patient treatment, a child often feels that life is unfair and his parents are unjust. Almost every child will say on occasion, "Wait till I grow up; I'll show them." Or, "I'll get even some day."

"The child who is continually thwarted and repeatedly punished and who feels he is not loved cannot help but feel powerless and resentful against adults. His childish 'impotence' leads to sulkiness, to repression, to the storing up of grudges and desire for revenge." These are the children who do spend their lives "getting even."

Causes School Problems

Dr. Forel says: "Years of injustice and wounds to dignity suffered by a child affect the soul more than even a terrible but single experience." When a child goes to school feeling this injustice of adults he will react against the teacher either by sulky withdrawal or open defiance and misbehavior. This can be overcome if the teacher shows him that she is not his enemy and does not herself respond resentfully.

Adults Create Resentment

Dr. Forel says that those adults who themselves are resentful create this resentment in their children. It is they who "vent their impotence, their grudges, their desire for revenge with impunity on a child." From this picture of the various circles which can lead to sabotage and thwarting of good will and permanent peace, we realize that education for freedom is our most important task. The circle can be interrupted only by the adults, parents, and teachers who are responsible for the teaching and guidance of young people.

Rebellion Results

"Parents can be helped to understand that if controls are too frustrating, if they approach the child in a rejecting, punitive spirit, they only intensify hostility. Chronic rebellion in children is often the result of identification with such hostile parents.

"Early childhood offers an unparalleled opportunity to recognize and mitigate the many types of resentment born of the child's fear of losing parental love. It is around just such fears . . . that there may develop hostilities that last a lifetime, unless parents are aware of what burden the child carries and are ready with help."

We have known for a long time that peace and freedom cannot be achieved by force or threats. We have just begun to apply that knowledge to the teaching and nurture of the individual child in home and school.

A CHRISTMAS STORY

Santa letters appearing in the Post Dispatch the past several issues inspired Mrs. C. K. Pierce to submit the following Yuletide poem by Annie Laurie Von Tungeten:

Dear Santa Claus: I hope that you

Will read this little note.

I wish you'd bring Bob Smith a ball.

A bat, a sled, a boat.

Rob Smith would like an airplane.

A little train that toots.

A handkerchief and woolly gloves.

A pair of shiny boots.

Be sure to stop at Bobby's house

He hopes that you will bring

Some candy, nuts and chocolate

cake.

A monkey on a string.

Now, Bob and Rob and Bobby,

too.

All have the same address.

The three of us are Robert Smith.

As you, no doubt, can guess.

BITS OF NEWS

Visitors in the O. R. Carey home last week were their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Carey and daughter of Abilene; Mr. Carey's sister, Mrs. Vernon Lofton of Caldwell; and Mrs. Carey's cousin, Miss Florence Jones of Goldthwaite.

The Guy Floyds are making big plans for a "Merry Christmas." Mrs. Floyd's young nephew, Albert Rainwater of Snyder, will spend Christmas here with the Floyd family.

Rheumatism

In a 48 page booklet, a committee of 12 of the nation's leading doctors have issued a complete report of years of research on rheumatism and arthritis.


From their findings a formula called Ru-Tel was then tested by physicians and clinics and has achieved remarkable results in relieving the pain of rheumatism, arthritis, backache and neuritis. Ru-Tel Tablets are pleasant to take, do not upset the stomach—give quick soothing relief, sometimes overnight. Now Ru-Tel Tablets are available through all druggists. First letter must help or your money refunded.

COLLIER DRUG

Mohoto (Mrs. Dick) Allen has already received her Christmas present from her husband. He asked her several weeks ago to arrange her business so that she could go out of town for last Thursday. When the day arrived, Dick took her to Lubbock and bought her a new coat, which she presumed was a Christmas present. When she returned home, she found a new, double oven electric range installed in her kitchen.



ROCK of AGES
QUALITY GRANITE
is featured in our display
SOUTH PLAINS
MONUMENT CO.
2909 Ave. H — Lubbock



Greetings

To all whose friendship we cherish so much . . .
A Merry Christmas
A Happy New Year

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MAGGIE'S BEAUTY SHOP

Merry Christmas

The foundation of all business is friendship—
and with each Christmas we derive unmatched
joy in wishing our friends all the pleasures of
a Merry Yuletide and a New Year filled with
happiness, good health and peace.




Merry Christmas

This is the season of good will to be shared by new friends and old. It is in this spirit that we extend our warmest wishes for a very merry Christmas to all.

MRS. JEFFIE NORTHCUTT
American Cafe

Closed Christmas Day

The First National Bank

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Thaxton and their two guests, Mrs. Gertrude Cannon and Nels Waters of Wichita, Kans., left last Thursday to spend Christmas with Mrs. Thaxton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George McPherson, in El Paso.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Roy moved Friday from the Dooley place, 7 miles north of Post, to a farm south of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ligon of Canyon visited here Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Sherrill Boyd.

Brass is two thirds copper and one third zinc.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Smith spent last week at Hearne where they attended funeral services December 12 for Mr. Smith's father, who died the preceding day.

Mr. and Mrs. Monte Moore and two daughters will leave Christmas morning to spend the holidays with relatives. They will return Monday.

Stallings Pupils Give Christmas Recital Dec. 22

Mrs. J. A. Stallings presented her Personality Pupils in their annual Christmas recital last night in the Post High School auditorium. The following numbers were offered:

Put 'em in a Box," Melody Maids (Anita Kennedy, LaRue Stevens, Mary Nell Bowen and Nelda Floyd) and Robert Smith; "My Cousin Leuella," Group 3 (Connie Marie King, Freada Kennedy, Wynona Pennington, Ann Sartain, Ann Scarborough, Carolyn Hudman, Beth Hamilton, Nancy Lou Gunter, Tommy Martin, Clark Cowdrey and Tomi Fay Palmer).

"Pretty Baby," Group 4 (Lenona Stone, Tommye Lou Scott, Shirley Bird, Natalee Tracy, Rita Penn, Larine Johnson, Agnes Ammons, LaJuan Davis, Bobby Cowdrey and Harlan Pennington); "Red, Red Robin," Group 2 (Sherry Custer, Marca Dean Holland, Allane Norris, Judy Gossett, Senjia Sue Queen, Mary Nell Shepherd, Anita Henderson, Kay Jean Jones, Boyd Dodson, Boo Cate and Joe Martin).

"Bye Bye Blackbird," Group 1 (Beverly Bird, Kay Gordon, Carolyn Moore, Cheryl Moore, Charlotte Taylor, Jane Francis, Jan Herring, Lin Allyn Cox and Beverly Young); "East Side," Anita Kennedy; "That Feeling in the Moonlight," Group 3; "My Happiness," Group 4; "Until," Nelda Floyd; "The Mistletoe Song," Carolyn and Cheryl Moore; "All I want for Christmas," Group 2.

"Rambling Rose," Group 3; "I Want A Beautiful Doll for Christmas," Group 1; "Elmer's Tune," Melody Maids and Robert Smith; "Takin' Miss Mary To the Ball," Group 2; "Every Day I Love You," Freada Kennedy, Connie Marie King, Wynona Pennington and Clark Cowdrey; "Lavender Blue," Group 4; "Yuk A Puk," Beverly Bird, Kay Gordon, Carolyn Moore and Charlotte Taylor.

"You Were Only Fooling," Mary Nell Bowen; "Old Monterey," Sherry Custer, Marca Dean Holland, Allane Norris and Judy Gossett; "Call Me Up Some Rainy Afternoon," El Wanda Davies, Anita Kennedy and LaRue Stevens; "God Bless Us Everyone," Group 1; "Ed Give A Million Tomcrows," Robert Smith; "Christmas Feeling," Group 4; "Dear Santa Claus," Group 3; "The Dream Peddler," El Wanda Davies and Group 2.

Santa Letters:

Dear Santa: I am a little boy 2 years old. This is my first letter to you. I won't say I've been good but I've tried.

Santa please bring me a fire truck, a choo-choo and some fruit and nuts.

And, Santa, please remember Junior Malouf. He wants a 16-year-old doll and a popgun from Collier Drug. Thank you.

Butch (Ray) Cross, Me. Too, Santa, James Hill.

Dear Santa: I am a little boy not going to school yet. Would you please bring me a train, crazy jeep-fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my baby sister, Marilyn. I love you, Danny Ross Jones.

"Here Comes Santa Claus," Group 1; "Mountain Gal," LaRue Stevens.

"Buttons and Bows," Group 4; "A Hundred and Sixty Acres," Group 3; "Christmas Carols by Old Corral," Group 3; "Christmas Island," Group 2; "White Christmas," Melody Maids and Robert Smith, and finale, Christmas carols.

Dear Santa: I am a good little boy 8 years old. I want you to please bring me a bicycle, football, transport truck, fruit, nuts and candy. You can also bring me a baseball as I really like to play baseball. Don't forget the other little boys and girls. Thanks, I love you, Billy Jones.

MASTERPIECE Author Unknown

We all paint our canvass of life in different or various ways. Some show the sunrise at morn, Some, the sunset's rays.

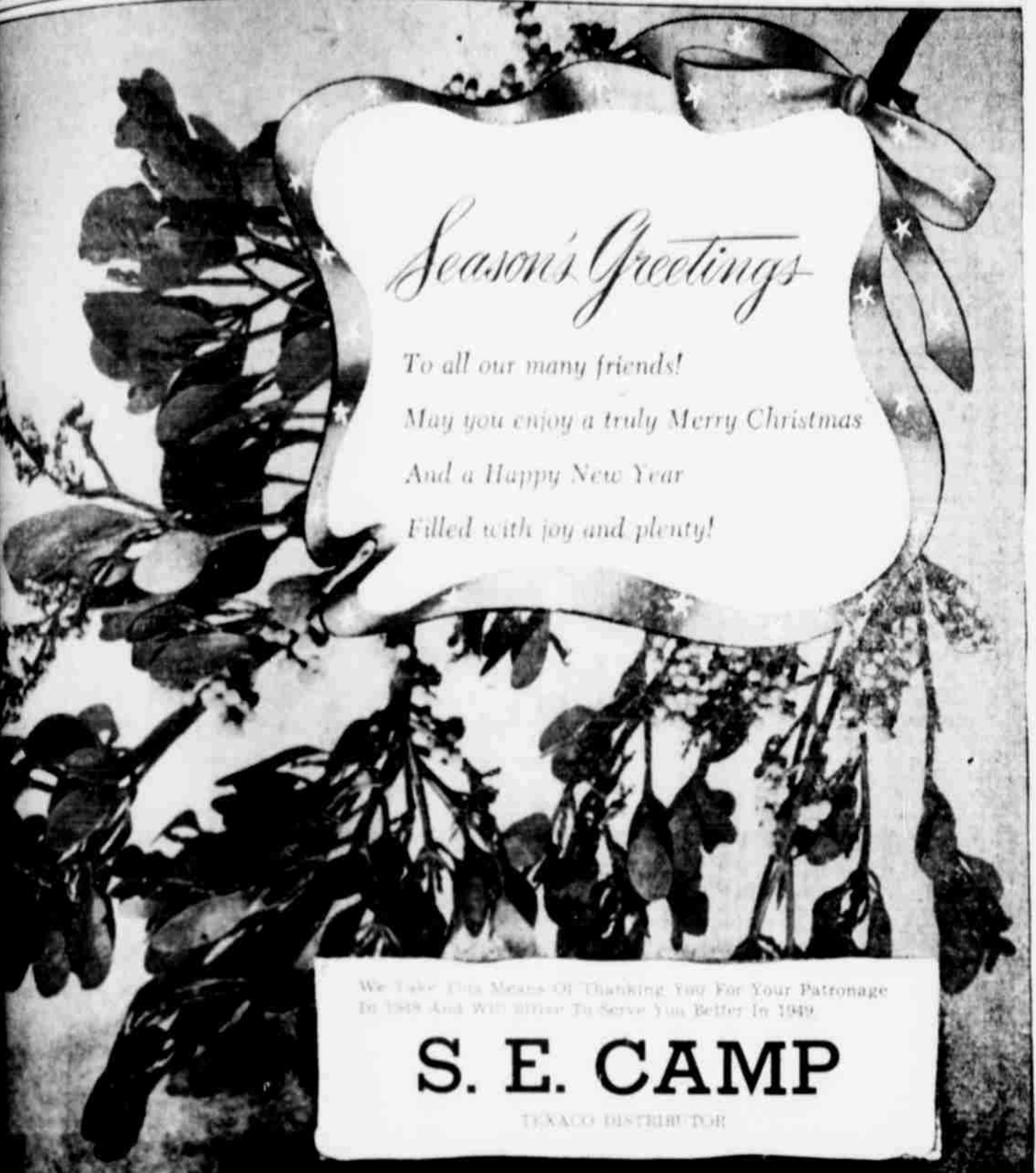
Some show the scrow of waiting.

The joy when the ship comes in. Others the blackness of hatred, And the deep affliction of sin. Though some of our masterpiece.

Do differ from some of the rest, God will accept them gladly If the painter has done his best.

Matches have heads but no brains. When you use their heads, use your brains.

Francis Bacon is sometimes credited with being the real author of Shakespeare's plays.



Season's Greetings

To all our many friends!

May you enjoy a truly Merry Christmas

And a Happy New Year

Filled with joy and plenty!

We Take This Means Of Thanking You For Your Patronage In 1948 And Will Strive To Serve You Better In 1949

S. E. CAMP

TEXACO DISTRIBUTOR



To all our friends both old and new...

Greetings

LOIS HOWELL
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UNIQUE BEAUTY SHOP



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

One of the real pleasures of Christmas is the genuine joy of wishing happiness and good health to our many friends.

J. N. POWER
WHITE AUTO STORE
and
Kaiser-Frazer Dealer



Compliments of the Yule Season

AND THANKS for EVERYTHING

From All The Folks At

Post Kash & Karry
Grocery And Market

Typesetter Would Be Happier If Sample Were Brought Along With These Recipes

Here are some unusual recipes for Christmas goodies selected from the files of Mrs. Victor Hudman. The Post Dispatch typesetter wishes Mrs. Hudman had brought some samples of the candies, etc., along with the following instructions:

Creamed Pecans

One cup white sugar, 1/2 cup brown sugar, 1/3 cup white Karo, 1/2 cup hot milk, 1/3 cup butter, 1 teaspoon vanilla, salt, 3/4 cup pecans.

Put sugar, corn syrup, salt and milk in saucepan. Stir until sugar is dissolved, bring to boiling point and boil to 238 degrees F. or until a little dropped in cold water will just keep its shape. Remove from fire, add butter and vanilla and let stand 10 minutes. Add nuts. Beat vigorously until thick and creamy. Drop by teaspoon on waxed paper.

Peanut Brittle

Two cups sugar, 1 tablespoon butter, 1 cup peanuts, 1/8 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon baking soda.

Chop peanuts, caramelize sugar. Remove from fire immediately. Add salt, peanuts, baking soda and butter. Stir only until blended. Pour quickly in a thin sheet in a well-buttered pan. Cut or break.

Golden Squares

Two cups dried apricots, 1 1/4 cup water, 1 1/4 cup white corn syrup, 3 tablespoons lemon juice, 1/2 teaspoon grated lemon rind, 1 1/2 cup sugar.

Wash apricots. Cover with water. Boil 40 minutes. Rub through sieve. Soften gelatin in water. Add apricot puree, sugar, syrup, lemon juice and lemon rind. Simmer 20 minutes. Remove from fire. Cool to room temperature. Pour into shallow pan lined with waxed paper. Let stand over night. Cut candy in squares. Roll in powdered sugar.

Double Divinity

(1) Three cups sugar, 3/4 cup water, 1 cup Karo.

(2) One cup sugar, 1/2 cup water.

(3) Three egg whites, 1 teaspoon vanilla and 1 cup nut meats.

Cook (1), stirring until sugar is dissolved. Wash down crystal. Then cook without stirring to firm ball. Pour slowly over beated egg whites, beating constantly. When (1) is cooked put (2) which has been dissolved and the crystals washed down, on to cook. When it will crack pour over first mixture and beat

until candy will not adhere to finger when touched lightly. Add vanilla and nut meats and spread in a pan, which has been wet in cold water.

Date Cake

Four eggs, separated; sift together 1 cup flour, 1 cup sugar and 3 teaspoons baking powder; flour slightly 1/4 teaspoon salt, and 1 lb. dates.

Sift dry ingredients together and mix with nuts and dates. Beat egg yolks and mix to first mixture. Fold in the stiffly beaten egg whites.

Bake in lined pans in a slow (200 degrees) oven for a long time.

Bakeless Cake

Cream together 1 cup sugar and 1/2 cup butter.

To this mixture add 3 eggs, one at a time, beating each well into the mixture. Add 1 cup nut meats and a small can of crushed pineapple.

Place in tray of bowl. A layer of vanilla wafers and a layer of mixture. Place wafers on top. Let stand several hours. Serve topped with whipped cream.

CHRISTMAS Author Unknown

God gave us hills,
White hills in the moonlight,
And lacy gray shadows
That quiver and run;
And light, fluffy snowflakes
That sift in the dusklight,
To a world veiled in stillness
As night is begun.
God gave us waters,
Ice bound and frozen,
God gave us little white
Tracks in the snow;
And little, fat sparrows
That sleep in the church tops,
And bells that peal out
To the stillness below
God gave us Christmas
And bright wreaths of holly,
Taught us, like Jesus,
To bless and forgive;
Tilled all our hearts

From equator to equator the diameter of the earth is greater than from pole to pole.

Josephus Daniels was the U. S. Secretary of Navy during World War I.

With that peace universal;
And God gave us love
And the spirit to give.

France owns more square miles in Africa than any other European nation.

Capt. James L. ...
ous for his dying
give up the ship.
A plebiscite is
pression of a com
ion.



MAX GORDON

THURMAN FRANCIS

Garza Tire Co.



To everyone who
privileged to call
neighbor" go our
pressions of the Sec
sentiments.

JAMES AND LOUISE
DIETRICH

Caprock D



Greetings

Once again it is Christmas... May it bring you peace, good health and happiness throughout the year.

Double U. Co.

At Christmas

May this message of thankful appreciation for your goodwill come to you at a time when you too are enjoying the pleasant memories of friendships that have lasted through long loyal years.

Storie Motor COMPANY

DODGE FLYMOUTH





The Season's Greetings
and
all best wishes

To our many good friends and patrons, we extend our warmest greetings. May this Christmas be the best you have ever had—a forerunner of many happy days to come, of wonderful friendships and achievements well done . . .

Parker's Bakery

Santa Letters:

Dear Santa:
I have try to be a good little boy. Santa I won't you to bring me a football and bat and ball. Good luck to you.
With love,
Wesley Guthrie

Dear Santa Claus:
I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a football, bat and don't forget and all the girls and boys. Good luck to you. Dear Santa.
Your friend,
Guy Davis, Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a very good girl. Please bring me a doll, school house and a pair of boots. Remember all the other good girls and boys.
I want a rubber doll.
Love,
Sandra Lee Veach

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a ten year old girl. I live in Post, Texas. I want my lost doll. My Mother wants a punch bowl and a chenille bath robe - I also want a baton for Christmas. Mrs. Kitchen is my teacher. I am in the fourth grade. My brother is in the tenth grade. He wants a new car. and I wish you a Happy New Year and a Merry Christmas.
Yours truly,
Joyce Pharriss

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been good this year and I want a pair of boxing gloves for Christmas and a B-B gun. Then my mother wants a brand new dress. And my Daddy wants a new necktie.
Merry Christmas to you Santa.
Robert Carlton

Dearest Santa:
I have tried to be a good girl. I am ten year old. I would like to have a basketball set, baton and doll and a bicycle. I guess that's all Santa Claus.
Love,
Mary Jo Smith
P.S. Merry Christmas, Santa Claus and a Happy New Year.

Dearest Santa:
I am a good girl I hope. Please bring me a headrag, neckless, bracelet, ring and purse. I want a baton and a peater rabbit magician set. A doll and doll truck. I guess that's all.
Merry Christmas and a Happy new year.
Sincerely yours,
Love from,
Janice Rose Barrow
P.S. Scene candy and fruit and nuts.

Medium Potatoes Are Favorites Of Most Housewives

Ask the average housewife what she looks for in potatoes, and here's what she'll likely tell you: A medium size potato that is clean, has a smooth skin, no spots, few eyes—and eyes that are not so deep. She also likes potatoes to be light colored and undamaged.

This is what the USDA found in a recent survey of housewives, says Mrs. Jewell H. Strasner, Garza County home demonstration agent. She says the housewives' ideal potato is one that will cook up soft, mealy, and even throughout without falling apart.

Housewives buy the medium sized potato because it's the best size for judging portions. It's easy to peel and handle, and can be used for many purposes. The small ones take too much time and too much work to prepare. The large ones do have one advantage, and that's baking. But housewives will tell you that the large ones often have black spots in the center. Those are the reasons Mrs. Average Housewife picks out the medium sized potato.

Few people seem to know that potatoes have any food value other than starch. Fact is, says Mrs. Strasner, a helping of potatoes has about as much iron as two slices of enriched bread, or about half as much as in one egg. And one medium sized boiled potato contains as much vitamin C as a small glass of tomato juice, as well as healthy amounts of vitamin B1.

Quality comes first, but price has its place, says Mrs. Strasner. As incomes go up, people are more interested in quality and size, and are not so much interested in the price.

Processed potatoes, frozen French fries and potato flour come under this heading. At least half the women interviewed in this survey said they had never heard of these products.

There's one processed potato product that is popular, though. And that's the potato chip. Nine out of 10 people interviewed buy them for parties, snacks and picnics, says Mrs. Strasner.

Note to farmers, shippers and distributors of potatoes: That's what the housewives want. Now it's up to you.

Territorial subdivisions in France corresponding to states in the U. S., are called departments.



Floyd's Service Station

MR. AND MRS. GUY FLOYD
LAWRENCE, JOHN, BEN AND HULEN

WITH EVERY GOOD WISH FOR A
Happy Holiday Season

All that makes for a merry, merry Christmas . . . the voices of carol singers filling the air, the bells pealing melodiously, the holly wreaths hanging in the windows . . . all these things plus joy and happiness in your heart we sincerely hope is yours on this glorious holiday.

Hiway Grocery

RAYMOND AND VIVIAN YOUNG,
DOYLE SELLERS, THEONA JOSEY, R. E. JOSEY, LESTER JOSEY,
ROYCE JOSEY, MRS. J. O. FARMER

Greetings

To our many friends—old and new—May the spirit of Christmas linger with you to brighten every day of the New Year.

Giles Dining Room

— Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Giles —

Suggestions Given For Candy Varieties And How To Prepare Them Successfully

A family can't have too many "sweets" during the holidays. Here are a few suggestions from the tested files of Mrs. Delmo Gossett who says she got them from the West Texas Gas Company:

Date Roll

One package pitted dates; 2 cups sugar, 1 cup milk and 2 cups chopped pecans. Combine sugar and milk. Cook to the soft ball stage (227 degrees F.), stirring occasionally. Add the dates cut fine and allow to melt. Cook slightly and beat until creamy. Add nuts and beat. Pour onto damp towel and roll to form a roll 1 1/2 inches in diameter. Allow to stand 3 hours. Cut in slices 1/2 inch thick.

Maple Divinity

Two cups sugar, 1/2 cup water, 1/2 cup maple syrup, 1/2 cup corn syrup, 2 egg whites, 3/4 cup chopped nuts.

Put sugar, water, maple syrup in saucepan. Stir until it dissolves over the flame. Then let boil without stirring to hard ball stage (250 degrees F.) While it is cooking, beat the whites of eggs stiffly and when syrup is ready pour it over them, beating constantly. Beat until creamy, add nuts. Drop by teaspoonfuls on waxed paper or spread into a buttered pan and mark in squares.

Butterscotch Fudge

Two and a half cups brown sugar, 2 teaspoons corn syrup, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1 cup granulated sugar, 1 1/2 cups top milk, 1 cup pecans, coarsely chopped.

Combine sugars, corn syrup, milk and salt in saucepan. Put over the surface burner with the flame turned low, stir until the mixture begins to boil, then occasionally to keep from sticking to the pan and prevent excess curdling. Cook to the soft ball stage (230 degrees F.) Remove from range, cool to lukewarm without stirring. Beat until fudge is creamy and loses its gloss. Add pecans and turn into buttered shallow pan. When firm cut into squares.

Spiced Nuts

One cup sugar, 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg, 2 teaspoons cinnamon, 1 cup pecans, 1 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon cloves, 1/2 cup water.

Mix sugar, salt, nutmeg, cloves, cinnamon and water in saucepan. Cook until syrup forms a soft ball when tested in

cold water (227 degrees F.) Add pecans. Remove from burner and stir until sugary. Spread on oiled paper or a buttered platter; break apart when cool.

Divinity Fudge

Two cups sugar, 2 egg whites, 1/2 cup nut meats, 1/3 cup water and 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Mix sugar, syrup and water in saucepan. With the burner turned low, stir until sugar is dissolved. Cook slowly, without stirring until this mixture forms a hard ball when tested in cold water (250 degrees F.) Just before the syrup reaches the hard ball stage, beat egg whites until stiff. Pour gradually over beaten egg whites. Do not scrape the bottom of the pan. Beat until creamy. Add chopped meats and vanilla, continue beating until mixture holds its shape. Pour into buttered pan; mark in squares or drop from tip of spoon on waxed paper.

Honey Penuche

Two cups brown sugar, 2 teaspoons honey, 1/2 cup nut meats, 3/4 cup milk, 2 tablespoons butter, 1/4 teaspoon salt.

Mix sugar with milk and honey. Boil gently with flame turned low. Cook to soft ball stage (227 degrees F.) Stir mixture until it begins to boil then stir occasionally to prevent excess curdling. Just before removing from fire, add butter and salt. Cool to lukewarm without stirring. When lukewarm, beat until mixture thickens. Add nut meats which have been cut into pieces. Pour into buttered pan. Mark into squares. When cool, the penuche is ready to serve.

Popcorn Balls

One-half cup molasses, 1/2 cup corn syrup, 1 1/2 teaspoons vinegar, 1 1/2 tablespoons butter, 8 cups salted popped corn.

Combine molasses, syrup and vinegar; cook, stirring occasionally to prevent burning, until small amount of mixture forms a very hard ball in cold water (284 degrees F.) Remove from heat, add butter and pour over corn; stir, cool slightly. Butter fingers lightly and mold corn into balls; cool on greased surface.

Candied Pineapple

Combine 2 cups sugar, 1/3 cup corn syrup, and 1 cup pineapple juice in saucepan. Cook until syrup spins a thread (230 degrees F.) Add thoroughly drained, canned slices of pineapple and

Let's Hope Crop Of 1948 Wasn't All This Bad!

This, being a year of a poor cotton crop, inspired John Womack to send a copy of "A Psalm of Cotton," which he said was published in the Post Dispatch in 1938. It follows:

Cotton, thou art my shepherd and I am in want; Thou hast caused me to feed in the paths of poverty, lawsuits, liens and near-nakedness. Thou hast destroyed my soul and my happiness. Thou hast caused me to bow to a banker with my hat under my arm. And mortgage the muscle and produce of my farm.

simmer gently with burner turned low until pineapple is somewhat clear.

For best results, do not crowd fruit in kettle. Lift fruit from syrup with skimmer and drain on cake cooling racks over cookie sheet. Sprinkle with sugar and dry in slow oven, 250 degrees F. for about 2 1/2 hours or until dry, adding additional sugar if the pineapple seems sticky. Store between sheets of waxed paper in closely covered metal container.

About Candy Making

Here are some suggestions for samces in candy making:

1. Use accurate measurements.
2. Use a wooden spoon for stirring and beating.
3. Use a saucepan large enough for candies to boil. A 2-quart can is usually adequate.

4. The acid in brown sugar will often cause candy mixtures to curdle. This will disappear after cooling and beating.

5. Remove the pan of candy from the range when making the "cold water" test. Let 1/2 teaspoon of hot syrup fall into bowl of cold water. When the drop forms:

Soft ball—It will barely hold its shape but can be lifted out of the water with the fingers.

Firm ball—It will hold its shape and can easily be held with the fingers.

Hard ball—It is hard enough to hold its shape yet plastic.

Brittle—It forms hard brittle threads in cold water.

6. Candies which are to be cooled before beating, do not stir or shake the pan while cooling.

7. Candy is ready to be lukewarm, or when the hand may be held on the pan.

MORAL SOURCES

By Washington Irving

There is something in the very season of the year that gives a charm to the festivity of Christmas.

At other times we derive a great portion of our pleasures from the mere beauties of nature. Our feelings sally forth and dissipate themselves over the sunny landscape, and we "live abroad and everywhere." The song of the bird, the murmur of the stream, the breathing fragrance of the spring, the soft voluptuousness of summer, the golden pomp of autumn, earth with its mantle of refreshing green, and heaven with its deep delicious blue and its cloudy magnificence—all fill us with mute but exquisite delight and we revel in the luxury of mere sensation.

But in the depth of winter, when nature lies despoiled of every charm and wrapped in her shroud of sheeted snow, we turn for gratifications to moral sources. The dreariness and desolation of the landscape, the short and gloomy days and darksome nights, while they circumscribe our wanderings, shut in our feelings, arise from rambling abroad, and make us more keenly disposed for the pleasure of the social circle. Our thoughts are more concentrated; our friendly sympathies more aroused. We feel more sensibly the charm of each other's society, and are brought more closely together by dependence on each other for enjoyment. Heart calls unto heart, and we draw our pleasures from the deep wells of loving kindness which lie in the quiet recesses of our bosoms, and which, when resorted to, furnish forth the pure element of domestic felicity.

Thou has caused me to live in a rented house in full view of the moon.

While stars came twinkling through the cracks.

Thou appointed my heart with ignorance, superstition, poverty and unpaid accounts.

How can I trust thee?

Thou hast kept my children out of school, church, and society. Thereby robbing them of that which is good and noble, enervating and refining.

Thou has caused me to go to the barn and bring out the old fertilizer sacks. And ask my wife to make me a shirt, with these inscriptions in full view:

"Eighteen 1/2 Acid Phosphate" on the breast and "12-4-4" on the tail.

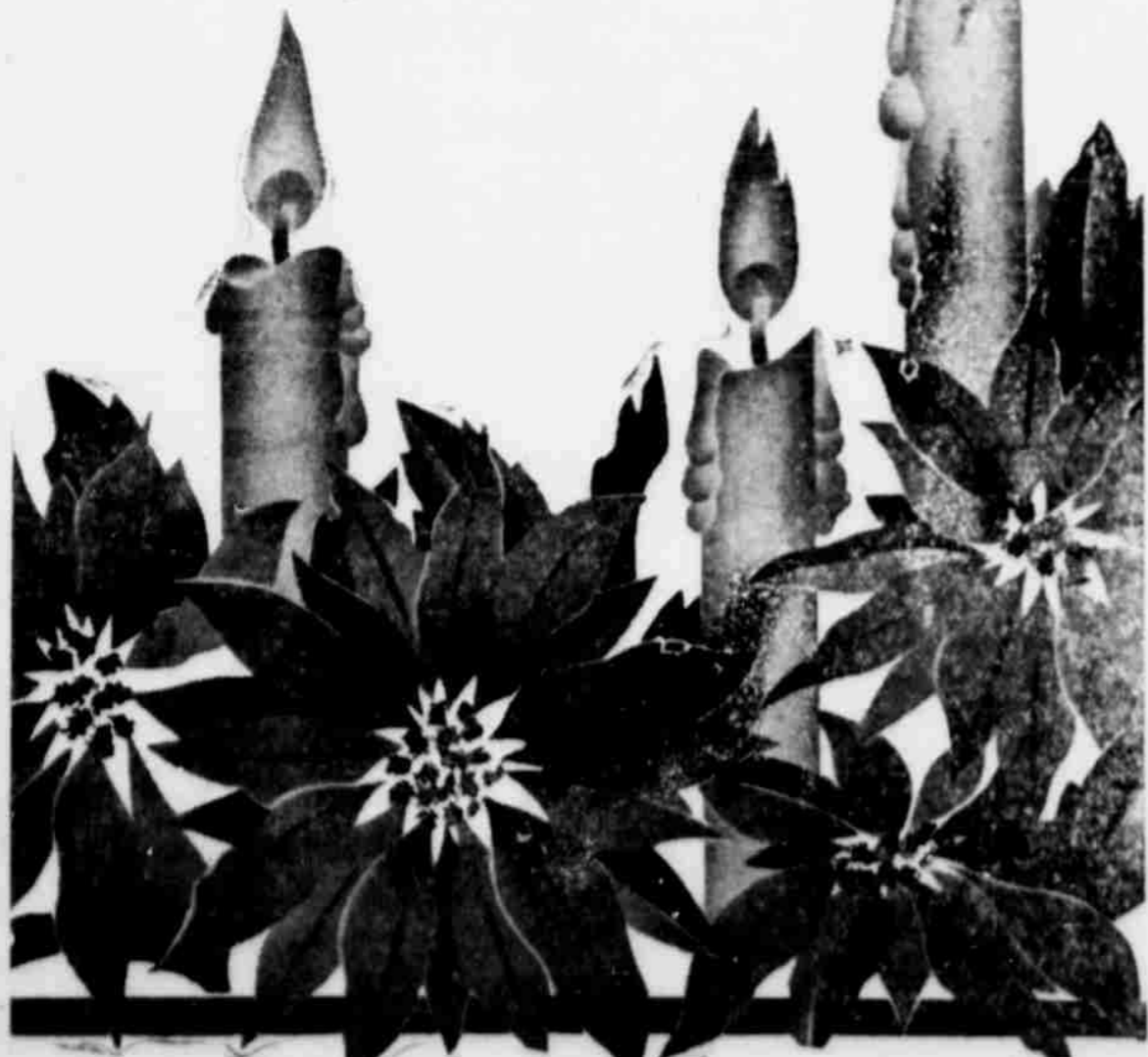


Short Hardware

MR. AND MRS. LOWELL SHORT

Greetings for Christmas

Merriment, laughter, the shrill sound of children's voices, Christmas carols—we could name a hundred joys of the Yuletide Season—May they All be yours!



Piggly Wiggly



Merry Christmas

May your Yuletide be gay,
Your family near,
May your table be laden with food,
May all our good wishes extend today
For happiness, health and good cheer
Bring you and your friends and those you hold dear—a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

Snyder Rendering Co

G. W. PARKS, JR.
SNYDER, TEXAS

HOWARD W. GOO
PHONE 650

Everybody Except Postal Authorities Is Enjoying Christmas Cards

Everybody except the postal authorities has been enjoying a Christmas card during the week of more. Many of them take every form from the sublime to the ridiculous. Many of them are religious or patriotic. A number of them are original and extreme in the extreme. Some of them show pictures of families of children.

Mrs. David Schultz in their nighties, saying their prayers. Another interesting children's card is that sent by Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Power, showing their daughter, Nancy, rigged out in cowboy clothes, mounted on a big black hobby horse and brandishing two "six-shooters." Bunches beneath the horse spell J. N. Power and Nancy, and the backdrop for the scene is lettered with "Merry Christmas."

Can't See Posts
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Post (he is city editor of the Amarillo Globe-News) sent the Post Dispatch a

card showing their home; that is, what can be seen of it amid a lush growth of trees. The message says "You can't see the Posts for the trees, but... we're right here sending you Season's Greetings."

The most timely card arriving at the Dispatch office was from Mr. and Mrs. Bryan J. Williams, who have joined numerous West Texans — including a number of Garza County folk — in going "all out" for square dancing. The front of the card is a Harold Bugbee etching of an early day square dance set. Inside, the

message says: "Ladies to the center, and back to the ring, gents to the center with the same old thing—Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Lewis Nance, the calf roper, and his wife dreamed up a card showing Santa Claus riding a bucking reindeer beside a cactus and throwing a loop that spells "Greetings." The message on the inside is also formed of "rope."

Joiner Comes Through
One of the prettiest cards arriving at the Dispatch office was from Ernest Joiner and the Rails

Banner Staff. The lettering, "Same Old Yarn with a New Twist, Merry Christmas," is of real yarn of white on a plain indigo background.

Another version of a similar idea was the card sent out by the L. A. Presson's daughter, Mrs. Hedgecock of Minneapolis, Minn., for her little red-haired boy. The card featured a drawing of a small boy who had real, honest-to-goodness red hair.

Reality was the keynote of Mr. and Mrs. John Herd's cards, which almost smelled of spruce and pine cones. They were pic-

tured in front of their Christmas locking Herd-In at Chipita Park, Colo.

The Lee Bowen family sent out a card of deep blue with their street address, 10 10th Street, lettered in silver on an attractive marker. The message said, "Greetings... Here Are the Bowens... to wish you all the JOYS of the Holidays." Figures representing each of the Bowens who live at home were neatly drawn in silver.

"Pop-Up Variety"
Mr. and Mrs. Allen Benton and daughter, Lynn, of Lubbock sent

a "pop-up" type of card which, when opened, revealed a mailbox with the red flag up.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Key of Justiceburg sent a card showing a teddy bear winding a phonograph and the message "Get Wound Up for a Merry Christmas." Inside, the teddy bear was breaking the phonograph records with a hammer and the message continued—"and a record breaking New Year!"

Outstanding from the point of view of sheer beauty was the card sent by the Wynne Col-

Kenleys Go in-Law's Services
Services were conducted at the Central Hill Church of Brownfield Saturday afternoon for the late Mrs. J. K. Katz, son-in-law of Harvey Kenley of Amarillo. The funeral was held at the Memorial Park cemetery. The body was taken to the funeral home of the Standard Oil Company, where it was held for 26 hours. The funeral was held at 10 o'clock Sunday morning. The Rev. I. D. Walker officiated. Burial was in the Memorial Park cemetery.

Certificates Issued To Maddox And Wood
Grade C Well Water Supply Operator's Certificates have been issued by the Texas State Department of Health for Roy A. Maddox and Charles W. Wood, city water department employees. Mayor John T. Herd has announced that the certificates will be presented to the employees at a special ceremony.

Barracks Building To Be Added Near Gymnasium Of PHS
The Post Independent School Board at a recent meeting authorized funds from the school athletic department to buy an athletic barracks building which will be placed on the site of the former barracks. The barracks will be used for storing athletic equipment and will also serve as a locker room for the athletes.

Rev. I. D. Walker And Family Will Move To Lubbock
The Rev. I. D. Walker submitted his resignation as pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church at the Sunday evening service. It will become effective Sunday. He announced that he has accepted the pastorate of the Parkdale Baptist Church in Lubbock. He and his family will move there about January 1.

Section Three
"The Post Dispatch Covers Garza County Like A Sandstorm"

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THE REV. I. D. WALKER

Joe Abraham Home Destroyed By Fire
Joe Abraham and family, who lived in a four-room house on T. R. Greenfield's farm in the Verbena Community lost their home, household furnishings and personal belongings in a fire about 5 p.m. Sunday. The fire is believed to have resulted from an (a) stove explosion.

Mrs. Joe Abraham and her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Abel Abraham, were home at the time of the fire, but they were unable to save any of the property.

Connell Chevrolet Is Being Remodeled
Connell Chevrolet Company has been busy redecorating and remodeling its plant. The interior has been repainted and the exterior will be repainted as soon as the weather permits.

Mrs. Schultz And Mrs. Key Winners Of News Prizes
Last week's first prize of \$250 went to Mrs. David Schultz and second prize of \$1 went to Mrs. R. J. Key of Justiceburg in the News Tip Contest, which is to be carried on indefinitely.

Mrs. Schultz provided information leading to an interesting article about Mrs. Ola Shackelford of Petersburg, W. Va., early day Post resident. Mrs. Key sent in the odd bit of news concerning little George Knox McLaurin's freak accident in which he started the car then got out and was run over while trying to stop it.

Honorable mention went to a host of people who telephoned or came by the office and reported about the vapor trails left in the sky by airplanes last week. It included Mrs. J. C. Johnson, who was the first to call, Welton Swanger, Mrs. L. A. Pirtle, Mrs. Bryan Williams, O. D. Cardwell, El Wanda Davies, Miss Henrietta Nichols and Mrs. Joe Callis.

Now We Know Why Brakes Have Quail
The Spring of '49 if Dust Bowl predictions should come true, might see a revival of "the biggest liar" stories that had fantastic objects blowing around during the Thirties.

History shows, however, that in every period of freakish weather there are a few real oddities in the news that are fantastic as the stories spun by the fireside revelers.

One of these freak but real happenings was observed in Garza County on December 5, the day after "the big black duster." This is a true story:

Allen Cash and his son-in-law, W. J. Tipton were surveying the damage done to their fields, just on top of the Caprock, when they came upon what appeared to be a covey of dead quail, some of them still warm. Examining the birds, they discovered that their eyeballs had been blown out by the wind.

The men started looking around within a radius of several hundred feet, and they found more quail, all blues, which apparently had died from dust and exposure. All had lost their eyeballs. They had been caught in an open cotton field, without any mesquites or brakes for protection. They also found some dead field larks. Had the birds made it just a short distance to the edge of the Caprock, they would have had adequate protection.

This is the first known instance of quail being killed by a sandstorm, although it has been reported several times in years past that dead quail were found after a hailstorm.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Curb of Canyon visited relatives in Post Saturday and Sunday.

A Joyous Season

GREETINGS TO NEIGHBORS

Each Christmas season we realize more fully the value of friendships. Every year we look back over a period of happiness achieved through the cooperation and courtesy extended by our neighbors and friends. Since you have been good to us, we believe old Santa will be good to you. We hope he drives right up to your front door with a sack full of everything your heart desires to make your Christmas complete.

Here's our Best Wishes, not only for this Christmas, but for the twelve months between now and next Yuletide.

Greenfield Hardware Company

Santa Letters:

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl nine years old. Please bring me some fruit and nuts and candy. I would like to have a wrist watch and anything else you would like to bring me.
Your little friend,
Onetta Jones.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl four and a half years old. I am waiting for you to come to see me. I want a little ironing board, a hot (electric) iron and a sprinkler bottle.
Daddy says I haven't been very good but I love you.
Your little friend,
Reta Fern Jones.

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy six years old. I like to go to school real well. I want you to come see me and bring me something. I would like nearly anything, but I want a baseball and a bat, B-B gun and building toys.
Please don't forget my little cousin, Sammy, down at Sabinal.
Love,
Darrell Lee Jones.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 4 years old. Please bring me a doll, doll clothes, ring, candy, fruit and nuts. Please don't forget my brother and the other little boys and girls.
Your friend,
Ruthell Martin.

Dear Santa:
We are two boys eight and nine years old. Please bring us a cap gun and holster set, all kinds of fireworks, candy, fruit and nuts.
Jacky and Jerry Morris.

Coach V. F. Bingham estimated the new lockers and dressing rooms will result in a savings of 25 per cent a year on equipment.

It's Our GOOD FORTUNE to Have Friends Like You

We consider ourselves fortunate indeed to have the fine friendships that have been ours to enjoy in this community. Because we value these associations we look forward to the Christmas season. It gives us a splendid opportunity to express our appreciation for all past favors and to wish you all the good things we can think of and which are deservedly yours.

... and We Are Truly Grateful!

Raymond Redman Continental Oil Products



A Christmas Message

It is not riches or elaborate gifts that
make a Christmas merry . . . but the simple.

familiar wishes of neighbors and friends, plus
an unassailable faith in our Lord and Protector.

With this thought, we raise our voices in the age-old
greeting. "A Merry Christmas to each and everyone."

G. W. BASINER
DOWE MAYFIELD
STANLEY BUTLER
CECIL OSBORNE, JR.
JACK STACK
CLYDE WHEELER
GORDON FLOWERS



Santa Letters:

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good girl. Please bring me a doll, school house and a pair of boots. Remember all the other good girls and boys. Love, Barbara Kay Gary

Post Dispatch Birthday Editor Trying To Fill 30 Blank Pages In Record Book

The Post Dispatch has wished a Happy Birthday to 983 persons to date in 1948. At this time last year, the editor asked in the paper for dates of Garza County residents' birthdays and recorded them in a permanent birthday book which has been edited each week to eliminate names of deceased persons or those who have moved away.

The birthday book has 365 pages, one for each year. Only the following pages are blank, there having been no birthdays reported for these days:

Santa Letters:

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good boy. Please bring me a B-B gun and a teddy bear. Love, Edward Ray Walls

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good boy. Please bring me a gun, house and a pair of boots. Remember all the other good girls and boys. Love, Edward Ray Walls

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good girl. Please bring me a doll, school house and a pair of boots. Remember all the other good girls and boys. Love, Barbara Kay Gary

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good girl. Please bring me a doll, school house and a pair of boots. Remember all the other good girls and boys. Love, Barbara Kay Gary

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January 5, January 20, January 25, March 5, March 20, April 1, May 6, May 9, May 27, May 28, June 1, June 5, June 19, July 3, July 19, July 24, July 29, July 31, August 13, August 14, August 23, October 9, October 24, October 25, November 8, November 15, November 21, December 21, and December 26.

Persons having birthdays on the above days are invited to send their names and birthdays to the Post Dispatch without delay and, while they are at it, send the birthdays of all other members of their families and friends. It is the desire of the Post Dispatch to wish a Happy Birthday to somebody in Garza County for every day of 1949.

It is also requested that people whose birthdays might have been erroneously listed in the 1948 papers, send corrections for the birthday book. Thumbing through the birthday book with one hand and punching an adding machine with the other, the Dispatch editor noticed that in 1948 March was the biggest month for birthdays, a total of 196 being recorded.

February, however, had the biggest single birthday date, February 22, when it was reported that the following people were born on George Washington's birthday.

H. M. Ford, Boyd Pat Sullivan, Jerry Hays, Lewis Mills, C. L. Cooper, Willis Bath Fry, Mari-ette Jane Duggell, Tom Bender-son, Max Ivy Simpson and Sher-ry De B. Cummings. Five of these were girls, and in the Post Dispatch this week.

The birthday book reveals that the smallest month for birthdays in 1948 was June, when only 57 people received birthday wishes from the Post Dispatch.

Santa Letters:

Dear Santa Claus: I want a little baton twirl and my little sister wants a doll with a bottle and my little brother wants a gun, tractor, and a football and my sister and I want house coats and house shoes, and all of us want some candy, nuts and fruit. Love, Virginia Peal (writer), Wynona Kate and Raymond Dun-igan, Justiceburg.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good girl. Please bring me a bicycle, and a rubber doll, also a basketball. Remember all the other good girls and boys. Love, Lois Josey

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good girl. Please bring me a doll, school house and a pair of boots. Remember all the other good girls and boys. Love, Mary Louise McCrary

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good boy. Please bring me a basketball. Remember all the other good girls and boys. Love, Boyd Dodson

Dear Santa Claus: I have tried to be good I am a girl 10 years old. I want a basketball set, a football jacket, a baton and some fruit for mother. Don't forget any little boy or girl. Love, Conale Marie King

THE WAY TO BETHLEHEM

By Clinton Scollard
There was the way to Bethlehem,
To those with sought-of-old
By turning sands and bitter springs
And nights of haunting cold,
Bearing their load and track
Toward the manger and the stall,
Their precious gifts and gold,
And was the way to Bethlehem,
To those who sought the star,
By clambering o'er the steep
And through the heights that bar,
With their own strength and their
And they saw the star,
The way to Bethlehem,
The way that leads to rest,
However dim and rough the
May not put footprints down
Since at the end of the road
The manger of the Lord.

HYMN FOR CHRISTMAS
By Mrs. Hemans
Oh! lovely voices of the sky
Which hymned the Savior's
birth.
Are ye no singing still on high
—Ye that sang, "Peace On
Earth?"
To us ye speak the strains
Wherewith, in time gone by,
Ye blessed the Syrian swains,
Oh! voices of the sky!
Oh! clear and shining light,
whose beams
That hour, Heaven's glory shed
Around the pains, and o'er the
streams,
And on the shepherd's head,
Be near, through life and death,
As in that holiest night
Of hope, and joy, and faith—
Oh! clear and shining night!
Oh! star which led Him, whose
love
Brought down man's ransom
free—
Where are thou?—midst the
host above.

World War II veterans have ob-
tained a total of 1,462,000 loans,
with a face value of nearly \$8-
000,000,000 under The American
Legion-sponsored GI Bill of
Rights to date.

May we still gaze on thee?
In heaven thou art not set,
Thy rays earth may not dim,
Send them to guide us yet,
Oh! star which led to Him!

Demand the Original
Say
"A GRAPETTE,
Please!"

THIRSTY
or NOT!

Christmas
Greetings

B & B Auto Supply

Greetings
TO ALL
OUR FRIENDS

Bob Warren

WARREN DRUG

For a very
Merry Christmas

None of us is so young that we cannot understand the beautiful meaning of Christmas and none of us so old and worldly that we cannot be reminded of the first message of Christmas, "Peace on Earth Good Will Toward Men". For we all come to realize that the good things in life emanate from the desire to serve our fellow man. It is in this spirit that we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Kirkpatrick
Auto
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Post, Texas
Telephone 434

Holiday Greetings

and
Best Wishes
for 1949

DUKE TRAVIS
MRS. REX EVERETT
HUGH BLEVINS
EMETT CASTLEBERRY
JOHN NELSON

Bryant-Link Co.

World's Most Famous Breads Are Found In File From Old German Foods Teacher

Mrs. Victor Hudman has an interesting file of unusual recipes which she obtained 20 years ago from a German foods teacher. The bread recipes are especially good. A few of them follow:

Two cups milk, 1 cake yeast, 1/2 cup water, 3/4 cup fat, 1 cup sugar, 1 egg, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 cup shredded almonds, 1/2 teaspoon almond extract, 1/8 teaspoon nutmeg and 1/8 teaspoon extract.

Cream fat, sugar and salt together. Add eggs unbeaten and beat thoroughly. Add flavoring and 1/2 cup flour. Mix thoroughly. Add flavoring and 1/2 cup water. Mix thoroughly and then add yeast dissolved in warm water. Add milk and flour alternately, beating after each addition until a dough that is just stiff enough to knead lightly is formed. Knead until smooth. Let rise. When light, shape into round loaves with as little kneading as possible. Spread with melted butter, sprinkle with shredded almonds and sprinkle with sugar, or sugar and cinnamon mixed.

Variation: Add to the above dough — 1/2 cup seeded raisins, 1/8 cup citron, 1/2 cup chopped candied cherries, 1/8 cup candied orange peel, 1/8 cup candied pineapple, 1/2 cup nutmeats.

Shapes: Swedish tea ring, pecan rolls, cinnamon rolls, filled rolls.

German Famous Breads
The ingredients for the German breads are practically the same as the Swedish except that they contain more eggs and spices, especially cinnamon and various seeds instead of almonds, almond extract or lemon extract.

Various kinds: Bund Kuchen (coffee cake), pineapple or apple cake, crumble cake, Kugelhofe, the finest type (it contains candied cherries, orange peel, candied pineapple and often other fruits).

Brioche (French)
One cup scalded milk, 3/4 cup fat, 1 teaspoon salt, 2 cakes yeast, 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 teaspoon lemon extract, 3 egg yolks, 3 whole eggs, 4 2/3 cup bread flour.

Mix all ingredients thoroughly, then beat for 10 minutes or until elastic and smooth. Let rise in a warm place 6 hours. Cut down with a knife. Put in refrigerator, cover tightly and let rise overnight. This will keep for a week. Small amounts may be taken out from time to time and made into various shapes.

Coffee Rolls: Put cold brioche on board and roll lightly to a rectangle 1/2 inch in thickness. Spread with melted butter, fold in thirds lengthwise. Press together. Cut in strips one inch wide. Put on board and let rise until light and soft. Shape into knots, twists, etc. Let rise, bake in a moderate oven until delicate brown. Spread with a frosting made from powdered sugar and serve warm.

Savarines: Small pieces of brioche made into balls that fill 1/3 of small muffin pans. When it has risen to double its bulk put in oven at 300 degrees and raise to 350. Bake 15 minutes. When done it should fill the tin. Serve hot for dessert. Cover with a fruit sauce.

Baba Cakes: Some dough shaped around raisins, gillan and cherries. Soak in wine while rising.

Danish Pastry: About the same mixture, rolled, spread with butter, folded and rolled, then cut into various shapes, as ovals, pinwheels, horns, knots, etc. Very light and baked at 500 deg. rees.

Luncheon Rolls
Two tablespoons fat, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 2 tablespoons sugar, 1/2 cup milk, 2 tablespoons lukewarm water, 1 cake yeast, 2 cups flour, 1/2 teaspoon grated lemon rind, 1 egg.

Variation: Use 1/2 cup orange juice and 1 teaspoon grated orange rind in place of the milk and lemon rind.

Shapes: Pocketbook rolls, Parkhouse, clover leaf, knots, twists, figure eights and circles put together with jam in the center and either baked when light or fried.

Orange Peel Bread
Three tablespoons fat, 3 tablespoons molasses, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 cake yeast, 1/3 cup water, 1 cup milk, 1 1/2 cup bread flour, 1 1/2 cup graham flour, 1/2 cup pecan meats, 1/2 cup candied orange peel.

Make into loaves and use as sandwich bread.

Both Buns (English)
Two cakes yeast, 1 tablespoon sugar, 1 1/2 cups milk, 1/2 cup melted fat, 4 eggs, 1 teaspoon salt, 4 cups sifted flour, 5 tablespoons sugar, 1 cup chopped almonds.

Dissolve yeast and 1 tablespoon sugar in lukewarm milk, add fat, salt and eggs unbeaten. Add flour gradually, beating thoroughly. This mixture should be stiff but not thick enough to handle. Cover and let rise in a warm place 1 1/2 hours or until light. Sprinkle with the balance of the sugar and the almonds, mix lightly and drop into greased muffin tins. Cover and let

rise until light. Bake 15-20 minutes in a moderately hot oven. These should have a rough appearance.

Sally Lunn is nearly the same mixture, but less sugar and no almonds are used.

Semmel bread, considered at one time the finest bread of England, uses 1 1/2 cups hot mashed potatoes in place of some of the flour and is made stiff enough to knead lightly.

Hot cross buns are the same mixture as the Sally Lunn except that more flour is used and 1 cup of English currants or seedless raisins is used in place of the almonds. These are kneaded and shaped into buns. After they are baked a cross is made on each with a frosting generally made of powdered sugar.

BITS OF NEWS

Mrs. Mamie Lett, who has been spending the winter in Florida, will visit a friend in Dallas during the Christmas holidays.

Tom Power delivered a new four-door grey Ford, Christmas wrapped, to the N. C. Outlaw home Tuesday morning as a surprise for the Outlaws' daughter, Alma.

E. E. Pierce, grade school principal, who has been ill for several weeks at the home of a daughter in Lubbock, planned to attend the Christmas parties in the various school rooms today.

Ray McClellan and Elgie Stewart made a business trip to Plainview Sunday.

BITS OF NEWS

Lavonne Ferguson of Southland visited in the George Sartain home Sunday.

Robert Smith of Slaton visited his sister, Jean Sartain, here Sunday.

Mrs. L. C. Kline and son of Fort Worth returned to their home Monday after spending a week with her mother, Mrs. Winnie Tuffing, and other relatives

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Snowden visited their son, B. H. Snowden, and family in Lubbock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. P. Lusk of Lorenzo visited Mr. Lusk's parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Newbury, Sunday. Other guests in the Newbury home that day were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lusk.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Newbury spent Saturday and Sunday in Lubbock.

Mrs. Fred Meek of Amarillo is visiting relatives here until

Christmas.
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SEASON'S GREETINGS

The shining star of Bethlehem is symbolic of the joy in our hearts which we want to share with all our friends when we say "Merry Christmas".

The Lavelle Shop



Season's Greetings

A warm and friendly wish of cheer, For Christmas and the coming year.

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Greetings

TO OUR FRIENDS—Your friendship is a treasured asset—your loyal patronage, our sustenance. Please accept our heart-felt gratitude for both. Merry Christmas—One and All.

**B. C. MANIS
BLACKSMITH SHOP**



"O, come all ye faithful.."

As the glad notes ring out, and the young voices of the choristers blend in joyous unison, we extend our heartfelt greetings for the Yuletide. May the spirit of Christmas bless you throughout the New Year!

MRS. W. R. GRAEBER
MR. AND MRS. L. A. PRESSON

Graeber's Red and White

Christmas GREETINGS

As we think of all the good things that we would wish you this Christmas, we cannot help but feel that this sentiment is inspired by your good will and friendship maintained through the years.

Thaxton Cleaners

Committeemen And Alternates Named For ACA In County

Mike C. Custer, secretary of the Garza County ACA, has announced that the County ACA Convention met Friday and selected the following persons to serve as county committeemen and alternates for 1949.

Will Wright, chairman; George W. Basinger, vice chairman; John B. Mataler, regular member; Claude E. Spence, first alternate and George M. Ramago, second alternate.

Custer stated that the Garza County ACA Office will be closed from Friday through Monday.

Water And Sewer Association Holds Regular Meeting

Members and guests of the Permian Basin Water and Sewer Association held their regular Water Meeting at Denver City Tuesday evening of last week.

The majority of towns in the association were represented at the meeting. The association were guests of the Denver City members.

This organization has met December 27.



Best wishes for a very merry and joyous Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Mohoto Allen

ALLEN'S HOME BAKED PASTRIES

BITS OF NEWS

Robert Smith will leave tomorrow for Brownwood to spend Christmas with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Uhlman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Strange and sons, Robert and Bill, left today for Eastland to spend Christmas with Mr. Strange's mother, Mrs. W. C. Strange, and attend a family reunion.

Mrs. Jessie Mae Julian and son, Alvin (Ziggy), and Miss Almata King, all of Plainview, will spend Christmas Day with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim King.

Mrs. Jim Cloud of Lubbock spent Sunday here with her mother, Mrs. Vida Brant, while her husband went hunting.

Mrs. D. C. Hall of Fort Worth left Sunday after spending several days here with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Nance.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Strasner plan to spend Christmas in Otton with Mrs. Strasner's mother, Mrs. Ida Hipp, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. V. L. (Punk) Peel will leave tomorrow to spend the holidays with Mr. Peel's father, Benton Peel, in Springtown.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hudman will have as their guests on Christmas Day her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Y. Blanton, of Lubbock. Other guests will be her brothers and sisters and their families, Mr. and Mrs. David Blanton and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Wiley and children, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Southwick, all of Lubbock, and M. L. Blanton of Hart.

Southland News

Please Send News Not Later Than MONDAY to MRS. FLOY KING Southland Correspondent

The Rev. Fillingim, Baptist pastor, was brought home from Slaton Mercy Hospital Saturday. His mother, Mrs. W. B. Fillingim of Lorenzo spoke at the morning worship hour in his absence Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Poindester have returned from a visit with their daughter who lives in Ft. Worth who has been ill.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Merrell visited his parents at Plainview over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Myers and children visited in Tulla Sunday through Tuesday with his sister Mrs. Owen Cox.

Sgt. and Mrs. Henry King and daughter of Lawton, Okla., arrived Sunday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry King. Other Sunday visitors in the Harry King home were Mr. and Mrs. Edd King and son of Lubbock.

Lena Mae Samples of Slaton visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Samples last week.

Southland boys and girls basketball teams were entered in the Cooper tournament over the weekend, but lost all their games.

Last Tuesday night, the high school classes enjoyed parties and Christmas trees. The Freshmen met at the home of their sponsor, I. J. Duff; the Sophomores met at the home of Mrs. J. F. Wintearrowd, one of the room mothers; the Juniors were entertained at the home of one of their room mothers, Mrs. Howten Haire, and the Seniors enjoyed a dance in a barn loft.

A program and Christmas tree was enjoyed by the members of the Methodist Church at the church Wednesday night.

Members in more than twenty cities and towns in this area. The present officers who have just been installed for the coming year are as follows: president, E. L. Killingsworth, City Engineer, Big Spring; Vice President, Alf Wright, Water Superintendent, Odessa; Secretary, N. B. McCaulough, Water Superintendent, of Lubbock.

Following is a list of the cities that have members in the association: Andrews, Big Spring, Brownfield, Colorado City, Crane, Denver City, Kermit, Lamesa, Levelland, Littlefield, Loraine, Lubbock, McCamey, Midland, Monahans, Morton, Odessa, O'Donnell, Post, Seagraves, Slaton, and Wink.

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There's no time like Christmas time to wish all of our friends—
Good Cheer, Good Health and Peace.

POST ART STUDIO
DAVID — JOY — TINKER

Merry Christmas
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

It has been a pleasure for all of us to serve you during the past year. And we just want to let you know that we value your friendship and patronage... and that we wish you and your families a very pleasant Christmas season.

YOUR DEALER

Tom Power

Your Friendly Ford Dealer

PHONE 292 • POST, TEXAS

A Holiday Message

All the pleasant thoughts a gift can bring... all the happy wishes, too... are cheerfully offered in our Christmas greeting to you.

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Holiday Candies, Cookies, Beverages Will Add Zest To New Year's Parties

Although it's a little late to be making candy for Christmas, but it'll be good for New Year's parties.

Super Fudge

Mrs. J. E. Parker, who is famous for her delicious candies, tells how to make fudge:

Three-fourths cup of milk and 3 tablespoons vanilla.

Bring to boil, add 2 cups sugar. Cook until a soft ball can be formed in water. Remove from fire, add a lump of butter and 1 teaspoon of vanilla.

If in a hurry, beat immediately, but it's better to cool the mixture before beating. Add a cup of nuts when candy is of right consistency. Cut at once.

And here's a secret. If the candy is overcooked, add one tablespoon of cream.

Five-Minute Fondant

The editor's wife whips up a five-minute fondant by this recipe:

Two-thirds cup Eagle Brand milk; 1 teaspoon vanilla; 4 cups sifted confectioners' sugar.

Blend milk and vanilla. Gradually add confectioners' sugar, mixing until smooth and creamy. Result: 1 1/3 lb. of real homemade candy.

Enjoy it plain, or in any of the following varieties: Use fondant between nut meats or as a stuffing for dates. Or form into small balls and roll in chopped nut meats, shredded coconut, grated chocolate, or candied fruit. Or color fondant with vegetable coloring, and flavor as desired with oil of peppermint or oil of wintergreen or lemon, orange, or almond extract — and form into round flat creams; top with nut meats or cherries.

Other Suggestions

Here are some recipes for candy, holiday beverages and cookies from the files of Mrs. Jewell H. Strasner, Garza County home demonstration agent:

Penuche

Three cups light brown sugar (or 1 cup white sugar, 2 brown if only dark sugar is on hand), 1 cup rich milk, 2 tablespoons butter, 1 teaspoon vanilla 1 cup pecans and 1/8 teaspoon salt.

Place sugar and milk in saucepan over low flame until sugar

is melted. Boil to soft ball stage. Remove from heat, cool; add butter, vanilla and salt and beat until creamy. Add nuts and pour in butter pan. Cut in squares.

Divinity

Three cups sugar, 3/4 cups light corn syrup, 1/4 cup water, 3 egg whites, 1 teaspoon vanilla and 1 cup chopped nuts or fruit.

Cook sugar, syrup and water to soft ball stage. Slowly pour one-half of syrup mixture over stiffly beaten egg whites, beating constantly until thoroughly combined. Return remaining

syrup to flame and cook to firm ball. Remove from flame and slowly pour syrup over egg mixture beating constantly until it will hold shape. Add vanilla and nuts. Pour on buttered dish, cool and cut into squares or drop from teaspoon on waxed paper.

Pecan Pralines

One and one-thirds cups white sugar, 2/3 cups brown sugar, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1/2 stick of butter, 1/2 cup sweet cream or evaporated milk.

Cook sugar and cream until it makes soft ball in water. Add butter and vanilla and beat until creamy. Add pecans. Dip out with teaspoon on oil paper.

Holiday Punch

Two and one-half cups cranberry juice, 2 cups strong cold tea, 3 cups pineapple juice, 2 cups water, 3 cups orange juice, 1 1/2 cups strained lemon juice, 2 cups grape juice, add sugar to taste and 1 quart ginger ale.

Have everything cold and mix together. Pour into cold punch bowl and add ice cubes or block of ice. Add ginger ale last just before serving.

Hot Cranberry Punch

Three pints cranberry juice made from 1 pound cranberries, 2 cups water, 1 cup sugar, 1 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg, 1 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon, 1/2 whole cloves, 1/3 cup lemon juice and 1/4 cup orange juice.

Combine cranberry juice, water and sugar. Stir to dissolve sugar. Heat to boiling, tie spice in a bag. Simmer 20 minutes, remove spice bag. Just before serving add fruit juices. Serve steaming hot.

Santa Letters:

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 8 years old. I love you very much. Please bring me a doll, Bible and a pair of skates.

Your little friend,
Bettie Nelson,
Route 2.

P.S. Please bring me some nuts and candy and fruit.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good girl. Please bring me a ball, school house and a pair of boots.

Remember all the other good girls and boys.

Love,
Sonja Sue Queen

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good girl. Please bring me a doll, and doll house.

Remember all the other good boys and girls.

Love,
Kay Gene Jones

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good boy. Please bring me a catapillar tractor and dump truck. Remember the other good boys and girls.

Love,
Victor Eugene Human

Dear Santa: Please bring me a bicycle and a toy dairy set. Please remember my little brother, cousins, and playmates.

Love,
Don Richardson

Dear Santa: I have been a good girl. I wish you would bring me a basketball set and a baton. Thank you.

Love,
Glenda Webb

Gum Drop Cookies

Two cups brown sugar, 4 eggs, beaten, 1 tablespoon cold water, 2 cups flour, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 cup pecans (chopped), 1 cup shredded gumdrops (no black ones) and 1/8 teaspoon salt.

Gradually add sugar to beaten eggs and cold water. Sift dry ingredients over nuts and gumdrops and mix until each piece is coated. Combine mixtures and stir until well blended. Pour into a greased and floured shallow pan and bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 30 minutes. Cut in squares.

Loan Library Of Texas U Is Help To Many Groups

Supplying information on subjects ranging from the uses of Texas rivers to visual education, the University of Texas Package Loan Library in Austin acts as library, encyclopedia, and information service for the State of Texas.

During the past year, 29,135 package libraries of material went out over the state to women's clubs, civic organizations, schools, parent teacher associations, other libraries, county agents, and individuals.

Keeping up with the huge task of assembling and combining material is the job of Miss LeNoir Dimmit, director. Her summary of circulation statistics shows the package libraries called for during the past year included 1,144 books, 4,800 club outlines and 299,266 pamphlets and periodical clippings.

"These materials went to 983 Texas towns and rural communities, in 247 counties," Miss Dimmit said. "Schools and women's clubs were the most fre-

Santa Letters:

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good boy. Please bring me some trucks and a doll.

Remember all the other good boys and girls.

Love,
W. A. Talley

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good girl. Please bring me a doll and a booksatch and a pair of boots.

Remember all the other good girls and boys.

Love,
Maritta Jane Pennell

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good boy. Please bring me boxing gloves, B-B gun and a pair of boots.

Please remember all the other good boys and girls.

Love,
Ronald Dee Ford

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good boy. Please bring me a bicycle and a toy dairy set. Please remember my little brother, cousins, and playmates.

Love,
Don Richardson

Dear Santa: I have been a good girl. I wish you would bring me a basketball set and a baton. Thank you.

Love,
Glenda Webb



Greetings

To all our friends we wish the merriest of Merry Christmases and the happiest of Happy New Years.

Northside Grocery & Mkt.

PHONE 22




Greetings for Christmas

The most cherished of gifts bestowed upon us by the outgoing year is the confidence of those we have been privileged to serve. Ever appreciative of this pleasant relationship, we want to express to our many good friends our sincerest wishes for a joyous Christmas season and a very happy New Year.

Plains Lumber Company

The Employees of
West Texas Gas Company wish you a
Merry Christmas



And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl, 7 years old, and live up here in Levelland. Could you bring me a doll buggy and a cowboy suit?
My brother, Dwain, would like to have an erector set.
Bring both of us candy, nuts, and oranges.
Thank you Santa,
Cherry Dodson,
Levelland.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a filling station, a cash register, farm animal set, a choo-choo train, a jig-saw puzzle and a funny donkey.
Please remember my little twin brother and sister, Wendell and Molly, who are eight months old.
Love,
Jerilyn Davies

Dearest Santa:
I am a little girl 11 years old and my brother is 8. We want a bike together and he wants two guns and scabbard and I want dolls' clothes. Don't forget two sisters and brother. They want a tricycle and doll, and candy, nuts and a Merry Christmas to you.
Betty Donald and Wayne Bonnie.

Dear Santa:
I think I have been good. I am 13. I may be hard to please but I would like a locket with M written on it and something else. Some goodies, too. Santa. Love you lots.
Mary Ann Schults.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 7 years old. I have been real good this year. Please bring me a Sweetie Pie Doll and doll buggy with some clothes, an electric iron, sewing kit and some house shoes and anything else you want to bring me. Don't forget the other little boys and girls. Bring me some candy and nuts.
Your little friend,
Minnie Lee Mathis.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 5 years old. My little brother is 2. We have been pretty good. I want a doll, sewing kit and a set of dishes. Little brother wants a football, a little truck and a carpenter set, please. Don't forget to bring us some fruit and candy. Don't forget our little cousins, Brenda Sue, Johnnie, Charlotte and Bobbie.
We love you Santa,
Cecilia and Billy Dale Bland

Dear Santa Claus:
I am 5 years old. Please bring me a doll with lots of clothes. I also want a doll house and some furniture. My little sister, Phyllis, wants a snowsuit, dolly and a Bible.
Love,
Jeanette Moore.

Dear Santa:
I would like a doll and a paint set and a dog and fruits, nuts and candy.
Love,
Linda Fay Bartlett

Dear Santa:
I am a girl 10 years old and I've tried to be nice. I would like a doll and cash register and a dresser set and nuts, fruit and candy, and don't forget the other boys and girls.
Love,
Beverly Bartlett

Dear Santa:
We are two little girls, 4 and 5 years old. We have tried to be good kids this year, so Santa will you please bring us a pretty doll, dishes, stove and cooking utensils. Thanks a lot.
Your very good friends,
Ann and Judy Morris
P.S. Don't forget our brothers, Ronnie and Charles.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 5 years old. For Christmas I would like to have a doll with a bottle, a doll buggy and a paper-doll house, and anything else you want me to have. I want some shoes, too. I will try to be better next year.
Lots of love,
Frankie Sue Howell,
Hobbs, N. M.
P.S. Please bring Junior Malouf something nice.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl three years old. I would like to have a doll with a bottle, some dishes and electric mixer and a house coat and house shoes.
I will try to be better next year.
Lots of love,
Vonda Howell,
Hobbs, N. M.

Dear Santa Claus:
I'm 9 years old and have been a pretty good girl. Please bring me a basketball set, and also a balon. If you have an extra doll, I'll take one, but I do not play dolls very much, but I like them in my room.
Please do not forget my brothers, Dale and Barry, and Mother and Daddy.
Please remember all the little boys and girls all over the world.
Love,
Janice Gordon.

Dear Santa Claus:
I've been pretty good (except Mother says I don't stay very clean). I'll try to do better next year.
Please bring me a B-B gun, toy razor, truck and football, also candy, fruits, and nuts.
Please don't forget my big sister, Janice, and my baby brother, Barry, also Mother and Daddy.
Doodbye, Santa,
Dale Gordon
P.S. I'm 8 years old.

Dear Santa:
We have tried to be good little girls this year, so we are asking you to bring us a doll with hair, and a little buggy, a set of dishes, a little iron, and fill our stocking to the brim.
Please bring Maryann a doll and anything else you think she needs and don't forget Jerrel and Nena and Mother and Daddy.
Leta Jo Stone,
Kathryn Nell Stone

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 3 years old. Please bring me a doll, miniature furniture, ironing board and blackboard, also candy and nuts. I hope you will be good to all the little boys and girls again.
Love,
Linda Kay Reed,
Route 3.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me some new boots and a toy horse that I can ride.
Love,
Danny Richardson



Christmas...

*With another Christmas upon us, we feel a special pride,
a personal glow of happiness in greeting our many friends
in the real spirit of this glorious holiday.
For your peace of mind, your health and good cheer, we wish you all the
bountiful blessings of the Yuletide season.
It is in this spirit that we convey to you our message of a
very merry Christmas and Happy New Year.*



Too, we wish to thank you for the splendid business you have given us this year.

Wacker's

Christmas Greetings

What better time than Christmas time . . .
to wish you all the good things in life!

Post Produce

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Walker

Sarah Bernhardt, a famous French actress, was called "The Divine Sarah."

CHRISTMAS IS HERE
English Traditional

Sing we all merrily, Christmas is here.
Day that we love best of days in our year;
Bring forth the holly, the box and the bay.
Deck out the cottage for glad Christmas Day.
Sing we all joyfully, sing of Christ's birth,
Sing what the angel's sang, "Peace upon earth."
Parents and children in bright garments dressed,
Hasten to church to sing praise with the rest.
Christmas is here, Christmas is here.

THIRSTY or NOT



Grapette
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Say:
A GRAPETTE, please

Building Price Isn't Likely To Get Any Lower

Don't wait. Do it now. That's the information W. S. Allen, extension agricultural buildings engineer of Texas A. and M. College, has for the folks who are waiting for construction costs to drop back to normal. There just isn't much chance that will happen, says Allen. Fact is, construction costs have continued to rise slightly in recent months, but appear to be leveling off right now. House building fell off during the late summer, but has picked up a little the last month. Farm building, on a national scale, continues at a faster pace than was predicted earlier in the year.

Prewar building costs are just history now. It's not likely that folks will see them again in any period ahead for which they can plan. In short, for those holding off to build, Allen can give little or no encouragement to wait.

There's a reasonably good supply of lumber, both in quantity and quality. Hardware, plumbing and nail supplies vary with different localities. But when a little planning ahead is done, these materials can usually be had. Cement supplies are short right now, but more is expected later on.

There's a need to think in terms of structures for production during 1949. Forecasts believe there will be a shortage of grain storage, and in order to make the most of continued high prices, there's going to be a big need for broiler houses, laying houses, milk sheds, and dairy barns.

The farm home is just a big part—if not the most important—of the farm production plant as the farm buildings, reminds Allen.

So now is as good a time as any to build up the farm production plant.

Prices aren't going down—just yet, anyway.

here:
Sing we all merrily, Christmas is here;
Christmas is here, Christmas is here,
Christmas is here, Christmas is here,
Sing we all merrily, Christmas is here.

MEARS TO LEAVE

When Sheriff Nathan Mears retires from office on January 1, he will move to Deadwood, S. D., where he has taken a ranch job.

SNOWFLAKES
From Ideals Magazine

CHRISTMAS CARDS—

(Continued From Page 1, Sec. 3) liers. Through a red plastic cover, one viewed a smartly drawn Christmas scene, including a reindeer, Christmas tree, Star of the East and Yule logs.

Svend Roesen of Colorado Springs, interior decorator who redecorated the refinishing of the John Herd home last year, sent the Herds a large handmade "postcard" featuring a Christmas message cut from drapery materials. The card was wrapped in blue cellophane when it arrived.

Bugbee Is Popular

Christmas cards featuring etchings by Harold Bugbee of Clarendon, long have been a tradition with Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Williams. This year's card shows a cowboy and a cowgirl riding their horses through the shinery with the Caprock in the background.

As for the postal authorities: This has been a record season for handling Christmas cards in the local postoffice. Postmaster Harold Voss estimated Tuesday that 100,000 cards had passed through the local postoffice and that the peak of the business was handled Monday. He said the local postoffice staff canceled more than 18,000 cards on Saturday.

Added to the postoffice headaches also was an average run of Christmas packages.

No extra help was engaged for the postoffice's Christmas rush, and the regular staff members each did the work of three men.

One of the supreme achievements of the Great Engineer is his creation of snowflakes.

In the laboratory of the sky, amid surging clouds and up-rushing winds, the snowflakes are designed. The water molecules are wafted by the winds toward the storm-centers and then upward to the clouds where they mix with the cold currents of the upper air. Here the magic of crystalline law works upon them and they unite and become snowflakes.

All snow, however, is not crystalline. The granular snow-pellets and the granular snow-stars actually are tiny pieces of clouds assembled and frozen together.

The snowflakes are made in an infinite variety of forms. Thousands of them, no two exactly alike, have been photographed and drawn by artists. There are frail, branch-like tabular forms; others are solid and mosaic-like with exquisite interiors. Still others are shaped like kites. Falling through the clouds toward the earth the snowflakes often grow, combining various types into one—as they move along the Great Engineer's assembly line.

For an adventure in beauty, study the individual snowflakes that fall on your coat sleeve, and you will marvel at the designing skill of the Great Engineer.

Postmaster Voss finally found time to mail his own packages on Tuesday.

MERRY CHRISTMAS




Kemp's Washeteria
Munger and Bill



May the Christmas Season and the New Year bring you all the good things of life in rich abundance.

Jesse Barnes
Garage

Merry Christmas



The joy in wishing you a Merry Christmas can only be equaled in the pleasure of voicing our hope for your happiness and good health during the coming new year.

Collier Drug

"DOC" — BOB — MATTIE EVELYN — LOIS — WILLIE WARD



Merry Christmas to All!

It's Christmas Eve. Everything lies in wait for the Big Day... the stockings ready for the filling... a tree adorned with multicolored balls prepared for the laughter and joyous voices of all who search 'neath it on the morrow for splendid gifts... warm, roomy chairs awaiting visitors to share Yuletide with the family... On this night before Christmas, we wish one and all, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Hodges Tractor Co.
Earl, Gertrude and Bill