

The Cross Plains Review

CROSS PLAINS' OLDEST BUSINESS INSTITUTION

"Without offense to friends or foes we sketch Cross Plains exactly as it goes."

CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS

"When The Old Great Score Comes To Write Against Your Name He Writes Not If You Won Or Lost But How You Played The Game"

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Home Town Gossip

of the nice customs of Christmas is that of caroling. Cross Plains youngsters have been going from door to door singing the yule carols for a few nights as to be regulated upon their very own renditions.

Among those enjoying the carols are not only the carolers but also the listeners, however, their efforts show a great deal of natural talent and their "riffs" are really indications of the true Christmas spirit.

PEACE ON EARTH. CHRISTMAS 1946

The Song of Christmas

THE long journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem... a new Star in the sky... heavenly music above the hills of Judea... the flutter of angel wings... the swift journeying of the Shepherds... Mary and Joseph and the new-born Child... the coming of the Wise Men, with their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh...

From these inspiring things the Song of Christmas was fashioned more than twenty centuries ago. The years have added new notes of happiness. Carols and song upon the air... candles gleaming into the night... secret whisperings and laughter in the home... greetings going from friend to friend... deeds of love and mercy done in the name of a Child.

No great symphony or composition can match the Song of Christmas. It rises above the clatter and roar of the city; it throbs through the scattered town and hamlet; it sings through the sunlit islands of the South; it permeates the frozen wastes of the Northland. In ever-widening volume its strains echo around the world.

Before its magic the hosts of darkness take flight. It touches the slumbering chords of memory; it heals old hurts and scars; it binds loved ones in a closer and deeper tie. There are no friendless or forsaken within its sound; under its influence the strong reach out to help the weak. Peace and Love and Joy, these are its loudest notes, and they are for all men. For the Song of Christmas is the greatest of all songs because it is understood by every heart.



GOOD FOOD
Makes the Season
PERRIER
PIGGY WIGGLY

HT - 25 LB. - \$

15 Oz PKG.

POSE 1 LB.

30 Oz JAR

No. 2 CAN .31C

No. 2 1/2 .39C

No. 2 1/2 AIL .39C

DEN No. 2 E .12C

1 Lb Jar .31C

QT. .35C

Can .15C

2 Can .15C

ORS .85C

Carton .85C

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Two Cross Plains couples have all made for Christmas. Although they're keeping as secretive as possible as is leaking out fast.

clean little city, with one of the state's lowest tax rates and as cheap as to be found in the Southwest, are the deciding factors in the new family this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Croft, of Arkansas, who are in Cross Plains, are a hospitable welcome to people and every good wish for success in Cross Plains.

ely elected county officials to take office January 1. The effect that Sheriff Nichols will appoint Geo. Hilton as Cross Plains deputy and that Joe Piere, chief assistant w. head-ers in Baird.

ulations are in order to Baldwin, who last week from the University of the degree of D.D.S. (Doctor of Surgery). He is the son and Mrs. W. E. Baldwin of

Cross Plains had about to have the title of Dr. before his name. He is Edw. who is soon to graduate Texas University medical

country has its own legend patron saint of childhood, Claus, or his counterpart. Santa, as we know from America from Holland of Germany and his name being Americanized was

men who spent one or Christmas seasons abroad all things to recall the customs of Christmas in other countries. One most startling thing regarding St. Nick during the Philippines was that Santa Claus looks different out there in the

Native artists paint him Oriental looking old gentleman, very small but fat; very much a Filipino.

was consummated Thursday between Mr. and C. Neeb, of this city, and Mrs. Henry Cromer, of Arkansas, whereby the parties became owners of Hotel of this city, how the trade will not become until January first.

and Mrs. Neeb, who have the hotel for the past years, will remove to their Avenue D. Mr. and Mrs. Crawford and family, who have been occupying the Neeb, were looking for another yesterday.

liberation of the transaction the sale of the hotel were public.

HUCKABY WILL BUILD NEW HOUSES

(Red) Huckaby closed a J. A. Caton this week for feet at the corner of and Avenue D, and will immediately the construction modern dwelling. The will include four rooms bath each and will be of construction.

will be modern in every Mr. Huckaby sold to a relative of the Review.



MERRY Christmas

Christmas is the one great event that transcends the bounds of any one country and embraces the whole world. In much the same way there is no limit or bounds to our good wishes for you for a Merry Christmas.

CROSS PLAINS FROZEN FOOD LOCKER PLANT
T. T. Nichols L. W. Tyson



CHRISTMAS IS A TIME WHEN OLD LOYALTIES ARE NOT ONLY STRENGTHENED BUT REMEMBERED. WE WANT YOU TO KNOW HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONFIDENCE IN US, AND HOW EARNESTLY WE WISH FOR YOU A VERY JOYOUS CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY.

WHITE AUTO STORE



CHRISTMAS WISHES
by the
THOUSAND
we send to all our friends this Yule Season of 1946. May yours be indeed a **MERRY CHRISTMAS**

JIM SETTLE DRY CLEANING
"Enemy to Dirt"
Cross Plains, Texas

H. D. CLUB ENJOYS XMAS PARTY DEC. 18

The Cross Plains Home Demonstration club enjoyed a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. A. W. Wright on the afternoon of Dec. 18th. During the entertainment hour a radio play, "The Ragged Cloak", was presented by seven members and Christmas carols were sung by the entire group.

Gifts were exchanged from beneath a beautiful tree. Refreshments were served to Mrs. E. O. Adams, Mrs. H. G. Whitehorn, Mrs. L. W. Westerman, Mrs. C. L. Lackey, Mrs. Henry McCoy, Mrs. Chas. Taylor, Mrs. Roy Hayes, Mrs. Ida Graves, Mrs. Jim Barr and the hostess.

Pear Tree Here Is Trying To Produce 2nd Crop This Year

A pear tree at the Champion Laundry, on Eighth Street and Ave. C, is making a strenuous effort to bear its second crop of fruit in one season. A bumper crop of pears was picked from the tree in September but the branches are again yielding small clusters of fruit. Recent frosts show their effect on the late pears by causing them to ripen, although only a fourth or fifth of the usual size.

News From COUNTY AGENT

Income Tax Time Coming
Thousands of Texas farm and ranch operators must soon bring out their pencils and record books and start figuring income tax reports.

All farmers with a gross income of \$500 or more are required to file a return. The farmer has his choice in paying income tax; he can file a declaration of his estimated 1946 net income by January 15, followed by a final return by March 15, or, he can make a final return by January 15, in which case he does not have to file a declaration.

While a record number of farmers will pay income taxes for 1946 the average tax bill will be less than in 1945, due to a reduction in rate and the combination of the normal tax and surtax levies. Farm income taxes should average about 17 percent less than in 1945.

A change in the tax law permits deduction, as a business expense, on reasonable wages paid by a father to a minor dependent actually employed on the farm or ranch. Under certain conditions, only 50% of receipts from sale of breeding cattle may be taxable.

The tax reporting job will be greatly simplified for operators who have kept record books through the past year. The Texas Farm Record Book which is available at Texas A & M College for a small cost, is a complete and simple form with spaces for recording all necessary items for income tax reports.

Imported Sudan Grass Seed
Imported Sudan grass seed, which Texas farmers may be planting widely next spring because of an extremely short Sudan seed crop this year, can be expected to be similar to our domestic-grown seed in yield, growth and resistance to disease.

This information from M. A. Hein, senior agronomist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Hein explains that imports of Sudan grass seed have increased rapidly during recent months and will probably continue to climb as demand increases. Recent crop reports indicate that seed production will be 54% below the 1945 supplies, which should urge Texas farmers to investigate the adaptability of imported Sudan seed.

In duplicate plot tests, imported seed from Australia, Hungary, Morocco, and Argentine were compared with domestic grown seed. Hein explains, and the test indicated that no one particular variety of seed differed sufficiently in yield, maturity or growth habits to be superior to any other.

"While these results and observations were taken 1 year ago", Hein says, "it should appear that one can expect imported Sudan grass seed to be similar in growth, yield, characters and resistance to our common domestic grown seed. If foliage diseases are serious, domestic strains such as Fifi, and Sweet Sudan, developed for disease resistance and other characters will be superior where adapted".

Try Review Want Ads

TAXI
ANYWHERE, ANYTIME
BILL BOUNDS

ELL NOEB, of Abilene, visited friends and relatives in Cross Plains Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Johnson and daughter of Midland are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Pearl Moore left Saturday afternoon for Ft. Worth to spend Christmas in the home of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Longley.



The story behind Christmas is one that has given the Yule holiday force and direction for over a thousand years. Hearts are made over on this day. It gives us great pleasure during this holy season to extend our best Christmas wishes to all our friends.

Cook Ins. Co.



Kind remembrances at Christmastime.
May the Christmas of 1946 be among the most joyous you have ever known.

C. D. Westerman's Service Station



May countless blessings bring true joy to you and yours at Christmastime.

J. D. Dallas Recreation Club

COTTONWOOD WMS HAS XMAS PARTY

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Cottonwood Baptist church held their annual Christmas party Monday afternoon, December 16, in the home of Mrs. J. F. Coffey at Cottonwood.

Opening the program was a Devotional given by Mrs. E. E. Shelton; followed by readings, various contests and games. Gifts were then exchanged. A refreshment plate of sandwiches, olives, potato chips, cake, minis and coffee was served to the following: Miss Emice Hem-bree, Miss Mary Thomas, Mrs. L. E. Davis, Mrs. C. W. Coats, Mrs. Sam Moore, Mrs. Floyd Coffey, Mrs. S. E. Archer, Mrs. Coe Garrett, Mrs. J. F. Coffey, Mrs. H. S. Varner, Mrs. Clarence Powell, Mrs. John Purvis, Mrs. E. E. Shelton and Mrs. Norman Coffey.

SCHOOL TO RESUME CLASSES DEC. 30TH

Cross Plains schools dismissed Friday for a week's Christmas vacation. Yuletide programs were held by the various classes in grammar school just after noon Friday and a combined program for the high school was presented in the auditorium. Classes will be resumed Monday morning, December 30.

Most teachers left Friday night or Saturday morning to spend the holidays in their respective homes.

Joe Pierce, of Baird, was a business visitor in Cross Plains Friday.

Presley Reynolds, of Baird, was in town one day last week.



I'm getting tired of looking at half-page ads in the Sunday papers, advertising new automobiles. I'd just like to see some new automobiles. And, by the way, since the so-called manufacturers don't seem to be manufacturing any automobiles, where do they get the money from to pay for those ads?

A young man was sitting in the T. & P. station in Fort Worth holding a baby in his arms. The baby began to cry, attracting everyone's attention. A man walked over with a snaffle of pity on his face and asked, "A woman gave you that baby to hold while she went to see about her baggage, didn't she?"

"Yes." The man began to laugh and then remarked, "I tumbled to the fact as soon as I saw you. You expect her, I suppose?"

"Of course." Again the other laughed, "This is rich! Looking for her, any minute?"

"That's right." Once more the man laughed and then said, "I had a woman play that same trick on me once. Young man, you have been played for a hunk. I would advise you to turn that baby over to a policeman and get out of here before some newspaper reporter gets hold of you."

The man holding the baby insisted, "She'll be back."

"What makes you think so?" "Because she's my wife and this is our baby."

The crowd roared and the man slunk away.

And wouldn't you like to live long enough to read a newspaper interview with just one railroad man who, on retiring from work, doesn't say, "I'm going to catch up on my fishing?"



Miss Dixie Respass who is attending school in Cisco will spend the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Respass.

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Mrs. Donna Warren and Shultz spent the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. daughter of Brownwood, Christmas day here with relatives.

Read the classified

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The warmest kind.

The Fair Store



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Baldwin Lumber



THESE ARE DAYS WHEN WE ARE ALL IN A BIG HURRY HOME, FOR THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME WHEN THE CHRISTMAS WREATH IS GLOWING IN THE WINDOW. WE ARE RIGHT NOW TO SAY OUR LITTLE PIECE—AN OLD REFRAIN TRUE, BUT AS WARM AND HEARTFELT AS THE FIRST TIME EVER SAID IT—

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Frank Taylor's



It isn't always stylish to be old fashioned, but there are times when it's very genuine—and Christmas is one of them. Yes, folks, we wish you an old fashioned Christmas this year... the best one of them all

Thanks for your business throughout 1946 heres bidding for your 1947 trade.

Koenig Motor Co.
Main St. Cross Plains, Texas

McCann Contracting Mohair FOR SPRING DELIVERY
124 OAK ST. PHONE 8863
DAN MC-CANN WOOL & MOHAIR CO.
ABILENE, TEXAS

COOK Electrically AND ENJOY THE DIFFERENCE!
Says Reddy Kilowatt
Your Electric Servant

REDDY KILOWATT, your cheap, dependable hold servant, is providing more and more freedom in the home every day. He'll help you iron, clean and cook. He'll keep your food fresh. He'll bring you light, heat and entertainment.

The advantages of doing things electrically are increasing every day. New appliances, better cooking equipment, improved radio reception and other developments will increase your enjoyment of living in an All-Electric home.

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West Texas Utility Company

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LOCAL BOY ON ALL DISTRICT GRID TEAM

An all-conference football team chosen by the coaches of district 11-B, placed one Cross Plains player on the mythical squad. He is Charles Cohn, 215 pound Buffalo tackle.

Only four teams placed players on the all-district team. These schools and the number of players such placed were: Early, five; Moran, three; ... of, two; Cross Plains, one.

The official team is as follows: Ends: Hagar, Moran, and Davis, Early.

Tackles: Cohn, Cross Plains, and Walker, Moran.

Guards: Gobles, Baird, and Crane, Early.

Center: Stacy, Early, who incidentally is a former Cross Plains boy, having attended school here until his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Stacy moved to Brownwood some six years ago.

Backs: Smith, Early; Cook, Baird; Hamilton, Moran, and Lancaster, Early.

Players making the second team were: Perry, Bangs; Nichols, Rising Star; Yarbrough, Baird, and Lammus, Moran, in the backfield. Walker, Rising Star, and Davis, Bangs, ends; Chavers, Early, and Michael, May, tackles; Stevenson, Bangs, and Ehrke, May, guards; center, Jarvis of May.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pyle will spend Christmas in the home of her family at San Saba. They will be accompanied by Mrs. Pyle's father, R. J. Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. McGowen and son, of Monahan, are spending Christmas with Mrs. McGowen and family here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sunderman and little daughter, Cris Allen, will spend Christmas in the home of his parents at Putnam.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Watson had as their guests here the past week their son, W. A. Watson and family, of Wolfforth, near Lubbock. They will remain here until January fifth, when Mr. and Mrs. Watson are to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary.

The Origin Of Christmas Cards

It doesn't look 100 years old. Crisply fresh and brightly colored, the Christmas card of this season appears more as if it were celebrating its first birthday. Only its numbers indicate a century of growth. For this year more than 1,000,000,000 Christmas cards will have been mailed in the United States alone.

The senders will have spent some \$75,000,000 for these cards. They will have spent another \$30,000,000 for the postage stamps that carry them to their destination. Wives will have worried over forgotten friends or relatives. Husbands will have worried over cards they forgot to mail. And many persons will pause to wonder how the whole thing began.

The honor of originating the first Christmas card goes to an English artist, W. C. Dobson. Just a few days before Christmas in 1845, he was writing over the problem of writing Yuletide greetings to his close friends. He wasn't a good writer, but he was a good artist, one of Queen Victoria's favorites. As he sat trying to put some appropriate thoughts on paper, he found himself sketching a Christmas scene. Suddenly he paused and smiled. He threw the paper away, took a piece of cardboard about double the size of a postcard and set to work sketching the first Christmas card. It was a picture and a simple greeting, basically the same as cards of today.

The origin of the first Christmas card in the United States is misty. Recently a card lithographed by R. H. Pease of Albany, N. Y. was discovered. Pease was in business in that city from 1834 until 1885. Unfortunately, this early American Yuletide greeting bears no date.

The first manufacturer of Christmas cards in America was Louis Prang. Having hurriedly left Germany after the Revolution of 1848, this lithographer came to Roxbury, Massachusetts. There in 1874, he made greeting cards for English customers. The following year he turned to the American trade and soon became mildly famous for his production of cards.

Like the English lithographers, Prang invited the best artists of the day to send him drawings for his cards. He offered \$2,000 in prizes and the competition stirred so much interest that the designs were displayed throughout the country.

In America, as in England, the habit of sending Christmas cards grew steadily. By 1906, it had become as much a part of the holiday season as carols and holly. Meanwhile the cards themselves had changed many times and in many ways. Often they reflect-

Mrs. Walton Wagner of Amarillo is visiting her son, Bill Wagner, and family and Mrs. Mary Wagner and family over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brown of Corona, California are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Brown over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Edmondson left Friday for Palestine to spend Christmas. Mr. Edmondson's father, a pioneer resident of Anderson county, is reported quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McCuin and daughter, Cynthia Lou, left Friday afternoon for Winters to spend the holidays in the home of Mrs. McCuin's parents.



A. J. Bland



How well we remember those old Fashioned Christmas dinners—

father at one end of the table; mother at the other end, and the children in between, wondering if father would ever get done carving the turkey. And what mince pies!

Wouldn't you like a Christmas like that this year of 1946? We hope that your Christmas is as much like that as the changing times will permit, and that all the joys of the old days will abound.

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West Texas Utilities Company



Sincere Wishes for a Merry Christmas

LET'S ALL BE HAPPY!

Christmas is likely to become too prosaic to many of us grownups, but to boyhood's eager eyes it is a time of preparation and expectancy... an enchanted season when the woodland is hushed and even ordinary tasks take on the glamor and joy of dragging home the Christmas tree. May your Christmas of 1946 be in this spirit.

Citizens State Bank

REVIEW CIRCULATION SHOWS WEEKLY GAINS

The Review acknowledges its appreciation for an ever-increasing circulation. New and renewing subscribers for the past week.

- Carl Bludworth, A. E. Fortune, Y. S. C. Mrs. Marion West, J. R. Preter, Silas Havens, S. F. Bond, Mrs. Bessie L. Hall, Mrs. Mae Lawrence, Mrs. Mack Campbell, Howard Gary, Alexander Neill, Duke Mitchell, Mrs. R. P. Irwin, Sam DeBuck, Carlton Ford, Willie Woods, John D. Montgomery, W. N. Brigner, Mrs. C. W. Brigner, C. W. Kemper, S. M. McDowell, Cora Moore, Joe Pierce, Paul Harlow, Mrs. J. E. Beddingfield, T. E. Brown, Mrs. J. I. Harris, Mrs. Della McAllister, Mrs. G. B. Swan, Mrs. J. H. Moragne, Edd Wallace, Linden Newton, Mrs. C. E. Atwood, Mrs. Wesley Peel, Mrs. E. W. Dennis, Mrs. Paul McNeil, Pauline Payne, A. M. Wilson, Earl McDowell, O. R. Lawlis, Mrs. S. P. Long.

Most subscriptions to the Review expire in the Fall of the year. If you have not investigated the condition of your subscription, may we suggest that you attend to this at your earliest convenience.

Farm Income Goes Up In This County Nearly 100 Percent

Nearly doubling their annual gross income in comparison with 1940, as reported by the County Bureau of Census, Callahan County farm families last year produced crops and livestock with the record value of more than \$2,970,000.

This huge increase in farm revenue has already created heavy demand for general farm improvements and for home remodeling, according to a study released by the U. S. Council of America. With every industry anticipating greater business in the state than before the war, floor and wall tile manufacturers alone expect their sales here to triple in the next few years.

"Increased sales of industrial products mean in turn a new level of prosperity for every local businessman and worker," said D. P. Ford, chairman of the County's Residential Construction Committee.

The study shows that many farm improvements were made even during the war. Since 1940, for example, the number of Callahan County farm homes reporting electric lights here has increased from 275 to 426. Heavy demand for such modernizing as installation of running water, tiling of bathrooms and improving kitchen layouts has already resulted, according to Ford.

Ford also pointed out that farmers in this county today have 320 more tractors than in 1940, according to the Bureau of Census, and that the number of trucks on farms has likewise increased substantially.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Helms and family are visiting Mrs. Jeff Clark.



HOLY NIGHT SILENT NIGHT

CHRISTMAS IS HERE

It's in the music of the cherished carols hovering like a benediction over the bustling crowds.

Time for us to send you our best wishes for the happiest Christmas you have ever known.

IRA H. HALL TEXAS MILLING COMPANY

Merry Christmas advertisement featuring a large illustration of a Christmas tree and a box of gifts. Text: 'The Yuletide Season brings joyous Greetings to all our customers and an appreciation for the considerations we have enjoyed during the past year. Our Good Wishes to you and yours.'

City Utilities

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

Local Man Buys Army Truck From Surplus supplies

Industrial machinery, electrical equipment and supplies as well as machine tools and chemicals found a ready market among Texas veterans according to George Klapp, Chief of the Capital and Producers Goods Division of the Fort Worth War Assets Administration office.

The first sales offering made of this material attracted orders from eager veterans from all parts of the nation but Texas veterans obtained the vast majority of the items listed.

E. A. McDOWELL BUYS GLENN INTEREST IN RADIO SHOP

Earl A. McDowell has bought the interest of Lee Glenn in the McDowell-GleNN Radio Service shop here.

In the future the establishment will be known as McDowell Radio Service Shop. Glenn has accepted employment with Don F. McCall for the present.

Read the Classified Ads

Greetings

Here's Wishing Each of You These Choice Blessings

HEALTH HAPPINESS PROSPERITY

Throughout 1947 and the years to come

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Neeb

The NEEB Hotel



JOYOUS YULETIDE

Here's wishing that the light of the season's cheer will glow through all you do, adding greatly to your Christmas happiness.

Mrs Scott's Flower Shop



TO WISH FOR YOU LOADS OF GOOD CHEER AND HAPPINESS AT CHRISTMASTIME

Army Surplus Store W. A. (Red) Haekaby

Large advertisement for 'GREETINGS OF THE SEASON' featuring a large illustration of Santa Claus. Text: 'It is a real pleasure to Extend to Our Friends and Customers, Our Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Please accept our thanks for your favors during the closing year.'

HIGGINBOTHAM BROS. & Co

"A SAFE PLACE TO TRADE"

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

Open for Service

I have purchased the former Hi-Way Garage building on Highway 36, once known as the Eddie Graham property, and have opened a service station, carrying fine gasoline, both regular and Ethyl and popular brands of motor oil.

I am also carrying automobile parts and accessories. As soon as possible, will have a good stock of tires, stock drinks and cigarettes.

My home is being established just behind the business and I will be available to give service 24 HOURS PER DAY.

Will appreciate your business and guarantee satisfaction.

Call By and See Us

Hi-Way GARAGE & SERVICE STATION

W. W. AISHMAN - OWNER

NUTSHELL ADVERTISING

FOR SALE: 4 room house with bath. See (Ode Strahan, Cross Plains, Texas. (11p)

WILL SELL 4 room house close in. See M. Moon.

WANTED: hose mending, 5 day service. Work guaranteed. Sarah Easley Shop, Comanche Texas, (9c36)

IF you need to repair, build a house or a barn, we can get all necessary materials to build anything. PRESLEY & SON CONTRACTORS, Clyde Lumber Company, Clyde, Texas. (4c36)

MEN WANTED interested in colonizing free Ranches and Homesteads, favorable climate, fertile soil. Two days travel Texas. Financial aid if desired. For further information write J. E. Stanley, Liberty, Texas. (3p38)

FOR SALE: 129 acres sandy peat farm, 80 in cultivation, fair 5-room house. Located about 10 miles from Abilene 1/2 mile off Highway 39. \$36. per acre. B. H. Frockard, Baird. (1c36)

HATS Cleaned and blocked at a fraction of the original cost. A-1 Cleaners, Coleman, Texas (11c)

DEAD OR DISABLED animals removed free. Phone 390, Cross Plains. (2p38)

BROWNWOOD RENDERING Co (1p12-31-46)

NO TRIPPING allowed on my place, known as the old Henderson home, on Turkey Creek. Johnson Hardware and Furniture Store. (1c-12)

FLOOR SANDING: expert workmanship. Both sanding and finishing. See Jack Hill or Oral Ray.

SCALP TROUBLE! You must find Durham's Resorcin Tonic the best ever used for itching scalp, dandruff, falling hair—or your money back. Large bottle only 75c at SMITH'S DRUG STORE.

SORE THROAT—TONSILLITIS! YOU WANT QUICK RELIEF! For prompt relief from pain and discomfort try DURHAM'S ANAESTHESIA-MOP. It is a Doctor's Prescription combining a local anesthetic and a powerful germicidal dye in a pleasant-tasting solution. Powerful and effective, does not burn tender throat membranes and is safe for children. You must agree it is the best throat mop ever used or purchase price will be refunded. Get your bottle, with mop-sticks, only 50c at your Druggist or at SMITH'S DRUG STORE.

MODERN MOTHERS AGREE! That Durham's Nu-Mo-Rub is a more modern preparation for relieving discomfort of children's simple chest colds. Doctors like its 50% Gaiacol-Camphor formula for it equates better and affords a stronger cough-relieving effect. Try Nu-Mo-Rub for croupy cough. Double the purchase price refunded if you do not find Nu-Mo-Rub a superior chest rub. 35c and 60c jars at your Druggist or at SMITH'S DRUG STORE.

DON'T SCRATCH! Durham's Parsicid Ointment is guaranteed to relieve itching accompanying Eczema, Rash, Piles, Ordinary Itch and other minor skin irritations—or purchase price refunded. Large 2-ounce jar only 60c at CITY DRUG STORE.

CUB SCOUTS ENJOY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Den Number 2 of the Cub Pack No. 56, of local Boy Scouts organization, was entertained in the home of assistant Den Mother, Mrs. Mary Wagner, with a Christmas party on the evening of December 19.

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A number of Cross attended the ceremony which followed.

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Give Jewel THE GIFT WITH FUTURE YOU NEED CASH USE YOUR CREDIT

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Coleman, Tex

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Entertaining rooms were bright with Christmas decorations which included a tree. Gifts were exchanged by the girls and each boy received a gift from the club.

At refreshment time a cake iced in Christmas colors and embossed with a four-leaf clover and "1946 Girls" was served with hot chocolate to the honor guests who were John and Weldon Bennett, Frank Lassiter, Durward Everett Coffey, Dee Robbins and the sponsor, H. S. Varner.

Girls on the hostess list were Rosa Marie Robbins, Betta Jo Brown, Tressa Fern and Neva Lee Luster, Louise and Rosalea Bennett, Helen Jo Coffey and Mollie Dell Lassiter.

Joan Archer, Vivian Robinson and Geneva Joy and club sponsor, Mrs. Floyd Coffey as well as Mrs. Joy.

STARRETT FILM TO THRILL ALL FANS

Charles Starrett is again thrilling his fans in "Outlaws of the Rockies," a Durango Kid yarn of the plains showing under Columbia Pictures' banner at the Plains Theatre Friday and Saturday, Dec. 27 and 28.

Prison bars can't hold him! Outlaws can't catch him! You can't help cheering him as he sets a new high in Western thrills and Spede Cooley, King of Western Swing, sets a new high in rhythm. There is hard riding action, quick-shooting thrills to please the most exacting fan as Starrett rides rough-shod over a gang of outlaws after he has been framed as one of them.

Tex Harding is dashing as Starrett's ever-fighting pal, Carole Matthews is lovely as Tex's sweetheart, Dub Taylor is funny again as Cannonball, Carolina Cotton sings melodiously.

J. Benton Cheney wrote the fast-moving original screenplay, Ray Nazarro directed it for every galloping hoofbeat that is in it.

CALE ROPING TO BE STAGED AT RODEO PENS SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28

There will be a big calf roping contest at the local Rodeo grounds on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 28, announces H. H. McDermott, president of the Rodeo Association.

Local and out of town cow hands believing themselves to be the best are invited to enter competition, and a good show is assured lovers of hoop hurling.

Remember the date is Saturday afternoon following Christmas.

Mrs. Lottie Rhodes, who has been visiting in Clay Pool, Arizona, has returned to her home here.

Open for Service

I have purchased the former Hi-Way Garage building on Highway 36, once known as the Eddie Graham property, and have opened a service station, carrying same gasoline, both regular and Ethyl and popular brands of motor oil.

I am also carrying automobile parts and accessories. As soon as possible, will have a good stock of series, soft drinks and cigarettes.

My home is being established just behind the business and I will be available to give service 24 HOURS PER DAY.

Will appreciate your business and guarantee satisfaction.

Call By and See Us

Hi-Way Garage & Service Station

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NUTSHELL ADVERTISING

FOR SALE: 4 room house with bath. See Ole Strahan, Cross Plains, Texas. (11p)

WILL SELL 4 room house close in. See M. Moon.

WANTED: hose mending, 5 day service. Work guaranteed. Sarah Easley Shop, Comanche Texas. (6c36)

IF you need to repair, build a house or a barn, we can get all necessary materials to build anything. PRESLEY & SON CONTRACTORS, Clyde Lumber Company, Clyde, Texas. (4c36)

MEN WANTED interested in colonizing free Ranches and Homesteads, favorable climate, fertile soil. Two days travel Texas. Financial aid if desired. For further information write J. E. Stanley, Liberty, Texas. (2p38)

FOR SALE: 129 acres sandy pasture farm, 80 in cultivation, fair 5-room house. Located about 10 miles from Abilene 1/2 mile off Highway 26. \$30 per acre. B. H. Freedland, Baird. (1f36)

HATS cleaned and blocked at a fraction of the original cost. A-1 Cleaners, Coleman, Texas. (1f)

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BROWNWOOD RENDERING Co (1p12-31-40)

NO TRESPASSING allowed on my place, known as the old Henderson home, on Turkey Creek. Johnson Hardware and Furniture Store. (1f-12)

FLOOR SANDING: expert workmanship. Both sanding and finishing. See Jack Hill or Oral Ray.

SCALP TROUBLE! You must find Durham's Resorcin Tonic the best ever used for itching scalp, dandruff, falling hair—or your money back. Large bottle only 75c at SMITH'S DRUG STORE

SORE THROAT—TONSILITIS! YOU WANT QUICK RELIEF! For prompt relief from pain and discomfort try DURHAM'S ANAETHESIA-MOP. It is a Doctor's Prescription combining a local anesthetic and a powerful germicidal dye in a pleasant-tasting solution. Powerful and effective, does not burn tender throat membranes and is safe for children. You must agree it is the best throat mop ever used or purchase price will be refunded. Generous bottle, with mop-sticks, only 50c at your Druggist or at SMITH'S DRUG STORE

MODERN MOTHERS AGREE! That Durham's Nu-Mo-Rub is a more modern preparation for relieving discomfort of children's simple chest colds. Doctors like its 3% Colocyl-Compound formula for it vaporizes better and affords a stronger counter-irritant effect. Try Nu-Mo-Rub for croupy coughs. Double the purchase price refunded if you do not find Nu-Mo-Rub a superior chest rub. 35c and 60c jars at your Druggist or at SMITH'S DRUG STORE

DON'T SCRATCH! Durham's Peracide Ointment is guaranteed to relieve itching accompanying Eczema, Rash, Piles, Ordinary Itch and other minor skin irritations—or purchase price refunded. Large 2-ounce jar only 60c at CITY DRUG STORE

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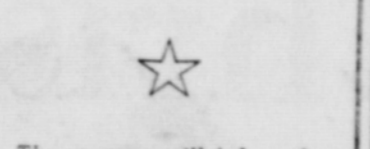
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Thanks For Your Patronage

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"The Busy Jewelers" Cash - Open Every Night Till Xmas - Credit Coleman, Texas



Our Most Hearty CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

It is good to know that Christmas is here again... good to celebrate it, as in the past, with so many fine people with whom we are happy to be associated in this community, and to whom we now send

S. C. Sipes

DISTRIBUTOR MOBILGAS - MOBIL OIL AND THE FOLLOWING DEALERS

Clyde Sims, Cross Plains Harris & Evans, Burkett John Fore, Pioneer

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Higginbotham Bros. & Co.	\$500.00	Kathryn Anderson	10.00
Jim Wetzel	300.00	Fred Tunnell	10.00
West Texas Util. Co.	250.00	Neal Dillard	10.00
Citizens State Bank	250.00	W. E. Tyler	10.00
M. E. (Happy) Howell	200.00	Robert McGee	10.00
B. B. Huntington	100.00	Mrs. F. R. Anderson, Sr.	10.00
Flynn's Cafe	100.00	Vernon Spencer	10.00
Fred Outbirth	100.00	C. B. Edington	10.00
Plains Theatre	100.00	Frank Spencer	10.00
W. T. Cox Grocery	50.00	S. C. Prosser	10.00
Aldair's Dry Goods	50.00	Frank Cross	10.00
City Drug Store	50.00	Dorian Cross	10.00
W. D. Smith & Son	50.00	Clyde D. Sims	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Alexander Neill	25.00	O. M. Baird	10.00
Mrs. Raymond DeBusk	25.00	John Ford	10.00
W. A. Huckaby	25.00	H. C. Wilcoxen	10.00
Caton's Variety	25.00	Jennings & Jones Sla.	10.00
Lusters Grocery	25.00	L. G. Morris	10.00
C. F. Hise	25.00	W. T. Wilson	10.00
J. D. Dallas	25.00	Vernon Barclay	10.00
Alfred Franke	25.00	J. L. Bonner	10.00
O. D. Strahan	25.00	C. A. Barr	10.00
Ira Hall	25.00	R. O. Pancake	10.00
C. K. Cook Insurance	25.00	Community Pub. Serv.	10.00
C. E. Dawkins	25.00	B. H. Freedland	10.00
Frank Bearden	25.00	E. C. Neel	10.00
O. M. Bailey	25.00	C. E. Foster	10.00
J. M. McMillan	25.00	Eddie Graham	10.00
Jack Scott	25.00	P. B. Wallace	10.00
L. M. Purvis	25.00	Junior Ford	8.00
W. B. Baldwin	25.00	G. E. (Ed) Morgan	6.00
Roy Arrowood	25.00	Buster Richardson	5.70
Melvin Placke	20.00	R. Blaine Jordan	5.00
J. T. Foster	20.00	O. R. Lawies	5.00
L. C. Cash	20.00	J. P. McCord	5.00
Fonia Worthing	20.00	Dick Brown	5.00
Balby Wilson	20.00	Miss Missouri Strahan	5.00
L. D. Westerman, Jr.	20.00	Jim Hinkle	5.00
Jack Hill	15.00	Norrel Long	5.00
Fred Heyser	15.00	J. U. Clark	5.00
Fred Long	15.00	Tommie Hinkle	5.00
S. C. Barr	15.00	Mrs. Verna Ramsey	5.00
Brooks T. Hill	15.00	Mrs. Hattie Spencer	5.00
C. D. Westerman	12.50	B. F. Hutchins	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Baum	12.50	Madern Beauty Shop	5.00
Porter J. Davis	10.00	White Auto Store	5.00
George R. Neel	10.00	Calhoun Motor Co.	5.00
H. A. Young	10.00	Dickie Huntington	5.00
W. B. Williams	10.00	Jack Tunnell	5.00
P. W. Payne	10.00	Mrs. Geo. Scott	5.00
Roy Lee Little	10.00	Ben Atwood	5.00
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Nolan Bryan	10.00	Ed Henderson	5.00
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Dr. Eli Powell	10.00	Henry Wilkes	5.00
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D. D. Westerman	5.00
E. K. Coppinger	5.00
J. M. Greenwood	5.00
James M. Hutson	5.00
Johnson's Hardware	5.00
Walker McLaugh	5.00
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B. D. Montgomery	5.00
Dr. B. B. Strahan	5.00
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Meador & Dennis	5.00
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E. O. Adams	5.00
Paul V. Harrell	5.00
Mrs. Clyde E. Sims	5.00
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O. B. Edmondson	5.00
W. T. Jones	5.00
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J. H. McDaniel	5.00
Billy M. Jobe	5.00
Norman Coffey	5.00
W. H. Fortune	5.00
Frank McGary	5.00
H. B. King	5.00
W. C. Barrow	3.00
S. J. McCuin	3.00
W. M. Smith	3.00
Hadden Payne	3.00
Mr. & Mrs. Amos Johnson	3.00
H. M. Kelley	2.50
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Marinello Beauty Shop	2.50
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Mrs. Paul Lutzenburger	2.00
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Mrs. W. J. Gray	1.00
S. L. Dillard	1.00
Sterling Gibson	1.00
Mrs. John Browning	1.00
Drew Hill	1.00
W. H. Coppinger	1.00

DELTA KAPPA CLUB IS ENTERTAINED IN RALPH McNEEL HOME

Members of the Delta Kappa Club met in the home of Mrs. Ralph McNeel Tuesday night of last week when they were entertained with two tables of contract bridge.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS IS ENTERTAINED WITH XMAS PARTY MONDAY NIGHT

Mrs. Fred Outbirth complimented members of her Sunday School class of the Methodist church when she entertained with a Christmas dinner at her home Monday night. Entertainment of the evening consisted of various games and exchanging of gifts from a fully decorated Christmas tree. About twenty guests present.

High score for the evening went to Mrs. Jack Scott. At refreshment time the hostess passed a plate of tuna fish salad, potato chips, olives, crackers, cookies and coffee to the following guests: Mrs. Edwin Baum, Mrs. Fred Outbirth, Mrs. O. B. Edmondson, Mrs. W. O. Smith, Mrs. C. R. Cook, Mrs. C. M. Anderson and Mrs. Jack Scott.

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THE HAPPY SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS IS DEEP IN OUR HEARTS. LET IT ECHO IN THE STRENGTH OF OUR VOICES AS WE GREET OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS ON CHRISTMAS MORNING.

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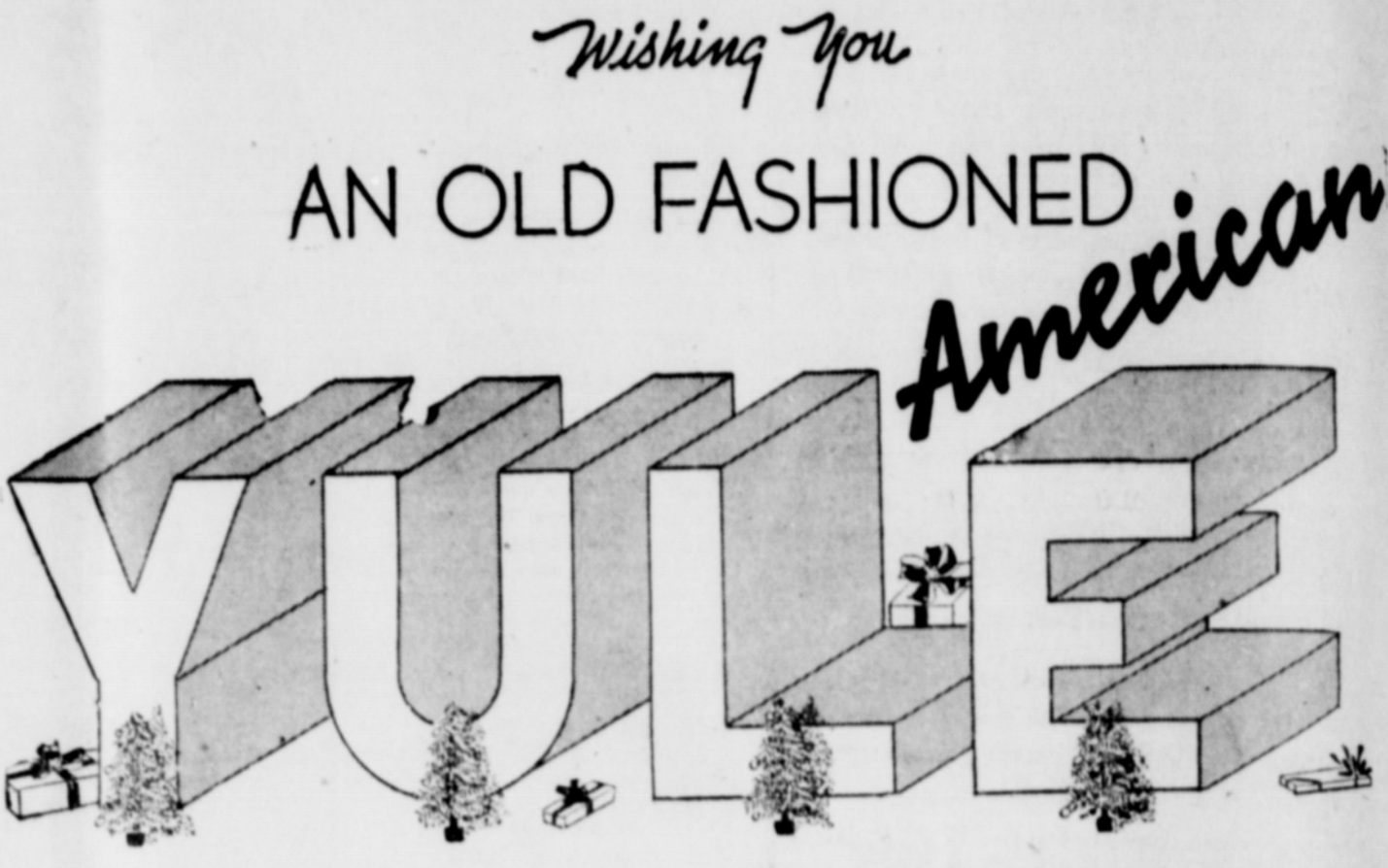
MERRY CHRISTMAS

WE adults can learn much from our children—learn how to celebrate Christmas well. Let us turn back the clock this Christmas season of 1946 and get out of Christmas all the joys that children know when they hang their stockings up.

All together now for a big, glorious Christmas, topped off with our best wishes to all of you.



HOME TELEPHONE & ELECTRIC CO.



As we express our annual Christmas greeting, we are mindful of the countless blessings that have come our way during the year just closing, and we are truly grateful.

We have enjoyed the blessings of friendships and associations with those whom we serve. The loyalty of our friends is a blessing unsurpassed.

Freedom, liberty, the right to worship as we please, the right to think and speak, to enjoy our home, the nourishment of our bodies, the blessings of health and happiness—these and countless other blessings are ours.

We are grateful and wish for you and yours the many blessings every American deserves.

Callahan County Abstract Co.

Baird, Texas

Merry Christmas

Your home town newspaper and the people who prepare and print it each week are wishing that your household will be blessed every yuletide happiness and that the year ahead will hold in for you and yours an abundant share of health, happiness and parity.

We take this occasion to thank you for the many kindnesses of 1946 and the years past. To adequately convey our gratitude we edge here and now to do our dead level best to give you the finest of community newspaper which this territory so justly deserves.

The Cross Plains Review

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Be HAPPY and GAY



BEST WISHES

L. LITTLE
CONSIGNEE THE TEXAS COMPANY



SINCERE GOOD WISHES for a delightful holiday season from the store that friendship built.

LUKE WESTERMAN

Merry Christmas Our Many Friends

are taking this opportunity to express our appreciation to every person around Cross Plains for the many acts bestowed upon us during the year, and for the splendid cooperation and support which we have received from the membership of our church, and the community as a whole in our efforts to do our part in the work which our LORD has laid out for us to perform.

have never worked in a community where a finer spirit of cooperation and fellowship existed. This can be said with eternal credit of the citizenship of Cross Plains, making it that kind of place.

we pray by the grace of God, in the coming year, that you will contribute to us in the form of something that will in a small way repay you for all that which you have done to bring joy to our hearts, and to make our efforts to serve you more successful.

now to every member of our church, and to every citizen of our community, we wish you and yours a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS, AND A NEW YEAR FILLED WITH HAPPINESS AND CONTENTMENT, AND MAY THE BLESSINGS OF GOD THE FATHER BE WITH YOU AND SUPPORT YOU IN ALL THE EXPERIENCES IN THE YEAR AHEAD.

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Read the Classified Ads



Merry CHRISTMAS GREETINGS 1946

Christmas lights shed a glow unknown at any other time of the year. The same lights, after Christmas, have lost their charm, so, you see it is really the Christmas spirit that lights our homes! We wish you every happiness this Christmas season of 1946.

City Ice Company
Glenn Vaughn



Christmas is here!

Peace and Good Will

Lighting the way to better fellowship and good will towards all is Christmas. That it may be a truly happy Christmas for each of you is our ardent wish.

MERRYMAN'S
LAUNDRY



1946 Merry Christmas

★ Years may come and years may go but Santa Claus is with us forever. He's coming again this year, with a full sack. So sweep out your chimney and get ready for the jolly visitor, who has had special orders from us to bless your home with a very Merry Christmas.

Kenneth Jordan's
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STATUS QUO IN OIL TEST WEST OF TOWN

The condition of the Fogelson-Ingleswright deep oil test on the Baum-Swafford tract five miles west of Cross Plains remains status quo, however, equipment was scheduled to be moved in to drill the plug, set three weeks ago and place the well on test.

It was believed late last week that the plug had already been drilled, however, after anything failed to develop the logs were again checked and the hole accurately measured, and the findings were that several feet of the cement had not been drilled through. Until this is done nothing definite regarding the well can, of course, be known.

A light pulling machine was used to bale the hole and an effort was made to drill the plug with this equipment, however, it was proving unsuccessful and heavier equipment was reported to have been arranged for.

MCCOY HOME SCENE OF YULE PARTY ON LAST FRIDAY NIGHT

Members of the Alathean Sunday School Class of the Baptist church were honored with a yuletide social in the home of Mrs. Henry McCoy last Friday evening.

A huge, lighted Christmas tree on the lawn greeted guests on arrival. The home was beautifully decorated in Christmas greenery. A brief program was presented before the Christmas tree.

The opening hymn, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" and other carols were sung by members, led by Mrs. J. H. Strahan. Prayer was rendered by Mrs. I. H. Hall, after which Mrs. H. A. Miller gave the story of the first Christmas tree. Mrs. A. W. Wright gave a splendid talk on "Christmas for Christ". A short quiz on Bible characters, flowers and books was enjoyed by the class.

Gifts were exchanged and it was decided to contribute money as a Christmas gift to Buckner's Orphan Home.

Refreshments of salad, cake, hot chocolate and coffee were served to the following: Mrs. Fred Hill, Mrs. Earl Pyke, Mrs. I. H. Hall, Mrs. Cora Howland, Mrs. Richard Thompson, Mrs. L. W. Westerman, Mrs. E. O. Adams, Mrs. H. A. Miller, Mrs. J. H. Strahan, and the hostesses, Mrs. A. W. Wright and Mrs. Henry McCoy.

PROMINENT FARMER AND RANCHMAN DIES AT BAIRD SATURDAY

E. J. Barton, 76, prominent Callahan ranchman and farmer of the Denton community, died in a Baird hospital Saturday morning shortly after nine o'clock. He had been in ill health for the past two years and entered the hospital a week ago suffering from a paralytic stroke.

Funeral services were conducted from the Denton Methodist church Monday afternoon at 2:30 with Rev. Hester, of Abilene and Rev. Williams, of Clyde, officiating.

DEVELOPMENT CLUB TO MEET ON JANUARY 7

Callahan county's "rotating" chamber of commerce officially styled The Callahan County Development Club, will hold its next session Tuesday evening, January 7, at Oplin, Billy Mack Jobe, president, announced Saturday.

A program is being prepared. Members will be entertained by citizens of Oplin. Last session was held at Putnam Nov. 19. The "circulating" booster club usually draws around 200 persons.

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One need not be told it is Christmastime. The glowing faces of friend and stranger; alike bespeak it. It gives us the same thrill as of old to wish all our friends, and those who are still to become our friends, a very Merry Christmas.

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YESTERYEAR - - - IN THE OLD HOME TOWN - - -

Items of interest taken from files of the Review ten and twenty years ago.

20 Years Ago December 24, 1925 TOWNSITE FIELD CONTINUES ACTIVE WITH 6 MORE PRODUCING WELLS ADDED to make a total of 58 producing here now.

The Cross Plains Community sanitarium has been completed and equipment and furniture is being installed, including a modern X-ray machine. There will be a formal opening, probably the latter part of next week.

J. A. Moore of the Cottonwood community has opened a nice grocery store in the Cross Plains bakery.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Smith and daughters of route 1 visited in Cross Plains Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Joy ate turkey dinner with his father and family at Cottonwood Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Store visited in Shreveport, La. last week.

A. J. Gensley and Miss Mary Robertson were married at Cisco on Wednesday, November 25 with Elder Lenox of that city officiating. They left on a honeymoon trip to Davenport, Iowa, and upon return will make their home here.

The bride, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. Robertson, is talented and very popular. Mr. Gensley operates the Hi-Way Service Station and is making a success of his business. Best wishes to the newly weds.

Clyde Walker of Alvarado has accepted a position here with Higginbotham Bros. and Company as undertaker and manager of the furniture department, a position formerly held by Ralph Odum, who will leave in a few days for Snyder to take charge of an undertaking establishment there which he has purchased.

Mr. Walker has a family and they are moving in this week. He is a licensed undertaker with much

experience.

Mrs. Willie Butler and Foster Bond were visiting in Santa Anna Sunday.

Misses Aleta Walker and Yvonne Siges and Lindsey Tyson, all students in Brownwood colleges, spent the week end here with home folks.

Miss Annie Spencer, who is employed in Ft. Worth, spent the week end here with her family, W. O. Spencer of route 2.

10 Years Ago December 25, 1936 Durward Varner, who is attending A & M College, is visiting here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hantsan of this city are parents of an eight and three fourth pound baby boy, born December 20. He has been named Herbert Dan.

Alton Barr, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Barr, was seriously injured when his automobile struck a concrete culvert between here and Cross Cut Sunday night. He was taken to a Cisco hospital where, barring complications, he is expected to completely recover.

Olaf Hollingshead of Baird was a visitor in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Medford and Mrs. Elie Thate and daughter were Abilene visitors Sunday.

Misses Patsy Neeb and Alice Williams arrived here this week from CIA in Denton to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents.

L. C. Norman left Sunday for Abilene where he will spend the holidays with his mother.

Mr. Louis Helms was an Abilene visitor this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Volly Joe Williams entertained the contract club with two tables of bridge at their home Friday night. Edwin Baum, Jr. won high score for the evening.

Refreshments were passed to Mr. and Mrs. Baum, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Bryant, Miss Margaret Wag-

ner, Clinton Voyles and the hosts.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Drury are parents of an eight and one-half pound baby boy born November 25. Mother and child are doing fine.

Mrs. J. G. Saunderson and Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Bloss of Abilene left Wednesday for California where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Saunderson's daughter, Mrs. Henry Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Montgomery are parents of a baby girl born December 9. She has been named Jo Ann.

BAIRD LEGION POST TO HOST NEW YEARS DANCE DECEMBER 31

The Baird American Legion Post is sponsoring an evening of dancing for Legionnaires and their guests in that city on New Year's Eve.

A cordial invitation is being extended to members of the local Post to bring their guests and be present, announces L. T. Williams, adjutant of the Baird Post.

W. D. BROWNS PARENTS OF BABY DECEMBER 15

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Brown of Odessa are the parents of a baby girl weighing seven and one-half pounds, born December 15. The child was named Donna Dean.

Mrs. Brown is the former Autna Dwan Havens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Havens. Mr. Brown is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Clark of Borger will spend Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Montgomery here and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harris at Pioneer.

Mrs. I. R. Stone and children of Gainesville, Florida are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Settle for the holidays.

Mrs. Marvin Smith was a business visitor in Abilene last Friday.

Mrs. Bob Young and Mrs. A. J. Mathis were in Abilene one day last week.

Mrs. Norman Farr has accepted part time employment at the local telephone company.

Mrs. Lottie Rhodes, who has been visiting in Clay Pool, Arizona, has returned to her home here.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Grace of Odessa are visiting Mrs. Jeff Clark and family for Christmas.

Mrs. F. H. Bowlin and baby daughter, Janice Ann, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Burchfield.

Notes From H. D. Agent
LORETA ALLEN

Refrigerators Need Tender Care

With a plentiful supply of new refrigerators still six months to a year in the future, it's up to homemakers to treat the old box with tender care until the new ones start coming off assembly lines in large quantities.

Loreta Allen, County Home Demonstration Agent, points out tips to follow in keeping the refrigerator in good shape: keep cool, clean, defrosted, repaired, and checked regularly.

The refrigerator should be in the coolest convenient spot in the kitchen, out of the sun, away from the radiators and kitchen stove. Air must circulate between the wall and box to carry away the heat generated by the unit, so there should be at least two and a half inches of space between the box and wall, she explains.

All spilled food should be wiped up at once, and the refrigerator cleaned thoroughly each time it is defrosted. In cleaning the inside, one level tablespoon of baking soda mixed with a quart of water makes a good cleaning fluid. Defrosting should not be put off until the frost becomes thick on the evaporator; it should be done when the frost is a quarter of an inch thick. The condenser must be kept free from dust and lint, and may need cleaning every month in some refrigerators.

In repairing a refrigerator, changing a fuse is about the only repair job the home maker should attempt. Only an authorized service company should be allowed to make further repairs. Housewives should not forget these rules of refrigerator care apply as much to new refrigerators, when they get one, as to the old box.

Treat That Vacuum Cleaner With Care

Along with other electrical appliance, vacuum cleaners should be handled carefully and used correctly. Loreta Allen suggests the following simple rules for good care of cleaners.

Remove all bits of glass, pins, string, tacks and similar objects from the floor before using the cleaner. The device has not been designed to pick up large items, and they may cause damage to its internal mechanism.

The dirt container needs frequent emptying. Both containers and filters should be kept clean. Otherwise suction is reduced, lessening the efficiency of the cleaner.

Handle the plug carefully when disconnecting the cord from the wall. Never pull on the cord itself or wrap it too tightly when putting the sweeper away. Tough usage can loosen connections and break wires and insulation.

Brushes, on cleaners that have them, need to be kept free of thread and hair for most effective sweeping.

The manufacturers instructions about lubrication and general care should be studied and always followed. If possible, it is good to have a vacuum cleaner checked at least once a year by a reputable service man.

And wishing a Happy New Year to each customer and friend throughout our trade territory.

May 1947 be more filled with peace, health and prosperity than any we have known.

WATSON'S STUDIO
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Cottonwood News
MRS. S. E. STRAHAN

These home for the holidays are Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bennett, Arnold Bennett and Ralph Fulton, Chief Petty Officer Grady Ramey and Veris Kelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Blondie Robbins of Calif. are visiting his parents, the Kem Robbins.

Fred Purvis and son, Richard, left Saturday for Calif. where Richard will probably enter the state University there.

The George Cliftons have for the holidays their children, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Clifton of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Spencer and children of Garden City, and Rev.



May
CHRISTMAS
Bring You
JOY AND GLADNESS

CATON'S VARIETY

and Mrs. Roy J. Clark and children of Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Robbins of Dudley are visiting his parents, the Kem Robbins.

Miss Aida Nordyke, who teaches at Clyde, is home with her parents for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Hicks Barnes and baby of Dallas are visiting his sister, Mrs. Bill Robbins.

The Earls Archer baby was taken to the Baird hospital last Thursday with pneumonia but was returned home Saturday much improved. Earl himself suffered an attack of pneumonia a while back is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Coffey went to Brownwood last Tuesday night to attend an Eastern Star meeting.

Some farmers are still threshing

their pennants but will be finished soon.

Mrs. Floyd Coffey received some tulip bulbs sent to her from Holland by her brother, W. P. Everett.

Mrs. Thelma Tennison and mother of Ft. Worth spent Saturday night and Sunday here.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Burchfield were business visitors in Coleman Saturday afternoon.



FAITH... faith in our homes and community... faith in the future... faith in men of good will, eternally — this is the essence of the Christmas season.

CHRISTMAS should be a time of joy, and we hope that this Christmas of 1946 will be rich in good cheer and true happiness for all who read this message.

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May this circle symbolize the growing circle of friends whom it has been our pleasure to serve these past years. We are grateful for these associations and wish every one of you a Joyous Season.

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The Plains Theatre



JOIN WITH US

Let us toss our cares out the window. It's Christmas! Join with us in celebrating the glorious holiday.

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Christmas

Christmas is not all tinsel and tissue or colored lights and merriment. It has a deeper significance, rooted in the long gone past, which sets it high above all other holidays of the year.

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Salute to our Friends at Christmas

Ho! Ho! for Christmas!

Merrily, merrily, jolly good friends, and a grand and glorious holiday to you all!

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SCANNING THE HORIZON

It is said that Queen Victoria was visiting an English town one day on a tour of inspection, with the Princess of Batenberg. They were accompanied by the mayor of the town and his young wife.

When they were asked to sign the visitors book on one of their stops, as was her custom, the Queen wrote the one word, Victoria. The Princess followed with her name Beatrice. The mayor's wife hesitated only the merest part of a second, then wrote her name, Jane.

The statue of Liberty will be treated to a new coat of paint early this month.

The statue will be closed to the public throughout the time the work is in progress. According to reports the interior walls have been daubed all over with lilslick left there by visitors, but a special new paint resistant to such "make-up" will be used in the refurbishing.

It is estimated that almost half the air students throughout the country are farmers, and about one out of seven motor trucks on the highways today is fourteen years old; three out of ten are ten years old. The average age is around eight years.

From the Christian Advocate: "With the American people fast becoming the most drunken people

on the earth and with the nation facing the greatest test of its existence, fighting the alcohol traffic in any way becomes an expression of the highest patriotism."

It is said the Texas Presbyterian denomination has secured donation of over one million dollars for Austin College located at Sherman, and two schools for Mexicans.

White and Negro pastors of Columbus, Georgia have arranged to have joint meetings at least once quarterly.

A friend went into a small grocery store in Rhode Island and asked for a loaf of bread. The grocer shook his head gloomily.

"How about some sugar then?" "No sugar and no loaves."

"Well, why don't you look up your store and go fishing?"

At that suggestion the proprietor looked up with infinite pathos and replied, "can't buy no loak."

Teacher: "And why have you decided to give up the study of French?"

Willie: "It's a waste of time trying to do something the French can do so much better."

"We have been married a year and never quarrel. If a difference of opinion arises, and I am right, my husband gives in."

"But what if he is right?" "So far, that has never happened."

The wealthy relative wrote: Dear Nephew - I am sending you the \$10 you requested, but must draw your attention to a spelling error in your letter: "be" is written with one naught, not two.

It is said that everything connected with a coconut palm tree is usable; leaves and trunk are used for houses, the husk around the nut yields a fiber, the milk is a cooling drink, the meat is food; when the meat is dried it becomes copra, a source of oil.

Rev. Atticus Webb, prominent prohibition leader, died at his home in Dallas December 11 after a long illness.

Rev. Webb came to Texas from his native state, Kentucky, to teach in the public schools of Texas in 1888. After a few years he became a Methodist minister and served as president of the Ft. Worth District for eight years. He was president of Granbury College for three years before joining the anti-saloon league. After repeal of prohibition he worked for anti-saloon leagues in Florida, Georgia and Wisconsin.

Rev. Webb was also an editor

Mr. and Mrs. Hilian Barr and Susan, of Baird visited here during Christmas.

Hubert and Harroll Kelley visited with their parents in Sydney during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Henson of Ft. Worth are spending Christmas in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Williams. Mr. Henson is a student in Southwestern Theological Seminary near Fort Worth.

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It is our sincere wish that every happiness of a good old fashioned Christmas may be yours this Yuletide and the coming year will hold in store an abundance of the ice blessings of life for you and yours.

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TO THE FINE PEOPLE OF THIS LOYAL COMMUNITY

W. T. COX The Farmers Market

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WED. & THURS. 25th & 26th

'WHITE PONGO'

Richard Fraser Maris Wrixon Savage With Excitement Roaring With Adventure Blazing With Romance Plus Latest News & Cartoon

XMAS EVE MATINEE

Matinee on Christmas Eve starts at 1:30 p.m. and show will continue through evening performances.

XMAS DAY MATINEE

Matinee will start on Christmas day at 2: p.m. and continue through night shows.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY 27th & 28th

'OUTLAWS OF THE ROCKIES'

With Charles Starrett Dub Taylor Plus Secret Agent X-9 Chapt. 9 Cartoon & Comedy-3 Stooges

SUNDAY & MONDAY 29th & 30th

'CENTENIAL SUMMER'

In Technicolor With Jeanne Crain - Cornel Wilde Plus Latest News & Cartoon

TUESDAY ONLY

'THE DALTON'S RIDE AGAIN'

Alan Curtis - Lon Chaney And a host of other stars Plus Cartoon & Shemp Howard In "Mr. Noisy" Comedy