

# The Cross Plains Review

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CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS

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

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1941, No. 38

## Home Town Gossip

deal has transpired that we sat before our bat-writer to punch out the Home Town Gossip column. Our nation, then at now gripped in the most struggle in its history, who were then enjoying the gaieties are today locked struggle unto death. But as other Americans observed tragedies during the dark of war, so will we pass this all supremely thankful that freedom is undiminished and we are to maintain it to the very drop of Anglo-Saxon that courses in the veins of every loving people.

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 the festive boards this day will gather families, but in thousands of cases not complete families, for fathers, sons and sweethearts whose absence dims the Christmas.

lightest fireworks this yuletide those illuminating the skies of war. On seven seas, in islands and a thousand American boys are girded with foes of aggressions which would abolish the observance of Christmas and the worship of the one Christmas symbolizes.

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 this turmoil of conflict fitting that we enjoy Christmas to the very best of ability, spread happiness in those homes where sorrow has found its way. Out of celebration of Christmas there come an even greater spiritual unity and the willingness to uphold the sacred heritage symbolizes. What sacrifices will ultimately no one is yet in position to but right now everyone know right now everyone should and understand they mean loyalty, the purchasing of war bonds and stamps to around-the-clock production everything necessary to carry civilian endeavor and prosecute endless war.

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 fight in this connection let us take notice of the fact Mayor C. S. Martin has called a meeting to be held in the Methodist church here the night of December 30, to organize civilian defense. Simultaneously a meeting of the committee in charge of defense securities here also assemble.

one knows when war itself visited upon our own peaceful community. In this era of allied war-fare, when non-combatants are bombed like military targets, when shipwrecked sailors machine gunned in lifeboats when civilians in enemy-occupied countries are massacred for no reason possibly brought about by enemy itself to make examples, it can happen. It is only that we should organize and defend ourselves as to how to best meet these eventualities should befall us.

make a date right now, remember to be on hand for the massing in the Methodist church the night of December 30.

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 humorists seem to meet any day. One of the best heard of the Japanese outbreak was of a Chicago firm which hung his banner across the front building: "We had rather do business with Japs than Americans."

firm was an undertaking of shipment.

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 now in concluding this column say: It is with a deep sense of gratitude at this time we extend Christmas greetings and wish you the best during the coming year.

you, your family and to your friends we wish a happy holiday. May you enjoy during the year an abundance of the goods of this land of ours.



**A**MERICA—blessed land of ours—gives special tribute this Christmas of 1941, to the one true Prince of Peace and cherishes His words "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

Though men may stray for a time from His guidance, the belief of little children in Santa Claus rekindles the deep longing for generous relations among civilized human beings. There is magic in the Yuletide.

Warm lights glow softly as the older folks bustle about to make sure of Christmas cheer for the children. The tree has been gathered and trimmed, and candles shed their radiance in tiny halos.

Soon little faces, aquiver with happy anticipation, find sand in sleepy eyes, soft fingers relax and sleigh bells can be heard over the clap of Dunder's and Blitzen's hoofs.

Downstairs as the lights wink out, through the window in the east a bright star of everlasting brilliance again lights the heart of mankind and softly the voices of angels sing "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

What finer gift to humankind? It is the gift we, on this newspaper, wish to you all, our readers, to all the people of our community, of our country, of our entire world.

**For Fri.**  
**19 & 20**  
**h Dec. 27**

te in to see us before you  
**EGGS SATURDAY**

Flavors, pkg.  
 3 lb. can  
 AS, 8 oz. pkg.  
 SAISINS, box  
 LOUR, pkg.

**NING 3 LB CAN**

HERRIES, 3 oz. bottle  
 lb.  
 No. 2 can  
 ER Qt. jar  
 SERVES, 16 oz. glass

**SUGAR 1 LB PKG**

No. 2 can  
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 2 tall cans  
 DNS 4 lbs.

**MEAT - PKG.**

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 10 lbs.  
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 Large Stalk

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**VALUES**

**IGGLY**

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 rimming over with delicious  
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 exactly why your Piggly Wig-  
 s Christmas foods: and that  
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2 Lb. Box  
**CHRISTMAS  
 CHOCOLATES**  
 59c

ifornia Oranges doz. 40c  
 delicious Apples doz. 40c  
 rape Fruit, doz. 30c

e Cider 18c  
 Chocolate 8 oz. 12c  
 oney, 2 lb. jar 35c  
 Dressing 18c

**EVERLITE FLOUR**  
 24 Lbs.  
 93c

e Pumpkin 10c  
 e Red Salmon 35c  
 e Early Garden Pears 15c  
 own 25c

Sausage lb. 25c  
 Bacon lb. 28c  
 r Oleo lb. 20c



# MAY CHRISTMAS DAYS

Come bearing rich treasures of Health, Happiness and Prosperity for you and a New Year of real good fortune.

Season's Greetings to All.....

## WILLIAMS PLANING MILL

Cross Plains, Texas



Just to Wish You Happiness And All that Brings You Cheer On Christmas Day and Every Day Throughout the Coming Year



## Mc's Variety Store



The friendships and patronage you have accorded us are worthy indeed of our most hearty and

# SINCERE THANKS

We pledge our best efforts to serve you during the years to come.

May your Christmas be Happy and your New Year Prosperous

## Kemper's Cafe

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS



## I GIVE YOU TEXAS by BOYCE HOUSE

Bobby Burns once expressed the wish that some fairy might give us the power to see ourselves as others see us. Personally, your columnist has always doubted that this would be desirable because we may be a pain in the neck to other people but as long as we don't know it, we're happy.

Anyhow, this observer has had the experience that the Scottish poet craved. H. B. Fox, winner of a nation-wide "cultury" contest a year or two ago, published the following pen portrait in his Madisonville Meteor:

That Texas raconteur, which in some languages is a story-teller and, in others, an out-and-out liar, Boyce House, author, poet and movie adviser, busted into this office last Wednesday just as we were checking over the first copy of the paper off the press to make sure that we had left enough errors in it to satisfy the ordinary crank.

Mr. House, who can tell one story after another so fast they run together like a politician's denying he stole something before it was discovered missing, admitted that though he has traveled around, this was his first trip to Madisonville.

"What do you think of the town?" he was asked. "And that reminds me," he said, finishing up one story and starting on another without hearing us, "of the negro who had a diamond stick-pin about the size of a small fist. 'Is that a genuine diamond?' he was asked. 'It bettah be, or I shore got stuck for a dollar and six bits.'"

Mr. House, author of several books, of articles in the Saturday Evening Post and the Frankston Citizen, was back from Hollywood where he was technical adviser for "Boom Town", a movie centered around a Texas oil town. He wrote some of the lines for Clark Gable and Spencer Tracy but said he slowed down when it came to Hedy Lamarr, who photographs so well she doesn't have to talk.

In three minutes flat in this office, Mr. House covered most of the range of literature, mixing up what De Manassant told Plambers about the individuality of Paris cab horses with why Shakespeare had to leave Stratford in a hurry.

"California may have warmer sunshine than Madisonville but Madisonville has warmer hearts", Mr. House said, with some poetic carelessness, as Madisonville has the same sun California has and if it gets any warmer there than it does here, then movie actresses couldn't look so fresh after riding for days in a covered wagon across a burning desert.

And that was H. B. Fox of the Madisonville Meteor speaking.

Horace Greeley, famous editor of 80 years ago, received the following letter from a woman: "Our church is in dire financial straits. We have tried every device to keep it going—chicken suppers, mock weddings, box socials, turkey dinners and doughnut parties. Will you please tell us what we can do to keep our struggling church from disbanding?" Greeley wrote back, "Try religion."

"To meet the demand for crude oil, Texas had to boost her imports from other states and countries", says an International News Service dispatch from Austin, which pointed out that in a single month the imports from foreign lands showed an increase of almost 50,000 barrels and Louisiana oil brought into Texas jumped over a half a million barrels.

"The Texas oil industry", says the Houston Post editorially, "is subjected to eight shutdown days a month and other states have no shutdown days but most of them are producing oil with little or no restriction."

From the pens of the immortals: Nature never did betray the heart that loved her.

Life—a little gleam of time between two Eternities.

A sorrow's crown of sorrow is remembering happier things. Hypocrisy is the homage which vice pays to virtue.

Knowledge is proud that he has learned so much; wisdom is humble that he knows no more.

Dear Santa: I want a gun and apples and oranges and candy for Christmas. Roy Andrews

A professor, after finishing a long algebra problem, said: "And so we find X equals zero." A freshman remarked: "All that work for nothing."

### Letters to Santa

Dear Santa: For Christmas, I want a big doll and some roller skates, ball and jacks and some socks and a ring with a green set. Your friend, June Scott

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a bicycle, and a wrist watch and a wagon, a little truck and a croquet set. Bring me some candy and nuts too. Your friend, Merle Jay

Dear Santa Claus: I would like to have a pair of roller skates if you could bring them. I would like to have a doll a set of dishes, please bring some candy and nuts, apples, oranges, a stove, a table. I want some knives, spoons, forks, with the set of dishes. I want a bracelet. Well I guess that all I want, so by-by from Mary Lou to Santa Claus. I wish you a Merry Christmas, Mary Lou Morris

Dear Santa: I want some roller skates, I want a croquet set and a bicycle too. I want a bracelet and some nuts and candy. Love, Santa Claus, Joyce Jean Earp

Dear Santa Claus, Here are the names of the things I want: Rubber picture printing set, Two of pistol dart set. Treasure hunt set, a desk, tool chest football, bow an arrow, service truck, bicycle, and plenty of fruits. Yours truly, Donald Teague Bangs, Texas

Dear Santa: I want a pair of roller skates, a camera with five films, a coat and some gloves, hearts to go on my bracelet and some candy. Billie Joyce Atwood

Dear Santa: I want you to bring me a Shirley Temple doll and a pair of roller skates. Your friend, Venna Kelly

Dear Santa Claus: I want a bicycle, I want a knife and a little car and an army truck. Charles Eborles



## America's Second Line of Defense

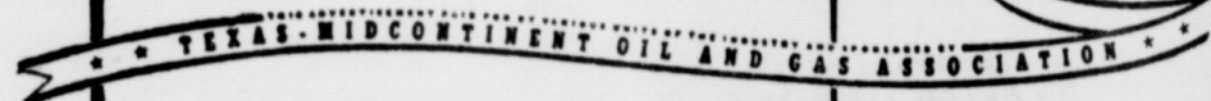
Today America's destiny rests in the hands of two defense lines—our armed forces and those of us working in essential industries.

One of our Nation's most important essentials is oil—not only for our defense requirements, but for all related civilian activities.

Texas supplies over one-third of America's oil and we Texans who work in this vital industry—250,000 of us—are proud of our part in providing it. We know how necessary it is to National Defense.

There can be no interruption in the flow of these materials so vital to our Nation's safety. The task calls for the all-out skill, experience and loyalty of every American.

The Texas oil industry to a man is on the job.



## Christmas Gives Pleasant Thoughts

It doesn't seem twelve months since the last time we wished our many friends Season's Greetings.

You have helped us close another chapter in the life of our business and we are

truly appreciative of your cooperation and confidence.

Our warmest Greetings for Christmas and Sincere Good Wishes for the New Year being ushered in... May it be your happiest.

## HIGGINBOTHAM BROS. & Co.

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS



## OUR BEST WISHES



May your Christmas be as happy as can be, and all your hopes and ambitions fulfilled during the coming year. Greetings from all of us.

## ADAIR'S

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

## Butane Gas Co.

BROWNWOOD, TEXAS

C. E. Lovless Manager

Tom Minton Local Representative

Keep Warm With BUTANE



"When statements about Alka-Seltzer are made over the air, please, please believe them." Mrs. Oma Catherine Jones

MILLIONS suffer less from Headache, Acid Indigestion, Distress of Colds "Morning After" and Muscular Fatigue because they have heard—and believed—Alka-Seltzer radio announcements. To these millions, the relief obtained by the use of Alka-Seltzer is worth far more than the genuine enjoyment they get from the broadcasts.

The most important parts of our radio program, both to you and to us, are the commercial announcements. Once you have tried Alka-Seltzer, we believe you will agree with us. But try Alka-Seltzer because it is an unusually effective medicine not because you enjoy the radio programs.

WHY ALKA-SELTZER IS SO EFFECTIVE The pain-relieving analgesic in Alka-Seltzer is in complete solution, ready to ease the distress as soon as you swallow it. The pain-relieving action is made more effective by alkaline buffers. The alkalinizing elements in Alka-Seltzer reduce excess stomach acidity.

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### Parents Warned To Let No Itinerants Vaccinate Children

Police are searching for a band of itinerants who visited towns near Cross Plains recently and endeavored to vaccinate citizens, particularly children.

The following item taken from the DeLeon Free Press describes the visit of the "travelling medicine band" in that city.

"Local police, as well as those of neighboring towns were on the lookout late Tuesday afternoon for a band of itinerants who came into DeLeon earlier in the afternoon and began a canvass of homes here, the purpose of which is not yet fully understood. The band consisted of five or six men and women.

"Although it is not known how many local families they called upon one man, in talking of the case, gave the following information to the Free Press.

"One of the women in the band called at his home and knocked on the door. His wife answered the call, and inquired what the business of the stranger was. The woman replied that she was a trained nurse and wanted to be of help to young mothers with their children. The housewife became suspicious and asked for further information, at which the strange woman became angry and began the use of abusive language. She was ordered to leave the premises and the housewife immediately notified her husband, who in turn placed the information in the hands of Chief of Police, Joe Underhill.

"Mr. Underhill and his men began a search for the imposters, but found they had made a hasty exit from the city in the direction of Gorman. Gorman authorities were notified to be on the look out for the group, but thus far nothing has been heard further from them. Mr. Underhill has notified the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the action attempted in DeLeon, and points out further that all people here are warned to be wary of strangers on missions of this kind. He says that it is possible it could be an organized effort to spread a malady among citizens, as a part of espionage and sabotage during times like these."

### McCoy Home Scene Of Club Party On Wednesday, Dec. 17

Cross Plains home demonstration club met Wednesday afternoon, December 17, in the beautiful natural stone home of Mrs. Henry McCoy, seven miles East of here, for the body's annual Christmas party. The house was elaborately decorated in the yuletide motif.

In one corner stood a gayly lighted Christmas tree from which gifts were exchanged. The revealing of "club sisters" was also an interesting feature of the program.

Miss Ella Steffens, county home demonstration agent was present, it being her first visit with the local club.

Refreshments of fruit cake, sandwiches and coffee was passed to the following: Miss Steffens, Mrs. Jim Barr, Mrs. Chas. Taylor, Mrs. Don F. McCall, Mrs. Grady Whitehorn, Mrs. Jack Illingworth, Mrs. Bill Davidson, Mrs. Jess Dumlup, Mrs. L. W. Westerman, Mrs. I. H. Hall, Mrs. Roy Hayes, Mrs. W. T. Cox, Mrs. A. L. Dean and the hostess, Mrs. McCoy.

### MRS. FRED CUTBIRTH DELTA KARDA BRIDGE CLUB HOSTESS THURS.

The Delta Karda Bridge Club met with Mrs. Fred Cutbirth Thursday afternoon, December 18, and were entertained with two tables of contract bridge. Mrs. Edwin Baum was high score winner for the afternoon.

Gifts were exchanged from the Christmas tree, after which, refreshments of creamed chicken, hot rolls, candied apples, olives, pecan pie and coffee were served to the following: Mrs. Edwin Baum, Mrs. J. H. McGown, Mrs. Hulian Barr, Mrs. O. B. Edmondson, Mrs. Jack Scott, Mrs. J. L. Bonner, Mrs. T. S. Holden, Mrs. W. J. Sipes and the hostess, Mrs. Fred Cutbirth.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Allen have as their guest this week, Joe Scribner, of Carmi, Illinois.

"NOW BOOKING TEXAS U. S. APPROVED BABY CHICKS ON PROTECTED BASIS FOR SPRING DELIVERY. SIMPSON ELECTRIC HATCHERY, COLEMAN, TEX." 3c

### SALLY QUILTERS ARE COMPLIMENTED WITH CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Mrs. Charles Taylor entertained the Sally Quilt Club with a Christmas tree and social Thursday afternoon, December 18, at her home at three o'clock.

Many beautiful gifts were exchanged by the guests.

The hostess passed Christmas candy to the following: Mrs. Everett Wright, Mrs. Mamie Swafford, Mrs. Roy Hayes, Mrs. Kate Davidson, Mrs. Ira Hall, Mrs. O. G. Ballard, Mrs. Moore and Mrs. C. D. Lane.

The Sally Quilters meet with Mrs. Mamie Swafford, Thursday, afternoon, January 8.

### CHRISTMAS TREE FOR SUNBEAMS AT BAPTIST CHURCH, DECEMBER 22

The Sunbeams of the Baptist church met Monday afternoon, December 22, at three-thirty o'clock in the basement of the church for their annual Christmas tree and party.

After singing Christmas carols the following members exchanged gifts: Marie Smith, Johnnie Mae Meador, Martin L. Antry, Ann Antry, Robert Reed, Janice Jones, Joyce Tyler and Mrs. Carl Antry, who met with the children, as Mrs. Claude Warren was unable to attend.

### FIRE DESTROYS GAUTNEY HOME TUESDAY AT NOON

Fire of undetermined origin almost totally destroyed the residence owned and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Gautney, Tuesday, December 23, shortly before noon.

Firemen answered the call but were unable to save the house, as the blaze, fanned by strong winds, had gained sufficient headway to destroy it.

Mrs. O. G. Guest and daughter, Betty Lane Flache, of Carlsbad, New Mexico, are visiting Mrs. F. A. Lane.

Mention Review Ads when buying

### IT'S SHOWTIME BROWNWOOD'S Leading Theatre's

### New BOWIE

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM NOW THROUGH SAT. Olivia De Havilland, Errol Flynn

"THEY DIED WITH THEIR BOOTS ON"

MIDNIGHT SHOW SAT. Then SUNDAY, MON., TUES. CHARLIE MCCARTHY EDGAR BERGAN

"LOOK WHO'S LAUGHING" with Fibber McGee and Molly

NEW YEARS EVE MIDNITE SHOW It's KAY KYSER

"PLAYMATES" with JOHN BARRYMORE

### New LYRIC

Now THROUGH SAT. JIMMY DURANT JANE WYMAN

"YOU'RE IN THE ARMY NOW" with Phil Silvers

MIDNITE SHOW SAT. Then SUNDAY and MONDAY CHARLES BOYER MARGARET SULLIVAN

"APPOINTMENT FOR LOVE"

TUESDAY and WED. WM. GARGAN EDMUND LOWE

"FLYING CADETS"

NEW YEARS EVE MIDNITE SHOW WARREN WILLIAM LON CHANEY

"THE WOLF MAN"

### Miss Cora Fowles Bride Of Randolph Field Man Sunday

Wedding vows of Miss Cora Fowles, of Cross Plains, and Lieutenant Henry Crownover, of Randolph Field, were solemnized in a beautifully decorated church in San Antonio Sunday morning, December 21.

The bride wore a lovely wedding gown of white net over white satin and a finger tip veil. Miss Geneva Marshall, of Cross Plains was the bride's maid.

Mrs. Crownover is an instructor in the local school system, and will continue teaching here until mid-term. She taught in the Burkett school last year and is well known in this vicinity. She is the daughter of a prominent San Antonio couple.

The groom is in the United States Air Corps at Randolph Field, in San Antonio.

### MRS. HARRY VARNER ENTERTAINS WITH A CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Mrs. Harry Varner entertained members of the Cottonwood Home Demonstration Club with a Christmas social at her home in Cottonwood Thursday afternoon, December 18. A Christmas theme combined with a patriotic theme was carried out in the program.

Miss Ellen Steffens, County Home Demonstration Agent, was a special guest. Following the program and recreation, led by Mrs. O. D. Strahan, gifts were exchanged.

The hostess served refreshments of fruit cake, jelly and coffee to: Miss Steffens, Miss Eunice Hemlock, Mrs. Floyd Coffey, Mrs. S. B. Strahan, Mrs. S. E. Archer, Mrs. J. F. Coffey, Mrs. Sub Peavy, Mrs. Bryan Bennett, Mrs. O. D. Strahan and Mrs. Norman Coffey.

The ladies of the Cottonwood club plan to entertain their husbands and families with a watch party on New Year's Eve in the home of Mrs. Floyd Coffey at Cottonwood.

### ERNA LEE McMILLAN ENTERTAINS FRIENDS WITH PARTY FRIDAY

Miss Erna Lee McMillan entertained with a Christmas party at her home Friday night, December 19.

Music and games were the chief diversions of the evening.

Those present were: Dona and Johnnie McGee, Cleo Dillard, Margaret Echols, Wanda Petterson, Jewel Dean Coulter, Lucille Smith, Billy Mae Coppinger, Johnny Gay, Frankie Petterson, Alford Gay and a number of young people from Pioneer.

### MRS. C. D. WOOTEN ENTERTAINS WITH A CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. C. D. Wooten entertained the Intermediates of the Methodist Church with a Christmas tree party on Wednesday evening, December 17, at the parsonage. Many games and contests were enjoyed by the guests, before the gifts were exchanged.

### MRS. DAVE LEE IS WINNER OF CONTEST

Mrs. D. C. Lee of this city has just received a Christmas present of \$2.50 in groceries as a prize in Mrs. Tucker's "Better Brands" contest, which ended November 30. The letter which won this prize was on the subject, "My Grocer Handles Better Brands Because—", and it was written about the M. E. Howell Red and White Grocery.

Mrs. E. R. McQueen Fort Worth, Texas, won first prize of \$100. in groceries.

The "Better Brands" contest was staged by the Mrs. Tucker's Shortening and Meadlake Margarine Manufacturers in connection with "Better Brands" sales conducted by grocery stores all over the territories where these products are distributed.

### FORMER LOCAL BOY IS CONVALESCING NORMALLY

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams, of this place, received word the first of the week, that their youngest son, Elwin, who is a Specialist, First Class, in the air corps at Lowry Field, Denver, Colorado, underwent an appendicitis operation Tuesday afternoon, December 16. The latest reports were to the effect that he is convalescing normally.

### MISS ROSA VAN LANE COMPLIMENTS WORKERS CLASS WITH A SOCIAL

Miss Rosa Van Lane complimented the Workers Sunday School class of First Baptist Church with a Christmas social at her home Monday evening, December 22, at seven thirty o'clock. Special guests were Mrs. S. M. Buatt and her Sunday school class.

Games, Christmas carols and the exchanging of gifts, from the beautifully lighted Christmas tree, were the main diversions of the evening. Miss Eloise Lane gave a reading.

The hostess passed a refreshment plate of tuna fish salad sandwiches, cookies, Christmas candy and hot chocolate to the following guests: Mrs. S. M. Buatt, Lucille Smith, Nedra Jean and Charlene Hutson, Bobbie Lou Wooten, Mary Frances Horton, Ann Ballard, and Orchid Holles.

The two classes gave two dollars which they earned by selling candy, to the Chinese Children's Offering.

Gene Adams was a business visitor in Fort Worth first of week.

Miss Mahotah Cook left Tuesday for Grapevine to spend the Christmas holidays with her father.

Miss Ida Nell Williams, of Denton, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Williams.

### CARD OF THANKS

To friends and neighbors who were so consoling during our bereavement caused by the passing of our beloved mother, sister and loved one, we wish to convey an expression of our gratitude. The innumerable acts of friendship, the beautiful floral offering and the countless words of sympathy were appreciated far more than we can tell you. It is our earnest petition that the Giver of all good and useful gifts will bless each of your homes abundantly.

Family of Mrs. W. A. McGowen  
Mrs. John Baum  
Mrs. Scott Gilbert  
Mrs. Lula Nations

## Long May Old Glory Wave

Today while the world is torn by war and loved ones are absent from many homes this yuletide, we realize Christmas will lack many of its usual thrills. Yet we wish to convey to all our friends and customers our thanks for their patronage during the year now closing and wish for each of them every happiness possible.

It is our fervent hope and prayer that when another Christmas rolls around the clouds of war will have been dispersed, the foes which oppose us crushed and fathers, sons and sweethearts will again be united with those loved ones at home. In the meantime, we pledge our every effort to the course of American triumph to safe-guard this land of liberty and to pass on to sons and daughters those priceless heritages of freedom, opportunity and the individual pursuit of happiness.

## Long May Old Glory Wave E. C. Neeb

Here's Wishing A Genuine

## Merry Christmas AND Happy New Year

To Our Friends and Customers

AND SINCERELY HOPING THAT WE MAY SERVE YOU OFTEN IN 1942

T. B. WILSON, Prop.

## Wilson's Cafe

TO GREET YOU...

Just to wish you happiness and all that brings you cheer on Christmas Day and every day of the coming year. May the blessings of a Merry Christmas follow you wherever you go throughout a Happy New Year.

## Barr's Bakery



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JACK SCOTT - EDITOR  
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Cross Plains Wins  
Both Divisions Of  
Pioneer Cage Event

Cross Plains boys and girls emerged champions of their respective divisions Saturday night at the annual Pioneer basketball tournament was brought to a close.

Consolation victors were Burkett boys and Pioneer girls, while the consolation runners-up were Williams boys and Williams girls.

Perhaps the most spectacular game of the entire tournament was the very last one, between Cross Plains and Bayou boys for the fourth annual championship.

Cross Plains girls upset Burkett in the finals of the feminine bracket by a score of 36 to 21.

In the consolation division Burkett boys trimmed 27 to 15.

Twelve girls and 19 boys were named on the all-tournament teams, which were announced by superintendent L. C. Cash of Pioneer schools at the conclusion of the tournament.

Those winning this distinction were: Boys, Coppinger, Cross Plains; Sawyer, Bayou; W. Harris, Burkett; Joy, Cross Plains; Forbes, Rising Star; W. B. Gibbs, Bayou; Scott, Cross Plains; Grant, Pioneer; Strawn, Burkett; and McCarthy, Williams.

On this last Sunday of the year a pastorate of 20 years closes. Throughout this period of service as pastor in our little city there has been one aim and goal. To preach the Word. Not to build a local church.

Those opportunities have been in the privileges of being a pastor to my neighbors regardless of church affiliation. It is a joy to me now, to know that among you, in your homes, when joy comes to you or when sorrow comes, you allow me the privilege of sharing with you, what life brings to you.

The service next Sunday will be something of a recapitulation or resume of this period of 20 years. Would enjoy having you present next Sunday in this service, and this is an invitation to you, to come and be with us on this Anniversary.

S. P. COLLINS

MORE PEANUTS FOR OIL  
WILL BE NEEDED IN 1942

Texas farmers planning to grow peanuts for oil in 1942 will not only be meeting Food-Freedom pledges but will be in position to increase their income.

Due to the increasingly important role peanut oil is playing in national defense, fair prices are expected to continue next year, he said.

Industrial Research  
Two thousand companies employed 32,000 scientists and spent \$215,000,000 in industrial research in the United States during 1939.

Napoleon's Disaster  
Napoleon's army in Russia met disaster in the winter of 1812 not because of intense cold, but because of an unusual thawing spell which turned the roads into bogs.

Greetings ...

EVERYONE!

Thanks for all the times you've given us a chance to help you. We're happiest when we know we can be of some service to you.



R. L. LITTLE'S  
Red Top Service

THANKS

For the opportunity of having served you during 1941. Here is every good wish for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

C. D. (DOKE)  
WESTERMAN'S  
MAGNOLIA STATION



ALL HAPPINESS  
Be Yours at  
CHRISTMAS  
And Every Day of the  
NEW YEAR  
W. B. BALDWIN  
LUMBER

GREETINGS



BEST WISHES  
for  
CHRISTMAS  
and the  
NEW YEAR  
MODERN  
BEAUTY SHOP

METHODIST CHURCH  
C. D. Wooten, pastor

Christmas turns our thoughts to God. The coming of the Christ was His gift to us.

Christmas turns our thoughts to others. We think of them more tenderly because Christ thought of others.

Christmas turns our thoughts to the church. There we have heard of the Christ and His love to us, and through the church we have been blessed in our homes.

May the song of the Season, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace good will toward all men" sing its way into your heart, and bring you a full measure of its blessings.

All regular services are to be held at the usual hour next Sunday. Come let us worship together.

PERSONALS

Daisy Graves visited friends in Abilene the past week end.

Miss Beva Lou Crossley, of Eastland, was a visitor here Sunday.

Dale Dorbandt of Burnet spent the week end here visiting friends.

Miss Mildred Browning, student in N.T.S.C. W., is visiting her mother, Mrs. John Browning.

Mrs. Delia McAlister has as her guest this week, her son, J. L., of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Walker have as their guest this week, Teddy, student, in North Texas State Teachers College.

INVESTING IN DEFENSE

Every Defense Savings Bond or Stamp bought now serves America during this period of national emergency and earns interest regularly for its owner.

To buy either bonds or stamps see your postmaster or your local banker.

MIND YOUR MANNERS

Test your knowledge of correct social usage by answering the following questions, then checking against the authoritative answers below:

- 1. When driving through a town where you plan to look up friends who do not expect you, is it best to telephone before going by to see them?
- 2. Is it good manners to call up a friend when you are going through his town and say "guess who this is" when he answers the telephone?
- 3. Should a girl visit an Army camp if the soldier she knows there has not given her a specific invitation?
- 4. Would it be all right for a girl who has visited a young man at an army camp and been entertained by him to send him a carton of cigarettes when she returns home?
- 5. Before sending a gift to a soldier should one consider whether or not it will take up too much room.

What would you do if—  
A friend of your buys a automobile of the same make as a car that you found gave poor service—  
(a) Tell him what had luck you had with your car of the same make.  
(b) Keep still about your experience, since he has already bought the car?

- Answers:  
1. Yes.  
2. No.  
3. No.  
4. Yes, and they would probably be appreciated.  
5. Yes, that is one of the most important considerations in choosing a gift for a man in an army camp.

Best "What Would You Do?" solution—(b). If he had asked your advice before buying the car, then you should have told him of your experience.

"NOW BOOKING TEXAS U. S. APPROVED BABY CHICKS ON PROTECTED BASIS FOR SPRING DELIVERY. SIMPSON ELECTRIC HATCHERY, COLEMAN, TEX." 3tc  
W. B. BALDWIN  
LUMBER  
Campbell Quality Paint  
Builder's Hardware  
Johns-Manville Roofing  
Phone 202, Cross Plains

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LOOKS IN MANY FIELDS

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Not only that but printing, packaging, shipping cases, containers and other items that enter into the production of remedies and biologics are rising in cost daily.

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Her children grown up; she has time to enjoy life, but she's worn out from years of work. Old folks often have finicky appetites and may not get the Vitamin B1 and Iron they need. Pleasant-tasting VINOL, the modern tonic, combines these and other valuable ingredients. Your druggist has VINOL.



NO FOOLIN!  
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Flower Shop



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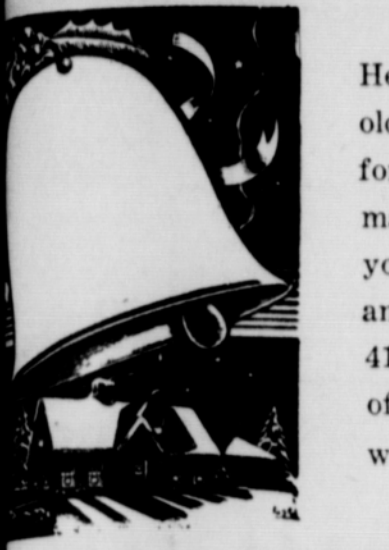
MERRY CHRISTMAS  
In times like these the spirit of good will and friendship means more than ever, so employees of Community Public Service Company take added pleasure in extending their warmest wishes to you and yours for a good, old-fashioned Merry Christmas. May good health and good luck in abundance be yours in 1942.

Dr. J. H. McGowan  
DENTIST  
Office: Second Floor  
Postoffice Building

Miller, G. P. Johnson, Elmer, Ted Bortel and Rich of Brownwood, were here Wednesday night.

Joe Herman Rucker arrived here Friday night from Vernon to spend the week end with his wife and Mrs. Maudie Longboam.

GREETINGS



SIMS DRUG CO.



Nothing expresses better the true sentiment of the occasion, than to say

MERRY CHRISTMAS  
and  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

To which we add our appreciation for your trust and confidence as manifest by the patronage that has been ours.

Dillard Brothers Garage  
NEAL, BOYD and DICK

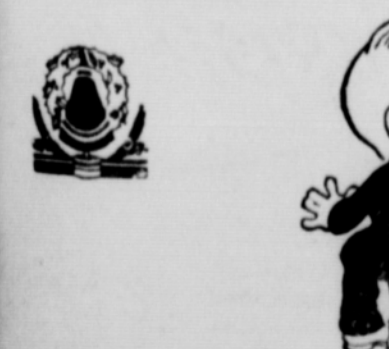


All Good Cheer

May we send you our sincere good wishes for a glorious, happy Christmas. Yours is a friendship we value highly and we look forward to a pleasant continuance of these associations.



JENNING'S  
Auto Salvage



TO WISH YOU  
Just a wonderful Christmas and all Happiness in the New Year.  
TO THANK YOU  
For your splendid patronage during the year just ended.  
City Drug Store

News From T

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Mr. and Mrs. E. G. F. have as their guest this week their daughter, Hasseltine, at John Tarleton College.

BUTTER AND EGGS ARGENTINA COME

Butter from Argentina entering the United States in increasing quantities and a trickle of Argentine egg yolk, Department of Commerce private trade statistics recently.

Higher prices in the market for the magnet Argentine dairy products. Statistics the highest for year since 1929 Argentine producers find their output and sell a despite tariff duties.

This year the inflow ready has far exceeded year. In the first six 1941 imports reach pounds.

But the inflow has since June. Reports to Mercantile Exchange in 625 pounds had entered three months.

Even this is considerable comparison with what Trade sources estimate the next few weeks be 600 and 2,800,000 pound in New York.

Argentine butter is city, grading somewhere best and poorest American, trade sources say. It is 14 cents a pound are that imports in New York are offered in New York to 26 1/2 cents a pound.

In the last three months or 4,915,000 dozen eggs have been imported. New Jersey is 4 York soon with 24, at cases.

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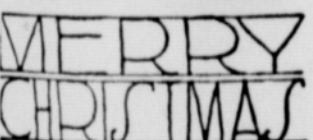
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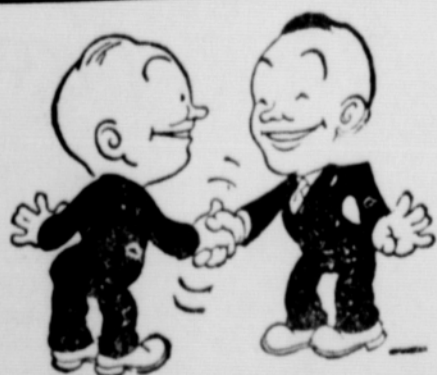
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## News From The AAA Office

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As a part of the National Defense Program, defense centers for training out-of-school youths have been set up in the following fields and at the following places: Metal work including simple welds, tempering, drilling, shaping, and machinery repair—under the supervision of Peck Ault in the Alexander Building at Baird; Woodwork (rough construction)—under the supervision of Roe Curtis in the Vocational Agricultural Building at Baird; Operation, care,

and repair of automobiles, trucks, and tractors—under the supervision of Arthur Bureson at Baird. The people in the vicinity of Cross Plains, also, have shops in Cross Plains in which the above mentioned service is available, with O. B. Edmondson, vocational agricultural teacher in charge.

All eligible persons who desire this training are urged to attend the classes. These shops have been set up to accomplish a two-fold purpose: to give defense trainees ample projects to work on and at the same time to make such needed repairs on farm machinery and equipment.

### Scrap Iron Campaign

At a meeting of the Callahan County USDA Defense Board it was learned that scrap iron prices of \$8.00 and \$9.00 per ton are being paid by the following dealers: Leaman Jennings, Cross Plains; Abilene Iron & Metal Company, Abilene, Texas; and Texas Hide and Metal Company, Abilene.

## Personals

Roy Longbotham, Jr., was a business visitor in Fort Worth Friday.

Miss Madeline McAnally, of John Tarleton College is visiting her parents this week.

Miss Pauline Payne, of El Paso, is visiting friends and relatives here during the holidays.

Miss Maxine Hise, of Abilene is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hise here this week.

Miss Louise Hayes, of Cisco, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hayes, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Mitchell, of Brownwood, were visitors here the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beeler were Rising Star visitors Friday afternoon.

Woodrow Maggart and daughter, Sandra, of Coleman, visited Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Maggart Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Westerman were business visitors in Abilene Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Anderson have as their guest this week, Robert, who is a student in John Tarleton College.

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### BUTTER AND EGGS FROM ARGENTINA COME TO US

Butter from Argentina is entering the United States in rapidly increasing quantities and the first trickle of Argentine eggs is arriving. Department of Commerce and private trade statistics disclosed recently.

Higher prices in the American market is the magnet attracting Argentine dairy products. With quotations the highest for this time of year since 1929 and 1930, Argentine producers find they can ship their output and sell at a profit despite tariff duties.

This year the inflow of butter already has far exceeded all last year. In the first six months of 1941 imports reached 497,851 pounds.

But the inflow has increased since June. Reports to the Chicago Mercantile Exchange indicate 1,184,000 pounds had entered in the last three months.

Even this is considered small in comparison with what is expected. Trade sources estimate that within the next few weeks between 2,240,000 and 2,800,000 pounds will land in New York.

Argentine butter is of good quality, grading somewhere between the best and poorest American classifications, trade sources say. The tariff is 14 cents a pound. Reports are that imports this week have been offered in New York at 35 1/2 to 36 1/2 cents a pound.

In the last three months 163,383 cases or 4,915,000 dozen Argentine eggs have been imported. The S. S. Nordjerman is due in New York soon with 24,927 additional cases.

The import duty on Argentine eggs is 5 cents a dozen. They correspond to domestic storage packed firsts and were offered in New York this week at 26 1/2 to 27 1/2 cents a dozen.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Browning have as their guest this week, their daughter, Margaret, who is a student in John Tarleton.

D. C. Hargrove, student in Howard Payne, is spending the Christmas holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hargrove.

Edwin Neeb, Jr., arrived here Saturday from John Tarleton Agricultural College, to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Neeb.

Kent Davis, of John Tarleton, arrived here the latter part of last week to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Porter J. Davis.

Harold Freeman, of Dallas, spent the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Freeman. He returned to Coleman to make his home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rucker of Vernon, who have been visiting Mrs. Maudie Longbotham, left Tuesday for Abilene, where they will spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Alice Bryson and Toody McDermott were Denton visitors Friday and Saturday. Earline Siddix, Patsy McNeal and Teddy Walker returned home, from North Texas Teachers' College, to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lane and Mrs. W. J. Mayes were Denton visitors Saturday. Misses Eloise Lane and Billie Ruth Loving, students in North Texas State Teachers College, returned home with them to spend the holidays.

### TREAT COTTONSEED FOR WINTER MONTHS

In order to save time during the rush period next spring, farmers should purchase and treat their cottonseed this winter, and store it in a dry place.

It has been definitely determined that improved stands, healthier plants and more production result from treating cottonseed with ethyl mercury chloride dust. Increased yields of 15 per cent are common and often-times the yield is increased up to 40 per cent. Seed treatment in this manner is especially effective if the spring happens to be more than normally wet and the weather cool.

Ethyl mercury chloride is a poison and care should be taken not to breathe the dust during the seed-treating process.

If our respect for science is only nominal, it is because scientists are so often a century or so late in catching up with folklore. Chemists used to sneer at farmers naive enough to believe yellow corn superior to white corn as a stock food. But eventually, scientists learned that the yellow grain is a richer source of Vitamin A.

Two requirements must be met by drivers by the end of this month according to warnings issued yesterday by the Sheriff's department. New drivers license, for those whose numbers are below 450,000 must be secured by December 31. Too, certificate of titles must be in the possession of every automobile owner before January first.

"When renewing your drivers license", states Sheriff C. R. Nordyke, "please ask for your Driving Handbook, a brief, concise, digest of motor vehicles, traffic laws and safe driving rules."

A big rush is anticipated for the last days of this month.

## Letters to Santa

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good little girl, will you please bring me a baby doll, a story book, and a toy wrist watch, and lots of good things to eat.

From Arlene Fortune

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a tricycle and Judy a rocky horse. We both want a doll, fruit and candy. Bring them to Mama Vick's house for we will be there.

Love  
Carol Ann and Judy Harlow  
Hamilton, Texas

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a train, ball, nuts, fruit and candy. I have been a good boy this year. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.

Love,  
Perry Freeman  
Bluff Dale, Texas

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a dump truck, a football, a gun, and lots of candy, fruit and nuts.

Don't forget my sisters and little brothers, and all the other little boys and girls. I love you very much.

Your little friend,  
Truett Gordon Renfro

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a football and some bicycle fixtures, a typewriter and some saddle bags, also a knife and a car.

Be Good Santa,  
Buster Mack Richardson

Dear Santa Claus:  
I have been a good girl, so please bring me a doll with hair and a muff and a blue coat and cap and a big rubber ball and also some nuts and oranges, and apples. Please don't forget my two little sisters.

Your friend,  
Patsy Ruth McMillan

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy eight years old. I want a wagon and a scunter, and some fire-crackers, and a bingo set. But please bring some nuts and candy.

Your friend,  
Rayford Starkey

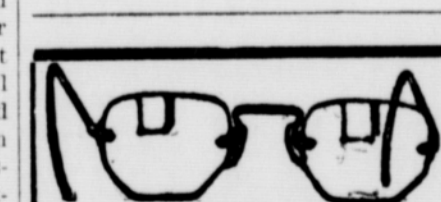
Dear Santa Claus:  
I don't want much. I want a pair of skates and a croquet set, and lots of candy, and that is all that I want. I am nine years old.

Your friend,  
Mary Beth Tunnell

Dear Santa Claus:  
How are you, I want a little stove and a safe and some dishes and bring Miss Green a skirt and waist. Santa Claus bring me some candy and oranges and bring me some hearts. Bring Miss Fowles a skirt and waist. Santa bring all of our room some toys.

Your friend,  
Wanda Lee Ingram

Conquered Russian towns spurn both Russian currency and German coins. Tobacco is chief medium of exchange for necessities. Radio commercials there probably talk about how much more you can buy with a kingsize cigaret.

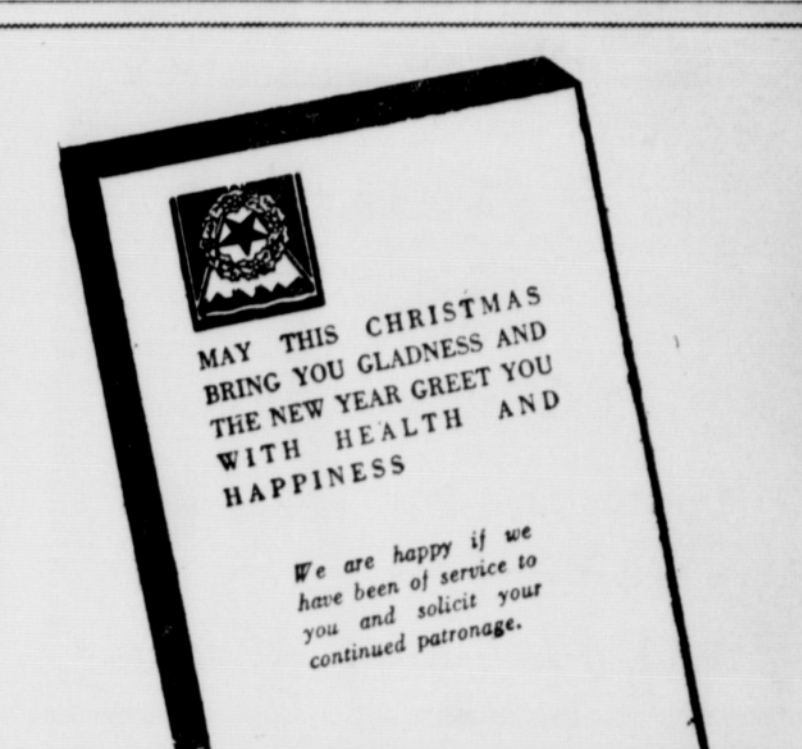


**DR. J. E. MARTIN**  
OPTOMETRIST  
Eyes Examined Glasses Fitted  
Lens Duplicated, Glasses Repaired  
607-09, Coleman Office Bldg.  
Coleman, Texas

## In Real Sincerity .....

One of the real joys of Christmas is the opportunity to lay aside the routine and customs of every day business, and in real sincerity, wish our friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Smith's Drug Store**



**Barr's Insurance Agency**



**Hoover Produce**

TO WISH YOU  
PEACE, JOY AND  
HAPPINESS FOR  
CHRISTMAS AND  
THE NEW YEAR.

**Renfro's Garage**

FROM somewhere comes this Christmas sentiment to our mind, and which we think exceptionally appropriate because of its simplicity.

The charm of the Yuletide Season lies in the thought that we live in the memory of our friends.

A Merry Christmas to Each of You

**Worthy's Grocery & Station**



Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Williams and daughter, Jane, arrived here Wednesday from South Texas to spend Christmas with friends and relatives.

John Ragland, of Fort Sam Houston, is visiting friends and relatives in Cross Plains and Cross Cut. He will return to Fort Sam Houston Thursday.

**"Missing"**



**Ray Smith**

The war was brought to Cross Plains in grim reality early Sunday morning as word reached here that Ray Smith, 19 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith of this city, was reported missing. He is known to have been in the service of his country's navy when the Japanese sprang a surprise aggression on Pearl Harbor December 7, two weeks to the day before the saddening news reached his old home town.

A telegram from the United States navy's supreme command in the Pacific was telephoned to young Smith's parents in Cross Plains at 2:30 Sunday morning.

Members of the immediate family and friends of the jovial, handsome lad who had won wide repute as an outstanding athlete and swell sport at Cross Plains high school, had felt great concern for his safety ever since news reached here two weeks ago describing the vicious, brutal attack on the locality in which he was stationed. It is still hoped, however, that in some unexplainable manner he survived the onslaught and his whereabouts will be revealed.

Ray attended Cross Plains schools and was graduated with the class of 1940. He played tackle on the local football team and won wide recognition as an outstanding player, an inspirational leader and fiery competitor. However, he drew commendation from both opponents and team mates for the sportsmanlike manner in which he played the game. It is remembered that only on about two or three occasions did Ray ever draw a penalty for infraction of rules. When it is recalled that he played three full years in virtually every game this is extremely unusual and possibly seldom equaled, say football critics.

Ray was a member of two pioneer families in the Cross Plains country. His paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Smith and his maternal grandmother is Mrs. Mamie Swafford, of this city. His immediate family includes both parents, one brother, Donald, and four sisters, Earlyne, Faisy, Lucille and Marie.

The last letter from Ray, written November 30, eight days before the Japanese delivered their "stab in the back" at America with whom peace negotiation were still underway, was received by his parents here Monday morning of this week. It was typical of former letters. He was in good spirits and the missive had postscripts penned by shipmates, whom all indications reveal, held him in warm and friendly esteem.

As yet many other Cross Plains youths are unheard from in the "Battle of the Pacific," however, it is pointed out that no news is good news and it is unanimously hoped that no injury has befallen them.

**MISS ELOISE LANE MEMBER OF COLLEGE PLAYERS AT DENTON**

Miss Eloise Lane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lane, of this city, who is a speech major in North Texas State Teachers College, is very active in the speech department. She is a member of the College Players and has appeared on the College Stage Show several times.

Eloise also has had a major part in the weekly college radio program. She wrote the script for one of the programs, and was the announcer for another.

She previously attended Howard Payne College at Brownwood.

Mrs. Almata Wolfe has as her guest this week, her son, Merle, of San Antonio.

**DEAR SANTA CLAUS:**  
We have tried to be good, we heard you outside the house a few nights ago. If you come back you will know we are really trying to be good. We want a tricycle, wheel barrow. Sister wants a doll and doll bed, and we both want a stick horse with a saddle.  
Please leave our things under the Christmas tree.  
Love,  
Billy Sam and Anna Jo Schaffner

**Mass Meeting of Citizens December 30 In Church Here**

Mayor C. S. Martin has called a mass meeting of citizens to be held in the Methodist church here the night of December 30, at which time a Citizens Defense Unit is to be organized.

Simultaneously, Joe G. Weller, chairman of the committee in charge of defense bond and stamp sales in this part of the county, has announced all members of his body are to be present and map plans for meeting Cross Plains' quota in the present emergency.

Functions of the Citizens Defense Unit will be to educate civilians in safety precautions in cases of local emergency and to cope with acts of sabotage, fires, epidemics or anything that imperils the safety of non-combatants or tends to retard the work of defense.

Every civic organization in the city is expected to be present. There will be no official invitation extended. It is pointed out that this news article will be the only notice, and those reading these lines are urged and expected to remind others that it is their patriotic duty to be present at the Methodist church the night of December 30.

"Meet bombs with bonds" is the slogan being adopted by the Weller committee in charge of the sale of defense securities here. Upon this committee rests the responsibility of "getting over" to citizens necessary essentials in the hands of the heroic boys who are fighting valiantly in seven seas and no possibly three dozen distant islands in the Pacific.

Mr. Weller points out, however, that reports from the local bank and post office indicate that Cross Plains people are doing their bit, the same as they did in World War number one, when this locality never failed to meet a quota long before the deadline was reached.

Mrs. Della McAllister had as her guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hill and family, of Abilene.

Mrs. Harve Kellar and daughter, Wanda, who live near Houston, are visiting Mrs. Mary Shelman.

Mrs. H. A. Moore and Charlyse Jean Barr, of Fort Worth, are visiting friends and relatives here this week.

**ATWELL**

Mr. and Mrs. George Purvis entertained the young folks with a party Thursday night in honor of their son Carol who left for Fort Worth Friday to join the air corps.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hutchins and family returned Saturday from Slaton where they have been employed the past two months.

Louis Purvis from Rule is spending the Xmas holidays with home folks.

Mrs. Pete Brashear and son from Greenwood, Miss., is spending this week with Mrs. Annie Brashear.

Mr. and Mrs. George Morgan and son of Baird visited the Ben Pillans home Sunday.

Mrs. Buster Foster entertained the Junior Sunday School class at her home Sunday with a dinner and Christmas tree. There were eleven members present.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Mercer and son of Hobart, Okla., visited her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Milt Jones first of the week. They also came by Camp Barkley to see their son, Pvt. Clarence Mercer who was stationed there.

Miss Nila Appleton and pupils had a Christmas program and tree at the school house Friday Miss Appleton left immediately for her home at Clyde to spend the holidays.

News reached here Thursday that Mr. and Mrs. Owen Rouse announced the birth of a girl baby born at the Baird hospital December 18. Mr. and Mrs. Rouse used to live here before moving to Baird.

Louis Purvis and Jim Hutchins made a business trip to Abilene Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Hargrove and family of Hamlin, are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hargrove.

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HERE'S TO A Merry Christmas

And may the joys and happiness of this Holiday Season be with you, not only at Christmas time, but each day of coming year.

**MARINELLO BEAUTY SHOP**

**Wanted**  
**1,000 Used Auto Tires**  
— CASH PRICES PAID —

Help your country by gathering up Casings and selling to us or some other buyer.

Let us discuss your tire problems with you and explain how to get great wear out of your present tires.

**RUBBER WELDING:** an improvement over the style of vulcanizing. New machine to do the job, work guaranteed. Prices from \$1.50 up.

HERE'S WISHING A GENUINE **MERRY CHRISTMAS** TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

**G. M. Buster Richardson**  
**High Way Service Station**

Heres Hoping You Always Have a Merry Christmas

At this season of Peace and Good Will, we do not fail to try to express at least some measure of appreciation to those whom we have served during the past year. We sincerely hope you will enjoy the very best Christmas ever. So here's wishing you all the joys of Christmas and a New Year of true happiness. May the coming year reward you with the fullest amount of Health, Happiness and Prosperity!

**CITY UTILITIES**  
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**NEWS BRIEFS**

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TO WISH YOU LOADS OF CHRISTMAS CHEER AND HAPPINESS THRU THE YEAR

Every good wish for your happiness at this joyous Christmas Season

And a sincere thanks for your courtesies in the past twelve months.

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To all our friends and patrons we are wishing a genuine old fashioned

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May the New Year bring abundant blessings to all.

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CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

**Baby Chicks**  
**ATTENTION POULTRY RAISERS**

Indications are that egg prices will remain considerable above past years average and that the demand for baby chicks will be heavy. To assure your being able to get delivery of baby chicks at the time you want them, make your bookings at once.

We wish to announce that Mr. C. M. Garrett's flock is one of our Hatchery flocks. We consider this one of the outstanding White Leghorn flocks. Bookings of Baby Chicks can be made through Mr. Garrett.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT OUR HATCHERY IN BROWNWOOD.

**SWIFT & COMPANY HATCHERY**  
BROWNWOOD, TEXAS

**Thanking You.....**

We would feel ungrateful at this season of the year if we failed to acknowledge our appreciation to those legions of friends and customers who have favored us with their patronage, good-will and best wishes during the year now hurrying to conclusion.

Your every act of friendship and cooperation has meant far more to us than any word of gratitude can express. In reciprocation, however, we pledge ourselves to even greater service to our community and its people during 1942.

The officers, employees and directors of this institution wish for you and yours every happiness possible this yuletide season and a full measure of health, happiness and prosperity throughout 1942 and the years to come.

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Mr. Bruce was hailed by the man near Cross Cut Friday night. He stopped and talked with the hitch-hiker, who explained that he simply wanted to ride to Cross Plains. Mr. Bruce had been driving practically all day and decided to let the stranger take the wheel into town.

The two men talked and drove on into Cross Plains with no unusualities. When they reached Main Street, Mr. Bruce instructed the man to stop. At that juncture, however the driver began feigning drunkenness and continued on the highway. Finally, Mr. Bruce reached over and cut off the switch prior to putting the hitch-hiker out of the automobile. After killing the engine he got out and started around to the drivers side to remove his guest. The hitch-hiker took advantage of the situation by starting the car as soon as Mr. Bruce was out and drove off, as if still in a drunken daze.

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Cross Plains, Texas

The car was located by Cisco police Saturday morning in the city limits there. A wheel was broken and a tire ruined.

W. A. Peterson, Deputy Sheriff here, told the Review yesterday that he knew who the man was and that as soon as he returned to this locality he would be placed under arrest.

**December 2, 1932:** The Thursday bridge club met with Mrs. Wilbur Wright the past week. Refreshments were served to the following guests: Mmes. C. G. Morris, E. A. Roberts, Joe Weiler, E. N. Schaffner, Jr., Don McCall, Jesse McAdams and Jim Settle.

#### \*\*\*\*\* Letters to Santa \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Santa Claus: You have always been good to me and I know you will be this Christmas. I had rather you would buy Stamps and Bonds to help the war.

Please remember all other little boys and girls. I am a little boy eight years old and I live in Cross Plains.

Hope to see you soon.

Your Pal,

Joe Frank Warren

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll, a set of dishes, a pair of skates, a pair of snow shoes and a basketball, and some candy, nuts and fruit.

Don't forget my little sister and my little brothers, and all the other little boys and girls.

Your little friend,

Mary Frances Reufro

Dear Santa Claus: For Christmas I want a base ball bat, and a football. Be sure and not forget the other little children.

Your friend,

James Barr

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Dear Santa: I want a doll, purse, candy, apples, oranges and bag of nuts for Christmas this year.

Your friend,

Billie Sue Fleming

Dear Santa: I want a doll purse, candy, apples, oranges and bag of nuts for Christmas this year.

Your friend,

Billie Ruth Fleming

Dear Santa: I am a little boy seven years old. I live near Cross Plains. I have tried to be a good little boy and for Christmas I want a gun and a little car that I can ride in. I also want a ball, some fruit, candies, and some nuts.

Please don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Your little friend,

Charlie Havens

Dear Santa Claus: I want a basket ball and a pair of skates for Christmas. Don't forget to give the other children something too. My teacher is very good to me. Her name is Mrs. Allen. I am in the second grade. We don't have to work very hard and I am glad of that.

With love,

Bobby Ruth Hudson

## We say thank you

For the Patronage you have given each of us on those Magnolia Products, Mobilgas and Mobiloil during 1941. May we see more of you in 1942. New automobile are limited now. And will be almost impossible to buy during 1942 so keep your present car in Tip Top Shape with the nation finest Mobilgas, Mobiloil and Mobilgreases, at your Favorite Dealer:

- FONIA WORTHY Grocery and Station — Cross Plains
- DOKE WESTERMAN, Service Station — Cross Plains
- L. G. JENNING Service Station — Cross Plains.
- H. N. LACY, Grocery and Station — Cross Plains.
- SIPES Service Station — Cross Plains.
- LAWRENCE BYRD Service Station — Cross Cut
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## Here's Hoping You Always Have a Merry Christmas



At this season Peace and Good Will, we do not fail to try to express at least some measure of appreciation to those whom we have served during the past year. We sincerely hope you will enjoy the very best Christmas ever. So here's wishing you all the joys of Christmas and a New Year of true happiness. May the coming year reward you with the fullest amount of Health, Happiness and Prosperity!

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## for Christmas for New Years for Ever

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## THE SPARKLE IN CHRISTMAS



A WORLD AT WAR may yet find a sparkle in Christmas! To the youngsters of West Texas—and all America—this tradition of light, and happiness, and cheer, and good will toward men remains as a glowing reality. For that reason, believing there must always be a Christmas, we consider our job even more essential this year: Helping to keep alive the sparkle of the Christmas spirit through plenty of good light while also serving our nation's armed forces who are fighting to preserve not Christianity alone but our old time Freedom and Democracy as well.

West Texas Utilities Company

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1941  
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And may the joys and happiness of this Holiday Season rest with you, not only at Christmas time, but each day of the coming year.  
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Former Local Boy And Abilene Girl Wed Here Sunday

Miss Evelyn Culvahouse and Forest Hill, both of Abilene, were united in marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Drew I. Hill Sunday morning at nine-thirty o'clock...

Deel Edington And Burkett Girl Wed Saturday Night

Coming as a complete surprise to their many friends was the marriage of Deel Edington, of Cross Plains, and Miss Marjorie Rae Brown, of Burkett, Saturday night, December 20, about eight o'clock...

BURKETT

Mrs. Fannie Evans returned here Thursday after spending several weeks in Abilene where she stayed part of the time in the hospital.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Will Drewey and family of West Texas spent Thursday night in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cross.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Gow and family of Olney are spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Myrtle Brown.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hall of Plainview, were Cross Plains visitors Monday evening.

THIS WEEK'S SUBSCRIPTIONS RENEWALS. Olis Purvis, Archie Champion, B. F. Sanders, Mrs. Clarence Bush, E. M. Long, O. M. Bailey, Finis Erwin, John Adair, Mrs. C. W. Moore, W. B. Varner, R. L. Young, Mrs. J. J. Harris, Cecil Atwood, J. C. Shockey, Southwest Clipping Bureau, W. L. Goble.

LIBERTY THEATRE. Thursday XMAS DAY SPECIAL PROGRAM. Special Matinee 1 P.M. Continuous Show. BUD ABBOTT, LOU COSTELLO. Are Loose Again In A Laugh Riot. "Hold That Ghost". It's A Ghost to Ghost Hook-up. TED LEWIS and ANDREWS SISTERS. Special Selected Short Subjects.

Friday -- Saturday. Roaring Action! Rousing Tunes! CHARLES STARRETT. "Thunder Over The Prairie". With CARL SHRUM and HIS RHYTHM RANGERS. Chapter 7—"SKY RAIDERS". Comedy and Cartoon.

Sunday & Monday "Dr. Kildare's Wedding Day". With LEW AYRES, LIONEL BARRYMORE, LARAIN DAY, RED SKELTON. Cartoon & Latest War News. Tuesday & Wed. "This Woman Is Mine". starring FRANCHOT TONE, JOHN CARROLL, WALTER BRENNAN. And CAROL BRUCE. Cartoon and Latest War News.

Miss Jane Rae Lowe, student in Daniel Baker, is visiting friends and relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor and daughter, Billie June, left the first of the week for McAlester, Okla., where they will visit friends and relatives.

Paul Harrell visited relatives in Menard Wednesday. Paula Jean and Anna Bell Harrell returned home with him to spend the holidays.

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Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and children of near Santa Anna spent several days last week here with her mother, Mrs. Cora Galine.

Miss Mildred Coats of Baird spent Monday with her grand-mother Mrs. J. D. Mitchell.

Miss Missouri Strahan came in Friday after spending a few weeks with her aunt Mrs. Sallie Allen of Arlington.

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Another Year Is Ending. To all our friends and customers we wish to extend our gratitude for the patronage that has been accorded us. Too, it is our sincere hope that the Santa Claus of good cheer will abide with each and everyone throughout the yuletide and that health, happiness and prosperity may be yours in abundance during the new year. The Red and White Store M. E. [Happy] Howell

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS. Now, at the time of the year when gladness and thanksgiving are first in the minds of all, we welcome the opportunity to express our best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. PIGGLY WIGGLY Cross Plains, Texas

Merry Christmas and an unusually Happy New Year. During 1942 it will be our purpose to do everything in our power to further improve our service. We shall continue in the future, as in the past, making improvements to keep our business abreast of changing conditions and thereby bring you the finest dairy products possible. E. C. Koenig's Dairy Cross Plains, Texas

Thanks. For the pleasure of having supplied a number of your grocery needs in 1941. And wishing a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our friends and customers. May We Serve You Often --In 1942-- S. N. FOSTER & SON CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

First Elevators. Elevators first came into use in American hotels in 1850. A swanky Fifth Avenue, New York, hostelry first decided to try "lifting" the guests to the floor above. For indoor practice, English parachutists leap from a glass fuselage mounted high above the street. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Atwood, children of Kermit, are visiting their mother, Mrs. C. E. Atwood, this week. Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Foster attended the funeral of H. H. Mack, rick superintendent for the Texas Utilities Company in Saturday.