

The Cross Plains Review

CROSS PLAINS' OLDEST BUSINESS INSTITUTION

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DEFENSE BONDS GO FAST HERE

Motorists Have 2 Requirements To Meet Soon

Clyde Boy Who Barely Escaped Death In Tornado First From This County To Die In War With Japs

LICENSES AND AUTO TITLES ARE NEEDED BEFORE JANUARY 1

Fines From \$1 To \$100 May Be Assessed; Rush Seen For Last Days Of Month

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 licenses, 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.

In Cross Plains both requirements may be met at the office of Cook Insurance Company, which firm is handling the work for this part of the county. Or, those who desire may secure both the drivers licenses and certificates of title at the courthouse in Baird.

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

Commenting upon the certificate of titles, which have to be secured out of Austin, C. R. Cook stated yesterday: "The time is now short and car owners who do not have their certificate of title should make application immediately."

He points out that after January first auto owners who do not have title will be guilty of misdemeanor and subject to a fine from \$1.00 to \$100.00.

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

Varner Offered 2 Year Contract As School Head Here

Superintendent Leo Varner was selected by the board of trustees for Cross Plains schools in regular meeting Monday night and proffered a two year contract.

Under Varner's leadership at Cross Plains schools the district has been increased by approximately 56 square miles, in the merging of four districts without a dissenting vote. The valuation was consequently raised from \$686,000. to \$960,000.

Announcement of other faculty elections will likely be made within the next few days.

BENJA PILLANS IS 2ND CLASS RADIO MAN IN U. S. NAVY

Benja Pillans, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Pillans, of Atwell, who recently completed a nine months training course in Radio, in Bastrop, Texas, left the radio in, California, week for Los Angeles, California, where he will be stationed in the United States Navy, in the radio department.

He successfully passed all required physical examinations in Houston last week. Benja has already been appointed radio operator second class, in the U. S. Naval Base there.

MISS ZELDA HARRIS AND M. P. WILCOXEN MARRIED ON FRIDAY

Wedding vows for Miss Zelda Harris, of Sabanao, and M. P. Wilcoxen, Jr., of Cottonwood, were solemnized Friday afternoon, December 12, shortly after four o'clock, in the home of Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Bryan, with Rev. Bryan reading the single ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Harris, of the Sabanao community. She attended Cross Plains high school.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Wilcoxen, of Cottonwood.

The couple will make their home near Cottonwood.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Beeler had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Clark and Mrs. Johnny Patterson, of Seminole, Mrs. Howard Harton, of Lubbock, Mrs. Eddie Don, of Lubbock, Mrs. Lester Mannerling and Jean Wallace, of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Beeler and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beeler.

First Callahan county boy reported killed in action at the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, is Joe Ross, 20, of Clyde.

Notified Tuesday of his death was an aunt, Mrs. Tad Goble, route one, of Baird, who is the guardian of his two younger brothers, J. W. and Jimmy and an uncle, J. C. Mobley, of Abilene.

Another brother, Paul Gene, also is in the navy and stationed in Iceland.

"He's done his duty," said Mobley, as tears welled in his eyes and he told of the boy's enlistment and early background.

"He was just like a son to me. I helped him get through McCamey high school and signed the papers so he could join the navy."

Young Ross finished high school in 1939 and joined the navy in September of that year.

His father, T. Ross, died about six years ago, while his mother was killed in the Clyde tornado in 1938. Survivors include his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Ross, Sr., and his maternal grandfather, M. B. Clements, Clyde.

Ross's life was almost claimed by the tornado.

"He was blown through a wall," Mobley recalled, "and a year later we spent \$60 having splinters taken from his face."

Until a few months ago he and brother Paul Gene were together. The brother was transferred to the Atlantic fleet. Joe was a second class radio operator.

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"An encouraging factor," reported Mr. Anderson, "is the manner in which bonds and stamps are being purchased. Scores of people have mapped out plans of regular buying creating a saving for themselves and at the same time performing very patriotic service to their country."

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Letters To Santa --

Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a doll, train, candy, fruit, cowgirl suit, blocks, B. B. gun, drum and sticks.
Love,
Betty Sue

Dear Santa: Please bring me a airplane, fire truck, boat, train, fruit, nuts, and candy. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.
Love,
Allen Wayne

Dear Santa: I am a good little boy at school. Please bring me a pop-gun and other toys, also some candy, fruit, nuts and some fire works.
Love,
Charles Smart

Dear Santa, Please bring me some jacks, a doll, cowboy suit, candy, set of dishes, table, stove, doll bed, chairs, cabinet and truck.
Thank you,
Naomi

Dear Santa: Please bring me a great big doll, dishes, some fruit and candy.
Thank you Santa. Remember all the other boys and girls.
Love,
Sheila

Dear Santa: Please bring me some gloves, ring and some candy. Come to see all the other little folk.
Love,
Glenda June

Dear Santa: Will you please bring me a piano and a doll for Christmas.
Remember the other children too.
Love,
Corene Jones

Dear Santa: Please bring me a wrecker truck, fire truck, fruit, candy, blocks, music house, suits, B. B. gun and shells, cowboy suit and little chicken house.
Love,
Dwayne

Dear Santa: Please bring me a wagon trailer, two trucks, some fire works, fruit, and candy.
Love,
Allen Angeley

Dear Santa: Please bring me a wagon, gun and scabbler, car and red lights.
Yours truly,
John Truman

Dear Santa: Please bring me a BB gun, a truck, bicycle, fire works, fruits and candy.
Love,
Gerald Presley

Dear Santa: Please bring me a train, red wrecker, tractor, fruit, candy, stopper gun, play bricks, drum and sticks.
Thank you, Santa,
R. B.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a rubber doll, set of dishes, little broom, doll clothes, and fruit.
Love,
Glendora

Dear Santa: Please bring me a doll, set of dishes, wagon candy and fruit.
Love,
Novella

Dear Santa Claus: I want a big doll with hair, a housecoat, and a pair of roller skates.
And that is all, but please bring some nuts and candy.
Please bring me some hearts for my bracelet.
Your friend,
Barbara Jean Ramsey

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy eight years old. For Christmas I want a red wagon and anything else, and some candy and nuts. Please don't forget the other little boys and girls.
Howard Lee Neeb

Dear Santa: I am a little girl six years old. I want a doll and tin-set of dishes, a doll bed and some candy and nuts.
Joyce Nell Neeb

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy eleven months old, please bring me anything you think I need to play with.
Charles Wayne Neeb

Dear Santa: Please bring me a skirt and twin sweaters. And a doll with curls and rubber pants with my doll and socks and shoes, with it, a croquet sweaters, and a dress. I want a dress too. I want a bracelet with six hearts on it. Some oranges and apples and candy, 6 packages of fire-crackers.
Your friend,
Mary Catherine Smoot

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a bicycle. Bring me a wagon, and a little train. I want some nuts and candy, fire-crackers. I want some BB's.
Your friend,
Lewis Fortune

Dear Santa Claus: I am a girl 8 years old. I want a big rubber ball and a doctor set; I want a Bible with the new and old testaments in it, a bracelet with hearts on it, a house coat and house shoes, Please bring some nuts and candy too.
Your friend,
Marie Smith

Dear Santa Claus: I want a pair of skates and some snow shoes, size 3, and a collar for my little dog, and a girls bicycle, some jacks, a doctor set, a little white Bible and a bracelet and a little truck, tangerines and some hearts for my heart bracelet.
Emma Dee Worthy

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good girl. So please bring me a doll with hair and nuff and a blue coat and cap and a bracelet.
Please bring me some apples and oranges and nuts and candy.
Please don't forget my two little sisters.
Your friend,
Velma Pauline Fore

Beloved Early Day Lady Laid To Rest Here On Wednesday

Mrs. W. A. McGowen, 72, a member of one of the earliest families in the Cross Plains country, succumbed after a lingering illness at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sidney Hughes, in Wink early Tuesday morning. Funeral services were conducted from the First Methodist Church in Cross Plains Wednesday afternoon with Rev. C. D. Wooten, pastor, officiating. Interment was made in the family plot at the local cemetery beside the grave of her husband, a prominent Callahan county merchant, who died May 4, 1932.

Mrs. McGowen had been in failing health for more than a year and had been bedfast for several months. Relatives and friends throughout this locality had known for days that her condition was extremely critical.

Kentucky Blanch Coffman was born August 9, 1869 in Whitesburg, Tennessee. She came to Texas with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Jim Coffman, at the age of four, making her home near Cross Plains and continued to reside here until about two years ago when she moved to Wink to live with her daughter.

She was married to W. A. McGowen, prominent Callahan county merchant, October 31, 1886. He preceded her in death by nearly nine years.

Survivors include seven children, five daughters and two sons: Mrs. C. V. Bomar, Houston; Mrs. J. B. Williams, Lufkin; Mrs. Ray Reynolds, Dallas; Murman McGowen, Pinwell; Russell B. McGowen, Monahans; Mrs. Sidney Hughes, Wink, and Mrs. Claude W. Brown, McCamey. Three sisters also survive. They are Mrs. John Baum, Cross Plains; Mrs. Scott Gilbert, Woodson; Mrs. Lula Nations, Sutter Creek, California. Other survivors are 12 grand-children, two great grand children and a great host of other relatives and friends.

Mrs. McGowen's parents were among the very first at Cross Plains. Her father, the late Jim Coffman, had the first post office here and to him also belonged the distinction of naming the community of Cross Cut, where the family resided for a short while. Old timers remember that the first post office in Cross Plains was housed in the dwelling now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. John Baum and family in the West part of the city.

Mrs. McGowen had been a member of the Methodist church in Cross Plains for more than 30 years having joined by certificate on October 12, 1912.

In tribute to a lady who had held the love and affections of a great host of people and in respect to one of the early day prominent families in this section, friends crowded the local Methodist church to capacity at the funeral service Wednesday afternoon. Floral offerings bedecked the casket on all sides.

Pall bearers were: Hugh McDermott, Fred Cutbirth, E. C. Neeb, S. F. Bond, Drew Hill, Volly McDonough, Paul V. Harrell and W. R. Wagner, Jr.

507 GARMENTS OF WAR MADE IN THIS COUNTY

Figures released by the local Red Cross Chapter show that home demonstration club women of Callahan county have been on the alert and doing their part thus far in the national defense program in that 507 garments have been made by these club women up to date and that approximately 200 garments are being made.

SALES MORE THAN DOUBLE AS NATION BUCKLES FOR WAR

Local Bank Says Bond Sales Tripled As War Declared; Post Office Is Also Busy

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GRANDSON OF LOCAL COUPLE ENTERS AIR CORPS BASIC SCHOOL

Announcement has been received here that James A. Joy, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Joy and a grandson of J. A. Joy of Cross Plains, along with 1,806 cadets is now a member of the first class of cadets in the new Air Corps Replacement Center (Aircrew), at Kelly Field.

The lad is a graduate of Crowell high school and attended Texas A & M and Tyler Commercial College.

After five weeks in the Replacement Center he will be sent to a primary flying school to begin flight training in preparation for becoming an officer in the army of the United States.

Bill Cowan, of Grande Prairie, spent the week end here.

Nothing but the best States mint can give you money without advertising.

FOR SALE OR TRADE: Really new Thor washers with twin tubes. See Mrs. George B. See

POSTED NOTICE: Not by given that all property or controlled by me are for fishing, hunting and trespassing of every kind. FRED CUTBIRTH

DON'T fail to see us for on Nationally advertised guaranteed Firestone Tires. Some real values in batteries. SIZES SERVICE STATION

WANTED: 100,000 pounds. Bring them to GARY'S PRODUCE for better price

PAINTING and PAPERING also house wiring. No. the best. See Charles

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BUFFALOES WIN TWO GAMES FROM CISCO

Cross Plains high school Buffaloes won a double header from Cisco Lobos basketball team here Friday night.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The news flashes are all important to all citizens. But let us remember that the greatest news flash of all time was when the news came that a Savior was born.

Next Sunday morning we celebrate the Birth of a Savior. In the evening service at 7 o'clock, the Sunday school will have charge and present the program of the evening.

One evening next week the Church will be decorated and the annual Christmas tree will be the scene for the pleasures of the Sunday School children. The date will be announced later.

Bufs Lose Close Game To Abilene 5 Tuesday Night

Cross Plains high school Buffaloes suffered their first set-back of the current season Monday night as they lost to the Abilene high school Eagles, there, by a score of 23 to 21.

While they had no alibi to offer, observers declared that the Buffaloes were handicapped by white backboards against white walls, whereas the usual custom is a different colored backboard to offer a contrast.

The Eagles were never able to penetrate the zone defense thrown up by the Cross Plains quintet and only long, sensational shots saved the touted Taylor countians.

Edward Coppinger, towering guard and strong offensive gun, was lost to the Buffaloes on personal fouls in the fourth chukker and his absence doubtlessly crippled the Cross Plains' offensive threat.

High scoring honors were divided between Mike Moore, Cross Plains, and Cranfill, of Abilene, each of whom tallied nine.

The crowd, which almost filled the Abilene gymnasium, remained in a continuous uproar as the teams maintained a terrific pace.

The Cross Plains band and pep squad followed the team to Abilene. The box score:

Box score table with columns for Cross Plains and Abilene, and rows for FG, FP, PF, TP.

Abilene— FG FP PF TP Stovall, f 2 0 2 2 Winkles, f 1 2 2 2 Paul, c 2 0 2 2 Patton, c 0 1 0 1 Cranfill, g 4 1 1 1 Spires, g 0 1 1 1

Technical foul, Paul. Referee: Hays, (Tulsa)

Annual Red Cross Roll Call Heeded By Local People

- List of names and amounts for the Red Cross roll call, including H. A. Young \$1.00, Walker McLain \$1.00, Ed Simpson \$1.00, etc.

Tall Girl Cager



Pictured above is "Toby" McGee, six foot two inch girl athlete, who will lead the Ozark Hill Billies, nationally famous feminine cage team, here Tuesday night of next week, December 23, for a game in the Cross Plains high school gymnasium.

The high school boys will play the Hill Billies three quarters and members of the local school faculty the last quarter.

An admission charge of 15 and 25 cents will be made. It is pointed out that this is an entirely different combination from that which played in Cross Plains last season bearing the same name.

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A MUNICIPAL DEFENSE COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, by Executive Order signed on May 29, 1941, created the Office of Civilian Defense in the office for Emergency Management;

WHEREAS, the Office of Civilian Defense has requested the cooperation and assistance of all municipalities in carrying out the Civilian Defense program;

WHEREAS, it is desirable to coordinate all municipal defense activities in one municipal agency;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created the Municipal Defense Council of the City of Cross Plains to be composed of the Mayor as Chairman and Coordinator and such other persons, not exceeding eleven in number, as the Mayor may appoint from time to time.

SECTION 2. The Municipal Defense Council shall have full and plenary powers to employ such persons as may be necessary to carry out the functions of the Council.

SECTION 3. These persons shall, however, to all regulations provided by law, ordinance or resolution.

SECTION 4. The Municipal Defense Council shall be charged with the duty of coordinating all defense activities of this City and it shall:

- (1) Coordinate the activities of municipal and private agencies cooperating in the defense program; (2) Keep in contact with the Office of Civilian Defense and the Governor's Office to the end that all of their requests and suggestions shall receive prompt and efficient response; (3) Conduct studies regarding defense problems of the City to the end that the municipal government will at all times be abreast of the problems of defense, and information desired by Federal and State agencies will be readily available; (4) Survey existing facilities, profers of facilities, services and ideas originating within the city and make appropriate disposition of them; (5) Act as a clearinghouse on municipal defense information for all governmental and private agencies cooperating in the defense program; (6) Direct information regarding the defense program to all municipal departments or agencies which are or may be affected thereby;

(7) Make recommendations, from time to time, for improvements in the handling of defense problems affecting the City;

(8) Perform such other advisory functions as may be requested by agencies or departments of the Federal and State Governments in connection with the National Defense program;

(9) Do whatever is necessary and proper to carry out the intent and purpose of this ordinance, tending to protect life and property.

SECTION 4. The Municipal Defense Council may expedite procedure by organizing itself into subcommittees and may subdivide its work and prescribe such rules and regulations as are not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance. It may delegate the authority of preliminary hearings for dismissal of voluntary workers to the heads of departments.

The Municipal Defense Council may appoint additional committees to meet any emergency that may arise but shall report same promptly to the City Council, which shall have the authority, at its discretion, to order the discontinuance of such committee. Any person appointed to any reason deemed by it to be sufficient.

SECTION 5. This ordinance is

Nutshell Advertising

FOR SALE: Weaning Pigs. Mrs. Henry McCoy (1tp)

FOR SALE: 1937 Chevrolet Pickup Truck in A-1 condition with best of tires, would take some trade Claude Stephens (2tc)

FOR SALE: 400 white Leghorn, Tom Baron Strain, pullets, nearly three months old, at 55c each. O. W. GRAY Eight miles southwest Cross Plains (1tp)

FOR SALE: 400 good fire-brick in perfect condition. See Leo Varner at Cross Plains Schols 2tc

WANTED: 100,000 pounds of pecans Bring them to GARY'S FEEDS & PRODUCE for better prices. (4tc)

WANTED: Buy your lumber at our saw mill distributor yard at Fort Worth. We have our own saw mill in Arkansas. Write for prices. Northwest Lumber Company, Box 104, route 2, Fort Worth, (3tp)

FOR SALE: Red-Top Cane, well headed, 1,500 bundles. See W. M. Wright, 2 miles Northeast of Cross Plains. (2tp-19)

WE PAY HIGHEST Cash prices for furs and dry bones. Bring them to GARY'S FEED STORE (4tc)

WANTED: Reliable woman, prefer middle aged, for general housework and care of children. Five in home—good salary. Mrs. Ray Cockrell, Box 1145, Baird, Texas, (1tc)

FOR SALE: Choice Sweet Potatoes. Priced Right at my place. See J. W. Cox, (2tp)

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

FOR RENT: Farm, 3 miles North Cross Plains, hog proof, \$75.00. Mary Guyton, Putnam

FOR RENT: Furnished rooms and apartments with all modern conveniences. See Mrs. W. A. (Red) Huckaby (2tp)

LOST, STRAYED or STOLEN: 6 year old white and tan fox terrier dog, bell tailed, answers to the name of "Tag"; \$20.00 reward will be paid for information leading to the recovery of this dog. Notify Sheriff, Earl Stewart, Brown County, Brownwood, Tex. (3tp-12-12)

POSTED NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that all properties owned or controlled by me are now posted for fishing, hunting, trapping, and trespassing of every nature. FRED CUTHBERT (4tp)

NOTICE is hereby given that hunting, fishing, trapping, peccan gathering and trespassing of every nature is hereby prohibited on the Owens ranch. Violators will be prosecuted. (5tc)

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FOR SALE: Farm Implements consisting, cultivator, sulkey plow, planter, hay rake, row harrow, and auvil. LEE CHAMPION, Cottonwood, Texas

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FOR SALE OR TRADE: one practically new Thor washing machine with win tub. See Mrs. George B. Scott. (1tp)

hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

Passed and approved this 16 day of December A.D., 1941. ATTEST: C. S. MARTIN, Mayor WILLIS J. BROWN, City Secretary

ATWELL

Rev. J. C. Foster filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sunday at the Primitive church.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Cobb of Burkett attended church here Sunday and visited with relatives.

Tipton Wrinkle and Clyde and C. H. Lovelady returned Sunday from Rails, Texas.

S. A. Black, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Black visited relatives in Fort Worth during the week end. Mrs. Black returned home with them.

Benja Pillans, who has been attending NYA school at Bastrop is at home for a while.

Jim Hutchins of San Angelo visited at home first of week.

Prof. Holder of Burkett attended church here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Foster of Lawn visited relatives here Sunday and Monday.

I. W. Morgan and family of San Angelo visited in the S. G. Jones home last week.

Buster Foster returned from San Angelo Thursday.

Francis Westerman of Cross Plains spent Tuesday night with the Riffe girls.

Messrs Jim Hutchins and Benja Pillans were Cross Plains visitors Tuesday night.

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STOCK VACCIN

—FOR— All Kind Live Stock and Poultry SIMS DRUG CO Cross Plains, Texas

Wanted 1,000 Used Auto Tires None too old ---- None too new --CASH PRICES PAID-- Help your country by gathering up old Casings and selling to us or some other buyer. Let us discuss your tire problems with you and explain how to get greater wear out of your present tires.

G. M. Buster Richardson High Way Service Station CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

TO THE CITIZENS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY; At this time of the season, I would feel ungrateful did I not express to each and every one of you, my deepest appreciation for the wonderful cooperation you have shown me through the year of 1941. More especially since our country has been engaged in the present conflict. I have never seen a time when people were more cooperative, and this means victory. So allow me to wish you all the joys of a Merry Christmas and to us a victorious year for 1942.

GRATEFULLY YOURS, C. R. Nordyke

Fire Dangers We want to ask the cooperation of the public in preventing fires and casualties by refraining from shooting fireworks in the business district. No permission will be granted anyone to sell fireworks on the sidewalks. CITY OF CROSS PLAINS W. A. PETTERSON Chief of Police

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I would like for you to bring me a pair of a wagon with high animal farm set, and some games. And remember the girls everywhere. See you soon, I am, Betty Cavanaugh

I am a boy 6 years old. For bring me a pair of a truck and a steam tractor with plows. I nuts and fruits. My papa and grand- the rest of the boys

Love, Lynn Cox

I hope you can be Christmas. Dixie Anfeley

I want you to bring me for my baby brother, for Dale, a sewing machine and a dresser set. I want a doll or something.

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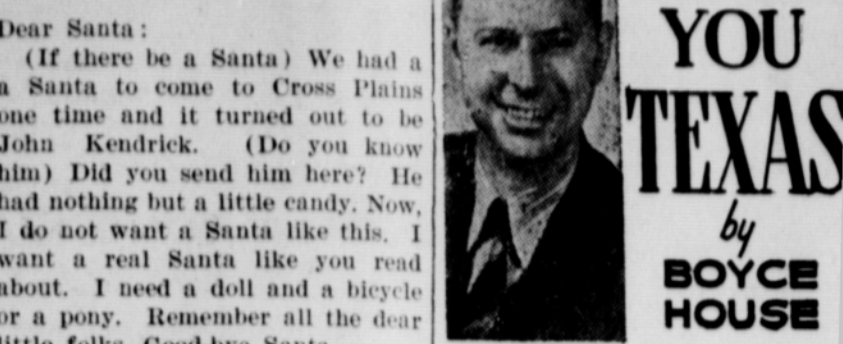
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DUBLIN CAGERS COME HERE MONDAY NIGHT

Dublin high school boys basketball team, reputed to be one of the best in Texas, comes here Monday night of next week, December 22, to tangle with coach Socrates' Buffaloes.

Dublin is coached by Trudie, the former Putnam and Payne College star.

A girls game is being arranged for the evening to complete the program.

By Dorothy Atwood

STOCK VACCINATIONS FOR ALL KIND LIVE STOCK AND POULTRY

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He pried the lid off—and the mystery was solved: The pail was almost full of Mexican jumping beans, which were bouncing against the sides and top of the bucket!

That story went all over the country—and the postmaster got a bunch of orders from the East for jumping beans.

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THE POCKETBOOK OF KNOWLEDGE

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Different epochs in world history have been known as the stone age, the bronze age, the steel age and so on. This era may be known as the canned juice age. Just a few years ago, tomato juice was about the only kind that was canned. Now you can get pineapple juice, orange juice, grapefruit, kraut juice and carrot juice (heavens!).

SCHOOL BUSES FINEST IN COUNTY SAYS STATE HIGHWAY PATROL AGENT

A state highway patrolman who inspected Cross Plains school buses one day last week reported to Superintendent Leo Varner that he had found vehicles used by the local schools in an excellent state of repair. All safety devices were found to be functioning perfectly and drivers too were commended upon their compliance with all recommended precautionary measures.

"Your buses are among the best I have seen and are surely the finest in this county", the patrolman stated.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Mitchell, of Brownwood, were visitors here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Helberg and sons returned to their home in McLeansboro, Illinois, Thursday, after a weeks visit here with Mrs. Manie Swafford.

I've always liked the paradox, "All generalizations are false— including this one."

And there was the fellow who exclaimed, "I'm a perfect fool" but a friend said, "Oh, no—nobody is perfect."

Mrs. Richard Mitchell and Kathryn Anderson were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Mitchell, in Brownwood, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hulan Barr were Abilene visitors Wednesday.

THE METHODIST LADIES OF COTTONWOOD WANT TO EXPRESS THEIR SINCERE THANKS TO THE PERSONS WHO SO KINDLY PATRONIZED OUR BAZAAR ON LAST SATURDAY, AND WE ESPECIALLY DO WANT TO THANK MR. NEEL AND TINY AND OTHERS OF HIGGINBOTHAMS.

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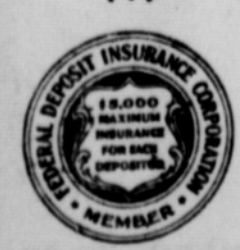
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What Is Behind A Good Name!

Simply what any firm or individual stands for. Take our bank for example. It stands for fairness and honesty in business transactions. It stands for civic mindedness and helpfulness to worthy people. It represents employees scrupulously trained to guard your interest and protect your money. We're proud of a good name. All our efforts are directed toward earning the confidence and good-will people have had for our bank since it was founded.

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He's a SOLDIER, too! ... and Needs Your Help So there May Be Light and Power this Christmas and Throughout the New Year. His work is vital to our country's well-being. The light and power lines he maintains have been defined as National Defense property, protected by an Act of the Congress of the United States and the anti-violence laws of the State of Texas. Thus, the large number of men and women who maintain your electric service are truly soldiers, too. Inasmuch as in time of national emergency it is the patriotic duty of every American to report any act or plot which endangers the country's safety, we feel free to request that you report to local law enforcement agencies, or to our nearest office, any persons violating or planning to violate any of the provisions of the laws prohibiting sabotage of a defense industry of which you have any knowledge. We are giving our utmost cooperation in the defense effort, serving numerous military units in this West Texas region, and ask your help that there may be no interruption of service either to Uncle Sam or in your home. **BUY DEFENSE SAVINGS BONDS and STAMPS** West Texas Utilities Company

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NEWS BRIEFS OF BYGONE DAYS

Little Squibs Gleaned From Files Of Review

November 8, 1918: Paul V. Harrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harrell, who live South of town, of Brownwood, spent last week with his parents. He some time ago volunteered for the officers training school in artillery, and has been accepted and will leave this week for Camp Taylor, Ky., the central school for artillery for the Nation. Mr. Harrell worked up a company in the Texas Guard last summer for Brown and surrounding counties, and was appointed Captain, but the company was disbanded. He spent a large sum of money, besides sacrificing his time from his practice of law at a time when his services were in demand.

June 21, 1918: Pioneer people are anything but slackers according to K. W. Smith of that place, who was in town Monday. He states that a box supper given for the benefit of the Red Cross at that place Saturday night brought in the neighborhood of one hundred dollars. A cake was sold at auction, brought the tidy sum of \$34.05, the last man bidding receiving the prize, which Mr. Hoover will let by owing to the purpose it was dedicated to.

September 6, 1918: Mrs. Kenady and daughter Miss Nettie, of Cottonwood have moved to Cross Plains and are occupying their home on 10th street. Miss Nettie secured the appointment as carrier on route 1 out of this place and is now serving in that capacity. She and several others recently took the civil service examination for this place, and she, making the highest grade, secured the appointment. She has a good job except that her road is the worst in captivity.

September 13, 1918: Something more than forty of the young registrants in June left on Thursday for Camp Travis. Among those being called were Duke Westerman, Homer Paschall, Bob Baum and Monroe McDaniel of the Cross Plains country. Dee Barnett and one of the Bishop boys of Brown county went from Cross Cut and perhaps others whose names we do not have.

November 8, 1918: As yet the Germans have not surrendered but they are getting in bad condition. A lot of German booty has reached this country but the first to arrive at Cross Plains was a German helmet sent by Randolph Holmerson to his father here. The helmet is made out of steel and is supposed to be proof against ordinary bullets. It is a cumbersome, inconvenient piece of headgear that we would not like to wear, but its use in action on the Western front might be much to be wished for. It is the first helmet of Hun origin that the most of us have ever seen.

January 31, 1919: For two or more years it seemed that it would never rain in this county, and now since the drought is broken, it seems that it will never stop raining. A two-year rainy season is as logical a phenomenon as a two-year drought, and in a country where droughts and rainy seasons occur on a 50-50 basis. Hence we are prepared for such snows and rains as we have had the past two weeks. The slow-falling, never-remitting all night precipitation on Sunday night filled the country to a few degrees beyond the saturation point. The earth is now so full of moisture that if you touch the earth, water rises.

February 1919: Cecil Aiken came in a discharge on a discharge from Camp Fort Sill. He is in fine health and is enjoying life as usual with him.

Duke Westerman has returned to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Westerman, of South of town. He has been in service at Camp Logan.

Elmer Cavanaugh arrived the first of the week from Camp Travis on a discharge.

Others arriving here from the trip overseas were: John Bone, son of J. H. Bone, of Dressy, Charley

Coats and Calvin Ingram, of Cottonwood, Henry Fox, of Liberty, Merle Browning, of Pioneer, Floyd Upton, Will Baucum, of Cross Cut, P. V. Harrell, Claude Harrell of this city, and Harry Warren.

Students Forego Yearbook To Buy U.S. Defense Bond

There will be no yearbook for Cross Plains schools this year. Members of the senior class, who sponsor the annual yearbook, met yesterday and voted to withhold publication of the book and to use the funds laid aside for that purpose to buy United States defense bonds.

The bonds will be made to the senior class of Cross Plains high school of 1941.

In addition to this high school student body has been organized into a systematized method of buying defense saving stamps. Purchases have already been started and will continue regularly each week, announces Superintendent Leo Varner. The sales at the school will amount to between \$20 and \$25 weekly. Edward Coppinger, high school senior and president of the graduating class will act as chairman of the committee being aided by Dorothy Thompson, Jimmie Kate Howell, Toody McDermott, Madie C. Edington and Donnell Clark.

Every grade of the Cross Plains school system, which includes more than 600 children, have complied with the requirements for membership in the Junior American Red Cross.

SHUFFLE CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY THURSDAY NIGHT

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Freeman entertained the Shuffle Bridge Club Thursday evening, December 11, with a Christmas party and three tables of contract bridge.

Christmas gifts were exchanged by the members of the club. A plate, consisting of roast, potatoes, string beans, hot rolls, pickles, fruit salad, coffee and apple pie, topped with whipped cream, was served at refreshment time to each of the following members: Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Edmondson, Mr. and Mrs. Hulian Barr, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Fomby, Mr. and Mrs. Volley Joe Williams, Miss Rosa Van Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Mayes and Mr. and Mrs. Hub Freeman.

J. L. Womack visited his son, Harold, in San Angelo the past week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Caton had as their guests Saturday evening, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Caton, of Eastland, and Dr. S. R. Parks, of Dallas.

If interested in refinancing or purchasing farm on long terms 4% interest through Federal Land Bank and supplemental Land Bank—foreclosed farms and other real estate for sale, small down payment and easy terms on balance with cheap rate of interest, see or write—

M. H. PERKINS, Sec.-Treas. Citizens N.F.L.A., Clyde, Texas

SAILOR WRITES TO BROTHER IN ARMY

Following are excerpts from a letter written by Mack Bingham, in the United States navy, to his brother, W. S. Bingham, in the army stationed at Camp Bowie. Both boys are sons of Mrs. H. H. Nash of Cross Plains.

Dear W. S.: How's army life? Read where your bunch just returned from maneuvers in the South. Guess you will have to write and tell me all about it.

I had some friends on the destroyers which were torpedoed in the North Atlantic recently. All were killed. Guess you have heard about the English cruiser "Orion" which fought the "Graf Spee", off the coast of South America. It is now tied up next to us here in the San Diego navy yards and is undergoing repairs. When it came in port it had holes in the sides of the ship and in the water tight compartments were men killed several months ago. The bodies could not be recovered until the ship reached dry dock. I have talked to several English sailors and they certainly have some harrowing experiences to relate.

Guess there is nothing more of interest to relate. If you go home be sure to tell the folks hello for me.

Your brother, Mack Bingham

Neal Wolfe, Randall Aiken and Ebb Huckaby were San Angelo visitors Sunday.

Randall Aiken of Cisco, spent the week end here with friends and relatives.

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BEST BREAD MAKERS GIVEN CASH PRIZES

Since one of the demonstration programs carried in the home demonstration clubs of Callahan County during the year 1941 was that of making yeast breads, and since \$5.00 had been set aside by the finance committee of the Home Demonstration Council to be used for three prizes in this work, the bread judging took place Thursday evening, December 11, preceding the Christmas banquet which was held in the basement of the Methodist Church in Balrd, with Mrs. Bill Banks, serving as Judge. Places were awarded as follows: Mrs. Ray Young of Enterprise H. D. Club, first; Mrs. Lester Farmer of Eula H. D. Club, second; and Mrs. J. H. Shrader of Zion Hill H. D. Club, third. Dinner rolls was the product presented for scoring, although the demonstration program was on many variations. The bread demonstrators of the county furnished the rolls for the banquet.

LOCAL BAPTIST MEN ATTEND MEETING IN BROWNWOOD SUNDAY

Robert G. LeTourneau, noted layman, spoke at the Coggin Avenue Baptist Church, in Brownwood, Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. Those attending the service from the Cross Plains Baptist church were: Rev. C. E. Poe, Jeff Clark, Ross Henley, M. F. Dill, H. C. Williams, Claude Warren and Ray Jones.

BABY BOY BORN TO BROWNWOOD COUPLE

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Minton, of Brownwood, announce the birth of an eight pound baby boy. The child was born Wednesday, December 10. Both mother and son are reported to be doing splendidly.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Coley were the Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Henry of Tuscola.

Harold Oliver and Armond Mitchell of Brownwood, spent the week end here with friends and relatives.

Carl Shipp of Fort Sill, Oklahoma, visited friends and relatives here last week.

Mrs. Price Odum and Griffin were Balrd visitors afternoon.

Miss Louise Hayes, of Balrd, spent the week end here with parents.

LOOK WELL, CHRISTMAS

Neatly cleaned and pressed clothes add to one's appearance. You'll want to look your best this Christmas. So, be sure to send those garments you'll be wearing this year to us now in order that they may be in the "pink of Condition" for your Christmas.

Pat Allen, The Tailor
CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

A Proclamation

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Whereas our country has been viciously attacked and forced into a war of vast proportions, which will probably bring grief and distress to many and self-ruin to all, and

Whereas for more than sixty years the American National Red Cross has played a vital role in binding the wounds of the injured, in sheltering, feeding, clothing the homeless, in succoring the distressed, in building broken lives, and in rehabilitating the victims of catastrophes of nature and of war, and

Whereas in preparation for just such an emergency we are now facing, the American National Red Cross has been spending funds at the rate of more than a million dollars a month, which is but a small fraction of the amount that the organization now requires in order to carry out effectively its functions as an essential auxiliary of our armed forces, particularly as a liaison in welfare problems between the man in the field and his family at home, and as a keystone in our civil-defense plans.

Now, therefore, I, Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, and President of the American National Red Cross, do hereby proclaim and begin, as of this date, of a Red Cross War Fund campaign for the raising of a minimum sum of fifty million dollars, and I appeal to the American people to make this campaign an overwhelming success. Rejoice in the desire of every American to participate in this national war effort, I confidently anticipate an immediate and spontaneous response to this appeal. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington this twelfth day of December, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen hundred and forty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-sixth.

(Signed) FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

BURKETT BASKETBALL BOYS DEFEAT TALI TEAM FRIDAY NIGHT

The Burkett boys basketball team defeated the Talpa cage team day night, December 12, in the gymnasium, in their fifth of the season. The final score was Burkett 36 and Talpa 25.

Lorraine Golsen, acting as scorer of the team, was high scorer. Other members of the Burkett team are: Wayne James Henderson, Junior and Curtis Henderson.

The Burkett girls lost Talpa girls team Friday night a score of 40-45.

Phil Anderson, Jr., was a visitor in Ranger last week.

Earnest Hale of Steph visited Mrs. Hale Sunday.

J. H. Childs and Miss C. Byrd, of Brownwood, were Plains visitors Sunday after

Tommy Holden, Jr., of Brownwood, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Holden.

Mrs. F. R. Anderson, A. Pierce, Billy and Kathrynson and Frances Pierce were wood visitors Sunday after



These are just a few of the things we can not only provide for you, but we can take care of your money.

Gifts FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

For Father

- SPOTLIGHT \$10.95 (Other Lights as low as \$1.98)
- DRIVING GLOVES \$1.00
- SCHICK SHAVERS \$12.50 to \$15.00

For Mother

- CHIPPENDALE Made with Capehart-Farnsworth record changer. \$159.95 (Terms as low as \$12.00 per week)
- WOMEN'S ICE SKATES \$4.98 to \$7.95
- KITCHEN CABINET 14" high 98¢
- TRIKES \$3.98
- DOLLS 98¢
- PHONOGRAMS Plays 10-in. records. Six Records. 89¢

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A Proclamation

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Whereas our country has been viciously attacked and forced into a war of vast proportions, which will bring grief and distress to many and self-interest to all, and

Whereas for more than sixty years the American Red Cross has played a vital role in binding the wounds of the injured, in sheltering, feeding, clothing the homeless, in succoring the distressed, in rebuilding broken lives, and in rehabilitating the victims of catastrophes of nature and of war, and

Whereas in preparation for just such an emergency as we are now facing, the American National Red Cross has been spending funds at the rate of more than ten million dollars a month, which is but a small fraction of the amount that the organization now requires to carry out effectively its functions as an auxiliary of our armed forces, particularly as a liaison in welfare problems between the military service and its family at home, and as a key agency in the civil-defense plans.

Now, therefore, I, Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, and President of the American National Red Cross, do hereby proclaim the beginning, as of this date, of a Red Cross War Fund campaign for the raising of a minimum sum of fifty million dollars, and I appeal to the American people to make this campaign an overwhelming success. Reanimate the desire of every American to participate in an international war effort, I confidently anticipate an immediate and spontaneous response to this appeal. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington this twelfth day of December, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen hundred and forty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-sixth.

(Signed) FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

BURKETT BASKETBALL BOYS DEFEAT TALPA TEAM FRIDAY NIGHT

The Burkett boys basketball team downed the Talpa cage team, Friday night, December 12, in the Burkett gymnasium, in their fifth game of the season. The final score was Burkett 36 and Talpa 25.

Lorraine Golson, acting as captain of the team, was high point scorer. Other members of the Burkett team are: Wayne Harris, James Henderson, Junior Strawn and Curtis Henderson. The Burkett girls lost to the Talpa girls team Friday night, with a score of 40-45.

Phil Anderson, Jr., was a business visitor in Ranger last week.

Earnest Hale of Stephenville, visited Mrs. Hale Sunday.

J. H. Childs and Miss Carolyn Byrd, of Brownwood, were Cross Plains visitors Sunday afternoon.

Tommy Holden, Jr., of Brownwood, spent the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Holden.

Mrs. F. R. Anderson, Mrs. Joe Pierce, Billy and Kathryn Anderson and Frances Pierce were Brownwood visitors Sunday afternoon.

SEE HOME SERVICE BODY IF YOUR BOY MUST RETURN HOME

In the event of sickness or distress in the family of any man in the U. S. army, navy or marine corps, in which the service man's presence is desired or needed at home, the only means of contact is through the Home Service Department of the Red Cross, the Review was told yesterday by the committee in charge of this work in Callahan county.

"In other words, if you must have your boy come home, do not write or wire yourself, but contact any of the following", says Fred Heyser, home service chairman.

Fred Heyser, Putnam
B. H. Freeland, Baird
T. O. Dulaney, Clyde
H. B. Straley, Oplin
F. R. Anderson, Cross Plains

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Foster were San Angelo visitors Sunday.

Bobby Pyle of Baird, visited friends and relatives in Cross Plains Saturday.

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-- Suggestions For Gifts --

Things To Wear Are Practical and Will Be Appreciated As Much As Anything You Could Give. Make This A "Practical" Christmas.

Men's Suits

Smart New Models—Rich New Colors
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\$19.95



Men's Felt HATS

In An Array of New Colors
Full Run of Head Sizes
The Perfect Gift

\$2.49 to \$5.00



PAJAMAS

\$1.00 to \$5.95



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TIE SETS

Ties 50¢ to 95¢
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All Sizes And In Many Attractive Colors



GLOVES

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Sweaters and Jackets to fit any man or boy

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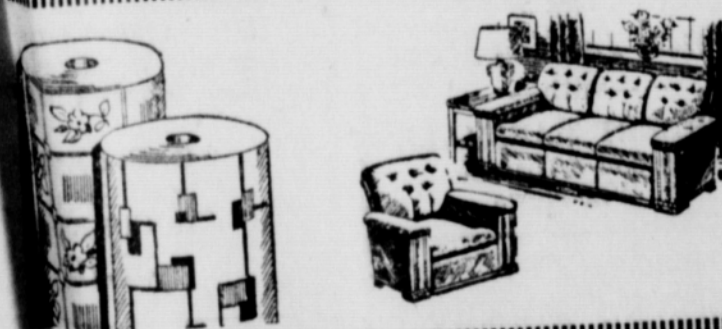
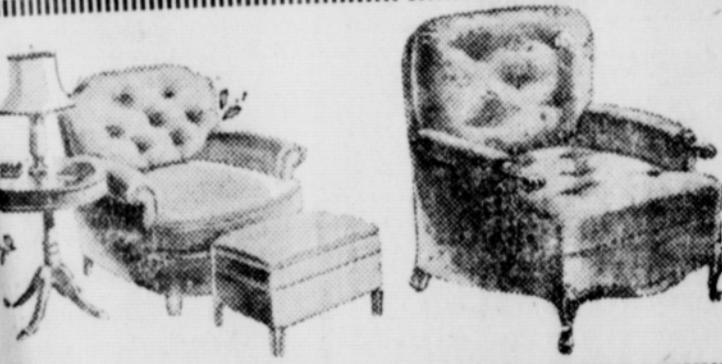
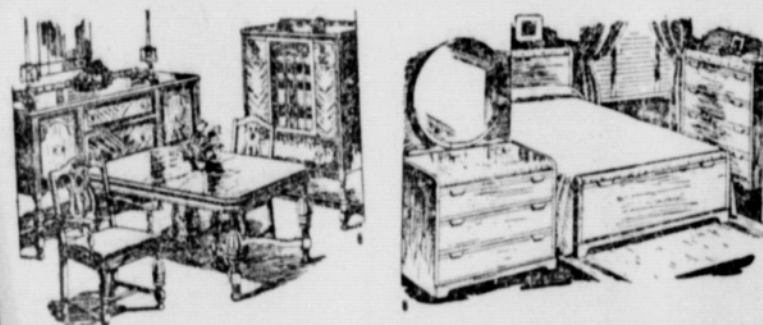
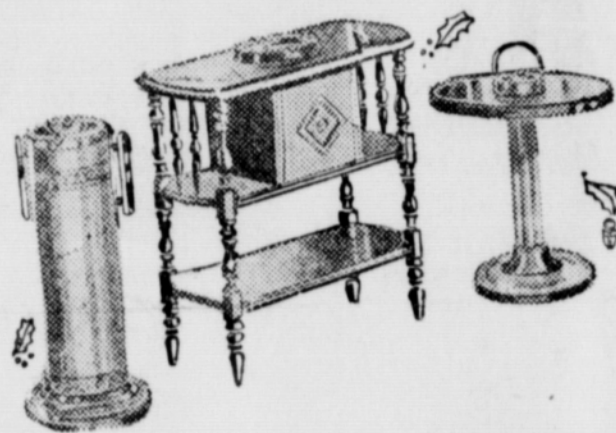
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D. Ladies At Christmas Banquet Baird Thursday

Assessment of the Methodist in Baird was the scene of the Christmas banquet honoring the officers and the incoming of the County Home Demonstration Council and the Home Demonstration Clubs of Callahan County Thursday evening, December 12.

Combination Christmas and color scheme was carried out that centerpiece for each were formed of cedar sprays, pines and flags, with the carrying out the red, white and blue theme.

Program in the form of a sing-along introducing the new agent, Ellen Steffens, the 1941 officer of the district 7 of THIDA Jim Barker, the visitors, and speaker of the evening, Mrs. Norrell of Baird, was under direction of 1941 council chairman, Mrs. Jim Barker, with the lead by Mrs. Paul Shanks. Enterprise H. D. club with Edna Swenson of Baird as host. In addition to the songs of the evening, Mr. Lyles of Clyde gave two songs for the entertainment of the group.

Fifty-five people, representing ten of the fifteen home demonstration clubs of the county, were at for the three course Christmas dinner, the food having been prepared by the home demonstration women and served by the Home Demonstration classes of Baird high school under the supervision of their instructor, Miss Helen Willard.

Those attending from Cross Plains were, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Barr, and Mrs. Chas. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Westerman, Mrs. Henry and Mrs. Don McCall.

Bert Young, of Brownwood and friends here Sunday.

Cheryl Lutgens, of Cisco, was Cross Plains visitor Sunday.

Arrowood, of Brownwood, and friends and relatives here Saturday afternoon.

Bert Miller and Ted Bortel of Brownwood were Cross Plains visitors Sunday.

Anderson Barr, of Fort Worth and relatives, visited friends and relatives here Sunday.

and Mrs. Rallegh Rutledge, of Brownwood, visited friends and relatives here Sunday.

and Mrs. S. N. Foster had as guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Old Barclay, of Brownwood.

Byrd, student in North State Teachers College spent week end with his parents.

Charles Foster, of Abilene and Ward Swafford of Rowden were Cross Plains visitors Sunday.

Marion Elliott of Brownwood, Miss Beva Lou Crossley, of Baird, were Cross Plains visitors Sunday.

Pioneer's Annual Cage Tourney Underway Thursday

Ninth annual tournament for girls and boys basketball teams was under way in the Pioneer high school gymnasium Thursday afternoon at five thirty. Play will be resumed Thursday night, started at about one o'clock Friday afternoon and continue through the entire day Saturday.

A series of consolation games Saturday morning, semi-final and final both consolation and championship brackets Saturday night, is the schedule as announced yesterday by L. C. Cash, superintendent of Pioneer schools.

Following schools have entered both boys and girls teams: Cross Plains, Bayou, Burkett, Cross Cut, Williams, May, Rising Star, Spring, Scantion and Pioneer.

Last year's tournament was won by Pioneer girls and Cross Plains boys.

Doped as the strongest teams in the boys division are Cross Plains, Rising Star and May. Strong girls teams are believed to be Bayou, Cross Plains, Scantion, Pioneer and Rising Star, however, Williams, Cross Cut and several other sextets are giving an even chance to upset any of the favored teams.

Trophies are to be awarded the champion. In addition all-tournament trophies are to be given outstanding performers in both boys and girls competition.

SALLY QUILTERS MEET THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Mrs. C. E. Atwood was hostess to the Sally Quilt Club Thursday afternoon, December 11, when she entertained in her home east of town. The quilts were not completed during the afternoon.

Further plans were discussed for the annual Christmas party, which was held Thursday afternoon, December 18, in the home of Mrs. Charles Taylor, at three o'clock.

Those present were: Mrs. Everett Wright, Mrs. C. D. Lane, Mrs. F. A. Lane, Mrs. Sam Moore, Mrs. Ira Hall, Mrs. Frank McGary and the hostess, Mrs. C. E. Atwood.

Paul Revere made his famous ride April 18, 1775.

Mrs. W. E. Browning and Harold were Brownwood visitors Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Price and children, of Baird, visited friends here Monday night.

Mrs. John Russell of Baird, spent the week end here visiting friends and relatives.

Verble Morgan, Dick Frazer and Miss Mickey Chambers of Abilene, visited friends in Cisco and Cross Plains Saturday night.

Miss Maxine Hise, student in A. C. C. spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hise.

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A set of Firestone DeLuxe Chamber Tires equipped with Firestone Protector Tubes will mean safe driving. The gift of safety is the priceless gift you can give your family.

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CITY LIBRARY APPEALS FOR CHRISTMAS BOOKS

Officials of the Cross Plains City Library are making an appeal this week for Christmas book gifts for the library. Anyone in the Cross Plains area having books suitable for library use are urged to bring them or notify Mrs. Willie Carr,

WPA library clerk, and the books will be called for. The library will be closed next week from Wednesday, December 24 through December 28.

Mrs. L. W. Westerman and Mrs. Henry McCoy visited friends and relatives in Fort Worth this past week end. Mrs. McCoy visited her daughter, Mrs. Clyde McDowell.

Christmas Is Here War Is Here

Wars do not last, Christmas is everlasting. Let's be glad.

- Cranberries per pound 23c
- Coconuts each 10c
- Apples from—5c each to 1c each

Sugar prices are advancing again. We are still selling at—

- 10 POUNDS 63c
- 25 POUNDS \$1.55
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Xmas Specials

- Xmas Mix Candy lb. 14c
- Orange Slices 2 lbs. for 25c
- Airway Chocolates 2 lbs. for 25c
- 2 Lbs. FOLGERS COFFEE 59c
- 1 lb. Bx. Chocolate Covered Mints 21c
- 1 lb. Bx. Chocolate Covered Cherries 23c
- 1 lb. Bx. Asst. Chocolates 25c
- 5 lb. Bx. Asst. Chocolates 98c & \$1.15
- 5 Lb. Aunt Jemima CORN MEAL 20c
- 1 lb. Hersheys Cocoa 18c
- 28 oz. Imperial Brown Sugar 15c
- English Walnuts lb. 29c
- Paper Shell Peanuts lb. 25c
- Cranberries Quart 19c
- Jumbo Peanuts (Home Grown) lb. 10c
- 2 lb. Seedless Raisins 19c
- Celery bunch 15c
- Tangerines dozen 10c

Apples, Oranges, Bananas, Grapefruit Fresh Coconuts

—PLENTY PARKING SPACE—

SIMS GROCERY & MARKET
(The BIG LITTLE STORE)

Christmas FOODS
THRIFT-PRICED

- FLOUR O'Keene's Best 48 lbs. \$1.89
- CAKE FLOUR Light Crust, 2 3/4 lb box 23c
- CALUMET BAKING POWDER 1 lb. can 17c
- HEINZ KETCHUP 14 oz. bottle 17c
- PEANUT BUTTER Armours Star Quart 27c
- CRACKERS 2 lb. box Liberty Bell 15c
- MOTHERS COCOA 2 lb. Box 19c
- COFFEE, DelMonte, 2 lb. can 59c
- MIRACLE WHIP Salad Dressing—pt. 17c Qt. 34c
- BULK DATES 1 lb. package 25c
- BROWN CHRISTMAS CANDY, 2, 15c pkgs 25c
- SHERDDED WHEAT, National, box 10c
- PORK SAUSAGE Home Killed Lb. 25c
- ARMOURS STAR BACON lb. 30c
- FRUITS, NUTS and CANDY of all KINDS

S. N. FOSTER & SON

BURKETT

Miss Aleta Chambers, who is employed at the Coleman Flying School was injured Monday morning when the car in which she was going to work collided with another car. She was the only occupant hurt, however her injuries are not believed to be serious.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond DeBusk of Cross Plains, Billy Cowan, son of Mrs. DeBusk and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Harris of Brownwood spent Sunday in the E. L. Harris home. Billy Cowan is attending the Naval Air Corps Training School in Grand Prairie.

L. F. Holder attended church at Atwell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Beaver visited his son, Thurman, at Camp Bowie Sunday.

Mrs. G. G. Shewmaker and baby, Patsy of Webbville have been ill the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Paschell Jennings and baby spent Sunday in the Jim Helms home.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Baker of Echo spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Shewmaker of Webbville.

Frank Brown and Jackie Koenig of Abilene spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Myrtle Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Matlock and family were on business in Coleman Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Newton of Cross Cut spent Saturday night in the Merrel Burkett home. Sunday morning they all went to Sweetwater where they visited relatives.

Mrs. M. A. Wilson and sons of Abilene spent Saturday night and Sunday in the home of her uncle, W. J. Colvin.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Helberg and family of Illinois and Mrs. Fred Helberg returned home Thursday of last week from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Helberg in Sonora. Mrs. Fred Helberg had also been visiting in Abilene and Brownwood.

The Burkett boys and girls will enter the Pioneer basketball tournament this week end.

The sophomore class of the local school are having a Christmas party at the home of Lavern Koenig Thursday night.

The Burkett school will present a Christmas program at about two o'clock Friday afternoon, after which they will present gifts of a beautiful Christmas tree.

The Boy Scouts met at the school house Monday night and discussed ways of helping the defense program. They are now collecting paper, old boxes, etc., and ask that anyone that has anything to give, please hand it to one of the boys or their leader, Joe Harper.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Coffey visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Davis at Putnam Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Thompson, Betty Lou Mitchell, Mrs. Pearl Ryloe and Mrs. J. D. Mitchell visited with Mrs. Pender Mitchell at Browns Sanitarium Ciso Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Welch and children of Sweetwater spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rainey.

Miss Eunice Hembree spent Sunday afternoon with her sister, Mrs. W. P. Ledbetter of Scranton.

Willie Weidon of Camp Bowie spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Weidon.

Rev. E. L. Redden preached at the Dreese Church Sunday morning.

Mrs. Charley Coats visited with her mother, Mrs. J. D. Mitchell Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. S. R. Respass came through last week enroute to Temple where she was operated on Saturday at Scott and White and is doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Moore are spending a few days with their son, Mr. and Mrs. D. Moore of Breckenridge.

Mrs. J. S. Gafford and Mrs. N. G. Borden have been on the sick list the past week but are better.

Mrs. John Martin and family of Bowie, visited in the home of Mrs. W. B. Shirley last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brock were Abilene visitors Tuesday.

Patsy Respass of Swenson is visiting relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coffey and family visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Everett of Putnam.

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.

THIS WEEKS SUBSCRIPTIONS RENEWALS

Lee Champion
Mrs. T. A. Coppinger
Mrs. W. A. Gary
A. R. Cavanaugh
Flora Souder
C. H. Reed
E. N. Schaffner
Vernon Spencer
R. F. Hightower
Mrs. James Ross
Frank Ferrell
Mrs. Doyle Neob
S. M. McDowell
Clyde Blair
Mrs. Roy Hayes
W. H. Fortune
Mrs. Flora Souder
George H. Clifton
Mrs. M. L. Shelman
H. L. Harris
J. A. Atwood
J. F. Brown
E. E. Weaver
Mrs. A. Ogilvy
S. W. Hughes
Mrs. N. B. Holloway

MRS. T. S. HOLDEN HOSTESS TO DELTA KAPPA BRIDGE CLUB

Members of the Delta Kappa club were entertained with two tables of contract bridge, when they met in the home of Mrs. T. S. Holden, Wednesday afternoon, December 10.

The hostess passed a refreshment plate of meat salad on pineapple slice, hot rolls, pickles, stuffed celery, fresh coconut cake and coffee to the following: Mrs. Fred Cutbirth, Mrs. Edwin Baum, Mrs. J. H. McGowan, Mrs. Harlie Neel, Mrs. Jack Scott, Mrs. O. B. Edmondson, and Mrs. R. L. Little.

One blue whale may weigh as much as 35 elephants.

LIBERTY

Thursday
GEORGE ABBOTT'S MUSICAL COMEDY "Too Many Girls"

—with—
FRANCIS LANGFORD
ANN MILLER
HAL LEROY
Selected Short Subject

Friday -- Saturday
TEX RITTER
—In—
"Rolling Home To Texas"

Chapter 6, SKY RAIDERS
3 Stooges Comedy and Cartoon

Sunday & Monday
—GREAT STARS IN A GAY COMEDY
JOAN CRAWFORD
ROBERT TAYLOR
GREER GARSON
—In—
"When Ladies Meet"

—with—
HERBERT MARSHALL
Cartoon & Latest War News

Tuesday & Wed.
GINGER ROGERS
Brings To Life Christopher Morleys

"White Collar Girl"
"KITTY FOYLE"
The Natural History of A Woman

—with—
DENNIS MORGAN
—Plus—
Selected Short Subjects

SPECIAL XMAS DAY PROGRAM
Matinee — 1 P. M.
BUD ABBOTT
LOU COSTELLO
Are Loose Again In A Laugh Riot

"Hold That Ghost"
—with—
Ted Lewis and Andrews Sisters

SUNBEAMS PLAN A CHRISTMAS PARTY MONDAY AFTERNOON

The Sunbeams of the First Baptist church met Monday afternoon, December 15, at three-thirty o'clock, with Mrs. Claude Warren in charge of the program.

Plans were discussed for a Christmas party, which is to be held in the basement of the church next Monday afternoon.

Those present were: Joan Hall, Martin L. Autry, Marie Smith, Joe Frank Warren, Tommy Ray Warren and Teddy Souder.

The Women's Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church met Monday afternoon, December 15, at two o'clock in a Royal Service program, with Mrs. Earl Horton in charge.

Mrs. Earl Smith read the Devotional.

Those present for the meeting were Mrs. L. F. Foster, Mrs. C. E. Poe, Mrs. Earl Horton, Mrs. Earl Smith, Mrs. Mammie Swafford, Mrs. A. L. Dean, Mrs. Carl Autry and Miss Etta Wood.

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CROSS PLAINS SINGING CONVENTION TO MEET AT TWO SUNDAY AFTERNOON

The Cross Plains community singing convention will meet Sunday afternoon, December 21, in the Methodist church at two o'clock.

The convention meets in Cross Plains the third Sunday of each month.

Many noted singers are expected to be present and the general public has a cordial invitation to attend," reported Willis Connely, president of the convention.

METHODIST CHURCH

C. D. Wooten, pastor

The Red and White Store

M. E. [Happy] Howell

Be Sure To See Us For Xmas Fruits and Candies

HOLIDAY FOOD VALUES

Merry Christmas et the dinner bell ring! Call the family in to the table—and there before them, set a most delicious meal: brimming over with delicious goodness, healthiness and happiness! Such a feast! Oh, yes! For it is just such a feast that makes Christmas truly Merry! That's exactly why your Piggy Wiggly is loaded with the widest variety of luscious Christmas foods; and that's why we have our prices to the very lowest mark. That's our way of saying, "Merry Chmas—Merry Eating!"

5 lb. Box Good Grac CHOCOLATE \$1.15

Satin Finish XMAS CANDY Pound 15c

2 Lb. Box CHRISTMAS CHOCOLATES 59c

Large Coconuts 3 for 25c

Large Golden Inas, lb. 6c

Large Crisp Cc 15c

No. 1 Walnuts lb. 29c

Dates, 2 pkgs. 25c

Bulk Coconut lb. 23c

Calumet lb. 19c

Large California Oranges doz. 40c

Large Delicious Apples doz. 40c

Large Grape Fruit, doz. 30c

Qt. Apple Cider 18c

Hershey Chocolate 8 oz. 12c

Comb Honey, 2 lb. jar 38c

French Dressing 18c

CR) 3 6c

FOLGERS 2 Lbs. 65c

EVERLITE FLOUR 24 Lbs. 93c

Pure Extra all flavors 10c

M-Y-Fine 5c

Heinz Cats 19c

4 Oz. Bott berries 10c

DelMonte Pumpkin 10c

DelMonte Red Salmon 15c

DelMonte Early Garden Pears 20c

Swans Down 20c

Hams, alf or whole lb 29c

Salt P lb. 15c

Jowls lb. 15c

Pork Sausage lb. 25c

Sliced Bacon lb. 28c

Banner Oleo lb. 20c

Nothing but the United States mint can make money without advertising.

The Cross

CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS

Home Town Gossip

Just deal has transpired but we sat before our bat- superior 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 qualities are today locked angle unto death. But as other Americans observed fatalities during the dark of war, so will we pass this all supremely thankful that whom is undiminished and she is to maintain it to the day drop of Anglo-Saxon that courses in the veins of my loving people.

and the festive boards this day will gather families, but in thousands of cases not be complete families, for the service of the country fathers, sons and sweet- whose absence dims the of Christmas. brightest fireworks this yulet those illuminating the skies of war. On seven seas, open islands and a thousand cents American boys are gird- conflict with foes of aggress- which would abolish the observance of Christmas and out the worship of the one Christmas symbolizes.

and this turmoil of conflict Christmas fitting that we enjoy Christmas to the very best of ability, spread happiness in- these homes where sorrow has dy found its way. Out of celebration of Christmas there come an even greater spirit- tional unity and the willing- to uphold the sacred herit- our flag symbolizes. What sacrifices will ultimately no one is yet in position to but right now everyone know but right now everyone should and understand they mean- ed loyalty, the purchasing- these bonds and stamps to around-the-clock production everything necessary to carry- vilian endeavor and presete- end war.

Right in this connection let of us take notice of the fact Mayor C. S. Martin has called a meeting to be held in the dist church here the night of ber 30, to organize civilian. Simultaneously a meet- of the committee in charge of the 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-ants are bombed like military- ves, when shipwrecked sail- machine gunned in life- when civilians are massacred for- possibly brought about by- any itself to make examples- ing can happen. It is only that we should organize and- our selves as to how to best- of these eventualities should- fall us.

hance a date right now, re- ter to be on hand for the mass- ing in the Methodist church the- of December 30.

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

firm was an undertaking- shment.

now in concluding this col- let us say: It is with a deep of gratitude at this time- extend Christmas greetings- and wish you the best during- ming year.

You, your family and to your- ates we wish a happy holiday- May you enjoy during the- year an abundance of the- as of this land of ours.



AMERICA—blessed be
Christmas of 1941,
cherishes His word:
Though men may stray
belief of little children in Sa-
for generous relations amou
magic in the Yuletide.
Warm lights glow softly a-
sure of Christmas cheer for
ered and trimmed, and cand-