

Merry Christmas

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Through The
Editor's
Specs
by BAB

WHERE THREE GOOD
TEXAS COUNTIES
GET TOGETHER

By the most respectable standards observed up and down the main street of this town we are this week celebrating the advent of perhaps the most conspicuous feature in all history.

There have been other failures, but none to compare. That is, if we measure it by the lowliness of its beginning, the majesty of the ideals in which it achieved acceptance and the degradation of its end.

It is, of course, a truism that the most ridiculous simplicity of the profound truths to which He gave his life would, in practice, bring about on this earth a society comparable to that Kingdom of God to which He pointed. But even those of us who reiterate those truths from the pulpit or write it in editorials find them so difficult of practice that in many cases we turn to other-worldliness in escape from our own inadequacies. We make piety a reflection of virtues hard to possess, forgetting that truths not practised are poor bridges to eternity.

It is, nevertheless, significant, and certainly hopeful that mankind still yearns for what he taught. That hope illuminates this planet with a unique radiance, for all that is wrong with it.

It is even more hopeful that one man could, in failure, accomplish so much. A good many years ago someone wrote a little piece about this fact, and what he wrote has been reprinted and spoken time and again. It is entitled, "One Man's Life," and I give it to you here:

Here is a young man who was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman.

He grew up in another village. He worked in a carpenter shop until he was thirty, and then for three years he was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never owned a home. He never had a family...

He never went to college. He never put his foot inside a big city. He never traveled 200 miles from the place where he was born. He never did one of the things that usually accomplish greatness. He had no credentials but himself...

While he was still a young man the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends ran away. He was turned over to his enemies. He went through the mockery of a trial.

He was nailed to the cross between two thieves. While he was dying, his executioners gambled for the only piece of property he had on earth, and that was his coat.

When he was dead he was laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend. Nineteen centuries wide have come and gone, and today he is the central figure of the human race and the leader of the column of progress...

All the armies that ever marched and all the navies that ever sailed, and all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man upon this earth as has that one solitary life.

SONS AND FAMILIES VISIT HENDERSONS

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Henderson had as recent guests their two sons and families: Mr. and Mrs. Lane Henderson and daughter of Spearman and Mr. and Mrs. Foster Henderson and two daughters from Baton Rouge, La. Mrs. Kate Dunn was also a dinner guest one day. Sam Henderson is recovering nicely after a week in Eastland Memorial Hospital.

County Voting Lists Now Data Processed

Eastland county's voter registration has been modernized.

Effective this year registration lists are being data processed, which makes for greater accuracy, quicker handling, more registration lists for use in precinct voting boxes, and more economy, County Tax Assessor-Collector Edgar Altom at Eastland announced.

Application forms, prepared by Western Data Processing company of Waxahachie, have been mailed to every person in Eastland county pre-

viously registered, Altom said. These forms contain all the required information and the person addressed has only to sign and return to the county tax office to receive his certificate either by mail or in person, it was explained.

Persons who may not have received the application, or who are now eligible for registration either because of age or removal to the county, or otherwise, may pick up an application form at the tax office or request that one be mailed.

As soon as the signed ap-

plication is received in the tax office a certificate is issued, the original mailed to the voter and a copy sent to the data processing company for its records.

January 31 is the final date for registration.

At the end of the registration period the data processing company prepares 12 lists for the uses of election judges during the year.

Last year, which was a presidential election year, the county registered 8,223 voters, according to the tax office records.

Altom said that there had been some "static" over the question of registering out of county students attending colleges in the county.

"The Election Code specifically spells out that students who come from other counties to attend local colleges must register in the counties of their residence," said Altom. "The fact that they live at dormitories or in private quarters while attending the college does not make them eligible to vote in the county no matter if they are in the county as students for six months or more.

"Such students should make application to their home counties for registration."

Altom also insisted that residents of the county who move from one voting box to another notify the tax office of such change of address. Otherwise their certificates will be issued under the number of the voting box from which they moved and they cannot vote in the box where they now reside."

Altom said that the data processing system was "working beautifully" and promises to solve a lot of problems which occurred under the old system.

"And it doesn't appear to be costing any more than the old hand-processed method," he said.

He urged citizens who receive applications to return them early and also suggested that others pick up forms either at his office or at one of the places over the county to which supplies of these applications are being sent, fill them out and mail them in immediately.

A supply of registration forms has been placed at the City Hall in Cisco and at Jenkins Insurance Agency and Higginbothams in Rising Star.

Lower Age Certificates Will Await Ruling On Procedure In Split Voting

County Tax Collector-Assessor Edgar Altom said Tuesday that in view of the U. S. Supreme Court's ruling upholding the federal law lowering the voting age to 18 years in federal elections, but voiding it with respect to state and local voting, his office would await a ruling from the Texas secretary of state before issuing any voter certificates to applicants within the county from 18 to 21 years of age.

"We should have a ruling soon," he said, "meanwhile we will continue to accept applications from 18, 19 and 20 year olds, and keep them on file until our office receives the official instructions."

He pointed out that in view of the Supreme Court's rulings, the lower age citizens could not vote in local or state elections, and there are no elections for federal offices scheduled this year in state, so that the delay in issuing certi-

ficates will not endanger the voting rights of anyone.

"We have in the past received instructions very quickly in regard to changes in voter status and the issuance of certificates and there is no reason but to expect that we will have instruction in this matter very soon," he said.

It was suggested that since the supreme court has upheld congress in lowering the voting age to 18 in federal elections, the state legislature will be inclined to follow suit with respect to state and local elections rather than continue the trouble, expense and confusion that would result in maintaining separate records and the legality of divided voting in an election where both federal and state and local offices are involved.

Altom said that his office has received very few applications for under age citizens so far.

Farmers Want Rain For Christmas Gift

By DeMARQUIS GORDON
County Agent

The farmers and ranchers of Eastland County are dreaming of a white Christmas, or a rainy Christmas, or anything that will result in moisture for the dry soil. One man said a good rain would be the best Christmas present he could receive this year.

Shortage of livestock water is about to become critical. Small grain crops, pastures and lawns are in desperate need of water.

Frost, freeze, plus dry and windy weather have materially increased fire hazards throughout the County. Pas-

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WHERE NEW BANK WILL STAND — President James Rutherford of the First State Bank of Rising Star stands at one corner of the Morrison Estate

property on West College Street which the bank has purchased for the site of the modern banking building it intends to build next year.

Cross Plains and Jim Ned Tourney Victors

The Cross Plains boys defeated the Rising Star boys in the championship finals of the boys division in the Rising Star Invitational tournament which ended last Saturday night.

The Rising Star girls also advanced to the finals of their division only to fall before the powerful Jim Ned girls team by the respectable score of 57 to 44. It was the best opposition furnished the Jim Ned sextette.

Both titles were repeats of last year's tournament.

The May High School boys defeated Ranger High School 59-59 in the consolation finals of the boys division while the Cross Plains girls took the consolation title in the girls division by defeating Bangs 44 to 33.

The Rising Star teams will play bangs here December 29 and then go to the Early tournament December 31, January 1 and 2.

Cross Plains boys advanced to the finals of the Rising Star invitational by defeating Jim Ned 59-59 in a squeaker, and then taking the measure of the Goldthwaite five 56 to



THROUGH ROOF — C. A. Ciaborn, auditor of the Rising Star Higginbotham store, points to air conditioner vent through which burglars gained entrance from the roof into the big department store sometime Monday night or Tuesday morning. Jay Moore, general manager, discovered the burglary when he arrived at the store Tuesday morning. All of the power tool stock, all of the shotgun and rifle stock and quantities of men's jeans and possibly other merchandise, yet to be determined, were carried out the rear door of the store and hauled away, probably in a pickup or truck. Estimates of the loss placed it between \$1,500 and \$2,000.

Rising Star Schools Will Reopen Jan. 5

The Rising Star Public Schools closed their doors for a two-week holiday vacation Tuesday at 2:30 following first semester general examinations Monday and Tuesday.

Classes will resume Tuesday, January 5.

Teachers in the system will report Monday, January 4, for a work day preceding the opening of classes.

Beyrl McKinnerneys Are Awarded Degrees

Mr. and Mrs. Beyrl McKinnerney each receive a degree from Lamar Tech at Beaumont Monday of this week.

Mr. McKinnerney, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McKinnerney of Rising Star, received his master's degree in education, with a math major, and Mrs. McKinnerney received her B. S. degree in education.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Bradley spent last week in Abilene with their son and wife, Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Bradley. While there they held their annual "Bradley Christmas Party."

Mrs. Beulah Stodghill is visiting her four children in Burbank, Calif. over the holiday season.

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Cemetery Association Grateful For Donations

"At Christmas time the Rising Star Cemetery Association would like to express grateful thanks to every person who has contributed to the Cemetery maintenance fund," said Mrs. Lou A. Mayfield, chairman of the Cemetery Association. "We trust that many more will make memorial gifts to the fund in memory of loved ones. These gifts, placed in the perpetual account will yield dividends each year to be used in taking care of the final resting place of these loved ones."

Royce G. Smith, 1210 Grennell, Dallas, \$15.00.

"We are grateful for these gifts and others and extend everyone a wish for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, on behalf of the association," said Mrs. Mayfield.

John Nunnally is reported recovering satisfactorily from surgery in Veterans Hospital in Temple. Oliver Smith and W. N. Jenkins are also patients in the same hospital.



GOING UP—Framework for the new First Baptist Church is rising rapidly from foundations laid on the site of the church which was destroyed by fire last October. This view shows studding for the edu-

ational building in the background. Wood and steel men confer on construction details on the area where the sanctuary will project from the pictured construction to front on North Main Street.

Mrs. Katie Wood Buried Saturday At Cross Plains

Funeral services for Mrs. W. E. (Katie) Wood, 80, who died at her home north of Cross Plains Thursday night

after an extended illness, were held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Cross Plains. Mrs. Wood, a native of Calahan County was born on the site of the home where she died, she was a retired nurse who worked at Rising Star and later was employed by the nursing home at Cross Plains. She well known in

Rain for Gift

ture and range fires can swiftly and completely wipe out winter feed reserves, destroy wildlife and its habitat and leave the soil bare and unprotected from water and wind erosion. If you do not have a fire plan take time now to get prepared to fight or prevent a fire on your property. Keep

Cisco where she had a number of relatives, including a nephew, Carlton Holder, and a niece, Mrs. Nina Burns.

She is survived by her husband of the home; a son, Buel Wood of Big Spring; a daughter, Mrs. Ovella Johnette of Cross Plains; a sister, Mrs. Zera Everett of Brownwood and a grandson.

Continued from Page One fire plans active until the soil moisture situation improves.

The eighteenth annual Eastland County Pecan Show is now history. Over 40 different individuals entered 219 pecan exhibits in the show.

We would like to thank all the individuals and organizations who had a hand in making the pecan show successful. This includes the news media, the Chamber of Commerce, the City Officials, the merchants and business men in Eastland, the pecan growers, the Eastland Civic League and Garden Club, the queen contestants, and the County Officials. Because of the cooperation of all these people our show remains num-

ber one in the state.

It's almost income tax filing time again. We now have the 1971 edition of the Farmer's Tax Guides available in our office. The guide is prepared by the Internal Revenue Service to help you file your 1970 Federal income tax return. Tax rules of importance to farmers are explained in every day language. Examples throughout the booklet show how these rules apply to actual farming situations.

To further help farm families with their tax problems we have planned an all day meeting on income tax problems. This will be held on January 12th. Mark your new calendar now and we'll give more information on place and time of the meeting later.

When we talk about income tax we naturally think of farm records. Do you have a good farm record system? If not, we believe we can help you start a good record system.

We have a limited supply of a record book known as the "Texas farm income, farm expenses and family living expenses."

We can also supply loose leaf farm record forms and index tabs that will fit into a post binder. This is a new system and should be useful for any size farm.

Both the "Texas Family Account Book" and the forms for the post binder are free for those who would like to use them.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Perry T. Brown during part of the holidays were their daughters, and families. Dr. and Mrs. James Richardson and 5 month old daughter, Tamantha, of Reno, Nevada; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Pruet and ten-month-old son, Michael, of Austin, and Miss Emily Brown of Fabens.

CARD OF THANKS
My sincere thanks and appreciation to my friends for their kind thoughtfulness during my stay in Hendrick Hospital, Abilene. For your cards, flowers, letters, visits and prayers I am deeply grateful. I hope to be back on the job within a few days. In case of emergency call me at once. God bless all.
W. H. (Hamp) Kornegay

CARD OF THANKS
We would like to express our most sincere appreciation to our friends and neighbors for the wonderful things you did for us during Henderson's illness an hospitalization. Your cards, visit, gifts and prayers will never be forgotten. God bless you.
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Henderson

CARD OF THANKS
There is no way to say Thank You, to communicate how thankful we really are to every precious, thoughtful person who had a part in Robbie's recovery. Every letter, card, and visit and especially your prayers for Robbie during these testing days were gratefully appreciated. May God bless each of you, and us as we strive together to build for God's glory.
Rev. and Mrs. Vic Allen

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FOR SALE 494 Acre Farm - 4 miles north east of Rising Star, 30.3 acres of peanut allotment, six tanks, two water wells, 70 acres coastal. \$175 per acre, one third down. Call 643-4461. 6-3TP

FOR SALE: Twin Beds. French Provincial Style. Mrs. Jack Jackson. Tel. 643-2651. 5tfc

FOR SALE: Reed Patterson Farm, one mile south of town. Call T. W. Patterson, 512-543-4661, Woodsboro, Texas. 5-tfc

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Date: December 16, 1970. Market: Above normal buyer attendance. Market fully steady to \$2 higher on steer calves and yearlings. Most advance on 350 lb to 450 lb heifer calves and yearlings fully steady to 50c higher. Packer bulls steady, no good kind offered. Packer cows steady to 50c higher. \$1 higher on fat cows. The general quality was very good. 30 percent of the calves offered were fancy Herefords.

Estimate receipts: 923. Stocker steer calves, wts. 250-425 — 35.50-45.00; stocker heifer calves, wts. 250-425 — 28.00-36.00; steer yearlings, wts 500-700 — 28.25-35.00; bull yearlings — 28.75-31.50; heifer yearlings — 27.00-28.75; plain feeder steers — 24.50-29.75; plain feeder heifers — 26.00-28.75; cows and calves, pr. — good, 232.00-299.00; plain, 180.00-245.00; stocker cows — 185.00-227.00.

Slaughter Cattle
Fat calves — 27.50-30.00; fat cows — 18.75 - 21.90; utility and cutter cows — 17.50-21.20; canners — 16.50-18.75; sheils — 13.50-15.75; stocker bulls — 22.50-25.50; slaughter bulls — 20.00-26.75.

Representative Sales
Weldon Tieman, Mullin, 6 blk wf cows and cfs., avg. wt. 1033 lb, 299.00 per pair; W. A. Richburg, Rising Star, 1345lb blk bdl, 26.25; H. B. Sparkman, Gustine, 520lb blk str., 32.50 and 490 wf 33.25; Hunt Schaefer, Cisco, 450 lb. blk at str. 36.50 and 415 lb. blk wf str. Betty Buey 425lb wf str. 38.75 and 395lb wf str., 40.00; Bill Sherford, Goldthwaite, 1325lb char. cow, 21.75 and 1290lb char cow 21.90; Fred E. Roberts, Brady, 1060lb wf cow, 20.25; L. E. Knutson, Placid, 775lb blk cow 21.25; J.B. Cason, B'wood, 370lb wf str., 39.75; D. L. Goss, Bangs, 310lb wf str., 41.00; and 310lb wf str. 40.25; Harvey Martin, San Angelo, 14 wf cows, 868lb avg. wt, 227.00.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Flower Talk

BY LUCILLE HUBLESTON
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We read the words; "Say it with flowers" and possibly think it is a new advertising or promotional expression. We could not be more wrong.

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Son-in-Law of Area Couple In Recognized Unit

U. S. AIR FORCE, Ground Staff Sergeant Charles D. Cannistraci son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cannistraci of 317 W. 18th St., Tyrone, Pa. has been recognized for helping his former unit earn the U.S. Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with the combat "V" device for valor.

Sergeant Cannistraci was a member of the Strategic Air Command's (SAC) 3rd Air Division (now Eighth Air Force) headquartered at Andersen AFB, Guam.

The sergeant, now an aircraft maintenance technician with the 43rd Strategic Wing at Andersen, will wear the award ribbon with "V" device as a permanent decoration.

The division, which was inactivated March 31 and replaced by Eighth Air Force, was cited for exceptionally meritorious service in support of military operations in Southeast Asia from March 2, 1969 to March 31, 1970.

Eighth Air Force the famed bomber command that waged the air offensive against Nazi Germany in World War II, is a major component of SAC. The Eighth conducts all SAC operations in Southeast Asia and the Western Pacific.

Sergeant Cannistraci is a 1955 graduate of Tyrone Area High School. His wife, Reda, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Hogan of Rising Star, Tex.

Mrs. Doby Jones has returned from a visit with her brother Frank Whitlock, who is a patient in Veteran's Hospital at Albuquerque, New Mexico. Mr. Whitlock, a former resident of Rising Star, will be glad to hear from friends. His address is Frank B. Whitlock - Ward 4, VA Hospital - 2100 Ridgecrest Dr., Albuquerque, N. M.



COLONEL CHARLES M. BARNES Rising Star Native Retires After Distinguished AF Career

HOUSTON, TEXAS. Recent retirement ceremonies at the NASA Manned Spacecraft Center Houston, marked the completion of a distinguished Air Force career for Colonel Charles M. Barnes, USAF, VC. Colonel Barnes was presented his Certificate of Retirement from active duty by Colonel James A. McDuff, former astronaut and manager of the Apollo Program Office at MSC. Col. Barnes is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George T. Barnes and a native of Rising Star, Texas.

Senior members of the MSC staff cited Col. Barnes for his support of the Apollo program during his assignment at MSC for the past 3 years. He had previously been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for outstanding performance of his duties as radiation safety officer during the first landing of man on the moon.

Col. Barnes, who had completed 22 years active service upon the date of retirement, has held varied duties and assignments in his career in research and management activities. His work has included service with the General Electric Co. where he supervised research in the toxicology of human products upon environment;

staff scientist with Joint Task Force Seven during hydrogen weapon testing in the Pacific Atolls; manager of his science and nuclear safety for the nuclear power bomber development effort; Bio-Nuclear safety officer for projects involving the development of nuclear power for space applications; Air Command veterinarian in developing civic action projects for Latin America.

His overseas assignments have included a 2 year stint in the Far East where he was Director of the Migratory Animal Pathological Survey, a program designed to study the movement of disease in a broad geographic region as a result of migrating biota.

In addition to his Air Force and NASA awards and commendations, Colonel Barnes is the only veterinarian to be awarded the MISSILEMAN'S BADGE. This award marks the distinctive accomplishments of these military men which in their duties have responsibility for flight operations in manned or unmanned missile systems. Colonel Barnes was cited for his continual monitoring of the space radiation environment through instrumentation aboard the Apollo series of unmanned spacecraft. This in-

cluded authority for recommending termination of missions if radiation levels became dangerous to the crew.

Colonel Barnes is a graduate of Texas A&M University where he received the D.V.M. degree in 1914. He earned the Ph.D. degree in Comparative Pathology (specializing in medical physics) from the University of California in 1957. He is a native of Rising Star, Texas and is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George T. Barnes.

He is married to the former Anna Loyer Rose of Gladwater, Texas. They have four children, Polly, Molly, John and James.

Colonel Barnes is the author of thirty scientific and technical papers and has served as special consultant to the National Academy of Sciences, and the World Health Organization. He was a charter member of the National Council for Radiation Protection and holds current membership in the American Veterinary Medical Association, the Health Physics Society, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.



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| Elizabeth "Crickett" Floyd | Charley Sutton |
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| Auti Pannell | Ethel Driskell |
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Someone mentions Christmas, and the first thing you think of is happy times around the Christmas tree. But the Texas State Department of Health would like to put in a plug for a little common sense this holiday season.

Mistletoe is fine when cast in its traditional Christmas-time role, but brewing a tea of mistletoe berries is not—repeat, is not—part of that role. The State Health Department has information of a death following the drinking of mistletoe berry tea. It came ten hours after the victim drank the brew.

Who does such a thoughtless thing? More people than you would expect. There are more than the usual hazards of life and health around the American home during the Christmas season, all capable of putting a damper on festivities. Some kill, some seriously sicken the unwary.

Holly, for example, is widely used as a Christmas decoration. Its berries are reportedly toxic when eaten, producing violent nausea and central nervous system depression.

Christmas tree light bubbling fluid, made of methylene chloride, is lethal in certain dosages. Cases have occurred where very young children have swallowed or inhaled the fluid. Sale of certain toys has now been banned by the federal Food and Drug Administration, as dangerous to the public health. Included in the list is a toy oven that reaches temperatures of 600 degrees Fahrenheit, toys with highly flammable linings, heavy darts with long shanks, chemical sets, and toys with breakable glass parts.

Don't be too concerned if the kids eat a few icicles off the tree. In their metallic form they're practically insoluble and therefore poorly absorbed into the body.

Tree balls are made of glass and plastic, and in addition to causing cuts could clog the windpipe of a child. Other tree decorations are equally dangerous. The gas propellant in artificial snow is toxic if inhaled, but leaves no residue when dried.

Unknown to many persons, some forms of trees can cause discomfort from allergies. A chief offender is cedar, which

can be the cause of watery eyes, stopped-up heads and breathing difficulties. And of course, there is always the fire hazard with any tree. Be sure your Christmas tree is kept well watered, and electric lights and candles are carefully placed and checked frequently.

The Christmas season is a prime time for one of the four million yearly home accidents to happen. People are in a festive mood and they forget the dangers just waiting to claim them.

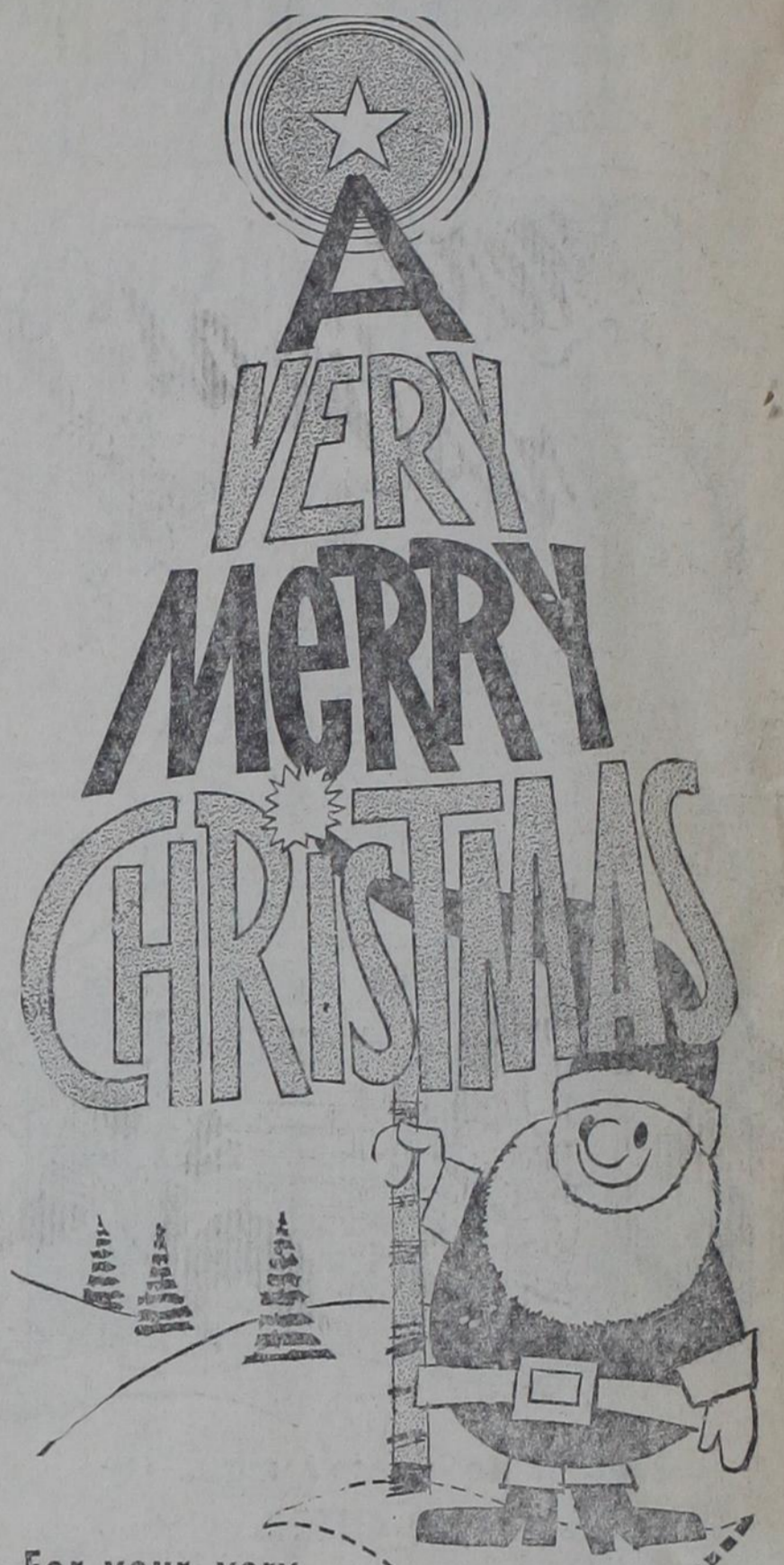
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February 12 Is Set For CofC Dinner

The Rising Star Chamber of Commerce, meeting regularly Tuesday noon at the Elite cafe, fixed February 12, 1971, as the date for the annual Chamber of Commerce dinner.

A program and speaker will be announced later, president Bill Medley said.

Sec'y A. D. Jenkins reported that more than 200 children attended the Santa Claus party held in front of the West Texas Utilities offices Monday night.

"There were more little tots than I have ever seen at one of our parties," said Jenkins.

Old Santa distributed gifts of fruits, nuts and candy.

Mrs. Rutledge Hosts North Star Club

The North Star Club held its regular meeting on Dec. 15 in the home of Mrs. Roy Rutledge. This was also a Christmas party, with each club member bringing a dish of food for lunch.

Christmas Carols were sung and gifts exchanged, an hour of fun and recreation was enjoyed, and each member furnished some type of entertainment.

Several women from the club attended a Christmas party at Twilight Acre Nursing Home and distributed lap robes made by the members.

We will continue to make aprons and tote bags for inmates of the Abilene State School for women. Sixty two tote bags and 45 aprons were delivered, recently.

Gifts of candy, fruit and nuts were packed for Santa Claus and distributed to children on December 21. Mrs. Jess O. Perry, Reporter.



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IT HAS BEEN

By Vada Arnold

Down memory lane comes more letters to Santa Claus from present day business and professional men, fathers and mothers, housewives, teachers and business women.

Warren Dean Bailey loved Santa and wrote: "Dear Santa: I am a little boy seven years old and I have sure been a good boy, just ask my daddy. I want an Indian suit, Bows and arrows and a bicycle an plenty of nuts, candy and fruit. Please don't forget all the other little boys and girls."

"Dear Santa Claus: I am a

little girl six years old and in the first grade at school. Mrs. Roberts is my teacher and I love her very much. I will tell you what I want for Christmas. If you please Santa I would like to have a doll, bath robe, house slippers and of course candy, nuts and fruits. Please remember my brother James. I love you very much. — Wanda Ruth May."

"Dear Santa Claus: I want a train, drum, airplane, a fool set and fire truck and a pair of gloves to wear to school because my hands get cold. Don't forget my mother and my teacher Mrs. Roberts. Love, Kenneth Carter."

"L. T. Owen, the father of three sons now, was very conservative in his asking.

"Dear Santa: Please bring me a gun, a belt and some caps, also oranges. Your friend, L. T. Owen."

L. E. Allen, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Witt, wrote:

"Dear Old Santa: Please bring me a gun and holster. A belt and suede jacket also some fruit, candy and nuts. L. E. Allen, And a pair of boots."

Mrs. Kenneth Bibb a teacher in the Rising Star Grade School, has three sons and a daughter. She too loved Santa, as a little girl:

"Dear Santa: I want a cedar chest like the one Margaret Jane got. A girl's dusting set and a broom. And a little girl's kitchen cabinet and things in it that you cook with. Edith Ray Agnew, P.S. And some books and games."

Kenneth Joyce, youngest son of the Cecil Joyce's, made his request:

"Dear Santa: It won't be long until Christmas, so I had better give you an idea what I want. Please, sir, if you can spare an electric train I sure would appreciate it. Please Santa Claus bring me a new gun to go with my cowboy suit. I have shot too many rustlers with my old one and it is worn out, and maybe a drum if that isn't too much. Goodbye Santa I'll be looking for you. Love from Kenneth Joyce."

"Dear Santa: I want a football suit and a pair of football shoes size 2. For a good boy about eight years old. Love Keith Butler, P.S. The football suit about size ten and candy nuts and fruit."

Keith has a son who will soon be writing his wants to Dear Santa.

Mrs. Donald Dudas of 701 W. San Martin Place, Thous-

McBeths To Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. McBeth will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, Dec. 27. It will be held at the Community Building in Andrews between the hours of 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The couple was married in Long Branch Baptist Church near Rising Star, Texas Dec. 26, 1920.

Mrs. McBeth is the former Miss Betty Earp. She taught

and Oaks, Calif., was once a little girl by the name of Ramona Sharp and lived near Rising Star. She wrote a letter:

"Dear Santa: I am a little six year old girl in the first grade. I think I have been a good little girl, so I want you to bring me a doll, a set of dishes, a toy house keeping set. Some nuts, candy and fruit. I have some brothers older than me so please bring them something too. Lovingly yours, Ramona Sharp."

The charming Mrs. Richter who so graciously meets customers at the West Texas Utilities thought she had been a good girl and was pleased to tell Mr. Santa so:

"Dear Santa: I am eight years old and in the third grade. I like to go to school. I have been a very, very good little girl and helped my mother. Please bring me a rubber doll, a purse, a doctor's kit, a drum and a blackboard. Also fruits, nuts and candy. Remember all the other little boys and girls, and my little brothers. Love to Santa too. Geraldine McKinnerney."

Mrs. Don Parish, a teacher in Corpus Christi school system, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dixon Boggs, mailed her letter to Santa:

"Dear Santa: I just thought I would write you a letter to tell you what I want. A table tennis set. A little cedar chest and a bath robe and a Bingo set. Please don't forget all the little poor children, take them something too. Oh, yes I almost forgot, candy, pecans, walnuts and fruits. Your friend, Marion Dixon Boggs."

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa: I am a little four year old boy and for Christmas I want a hydraulic dump truck, football and tee, Drpper Don and a fire truck. Please remember my two big sisters and all the other little boys and girls. I love you, David Willett.

Dear Santa: Merry Christmas; I want to tell you what I am wishing for this year. I want a bicycle, doll, and a baton. Please don't forget a dump truck for my brother David. My sister Denise keeps talking about a radio. Remember her and all the other little children, Your friend, Dana Willett

Dear Santa Claus: I would like to have a Crissy doll and a pair of Go-Go Boots. A pair of pants and a T Shirt. My little sister, Crystal would like a Tender Love. Thank you. Becky and Crystal

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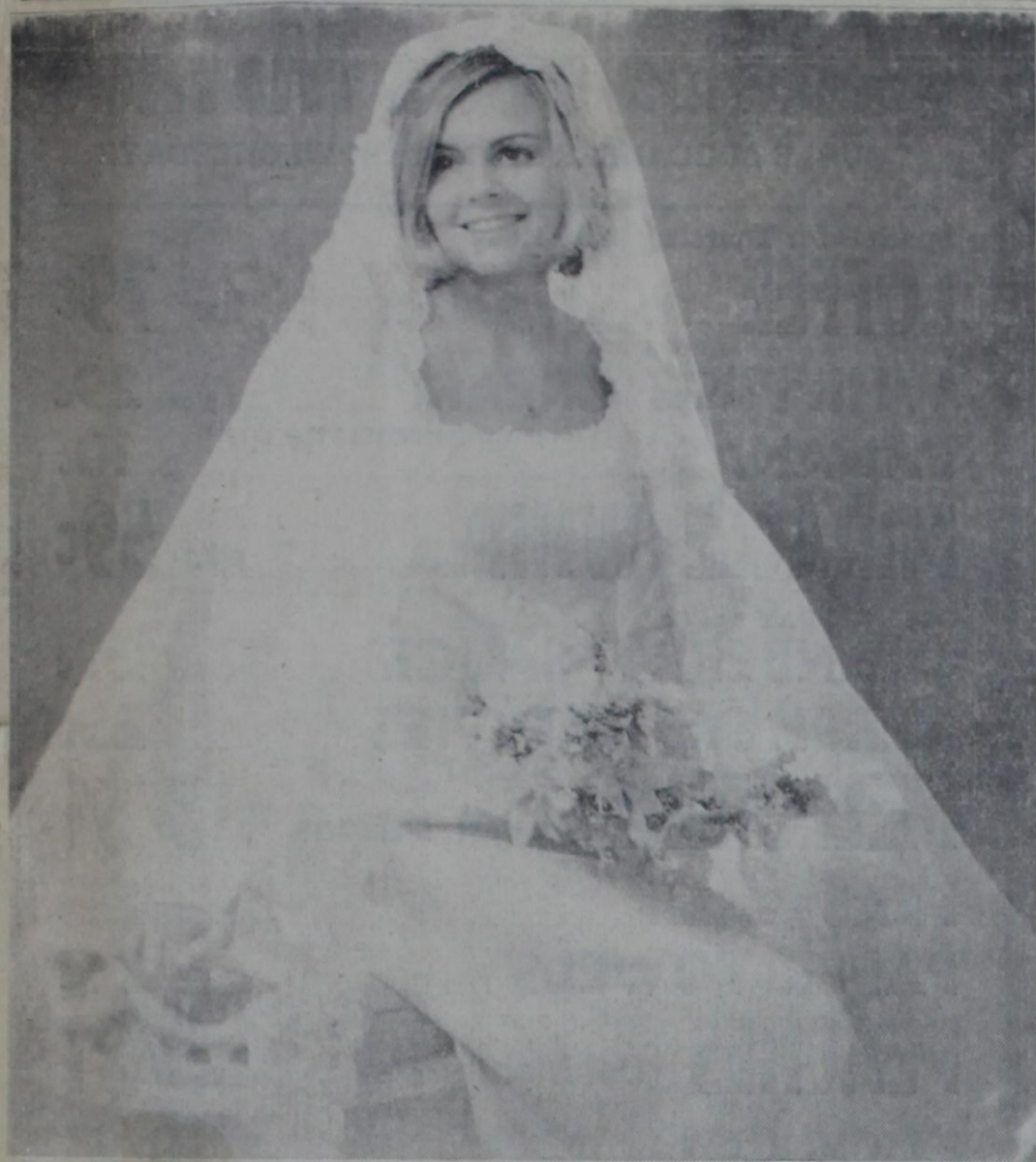
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Tina Marie Wood and Robert Brown Are Wed Saturday In Dallas Ritual

Miss Tina Marie Wood became the bride of Robert Frank Brown, Saturday, December 19, at 7:30, with the Rev. Robert T. Jones of Fort Worth, officiating in the Highland Park United Methodist, Cox Chapel, at Dallas.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Wood, of 1909 Glenwood Ave., Joliet, Ill. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Brown, of 640 El Paso, Jacksonville, Texas.

Church decorations included floral arrangements of large and small white mums and two topiary trees with white carnations.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, she wore a gown of candlelight imported re-embroidered lace and silk satin faille. The moulded empire bodice veiled with the imported lace, was fashioned with a wide oval neckline and long fitted waist length sleeves. Tiny self-covered buttons accented the back of the gown. The slim A-line skirt was enhanced with medallion applique of the lace at the hemline.

Her veil, a mantilla of the import Alencon lace mounted over a coil gently framed her face and fell soft folds beyond Chapel length. She carried a bouquet of white carnations and orchids caught with white satin ribbons.

Her attendants wore identical gowns of navy silk chiffon over silk taffeta. The em-

pire bodice was fashioned with a high Victorian collar and long bishop sleeves gently gathered at the wrist. Imported satin ribbon edged with a peccot finish accented the collar, cuffs and hemline of the floor length gown. They wore matching navy silk chiffon bonnets appliqued with satin ribbon and complemented by a navy satin bow at the back with streamers extending the length of the gown.

Mrs. Bob Benbow of Athens, Ga. was her sister's matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Misses Barbara Knox, Sherry Satterwhite, Tami Arlab, and Mrs. Thomas Richardson.

Williams Cravens served as best man. Groomsman were, Scotty Jones, Andrew Wood, Tommy Lanford and Nick Bruno.

The bride's mother wore a jeweled tone green silk chiffon formal with delicately beaded collar and cuffs with a caged over skirt and matching accessories.

The groom's mother was attired in a floor length gown of heavenly blue silk with matching accessories.

A reception was held in the Lancers Club, where the bride's table was laid in imported lace centered with the bride's bouquet. The white tiered wedding cake was decorated with delicate pink sugar roses. The bridegrooms table laid in heavy natural linen held a single gold candlestick. Fruits surrounded

the chocolate cake. After a wedding trip to Florida and the Bahamas, the couple will be at home in Cole's Manor, Dallas.

A graduate of Joliet High School, the bride is a 1970 graduate of Southern Methodist University. She was a Delta Delta Delta officer and a member of Kappa Sigma Little Sister. The groom, a 1967 graduate of Southern Methodist University, was a member of Kappa Sigma, Squires. He is presently associated with L. W. Hensley in Dallas.

Mrs. Vada Arnold of Rising Star, aunt of the bride, attended the wedding.

William Donham Nimrod Club Head

At the December 15 meeting of the Nimrod Willing Workers William Donham was elected president of the club for the coming year. After the meeting the yearbook committee met and planned the activities of the coming year.

A Christmas party was held in the club house December 7. Each member brought a gift to exchange and a gift to be given to the Cisco Chamber of Commerce for the underprivileged children. Two large boxes of gifts were collected.



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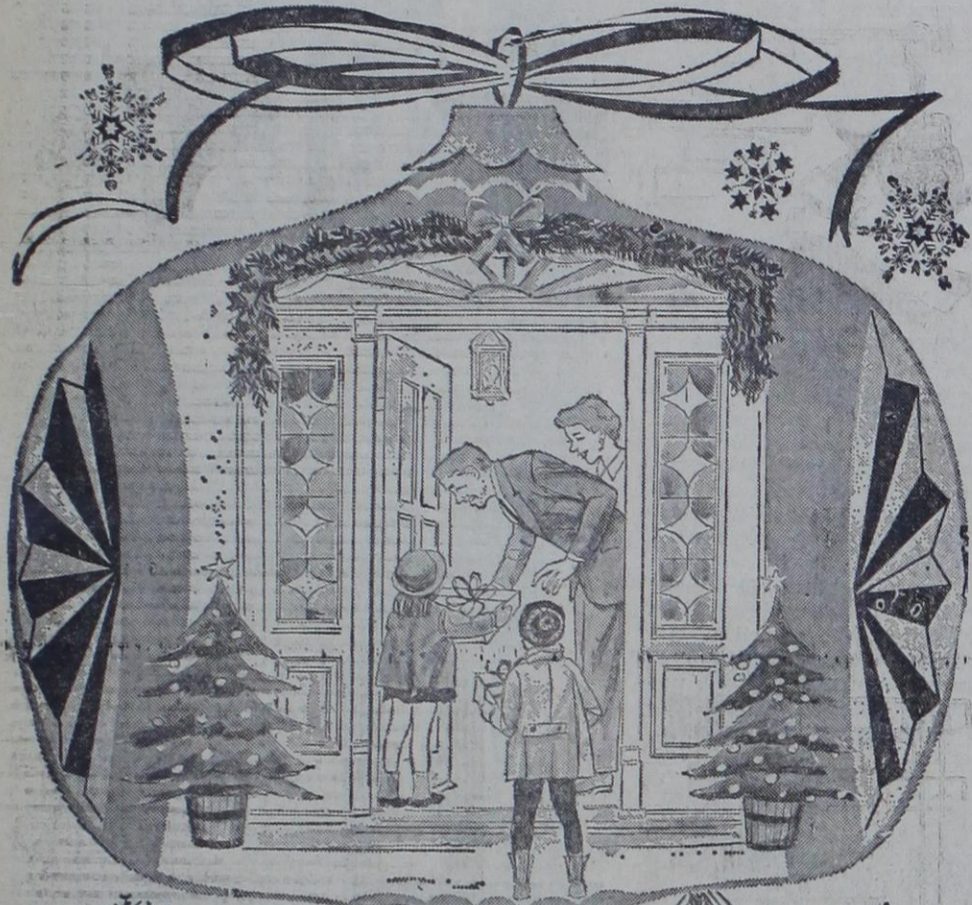
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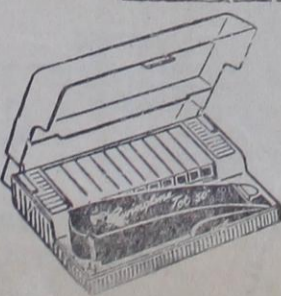


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