

# Rush Marks Conclusion Of Shopping Period

## Earthquake Again Shakes New England

No Serious Damage Reported In Large Area Affected

BOSTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—An earthquake, the second in five days, shook northeastern United States and portions of Canada, as far west as the province of Ontario, today.

Despite the great area in which the shocks were felt, running westward hundreds of miles from the New England coast, southwestward into New York and Pennsylvania, and northward into Quebec, no serious damage was indicated.

The tremors, beginning at 8:43 to 8:44 a. m., knocked Christmas tree ornaments and toilet articles to the floor in some places, rattled dishes, and caused furniture to rock slightly.

The Harvard University seismograph station at Harvard, Mass., reported that the quake apparently was as severe as that of last Friday.

Seismologists, who said last week's shock was caused by a slow lifting of the earth crust in New England, depressed by enormous ice masses during the ice age, studied their records to determine the nature of today's tremors.

Destruction of a rare tile garboge was reported from the Peabody Museum at Salem, Mass., where the relic was knocked from a shelf and crashed through a show case before it fell, broken, on the floor.

Some sections reported continuing tremors a half hour after the first shock. The Rev. Michael J. Ahern, S. J., seismologist at Weston College, said the shock occurred at 8:43:45 a. m., approximately 113 miles north of Boston and in the same region as last Friday's quake.

Fr. Ahern said the tremor was "about the same" in severity as last week's. Some 40 minutes after the first three tremors, a fourth rumble was reported at Center Ossipee, N. H., near the epicenter of the quake, at 9:35.

Tremors were registered for 12 minutes on the Weston seismograph. It was felt in Boston for 45 seconds. Coast guard headquarters, halfway up the 26-story Customs House tower, reported the shock more severe than Friday's. The recurrence of a tremor within five days recalled a statement by Kirtley F. Mather, Harvard geologist, that last Friday's disturbance was the forerunner of a series of tremors which could be expected to lead a severe earthquake, probably within eight months.



## WAR NEWS TRUCE

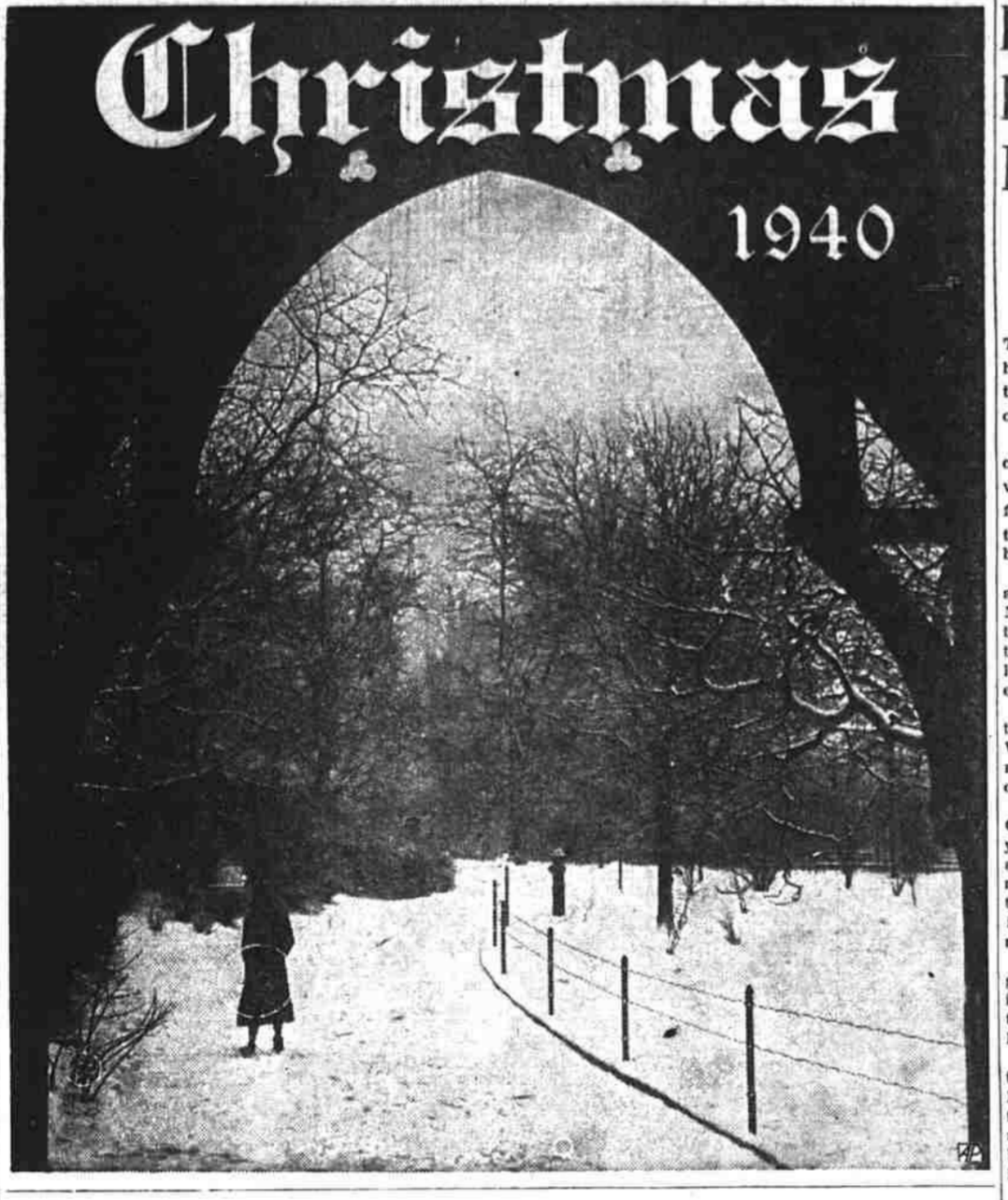
In this Christmas Edition, the Big Spring Daily Herald is omitting all mention of the European war on the front page.

Those persons wishing to follow events in bomb-torn countries will find brief reports on a comparatively quiet day in Europe on page 5.

## KNOW YOUR "LITTLE MERCHANT"

If you live from 11th to 24th between Gregg and Scurry streets, the little merchant delivering your Herald to your door each afternoon and Sunday morning is

**BILLY CARE**  
This territory is listed as Route 15 in our circulation department and serves as a good source of income for Billy as he goes about his job of serving his customers in a business that is all his own. He is anxious to serve you to your entire satisfaction and when you have a suggestion to offer as to how he might BETTER SERVE YOU as an individual and highly appreciated customer, he wants to hear it.  
Too, Billy asks that folks on his route be reminded that his Annual Bargain Rate on yearly subscriptions lasts only until Dec. 31. (\$4.95 for 12 months).



## WPA Funds May Be Added To CAA Airport Grant

### Development Not Restricted To \$150,000

Funds furnished by CAA for the development of the Big Spring municipal airport may be extended through a cooperative program of work by WPA, it was disclosed here Tuesday.

Thus, it was seen that development would not necessarily be restricted to the \$150,000 CAA has authorized for port developments, but in all probability would amount to at least twice that amount by applying the money to a new type WPA arrangement.

Following a conference with district WPA officials, officials said that it was assured that CAA funds could be used in the nature of sponsor's share of a WPA project, which would differ from the ordinary work-relief project in that work would be done on a contract basis, allowing for heavy equipment as well as utilizing relief workers. Moreover, under the defense status the port enjoys, the ratio of WPA contribution per man for materials and equipment would be stepped up sharply.

Provided under the initial project is clearing of around 400 acres of additional land, to be furnished by the city, grading four runways, adding boundary lights, fencing, installing a new runway and drainage. CAA has allowed \$150,000 for this, well above the \$106,000 estimated for the job.

Under other units of the master plan, two runways would be extended to 5,460 feet and widened to 200 feet along with contact lights. This would cost \$70,000. Extension of east and west runways would cost \$43,250. And so on it would until \$426,000 would be contributed by CAA for development.

## Local Santas Will Remember Needy Today And Tomorrow

This afternoon and tomorrow scores of local Santas will be busy making sure that none goes unremembered on Christmas day.

Church societies and Sunday school classes by the dozens were to get out baskets during the afternoon and evening. Boy Scouts were helping and had a few boxes to put out in keeping with their good turn ideas. VFW members were getting around with batches of substantial foods made possible by Goodfellow funds.

The Salvation Army was set to do the biggest job with gifts of money and foods contributed by local people through street kettles and grocery store barrels. With these gifts will go toys repaired by firemen and those given by overstocked merchants.

## Billy Hill, Song Writer, Succumbs

BOSTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Billy Hill, 42, New York and Hollywood song writer, whose best known work probably was his "last roundup," was found dead today in a hotel room. Dr. Herman Schwartz said he died of natural causes.

Songs written by Hill included "The Old Spinning Wheel," "They Cut Down the Old Pine Tree," "Wagon Wheel," "Lights Out," "Old Man of the Mountain" and "In a Chapel in the Moonlight."

## Farmers' Checks Ruined In Wreck

CIMARRON, Kas., Dec. 24 (AP)—Christmas shopping by some Gray county farmers may be delayed until after the holiday.

A mail pouch tossed off a train fell under the wheels. Remnants showed \$30,000 in government checks to farmers had been destroyed.

The pieces were sent to the federal office in Kansas City with a request for new vouchers.

## Santa Claus Wears Pistol To Party

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 24 (AP)—Detective Sergeant Paul Bonham, playing Santa Claus at a junior chamber of commerce children's party, forgot to take off his pistol and holster.

Leo Warren, assistant city attorney, spying through his costume, said: "Whoever heard of good old Santa Claus wearing a gun?"

"With the state of the world in now," said the sergeant, "maybe he'd better."

**MANN REPORTED ILL**  
SULPHUR SPRINGS, Dec. 24 (AP)—Attorney Gen. Gerald Mann, ill with influenza, will probably spend Christmas Day in the hospital.

## President To Broadcast To Nation Today

Annual Yule Message Set At 4:11 P. M. On Three Networks

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—The White House, like millions of homes all over America, was attuned today to the gentle spirit of Christmas.

Through the doorway of his second-floor study, President Roosevelt could see the lights of the family Christmas tree twinkle on the brightly wrapped gift packages beneath it.

The president will broadcast his annual Christmas message (over NBC, CBS and MBS hookups) to the nation at 4:11 p. m. (C.S.T.) today when he presses a button lighting another yule tree on the ellipse.

That 30-foot spruce, placed in the park Monday between the White House and the Washington monument, symbolizes the nation's observance of Christmas.

Mrs. Roosevelt planned a busy Christmas eve. As in previous years, she charted a round of toy and gift basket parties to help make the holiday brighter for those who might not have much in their stockings Christmas morning.

Only one of the ten Roosevelt grandchildren will hang his stocking from the White House mantel this year—2-year-old Franklin D. Roosevelt, 3rd.

He will have another youngster to keep him company, however, Diana Hopkins, 8-year-old daughter of former Secretary of Commerce Harry Hopkins, will be on hand for the excitement of opening Christmas packages.

The grown-ups will include Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., his wife, the former Ethel Dupont; Mrs. Sara Roosevelt, the president's 87-year-old mother, who came down from Hyde Park, N. Y., to be with "her boy"; Mrs. J. R. Roosevelt, widow of the president's step-brother; Harry Hopkins and Harry Hooker, New York, family friends.

## Aliens Must Register By Thursday Night

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—With the deadline for registration of aliens set for midnight Thursday, justice department officials are devising a permanent program for keeping track of non-citizens in the United States.

More than 4,200,000 registrations have been received since Aug. 27, and officials expect the total to reach 4,600,000 or higher. That compares with an advance estimate of 3,600,000 on which the registration machinery was based.

After the registration period ends, the justice department will have two immediate tasks—filling, checking and classifying the aliens, and finding and prosecuting those who have defied the law.

## Oil Production Shows Increase

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 24 (AP)—Daily crude oil production in the United States increased 28,405 barrels to 3,603,165 for the week ended Dec. 21, the Oil and Gas Journal said today.

Texas production was up 11,600 to 1,343,350; California, 2,400 to 620,750; Oklahoma, 7,425 to 391,875; the Rocky mountain area, 4,000 to 93,680; Louisiana, 2,815 to 289,990; Kansas, 650 to 199,700; and eastern fields, 150 to 106,050.

East Texas declined 50 to 337,500; Illinois, 2,385 to 324,800; and Michigan, 665 to 41,785.

## ODDS ARE AGAINST ANOTHER WHITE CHRISTMAS IN AREA

Odds are against another white Christmas for Big Spring and West Texas, for both the weatherman and statistics are working against it.

If previous records hold good, the city may not reasonably expect another snow mantle on Christmas day before 1974, and most of us may not be here to enjoy it.

The snow fall last year was the first on Christmas in 35 years, and the heaviest snow in a decade. So if the old 1 to 25 rule holds good, local people need not expect a white covering Wednesday.

In addition, the current stretch of pretty weather was all against flurries of flakes, for it looked like reasonably fair weather with no radical change in temperature.

But last year the weatherman missed it. Forecast on Christmas eve was for warm, fair weather. But no sooner had the midnight bells chimed in Christmas than clouds began to float in. By 1 a. m. a peppering of snow was underway with enough intensity to have the ground thoroughly covered come dawn.

Throughout the morning snow continued at intervals, but around noon it reached blinding proportions and held on at this rate until 4 p. m. when it ceased. The weather bureau recorded precipitation at 2 1/2 of an inch and the U. S. experiment farm had 5 1/2. Translated into snow, this meant that the covering had exceeded six inches in depth.

Although beautiful, the snow was not without its difficulties, for it made roads slippery and caused death of one man near here.

## City Prepares To Celebrate Quietly

Ringed cash registers Tuesday blended into a monied symphony of "Jingle Bells" which brought smiles to tired faces of most merchants.

Spending born of delay and desperation brought in a new flood of Christmas business as procrastinators rushed in to provide packages for Christmas trees. Buying still was at its worst in the moderate price range, but the heavier lines were getting in a few telling ticks to add to those which were welcomed in a generally good day Monday.

Several of the smaller concerns paid out modest bonuses to employees, and some sources estimated that aggregate bonuses for the city and oil fields would approximate \$10,000.

Advance December checks had loosed a considerable amount of money, estimated at all the way from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

All in all, the Christmas volume compared favorably with last year, with notable exceptions in either direction. Shopper volume was conceded to be higher but the size of purchases were less impressive.

Most stores planned to stay open to 9 p. m. or 10 p. m., depending on how late the rush holds on. If it proves anything like the Monday turn-over, the latter figure will hold.

In contrast to former years, postal volume gained strength up to the last. Letter cancellations spurred upward Monday to reach 20,179, well above the 6,329 for the same day last year, and brought the total for 13 days to 170,477, a gain of 5,007 over the same period a year ago.

But the biggest gain was in the amount of parcels handled. Total volume since Dec. 16, when package mailing really started in earnest, there were about 3,000 insured parcels—which includes the big majority of packages. A year ago, the count was roughly around 800 under this figure for the same time.

Continuing his custom of furnishing a little Christmas present for postal employees, Postmaster Nat Shick had hot coffee and cookies in the work room Tuesday. Weary after a week of fast work, clerks consumed 10 pots of coffee quickly.

Officers were closing for the holidays. Monday the district welfare office closed shop, planning to reopen on Jan. 2. The AAA office was to close during the afternoon to reopen on the morning of Dec. 29.

Trains, although heavily laden, handled traffic the best in memory of most people here, managing to run only an hour behind schedule most of the time and never showing up here later than two hours when schools let out over the weekend, they carried loads of passengers. Buses were catching a booming business on passenger traffic, so much so that many buses were running behind schedule and had to resort to double sections.

L. P. McCasland, state highway patrolman, said that state road officers would work long hours and had instructions to bear down on law violators—showing little mercy to drunken drivers whose speeding and guilty of reckless piloting.

Oil refineries can't afford to close down for a day—it would cost thousands of dollars to start up again besides big sums lost in production. Oil production has to be kept up to accommodate refineries, and this means that many field and pipe line men must work Christmas.

This year most postal employees will regard Christmas as a full holiday—even the four star route carriers. But a skeleton staff must stay around to handle special deliveries, parcels, etc.

## Death Of Four Investigated

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 24 (AP)—Justice of the Peace Otis West conducted an inquest today in the deaths of four persons identified as I. O. Samanie and Lufkin, his wife, Mrs. Irene Samanie, and their children, Patricia and Billy.

The bodies were found last night in a tourist cabin three miles northeast of here.

West withheld a definite verdict but said death apparently was caused by asphyxiation.

A lighted heater was found to be fully turned on, when officers broke into the cabin.

Deputy Sheriff Lennis Brice said identification was made through names found written on a Bible in the cabin.

The man had registered Sunday night as I. O. Samanie and wife, Mrs. Maria Musgrave, owner of the tourist coach, said.

The family came here in a truck which bore the name "I. O. Samanie, paint contractor, Lufkin."

West estimated the family had been dead since 7:30 a. m.

## Weather Forecast

U. S. Weather Bureau  
WEST TEXAS—Partly cloudy with variable high cloudiness tonight and Wednesday, becoming cloudy in southwest portion Wednesday. Not much change in temperature.

Highest Temp. Monday ..... 68.3  
Lowest Temp. Tuesday ..... 42.3  
Sunset today ..... 5:48 p. m.  
Sunrise tomorrow ..... 7:48 a. m.

## No Paper Wednesday

As has always been its custom, The Herald will not issue a paper on Christmas Day. This is the only holiday observed by the paper during the year, and publication is suspended so that all employees and newsmen may have the day off for their enjoyment.

Next issue after today's will be that of Thursday afternoon.

## Manufacture Of Toys Big Item In Industry

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—A last minute Christmas note—Santa Claus all but outdid the stork in their allied industries last year.

A new batch of figures from the census bureau reveals some startling statistics on the manufacture of doll carriages versus baby carriages.

America turned out \$2,964,127 worth of baby carriages, strollers, aukies, beach carts and go-carts. The doll carriage and doll cart output was \$2,176,340.

The government doesn't attempt to say what is happening, but: The industry which caters to mothers showed a production decrease of 946,946.

The industry—which as everyone knows is principally Santa Claus—catering to the mothers of dolls showed a gain of \$125,548.

The figures are for 1939 and 1937, the government taking the census in this business once every two years.

Air rifles and pop guns did a bang-up business last year. Paint sets did the same thing. Rubber balloons dropped. The wooden toy market was duller than the previous census.

Maybe children are getting old fashioned. The production of the modern stream-lined scooter—the newest thing on the block—dropped from \$921,972 to \$683,893.

Yet the old fashioned three-wheeled play cars rolled ahead from a \$227,766 business to a \$662,302 output.

## Panhandle Oil Fields Shutdown

AUSTIN, Dec. 24 (AP)—No longer exempt from oil production shutdown days, wells in the panhandle district of Texas were closed in with the rest of the state's fields today.

The railroad commission, yesterday boosted to 10 the shutdown days for December and issued a special order voiding exemption for the panhandle area the remainder of this month and through January.

The original order, issued in November, called for nine shutdown days each in December and January.

The commission also announced the appointment of F. V. L. Patten to succeed John E. Taylor, resigned, as chief of the commission's oil and gas division, effective Jan. 1. Patten, formerly from Kingsville, has been the commissioner's director of production.

## Auto Sales Hit November High

DETROIT, Dec. 24 (AP)—Noting the heaviest November retail sales of new passenger cars and trucks in the United States that the industry ever has experienced, the Automobile Manufacturers association today reported total sales for the first 11 months of 1940 were \$1,444,394, or 28 per cent above 1939, and 572,188 trucks, 19 per cent higher than last year.

November sales totaled \$34,520 cars, the association said, and 57,348 commercial vehicles.

## Big Spring People Urged To Keep All Lights On Tonight

In keeping with a national campaign, Big Spring people are urged to keep their Christmas lights on from dusk until midnight today as a contribution toward American's Night of Light.

Last year with Liberty magazine taking the lead, millions of homes and businesses over the nation kept on their lights with blinds wide open until midnight tolled the beginning of another anniversary of the birth of the Prince of Peace.

Then there was a spirit of thankfulness that there need be no blackouts in the United States. Today there is even more reason for this gesture of Thanksgiving. So when the sun slips behind the hills to the west this evening—

"Will you—whether you can light a single candle, or throw a master switch of a whole factory—will you turn on the lights this Christmas Eve?"  
"Will you—if you believe in what they stand for—keep them lit from dusk to midnight? So that others may see what we mean by the American way of life?"

**Auxiliary Meets**

Mrs. Bill Edwards led the Bible study from the Epistle at the First Presbyterian church Monday afternoon when the Auxiliary held a session. Attending were Mrs. H. W. Caylor, Mrs. D. F. McConnell, Mrs. G. D. Lee, Mrs. A. A. Porter.



With full appreciation of the true meaning of the words, we say to all...

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
and  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR**  
**Smith Bros. Drugs**

**Business Club Host To West Side Children**

Children of the West Side were entertained with an annual Christmas party at the West Side Baptist church by the American Business club.

The story of the Birth of Christ was read and a musical program of hymns was presented. Carols were given by the Junior and Intermediate girls. George Bugg played an accordion solo.

Mrs. Perry Burleson and G. R. Simmons were in charge of the program and Roy Reeder, member of the Business club, gave the welcoming speech to the children. Santa Claus arrived and distributed gifts, toys and candy to 350 persons.

**Fairview HD Club Has Christmas Party**

The Fairview Home Demonstration club had its annual Christmas party recently in the home of Mrs. W. H. Ward and a program was given. Gifts were distributed by Mrs. Gabra Hammack.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Willard Smith and Mrs. Bud Leathwood, visitors, and Mrs. Dick Hatch, Mrs. J. G. Hammack, Mrs. R. Y. Brown, Mrs. Herschel Johnson, Mrs. Carl Hammack, Mrs. Jesse Henderson, Mrs. J. W. Wooten, Mrs. Edgar Johnson, Mrs. Hammack and the hostess.

The next meeting will be January 2nd.

**Society**

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**Daily Calendar Of Week's Events**

**MONDAY**  
ST. MARY'S Church School to have Christmas party at 7 o'clock at the parish house.

**WEDNESDAY**  
Christmas Day.

**THURSDAY**  
ROYAL NEIGHBORS will meet at 2 o'clock at the W.O.W. Hall.

**FRIDAY**  
WOODMEN CIRCLE will meet at 7:30 o'clock at the W.O.W. Hall. A & M DANCE will be held at the Settles hotel.

**SATURDAY**  
HYPERION CLUB will meet at 1 o'clock for a luncheon with Mrs. C. W. Cunningham, 1102 Scurry. White elephant gifts will be exchanged.

**SUNDAY**  
JOE FLOCK'S Christmas party will be held at 7:30 o'clock at the Crawford.

**Virginia Fischer And Howard Kyle To Wed Tuesday Night**

Virginia Fischer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Baker, and Howard Kyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Kyle will be married at 6 o'clock Tuesday night in a candlelight ceremony read in the home of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. E. W. Osburn, in Abilene.

The double ring ceremony will be read by the Rev. F. M. Warren, pastor of the First Christian church of Abilene.

The bride will wear a royal blue velvet streetlength dress trimmed with silver buttons and she will wear a silver halo cap. Her corsage will be of camellias.

For something old she will wear her grandmother's wedding petticoat and for something borrowed, earrings belonging to Mrs. M. C. Lawrence.

Noema Shehan, her only attendant, will wear a dusty rose dress and a silver halo cap. Her corsage will be of gardenias. Doug Newman, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, will be the other attendant.

The bride will be given in marriage by T. E. Baker.

Following the ceremony a reception will be held in the home and a three-tiered wedding cake, the gift of her cousin, Mrs. Wallace Murray of Abilene, will be served. Punch will be served with a silver laddle belonging to the bride that is an heirloom. Virginia is the 7th generation to own it.

Winnie Fischer, sister of the bride, and Mary Evelyn Lawrence will preside at the table.

The bride was graduated from Big Spring high school in 1933 and was also graduated from business college in Houston in 1936. She has been employed at McCroys.

The couple will leave following the ceremony for south Texas where they will be for two weeks. Miss Fischer will wear a tan military suit with black accessories for traveling.

On their return, the couple will be at home in Coleman where the bridegroom is employed by the International Harvester Company. Kyle was graduated from Big Spring high school in 1932 and later attended a Diesel Engineering school in Los Angeles, Calif.

Attending from here will be Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Kyle, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Newman, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Baker, and Mary Evelyn Lawrence.

Miss Fischer was feted with a miscellaneous shower Friday night in Abilene by Mrs. Wallace Murray.

**Country Club Has Formal Dance Here**

Members of the Country Club and their out-of-town guests danced to the music of Joseph Sudy and his orchestra at the Settles hotel Monday night.

Several parties were given before the dance. Mr. and Mrs. R. R. McEwen entertained a group in her home preceding the affair.

Sixty couples were present and enjoyed the singing of Grayce Joyce. Tables were placed in the ballroom in night club fashion.

The McEwen home was decorated with Christmas decorations and jingle bells were on the door. Over the door was cedar, lights, and small red and crystal cocktail glasses.

The table was lace-laid and centered with a wreath on a reflector. Red tapers burned in the center and silver grape clusters were at each end of the table. The wreaths revolved on the reflectors.

The mantel was decorated with a spray of pine cones and needles and a small wrought iron tree held candles. The mirror over the mantel held a Christmas star with ribbons extending from the mirror to represent the stars rays.

Poinsettias also decorated the rooms. There were 60 invited guests.

**Miss Laneous Notes**

By MARY WHALEY

With apologies to the author of "The Night Before Christmas," it is the day before Christmas and all through the house, things are a mess. Not a thing is done yet for Christmas Day and not a creature will dare speak back to Mamma 'cause her tempers frayed.

The stockings need to be darned before they are hung from the fireplace. Downstairs all done.

Visions of sugar plums and wishful thinking fill the heads of both young and old.

Nobody will get to bed till the wee small hours and packages will be wrapped up till the last minute. Then just before bedtime, off in the distance, comes the cry, "Hay, John, Hi, Mable, come on out and play." You scramble through tissue paper up to your knees, and through open window and yell "go away, please."

Then into the house, your dear friends will run and upset everything you have done. They put their fingers beside their nose and laugh villainous laughs, cause their noses are all done.

And then when you think they never will leave, they are up and gone in their new coupe and leave you to wash glasses, cups and plates.

Finally to bed about three you go and as you drop in your tracks you will hear them yell, "Merry Christmas to you, Merry Christmas one and all."

**Moore Honor Roll Announced**

MOORE, Dec. 24. (SpI)—Honor roll for the third six weeks in Moore school:

First Grade—A roll, Jane Leathwood and Bobby Nell Burchett; B roll, Joan Fuller.

Second—A, LaNelle Engle; B, Don Kincaid.

Third—A, Ima Dell Hayworth and Doris Fern Goodwin; B, Thomas Winn.

Fourth—A, Aubrey Kincaid, Richard Sullivan; B, Wanda Conway and Helena Mae Daniels.

Fifth—A, Bill Hammock; B, Eula Fay Newton.

Sixth—A, Howard Engle, LaVern Fuller and Milton Kincaid; B, Basilia Gonzales.

Seventh—A, Freddie Phillips, Josephine Brown and Maxine Key; B, Pablo Gonzales, Billy Barber and Mildred Powell.

**Public Records**

**Building Permit**  
Enrique Sanchez to build a house in northwest part of town, cost \$200.

**In the 70th District Court**  
A. L. Cooper versus Martin Kuykendall, suit for debt.

**New Cars**  
A. E. Suggs, Chrysler sedan.  
Mrs. Emma Twilley, Ford touring.

The Independent Eastern Torpedo Co., Buick coupe.  
Mrs. Louise Brown Lebkowsky, Buick coupe.  
Jack Cook, Garden City, Mercury coupe.

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GOLD LAME, softly draped, in a dinner dress to see you through January and February parties. The patriotic corsage is the florists' suggestion to army and navy boys in service far from their best girls. Red roses, white carnations, blue cornflowers.

**O. T. Arnolds To Have Dinner Party Here**

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Arnold and daughter, Ruth, will entertain a few of their friends with a supper in their home tonight. Ruth, who is a student at N.T.S.T.C. at Denton, is home for the Christmas holidays.

The table will be centered with a blue reflector holding a gum drop tree and surrounded with ivy. Red candles will flank the centerpiece.

Flavors will be individual candle holders made of gum drops. Guests will include Mr. and Mrs. Melvin J. Wise, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Johnson and June, Dr. and Mrs. T. M. Collins, Mrs. T. A. Smith of Cisco, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith and Sue of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold and family.

**St. Mary's To Have Program For Church School Children**

Church school children of St. Mary's Episcopal church will be entertained with a party at the parish house Tuesday night at 7 o'clock.

A Christmas tree will hold gifts for the children and a Santa Claus will distribute the gifts. Christmas carols will be sung and John Wier Notestine will give the welcome and farewell talks.

Mary Helen Lomax will give the scripture and Mrs. Wynn will give the story "Why the Chimney Rang." The children will sing "Silent Night, Holy Night" and Burke Summers will read "Twas the Night Before Christmas."

Martha Ann Johnson will also give two readings.

Ann Ruth Howard of Dallas is visiting Betty Bob Diltz over the weekend.

**Visitors Come For Parties And Visits**

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Angel have as holiday guests her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Tate and Sammy of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Johnson and two children of Anson are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Porter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Perry are visiting in Abilene and Comanche over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Allen have as guests her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Johnson, of Paris, Texas.

**Happiness To All**

As you gather around your family fireside, know that you carry our best wishes for Joy, Happiness, Health and Prosperity . . . That your Christmas and the New Year will be the happiest yet, is our sincere wish.

**McDowell Beauty Salon**

**Choral Club Postpones Meetings Till January**

The Choral Club of the Music Study Club will not hold any more meetings until January 6th.

**Tommy Brown of Teague is the holiday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Young.**

**A Yuletide TREAT THAT'S HARD TO BEAT**

**Christmas Dinner**

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**50c SPECIAL DINNER 50c**

A Delicious Turkey Dinner With All The Trimmings. Including Cocktails, Salad, Dessert and Drink.

**Settles Hotel**

**COFFEE SHOP**

December 24, 1940

Dear Friends:

We're always pleased when Christmas comes 'round as it gives us an opportunity to send you many good wishes we have been storing up, and to say "Thank You" for the favors so kindly sent our way during the year. Your friendship and patronage have been truly appreciated and we gladly welcome this occasion to send you the Season's Greetings, and with them the best of all wishes for the Glad Christmastide.

A Merry Christmas and  
A Happy New Year

Cordially yours,  
J. & W. FISHER CO.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU**

May this Holiday bring you the utmost of joy and may the New Year bring with it success as a reward for your every effort. You have been very considerate of this institution and have made possible our continued growth. For your kindness we wish to express our appreciation and to pledge anew our policy of even greater service to the community which we serve.

**and Happy New Year!**

**La Mode**  
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**A Joyous Noel.**

To each and all of our many friends we wish to say, "Season's Greeting" . . . We gratefully acknowledge the many courtesies shown us and the many evidences of good will that have made our associations with you so enjoyable.

May you have a Season of great joy and a New Year of Happiness and Health.

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**A Christmas Thought**

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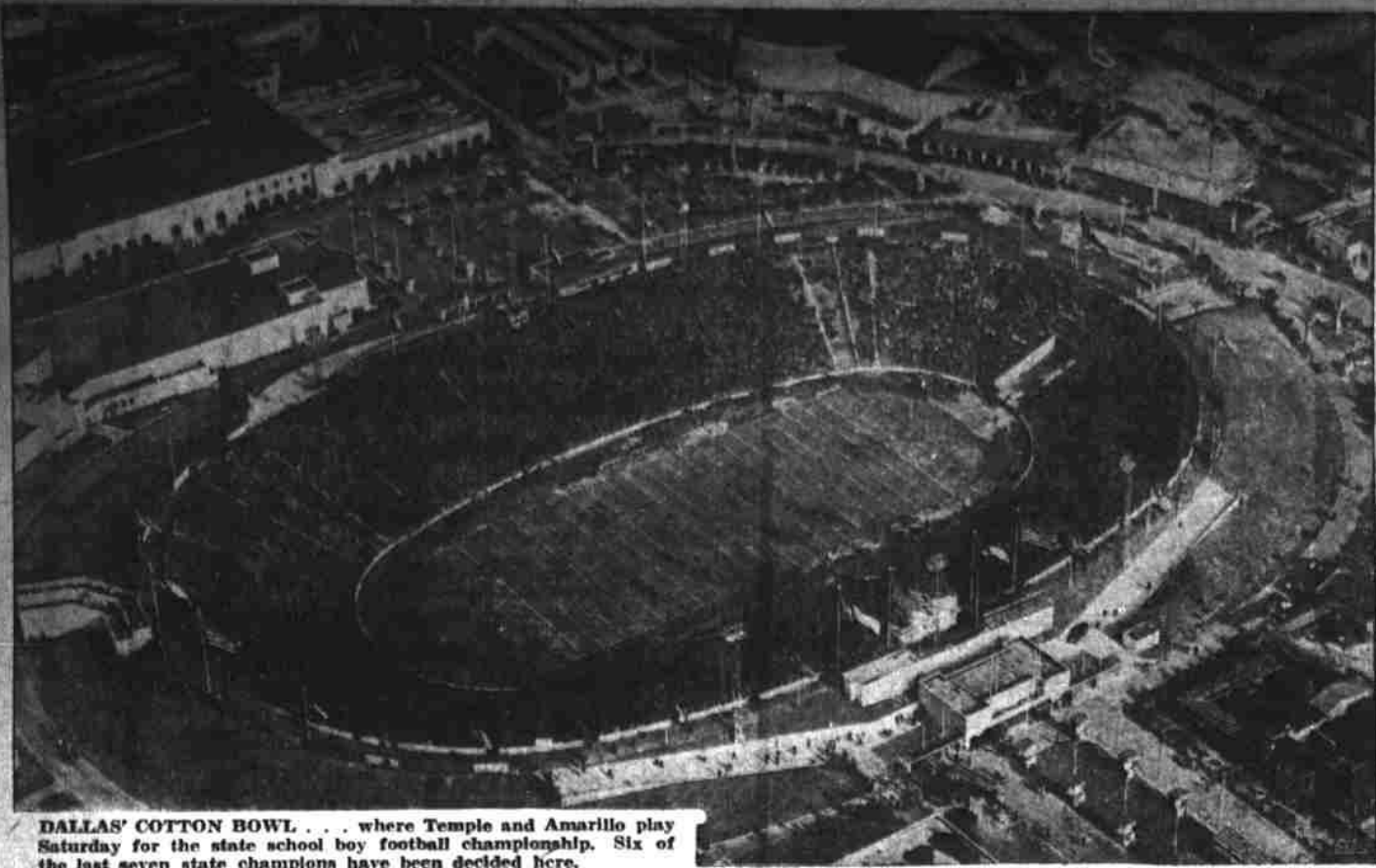
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Emblematic of the true meaning of Worship and as a symbol of Freedom, this is again the time for sincere expressions of Good Will and of Good Cheer . . . Too, as we approach the greatest of all Holiday festivities, we are mindful of the many friendships we have made; we realize that it is the family circle and our friends who have added so much to our happiness.

And now, all of us wish for you an overflowing measure of Happiness, Peace and Contentment as you enjoy an Old-Fashioned American Christmas season . . . and when time comes to say OFF WITH THE OLD, ON WITH THE NEW, may you look upon 1941 with a hope and courage that will bring even greater joy and satisfaction in achieving a worthwhile goal.

**A Merry Christmas to All  
And to All, Good Fortune!**



DALLAS' COTTON BOWL . . . where Temple and Amarillo play Saturday for the state school boy football championship. Six of the last seven state champions have been decided here.

### Patty Berg's Brother Is Minnesota Freshman

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (UP)—The University of Minnesota lost its most famous golfer when Patty Berg became a professional, but another Berg has entered the school.

Among freshmen registering at the university this fall was Herman Berg, Patty's younger brother, who hopes to maintain the family name in the golfing world.

Herman won the state high school golf tournament in 1938. He will seek a place on the Minnesota golf team as soon as he becomes eligible.

**From Gridiron To Grand Opera**  
TAMPA, Fla. (UP)—From gridiron to grand opera some day may be the success story of Charles P. Johnson. He is a former Plant high school football player who couldn't read a note of music until he left high school, and now he is singing with the San Francisco Opera association.

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## 1940 The Year In Sports

### Boxing



Jenkins chills Lou Ambers . . . Zivic salves Armstrong's style

NEW YORK—Little Perpetual Motion, one-time triple champion, finally ran down and lost his last crown in 1940, as did four other titleholders.

Henry Armstrong's defeat in a savage welterweight bout by Pittsburgh's Fritzie Zivic was perhaps boxing's high spot of a year that saw:

1. Ken Orelin take Ceferino Garcia's (New York recognized) middleweight championship and successfully defend it twice against Steve Belloise.

#### FIFTH OF A SERIES

supreme in their divisions and Conn waged a successful invasion into heavyweight ranks that earned him a shot against Louis in '41.

#### That Bear's Back

Max Baer authored the year's fistie comeback. The one-time heavyweight champion put a halt to Tony Galento's boasts with an eight-round knockout and then scored a spectacular one-round victory over promising Pat Comiskey.

Zivic found the antidote for Armstrong's aggressive, annoying attack. Fighting from a sidewise crouch Zivic let Armstrong wear himself out in the early rounds. Fritzie drove occasional uppercuts to Henry's jaw and then, when he felt Armstrong wilting, took the offensive, squared around and popped Henry with looping blows. Armstrong, game to the finish, was out on his feet, blind and bleeding, and Zivic's last blow actually sent him staggering across the ring and onto the canvas.

Before the defeat Armstrong had defended the welterweight title several times, stopping Pedro Montanex in nine rounds in his major bout; had earned a draw while challenging the then middleweight champion, Garcia; and had won a six round technical knockout over Jenkins in a non-title go.

**Louis Has Trouble**  
Louis bumped into trouble in his first venture. Joe was unable to solve the low crouching maneuvers of Arturo Godoy and his frequent blows failed to dent the chin of the concrete Chilean. Go-

doys lost the 15-round decision, although one judge voted for him, but in their return match in the summer Louis knocked him out in eight rounds. Joe breezed through his other encounters, knocking out Johnny Paychek in two rounds and Al McCoy in six.

Jenkins was the best of the newcomers. The thin Texan, with a kick in his wiry arms like that of a bronco, bowled over Ambers in the first round and knocked him out in the third. He got the title shot on the strength of a 1-round kayo of Tippy Larkin. Law later scored a two-round knockout of Pete Lello in his first defense.

Another crack newcomer was Billy Soose, who won non-title verdicts over both Zale and Overlin but couldn't get them into the ring with a crown at stake.

**Conn Defends Title**  
Conn defended the light heavy title against Gus Lemevich and then outpointed heavyweights Al McCoy and Lee Savold and scored a knockout over Bob Pastor.

Sammy Angott, beaten by Zivic, won N.B.A. lightweight recognition by outpointing Davey Day.

Al Davis lost to Ambers and was disqualified for fouling Zivic.

Lou Salica won undisputed control of the bantamweights by outpointing George Pace but was later floored and beaten in a non-title go by Tommy Forte.

**Mapped 'Color Tours' Aid Weekend Tourists**

LANSING, Mich. (UP)—A new plan to guide tourists and visitors to Michigan's "flaming forests"—thousands of trees colored by fall frosts—has been inaugurated by the Michigan department of conservation.

Working in conjunction with local road commissions and chambers of commerce, "color tours" have been mapped, measured for mileage, posted with signs and widely advertised.

### Looking 'em Over

With Jack Douglas

Definite program for a city-rural basketball league in Howard county will be outlined January 3 at a meeting in the city court room. According to tentative plans, competition among the teams to be signed up will get underway on Monday, January 8. Two games per night will be played every Monday and Thursday.

Phillips Tiremen and Vaughn's Candyman are listed as prospective contenders from Big Spring. The rural branch includes R-Bar, Ackery, Moore, Forsan, and Center Point. Phil Smith will pilot the Tiremen, Vaughn's five will be handled by Squeaky Thompson, Roger Miller will manage R-Bar, Tommy Miles will be in the driver's seat for Ackery, Moore will be under the guiding hand of Riley Mcullough, Cagle Hunt is to look after Forsan, and Walker Bailey will be commissar for Center Point's cagers.

Midway, Garner, Moore, Forsan, and Center Point gyms are prospective sites for the title.

Any hope of Big Spring returning to the baseball ways during the summer of 1941 stands a good chance of being stymied if advocates of the game fail to get enough supporters in the saddle before the new year is too far gone. As yet, other towns in the area have not made known to the public their definite plans for the season, but most of these places are already equipped with an organization. Big Spring has the plant but has yet to formulate a definite plan of attack.

Virgil Smith, one of Big Spring's hottest baseball proponents, said a move was underway to bring the game back to the city's fans but the whole thing was still in the figuring stage. He is of the opinion that something can be worked out before spring.

## SPORTS UPSETS OF 1940



Gallahadion, 31-1 shot, beat Bimelech in Kentucky Derby.



Henry Armstrong (left), one time triple champ, was stripped of welterweight crown by Fritzie Zivic in a savage bout.



Texas Aggies' long victory string was snapped in last game by Texas as Fullback Pete Layden crashed through Aggie line.



Low Jenkins' sharp, terrific punches bowled over Lou Ambers and won Jenkins the lightweight boxing championship.



Don McNeill beat Bobby Rogers to win tennis singles crown.

### Dallas Plans Loud Welcome For Fordham

DALLAS, Dec. 24 (AP)—Dallas plans a riotous welcome for the Fordham football squad when it arrives Friday for a Cotton Bowl date with the Texas Aggies.

There'll be band music, a parade and a big program of speeches, back-slapping and stuff downtown. But confidentially, the Texans, while feeling very friendly toward those Eastern footballers, will look on the whole thing much as the farmer fattening a turkey for Thanksgiving.

You treat him swell but he gets it in the neck at the height of his enthusiasm.

Meaning, you Fordham folks are mighty nice people but if you think you're going to come down here and beat our Texas Aggies then \$2.00 of your cash will get \$5.00 of Texas money.

Those were the odds along betting row today with the Cotton Bowl battle a little more than a week away.

If you want to put your money on the Aggies you will need \$8.00 for every \$5.00 of Fordham coin. Preparations were going forward to give the New York visitors a boisterous greeting. And for one of the few times in Dallas history, a downtown street will be roped off and a program held right smack-dab in the center of the business district.

Mayor Woodall Rogers will be at the station when the Fordham train pulls in at 9:30 a. m. (CST) Friday. The Junior Chamber of Commerce is arranging a big reception committee including football lettermen from Southwest conference schools and a bevy of girls.

The team will be taken on a ride up Main street on the biggest fire truck in the department. Lint cotton will be distributed in all buildings along the route and that will be the "confetti."

The Texas Aggies will not arrive until 1 p. m. Monday, Dan D. Rogers, president of the Cotton Bowl Association, said.

### Canada's War Cost Is \$85 Annually Per Person

OTTAWA, Can. (UP)—The war is costing the average Canadian family \$400 annually, according to Finance Minister J. L. Huley. Increased taxation plus the Dominion's borrowing will cost \$85 per person.

### State Final Game Tickets Go On Sale

DALLAS, Dec. 24 (AP)—Tickets for the state schoolboy football team between Amarillo and Temple went on sale today.

P. C. Cobb, Dallas high school athletic director who has charge of arrangements, predicted an attendance of 20,000.

Both teams were in improved condition yesterday when they reported for the final week of practice.

The full 37-man squad reported at Amarillo for the first time in three weeks. "Two or three of the boys who have had the flu are not quite up to par yet," Coach Howard Lynch said, "but I think we'll be at full strength Saturday."

The Amarillo squad will leave Thursday night by train and work-out Friday at some place near Dallas.

Temple had Theibert Hardt, star wingman, out with a recurrence of bronchitis and several others were favoring injuries but none was of a serious nature.

Temple's 28-member squad will leave Friday afternoon and spend the night at some point between Temple and Dallas, Coach Lea Cranfill said.

Officials will be Abb Curtis of Texas, referee, Ray McCulloch of Texas Christian, umpire, Patsy Allen of Texas, head linesman, and Jimmie Higgins of Southern Methodist, field judge.

### Smoker Likes Variety, Often Carries 8 Pipes

ATHENS, Ga. (UP)—Dr. B. O. Williams, new head of the department of sociology at the University of Georgia, is a man of many moods, and he has a pipe for each.

It is nothing for Dr. Williams to smoke from 10 to 15 pipes in one afternoon. And if he is particularly moody, he may carry as many as eight pipes in his pockets at one time.

Dr. Williams explains he finds a "quickenning of mutual interests among people who smoke pipes." He has 80 pipes.

### Leahy Gives Boys Credit

BAY ST. LOUIS, Miss., Dec. 24 (AP)—There is one dissenting voice in the chorus of praise for Frank Leahy, who in two seasons as head coach of Boston College's Eagles has brought them into national prominence and to a Sugar Bowl match.

That negative vote, as you have guessed, comes from a pleasant, 32-year-old Irishman named Frank Leahy. He seems determined to put the blame for his team's success upon somebody else.

First, he praises his players, who are training here for their January 1 meeting with Tennessee. And it is typical of a Knute Rockne disciple that he stresses their moral qualities.

"In all my association with football, as a player and as a coach in four colleges," he declared, "I have never seen so much character, never dealt with such a group of clean-living, clean-thinking and clean-playing men."

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### Announcement...

We take this occasion to announce purchase by Herbert Keaton of E. M. Miller's interest in the firm formerly known as Miller-Oldham.

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And, as a New Year draws near, we want to offer thanks for every past favor—large and small . . . Accept our best wishes for happiness and good fortune in 1941.

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This day, of all days, is one for universal happiness. As Scrooge's nephew said, Christmas time is a good time, a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time." Let's all make it that way—let's all be happy, friendly and joyous, and forget for today all the discords, sorrows and disappointments that may exist at other times of the year—it's Christmas, let's make it merry! Remember those aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces — and of course, those of your immediate household—shout a friendly greeting to neighbors and friends as you pass them by—let the kindness and joy you felt inside add to others' happiness! So in this spirit, the entire staff of the Daily Herald sends heartfelt greetings to you—to everyone—to the entire world! Every person from the managing editor to the newest copy boy joins in saying A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

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in  
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with  
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**IN KEY WITH KEYS**—Hildegard, the former Milwaukee singer who believes in economizing about names, listens to the 40 different instrumental tones added to a piano by a new device. The vocal effects are entirely Hildegard's own.

**SPORTS ROUNDUP**  
By **EDDIE BRIETZ**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—The tip is out that although Dr. George Hawser, Minnesota line coach, is No. 1 on Ohio State's shopping list, the Buckeyes would settle for Dallas Ward, Gopher freshman coach . . . When the Brooklyns report next spring, Larry MacPhail will tell them they'll train in California in 1942—if they win the pennant . . . This sounds screwy, but Ray Morrison, Temple coach, played on four Vanderbilt football teams that didn't once lose to Tennessee . . . If George Halas succeeds in getting Tom Harmon for the Chicago Bears, he'll play Tom at fullback.  
**String Running Out**  
In successive years Tennessee football teams have been chosen for the Orange, Rose and Sugar Bowls . . . Pretty soon there'll be nothing left in the bowl line for the Vols but the bowling alley.  
**Gadding About**  
Bill Jurges won't be out of the woods until the medics see how he reacts to a few weeks of exercising in the sun . . . Cotton Bowl officials are kicking each other where it hurts most for underestimating the drawing power of their show and reducing prices. Result will mean a gross gate of nearer \$120,000 than the anticipated \$145,000.  
**Today's Guest Star**  
Al Buck, New York Post: "Mike Jacobs is trying to get Lew Jenkins to change his mind about retiring and Lew is trying just as hard to get Mrs. Jenkins to change hers."

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**Southwestern To Deemphasize Football Card**  
MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 24 (AP)—A de-emphasis movement in southern football has a new recruit—Southwestern, which abandoned an ambitious gridiron expansion program in the hope of "preserving football as a college game and not a college business."  
The college executive committee announced the new order last night.  
The school will continue to play football but there will be no further recruiting and no new subsidies will be given promising high school stars.  
Moreover, while existing obligations to players will be discharged, subsidization will be eliminated by 1944. And after 1941, when the previously-drafted schedule will be played, games will be arranged only with schools that are "following a policy of non-subsidization of athletics and which maintain academic standards similar to those of Southwestern," the committee said.  
In the south, which has been characterized by some football authorities of other sections as a hotbed of recruiting and subsidization, the Southwestern decision followed these de-emphasis developments:  
Appointment of former Mississippi governor Mike Conner as commissioner for the Southeastern conference (embracing the bigger schools) and Conner's promulgation of a code for the league.  
Sewanee's withdrawal from the Southeastern, where the little Tennessee mountain school has been a door-mat the past few years.  
Abandonment of football within the past year by Loyola of the South (New Orleans) and Birmingham-Southern.  
Decision by Mercer, of Macon, Ga., to de-emphasize intercollegiate athletics.  
The Southwestern de-emphasis program applies to all athletics but the main effect will be on football.  
Southwestern, a southern Presbyterian school with about 475 enrollment, is a member of the Dixie conference.

**Basketball Tourney Skated At Stanton**  
SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 24 (AP)—Six colleges are entered in the San Antonio invitation basketball tournament scheduled to open here Thursday night.  
Competing the North Texas State, Southwest Texas State, Howard Payne, Stephen F. Austin, Sam Houston State and Texas A. and I.  
The tournament will be conducted on a round-robin basis with the winner being determined by percentage.  
Opening play matches North Texas State and Southwest Texas, Howard Payne and Stephen F. Austin and Sam Houston and A. and I.  
**Stanford Holds Last Home Drill**  
PALO ALTO, Calif., Dec. 24 (AP)—The Stanford Indians were called out today for their last scrimmage at home before moving to Pasadena to meet Nebraska in the Rose Bowl football game New Year's Day.  
Thirteen members of the squad, Southern Californians going home for Christmas, will leave for the south tonight. The others will follow Christmas night.  
**Spaniel Nabs 23-Inch Pike**  
EDGERTON, Wis. (UP)—Doc, a Springer spaniel, returned from a brief swim in Lake Koshkonong with a 23-inch pike — no, not a dogfish—clenched in his teeth, according to his master, George Earle.

**Jones Attempts To Improve Timing**  
PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 24 (AP)—Coach Lawrence (Biff) Jones scheduled two workouts today for his Rose Bowl-bound Nebraska gridders, seeking to improve the team's timing and to perfect a defense against the famed "T" formation featured by the Stanford Indians.  
Jones expressed the belief the Cornhuskers were progressing satisfactorily in their preparations for the Stanford contest in Pasadena, Calif., New Year's Day.

**Baylor Loses To Phillips Oilers**  
BARTLESVILLE, Okla., Dec. 24 (AP)—The Baylor Bears lost to the Phillips Oilers, 48-44 in an extra-period basketball game here last night.  
L. V. Arnett, Baylor forward, hit with a long one in the final seconds of regular play to tie the score 43-43.  
Grady Vaughn of Baylor was high point maker with 13.

**Arrested Negro Carries 7 Pistols, Wears Knucks**  
LONGVIEW, Tex. (UP)—Police probably would have been more careful in arresting a 23-year-old negro had they known that the man was armed with seven .32 and .38 calibre pistols and a pair of brass knucks.  
The arsenal was distributed completely around the negro and pistols were available from any angle. He wore the knucks.  
Police said they believed the man carried more guns than any other person arrested here, including the bad men.

**Bobby Riggs To Try Comeback**  
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24 (AP)—Bobby Riggs, who started slipping from his No. 1 tennis ranking in the Sugar Bowl competition last year, will begin his comeback in the same Sugar Bowl event this week.  
It was a cocksure Riggs who went into the tournament in 1939. He had ruled the amateur courts during the year, after the withdrawal to pro ranks of Don Hudge.  
He loafed through the early rounds, found himself in the finals with Don McNeill and got his first big shock. McNeill surprised the tennis world by trouncing him 8-6, 4-6, 8-6, 6-3.  
Don went on during the season to prove that rube jolt wasn't a fluke. He dethroned Riggs later in the national championships.  
Riggs not only will be seeking to regain his national prestige here in the competition starting Saturday but he will be trying to break the Sugar Bowl jinx—that no champion ever has repeated.

**TURF—Uncle Sam takes over the training program of W. J. "Buddy" Hirsch (above) from now on. A horse trainer himself, and son of Max Hirsch, Buddy's going into army**



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**Sand, Sawdust Sold For Pecans**  
DALLAS, Dec. 24 (AP)—Pecans at 7.1 cents a pound would be a bargain most anywhere.  
But paying for sand, gravel and sawdust at that rate is something else.  
Operatives of the city weights and measures division announced yesterday they had discovered a \$7,000 short-weight swindle in which hundreds of bags of sand, gravel and sawdust had been camouflaged by an outer layer of pecans.  
They said 311,350 pounds of the dummy product had been placed in Dallas warehouses, the sacks gird for delivery in 90 days, and the swindlers presenting negotiable warehouse receipts as proof of ownership.  
One man was under arrest and another was sought.

**East-West Game Tickets All Sold**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24 (AP)—The 16th annual East-West football game New Year's Day is a sell-out already.  
Ticket officials of the Shrine charity game knocked off early for Christmas today after disposing of the last of the available 62,000 tickets while the All-Star teams knuckled down to more training.

**Silver Dollars Toll Years**  
EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill. (UP)—It was the 90th birthday of Leon G. Smith's mother and he thought she should have a suitable present. He solved the problem by plunking 90 silver dollars in her lap.

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Major Events Of 1940 In Big Spring Traced Day By Day

January

1-Candidates announced in earnest for local office; Albert McGhee robbed, man apprehended. 2-First business census calls made by L. A. Deason, enumerator. Joyce Ann Richardson first baby of year, Weldon Randolph Rainey first boy. Initial CAA class applications taken. 3-Bank deposits show gain. Jack Hodges leaves to become professional scout. Grand jury returns nine indictments. 4-Social security office opened here with Robert M. Mayne in charge. Ray Nichols, Vernon, addressed Methodist men. T. J. Coffey installed as head of Kiwanis club. 5-Fowler Faubion became ABC club president. Frank Wilson died. 6-Fifth snow of season falls. Ten new chamber of commerce directors named. 7-Ted O. Groobl named chamber president. Texas Employment Service announced 14,000 job placements made during 1939. 8-Parallel parking on E. 3rd street retained, and ordered by Gregg. Thirty-two blocks ordered paved. T. S. Currie elevated to presidency of State National bank. 10-Art Wintheiser named municipal airport manager. 11-Soash and Knott school districts combined. City agreed to pay \$100 monthly to support of free venereal clinic. 12-E. W. Lowmire given two year sentence on charge of embezzling city funds. 13-Firemen placed second in Monahans contest. Mrs. Mollie Phillips will testate around \$100,000 protested. 15-G. B. Cunningham resigned as county democratic head. 16-Claude L. Hill, government trapper, went to work. Colorado City did not get in 3-AAA grid loop. 17-J. B. Harding died. Chamber directors approved \$12,000 budget. 18-Al Blount conducted own jailbreak defense, got two years as did Ollie Jackson and Fats Nunn. Rev. Bryan A. Keathley addressed council scout meeting. Charles Paxton, Sweetwater, elected to 10th term as president. Sixth snow falls with 13 degree temperature. 19-Temperature down to 8 degrees. Harry Hines and D. A. Barden addressed chamber banquet. 20-L.S. Patterson made demo-

cratic chairman. Weather bureau announced for Big Spring. 22-Seventh snow falls, temperature 12 degrees. Robert Cash, J. W. Mann, Andrew Nelson, fugitive trio, flushed near here. 23-County asked bids on new warehouse. AAA range parley attended by 75. Homer Norton, Argie coach, speaker at football banquet. Seventh Day Adventists started church building. 24-San Francisco ballet made hit here. Mrs. T. A. Gaakin died at Knott. 25-Coden employees credit unit announced six per cent dividend. 26-Fifty-eight seventh graders went into high school. Temperature dropped to 17. U. S. 80 Highway Association of West Texas planned. 27-President's ball festivities well attended. 29-Mrs. J. F. McCrary died. 29-Elbow lateral road application filed. 31-Local grocers demanded Sunday closings. No fund set up for local U. S. Experiment Farm. J. A. Akers and Henry Lee Forest got two years in federal prison for mauling Mrs. Dora Roberts out of nearly \$300,000. Teachers from nine counties heard L. A. Woods state superintendent, and other speakers.

February

1-Melvin Jones, secretary of Lions International, honored by 225 members from 17 cities. C. C. Brown, vice president of Athletic Institute, Inc., at conference here. City collected 74 per cent of current roll. Cecil Collings held oil company stations liable for chain store tax. Airmail star route one year old. L. F. Lawrence, Luther postmaster, resigned after 40 years service. 2-Ground hog said early spring. John Horn, Fannin county, first traffic casualty in county. A. D. Wilson killed near Westbrook. 3-Experiment farm appropriation restored. Forsan won Big Lake baseball tournament. 4-U. S. army recruiting post reopened here. James A. Davis, Empire Southern Service, moves to Alexandria, La. 5-School room ceiling plaster fell during class hours, repairs ordered for entire system. T. S. Mitchell, injured with Horn, died. 6-Safety check ordered on all schools. 7-G. M. Boswell got 3-year contract at Coahoma. Contract let on



CALL TO COLORS—Big Spring men rushed to registration places October 17 to sign up in the nation's first peacetime draft. The above photo shows a few of Howard county's young men keeping a crew of young women busy taking down draft information.

county warehouse. John J. Sligh died at Baird. Mrs. Johnny C. Miller killed near Odessa. 8-Boy Scout week opened at hut. Eighth snow of season fell. John C. Ratliff appointed justice of peace, succeeding J. H. Hefley, resigned. D. W. Christian, Sr. died. 10-Nineteenth district American Legion convention drew 100. 11-L. E. Lomax died. 12-Bishop R. E. Lucey addressed district meet of National Council for Catholic Women. Vote judges for 1940 named. 13-Fire insurance 20 per cent credit replaced by 15 per cent penalty; city dads outlawed running-board passengers. Rodeo directors hold up announcing show date. 15-H. C. Stipp summarily dismissed as division engineer for railroad commission. 16-Ninth snow of season fell. GWTH (Gone With the Wind) opened at Ritz. Mr. and Mrs. N. I. Dalton observed 50th wedding anniversary. 17-Flash blizzard swept areas, stalling 300 cars, killing nearly 300 sheep, closing three highways. Lon Sheeler died. 19-Mrs. Chris Schafer died. Truck applications heard by Horace Soule, RR commissioner examiner. Hollis Scarborough, Midland, hanged self at Waco vets hospital. 20-Burrs' department store observed 10th anniversary. 21-\$546,000 waterworks improvement program formally accepted. 22-May Pay Oil Co. organized. Malone & Hogan let hospital addition contract. Hortense Monahan, pianist, gave CMA concert. 23-Cliff Day addressed farmer-business man dinner. W. H. Robinson died, third county traffic victim. Chamber sells trees. 24-W. T. (Uncle Bud) Roberts, county's first white settler, died. WTCC convention dates set for May 13-15. Sweetwater won district 5 basketball tournament. 25-VFW district 7 convention held. AAA benefits since 1933 put at \$2,267,546. Band uniform fund over top with \$2,478.21. 26-Music club presents colorful

pageant. 27-Winkler officials who banned book, "Grapes of Wrath," invited to see show here. L. S. McDowell observed 89th birthday. John Abraham Shafer, kinsman of Abraham Lincoln, died. 29-Elbow road job, \$18,000, approved. County gin total 18,470 bales. Leap year baby born to Roy Lays. 14-Rural routes changed. Venereal clinic opened. 16-Mrs. Dan Hudson killed near Ranger. Dale Carnegie told local audience how to win friends and influence people. Martin-Howard soil conservation district approved. 17-Museum held open house. P. D. Lewis got second contract as Forsan superintendent. Wolf and rabbit drive season opened. 18-Club boy livestock drew 135 animals. Henry C. Snodgrass started NYA lake hut (\$6,801) job. Bids asked on 3-year basis for air-mail star route. 19-Kenneth Lewis, Sweetwater, won top honors as stock show end-

March

1-Month came in Lion style. School census started. Lions zone party here. 2-Forsan-Chalk school merger

voted down again. Eugenia Jones named county 4-H Gold Star member. 3-Billy Gene Sadler, 4, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Sadler, fatally gored by bull on Dickens ranch north of Stanton. 4-Matt Harrington named assistant chamber manager. City managers of West Texas meet here. Luther Bodine, his son, L. E. Bodine, Jr., and nephew, Aubrey Allen Bodine, killed in grade crossing crash at Coahoma. Frank's Department store destroyed by fire. 5-County voting strength placed at 6,943. 6-Forth at welfare district party. Mr. and Mrs. John C. Adams, Coahoma, observe Golden Wedding anniversary. 7-Lint production for Howard county put at 15,490 bales. 8-School out as teachers went to West Texas Teachers association meet at Plainview. Ten counties represented in AAA session here. 9-Food and clothing for needy furnished in 1939 valued at \$27,000. 10-Apartment shucked by gas explosion, none hurt. 13-City commission voted special summer water rate early. Gordon Bigham, Midland, RR commission petroleum engineer, arrested on bribery charge. H. C. Stipp reinstated in office with more authority. C. H. Newton arrived to open weather bureau. 14-Rural routes changed. Venereal clinic opened. 16-Mrs. Dan Hudson killed near Ranger. Dale Carnegie told local audience how to win friends and influence people. Martin-Howard soil conservation district approved. 17-Museum held open house. P. D. Lewis got second contract as Forsan superintendent. Wolf and rabbit drive season opened. 18-Club boy livestock drew 135 animals. Henry C. Snodgrass started NYA lake hut (\$6,801) job. Bids asked on 3-year basis for air-mail star route. 19-Kenneth Lewis, Sweetwater, won top honors as stock show end-

ed. Henry Moates won county honors. 20-Fifty club calves average 9.92 on auction. 22-W. R. and Nancy Dawes gave joint concert. Land use planning committee organized. 23-Area lawyers talked about procedure. 24-Easter cold snap drove amphitheatre program indoors. 25-CMA membership drive planned. West Texas Teachers meet landed for here in 1941. County elects to buy gasoline in carload lots. 27-B. J. McDaniel named exalted ruler of Elks. 28-North Texas branch of Episcopalian auxiliary meets here. Bank deposits show decline. 30-CMA membership drive went over. Coahoma swept county interscholastic league contests. 31-Tom Bradshaw became Settlers manager. City finished fiscal year \$6,800 under budget.

April

1-City showed \$6,600 saving under its budget for fiscal year. 2-R. L. Cook, J. B. Collins and W. S. Satterwhite were elected to places on the city commission. 4-Approximately 250 members signed up for Permian Basin Oil and Gas association in two days drive. 6-Local students placed in district interscholastic league events at Sweetwater. Local officials for West Texas chamber of commerce convention named. Beneficial rains visited West Texas. More than 100 insurance men gathered for convention of American National Insurance Co. 7-Isabelle Mesmer, brunette slayer, escaped Ector county jail. Mrs. I. E. Waason died in home here. 8-New city commissioners named April 2 take office. 10-Burke Summers was nominated president of the Lions club. 12-H. B. Spence, 34, Midland, executive secretary of the Permian

Basin association, killed in accident in downtown Odessa. 16-Ira Thurman was named Rotary club president. 17-Four railway brotherhoods of Texas convened in Big Spring. Contracts let for construction of Cowper Clinic. 18-Two cases of smallpox ordered isolated here. 20-Salvation Army bought site in Big Spring for a home. Coden announces that headquarters of offices will be moved to Big Spring. 21-First performances of Big Spring horse show held. 22-Registration for West Texas chamber of commerce convention opened. 23-Flood control project for city of Big Spring outlined. Charles D. Read, second oldest settler of the city, died. 24-T. J. Richards, West Texas rancher, rodeo performer and pilot, killed in plane accident near Dallas. J. H. "Dad" Hefley, veteran peace officer, died at home here. 25-Mrs. Fannie Laura McNew, resident of Big Spring 39 years, died.

May

1-Mrs. Lula B. Hefley dies. 4-Democratic precinct conventions held. 5-Tiny Tot bathing revue opens municipal swimming pool season. 6-County WPA sewing room closes. 7-County democratic convention held; delegates uninstructed. 8-Ten local youths selected for CAA air training course. City and county realize \$1,538 in tax auction. 12-Henry Paradies, Big Spring, dies in Lubbock hospital of auto wreck injuries. 13-Mrs. Laura Bynum dies at home near Center Point. 15-Public hearing held on new city budget of \$372,700. 16-West Texas Chamber of Com-

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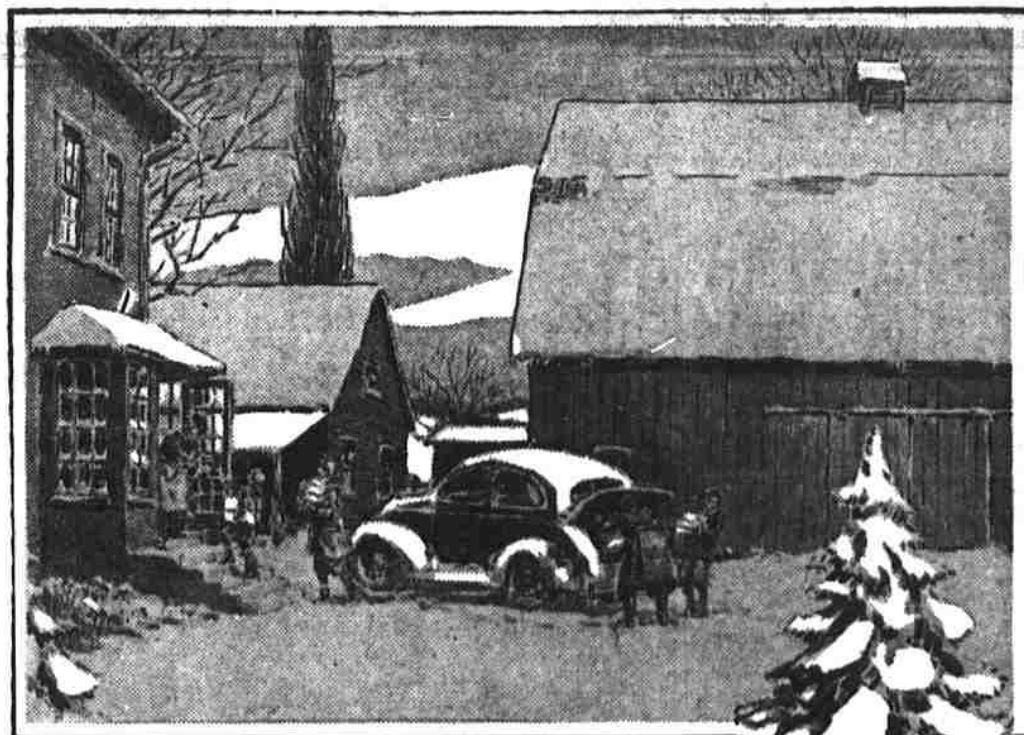


HEALTH, HAPPINESS, PROSPERITY .....

In view of the fact that we are so graciously privileged to live in a land where we may observe the birth of our SAVIOUR, we wish to extend to every one our personal greetings for a HAPPY (meaning blessed) CHRISTMAS. We should be the happiest people on earth today—



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May the Christmas of 1940 Be a Forerunner for a Happy 1941

We cannot get away from the thought that our patrons have made it possible for us to go forward with this business, and it is therefore our greatest pleasure to remember you with kindly greetings and every good wish we know to send at Christmas time.

We feel that we have made progress with our business during the past year, but whatever we have accomplished, we have done so because of the loyalty of our friends and patrons . . . Again we say, THE BEST OF EVERYTHING TO YOU AND YOURS THIS HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!

EMPLOYEES OF

Big Spring Motor Co.

Your Ford, Mercury and Lincoln-Zephyr Dealer

# Railroad Santa Claus Will Follow Usual Gift Giving Custom Again

CLEBURNE, Tex., Dec. 24 (UP)—Engineer Joe Gerard, the Santa Fe Santa Claus, has laid in a supply of presents for this 34th annual Christmas "run" from Cleburne to Purcell, Okla.

At 72, the oldest engineer employed in the Santa Fe system, Gerard plans to drop more than two-score of packages to "shack-families" along the tracks to Purcell.

Gerard is a ruddy man with blue eyes. He started the trip to Purcell in 1901. He says he knows every curve, every bump on the road, and "every tie as well." He now makes 11 trips a month, consuming 22 days.

Christmas morning he will don his Santa suit, pile his toys, candy and clothes to be distributed to the needy children, in the cab, and "highball" out with old No. 3450.

Never Slows Train

Without slowing his train, Gerard makes accurate shots into the yards of persons he has chosen to give presents. Tiny children and adults alike stand along the right-of-way to wave the 72-year-old Santa Claus along his way.

Christmas is the only day Gerard wears a Santa Claus suit. But his benefactions spread throughout the entire year. On each run he distributes comics, magazines and frequently clothes to the children along the Santa Fe tracks.

He spends several hours every day gathering old magazines and newspapers from newsstands and agencies. His wife complained that she couldn't keep a magazine in the house.

"I throw them to the poor people who live in tents and dugouts along the road," the engineer said. "They never see anything and they get a kick out of the comics and the magazines."

Many children have grown up since Gerard started his run. Frequently some grown person will approach him and say, "You don't remember me, but I'm the little blonde-haired girl who lived two miles north of the Red River and you used to bring candy and magazines."

He gets many "fan letters," as he calls them, after Christmas.

There are no names on the tags tied to the packages he drops, only mile-post numbers.

**Santa Suit Nearly New**

This year Gerard will wear his second time. Last year the Gainesville Community Circus gave him new Santa Claus suit for the a new one after his old costume—with flowing cotton whiskers and cotton trimmings—had been condemned as a fire trap.

There was danger that the suit would catch fire when the fireman stoked the boilers.

The aging railroader said that his greatest thrill came when he threw a new cotton dress—with a zipper to a little girl who lived along the roadbed several years ago.

"She stood by the tracks waving at me," he said. "Her little dress was ragged and torn, so I decided to buy her a new one. Well, sir, after I had thrown it to her she just waited for the next trip and then stood there waving. She was proud as punch."

Gerard doesn't know when he'll retire. Still hale and hearty, he said. He does hope, however, that his successor will carry on the tradition of the "Santa Fe Santa Claus."

# Comic Chorus Accompanies Major Events

**AP Feature Service**

The earth-shaking news of 1940 was sung out to the accompaniment of a comic chorus.

Maybe you don't remember (but we do) that the wife of a Florida furniture factory worker announced she expected to have quintuplets momentarily. Soon she decided she had misunderstood her physician's comments and confirmed this by having a single baby—a girl. Not until then did the excitement die down.

And that's just a sample.

In the field of law and order, things had a way of getting out of hand. In Memphis, the policeman in a theatre production was late for rehearsal because he had been arrested. In Chattanooga and Walnut Creek, Calif., men were convicted of riding horses while drunk. At Los Angeles, regulations issued by the police department contained the injunction that officers "must look intelligent at all times."

Names made goofy news, too. Movie Producer Samuel Goldwyn, after discovering Doris Jordan, discovered he previously had discovered her when she was known as Doris Davenport. Competing drugstore named Large and Small turned up in Los Angeles. In the same town, two women named Tew got divorces the same day. The Tew's day was Friday.

Horse No. 422 of the Chicago traffic department was a woman on the hand. The night before eight other police horses had appeared on the stage in a performance of "Carmen." Said Police Captain David Flynn of the traffic division: "Horse No. 422 was mad because he didn't get to play a part."

When Henry Atkinson of Berkeley, Calif., decided to shoot a sick cat, the gun exploded, the cat escaped, and Atkinson went to the hospital with a 6-inch metal fragment in his chest. A hunter at Byeville, O., shot a squirrel which, upon reviving, ran back up the tree and knocked over the gun, which discharged and hit the hunter in the leg.

A San Francisco man left a will bequeathing his two daughters "1/2 apiece and a father's curse." A Chicago businessman willed Mae West a diamond and a pearl stickpin and invited her to "come up and see me some time."

A thief who tried fruitlessly to break the padlock on Harry Whiteside's garage in Middletown, O., gave up in disgust and put another padlock on the garage, leaving with the key. In El Centro, Calif., an entire train was stolen.

A coyote dove through a window pane into the house of Mrs. Emery Garrett of Tonopah, Nev., and was cornered and shot in the bathtub. A mouse which had been stealing paper money from Ray Grunert's cash register in a Chicago restaurant was caught in a trap baited with a dollar bill.



LUTHER E. LAWRENCE, for whom the Luther community post-office is named, called it quits early this year after spending 40 years in the federal postal service. He is shown with a son, Charles Lawrence.

# Headlines Of 1940

- JANUARY: SENATOR BORAH DIES**  
92 Die in Bartley, W. Va., Mine Explosion.  
American-Japanese Trade Treaty Expires.  
Hore-Belisha Deposed as British War Secretary.  
Daladier Urges Mechanized Forces.
- FEBRUARY: BRITISH RESCUE 326 FROM PRISON SHIP**  
Sumner Welles Makes "Mystery Tour" of Europe.  
FDR's Name In Illinois Primary.
- MARCH: FINNS GIVE IN TO RUSSIA**  
Seabiscuit Wins Santa Anita Handicap; Tops Money Winners.  
73 Die in Willow Grove, O., Mine Disaster.  
U. S. Income Tax Yields Up 31% Over 1930 Collections.
- APRIL: GERMAN ARMY INVADES NORWAY**  
U. S. Admiral Taussig Sees War With Japan.  
Congress Extends Hull's Trade Pact Powers.  
Churchill Speeds British War Effort.
- MAY: GERMAN ARMY SMASHES LOWLANDS**  
British Fleet, Pleasure Craft Rescue Army From Dunkerque.  
Roosevelt Asks Increased Arms Budget, 50,000 Planes.  
Chamberlain Quits; Churchill Gets Dictator Power.  
French, British Armies Trapped.  
King Leopold Surrenders.
- JUNE: FRENCH ARMY COLLAPSES**  
Willkie Wins GOP Nomination; Old Guard Flabbergasted.  
Italy Declares War; FDR Calls It "Stab-in-Back."  
Knox and Stimson, Republicans, Named to Cabinet.  
Russia Takes Over Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.
- JULY: JAPAN GOES TOTALITARIAN**  
Roosevelt Gets Third-Term Nomination.  
Petain Heads French Totalitarian Regime.  
American Republics Approve Hemisphere Defense Plan.  
Russia Takes Bessarabia From Rumania.  
British Smash Fleet.
- AUGUST: TROTZKY ASSASSINATED**  
U. S. Registers Alien Residents.  
25 Die in Worst U. S. Airliner Crash; Lundeen Victim.  
FDR Gets Power To Call National Guard for Training.
- SEPTEMBER: U. S. ORDERS TWO-OCEAN NAVY**  
FDR Announces Destroyers-for-Atlantic-Bases Trade.  
Nazis Open Large-Scale Raids on London.  
Rumania Cedes Territory to Hungary and Bulgaria.  
U. S. Votes First Peacetime Draft; 17,000,000 Affected.  
Japan and Axis Sign Pact; Held Warning to U. S.  
Marc de Tristan Kidnaped; Rescued by Woodsman.  
British, Free French Fail To Seize Dakar.  
Jones Succeeds Hopkins as Commerce Secretary.  
Carol Abdicates; Michael Takes Rumanian Throne.
- OCTOBER: BRITISH BOMB NAZI SUPPLY BASES**  
Italian Offensive in Egypt Stalled.  
Italian Armies Cross Greek Border; Greeks Mobilize.  
U. S. Embargoes Scrap Steel and Aviation Gasoline.  
U. S. Backs Britain in Re-opening Burma Road.  
U. S. Bolsters Air Fleet in Philippines.  
Nazis Admit War Will Continue Through Winter.  
U. S. Urges Citizens To Leave Far East.  
Nazis Occupy Rumania To "Guard Oil Wells."
- NOVEMBER: FDR GETS THIRD TERM**  
Tacoma Bridge Collapses.  
Greek Evzones Chase Italians Into Albania.  
British Catch Italian Navy in Taranto Harbor.  
Earthquakes Damage Rumanian Oil Fields; Kill 1,000.  
Sabotage Hinted in Chain of Powder Plant Blasts.  
Lewis Resigns CIO Presidency Because Willkie Lost.
- DECEMBER: GREEKS CONTINUE ROUT OF ITALIANS**  
Wallace Attends Mexican Inaugural.  
Mussolini Orders Shakeup of Fighting Force.  
Ambassador Kennedy Quits.  
Roosevelt Inspects Caribbean Bases.  
British Take Offensive in Egypt; Italians Captured.  
Lord Lothian Dies.

# Green Trees Lead Sales

Silver is creeping in on Christmas, but when it comes to Yule trees, most Big Spring people still prefer their gift tree green.

It may be that green trees are less trouble and less expensive, but a survey of grocery and fruit stand dealers show that it's worse than 2-1 for untouched offerings among those who know their Christmas trees best.

However, if it were left up to the lady of the house, silver would immediately gain in popularity, for a generous portion of the fairer sex admits to a secret desire for a silver tree adorned exclusively with blue lights.

With the advent of spray paint guns, it is becoming easier for the average householder to wag home a silver tree, for a few shots of aluminum paint does the trick. But somehow, Dad was brought up on the good old green tree, and whether it's a Douglas or White fir from New Mexico or a native scrub cedar, that's the color he wants for a background for gifts and vari-colored lights.

The first patent in America was granted 150 years ago.

To Our  
Many Friends  
and  
Customers  
**Brenner's STORE**

At this glad season, when peace, good will and fellowship are so much in evidence, we extend Season's Greetings.

May you enjoy the associations of those dear to you, and may their companionship continue through the years to come.

Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year to all!

**YOUTH BEAUTY SHOP**

**MODEST MAIDENS**  
Trademark Registered U. S. Patent Office

"Whom shall I say is calling Sir?"

Chronic Alcoholic Tipped, He's Nervous, Tired Man

CHICAGO. (UP)—The average chronic alcoholic, according to the

National W. C. T. U., is a professional man, past 30, father of at least one child, an incessant smoker, nervous, tired and undernourished.

The composite picture is based on a statistical study of 400,000 cases treated during the past 60 years at the Keeley Institute, Dwight, Ill.

Museum Will Exhibit Indian Treaty of 1825

ST. PAUL, Minn. (UP)—A faded treaty, drawn up 115 years ago to settle an Indian war, will be placed in the museum of the Minnesota Historical Society.

The tattered document, signed at Prairie du Chien in 1825 and shortly afterward ratified by congress, settled a boundary dispute among eight tribes.

Rough Lives Up To Name And Receives \$75 Fine

CAMDEN, N. J. (UP)—William Rough took his name too literally and, as a result, was ordered by the judge to pay a \$75 fine.

Rough was arrested on assault and battery charges preferred by Mrs. Jean Shough. After a party at the Shoughs, according to testimony, they left the house in a car. The party got rougher, and Mrs. Shough was beaten.

**Judge Nods Agreement Over Speeder's Alibi**

SPOKANE, Wash. (UP)—Because the judge had experienced similar trouble, John Green, 18, escaped conviction in police court.

He appeared to answer charges of speeding and failing to stop at an arterial highway.

Green said he thought his father's car had developed serious trouble and was running to a garage to save his father a tow bill.

"That same thing happened to me," said Judge Frank Yuse. "I drove from Pasco to Walla Walla not knowing what was wrong."

"Not guilty on both charges."

**A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE**

It is with true appreciation of the fine patronage that you have extended us in the past year that we pause at this glad time of the year to express our sincere good wishes for a most enjoyable Christmas and a successful New Year.

**J & L DRUG**  
"GOTEVERTHING"

**Pete The Pelican Saved Despite Greedy Appetite**

NASAU, N. H. (UP)—Pete the Pelican is back on guard duty at the lily pond of John T. Benson, wild animal farm owner, after nearly losing his life when he tangled with a horned pout.

The bird protects the pink, blue, red and white water lilies from destruction by water rodents. Pete eats fish and frogs, but when he tried to swallow a horned pout, the fish's horns stuck in his inner mouth. Attendants removed the fish with a pair of pliers.

**Tombstones Are Graphic**

LEWISVILLE, Pa. (UP)—Mute evidence of the initiative of stone engravers of another era has attracted tourists to an old cemetery here. A rude figure of an animal with claws is carved on the tombstone of a man killed by a panther, while a carving of a hand reaching for the five of diamonds indicates the grave of a woman who died while playing cards.

**Great Lakes Air Patrol Spots Illegal Fishing**

LANSING, Mich. (UP)—Reconnaissance flights over the Great Lakes commercial fishing grounds are proving effective in the restriction of illegal fishing activity.

One of the most recent and fruitful hauls reported by the state conservation department was the confiscation of more than 11 miles of gill nets in the south end of Lake Michigan.

The airplane is equipped with a two-way radio wireless and in flights over fishing grounds in Lakes Michigan, Superior, Huron, St. Clair and Erie, observers are able to instruct patrol craft and shore stations as to the whereabouts of illegally placed nets.

**City Council Flips Coin To Decide On Contract**

EL PASO, (UP)—Coin-flipping, the typical American way of settling minor disputes and of determining who will buy the drinks, was resorted to in El Paso to decide which of two big pipe companies would get a \$3,000,000 order.

The coin-flipping was recommended by the city council after each company had submitted identical bids on pipe prices for the city.

With representatives of both companies present, the city purchasing agent flipped the coin and the deal was settled.

**New Compound In Use For Artificial Noses**

CHICAGO. (UP)—The newest development in plastic surgery is the discovery of a rubber compound for the making of artificial ears and noses which Dr. Arthur H. Bulbulla, Rochester, Minn., calls the most satisfactory material yet devised.

The liquid compound is put into a suitable mold to dry in the air. It resembles the human ear or nose so closely that it is "not readily noticed unless it is examined carefully," Dr. Bulbulla said. It is a flexible material which may be dyed to the natural skin color.

**Christmas GREETINGS**

Serving You Has Been A PLEASURE

We are, indeed, very grateful that you appreciate our efforts to make our business succeed on a strict basis of merit and courtesy. . . . The liberality of your patronage naturally makes us feel better at this season.

And now in return we give you in all sincerity our hearty best wishes for the MERRIEST AND BEST CHRISTMAS ever, followed by an equally prosperous NEW YEAR!

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700 Scurry St. Phone 30

A Most Joyous Christmas And A Prosperous New Year

We wish for you all the happiness and good fortune you could possibly wish for yourself.

We thank you sincerely for your patronage, and ask a continuance of our pleasant relations during the coming year.

**Walker Wrecking Co.**  
Big Spring, Texas

**Season's Greetings**

Among our assets we like to count the only one that money cannot buy—your good will. And so at this happy holiday season we extend to you—not as a customer alone, but as a friend—the best wishes for Christmas and the coming year . . .

**PITMAN'S**  
Big Spring's Oldest Jeweler's

**One Moment, Please!**

Stop unwrapping your gifts just long enough for us to say "Merry Christmas" and "Thank You." . . . We hope you get everything you have longed for and a lot more, too.

**ROSS BARBECUE**

In the true friendly spirit that dominates the entire world of this time, we extend our wishes for a delightful Yuletide Season and a successful New Year. We sincerely hope that the pleasure we have had in serving you in the past has been mutual, and we wish to take this occasion to thank you for all past favors.

**The Liberty Cafe**  
103 West 1st

# Farm Income Highest Since '29 Boom Year

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (UP)—Farm income this year has reached an 11-year peak.

Agriculture Department reports indicate a gross farm income of at least \$10,500,000,000—largest since 1929. It will be approximately \$750,000,000 higher than last year.

In terms of purchasing power, farmers can buy about 5 per cent more than they could in that peak year of "prosperity," 1929. The prices which farmers pay are lower than they were in that boom year.

Only twice since 1929 has farm income exceeded \$10,000,000,000. That was in 1930—\$10,337,000,000—and 1937—\$10,425,000,000. Last year's farm income—including the things produced and consumed on the farm—totalled \$9,769,950,000.

Gain Is Nationwide  
During the first 10 months of this year—for which complete reports are available—cash farm income was 7 per cent higher than for the same months of 1939. Virtually every section of the nation shared in the increase.

Last year farmers had a cash income of \$8,539,000,000, comprising \$3,237,996,000 from the sale of crops, \$4,494,511,000 from sale of livestock and \$807,093,000 from government payments. That was \$500,000,000 larger than the 1938 total.

Cash income for January through October was \$7,314,000,000 compared with \$6,833,000,000 in the same period of 1939. Government payments comprised \$817,000,000 of the 1940 figure, compared with \$640,000,000 in the first ten months of 1939.

The bureau of agricultural economics predicted that November and December farm income reports will show some increase over the corresponding months of 1939. Cash income in both months was expected to exceed \$1,000,000,000.

Cotton Less Favorable  
Although all groups of farm products have shared in the increased income, most of the gain has resulted from larger returns from grains, dairy products and meat animals. Cotton farmers received a smaller increase.

In the six geographical regions of the United States, cash farm income this year has been higher than last year in four, the same in one and less in one.

The nine North Atlantic states all showed increases ranging from 1 per cent in Rhode Island to 17 per cent in Connecticut for the first 10 months of the year.

Cash income in the seven east North Central states ranged from 5 to 14 per cent, and averaged 10 per cent. The west North Central section compiling eight states all

# SANTA GIANT-KILLER

BY SIGRID ARNE

THE STORY SO FAR: Eric, a fisherman's son, has freed the kingdom of the good gray Queen three giants. He has helped three princes in trouble. Now he starts homeward.

## A KINGDOM AND A BRIDE

The news of Eric's good fortune traveled before him. So that when he rode into the good gray Queen's capital he heard trumpets playing a march. On the castle lawn he saw the Queen on a throne at the end of a long avenue of people who shouted when they saw Eric's winged horse drop down on the turf.

Eric looked about wondering. A knight in armor stepped up to him and said, "The Queen wishes to speak with you."

Eric felt shy. But there was nothing to do but walk down that long lane of shouting people. He bowed right and left.

The good, gray Queen smiled at him warmly. On her left sat Princess Karin. She wore a shimmering white dress embroidered with garlands of rosebuds. In her yellow hair there was a crown of pale pink roses. She smiled shyly.

On the queen's left sat Santa Claus, dressed again in his cheery red suit with the bands of white fur. He was munching a coconut nookie and he wicker walked back.

Then the Queen spoke. "Eric," she said, "we have heard that you were set the task of proving your worth as a king. You have done so. Tomorrow you shall go home to rule your own land."

## You Are Wise Enough

You gave my kingdom help when no one else was able to break the spell of the three giants. The fairy world helped you with a magic locket and a magic seashell. But you also used your own wits. So you are wise enough to rule.

"Then when your own task was finished you stopped to help three brothers in trouble. So you are both kind and generous enough to be king. Before you go I want to reward you. Is there anything

showed increases and the section averaged 14 per cent. Income from marketings was higher in the eight South Atlantic states, but because of smaller government payments the total was unchanged from last year. The eleven western states showed increases averaging 5 per cent.

In the South Central region all states except Kentucky reported declines ranging from 3 per cent in Tennessee to 151 per cent in Mississippi. The average decline was 5 per cent.



SANTA BROUGHT THE YOUNG COUPLE A BIG BOUQUET OF MATRIOTIE.

in my kingdom you would have?" Eric had been listening, but his eyes had been looking at Karin. The queen saw and smiled. Karin's cheeks were rosy with a blush.

Eric said, "Good Queen, where I rule there must be a queen to sit on my right hand. May I ask for your princess in marriage?"

"Gladly," said the queen. "Then Santa said, 'Eric, I have neglected my work because I was so interested in your task. Now I have a favor to ask. It looks to me there will be a wedding in this kingdom. And I want very much to come and bring Mrs. Santa. But now I must rush home and finish my toys. On next Christmas Day my work will be over for a while. Will you young people set the wedding for Christmas Day?'"

Eric looked to see what Karin would say and she nodded her head happily.

## Made A New Dress

After a big banquet in the palace the travelers all set out for their homes to prepare for the wedding on Christmas Day. Eric hurried to his father and mother.

Santa was so excited that Mrs. Santa sat right down and made herself a new dress for the wedding. It was red and it was trimmed with white ermine tails. The good gray Queen sent an invitation to King Neptune by a seagull. And Eric sent invitations to the three princes of Thurgina.

They all met that next Christmas Day at the castle of the good gray Queen. Eric and Karin were mar-

ried and even the winged horse came to the wedding feast.

Santa brought the young couple a big bouquet of matietoe and a silky, white fur lap robe. King Neptune gave them a boat with blue silk sails, and the Queen gave them a coach and 12 white horses to carry them to Eric's kingdom.

Eric and Karin set out at dusk. Santa followed them in his sleigh for a while. Before he left them, they heard him shouting, "Merry Christmas!"

That was many, many years ago. Eric and Karin lived to be very old. But Santa is as young as ever. Listen for him tonight. You may hear him in the sky shouting, "Merry Christmas, one and all!"

## Letters From Home Fail To Catch Up With Sailor

AUCKLAND, N. Z. (UP)—Letters from his family have never reached a young Latvian seaman, because he travels round the world so fast.

He is Leonards Voltkevics, who left his father's farm in Latvia six years ago when he was only 13, and has been sailing the seas since. Voltkevics was left in Auckland by a Norwegian tanker, to undergo an operation.

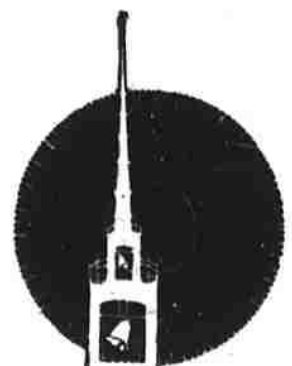
He is a man without a country, for Latvia has lost its independence since the Russian demands on the country were accepted.



# Pleasant Yuletide Thoughts

THE YULETIDE SEASON brings with it pleasant thoughts of friendships—tried, proven and cherished throughout the past. It makes us realize that friendly associations with our fellow men are invaluable in both public and private life and are above things material.

It is significant of the season, then, that we pause to say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. And for your friendships and favors we are truly grateful.



Coca Cola Bottling Company

# A JOYOUS YULETIDE!

## TO ONE AND ALL

- Harry Lester
- Escol Compton
- Jim Turpin
- Dewey Pheland
- Howard Lester
- Era Wallace
- J. D. Cox
- E. L. Davis
- F. H. Franklin

We feel deeply grateful for the consideration you have so kindly extended to us in the past and take this opportunity, as the year draws to a close, to thank you for all the fine things that have been ours to enjoy. In the NEW YEAR, we pledge continued effort on our part to merit your good will. In appreciation of this valued good will, and the splendid patronage resulting from it, we extend to you and yours a cordial greeting at this, the happiest of all seasons. May the New Year be filled with all the good things you so much desire.



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# HAPPY NEW YEAR!

# Major Events Of 1940 In Big Spring Traced Day By Day

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merce convention opens in Big Spring.

21—Weldon McClellan Bennett, veteran T. & P. conductor, dies.

22—Seventh grade students—205 strong—graduate.

23—Kermit Sharp, 6, and Eloise Sharp, 2, drown in Birdwell tank in east Big Spring.

24—Letter carriers from 10 Texas cities open convention in Big Spring.

## June

1—T. J. Dunlap became Herald circulation manager.

2—Population of Big Spring announced as 12,604, an eight per cent decrease. Improved sector of highway 9 south of Big Spring opened.

3—War refugee drive by Red Cross exceeds quota.

4—Mrs. Margaret Ella McMurray, mother of 21 children, dies.

5—Lloyd Hamlin, 14, killed by lightning while working on farm near Big Spring.

11—City commissioners decide to sue on paving bills.

14—County shows increase in

population—from 22,888 to 23,500—according to announcement of census takers.

15—Appointment of R. L. Tolett to succeed Henry Zweifel as president of Cosden Petroleum corporation announced.

17—Mrs. Elizabeth Comfort Little found dead in bed at her home.

18—Crop saving rain fell in Big Spring area. Agreement reached that Big Spring would have rodeo in August.

20—First water pumped from Powell Creek lake into city mains. Big Spring Barons baseball club transferred to Odessa announced.

23—Soaking rains definitely ended drought.

24—R. M. Hoff charged with unlawful sale of securities.

25—W. S. Garnett, former pastor of a Big Spring church, charged with unlawful sale of securities.

26—Receivership action instituted against Western and Southern Oil corporation.

29—August 14-15 fixed as dates for rodeo.

## July

1—The second C. A. A. training program beginning to be organized

and students were signing up at chamber of commerce office. The American Legion presented Texas Stars on Parade at the football stadium before a large crowd.

2—Bank deposits up from the year before, and loans were off.

The Salvation Army celebrated its 75th anniversary of the founding of the organization with an outdoor meeting at the courthouse lawn. Funds were provided for the R. E. A. project in this area. Dr. Clyde Thomas joined the Hall and Bennett Clinic staff.

3—The city announced the purchase of Birdwell Tank and made plans to beautify the grounds. John Garrison was seriously burned by electricity in Lamesa. The Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Schurman left for a new post in San Benito.

4—Thousands attended the inauguration program of the amphitheatre and saw a fireworks display. Mary Nell Edwards placed in the sponsor contest at the Stamford rodeo contest.

7—O. B. Bryan, Stanton, was named supervisor of the R. E. A. unit. Cowper Clinic held open house following completion of the new building. Tony Rego sold the baseball interests to a group of Odessa sportsmen. Dorothy Dublin, who was stricken with infantile paralysis a year ago was reported improving.

8—Baptist week-long encampment for young people began out at the old CCC site. Judge James V. Allred addressed 250 men of the First Methodist, First Baptist and First Christian churches. An appeal for houses for Cosden employees coming here from Fort Worth was voiced by the chamber of commerce.

9—The advanced C. A. A. flight course was approved for Big Spring. Martin county old-settlers had their annual reunion.

11—Chamber of commerce began its weekly entertainment programs at the amphitheatre. John Marsh became manager of radio station KBST. The H&H food store moved to a new location at 222 W. Third.

12—Collins Bros. opened new Walgreen store.

13—The local Firemen entertained the Permian Basin Volunteer Firemen Association with stunts, program and a dance.

14—Dr. Jack M. Woodall joined the Malone and Hogan Clinic-Hospital staff. Fontaine Hair dies in a local hospital.

19—The W. H. Cardwells observe their 58th wedding anniversary.

21—Big Spring gets the nod from the Dies committee as harboring communists in its borders.

22—The Cosden pipeline completed from Hockley county to the Cosden refinery. State employment service fills 478 jobs in three months, it announces. Work order issued on \$65,400 airport improvement project by WPA.

28—Old Settlers of Howard county have picnic and reunion at Cottonwood park.

27—A record vote in the local



DEFENSE TALK stepped up the CAA civilian pilot training program here, and one class of secondary training, such as would qualify graduates to enter Randolph field, was held here during the year. Dr. P. W. Malone, C. of C. aviation chairman, and Harvey Morris, ground instructor, at left, and Art Wintheliser and Bill Edwards, flight instructors, right, are shown with the fledgling fliers.

election is noted with approval.

31—T&P moves division headquarters to Fort Worth with loss of many families here. A. E. Pistole became special representative for company and located in Dallas.

## August

1—A. E. Pistole left for new job as special representative for T&P and will be located in Dallas.

4—The Bennett Polo Field dedicated. Mrs. M. E. Barrett honored on 58th birthday.

5—Thirty cards pledged for initial rodeo booster trip. Rains come to West Texas with up to 3 inches in area.

7—Midland frays good neighbors policy and buys 300 rodeo tickets.

8—Four Brotherhood had over 300 at annual picnic.

11—Life magazine took picture of Peter Hurd's all fresco mural at the postoffice.

14—Seventh annual Big Spring rodeo proved successful, deficit only about \$300.

18—County budget for 1941 calling for \$207,000 adopted.

19—Mrs. M. E. Zinn honored on her 94th birthday by First Methodist church congregation. Garbage collection instituted for city. Jerry Mann reported to Howard county at Crawford luncheon.

21—New record set in absentee balloting.

23—James V. Allred, spoke at amphitheatre at city park.

24—Large shake-up in election with more than 4,800 at the polls, largest ever in second primary.

28—Alien registration began at postoffice. Pete Johnson, pioneer resident, succumbed.

29—Final park program held. Big Spring planned to go to Midland rodeo.

open; Chamber of commerce voted to continue decision week.

10—Mrs. Frank Boyle died; Braniff Airways officials checked air route through West Texas; City acted to trim interest costs on \$60,000 bond issue.

11—First cold weather hits Big Spring.

12—Arthur Woodall re-elected head of Big Spring National Farm Loan Association.

14—Texas Liquor Control Board for district causes surrender of supplemental beer licenses; first parity checks arrive for cotton producers; Walter Grice named democratic nominee for justice of peace in vacancy created by death of Newt Robinson.

16—Big Spring independent school district adopts budget; Methodist women sign charter of Society of Christian Service.

18—Delphians held first meeting of season.

19—Joe C. Moore held guilty on a statutory charge in 70th district court and sentenced to 25 years.

20—More licenses surrendered in liquor control drive; Austin of El Paso beats Big Spring footballers.

21—Ten awarded CAA flight scholarships.

23—John Hendrix, executive secretary of U. S. 80 Highway association of West Texas speaks before chamber of commerce directors meeting; Big Spring pastors look toward creation of community chest; Installation held for new officers of First Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service.

24—Big Spring business men go to goodwill dinner at Garden City; Past due accounts on city paving project forces new policy of assessment for work.

26—Lions from seven cities in area join in zone meeting; Moore P.T.A. organizes for new year.

27—County and home demonstration agents from extension service district 6 attend school to discuss use of electricity on farms; Big Spring defeated by Lubbock grid-diers.

28—Liquor board files 33 complaints against liquor law violators in Colorado City; Frezer locker plant advocates propose to get some established business to handle the venture.

30—Volunteers asked to assist in selective service registration.

30—Scout leaders draft organization to raise Big Spring district quota for the Buffalo Trail Boy Scout council.

## September

1—Cosden head office employees transferred from Fort Worth; Mrs. Anna Pearl Malone died.

2—Big Spring formed motorcycle to Midland rodeo. Steers opened football practice; Hugh Duncan elected district governor of American Business Club; E. C. Nix of Colorado City won Big Spring Country club golf tournament; four blocks of paved streets were opened.

3—Big Spring school district fixed budget for year.

4—Big Spring's four service organizations held first joint meeting.

5—Increase in Howard county wheat allotment announced.

6—Grand jury recommended jail imprisonment and continued ban on pool halls; Newton Robinson, democratic nominee for justice of the peace, died from injuries received in auto crash; Mrs. L. A. Ford died suddenly.

7—Verdict for defendants entered in court records by Judge Cecil Collins in damage suit of W. E. Allison and wife against Cunningham and Phillips.

8—Alice Phillips won women's city golf championship.

9—Big Spring public schools

gate of 1,020 bales of cotton handled up to date today.

6—James Allen Nelson, 91 and West Texas pioneer, died; West Side Baptist church appealed for help in building program in a "Dollar Day" service.

7—Work order for building on postoffice announced by Postmaster Nat Shick.

8—City lined up in program to improve US Highway 80; City takes action to collect 'old paving' accounts.

9—George White, Bruce Frazier, and H. Hooser appointed to Big Spring draft board.

10—Work order issued on REA project; airport terminal project approved; Scout fund drive gets underway.

11—Big Spring in deadlock with Odessa footballers.

12—Local registrars report "ready" on military sign-up.

14—Quarters of draft board established in Nat'l Bank Building; Vigorous protest made as noon mail service discontinued without prior notice; Petition bearing 1,015 signatures submitted to commissioners court calling for liquor election.

16—Local men register under selective service act; E. W. Lowmyer accepts prison term for embezzling city water department funds.

17—Draftees serial numbers are drawn.

18—Mrs. Ray Lawrence named roll call chairman for the Red Cross as members meet for organization and to set date, Nov. 5, for the beginning of the drive. Big Spring Steers triumph over Lamesa, 10-0.

19—Howard county completes registration of draftees with 2,718 total.

20—Lions of district 2-T meet and discuss plans for convention at Amarillo.

21—Mrs. Preston R. Sanders and James R. Blair, Jr., called for military duty.

22—Liquor referendum announced for Nov. 5.

23—NYA resident center for Big Spring approved; Cliff Wiley named director of annual finance campaign for Salvation Army.

24—Afternoon mail service to and from the east is restored after 10-day disruption.

25—Building acquired as new home for the Herald; Big Spring defeats Midland Bulldogs, 6-0.

26—Lions from seven cities in zone meeting here.

27—County and home demonstration agents from district No. 6

## October

1—City of Big Spring completes 1940 tax rolls and mails statements.

2—Move for a road connecting Big Spring and Snyder, county seats of Howard and Scurry counties, took concrete form with a resolution adopted by the county commissioners court.

4—Contract for retaining special evaluation on oil, gas, utility and transportation properties and facilities closed between county commissioners court and Pritchard-Abbot company of Fort Worth.

5—Local guns report an agree-

studied farm use of electricity. Lubbock defeated local grid-diers.

28—Liquor board filed 33 liquor law complaints in Colorado City. Frezer locker committee sought to interest private firm in program.

29—Volunteers responded to pleas to aid in selective service registration.

## November

1—Opening of the month brings reports of business gains in October, with postal receipts, construction and new car sales up. City reports better tax collections. Steer grid-diers lost to Plainview, 8-0.

2—Eight volunteers listed with Howard county draft board for immediate training; Colorado City reports nine.

4—J. B. Neill installed as Legion post commander. New term of 70th district court opens.

5—Parade marks opening of Red Cross annual Roll Call. Howard county polls record vote in favoring FDR for third term. Policeman Eli Cass dies of heart attack after chasing shoplifter. T&P freight cars derailed, with heavy merchandise loss, near Iatan tank.

6—T. J. Wheeler injured in auto mishap.

8—Home Demonstration clubs inaugurate Achievement tours.

9—Public leaders study possibility of a county road bond election.

11—Armistice Day marked by parade, football game, with Steers defeating San Angelo, 20-7. Season's first killing frost. Education Week observance begins. Municipal airport designated as important to national defense.

12—J. H. Greene and Ted Grobl to Washington to represent city at north-south airline hearings. Cold wave hits, with temperature down to 22.

13—J. N. Caubies observe 50th wedding anniversary. State and county report increased tax collections. Big Spring learns of selection as host to West Texas Druggists in March, 1941. Start erection of poles for REA line to Knott and Moore. W. S. Garnett fined \$100 in district court on charge of selling securities without a license.

14—Midland votes \$250,000 in road bonds by 11-1 margin.

15—Local hunters trek to the deer country.

16—Eighty enlisted here in National Guard unit.

17—Josh Cosden, colorful founder of refining plant here, dies.

19—County's first six volunteers get rousing sendoff as they head for camp. First of year's soil con-

servations checks received by Howard farmers.

20—AAA officials of 20-county area convene in Big Spring. Local teachers to state association convention.

21—City observes "first" Thanksgiving with religious services; on gridiron, Steers beat Sweetwater, 11-6. Mrs. Fox Stripling dies. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. P. Harrison found shot to death at Midland.

22—Tuberculosis association starts Christmas seal sale.

23—County votes to stay "wet" by count of 1852 to 1344. Ray Mil-lion dies.

24—R. C. Sanderson, pioneer West Texas developer, dies in San Angelo. J. W. Phillips dies.

25—Terrace work started for the year with county's equipment.

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A Great Day for Everybody!

May the True Spirit of Christmas Bring You Peace and Happiness!

Dr. Geo. Wilke  
Optometrist

Today and every day, we greet you with all the sincerity that is in our hearts, and with a deep feeling of appreciation for your thoughtfulness during the year now closing.

**D & H ELECTRIC**

## Merry Christmas to All

Each year we realize more fully that our friendships are what makes life worth living... and we, therefore, like to feel that there is a spirit of friendship underlying our business relations... with you—our customer.

### Our Wish

It is our sincerest wish that the holidays will be your MERRIEST... and the NEW YEAR your most Prosperous!

**S. P. JONES LUMBER COMPANY**

## Cordial Greetings

We've Been Wishin' You A Merry Christmas for a Great Many Years

And we haven't seen the time yet that it didn't give us a pleasant experience. Each year we are more appreciative of the friendships and patronage that has been ours. Each Yuletide season has found us more determined to serve you better during the coming year.

This year is no exception. We are truly grateful and fully aware of your part in the progress of this organization. We value your continued good-will and trust that we may merit it for many more years to come.

**Big Spring Hardware Co.**  
Dewey Martin, Manager

## Compliments of the Season

The management and staff of this firm extend Christmas Greetings and wish for you every prosperity in the New Year. It has been a pleasure to serve you.

**CARL STROM HOME APPLIANCES**  
213 W. 3rd Phone 123

## Our Heartiest...

Christmas GREETINGS

We cherish the thoughts of the fine associations that have been ours... and take this method of expressing a true appreciation.

**Crawford Beauty Shop**  
Mrs. Etta Martin

### CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

That this Christmas will be your happiest... and that the New Year will bring you good Health, Happiness and Prosperity... is the sincere wish of—

### HESTER'S OFFICE SUPPLY

## Firecracker Stands Go Up In Big Spring

Historians have been able to figure out almost everything about Christmas, the reason for this and that, but to date none has given a satisfactory explanation of just why fireworks must be touched off during the Yule season.

Just what the connection between the anniversary of the birth of the Prince of Peace and the loud explosions of bomb-crackers, the swish and overhead pop of the sky rocket, the constant barrage of smaller noise makers, no one seems able to see.

But as early as a week before Christmas, the stands over the city were going up. Around most of them were groups of kids debating on which article they would squander a few pennies. The old sport of throwing a baby giant under passing cars was revived amidst volleys of diabolical laughter.

Nor were the children best customers. Most adults love to slip a package of crackers and a Roman candle or so in the socks. Come Christmas eve, they lose all restraint and complete a raid on the fireworks joints and essay to blow up their end of town. Maybe they get a hand or finger into the deal just to keep it from being a perfect Christmas.

# Yes, Skeptics, There Is A Santa Claus:

There Are 4 Of Them Right Here



Edward McDonald works the year round on Christmas gifts. He's a one-man Santa.



Playing St. Nicholas is an old story to every New York policeman.



Louis K. Sigman (left), Denver meat packer, donates meat because "it makes people happy."



Capt. George Pitz is the Santa who sees tiny Fanning Island in the Pacific isn't forgotten.

#### Ap Feature Service

The good thing about Santa Claus is that he has a lot of flesh and blood counterparts. Every year they see to it that he lives for those who are hungry and in want.

Some, like Edward McDonald of St. Louis, Mo., give toys to children who otherwise would have none. Known as "the one-man Santa Claus," McDonald makes the toys during the year in his basement workshop. He started 14 years ago, using wood from old fruit boxes. That year he gladdened 54 children, last year 1,200.

This will be the fortieth year that Miss Mada Keidel and her sister Katherine of Prospect, Ky., set up a Christmas village in their home. Children from miles around come to see the spectacle, made of

odds and ends of furniture, cardboard and rags. The Santa Claus is built around an old-fashioned phonograph; the fireplace is an old wardrobe.

Far out in the Pacific, on Fanning Island, live 30 white men, women and children who depend for their Christmas on a sea-going Santa. Capt. George Pitz of the S. S. Dickenson. They are British subjects, stationed on the lonely island to operate a cable station. The Christmas cargo comes via Australia and Honolulu, the Dickenson's home port. It must be unloaded through the surf in a small boat.

Other Santas are more concerned with seeing that people get enough

to eat on Christmas. George Stump, Cathage, Mo., printer, invites the nation's real "forgotten men"—jobless persons riding aimlessly on freight trains—to a big feed in the railroad yards "jungle."

Two nights before Christmas, 1934, Stump dreamed of hungry men. Next day he bought 10 pounds of beef and enough stuff for a tasty stew. Early Christmas morning he went down to the jungle with the chief of police. At first the eight men shivering in a cave were hostile but their faces lit up when Stump explained why he had come. "Tell me there ain't no Santa Claus," said one old fellow.

The word got around each year until last year Stump fed 30 men. He writes a column under the name "Bill Spivens," and the hoboes have dubbed him "Bill Spivens, mayor of Jungletown."

A Denver meat packer, Louis K. Sigman, was touched 11 years ago because "there were a lot of people out of work, and many of them drifted into our packing plant asking for something to eat."

He started donating meat to Christmas baskets gotten together by a newspaper (Post), now is giving 50,000 pounds a year. The "big" reason he makes his contribution is because he hopes others will be persuaded to give too, and because "it makes a lot of people happy."

Policemen and firemen all over the nation have been Santas for years back. New York's "blue-coats" started early last summer to make sure the city's less fortunate kiddies would enjoy Christmas just as much as those whose mothers and fathers could shop for them in the big stores. They repaired and painted thousands of toys.

### Calendar

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Eighty from area go into National Guard camp at Santa Anna.

26—Local electric service men go to Amarillo to help repair ice storm damage. Death claims Mrs. M. E. Barrett, last of town's original settlers.

27—Lions district governors, F. V. Wallace of Dumas, honored by local club. Work started on post-office improvements. Grand jury reports five indictments. E. H. Davidson, Midland, and Dorothy Barfield, Stanton, fatally injured in traffic crash at Stanton.

28—West Texas chamber of commerce's state fiscal reorganization plan endorsed by local civic group.

29—Steers win undisputed championship of District 3-AA by defeating Abilene, 26-6. Herald Golden Gloves tourney for January announced.

### December

1—Business indices showed improved business condition. Chamber of commerce "Decision Week" starts.

5—Sheriff-Elect Rowan Settles died.

6—Christmas shopping season opens with Santa Claus parade; El Paso awarded bi-district game on penetrations after held to 27 to 27 by Big Spring.

7—Farmers give AAA marketing quotas favorable vote.

11—First 13-mile section of REA line energized. Firemen start annual toy repairing. Grid season nets school \$7,751. Fifteen applications indicated for sheriff.

12—CAA to spend \$150,000 on Munny airport. AAA cotton allotments released. Mrs. Daltha Ann Windham, pioneer, died.

13—Colorado City wins regional Class A grid title. Sheriff prepared to sell "museum." Mrs. Emma Wolcott, former Martin county ranch woman, drowned in Kerr county.

14—Ice mantle covers area.

15—Move started to send football team to Cotton Bowl.

17—Big Spring planned to seek national guard armory. A. E. McClain named Colorado City chamber president.

18—Merchants start late closings for Christmas shoppers. Alien registration hit peak with 39 in one day. A Lightfoot resigned as E. 4th assistant pastor to go to Smith's Chapel in Ector county. Permian Basin heads approved tax program here.

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### Erring Driver Receives 15 Weekends In Jail

BATTLE CREEK, Mich. (UP)—Judge Blaine W. Hatch is the originator of a new process of punishment for hit-and-run drivers in Battle Creek.

Harold E. Lee, 18, of St. Mary's Lake, was arrested for leaving the scene of an accident in which his car knocked down Leo Lowe, 25, a pedestrian. Judge Hatch ruled that Lee would spend each weekend for 15 weeks in the county jail.

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## A Great Day for Everybody!

May The True Spirit Of Christmas Bring You Peace And Happiness

## Nalley Funeral Home

MAY THE CHRISTMAS BELLS RING IN A MOST HAPPY SEASON

May the Christmas bells ring with all the happiness that you so richly deserve, is our Christmas wish to the people of this community. May the true spirit of the Yuletide linger on through every day of the coming year as a reward for your thoughtfulness and kindness.

### Douglass Hotel



# Greetings

To One and All

Inspired by the thoughts of pleasant associations during the past we are only too glad to send you a little Christmas sentiment that carries with it genuine thankfulness for all the blessings that have come our way.

We send to you, not only as a customer, but as a friend—our best wishes for Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

## Happy New Year!

### Southern Ice

Manley Cook, Mgr.



## Cordial Greetings:

From the Folks Who Serve You at Hall's

For the Business, large or small with which you favored us during the past year, we are sincerely thankful... and trust we have served you well.

... We sincerely hope you will favor us during 1941.

TAKE OUR WISH FOR A HAPPY, PROSPEROUS 1941

## Hall Wrecking Co.



Season's Greeting's...

Among our assets we like to count the only one that money cannot buy—your good will... And so at this happy season we extend to you—not as a customer alone, but as a friend—the best wishes for Christmas and the coming year...

## Big Spring Lumber Co.

H. H. Josey, Manager

1110 Gregg

Phone 1355

May State News Industrious  
BOSTON. (UP)—Massachusetts  
have produced more than 254,  
000,000 eggs during the first half  
of 1940, the state agriculture de-  
partment reports.

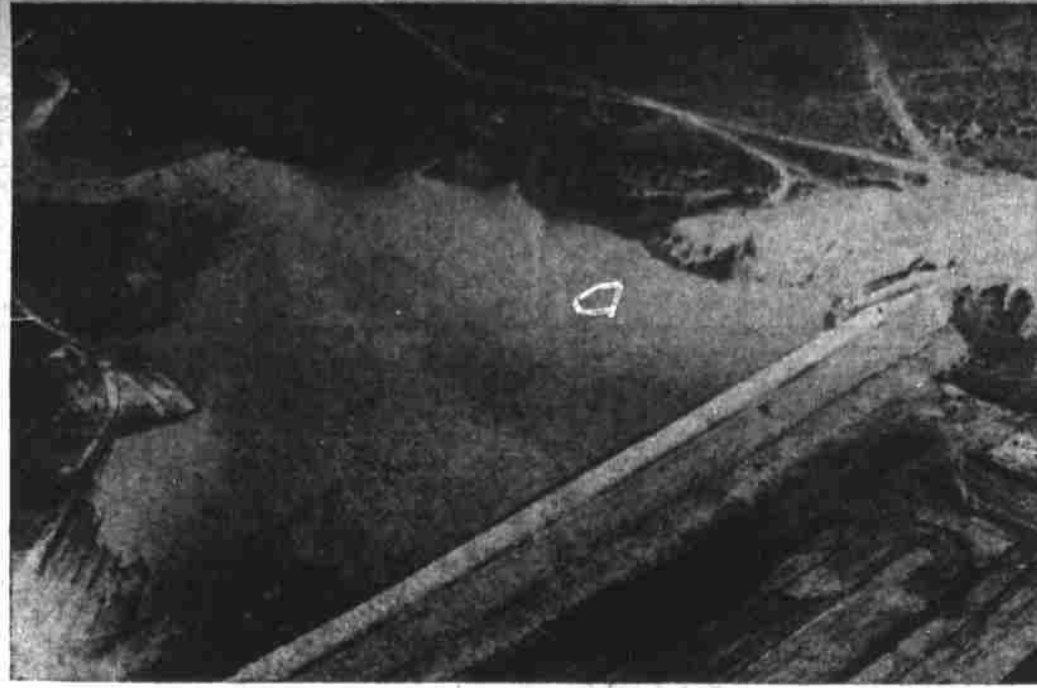
### Longest Row Of Christmas Lights Go On

FRESNO, Calif. (UP)—The col-  
ored lights of Fresno's nationally  
famous "Christmas Tree Lane"  
has been turned on.  
The one and one-half miles of  
lighted Christmas trees on both  
sides of Van Ness Boulevard in  
Fresno's Fig Garden district is the  
longest illuminated thoroughfare  
of its kind in the world. Nearly 15,  
000 bright colored globes are used  
in the spectacular display.  
More than 100,000 automobiles,  
or nearly 400,000 persons, traveled  
the lane last year. Many of the  
visitors were from out of the state  
and others came from all parts of  
California to see the inspiring  
sight.  
**Houses Are Decorated**  
Residents along Christmas Tree  
Lane add to the display by decorat-  
ing their houses in holiday motifs.  
Cotton is used profusely to simu-  
late snow on the roofs of the  
houses and the lawns. Last year  
one resident even constructed a  
snow man of cotton. On the roofs  
of other houses were reindeer  
pulling Santa Claus in his sleigh,  
or Saint Nick climbing down a  
chimney. One house was decorated  
to resemble a large Christmas  
package.  
Most of the houses have large

front windows where indoor Christ-  
mas trees are displayed.  
An annual feature is an illu-  
minated shrine depicting the Nativ-  
ity.  
**First Tree In 1920**  
The late Mrs. W. P. Winning  
lighted the first tree along the  
boulevard in 1920. Other residents  
of the district followed her lead  
and more of the Deodar trees were  
planted as the district developed.  
However, not until 19 years later  
was there any definite plan for  
mass lighting. In 1939 the first  
solid block was lighted and the  
length of the lane was increased  
gradually from year to year.  
State and county officers patrol  
the lane and control the heavy  
traffic. Motorists are instructed to  
turn off the headlights of their  
cars so that everyone may see the  
full effect of the colored lights.

### Workers Raise Business Level

By The Associated Press  
Higher earnings for Texas in-  
dustrial workers has been one of  
the levers which have jacked Tex-  
as business back to "normal"—  
that is, to 1930's average—Univer-  
sity of Texas business experts say.  
Growing demand for products of  
this state in the north and east is  
considered the other cause for  
booming Texas business.  
Weekly payrolls in Texas have  
consistently remained above the  
90 per cent level since early in  
1937, and as 1940 draws to a close  
they are at the highest peak in ten  
years.  
Employment has followed the  
same general tendency, but pay-  
rolls have risen more than enough  
to absorb the additional workers,  
University Bureau of Business Re-  
search officials explain.  
Texas business in general—re-  
flected in a composite index pre-  
pared by the bureau from employ-  
ment and payrolls together with  
four other key industries—has  
held a sustained pace during 1940,  
never far under nor far above  
1930's average.



IN AN EXCEEDINGLY DRY YEAR, the city's two new lakes actually caught some water. This view shows the Moss Creek lake soon after a two inch rain, the only general precipitation to put much water into the basins. The Powell Creek lake, however, caught water from many showers and furnished the city virtually all its water.



WINNERS AT BIG SPRING were also winners at New York's world fair. Shown are Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Leathers, Johnnie and Margaret Leathers, of Clarendon—typical West Texas family introduced at the WTCC convention here, and subsequent winner of the All-American typical family at New York.

### Oil Field Man Works 55 Years

SAPULPA, Okla. (UP)—Fifty-  
five years in the oil business and  
still going strong is record of D. W.  
Woodward of Kiefer, Okla., who  
will be 71 years old Sept. 27.  
Woodward's work as a driller and  
tool runner has taken him many  
thousands of miles, including  
trips to Rumania and West Africa.  
As a young man he began work  
in Muncy, Pa., as a pumper when  
he was 16 years old, later going to  
New York and Ohio in the early  
pioneering of oil fields in those  
areas.  
In 1911, Woodward with a group  
of other young oil field workers  
was sent to Rumania by the  
Standard Oil Company of New  
Jersey. In those days an oil field  
in Rumania was a sight rarer than  
the appearance of a king.  
Woodward worked at a small  
town some 60 miles from Bucha-  
rest. Women assisted the men with  
picks and shovels at the oil rigs.  
His son was born while he and his  
wife lived in Rumania. After a  
four-year residence abroad, Wood-  
ward and his family returned to  
the United States. A daughter was  
born later in Ohio.

### AP NEWS EDITOR RANKS TOP NEWS STORIES OF PAST YEAR

By CHARLES HONCE  
Associated Press News Editor  
The top news story of 1940 in my  
rating was made in America—the  
presidential campaign.  
No other event of the year excited  
the American people as did that  
story. In the rest of the world, it  
competed successfully for attention  
with other exciting happenings.  
It began with the nomination of  
Wendell Wilkie by the republicans,  
which was a thunderbolt, and it  
ended in a roaring climax with the  
re-election of President Frank-  
lin Delano Roosevelt.  
There were two simple reasons  
for the importance of this story:  
To the United States it meant a  
third-term president for the first  
time in history; to the world, con-  
tinuance of the Roosevelt policies  
regarding the European war, which  
may settle the destinies of most  
of the world's peoples.  
Here they ate as I see them, the  
ten biggest news stories of 1940:  
1. **ROOSEVELT WINS AGAIN**  
Probably no American political  
issue has been more widely de-  
bated than that of a third presi-  
dential term. President Roosevelt  
shattered the tradition in his vic-  
tory over Wendell L. Wilkie, who  
thoroughly broke tradition himself  
in his ball-of-fire campaign for the  
republican presidential nomination  
and his effort to win election.  
2. **U. S. ADOPTS CONSCRIPTION**  
The Secretary of War put his  
hand in a jar, took out a capsule  
and the first number had been  
drawn. In America's precedent-  
shattering peacetime conscription,  
for which 17 million men had  
registered. This story shaped up  
big because it was part of a great  
national effort for re-armament  
for "all out" defense of the West-  
ern Hemisphere. Coincidentally,  
21 American nations agreed to  
stand together for that defense.  
3. **FRANCE SURRENDERS**  
A tragic story of stunning im-  
pact, high in interest. Described  
by many experts as the finest in  
the world, the French army melted  
before the German blitzkrieg in a  
few weeks. And into the discard  
at least temporarily, went the his-  
torical French phrase, "Liberty,  
Equality, Fraternity."  
4. **BATTLE OF BRITAIN**  
Here is one of the epic stories  
of the year. Adolf Hitler smashed  
to the channel ports, and then  
across that short stretch of water  
he sent his bombers at England.  
Fire, death, destruction rained  
from the skies. Devastation has  
been enormous, but Britons have  
fought back, bitterly and stub-  
bornly. "There Will Always Be  
an England," they sing, as they  
stumble through the rubble of  
their homes, factories, churches  
and hallowed buildings.  
5. **ITALY BLASTED**  
Italy came into the war late, but  
within six months, the British had  
blasted Mussolini's invading army  
out of Egypt, the Greeks were pur-  
suing his legions in Albania, his  
fleet had been damaged at Taranto  
and evidences of internal  
stresses had come to light.  
6. **DESTROYERS FOR BASES**  
Few issues aroused more dis-  
cussion than the United States  
trade of 50 destroyers for defense  
bases on British Western Hemis-  
phere territory. President Roose-  
velt made the deal and announced  
it after it was all over. "He should  
have consulted Congress," argued  
many, and the discussion carried  
right on through to the end of the  
year.  
7. **RUMANIAN TRAVAIL**  
"Unhappy" Rumania was the  
way the Balkan nation was de-  
scribed by many writers. Its trou-  
bles of the year made top news.  
Russia grabbed off Bessarabia;  
Hungary took back a portion of  
Transylvania; Bulgaria got a piece  
at the pie counter. An earthquake  
devastated; King Carol abdicated  
in a hurry; then the passions of  
Iron Guardists broke out in mass  
executions and the Germans moved  
in.  
8. **FLIGHT FROM DUNKERQUE**  
A saga of extraordinary human  
interest was this flight of the  
British from continental Europe  
with the bloody sands of Dun-  
kerque the final stepping-off place.  
Some 330,000 British were carried  
to safety under the blasting guns  
of the Germans.  
9. **RUSSIA ADDS TERRITORY**  
Russia conquered Finland, took  
some choice portions of her terri-  
tory; absorbed the republics of  
Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia, and  
then took back Bessarabia from  
Rumania. An absorbing news  
story, these moves of the Russian  
giant.  
10. **FIFTH COLUMN IN NORWAY**  
Outstanding by any rating, was  
the exposure of how fifth column  
activities helped Germany con-  
quer. It was first disclosed in the  
conquest of Norway.

### Hog Chews Billfold And Draft Card Lost

ELDORA, Iowa. (UP)—Frank  
Steinfeldt, a farmer, claims he has  
an \$8 interest in one of his neigh-  
bor's hogs.  
Steinfeldt discovered he lost his  
billfold. He returned home to find  
it chewed to pieces in the hog lot.  
The billfold had contained eight  
one-dollar bills, also driver's li-  
cense and other papers.  
**Roosevelt-Wilkie Twins**  
WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (UP)—A  
complicated situation was settled  
when twins were born to Mrs. Vas  
Barovich. Mrs. Barovich is a re-  
publican and wanted the child to  
be named after Wendell Wilkie.  
Barovich, a democrat, wanted the  
child to be named for President  
Roosevelt. A compromise was  
agreed upon when the twins were  
born. They were named Wendell  
Delano and Franklin Wilkie.

### Many Good Wishes

Serving you has made  
this year one of the  
happiest of our experi-  
ence in this community,  
and it is for this reason  
that we extend the Ses-  
on's Greetings—May  
this Christmas be the  
most delightful you've  
ever had... and may  
**GOOD FORTUNE** be  
with you in many ways  
during the coming year.

**BIG FOUR  
INSURANCE AGENCY**  
L. S. Patterson, Owner

Nothing gives us greater pleas-  
ure than to add our Christmas  
Greetings and to wish for you a  
most Prosperous New Year.

We hope that your every Yuletide  
wish may be realized and that the  
occasion will be a happy one for  
you and yours.

# A Merry Christmas Happy New Year

What better greeting to  
express our deepest  
appreciation for all you  
have done for us?

## HATHCOCK HARDWARE

**Season's Greetings**  
May this be your happiest  
Christmas of them all...and  
the New Year be the most  
prosperous, our Yuletide wish  
for each of our friends.

## Twins Cafe

206 W. 3rd  
Lonnie and Leonard Coker

# Greetings

We desire to extend to you Greetings  
of the Christmas Season and to express our  
sincere wishes for your prosperity in the  
coming year. May the cordial relations  
existing between us continue.

## Petty's News Stand

304 Raines Phone 806

# Christmas Would Be Incomplete

If we did not avail ourselves of the opportunity to  
express our appreciation to our loyal friends and cus-  
tomers for your patronage... To you we wish the most  
of Christmas Joy and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

## HILLTOP

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

**Christmas Greetings**

THE BEST OF EVERYTHING THAT IS GOOD IS OUR SINCERE WISH FOR  
YOU FOR THE YEAR 1941...

# Frank Powell Service Station

# Cheer Up

... and be Merry ...

## IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME!

Forget your cares and remember that Santa's aboard in the land... That  
your Christmas will be happy and the New Year your most prosperous  
is our sincere wish...

## Auto Electric & Battery Service

305 WEST THIRD

### More Men Die In Accidents Than Disease

CHICAGO. (UP)—More young  
men are killed in accidents each  
year than die as a result of dis-  
ease, according to the National  
Safety Council.  
The council's tabulation show  
that only four diseases take more  
lives among the total population  
than do preventable accidents, of  
which there were over 95,000 last  
year. The diseases are cancer, ne-  
phritis, general hemorrhage and  
heart disease.  
The council's finds show that a  
block of western states—Montana,  
Wyoming, Colorado and New Mex-  
ico—plus Florida, Ohio and West  
Virginia, have the highest acci-  
dent rates in the country.  
**Highest Rate In Wyoming**  
Figured on a basis of deaths per  
100,000 Wyoming had the highest  
rate with 724, followed by Arizona  
with 128.5. The Dakotas, adjacent  
to the high rate states, were the  
safest in the nation with North  
Dakota having a 48.0 rate and its  
sister states 52.9 accidental deaths  
per 100,000 population.  
Automobile casualties and falls  
are the greatest cause of death,  
resulting in 62 per cent of the 95,  
000 toll in 1939. Auto deaths oc-  
curred most frequently over week-  
ends, three-eighths of the total mo-

for deaths taking place on Satur-  
days and Sundays, while the coun-  
cil's records showed that more fa-  
tal accidents occurred in rural areas  
(19,300) than in the more crowded  
towns and cities (12,800).

### Precher On Horseback Once, Now Uses Plane

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (UP)—  
Twenty-five years ago the Rev.  
Floyd Hitchcock was making his  
way from church to church in Dou-  
glas county on horseback.  
Today he uses a plane, and his  
circuit includes Missouri, Arkansas  
and Oklahoma.  
Between the horse and the plane  
Floyd Hitchcock traveled to his pul-  
pits by motor car, train, ocean liner  
and on a crude platform carried  
by natives in the Far East.

**Lightning Does Strike Twice**  
CONSHOHOCKEN, Pa. (UP)—  
Who said lightning doesn't strike  
twice in the same place? The home  
of Paul Lackman was damaged by  
lightning twice in four days.

**THE STAR ON  
YOUR YULE  
TREE**  
The star at the top of your  
Christmas tree has been filled  
with good wishes from us, and  
if you notice a particular  
sparkle to the ornament, you'll  
know it's because we are wish-  
ing you an "extra special" kind  
of Merry Christmas and a year  
of Prosperity and Happiness.

## CLAY'S

No-D-Lay Cleaners

## CLARK PONTIAC

A Season  
of Happiness  
... A  
New Year  
of Health  
and  
Prosperity

We wish you all the  
joys of the Christmas  
Season and sincerely hope that the coming months will bring you a large  
share of happiness and prosperity.  
The management of this organization is joined by every employe in  
extending this Christmas Wish.

## Charlie Faugh Auto Supplies

400 E. 3rd Phone 290

# A Joyous Yuletide

May every one of your fondest wishes descend  
from the stage of dreams and become actual  
realities and may the New Year bring you  
an increased measure of...

HEALTH, HAPPINESS and PROSPERITY

## American National Insurance Co.

C. A. Amos  
Big Spring Settles Hotel  
Phone 722

# A

AN OLD FASHIONED  
MERRY CHRISTMAS

IN STREAMLINED DRESS

May the Yuletide Season, with all its spirit  
of good fellowship, bring great joy to you  
and abundant prosperity in the coming year.

## IVA'S CREDIT JEWELRY

Iva Hunyout  
Wacker's In Across the Street

# Old Faces Appear In New Scenes During Historic Year Of 1940



**WINSTON CHURCHILL** became symbol of British spirit.  
**HENRY WALLACE**, secretary of agriculture, won Vice Presidency.  
**CLARENCE DYER**, university head, took charge of U. S. draft.  
**ALICE JANE MENDENHALL**, "upside-down stomach" girl, became a bride.  
**WILLIAM KNUDSEN**, motor maker, became key man in defense planning.  
**WILLIAM D. LEAHY**, retired admiral, named ambassador to Vichy.  
**WENDELL WILLKIE**, utilities executive, sought U. S. Presidency.  
**JESSE JONES**, To his R.F.C. job was added commerce secretaryship.  
**ALICE MARBLE**, tennis great, tried her hand at radio broadcasting.  
**FRANK KNOX**, publisher, G. O. P. leader joined F.D.R. cabinet.  
**GENERAL FETZNER**, hero of Verdun, formed new French government.  
**JOHN (Q. CITIZEN) LAWTON** of Boston became a conscript soldier.

**Cousin Versus Cousin, Utah Picks Democrat**  
**BALT LAKE CITY, Utah (UP)**—Democrat Abe Murdock defeated republican Philo Farnsworth, Jr.

for a seat in the U. S. senate from Utah, but Farnsworth at least had the consolation that the job remained in the family.  
 He and Murdock are cousins, a fact which neither mentioned in their campaign.

**Railroad Encircles Toledo**  
**TOLEDO, Ohio. (UP)**—The Toledo Terminal railroad completely encircles the city. It is 28 miles long and almost entirely double-tracked.



**HOME FOR COUNTY MACHINERY**, and a home for the district livestock and other agricultural shows was provided during the year when the county erected a \$6,000 warehouse building, solving a double housing problem.

## Fire Danger Greatest Now

Sure, it's a Merry Christmas, but use a little care and keep it that way.  
 One of the most joyous seasons of the year can be turned into one of grief and tragedy by carelessness, and there's no easier way to do it than by fire.  
 So watch a few points and cheat fire. First of all, don't get so excited but what you can keep wrappings gathered up and pulled well away from an open fire. Get this highly inflammable material out of the house as soon as possible.  
 Be careful about Christmas lights. Be sure the tree string is in good repair and will not short out, causing the tree to catch fire. Too, be careful of electric toys, for unless of approved design, they may cause fire or harm from electrical shock.  
 And don't lecture the kiddies about the dangers of fireworks and then turn around and act the fool with a firecracker.

## Policeman Must Report To Wife On Switchboard

**COLUMBUS, O. (UP)**—Herbert Hodapp is going to make hourly reports to his wife from now on, or Police Chief Otto Kaffits will know why.  
 It's all in the line of duty. Hodapp has joined the Columbus police force, and as a patrolman, must report his whereabouts to police switchboard operators every hour.  
 One of the operators is Mrs. Constance Hodapp—his wife.

## Judge Defends Drinking

**HELENA, Mont. (UP)**—Federal District Judge James H. Baldwin championed the rights of man in an illegal entry case being tried before him in court here. When court attaches cited a previous arrest of the defendant on drunkenness charges, Judge Baldwin said: "Ever since 1862 (when Montana became a territory) it has been a man's privilege to get drunk every 30 days."

## Skiing Enthusiasts Know Sport On Four Bases

**PITTSFIELD, Mass. (UP)**—Eight Pittsfield youths are skiing on snow after trying water, sand and pine needles.  
 When snow disappeared from the mountains last spring, the youths hired a 22-horsepower outboard motor boat to pull them over the waters of Pontoosic lake on specially-built skis.  
 Neighbors complained of the noise and they were forced to bring out their regular skis again and visit a pine grove in Dalton where they could "slalom" down a slope.  
 Cape Cod supplied the next skiing ground for the experimenters. There they used rubber composition on their skis so they wouldn't stick on the sand dunes.

## Saratoga Will Receive All Burgoyne's Cannon

**SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y. (UP)**—Twenty-one cannon used by General Burgoyne's army during the Revolutionary war battle of Saratoga will be returned to the battlefield as part of the federal government's construction of the site.  
 The cannon will be brought from widely scattered sections of the country, two of which were found at the Watervliet Arsenal, four in the vicinity of West Point and several from Washington and Monroe, Va.  
 All the cannon has been identified from an original list of ordnance received from Burgoyne when his army surrendered in October, 1777.

**Electric Bill 53 Years Old**  
**PHILADELPHIA (UP)**—Mrs. W. H. Nefferdof has won a \$100 award because she had kept an electric bill dated April 11, 1887. The contest was sponsored by the Philadelphia Electric company.

## Schedules

T&P Trains—Eastbound		
No. 2	7:00 a. m.	7:25 a. m.
No. 6	11:10 p. m.	11:30 p. m.
T&P Trains—Westbound		
Arrive Depart		
No. 11	9:00 p. m.	9:15 p. m.
No. 7	7:25 a. m.	7:50 a. m.
Buses		
EASTBOUND		
Arrive	Depart	
3:05 a. m.	3:10 a. m.	
6:29 a. m.	6:34 a. m.	
9:25 a. m.	9:45 a. m.	
3:20 p. m.	3:25 p. m.	
10:40 p. m.	10:45 p. m.	
WESTBOUND		
12:13 a. m.	12:15 a. m.	
4:00 a. m.	4:00 a. m.	
9:45 a. m.	9:55 a. m.	
3:05 p. m.	3:10 p. m.	
7:45 p. m.	7:54 p. m.	
NORTHBOUND		
9:41 a. m.	9:45 a. m.	
3:20 p. m.	3:30 p. m.	
7:53 p. m.	8:00 p. m.	
SOUTHBOUND		
3:25 a. m.	7:15 a. m.	
9:20 a. m.	10:15 a. m.	
4:35 p. m.	3:25 p. m.	
10:35 p. m.	11:00 p. m.	
Planes—Eastbound		
Arrive Depart		
6:04 p. m.	5:09 p. m.	
Westbound		
7:15 p. m.	7:20 p. m.	



Just as the ties of friendship are strengthening by the cherished coming of the Holiday Season, so may our business associations grow in mutual regard and confidence.

In behalf of our whole organization, we are welcoming this opportunity to extend to you and yours our Greetings for Christmas and with them our Best Wishes for a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

## Frost Pharmacy

SAY YOU SAW IT IN THE HERALD

# CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Please accept our cordial wish for abundant prosperity and contentment to each of you. And may we say, "Thanks to all the good friends of this organization for enabling us to continue to be of service to you."

## MILLER PIG STAND

MR. AND MRS. W. D. MILLER

# There Is A Santa Claus

If you are one of those skeptics who doubts the existence of St. Nick, let us reassure you. There is a Santa Claus, a very real spirit whose existence makes life brighter and more joyous. He lives in the heart of men and women who realize that good living is an art of far greater importance than the amassing of wealth. Our Christmas wish for you is that during the coming year you will bank more of that wealth of friendship and good cheer which is life's greatest treasure.

## MARIE WEEG

1308 Scurry Phone 832

# GREETINGS of the Yuletide Season

As another Christmas is welcomed, and as the spirit of giving predominates in the minds of all, the employees and management of this institution join in extending Season's Greetings to our host of friends and customers.

The past-year has been a good one for us and we are indeed grateful for the splendid patronage that has been ours.

May your every Christmas wish be fulfilled and may the New Year be one of happiness, health and prosperity is our wish for you!

## B. Sherrod Supply Company

316-18 Runnels Street Big Spring, Texas

Long Distance Calls Prove Doubly Surprising

FAIRHAVEN, Mass. (UP)—Mrs. Mary Baker's brother went to the Golden Gate exposition at San Francisco and won a free telephone call. He called Mrs. Baker, whom he had not seen in 17 years. Twelve days later Mrs. Baker's mother visited the fair, won a telephone call and also called her.

US Develops Manganese

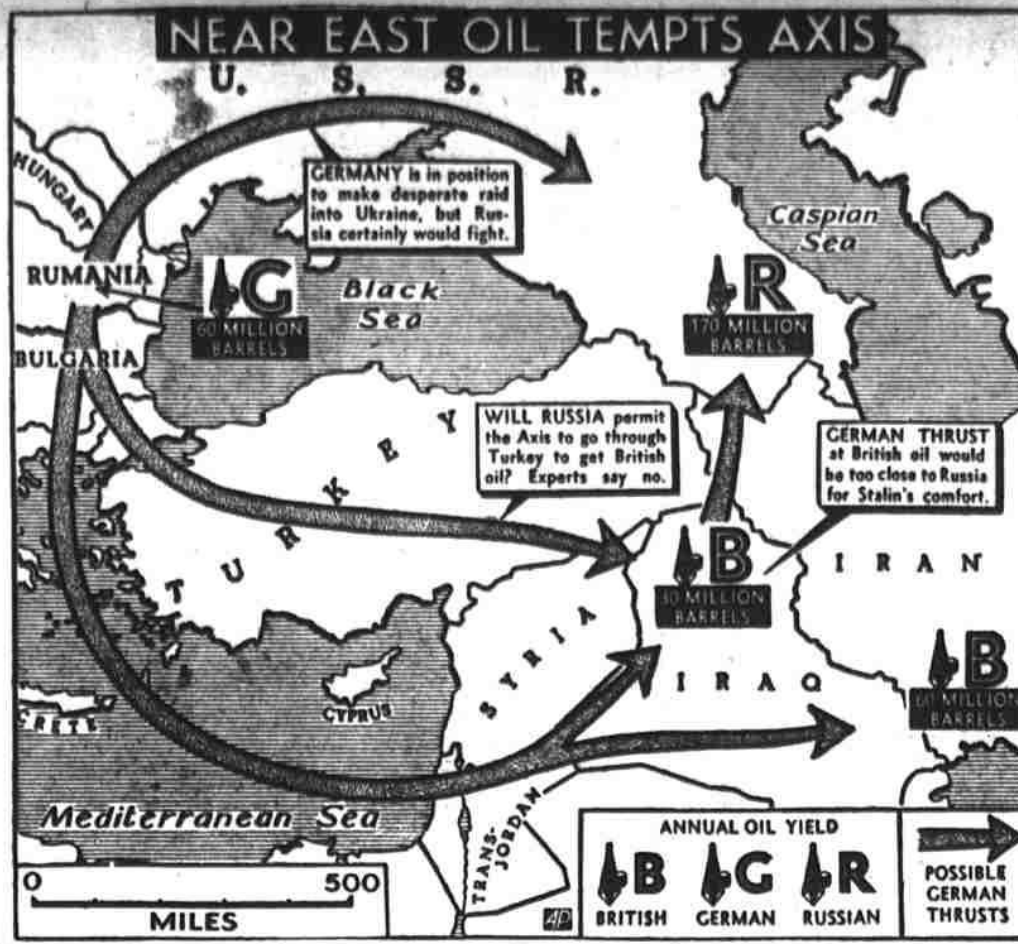
HELENA, Mont. (UP)—With the placing by the newly formed government-owned Metal Reserves Corporation of a long-term order for 240,000 tons of concentrated manganese with the Anaconda Copper Mining Co., the first step has been taken toward making the United States self-sufficient in one of the most important strategic materials.

Although Butte alone is known to possess the largest supply of low grade pink manganese ore in the world, the United States in the past has been dependent almost entirely on foreign sources for this material because American deposits were not developed.

Manganese is vital to the production of steel and the use of it in the United States is so great that during peak years of steel production here as much as 800,000 tons is used annually.

In the past this has come largely from Russia, the African Gold Coast, Cuba and Brazil.

The program calls for making the United States self-sufficient in this mineral. New processes developed here since the World war make it possible to increase the concentrate to 55 to 62 per cent content of manganese as against a 49 per cent content of Brazilian concentrate which in the past has been one of the highest.



Greedy Spaniel Bitten Attacking Steak Bone

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (UP)—When a "bone" bites a dog, that's news. At least Humans Officer Wilfred Goss thought so when he was called to the home of Loren Gilmore to rescue the family's cocker spaniel.

In its enthusiasm to attack a steak bone, the spaniel had thrust the whole lower jaw through a hole in the bone and it had caught behind the animal's teeth. After trying pliers, pincers, and a veterinarian to no avail, the officer took the bewildered dog to a blacksmith shop, where the bone was removed.

England Goes Primitive In Shipment Of Goods

FORT WORTH (UP)—Fort Worth residents have seen how England is preserving its wood and metal supply.

A local jeweler received a shipment of English pottery which was bound in primitive fashion without the use of nails or finished wood.

The 202-pound package, which was sent from London, was packed in dark hay and tied with coarse rope and unshewn timber that looked like small tree limbs.

The ancient Romans regarded gluttony as a virtue.



Peace to Those You Love...

TO YOU!

We hope the pleasure we had in serving you has been mutual. We take this opportunity to thank you for past favors and extend SEASON'S GREETINGS!

Thomas Typewriter

107 Main

Phone 98

WELCOME SANTA!



YOU'VE COME TO THE RIGHT PLACE

You can't go wrong with these people, Santa. We've lived with them a long time, and have enjoyed their unselfish attitudes, their thoughtfulness and consideration of the other fellow... They've been mighty good to us, and that's why we want you to be good to them.

Flewellen's Service Stations



8,250,000 MEMBERS—have enrolled in the American Red Cross this year, an increase of 1,100,000. Norman H. Davis (right), chairman, reported at annual meeting of board of incorporators. With Davis in Washington is Charles Evans Hughes, chief justice of the United States. The organization, founded in 1881, annually spends millions for relief of sufferers.

Police Owe Uniforms To Dog They Saved

ZEELEND, Mich. (UP)—Four years ago the purchase of new uniforms for the city's police force was quite a financial problem.

Since then, however, the police force, which consists of Chief Fred Bosma and his assistant, Lester Depree, annually sport new stars and stripes and all the credit goes to Zippy, a 6-year-old French bulldog.

Abandoned by her owner, Zippy was sentenced to death in the lethal chamber four years ago, but the wagging of her stubby tail won the affection of Bosma and Depree and she has lived at headquarters ever since.

Her title of No. 1 uniform winner for the force is well deserved. Each spring she bears a healthy litter of puppies, for which the officers find a ready market. The proceeds finance the uniforms.

Old Dollars In Backyard

LOUDONVILLE, O. (UP)—Clyde Shoudt, 18, dug up a "load" of minted silver dollars, right in his own backyard. On property which the Shoudts have owned for 37 years, the youth uncovered the coins while digging fence post holes. They were dated from 1801 to 1879. Young Shoudt is now digging up the entire backyard.

Candidate Capitalizes On Pendant For 'Ain'

FORT WORTH (UP)—State Rep. H. A. (Salty) Hull of Fort Worth, seeking re-election to the legislature, was chided by an opponent for using "ain't" in his speeches.

Retorted Hull, to the delight of a campaign audience: "My opponent doesn't like me because I say ain't. I know it ain't proper to say ain't, but I know a lot of people who don't say ain't who ain't eating, and I know a man who doesn't say ain't who ain't ever going to be state representative."

Thief Wrecks Sheriff's Car BELLEVILLE, Ill. (UP)—Sheriff D. A. Prindable had a double interest in discovering the driver of an auto which struck and knocked down a telephone pole here. The auto was the sheriff's official car that had been stolen from in front of the county jail. It was discovered—wrecked—in a field.

The Crackle of the Yule Log Echoes Our Appreciation of—

YOU

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AND, hoping to be of greater service to you and this entire community in 1941, we send you heartiest and most sincere wishes for a...

MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR

QUALITY AUTO TOP & BODY SHOP

Ben McCullough, Mgr. Big Spring



Season's Greetings

Best Wishes for the New Year!

As we think of the generous way in which you have patronized our business, we are moved to thank all of our good friends for the feeling shown toward us.

As Christmas Day approaches, we hasten to offer our most sincere and hearty wishes for a Joyful Christmas, attended with a super-abundance of good will, happiness and well-being.

In the spirit of the greatest possible neighborliness, we wish for you a Christmas unclouded by care and brightened with all that is good.

Burnet-Uhl Machine Co.

24th and Gregg

Phone 270

This Christmas and Every Christmas



We look forward to sending you our sincere good wishes for a happy Holiday. It is a pleasure to us because it gives us an opportunity to thank you for all you have done for this firm.

Your have been liberal in your patronage, your friendship and good will—the combination of which spells progress for any organization.

You have been good to us—may Santa be just as good to you.



Big Spring Laundry

L. C. Holdclaw, Prop.



Home For 88 Years  
ROCHESTER, N. H. (UP)—In the 200-year-old house where he was born, George W. Duffee has celebrated his 82nd birthday.

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (UP)—Huntingdon College had adopted a theme of "Through Sincerity of Huntingdon" for the next school year.

### Army To Give Many Leaves At Christmas

In this period of national emergency, Uncle Sam is being considerate of his soldiers.

Most of them will get a few days off for Christmas, and virtually all will have a chance to get away for a few days during the holiday season.

Maj. Gen. Claude V. Birkhead, commander of the 39th division, said recently that national guardsmen assigned to Camp Bowie would get about four and a half days off for Christmas.

Included in this group are members of the anti-tank company of the 142nd infantry, Big Spring's own company, now in training at Santa Anna.

Gen. Birkhead indicated that the Christmas holidays would include leave from the afternoon of Dec. 21 through Dec. 25.

Likely, about the time guardsmen put aside Christmas festivities to rush back to Santa Anna, they will face orders to move to Camp Bowie at Brownwood. That, however depends upon the weather.

If showers continue to fall in and around Brownwood, there is no telling when the move will be made. Originally the transfer was set for Dec. 17, but incomplete status of the camp together with a mire of knee-deep mud made it impractical to go through with plans, according to members of the company.

But for those who have to remain in camp during Christmas, there may be special food to make it seem more like the special day.

### Goat's Timely Warning Saves Strangling Cow

DAMARISCOTTA, Me. (UP)—Lily Belle, a goat, is a heroine in the eyes of Fred Webber's family.

The goat appeared at the Webber home and bleated to attract attention, ran a few steps toward a pasture, then returned and repeated the procedure.

Ultimately, Webber followed the animal and was led to a deep ravine where his cow Rosie had become tangled in a chain and nearly strangled.

### Non-Voting Vow Broken

LIMA, O. (UP)—When E. S. Bridges, 82, voted in Ohio's primary elections, it was the first time he had been to the polls in 39 years.

Bridges vowed never to vote again in 1901 when his idol, William McKinley, was assassinated. "But things have gotten in such a mess I decided to vote once more," he explained as he received his ballot.

### Maine Bobcat Hunting Good

BINGHAM, Maine. (UP)—Maurice Monson shot four bobcats in one week near Bald Mountain. He sold the pelts and got an additional \$60 state bounty.



TELEPHONE SERVICE COMING UP.—With a reel on her back, Floss, being trained in England for war duty, lays a telephone cable across a section of bomb-battered, barbed-wired ground. Cable pays out from reel.

### Half-Brothers Distant; Ages Are 81 And 13

MILES CITY, Mont. (UP)—Oscar E. Moyer, 81, has a 13-year-old half-brother, Bud Moyer, and explains as follows how it all came about.

"My father, John H. Moyer, a native of Crawford county, Wis., was married four times," he said.

"My mother was his first wife and Bud is the son of father's fourth wife.

"Father was 97 years old when Bud was born."

Bud Moyer lives in Omaha, Neb., where his sister, Mrs. Dorothy Johngenson 20, recently gave birth to a son.

"That youngster has something to live up to in the way of longevity," Oscar Moyer said. "My father was 102 years old when he died in 1932."

### Racing Pigeons Conquer Tricky Grand Canyon

PRESCOTT, Ariz. (UP)—Pigeon fanciers finally have proved that carrier pigeons can fly from the bottom of the Grand Canyon despite the treacherous wind currents in the mile deep gorge.

Last year, an attempt was made to hold a "Pigeon Derby" from the bottom of the Canyon to Prescott. There were six starters. Five never were seen again. The sixth was carried from the bottom of the canyon on a mule.

This year, however, there were 25 starters and a majority of the birds reached their cotes at Prescott.

### Girls Prove Efficient On Machine Shop Jobs

DES MOINES, Ia. (UP)—It used to be that a woman's place was in the home. Then she transferred herself to the office. Now nobody knows just where she does belong.

for in Des Moines more than 40 women are working in machine shops.

Ten are doing small assembly and light press work. They range in age from 17 to 23 and are paid 35 cents an hour.

"Girls of this age," according to the plant foreman, "acquire the manual skills of their job more quickly than boys of the same age. They seem to understand the whole idea of working at a job, and apply themselves more diligently."

### Spoken English May Grow

MELBOURNE, Australia. (UP)—Prof. G. S. Browne of the University of Melbourne believes that with the end of the war, English will become the international language, replacing French. He believes the next generation will be bi-lingual, everyone speaking his native language and English as a secondary international tongue.

### Art Professor Tames Big Cat

HARRISBURG, Pa. (UP)—Teaching students of cats, use the same psychology," is the advice of Prof. George R. Keller, who teaches art to Bloomsburg State Teachers college students in the winter and trains his own "wild west" show for summer performances.

"A wild animal trainer needs a special brand of psychology both to teach the animals and to exact their obedience," said Keller. "In fact, I use the same psychology I've been applying for years to my college students."

An art instructor for 20 years, Keller tours with his own animal act, consisting of two African lions and seven panthers, panthers and leopards.

Starting his show in 1937 after numerous rehearsals in his private 30-foot arena, the professor has drawn on the college for assistants. S. Irving Shortess, physics professor takes care of finances, while six college students perform necessary odd jobs. Keller, who is his own "barker," and a professional clown, complete the company.

### Recruiting Office Ready For Luckless Job Hunters

BUFFALO, N. Y. (UP)—The army has opened temporary recruiting headquarters on the laws of the Curtiss and Bell Aircraft manufacturing plants here in an effort to enlist unsuccessful job hunters.

"Some of the men who seek jobs in the airplane plants," said Staff Sgt. William J. Stewart, "are ideal material for the army. If they fail to get jobs we are ready to talk to them. A good salesman can sell four out of five."

### Wife Hooks River Tarpon But Husband Lands It

MOBILE, Ala. (UP)—Here's a woman fisherman who hooked a 112-pound tarpon—and gives all the credit to her husband!

Mrs. Eugene Hall was fishing from the wharf in Dog river. Suddenly, a strike.

"He almost pulled me overboard," she said.

Her husband jumped into a skiff, played the big silver king for an hour, and finally landed it.

"He gets all the credit," she says modestly. "All I did was to get excited when I found I had such a big fish on my line."

## A Great Day For Everybody

There's the beauty of Christmas Day — it brings Happiness and Good Cheer to more people than any other day of the year . . . It is an imperial visitor shedding its lustre upon the young and old, the rich and the poor.

TO EACH AND EVERYONE, A SINCERE MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

## CLUB CAFE

G. C. Dunham, Mgr.



## GREETINGS

At this glad season, when peace, good will and good fellowship are so much in evidence, we extend Season's Greetings. May you enjoy the associations of those dear to you, and may their companionship continue through the years to come. Happy Christmas to all and a Prosperous New Year

## Bolinger's Grocery



A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A BRIGHT AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

As another Christmas comes around we feel that we have an unpaid obligation, an obligation of gratitude. Friends of this institution have made possible a certain amount of progress and prosperity for our organization. These friendships have been an enjoyable experience, one in which we believe we have the confidence and esteem of the people whom we strive to serve. And now, all we ask is the privilege of a continuance of these fine relationships to enable us to look forward with genuine enthusiasm to the future.

Season's Greetings

to All Our Friends

## TROY GIFFORD TIRE SERVICE



A day when human hearts are turned to finer things in life, a day of carols brightly sung, a day free from strife, a day that teaches Peace on Earth, Good Will and Kindness to all.

We express appreciation for your patronage in 1940 and hope it is our pleasure to continue serving you in 1941.

J. W. Elrod Furniture



CHRISTMAS seems to renew our obligation of gratitude to the community which we so gladly serve. We're grateful for the patronage you have given us in the months past and pledge anew to serve you faithfully in the future.

## Tommie's Smokehouse

Next Door To Safeway



## HEALTH-HAPPINESS-PROSPERITY

At no other time of the year than at this glorious Yuletide is the spirit of happiness so much in evidence. The usual Christmas greetings are significant at this time when good wishes for all fill the air.

A glorious Christmas is our wish, of course, yet we want this sentiment to carry on through the coming years. We want each of you to enjoy Health, Happiness, and Prosperity. It is our hope that your every wish will be realized, that each ambition may materialize, so that the New Year may be the happiest of them all.

You have been most considerate of us in the past . . . and we are grateful. That we shall continue this pleasant association in the years to come is our sincere wish.

## TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY

C. S. BLUMSHIELD, Manager

Editorial

In commemoration of the Holy Day which marks the 1940th anniversary of the birth of Jesus Christ, this column is devoted, in a spirit of reverence and humility, to one of the most glorious documents in the world, as contained in the first 14 verses of the second chapter of the Gospel according to St. Luke:

And it came to pass in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed x x x And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem x x x To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger;

because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Washington Daybook

WASHINGTON—The name is Marion Post. Not being a one-man census bureau, I couldn't be positive, but I think she is the only full-time woman photographer now in employ of Uncle Sam. (Dorothea Lange, who used to be, now is on a part-time schedule with the bureau of agricultural economics.)

Marion is one of the three photographers on the staff of the Farm Security Administration. For more than two years she has haunted farms in every state east of Old Man River.

A tall wispy young woman, with blue eyes and a cascade of curly dark-brown hair which she usually binds in a red bandana, she has been mistaken for a gypsy; arrested for a spy; ordered off farms where the tenants thought she was an itinerant peddler; played the role of mother confessor to scores of farm folk in the isolation belt; and numerous times been called a brazen young hussy for traveling about the country-side without a chaperone.

WIDE TERRITORY Yet in spite of all these mishaps and happenings she invariably has come back with the pictures—of tenant farmers, Okies, and industrial workers. With sometimes no more definite assignments than: "Check up on conditions among the Mississippi delta people," or "let's see how far we are getting with the fruit pickers in Florida," Marion Post has hopped off on six or seven-month junkets.

For weeks on end she has lived out of her convertible coupe, which not only contains her three cameras and all the paraphernalia that goes with modern photography, but enough of a wardrobe to make her presentable and comfortable from the sands of Florida to the ski-runs of Lake Placid.

SEIZED AS SPY This necessary heap of luggage is one thing that often has drawn suspicion of highway cops and village marshals. It had nothing to do, however, with her most serious predicament.

In a Kentucky hill town on market day, Marion was shooting endless plates of film when a deputy sheriff pulled her in "on suspicion of being a spy." Hailed before the magistrate she was damned by several witnesses who declared under oath they had seen "blue-prints in the back of that little black box." She didn't spend any time in jail, but it was only because it was court day and the circuit judge happened to be sitting at the time.

Mrs. Post sees her job as unglamorous, but interesting—a "slight contribution," she hopes, to a visual appreciation of how millions of farm people must live and a black-and-white record of what her department has done to help some of them to better way of life.

STUDIED ABROAD A New Jersey girl, Marion Post studied at New York university and for three years at the University of Vienna child psychology and education. A photographer friend in Vienna gave her a camera and started her off on a tangent. She taught for a while after that at Croton-on-the-Hudson, but teaching finally got smothered in photography and she took a job for a year on the Philadelphia Bulletin. She might have been there yet if they had assigned her to more murders, fires, court trials and tenement tales, and fewer society and fashion affairs. But if they had, the department of agriculture would have been out of one of its ace camera-snappers and Kentucky would never have had a chance to talk about the time they almost caught a modern Mata Hari.

The Herald's Serial Story

Chapter 29 BILL GUILTY? As the dining room cleared, Mr. Marshall, who had lingered for a word with Bill, came forward to guide Mr. Dodson to the library. "Wait a moment," I whispered to my husband, "there's something I want to tell you." "Wish somebody would tell Bob something," he complained, digging for his cigarette case. "Seems to me he ought to have sense enough to know this is not the time to try to drink up all the liquor in sight." "It's all Eve's fault," I excused. "But why should he let himself in for such things?" Bill grumbled. "Why can't he use a little sense?" "Everybody is not as direct as you are, darling," I reminded him, as he glared at his empty cigarette case as though it, too, had failed in department suited to the occasion. "There are plenty of cigarettes in the library," I added, knowing that it would be like trying to hold a restive horse until he had his smoke. "Well, just a moment. I'll be right back."

But he was not to be right back, for as I followed him to the library door we both saw Roberts who was waiting to tell Bill that Lieutenant Gregory wished to see him in the office. "Again?" asked Bill, in some surprise. "Thought I told him all I knew."

"It's about something that has come up since then," Roberts explained smoothly. "All right," Bill agreed, "but I hate to keep everybody else waiting. You are sure we can't go to town and finish all this tomorrow?" None of us is going to run away, you know."

"Perhaps it won't take so long," said Roberts, and something in his voice caused me to look at him quickly, but his expression was unrevealing. "You mean you've got something?" asked Mr. Dodson, who had also caught that note of what might have been restrained excitement.

"Suppose we go along to the other room," Roberts suggested, leading the way, and Mr. Marshall, taking Mr. Dodson by the arm, prepared to follow.

"Can't I come, too?" I asked. "Let's wait and see," said Mr. Marshall, giving me a little pat on the shoulder. "Anyway, don't worry. Everything is going to be all right soon."

Which, of course, is just what one would expect from a family friend and legal adviser. But it made all the more astounding what he came back to tell me a little later.

Just how much later it was I do not know, for the day, which at

times seemed to fly, as others seemed to drag on leaden feet. Eve evidently had gone directly upstairs from the dining room. Claire had excused herself soon after we went into the library and, I think, had also started upstairs, but Bob, rising quickly to his feet, had followed her from the room and must have persuaded her to go into the drawing room. Any way, from where I sat with Kirk and Alice, I could hear the faint tinkle of the piano.

Dread News When Mr. Marshall appeared at the door there was nothing in his manner to indicate that his request to speak to me privately was of any great importance. And we walked down the hall toward the breakfast room. I was struck with the irony of Claire's musical selection, for the air was one familiar from my childhood.

Perhaps she had only opened at random that bound collection of old sheet music, but she was playing "Sweet Memories Waltz," which, according to the inscription penned thereon, had been present-

ed to one of my feminine ancestors in 1857.

Had Claire selected it in order to punish Bob? I wondered. Was she listening to his pleading as she played, her gray eyes now and then looking upward into his, or was she ignoring him by a pretended absorption in the yellowed sheet of music before her?

So busy was my mind with such thoughts that I did not turn my attention to Mr. Marshall until we had reached the breakfast room and he had closed the door behind us. Then I looked up and saw that his face, with the kind setter eyes, was contorted as though he were suffering great physical pain.

"What is it?" I cried. "Do they think I did it?" "No, my dear," he answered. "They think Bill did it."

I stared at him incredulously. "But that's absurd," I said. "Bill is the last person on earth who might have done such a thing."

"I'm afraid they have a pretty good case against him," Mr. Marshall admitted unwillingly. "Oh, no!" I cried, his own obvi-

ous alarm communicating itself to me. "They couldn't have. It's impossible."

"Sit down, my dear," said Mr. Marshall gently, "and let me get you a glass of water."

"No, no, I'm all right. I must go to Bill."

"But I'm not sure you can see him yet," Mr. Marshall protested uncomfortably. "They hadn't finished when I came out. I—I wanted to prepare you."

"But they are crazy," I told him. "Bill didn't do it. He couldn't have. Oh, Mr. Marshall, you know Bill well enough to know it is impossible."

"Yes, yes, my dear, of course. Now try to calm yourself. We'll take care of Bill. We'll get Wade Allen to defend him."

"But I am calm," I insisted. "You— you know it can't be as bad as all that." Even I knew Wade Allen is considered the best criminal lawyer in the South.

"No use taking any chances," Mr. Marshall told me soothingly. "I am afraid you are going to have to make up your mind that all this is going to be pretty disagreeable, and try to keep a stiff upper lip."

"All right," I said, "but right now I'm going to see Bill."

"I don't know that you should try to just yet," he objected, like an anxious mother hen, but I was already knocking on the door. Roberts, opening it a mere crack, admitted grudgingly that Mr. Marshall could come back in, but otherwise he assured us that they positively could not be disturbed.

I said, "Will you please tell Lieutenant Gregory that I wish to speak to him?"

About to object further, Roberts was interrupted by Lieutenant Gregory himself, who came to the door and, motioning Roberts out of the way, stepped into the breakfast room, pulling the door shut as he did so.

"I want to see my husband," I told him.

The Evidence "Mrs. Stuart," he said not unkindly, "it would be much better if you would wait until we have finished our questioning. I did not know Mr. Marshall had gone out to see you or I should have objected."

I am afraid I rather lost my head at that, for I said, "This is my house and my husband, Lieutenant Gregory, may I pass?"

He opened the door and stood aside. "You are only making this harder for yourself," he said.

My eyes flew to Bill, sitting in a chair by my grandfather's desk, his red hair tousled and his blue eyes full of a sort of belligerent bewilderment. It was astonishing how much more blue his left eye looked than the right, with its dark circle caused by the bruise.

I know the expression on his face so well. It is always there when I Bill comes up against me. He finds it so difficult to believe that people are not all as honest and decent and straightforward and intelligent as he is himself.

He came to his feet when he saw me and we met halfway across the room. "Oh, Bill," I said, as we gripped each other's hands tightly, "this is so silly."

"Very silly," he agreed through set teeth, "but I can't seem to convince Lieutenant Gregory of the fact."

I looked around that small, intimate, friendly room which has stood for a hundred years of family security and gracious living. I looked at Lieutenant Gregory, waiting to resume his seat at my grandfather's desk. And for a dreadful moment the room ceased to be a part of Wisteria Hall and became the close, cramped quarters of a storm-rocked boat, with great, angry waves, dashing hungrily against its sides.

"Here, here," said Bill quickly, "sit down." And as I collapsed in a chair, "Are you all right now?"

"Oh, yes," I assured him, trying to smile, then, turning to Mr. Dodson, I asked in a voice that I somehow could not raise above a whisper, "You don't believe any of this foolishness, do you?"

"What do you mean, foolishness?" Lieutenant Gregory interrupted grimly.

"Don't upset yourself too much, Mrs. Stuart," said Mr. Dodson, and his calm, kind voice steadied me immediately. "You never can tell from the way a case starts out just how it will end."

"But what's it all about?" I demanded. "Why does anybody think Bill did this terrible thing?"

"Andrew," said Bill testily, "something Andrew thinks he overheard, just before you went out to the back passage and found Aunt Maggie."

"Andrew?" I repeated stupidly. "I questioned your butler as he served our lunch," Lieutenant Gregory explained. "At first he denied knowing anything at all remotely connected with the murder. I accused him of trying to shield the family and saw that I was on the right trail. He finally broke down and confessed that last night while in the breakfast room he heard voices in the passage outside and what sounded like an argument. He recognized Mrs. Ambler's voice, but while he knew her to be talking to a man, he was unable at first to identify the man's voice. Or rather, he says he did not pay much attention until he heard Mrs. Ambler raise her own voice and call Mr. Stuart by name."

To be continued.

Man About Manhattan

NEW YORK—Glad Hill, a New York newspaper man, was telling me about an experience a friend of his had in a Turkish bath. This friend was steaming away in his box, with only his head sticking out when the fellow in the box next to him, a foreigner, suddenly inquired, "You play chess?"

"Sure," said Hill's friend. "Want to play a game?" "Okay."

"Well," said the foreigner, "are you ready?" "Am I ready?" cried the fellow, "What'll we use for a board?"

"We don't need a board," returned the foreigner quietly. "Okay," but Hill's friend was awfully puzzled.

"I'll move first," the foreigner said, "is that all right with you?"

"Of course," came the dazed reply. "Well," said the foreigner, "I move the king's pawn."

At this point Hill's friend broke down and confessed that he was unused to playing tournament chess when all but his ears were submerged in a steam bath. But the foreigner, who seems to have been something of a fanatic on the subject, could visualize the play perfectly. He wasn't kidding. He frequently played games with his friends by telephone or merely while riding about in an automobile. It was very simple, he explained. All you had to do was remember where the pieces stood and to have a picture of the board

in your mind. "That's every last single thing there was to it, really."

This department owes Sid Kessler, a New York chemist and an executive of the Caricoa Rum company, a new hat. It happened like this. About a year ago, at a Christmas party, he told us he was trying to figure out a way to put egg-nogs in bottles, with the spice, the eggs, the milk and everything else already in them.

We told him he was certainly crazy, as we had once tasted an imported bottled eggnog, which was pretty awful, and he said, "Well, I'll bet you a new hat I do it."

Sure, we bet him, and forgot all about it. Yesterday we ducked into that restaurant across the street from this office, at 50th and Rockefeller Plaza, for lunch, and had hardly settled before a waiter politely set a foaming cup in front of us. "Try this," he suggested, "good for the appetite." It was a sip of eggnog and we accepted it gratefully, murmuring all sorts of thanks.

"Don't thank me," he said, "it's from a friend of yours." We looked up to find Kessler, a wolfish grin on his face, saying softly, "My hat size is seven and one quarter, and nothing under \$10 will do." Think what an awful fix we'd be in if the stakes had been a suit of clothes.

Which leaves us just space enough to ask the daffiest question of the week. What do you think the mayonnaise said to the housewife when she opened the icebox door?

The mayonnaise said: "Shut the door—I'm dressing."

Hollywood Sights And Sounds

HOLLYWOOD—Hollywood's puppets today can unwrap a collective Christmas gift.

It answers the hopes I've heard from most of them in years past, it releases the fears of newcomers. There are a few players who haven't sighted, at one time or another. I don't wanna be typed!"

The Christmas gift is a reassurance that they needn't be. It's a gift that has been cumulative through recent years—a list of players who have proved that "typing" is no necessary evil.

Start the list with Garbo. No one was more "typed" than she until "Ninotchka." Tragedienne forever, but comedienne now as well.

Dorothy Lamour, the aarong girl. Sure, she's still wearing 'em, but people know now that she can wear other clothes too. Three pictures prove it: "Disputed Passage," "Johnny Apollo," "Chad Hanna."

Here's Ida Lupino. Pretty blonde ingenue, nothing else—until "The Light That Failed" and (more notably) "They Drive By Night." They'll never again ask Lupino to play the campus cutie.

And Carole Lombard. Once a straight lead; once a glamor gal; once a screwball comedienne ("My Man Godfrey," "Nothing Sacred"); but still not "typed" out of a chance at "Vigil in the Night"

and "They Knew What They Wanted", nor out of the chance to go zany again in "Mr. and Mrs. Smith."

Joan Bennett. Beautiful leading lady, time after time, but a "character" in "Private Worlds." Hedy Lamarr, the still-life exotic, revealing animation in "Comrade X." Alice Faye, the song-plugger, doing all right (though not challenging B. Davis) as an emotional actress.

By all the laws Paulette Goddard should have been hopelessly "typed" from her debut in "Modern Times." The laws don't hold—they didn't for Paulette. She's a comedienne with Bob Hope, she's a "character" for DeMille, she's a musical comedienne and dancer with Astaire.

And Ginger Rogers. Remember when she was one of the "Gold Diggers"? And an ingenue? And Astaire's hoofing partner? But a gal isn't "typed" when she can work into a career three pictures as different as "Bachelor Mother," "The Primrose Path" and "Kitty Foyle."

It's a Christmas gift, all right. Next time I hear those monotonous words—"I don't wanna-be typed"—I'm going to ask the complainer to go off in a corner and think, and think, and think.

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Life's Darkest Moment!



### Patrolmen To Work Hard On Christmas Day

While most people celebrate, highway patrolmen will be working doubly hard Christmas day.

The department of public safety believes that if the public will simply obey traffic laws, there will be few if any accidents during the holiday period.

#### Blitzkrieg On Field Mice

SYDNEY, Australia. (UP)—Seven thousand mice were killed in an individual "killing drive" in New South Wales where they are attacking the wheat fields.

### Catalogue Of Insects Will Require 30 Years

CLEMSON, S. C. (UP)—Members of the Clemson college department of entomology have a little project they work on in their spare time. They catalogue insects.

The project, so far, has taken 15 years. And another 15 years face the department before all the species in the state have been classified.

Prof. Franklin Sherman, department head, said approximately 600,000 insects have been individually examined and 5,982 varieties have been listed.

Hat Measurements Priced SEATTLE, Wash. (UP)—C. A. Barnea, a hat salesman, has his own scrapbook of famous personalities on whom he has written.



ARTISTS TRY WAR PAINT—Proving that camouflaging has become "art," students at Kansas City Art Institute learn the fundamentals of industrial camouflage.

### Machine Built To Pick Beans

EAST LANSING, Mich. (UP)—The ingenuity of an inventor has brought forth another boon to the nation's farmers.

Myron H. Churchill, operator of a bean elevator at Duffield, Mich., has invented a mechanical bean picker, which may enable farmers to pick the major part of their crops on their own farms.

Churchill, who is also an engineer, entered the bean processing business as a sideline two years ago. The machine was designed primarily to meet the demand for a small practical outfit from growers who have complained that picking and cleaning charges by outside operators were too high.

Prof. H. H. Musselman, head of the college agricultural engineering department, said the machine appeared to be the logical development to help solve some of the obvious marketing difficulties presented by the bean crop.

### Pennsylvania Ranks 1st With Seeing Eye Dogs

HARRISBURG, Pa. (UP)—Pennsylvania leads the nation in the number of dogs trained to lead the blind.

With 60 active dogs guiding sightless persons, the commonwealth has 30 more of the intelligent animals than any other state and nearly a fifth of all in the United States, according to Welfare Secretary E. Arthur Sweeney.

California ranks second with 50 guide dogs, and New Jersey is third with 33. Before the dogs are used in Pennsylvania, they must pass "rigid tests" of ability at the Seeing Eye School in Morristown, N. J., where they are trained.

### Track Promotes Pension For Old Race Horses

SALEM, N. H. (UP)—An old-age pension plan for race horses has been started at Rockingham Park track by owner Phil Bieber.

One per cent of every winning purse will be deducted every day of the meet and the track will contribute an equal amount. Other New England turfmen have agreed to back the idea, which will result in the retirement of several hundred old horses.

### "Dead" Veteran Lives

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb. (UP)—Engraved on a mountain commemorating soldiers of Kansas City, Mo., killed in the World War is the name of Earl Webb of Nebraska City. But the same Earl Webb is alive today.

He was listed as dead in France. Later he was discovered in a hospital, recovering from wounds.

### 1917 Christmas Just Another Day In War

This is a military Christmas, for the nation is setting its defenses against an eventually. Twenty-three years ago, the picture was similar, only even more pressing.

It is interesting, then, to look back and see what the soldier was doing in World War when Christmas rolled around.

Although it was only four short months after the muster for members of Big Spring's Co. D, 117th supply train, 42nd Division, Christmas was found them holed up in the little town of Rolanpont, France.

Christmas came simply as another day. There wasn't anything out of the ordinary in the mess, and about the only thing to remind most doughboys of the day was an occasional wisecrack about "Merry Christmas," or "Christmas, Haw!"

Some individuals, however, did fare little better. Folks back home had got gifts off in plenty of time that they arrived on or near Christmas. Charley Deats came out with three fruit cakes and Pancho Nail had a package from home. Others had reminders too.

But even the anniversary of Christ's birth didn't halt the slaughter. Pancho remembers that it "seemed" like there would be temporary lulls, then "it would break out again as bad as ever."

Next Christmas the front had changed and the war was over, but not the after effects. As part of the army of occupation, company D was in Abtwiler, Germany.

The country had been drained, and the natives had little to celebrate at Christmas time. It was a silent night.

Capt. James T. Brooks hadn't forgotten what day it was, and he didn't want his men to go unremembered. So he detailed Red Steele, Midland, Roy Carter and Deats to forage around up in the mountains for some chickens.

The successful trip accomplished the miracle and came back with the Christmas hens. So it seemed a little like Christmas after all.

But by spring they were on their way back to Brest, France and then to New Jersey and home. Deats summed Christmas at the front up as "no leaves, no passes and no turkey." N. C. Dalton said his outfit got turkey, but it was in March "and frozen stiff."

### Fisherman Loses Coat In Battle With Catfish

NORFOLK, Neb. (UP)—Clifford Laughrey insists that his coat was stolen—by a catfish. This is his story:

A friend pulled a 12 or 14-pound catfish onto a rocky lake bank but the hook came out. Fearing the finfulness of the fish, Laughrey threw his coat over it, then tackled it. In the thrashing about, his coat became wrapped around the fish, which rolled down the bank and into the water.

In a pocket of the coat was a recipe for prepared catfish bait.

### Wanderer Isn't Sure Horseshoe Are Lucky

MT. CARMEL, Ill. (UP)—Horseshoes that Arthur J. Arthur was carrying weren't so lucky after all. He was found in a railroad yard here with a complete set of standard pitching shoes.

Arthur, who admitted he had no regular home, explained that he climbed into a box car at Princeton, Ind., and when he woke up here next morning found the shoes beside him.

Arthur wrapped them up and started to carry them away with him—just for luck, but police interfered. But after he had been in jail a day and night the police released him.

### White House Timber Reused

SEATTLE, Wash. (UP)—Timbers taken from the White House during its renovation in 1933 are being used in construction of the new federal courthouse here. They had been installed in the White House in 1814, two years after the building was burned by British troops.

### Pupils' Salute Like Nazis

MT. HOLLY, N. J. (UP)—Supervising Principal Ernest L. Saul protested to the board of education that township children salute "too much like Hitler." They must be trained to turn palms upward to differentiate from the Nazi salute, he said.

Advertisement for Colonial Beauty Salon featuring a graphic of two lit candles and the text: FRIENDS O' MINE MERRY CHRISTMAS GREETINGS From One Friend to Another And a host of GOOD WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR COLONIAL BEAUTY SALON J. L. Lynch



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We'd like to wish each of you all the joys of the Yuletide Season . . . because we feel deeply grateful to all our friends whom we have had the privilege of serving during the year now drawing to a close.

May the New Year see the realization of your every ambition . . . and may you enjoy health, happiness and prosperity through the years to come.

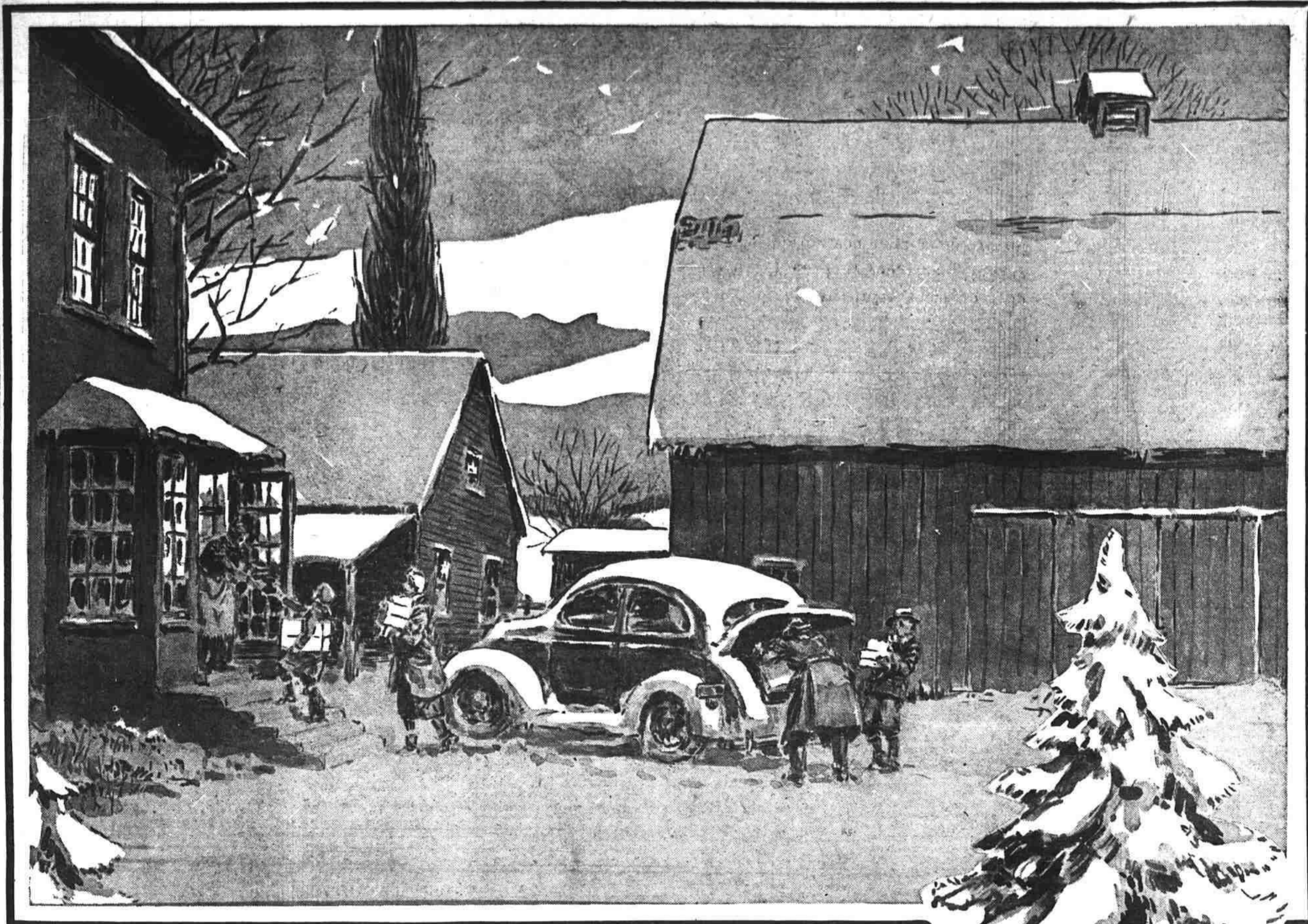


SAY YOU SAW IT IN THE HERALD

Advertisement for Lone Star Chevrolet, Inc. featuring the word 'GREETINGS' in large letters and the text: Once more it is our pleasure to extend the compliments of the season and express our hope that the NEW YEAR will bring you and yours the abundance of good things and good health you so richly deserve.

Advertisement for State National Bank featuring a Christmas tree illustration and the text: We welcome this opportunity to wish each and everyone of our friends and customers a very . . . Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year State National Bank "Time Tried — Panic Tested"

Large advertisement for Kelsey Studio featuring the text: CANDLES OF THE YULETIDE May your Christmas candles burn brightly with happiness, and may your every wish come true. We cannot bring back the past but we can take a great deal of pleasure in reminding ourselves of the fine things that have been ours to enjoy because of your thoughtfulness and consideration. And with these splendid remembrances we look forward to the future with enthusiasm and anticipation. SEASON'S GREETINGS Kelsey Studio 600 Rannels



# Christmas 1940

*Best Wishes For A Happy Holiday!*

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The spirit of Christmas is one in which all Nations—all Creeds—all Faiths—can unite...  
It is the Golden Rule for individuals and for all Nations.

May it be the will of men everywhere to be persuaded by the Christmas spirit to help bring about "PEACE ON EARTH; GOOD WILL TO MEN!"... May you have a Holiday Season gay with family gatherings—a Christmas that will bring you genuine enjoyment and a New Year of Peace and Prosperity.

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IN BIG SPRING

Big Spring People Come And Go In Equal Numbers At Yuletide

Christmastime is synonymous with visiting and family reunions, seeing relatives from other towns, and eating too much turkey.

Gathering a few statistics on local folk, the number going out of town just about balances the others who will play host to visiting relatives.

Mrs. R. J. Michael is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. G. Fletcher, in Ardmore, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Mitchell are visiting in Waco over the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hanawalt of Amarillo are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hanawalt over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Adcock will spend Christmas in Amarillo visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Akey and family are in Fort Worth visiting over the holidays. They will return Sunday.

Mrs. F. O. Allen has as guests, Nevin Young and Elaine Burleson of Fort Worth. The guests and Mrs. Allen will spend Christmas Day in O'Donnell with Mrs. Allen's daughter, Mrs. R. O. Miles.

Fisher Tynes is in Christoval spending several weeks.

Mrs. Temp Carter, Susie and Joyce Schaefer, all of Glasscock county, are visiting here Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Griffith left Tuesday to visit their mothers, in Wichita Falls, over the holidays.

Mrs. J. A. Casey and Charles of Monahans are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Theo Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Nickels and family left Monday afternoon to visit with their parents, in Poolville and Aubrey.

Mrs. Fred White of Fort Hill, Okla., is spending the holidays in Big Spring with Mrs. Clarence Mann.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Weaver will spend Christmas in Coleman. They will return December 25.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dosier of Kermit will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Myers over the holidays.

Mrs. Albert Barnett of Dallas will spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Wasson.

Mrs. Emma Lynch of Stanton is spending the Christmas holidays with her son, C. H. Lynch, in Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Rudd will spend Christmas day in Gail.

Mrs. L. M. Lawson of Toyah, Mrs. L. Drenth and children of Van Horn, and Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Fox and son of O'Brien will spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. J. R. Parks.

Major and Mrs. J. M. Piner of San Angelo will be the Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Piner.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gray and Bud Gray of Lubbock will spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gray.

Edna Sikes of Fort Worth will spend Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sikes.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Glass of Ker-

mit, who have been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Matthews, will go to Alba, Tex., with the Matthews to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Willis are spending the holidays in Tulsa, Okla.

N. H. Zaranofotis, W. H. Zaranofotis of Freeport are here visiting their mother, Mrs. Harry Zaranofotis, until Thursday.

J. C. Anderson visited here Saturday with his sister, Mrs. Loyd Wooten, en route to Odessa to be with his family. He is with the weather bureau at Lowry Field, Denver.

C. A. Murdock, Jr., student at Abilene business college, is home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Murdock, for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Orr spent Sunday with his cousin, Fred Ison, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jennings and children left Monday for Dallas to visit her relatives over the holidays.

Robert Harper and family of Kemp are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Harper. They will return home Thursday.

Lewis and Ulysses Hall of Corpus Christi are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Hall, over the holidays.

John Compton of Shreveport, La., is visiting his father, Tom Compton, and brother, Escol Compton, and family over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lawrence left Tuesday morning to visit her sister, Mrs. Rex Rader, and family over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Talbot and family left Monday for Nebraska where they will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends in Lincoln and various other towns.

Bill Joy will join his wife, Mrs. Joy, in Mesquite to spend the Christmas with Mrs. Joy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Yanston. They will return December 26.

During the Christmas holidays, Mrs. S. R. Nobles will have as guests, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hubbs of Fort Worth, Tom Campbell of Wichita, Mr. and Mrs. Mose Pribble and their daughter, Pearl, of McCamey.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pinkston and daughters, Lee Ida and Charlene, will spend Christmas day in Stanton visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John Holder and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cox left Sunday for Childress where they will spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stewart of Marshall arrived Sunday morning to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wren and Mr. and Mrs. Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Wall of San Angelo, who have been the guests of Mrs. F. B. Blalock, will spend Christmas in Dallas with Wall's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lusky will spend the Christmas holidays in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Harvey.

Cecil Neill, who has been doing intern work in a hospital in Memphis, Tenn., came home after completing his work and is at home

with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Croan and family left Tuesday for Sweetwater to visit her relatives over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Booth and children are visiting in Cross Plains with his parents over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Warren will leave Wednesday for Snyder to spend a few days with her sisters, Mrs. T. L. Lollar.

Doris Jean and James Searcy Whaley, children of Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Whaley, are visiting in Corpus Christi with Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Whaley.

Mrs. Lola Tidwell of Midland and her daughter, Loreta, are spending the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Tidwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beene and baby, Laine, are going to Dallas and Wiley to visit relatives over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Fahrenkamp and Edmund will leave Wednesday to spend the holiday in Colorado City with Mrs. Fahrenkamp's sister, Mrs. M. J. Dawson, and brother, Ralph Mann, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Groebel and Mr. and Mrs. Al Groebel will spend Christmas in San Saba with the Groebel's parents.

The Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Bickley of Abilene will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. King Sides. James Sides, who has been visiting his grandparents in Abilene will accompany them here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bickley of Denver City will also be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sides.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Davidson will spend Christmas day in Abilene visiting B. A. Davidson and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Taylor.

Jack Douglas will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Douglas in Albany Christmas day.

During the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Everett will have as guests Mr. and Mrs. Sam Callihan and family, Mrs. Floyd Ashley and family, E. L. Houge and Amos Houge.

Herman Stewart will visit his parents in Albany Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Smith will spend Christmas day in Ballinger visiting Mrs. H. U. Jones and in Tuscola visiting Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Foresyth of Eastland will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Loy Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Foresyth are Mrs. Smith's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hayward and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Berry are spending Christmas in Moran. While there they will visit Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Allen and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hayward.

Mrs. H. H. Watt, Jr., of Wilcox, Ariz., Mrs. Ruth Blakey of Odessa and Bob Scott of Denver, Colo., are Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hayward.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Jones had as guests Monday and Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McKeown of Emory.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kinard and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin and children were in Lamesa Sunday to attend a Christmas cantata, "Good

Will Toward Men" given at the First Baptist church and directed by Mr. and Mrs. Dorman Kinard. The Kinards are formerly of Big Spring. Mrs. Dorman Kinard accompanied them here for the holidays and Dorman will join the group Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kinard are also expecting Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Davidson and children of El Indio here for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Bryan and children will leave Wednesday for Lubbock where they will visit Mrs. Bryan's sister, Mrs. I. S. Kennedy. John Richards of Andrews, father of Mrs. Bryan, will also come to Lubbock for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Duncan and son, James, and Mrs. Buell Wood left Tuesday to visit Mrs. Duncan's mother, Mrs. O. S. Carroll, in Cisco over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Falkner have had as a guest, Mae Rogers, of Portales, N. M., who is spending Christmas with her sister in Ackerville. Falkner's mother, Mrs. J. D. Falkner of Coahoma, and her mother, Mrs. S. E. Clement, of Roscoe, are to spend Christmas day with the Falkners.

Zelma Farris and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Farris, of Coahoma, are spending Christmas in Sweetwater with the G. R. Farris family.

Miss Evelyn Merrill of Dallas is spending the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Merrill.

J. D. Lones, who has been working Dallas and Fort Worth, is here for the holidays with his wife and children.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hester and family of Austin spent Sunday here en route to Lubbock, visiting with Mrs. E. E. Hall, and sister, Mrs. W. D. Minter.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Logan will have as guests Wednesday his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Logan and sister, Mary Lou Logan, all of Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Loper will have as Christmas Day guests, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Loper and Childlode of Foran and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Graham and Mrs. A. R. Loper of Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Low has as guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Folk of Hobbs, N. M., who spent the day here before going on to Wingate.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Crass of Ackerville will have their daughter and

her husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Low, as guests on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Switzer and daughter, Jo Anne, left Tuesday to spend the Christmas holidays in Baird, Comanche, and Fort Worth.

Roy Walker of Robstown spent Christmas eve with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Webb of Odessa will spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Webb.

Mrs. Ray Wilcox has as Christmas guests, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilcox of Vanhorn, Mrs. Joe Balanfonte and son, Jo Ray, of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wilcox and daughter, Helen Kay, of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Phillips of San Angelo are the Christmas guests of Mrs. Phillips' mother, Mrs. Alice Riggs.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Neill and family will visit in El Paso during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shumake will spend Christmas day with Mrs. J. R. Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Moreland and children are spending the Christmas holidays in Cleburne with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Madison and son are spending the Christmas holidays in Kermit, Sheffield, and Iraan.

Ruth Beasley of Houston and Tom Beasley of Austin will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Blankenship.

Mr. and Mrs. Garner McAdams are in Winters visiting Mrs. McAdams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bailey.

Dorothy Dee Reeves is spending the holidays with her father, G. P. Reeves, in Gainesville. She will return next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Long and children, Cecilia and Clarence, will spend Christmas day in Olney with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Farnley.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Underwood spent Sunday in Winters attending a Christmas reunion of the Underwood family. Mrs. Underwood and children will leave Wednesday afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. L. McDaniel.

Mr. and Mrs. Pascal Peck and daughter, Ginger, of Lubbock will spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Jones.



A Christmas Sermon - - THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

By Rev. Homer W. Haislip

Happy days are here again. The joy of Christmas thrills our hearts. Bethlehem is the center of world interest. From this quaint, oriental village the story of redeeming love and the song of Christian victory has traveled around the world, to gladden the hearts of little children and give hope and courage to the souls of men and women.

CHRISTMAS WILL LIVE

When Livingstone was traveling in central Africa he discovered the famous vanishing river. He asked his native guides what had become of the great river. They were puzzled,—the disappearance of so much water had always remained a mystery to their fathers. Finally the suggestion was made that the river had been swallowed up in the sands of unknown territory beyond. A clear, sparkling stream of divine love and human hope flowed from the obscure town of Bethlehem nearly two thousand years ago. Instead of its waters being swallowed up in the sands of the ages it has gathered force, materials and influence with the passing years until today a mighty river breaks against the shores of every land.

CHRISTMAS REVEALS GOD

After making a prayerful study of the Christmas story we can understand the plans and purposes of God more completely. He was interested in humanity. In order to convince men of the intensity and magnitude of his personal interest, God was willing to present a priceless gift unto the race. God sent his own Son into the world that men might have the hope and inspiration which would come from a loving Savior. "And the angel said unto them, Be not afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people; for there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

In making this supreme sacrifice for men God wanted to emphasize divine love. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have eternal life." If man was worth such sacrificial love,—that God was willing to deprive heaven of his only begotten Son, then men should willingly, gladly and reverently accept his wonderful Gift and become more and more like the Son of God.

God's personal interest in the conduct and welfare of the individual is the most profound fact that has ever stirred the souls of men. When an individual understands God to be

extent that he can humbly and gratefully say, God knows me, loves me, is interested in me, talks to me and permits me to talk to Him,—he is well on the road to spiritual heights. He is in touch with sources of power which will enable him to face hardships and reverses with undaunted courage and look beyond,—to the hills of eternal victory.

CHRISTMAS EXALTS CHILDREN

"Around the Christmas Cradle" a beautiful, touching picture has been presented by the New Testament. In simple language, the story of the Christ child was related. With imagery which was understood by the humblest citizen of Bethlehem the greatest event of the ages was described. There was no room in the inn. Others were occupying the comfortable rooms in Hotel Bethlehem. That hotel had one opportunity to step into the pathway of undying fame,—if Mary and Joseph had only signed the register,—but alas, there was no room!

At the Christmas cradle the Christ Child was the center of interest, attraction and sincere devotion. Things strange and marvelous were experienced by men and women who had the good fortune to witness that stupendous event. The Star of the East blazed in resplendent glory; the angel announced the birth of heaven's gift to man; the angelic host filled the air with that sweet song of old, which came upon a midnight clear; shepherds found the babe lying in a manger and worshipped him; wise men followed the star until they stood beside the Christ Child and they dedicated gifts unto him while the loving mother pondered these things in her heart. The Son of God was born of the Virgin Mary, and the childhood of the world was lifted to a higher plane,—the unlimited possibilities planted in the life of a child were revealed.

CHRISTMAS IS A CHALLENGE

God gave his best for man,—he expects the best in return. God is depending on men and women,—they must not disappoint him. The Lord has first claim on our time, talents, possessions and lives. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness." Men of wisdom will sidetrack little, frivolous, non-essential matters and will put first things first. God knows our thoughts and purposes,—it is impossible for us to hide from him or shift responsibility. "Be not deceived, God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap."

Christmas is a time of rejoicing; a day of gladness; an occasion for soul-searching; an opportunity for reconsecration. As we observe this Christmas season may we understand God more fully; appreciate our neighbors more completely; consecrate our lives to the Lord more reservedly and let others see the beauty of Jesus through our Christian service. May Christmas mean all of this to us,—and more.

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ALFRED, N. Y. (UP)—The word "hello" is spoken 175 times a day by the average student, according to an Alfred University survey. The survey reveals some girls give the salutation as many as 300 times on warm spring or summer days. The average, however, is brought down by some of the timid youth who recognize a passerby only when necessary.

### OUR SINCERE GOOD WISHES

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## Yule Services Will Be Held At Giant Tree

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 24 (UP)—High above the San Joaquin valley in the rugged snow-covered Sierra Nevada mountains a ceremony, symbolic of this nation's commemoration of the birth of Christ, will be conducted at noon tomorrow at the base of the towering General Grant tree, "The Nation's Christmas Tree."

Surrounded by giant redwood trees, Sequoia Gigantea, a group of pilgrims will kneel in prayer and song at the base of the 267-foot General Grant to venerate the birth of Christ. It will be the 16th annual ceremony.

The sacred services have been held at the foot of General Grant tree since 1925, despite snowstorms on several Christmas Days. While the ceremonies are in progress, the entire program will be re-enacted over a Fresno radio station, 65 miles away, and broadcast on a Western network.

**Sequoias Most Popular**  
The General Grant is a fitting symbol for the devotion. A survey by the American Forestry Association revealed that Sequoia, which are found only in the Sierra Nevada mountains, were overwhelmingly the most popular tree in the United States. Thereafter, the Sequoia Gigantea was honored as the official tree of the nation.

One of the features of the musical program will be the singing of the song, "Star of the East," which was written for the Nation's Christmas Tree celebration by Charles Wakefield Cadman, the American composer, and Grace Osburn Wharton, author. A mixed chorus of school children will sing such well-known Yuletide carols as "Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful," "Silent Night," "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem," "Joy to the World," and "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear."

**Second Largest Tree**  
The 50-centuries old General Grant, which was growing thousands of years before Christ was born in Bethlehem, is the second largest tree in the world, being exceeded in height only by the General Sherman tree. The trees are about 25 miles apart, with the General Sherman reaching a height of 272 feet. The General Grant is 267 feet tall.

Each year thousands of visitors see the Nation's Christmas Tree. It is 33 feet in diameter at the base, 16 feet at a height of 60 feet and 12 feet at a height of 200 feet. Damaged and scarred by fires, skillful tree surgery has restored it. The huge trunk is topped by a rugged and gnarled mass of limbs which in themselves are larger than most trees.

The name General Grant was given to the tree during the administration of President Grant. Later the grove of big trees which included the General Grant was incorporated into General Grant National Park with the formation of the country's newest national park last spring—Ruys Canyon national park—General Grant became part of the new park.

## Hands That Talk Bring A Christmas Message



HERE is a Christmas message in the sign language which the Rev. C. F. Landon of Fort Worth, Tex., uses in preaching to the deaf in eight states. The First Baptist Evangelical Church of Fort Worth, where Mr. Landon preaches once a month, has a congregation of 80 persons, all deaf. Elsewhere in Texas and in Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Oklahoma, Illinois, New Mexico and Arizona are 125 other places where Mr. Landon conducts services at regular intervals. Mr. Landon has normal speech and hearing.



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### Shrewd Deduction Proves Burglary Didn't Occur

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (UP)—A shrewd bit of deduction, coupled with an understanding of women, enabled detectives to recover two rings and a watch valued at \$315 whose owner thought they had been stolen from her apartment.

Finding no definite evidence of a forced entrance, the detectives searched the garbage can and found the jewelry wrapped in discarded orange peels.

### Steer 'Picked Pocket', \$11 Goes Into Cud

BUTLER, Pa. (UP)—One of farmer Max Luthner's prize bovines has turned out to be just a "bum steer."

The steer "picked" Luthner's pocket of a handkerchief containing \$150.

Luthner managed to retrieve \$50 from the animal's mouth, but the steer added the other \$100 to its cud.

### Family Grid Fans Encouraged

SEATTLE, Wash. (UP)—The University of Washington will continue next year a new "family section" plan for its football stadium which filled many seats during the past season. Children under college age were permitted to attend home games for 30 cents and sit with their parents in regular high-priced seats.



DEEP IN BOOKS—NOW!—Out of books as well as the sea do navy men get their training. These students are U.S. naval reserve midshipmen in New York aboard the naval training ship Illinois, before a call to dance came.

### Sees Prospects Of 1941 Boom

NEW YORK (UP)—The United States ends 1940 in the midst of the greatest industrial boom this country has ever experienced. The expansion which began last spring carried the rate of manufacturing activity to the highest peak on record. A preliminary estimate indicates that the annual volume of goods manufactured in 1940 is 11 per cent larger than in the pre-depression year of 1929.

Several factors contributed to the development of the current industrial boom. In the first place, the government not only continued to adhere to but expanded its policy of spending a large amount of borrowed money. In the second place, the government adopted a defense program which called for the placing of large contracts with industry for armaments. In the third place, Great Britain made large purchases in the United States in order to obtain supplies for carrying on the war. Finally, private concerns and individuals made purchases to meet future requirements to protect themselves against a possible shortage of goods and a possible rise in prices as the result of government buying.

The prospect is that these forces which produced the industrial boom now in progress will continue to function throughout 1941. This indicates that factory output is headed for another new high record during the coming year and that this development will be reflected in increased activity in all other economic lines such as building, railroad transportation and retail trade.

There is a good possibility that the annual national income, which amounted to over \$76,000,000,000 in 1940, or the highest figure in the past decade, will come within striking distance of \$85,000,000,000 in 1941. This indicates that the number of persons employed, after practically reaching the 1929 average at the end of 1940, may rise to a new record high level in 1941. Thus we may look forward to the possibility that unemployment during the coming year may, for the first time since the business recovery began in 1933, cease to be a particularly pressing problem.

### Driver Jolted By Robbery

SAN ANTONIO (UP)—Discovery that he had been robbed jolted E. N. Jesse. He started to back his automobile out of his garage and the front end dropped off a jack. Both front wheels had been stolen.

### Mail Carrier In 33 Years Travels 500,000 Miles

HILTON, N. J. (UP)—Cleveland M. Nellis, rural mail carrier, should be able to claim some sort of record when he retires.

Since assuming his duties in 1907, Nellis has traveled approximately 500,000 miles, or about 20 times around the world. In 33 years of service he has failed to deliver mail only twice; both times the train was snowbound.

### Delaware Edict of 1779 Displayed In Wilmington

WILMINGTON, Del. (UP)—The Wilmington Public Library is displaying a 161-year-old state document that prohibited the exportation of provisions out of Delaware.

The proclamation, issued by Caesar Rodney when he was governor, was intended to stem the shipping of provisions out of Delaware to any part "beyond the seas." Dated 1779, the document was presented to the library by George P. Bissell of Wilmington.

### Boy Cornered By Moose

RANGELEY, Me. (UP)—Seventeen-year-old Clyde Saunders says moose look fine in a museum but he doesn't care for them otherwise. Saunders spent several hours in a cellar when a wounded bull moose cornered him after a chase through woods.

### Student Is Jail Turkey

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (UP)—Livio (Lee) DeBonis, 27-year-old dental student at the University of Michigan, spends 70 hours a week in the Washtenaw county jail. But he's not a prisoner; he's a turkey, working his way through college.



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## Mail, Visitors Flood Town Of Santa Claus

SANTA CLAUS, Ind., Dec. 24 (AP)—Santa Claus—not the Jolly St. Nicholas but this southern Indiana hamlet with the magic Christmas name—was in a state of perturbation today and recovery was not expected until after Dec. 25.

The Sabbath holiday brought the greatest influx of both tourists and mail during the pre-Christmas season, and while the Sunday before Christmas generally is the peak day, the villagers anticipated no relaxation until after Wednesday.

Country roads and main highways leading to this village of 100 population swarmed with automobiles. Mrs. Annie Martin's general store where the one-room postoffice is located was the center of attraction as well as the busiest place in town.

Postmaster Oscar Phillips, quickly increasing his regular staff of two by adding nine extra workers when the mail reached deluge proportions, estimated that a half million pieces of mail would be cancelled at the postoffice by Christmas day. Phillips had his staff working 18 hours a day in two shifts and the avalanche of mail over the week-end necessitated his

keeping the office opened yesterday. The postmaster's estimate of the number of visitors here Sunday was 6,000. They drove here from throughout Indiana and neighboring states and after the customary trip to the postoffice most of them visited the toy, novelty and candy factories which have sprung up here in recent years.

## Merry Xmas —and— Happy New Year

to you all . . .

We sincerely appreciate the patronage you have given us the past year and hope we are privileged to continue serving you in the future.

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We are happy if we have been of service to you, and trust that we may continue to merit your friendship and patronage.

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Sam Kelly



## Merry Christmas

This is the season of the year when we welcome the opportunity to renew friendships and to express our appreciation for your cooperation which has made possible a very satisfactory year for us.

May the Yuletide bring abundant joy to you and yours and may the New Year bring true health and happiness to each and every one of you.

Happy New Year

## Linck's Food Stores

# College Students Come Home For Christmas Holidays

There's no place like home, and especially so at Yuletide. Thus many Big Spring young men and women, attending colleges in and out of the state, have found their ways home to spend Christmas at the family hearth.

Here are some of the students home for the holidays:

Jean Ella Dodge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Dodge, arrived home Friday from Tech for a visit here over the holidays.

James Stiff arrived home Saturday from T. U. to be with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stiff. John Stiff, student at A. & M., was home early due to the "flu" at the school.

E. C. Bell, son of Mrs. W. T. Bell, is here with his family visiting. He is enrolled at A. & M.

Billy Robinson arrived home from A. & M. and then got sick with the flu. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Robinson and is improving now.

Champe Phillips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shine Phillips, arrived home in a special bus from T. S. C. W. to visit with her family.

Betty Jean Fisher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joye Fisher, arrived home Monday from Purdue where she is enrolled. Jerome Fisher, also a Purdue student, accompanied her home for the holidays.

J. L. Wood, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wood, Sr., Arvie Earl Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arvie Walker, Sr., James Webb, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Webb arrived in Big Spring Thursday evening from Roswell where the boys are attending New Mexico Military Institute. John Dublin, Jr., of Midland accompanied them, and will visit friends and relatives in Big Spring for several days.

Sara Lamun, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Lamun, came home Saturday night for the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Lamun went to Stephenville Saturday morning for Sara.

Janice Slaughter, freshman at T.S.C.W., came home Saturday morning on the train and will be here until January 2. Janice is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Slaughter.

Marie Dunham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Dunham, arrived in Big Spring Sunday morning for the holidays. Marie will return to Denton January 2.

Mary Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Patterson, is home for the Christmas holidays. She will be here until after the first of the year.

R. H. Miller, sophomore at A&M, is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Miller, Sr. He will return to college January 2.

Barbara Collins, student at Abilene Christian College, came home Thursday for the holidays. Barbara is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Collins.

Reta Mae Bigony, student at McMurry college in Abilene is home

for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Bigony. Weldon Bigony, student at Baylor university arrived in Big Spring Saturday. He will return to school January 2.

Rupert Phillips, student at McMurry, arrived in Big Spring Thursday evening. Rupert, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Phillips, will spend the Christmas holidays in Dallas and Arlington.

Ruth and Rebecca Thomas, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Thomas, and students at N. T. C. are spending the holidays with their parents.

Otis Grafa, Jr., freshman at A. & M. college has been home for

the past week and will spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Grafa, Sr. Francis Neill, student at Draughtons Business school in Abilene is at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Neill. She will return to school January 2.

Howard Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hart, and student at A&M college is home for the Christmas holidays.

Joe Robert Myers, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Myers, arrived in Big Spring Sunday to spend the holidays with his parents.

DeAlva McAllister who is a student at Hardin Simmons in Abilene came home Thursday evening to spend the holidays with her

parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. McAllister.

Lawrence Deason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Deason, Sr. is home from San Antonio where he is attending St. Mary's college.

Harold Talbot, student at A&M college is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Talbot.

Monroe Mansur, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mansur, is at home for the holidays with his parents. Monroe is a student at A. C. C. in Abilene.

Cozarea Walker, freshman at T. S. C. W., came home Saturday night to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. B. Walker.

Warren Baxley and Mary Louise Wood, students at Texas university, came home Saturday evening to spend the holidays with their parents. Warren is the son of Mrs. Bonnie Baxley.

Creed Coffee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Creed Coffee, Sr., is home for the Christmas holidays. Creed is a student at Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Georgia Griffin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Griffin is home from Tech where she has been attending college. She will return to Lubbock Jan. 2.

Gladine Rowe, sophomore at T. S. C. W. is home for the Christmas holidays. Gladine is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Rowe. She will return to Denton Jan. 2.

Helen Hurt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hurt arrived in Big Spring Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents.

Billie Bess Shive, sophomore at Texas Tech is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Shive. Billie Bess will return to Lubbock January 2.

Gene Hardy Fiewellen, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Fiewellen, arrived in Big Spring Saturday to spend the holidays with his parents. He will return to John Tarleton January 1.

Alton LaVelle, student at Texas Tech in Lubbock, is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Edith LaVelle.

Walter Jo McNallen, student at O. U., came home Sunday to spend the holidays with his parents. He will return to school January 8.

Bobbie Savage, freshman at John Tarleton college, is spending

the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Savage.

Nathan Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Allen, has arrived in Big Spring to spend the Christmas holidays. He will return to Lubbock around the first of January.

Harvey Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reece Adams, has been home for the past week and will not return to A&M college where he is doing freshman work until Jan. 2.

Josephine Winters, student at T. S. C. W., will arrive in Big Spring Saturday evening from Denton and will accompany her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Winters, to San Bernardino, Calif., for the Christmas holidays. Josephine will return to school around the first of the year.

Cornelia Douglas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Douglas, is home for the Christmas holidays. Cornelia is a student at T. S. C. W.

Don Hutto, student at Oklahoma University, is home for the Christmas holidays. Accompanying her were Jo Thompson of Ardmore, Okla., and Betty Jones of Oklahoma City.

R. V. Jones, Jr., and Henry Jones, sons of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Jones, are home for the Christmas holidays. R. V. is attending school at Galveston, and Henry is a freshman at Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Sammy Mellinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Mellinger, arrived in Big Spring Sunday to spend the holidays with his parents.

Harry and John Blomsheld, students at Texas Tech, came home Friday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Blomsheld. They will return to school January 2.

Mrs. Florence McNew will have her three daughters spending the Christmas holidays with her. Mrs. Jeff Isaac of Las Cruces, N. M., is here and Margaret McNew who is attending T. S. C. W. and Florence McNew, student at Southwest State Teacher's college in San Marcos will also spend the holidays at home.

Howard Schwarzenbach, student at A&M college, is home for the Christmas holidays.

Jacqueline Lewis, daughter of Mr. Inez Lewis, arrived Saturday afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother. She is a student at T. S. C. W.

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### Played Santa Out Of Season

AP Feature Service

Here are some men who didn't wait for Christmas to play Santa Claus:

A. C. Crombie, New York lumber man, brought 14-year-old Larry Windsor, of Republic, Wash., to

New York to rejoin his dog Trixie. Trixie had chased a chipmunk into a freight car. The door was slammed, and thirty-four days later the car arrived in New York. Larry had asked Crombie to be on the lookout.

Another Santa Claus was Henry Ford, who left Ethel Gaff, 19-year-old Fort Wayne, Ind., waitress, a \$46 tip because she did a "very good job."

To two other Santas, recognition didn't come until they were dead. Wilhelm Loewenstein, New York leather importer, left \$900,000 for a chain of free cafeterias for needy persons.

J. Harvey Gravell, Ambler, Pa., paint manufacturer, left the bulk of his \$3,000,000 business to a group of employees.

### Phillips Family Has Reunion In Home Of Mother In Moore

MOORE, Dec. 24. (Sp.)—Children of Mrs. J. W. Phillips and their families met in the home of their mother Sunday afternoon. Gifts were exchanged.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Phillips, Jr., and children, Donald and Twila Frances, of Knott; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phillips and children Joy Beth, Patay, and Johnnie Roy of Knott; Mrs. J. W. Walker of Knott; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Castle of Brown; Mr. and Mrs. Elva Phillips of Big Spring.

Billy Jo Owen of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Phillips and son, Everett Doyle, of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Truett Thomas and son, Lewis McCoy, of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Phillips of Moore; Mr. Ray Phillips of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Phillips and children, Dorothy Jean, Mary Frances, Freddie, and Edgar Allen, of Fairview; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Phillips and children, Hazel Ruth, Brookie Nell, and Bobby Earl, of Big Spring; Anna Smith, Twila Lomax, Allene Forrester, and Miss Arah Phillips and mother.



**SEASONED**—Count among the old timers in government offices, Daniel D. Caldwell (above) of the attorney general's office. He's rounding out 47 years with department of justice, began as typist in 1894, now handles legislative work.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

The things you have wished for...the ambitions and plans that have been yours...we hope they will all be realized during the coming year. And may the Holiday Season be a happy one and the New Year one of usefulness, happiness and success.

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ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (UP)—Jimmy Fox, Boston Red Sox, is keeping in good physical condition by helping his ground keepers in trimming fairways and greens at his two golf clubs here.

RADIO LOG

- Tuesday Evening
5:00 News: Paul Pendarvis Orch.
5:30 Sunset Reveries.
5:45 Happy Rambler.
6:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.
6:15 Brook Haven Trio.
6:30 Sports Spotlight.
6:45 News.
7:00 Off the Record.
7:30 Ned Jordan, Secret Agent.
8:00 Mystery Hall.
8:30 Morton Gould Orch.
9:00 Hendrik Willem Van Loon.
9:15 Buddy Cole Orch.
9:30 Glen Miller Orch.
9:45 Paul Pendarvis Orch.
10:00 News.
10:15 Goodnight.
Wednesday Morning
6:00 Melodies for the Christmas Tree.
7:00 The Daybreakers.
7:30 Star Reporter.
7:45 Morning Devotions.
8:00 News.
8:05 Piano Moods.
8:15 Musical Impressions.
8:30 Keep Fit To Music.
8:45 What's Doing in Big Spring.
9:00 Organ Melodies.
9:15 Margaret Johnson, Piano.
9:30 Backstage Wife.
9:45 Easy Aces.
10:00 Neighbors.
10:15 Our Gal Sunday.
10:30 Songs of Carol Leighton.
10:45 Sweetest Love Songs Ever Sung.
11:00 News.
11:05 Dr. Amos R. Wood.
11:10 Santa Barbara Christmas Mission Program.
11:30 "11:30 Inc."
12:00 Singin' Sam.
Wednesday Afternoon
12:15 Curbstone Reporter.
12:30 Vaughn's Doughboys.
12:45 Carols for Christmas Day.
1:00 Cedric Foster.
1:15 Gall North.
1:30 Manhattans.
1:45 Sterling Young Orch.



Best Wishes
Sincere good wishes to you and yours at this happy holiday season. We want to take this occasion to say thanks for every favor of the past...

FISHERMAN'S
Where Prices Talk



To the Friends of This Firm

Because of your thoughtfulness this firm has enjoyed one of its best years, and it is in grateful appreciation of your patronage that we propose to say, "SEASON'S GREETINGS." It is our sincere wish that these pleasant associations may continue.

RUNYAN PLUMBING CO.

We Could Say MERRY CHRISTMAS a thousand times

to each of you and we'd still fall far short in fulfilling our obligation for your splendid friendships and patronage during the past year.

Please accept our kindest thoughts for you and yours at this glad time of the year.

TEXAS CLUB "You All Know Lou"

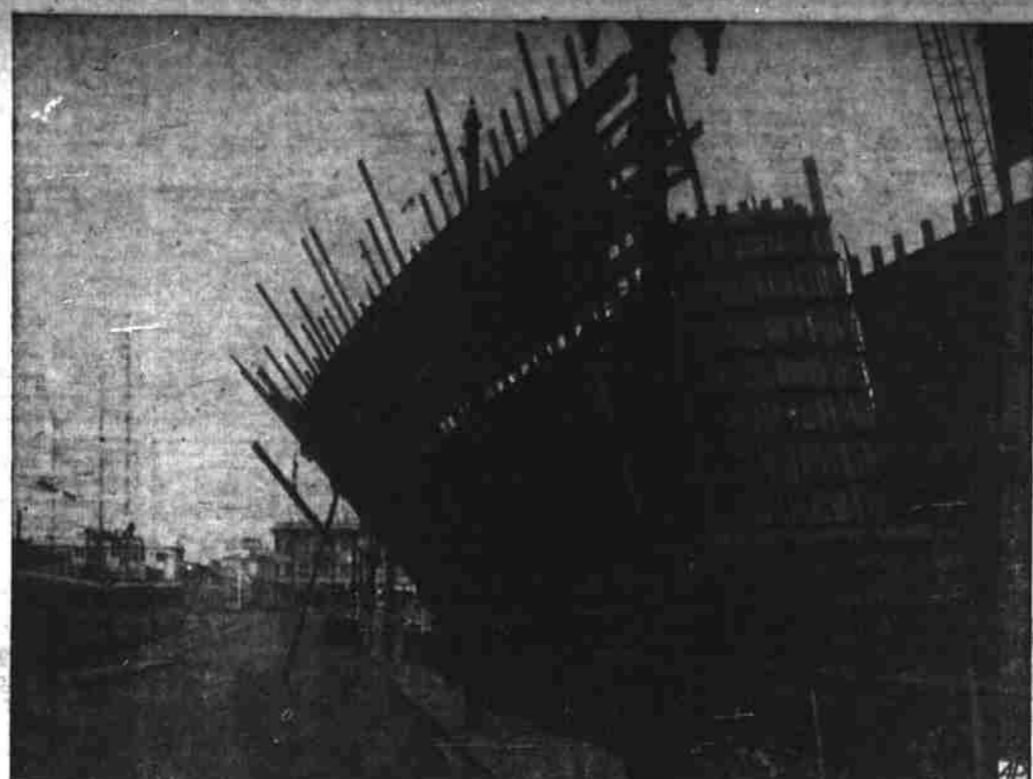


Season's GREETINGS

Once more it is our pleasure to extend compliments of the season and express our hope that the New Year will bring you and yours the abundance of good things and good health you so richly deserve.

We take this occasion to thank you most sincerely for your generous patronage during the past year and pledge continuance of our established quality and service.

Hank McDaniel Dairy



ALMOST A PUSHOVER—After a windstorm in Oakland, Cal., finished pushing this framework for a concrete building around, it looked like the framework for a ship's hull.

- 2:00 Johnny Duffy, Piano-Organ.
2:15 Weights and Measures.
2:30 Muse and Music.
2:45 George Fisher.
3:00 News.
3:15 All Request Program.
3:45 The Johnson Family.
4:00 Benny Strong Orch.
4:15 Crime and Death.
4:30 Trojan Horses.
4:45 American Family Robinson.
Wednesday Evening
5:00 News; Dick Shelton Orch.
5:30 Lowry Kohler, Songs.
5:45 Jimmy Walsh Orch.
6:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.
6:15 Off the Record.
6:30 Sports Spotlight.
6:45 News.
7:00 Roger Busfield.
7:15 Ray Noble Orch.
7:30 To Be Announced.
7:45 Jimmy Dorsey Orch.
8:00 Songs of Billie Davis.
8:15 Statewide Cotton Program.
8:30 Five Wise Guys.
9:00 Hendrik Willem Van Loon.
9:15 Selective Service.
9:20 London: John Steele.
9:30 Lone Ranger.
10:00 News.
10:15 Goodnight.

- Thursday Morning
7:00 The Daybreakers.
7:30 Star Reporter.
7:45 Morning Devotions.
8:00 News.
8:05 Piano Moods.
8:15 Musical Impressions.
8:30 Keep Fit To Music.
8:45 What's Doing in Big Spring.
9:00 Organ Melodies.
9:15 Morning Melodies.
9:30 Backstage Wife.
9:45 Easy Aces.
10:00 Neighbors.
10:15 Our Gal Sunday.
10:30 Songs of Carol Leighton.
10:45 Sweetest Love Songs Ever Sung.
11:00 News.
11:05 Dr. Amos R. Wood.
11:10 Musical Interlude.
11:15 School Forum.
11:30 "11:30 Inc."
12:00 Singin' Sam.
Thursday Afternoon
12:15 Curbstone Reporter.
12:30 Vaughn's Doughboys.
12:45 Melody Time.
1:00 Cedric Foster.
1:15 Mark Love, Baritone.
1:30 School of the Air.
1:45 Sterling Young Orch.
2:00 Johnny Duffy, Organ-Piano.
2:15 Song Treasury.
2:30 Women, World Wide.
2:45 Here's Looking At You.
3:00 News.
3:15 All Request Program.
3:45 The Johnson Family.
4:00 Tiny Hill Orch.
4:15 Crime and Death.
4:30 Books: Mary Agnes McFarland.
4:45 American Family Robinson.
Thursday Evening
5:00 News: Paul Pendarvis Orch.
5:30 Sunset Reveries.
5:45 Happy Rambler.
6:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.
6:15 Brook Haven Trio.
6:30 Sports Spotlights.
6:45 News.
7:00 Off the Record.
7:30 In Chicago Tonight.
8:00 To Be Announced.
8:15 London: Arthur Mann: Music.
8:30 Alfred Wallenstein Sinfonietta.
9:00 Hendrik Willem Van Loon.
9:15 Ink Spots.
9:30 Cadets On Parade.
9:45 Chicago Symphony.
10:00 News.
10:15 Goodnight.



THE JUSTICE STEPS OUT—Rare evening social engagement was this, for Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes, and Mrs. Hughes, occasion was White House reception for judiciary. Chief Justice Hughes is 78, was named to supreme court in 1930.

Canadian Yule Rites Include Empire's Current War Cry

AP Feature Service
VICTORIA, Canada — This quaint "old-world" capital of British Columbia will put a Christmas touch to the empire's current war-cry, "There Will Always Be an England!"
The mayor of Victoria will preside at a traditional christening of the Yule Log, with all the pageantry of Elizabethan days, while civilians and officers of the three armed services recess their war activities for a brief celebration of the holiday in the manner of their motherland.

with carols and traditional chants.
And when night falls, a procession of ruffed and rapiers "lords" and their "ladyes faire" will wind through the crowd singing old songs of "Merry England" while trumpets blow and a jester tumbles ahead in cap and bells.
Then, to song and carol, the appointed senechal will anoint the Great Log with "wine from Spain" and fat from the Christmas roasts, and the mayor will fire the log with ritual almost as old as England herself.
Later, as the crowds dine beneath heavily beamed ceilings, the "boare's hede" will be carried among them while trumpeters proclaim the time-hallowed event and the caroliers chant.
Then His Majesty's servants and their ladies will arise, lift their glasses and proclaim: "There Will Always Be an England!" and go back to war.

Oily Refuse Decimates Lake Michigan Fish

HAMMOND, Ind. (UP) — Oily refuse blanketing the waters of Lake Michigan is causing death to the remaining edible fish and constitutes one of the two hazards to be combated by commercial fishermen.
Fishermen have banded together and are called the International Board of Inquiry for Great Lakes Fisheries and are urging support of uniform regulations to preserve the dwindling supply of fish that furnish a living for 4,000 fishermen.

Legion Post Head Only 36

OLYMPIA, Wash. (UP)—Harry Lynch, 36, commander of the American Legion post here, believes he is the youngest commander in the nation if not the youngest legionnaire in the country. He enlisted at the age of 14, five days after the United States entered the World War, Lynch gave his age then as 18.

Star Twinkles In Bethlehem, City Of Steel

BETHELEHEM, Pa., Dec. 24 (UP)—One hundred and ninety nine years ago this Christmas Eve, a band of religious refugees from Germany met in a log cabin at the confluence of the Lecha river and an unnamed creek in eastern Pennsylvania to celebrate the birth of Christ.

The crowd overflowed into an adjoining cattle barn, where one of them remarked on the scene's similarity to that of the Nativity. Thereupon the town received its name, Bethlehem, from Count Zinzendorf, itinerant churchman who accompanied his people, the Moravians of Germany, into exile.

Legend almost entirely supported by historical record, gives this story of the naming of Bethlehem. Since then the Lecha has become the Lehigh river, and although Moravians still maintain two colleges and a church headquarters there, Bethlehem has come to be known more for its steel mills than for its churchly background.

At Christmas time, however, city officials and the Chamber of commerce see that the old spirit reasserts itself. Even this year, with the town's principal industry operating at capacity to turn out steel for defense, Bethlehem again has become "The Christmas City of the United States."

Atop South Mountain the 100-foot illuminated star is shining, and the power plants which furnish current for more than 40 blocks of elaborate lighting. The mile-long bridge connecting the two halves of the city is festooned with trees, wreaths, stars and lights.

The Christmas "putz," a strictly Moravian custom for years, a detailed reproduction of the Nativity scene, is attracting thousands of visitors as it has yearly since before the oldest citizen can remember.

Wax Tapers Carried
Electric candles have replaced the old beewax tapers which used to shine in the windows of the barracks-like Moravian College for Women, oldest such institution in the land, but the Moravian congregation still carries them in the pageantry of the Christmas love feast.

The trombone choir still roams the streets in the dark cold hours of early Christmas Day, serenading the faithful with dignified music of ancient German churchmen. Legend says the choir once was stationed in the belfry of the old church to aid in the prayer service called when canoeloads of Indians were sighted on the river, apparently bent on attack. They were frightened away by the choir, never to return in a warlike mood.

Beside the huge Central Moravian church home of the denomination in this country, in Rau's drugstore, Moravians are pouring the blessed wax tapers in moulds which have been used for centuries. Rau's, first drugstore in the land, turns out thousands of the tapers yearly for Moravians all over the country.

Michigan Sand Dune May Be Reforested

GRAND HAVEN, Mich. (UP) — Dewey Hill, largest sand dune on Lake Michigan in this section, is to be reforested, if plans before the city council are approved.
The council has been asked to supply 83,000 trees at a cost of \$483. They would be planted by 500 men and boys at a general field day next spring.

Boy's Library Ingenious

PEORIA, Ill. (UP)—With three years of work, but without any money, Donald Tomlin, 12, has built a new type library for himself. He covered 120 penny match boxes to resemble books he had read and enclosed a summary in each.

Fraternity Fin Wanders Far
SEATTLE, Wash. (UP)—Farter, a dentist in North Sydney, Nova Scotia, 2,000 miles across the sea, was traced to Dr. W. M. Buchanan, a dentist in North Sydney, Nova Scotia, 2,000 miles across the sea, a sidewalk outside the University of Washington football stadium.

Here's Wishing You a Happy Holiday
To each of you who have contributed to our success and to those of you who have given us your fine friendship we extend a hearty and genuine Merry Christmas
May Peace, Happiness and Prosperity be yours for many, many years.
Highway Liquor Store

Because....
Our hearts are filled with gratitude for the kindness shown us, for patronage given us, for words of encouragement and good will on every hand... we avail ourselves of the opportunity Christmas brings in extending our very best wishes for an enjoyable Christmas and a New Year of Prosperity and Happiness.
Crawford Cleaners
FRANK RUTHERFORD

To all the good people of Howard County:
From the depths of my heart I wish for each and every one a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a Happy, Prosperous NEW YEAR.
John F. Wolcott
Tax Assessor - Collector

Season's Greetings
BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR
We hope that Christmas will mean more to all of us in this country this year... and that we will not forget those in our midst who are less fortunate than we.
If you will gather up your old clothes or the excess food that you have and carry it down to the Salvation Army, or leave it with the Red Cross, so that it will be distributed, then you will be doing two families a good turn—the one that will receive your gifts and the joy you will get from giving.
We thank you for the years past, during which you have permitted us to take care of your drug needs.
Cunningham & Phillips
"SINCE 1919"

MORE words cannot begin to bring you the many good wishes which we hold for you and your family. As a tiny token of our high regard for your patronage and friendships during the past year, and as a renewed pledge of the service which we constantly strive to offer, may we take this occasion to send you our very best wishes for a happy Christmas and a New Year filled with all the good things of life.
MARVIN HULL MOTOR CO.
CHRYSLER - FLYMOUTH

# Bright Christmas Displays Still Adorn London's Show Windows

By MILO THOMPSON  
NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—The advertisement headline "Salvage Sale—You Know Why" in a London newspaper means somebody's store has had a bomb visitation, but the censors are not yet permitting that bombing to be advertised publicly.

If you find it strange that people should be flocking toward the scene of a bombing carrying shopping bags, not running away from it carrying mattresses and the family valuables, there are ten thousands things which would surprise you in London.

Right now there are Christmas shopping crowds in Oxford Street, Regent Quadrant, Knightsbridge and Kensington High Street.

And the show windows have the same "Santa's coming" look that you will find on any American main drag from New York's Fifth Avenue to San Francisco's Post Street.

To be sure, there's this difference: some times you have to move up to a little three by five window to get the benefit of the full display, for much of the large plate glass is gone.

On the other hand, plenty of it is left, and attention is still paid to trick moving displays and to lighting effects which do their stuff right up to blackout time.

You might think to find inside the stores mostly the warm appliances and shelter conveniences which have been so greatly in demand during blitzing months.

If so you will be amazed to see that delicately wrought Sheffield silver still glistens under the electric lights, that jewelry displays are as alluring and colorful as ever and that pottery, china and glassware in new shapes and colors spreads over whole departments.

There is no outward appearance of scarcity in the piece goods and ready-to-wear departments. It is only when you seek a particular pattern or run into clothing materials cheapened by the rationing of wool and silk at the factories that you feel the effect of war.

But there are plenty of alternate weaves and patterns and there is

still a lot of prewar fabric on the market.

Perhaps, it should be noted here that the production of cheapened fabrics does not extend to the export trade. The home folks are accepting less wool to the yard so that quality can be kept up for sale abroad to win the dollars and other foreign currencies which in turn will help win the war.

One thing which interests me greatly is the way the sports goods departments keep going. Whether you want a set of golf clubs, a billiard table, a soccer football, shiny new cricket wickets, a tournament croquet set of selected woods, an archery target or a canvas canoe for the Thames, it is all spread out before you.

And I have seen no very noticeable change in the art materials departments. You can buy yourself a sketching chair complete with easel as easily as you can buy an extra blanket to use in your shelter.

They are still making and selling the elaborate hand-carved frames for your finished pictures, refusing in the English manner to use plaster and composition substitutes.

Shopping in London these days goes uninterrupted on from store opening to store closing and store hours have been adjusted so that both shoppers and salespeople have time to get to their shelters before the nightly bombardment is too far advanced.

## Smith Ballew Pays Fine Here

Smith Ballew, well known orchestra leader, shelled out to the tune of \$14 in justice court here Monday afternoon.

Picked up by State Highway Patrolman L. P. McCasland and H. B. Matthews just west of the city on a charge of violating the law of the road by passing a car on a hill, he was hauled into justice court.

"Merry Christmas," he said after paying a \$14 fine on his plea of guilty. The patrolman, Justice John C. Ratliff and County Attorney Joe A. Faucett invited him to come back. Ballew laughed but declined quite firmly. He was enroute from Los Angeles to Dallas.

## Prisoners In Jail Get Extra Food Tomorrow

Christmas cheer will find its way into jails here Christmas Day—it always does.

But nobody wants to be around to enjoy it. The regular inmates had much rather be somewhere else, and those who are given hospitality of the bustle the night before Christmas revolt at the thought of rich foods.

Food happens to be the medium for saying Merry Christmas to those happening to get caught doing what they shouldn't do. Officers don't like to advertise it, but they get soft hearted and come up with turkey or some other good meat, glibet gravy, celery dressing and cranberries.

trousers, trundles out her bicycle and starts her rounds, her mail-bag slung over her shoulder.

She has only one complaint.

"They haven't given me a uniform yet," she explained. "I think I deserve something, even if it's only an armet!"

## Girl Of 16 Youngest Postwoman In Britain

GLYNDE, Eng. (UPI)—Sixteen-year-old Rosemary Smith is Britain's youngest postwoman.

She took the job when the village postman became a constable.

"I think it is great fun going round and seeing everybody," Rosemary said.

Every morning at 7 o'clock Rosemary, wearing a packet and

## Pa's Son-In-Law

**THE IDEA OF MY LETTING THAT PEODLER SELL ME A JAR OF INFERIOR SKIN-LOTION, WHEN YOU ARE MANUFACTURING THE VERY BEST! HOW COULD I HAVE BEEN SUCH AN IDIOT!**

**DON'T TAKE IT TO HEART, MA!**

**YOU WERE UP AGAINST A SUPER-SALES MAN, THAT'S ALL! HOW LONG'S IT BEEN SINCE HE WAS HERE?**

**LIH-WHY - HE LEFT NOT TEN MINUTES BEFORE YOU CAME HOME!**

**IN THAT CASE HE MAY STILL BE IN TH' NEIGHBORHOOD! BOY, I SURE HOPE I CAN FIND HIM!**

**HM-M! THAT COULD BE TH' FELLA!**

**YESS! THAT COULD BE TH' GUY WHO SOLD MA THIS JAR O' SKIN-LOTION! AND IF HE IS HE'S TH' BIRD I WANTA GET! SELL MY MARVELOUS! HE'S SURE GO WHAT IT TAKES!**

**YESSIR! YESSIR, I'M TH' CHAP WHO SOLD YOUR WIFE THAT LOTION! MUST BE—I'M THE ONLY ONE HANDLING IT! AND I KNOW WHY YOU'VE FOLLOWED ME! WANT ANOTHER JAR—DON'T YOU?**

**WONDERFUL STUFF, AIN'T IT, BROTHER? WONDERFUL! AN I SEE YOU'VE GOT TH' INTELLIGENCE T' RECOGNIZE THE FACT I TOLD YER WIFE I SELL ONLY ONE JAR TO A FAMILY, BUT—IN YOUR CASE—ETC., ETC.**

**Q-GOSH!**

**YOU WERE ABOUT TO SAY SOMETHING ABOUT MY CIGARETTES, SENOR...?**

**AT MY AIRPORT, WHEN DOMINGO WAS KILLED AND FRANK KIDNAPPED, SOMEONE DROPPED THE BUTT OF A ROYAL CREST... OBVIOUSLY, SOMEONE ELSE AROUND HERE SMOKES YOUR BRAND!**

**OBVIOUSLY! BUT HE DOES NOT IMPORT THEM AS I DO! OUR FRIEND EL ROYA!**

**ONLY THE OTHER DAY A PACK TRAIN CARRYING MY SUPPLIES WAS ATTACKED AND A QUANTITY OF CIGARETTES... AMONG OTHER THINGS... WAS STOLEN! NOR IS IT THE FIRST TIME THAT EL ROYA HAS "BORROWED" FROM ME!**

**ONCE FRANK IS RETURNED SAFELY WE MUST BRING THAT LOW DOG TO JUSTICE!!**

**A NEXT EXPLANATION! VERY NEAT! CAPT. EL ROYA WAS IN JAIL UP TO LAST NIGHT!!**

**DON RICARDO, THANKS FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND HOSPITALITY!**

**IT IS NOTHING, SENOR MACGILL! MAY THE NEXT VISIT BE UNDER HAPPIER CIRCUMSTANCES!**

**THE HORSES ARE READY, MASTER!**

**WE'VE SOME TRAVELING TO DO TO GET BACK BEFORE DARK!**

**UNTIL TOMORROW NIGHT, DON RICARDO!**

**HASTA MANANA!**

**FALLING DARKNESS FINDS ANOTHER OF OUR FRIENDS DEEP IN THE JUNGLE...**

**YOU SEE, SEA-BEESCU?Y RAIN EES OVER... DEED I NOT TOLE YOU NOT TO BE 'FRAID?**

**COME, WE GO TO DON'S! BUT... BUT, WHEECH EES THE WAY?**

**BUT GEE—MAYBE IF DEWITT LOVES VERONICA LIKE SKIDD SAID, THEN HE WON'T LEAVE HERE WITHOUT HER...**

**IF VERONICA DOESN'T THINK ENOUGH OF TH' PART I GOT HER IN THIS PICTURE... THEN WE WON'T WAIT FOR HER!...**

**...AND AS FOR HIGGINS, THE LESS I SEE OF HIM FROM NOW ON TH' BETTER! SAIL AT ONCE, CAP, WITHOUT THEM!!**

**Merry Xmas**

**WELL...WHAT HAVE WE GOT FOR BREAK-FAST THIS FINE MORNING?**

**DON'T YOU KNOW? GRAPEFRUIT AND LETTUCE SALAD, OF COURSE.**

**I'VE TOLD YOU AT LEAST A HUNDRED TIMES THAT I CAN'T STAND THE STUFF. LOOK—EVEN THE DOG WON'T TOUCH IT!**

**BUT—?**

**NOW LOOK! I'VE STOOD FOR THIS NONSENSE LONG ENOUGH. NO MORE GRAPEFRUIT AND LETTUCE SALAD! SERVE ME SCRAMBLED EGGS, TOAST AND MILK OR I PACK UP AND MOVE ELSEWHERE—PRONTO!**

**AS THE PSEUDO-WATSON DEPARTS...**

**MERCY MEY—I NEVER THOUGHT HE HAD IT IN HIM!!**

**YES—YES! DID YOU SAY EGGS, TOAST, AND MILK? RIGHT AWAY!**

**QUITE PLEASD WITH THE IMPRESSION MADE ON THE LANDLADY, SUPERMAN, DISGUISED AS WATSON, WALKS JAUNTILY TOWARD THE STREET CAR STOP...**

**I MUST SAY I HANDLED THAT RATHER NEATLY!**

**HERE COMES THAT MOUSEY GUY AGAIN! I'LL GIVE HIM A BUN FOR HIS MONEY!**

**AS THE STREETCAR SPEEDS BY...**

**HEY—WAIT—!**

**UNDAUNTED, SUPERMAN OVERTAKES THE STREETCAR WITH TWO GREAT VAULTS...**

**MADE IT!**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYBODY! LET'S REMEMBER TO BE GENEROUS TO THOSE LESS FORTUNATE THAN OURSELVES.**

**HOMER'S JUST BEEN IN MY CLOSET LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO HIDE ANY CHRISTMAS PRESENT! I THINK ITS GOING TO BE A NEW FUR COAT!!**

**IT'S BEAUTIFUL, HOMER!**

**WHAT IS?**

**WHERE'D YOU GET THAT FUR COAT?**

**IT'S YOUR CHRISTMAS PRESENT TO ME! I KNEW YOU WANTED ME TO HAVE IT, BUT DIDN'T WANT TO SPEND THE MONEY! WELL MANAGE SOME WAY!**

**WHAM! WHERE'S THE PERFUME COUNTER?**

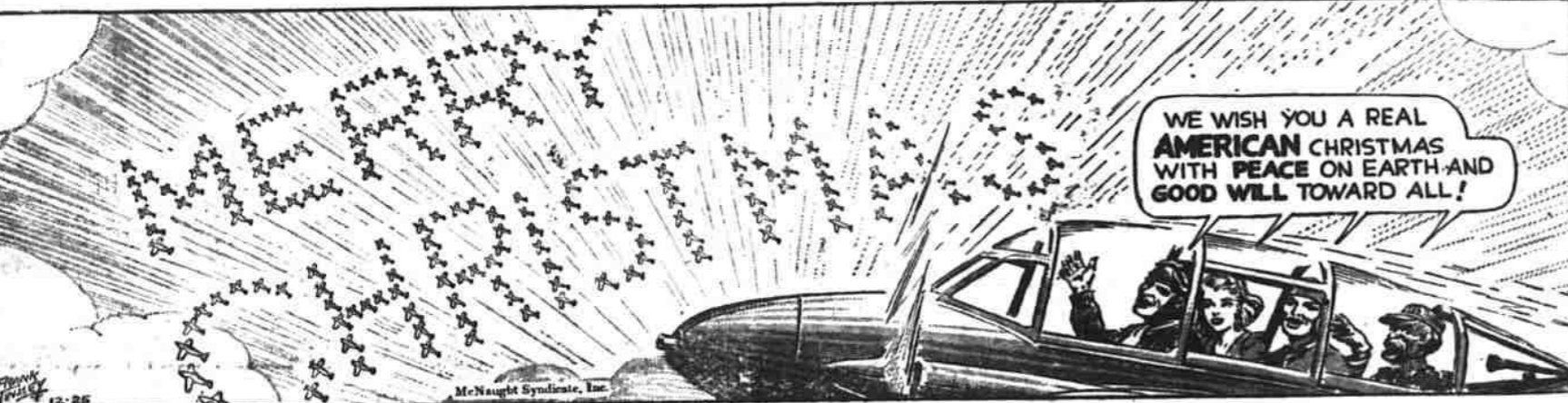
**TWO AISLES OVER!**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

DAKY DOAKS



YANK E DOODLE



# Memories Of Bob Taylor Still Remain With Local Newsboys

It's an even bet that the younger crop of newsboys never heard of Bob Taylor.

Bob is dead. He went out the easy way--his heart just played out on him. But those who passed through their paper selling days during the past decade keep him alive in their memories, for there was never a Christmas that Bob failed to remember the newsies.

Oil booms furnished the locale for Bob's activities, but God gave him a heart as big as a tub. He came to Big Spring with the development following strikes in the Chalk and Roberts pools, worked his business right and wound up on the top of the heap with a sack full of spending cash.

And that's just what Bob did with it. When it was gone--and he didn't know or care how or where it went--he didn't grumble. He went out and managed to make some more.

Bob was up and down when it came to money, but it made no difference what his balance sheet showed at Christmas time, he always put up a pretty Christmas tree in his room at the Crawford and surrounded it with heaps of toys and playthings.

Just before Christmas he always slipped every newsboy in town up to his room and had them take their pick of what was piled around and on the tree. Sometimes he had them all together and tossed the things out to watch the scramble. Nobody got missed at his parties, though.

Big jovial and possessor of a booming voice, Bob was a typical character of oil development and promotions. He made no pretense at living perfectly, and frankly blew his money on things some of the more pious would frown upon. But he had a heart as big as a tub.

Last year, when the Kiwanis club also abandoned its annual party, the family of the late Otis Chalk came to the rescue and gave the newsies a party to take the place of the efforts of the club and Bob Taylor.

## Trailer Tintypes



## Native Tells Of Denmark's Yule Customs

There is no Santa Claus in Denmark. But it isn't the nazis that caused this situation.

According to Mrs. C. H. White, Alta Vista Apartments, a native of Denmark, Santa Claus is called the Christmas Brownie and instead of hanging stockings beside the fireplace tonight, little children in Denmark will place a bowl of rice behind the house, to lure the Christmas Brownie inside to leave them present.

These Danish customs are as traditional with the Danes as our Christmas turkey and dressing, according to Mrs. White.

And despite the present conditions in Denmark, children will still possibly put bowls of rice out for the Brownie and expect

presents on Christmas Day. In Denmark, according to Mrs. White, the first course of the Christmas dinner is rice, sweetened with sugar and almonds and served with a cup of grape juice. In the rice, the almonds are broken up, except for one nut-meat. Whoever receives the whole almond, gets a special gift from the family.

Then each family, no matter how poor, manages to scrape together enough money to have a bowl filled with rice and placed back of the house so the Christmas Brownie will stop and leave each child a present.

Another Danish custom on Christmas is that on the 25th, all restaurants, picture shows and every business house is closed. Families all eat together in their homes and attend church services. But on the 26th, the Danes celebrate with dances, parties and social gatherings.

## Beauty Queens Divide With 200 Votes Each

ALBANY, N. Y. (UP)--Believe it or not, but the boys at Albany Business College just couldn't make up their minds about two pretty coeds.

In a popularity and beauty contest conducted at the institution, Miss Jean Van Dyke, red-haired Albany beauty, and Miss Marie Peck, a brunette, from Crown Point, were tied.

Four hundred votes were cast, each contestant receiving 200. It was the first time at ABC that it was for the honor has been known.

## Cat Stowaway Flies Just For Fun Of It

FORT WORTH (UP)--A high-flying cat whose home is in airports from coast to coast presents a puzzle to airline officials between New York and Los Angeles.

The cat, a furry black and white youngster, appeared at the Fort Worth airport early this summer. Someone said it came from Memphis. Another pilot said he had seen it in Los Angeles.

Animals are regular riders on the commercial airlines, but this kitten has a knack for slipping unnoticed into plane baggage compartments. Shortly after its first visit here, the cat showed up in New York.

Three days later, it was snoozing peacefully in the airport manager's office here.

Woman, 51, Is News Student -- STEPHENVILLE, Tex. (UP) -- Mrs. J. B. Karnes wonders if she would be called a "cub reporter" when she is graduated from journalism school. She is 51.

## Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS
- Product of natural distillation
  - Ascend
  - Cover
  - Old musical note
  - Fluible substance
  - Wrath
  - Swamp
  - Calory
  - Tub
  - Having lived a certain number of years
  - Period
  - Grant
  - Grayish green color
  - One who carries
  - Orally
  - Silk fabric
  - Writing fluid



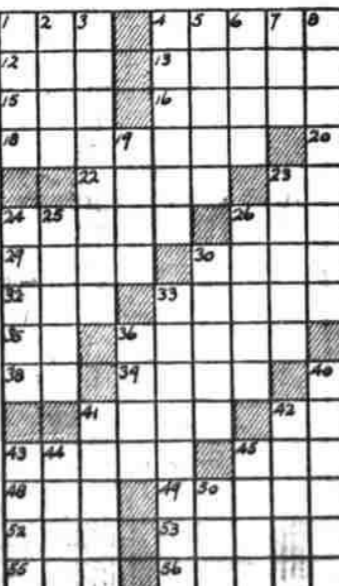
## Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS
- Mineral Spring
  - Fragrance
  - Thiraly
  - Play on words
  - Robleman
  - Regret
  - Topnotcher
  - EGG-shaped
  - Feminine
  - Make over
  - Healde
  - Lid
  - Heated compartment
  - Margin
  - Walking sticks
  - Scent
  - Older; abbr.
  - Genus of the maples
  - Petty malice
  - Dad
  - Genus of the house mouse
  - Steps for crossing a fence
  - Central portion of an ear of corn
  - And; Latin
  - Gleamed
  - Command to a horse
  - Football position; abbr.
  - Piece of baked clay
  - City in Belgium
  - Ireland
  - Shop
  - State whose capital is Phoenix
  - Turn to the left
  - Talks enthusiastically
  - Faeton
  - Seaweed
  - Choose formally
  - Poem
  - Equality
  - Arrows



## Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS
- Windflowers
  - Dwelling places
  - Black bird
  - Pertaining to the mouth
  - Witticism
  - Biographical fragment
  - Force
  - Impolite
  - Period of time
  - Finished
  - Medieval monster
  - Official of a school
  - Ruminant animal
  - Keen
  - Golf club
  - Clerical collar
  - Went furiously
  - Shook with cold
  - Any plant of the goose-foot family
  - Move
  - Buzzing or whirring sound
  - Quantities of grain to be ground
  - Let down
  - Upright
  - Mercantile establishment
  - Ancient Irish
  - Declare
  - Brood of pheasants
  - Again
  - Southern states



## Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS
- Condensed atmosphere
  - Box
  - Brownish purple
  - Windflowers
  - Dwelling places
  - Black bird
  - Pertaining to the mouth
  - Witticism
  - Biographical fragment
  - Force
  - Impolite
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  - Shook with cold
  - Any plant of the goose-foot family
  - Move
  - Buzzing or whirring sound
  - Quantities of grain to be ground
  - Let down
  - Upright
  - Mercantile establishment
  - Ancient Irish
  - Declare
  - Brood of pheasants
  - Again
  - Southern states



## Moore News

January 7 at 8 o'clock is the time set for the donkey basketball game at Moore. Mrs. W. H. Ward and son, Jim Smith, visited Mrs. T. J. Hogue of Big Spring Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Troy Pusey and children, Murgieree, Mary Helen, Charles, and Patsy Ann, of Martin county visited Mrs. J. W. Phillips Saturday evening. The three-set comedy play entitled "Hundred Coon", that was given Thursday night was a big success. Doyle Turney and his string orchestra furnished plenty of good music before the play and between acts. The proceeds, which amounted to \$20.00, will be used to letter the basketball players. Boys eligible for awards are: Fred Phillips, Billy Barber, Milton Gnead, Grovel Stanzas, Charlie Sankin, Charles Sullivan, Howard

Engle. Girls to receive awards are: Josephine Brown Maxine Key, Lavern Fuller, Frances Phillips, Mildred Powell, and Basilisa Gonzales. R. C. Thomas, sophomore at San Angelo junior college at San Angelo, arrived Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Thomas. Mrs. Lucy Brown of this community returned Monday from a week's trip to South Texas. Mrs. J. C. Groff left Thursday evening for Plainview to spend the Christmas holidays with her folks. Rev. R. E. Bowden of Big Spring, and Rev. and Mrs. R. P. Loudermilk of Missouri were guests at chapel last Thursday at the local school. Rev. and Mrs. Loudermilk sang a special song "Jesus Is Near." Rev. Bowden gave the benediction, and Rev. Loudermilk spoke on "Children's Attitude Towards the Home, School, and

Church." Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wills of Balinger spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Shanks. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Fields and children, Vernon and Gladine, are spending Christmas with Mrs. Fields' mother, Mrs. C. H. Walters, of San Angelo. The junior boys and girls basketball teams will engage the Lomax teams at Lomax on January 8 of the new year. On the 10th of January the local teams will be hosts to Elbo. "Safety Sally" Dolls Guard School Zones. EL PASO (UP)--Citizens of El Paso have hit on a novel method of warning motorists in school zones to drive with caution. At the beginning of the school year this fall 178 miniature wood-

Emotional Disturbances Of Child Seen Growing PHILADELPHIA (UP)--Irritable parents or teachers may cause emotional havoc in a sensitive child, according to Dr. Carl W. Arets, district superintendent of Philadelphia schools. Speaking before the Child Research Clinic of the Woods Schools at nearby Langhorne, Dr. Arets said that divorce, crowded conditions in large cities, and women in commerce, industry and politics had made "today's home different from the home of our childhood." "Whatever the nature of the home life of tomorrow may be," he said, "it is fraught with serious difficulties in the form of emotional disturbances and presents a gigantic problem in mental hygiene." on girl dolls with red dresses will be placed near school grounds, warning motorists to drive slowly.

Wishing You  
**A MERRY CHRISTMAS**

May Every Day  
Be a Holiday

Given our choice of good wishes for our friends, we'd like to see the Christmas Spirit manifest every day of the year. It is that time when the whole world is kin, when petty differences are forgotten and friendships are bound together in a closer relationship, when worries are left behind and the future looks more cheerful than ever before.

This institution plans to maintain this policy throughout the coming year; it is our pledge to show you we appreciate every courtesy and favor that has been ours. So we say adieu

We send you sincere and hearty greetings, full of Christmas cheer for each of you. And we add good wishes for happiness and prosperity during the next twelve months.

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**'Policy' Writer In Error On Meaning Of Lottery**

ST. LOUIS (UP)—The truth will out, so Jesse Burns is convinced. He pleaded not guilty to a charge of setting up a lottery and was volubly protesting his innocence when interrupted by City Judge Frank E. Matthews. "What do you do for a living?" the court asked. "I write a little policy, your honor," Burns said brightly. "That's what you're charged with," the judge snapped. "\$100 and costs."

**Speeding Charge Denied With Jibe At Streets**

MENOMINEE, Mich. (UP)—City authorities were chagrined when Fred Mathes sent the following letter to Police Chief Frank Parzek instead of appearing in police court on a speeding charge: "I was not driving 40 per. not in Menominee. I have too much respect for the springs in my car to drive like that on Menominee streets." Police said the charge would be pressed, notwithstanding.

**Bounty In 1742 Revealed On Jaybirds, Rattlesnakes**

HOLDEN, Mass. (UP)—Blackbirds, jaybirds and rattlesnakes were unpopular hereabouts 200 years ago.

Field workers of the WPA Historical Records Survey unearthed this entry from the town records of 1742:

"Voted to make a rate for killing of black birds, jay birds and rattlesnakes; voted that any that kill any of these varmon shall have sixpence per head."

**Be Tough But Human, General Tells Soldiers**

EL PASO (UP)—Military training inspires the golden rule—or at least it does in a good soldier, according to Maj. Gen. Kenyon A. Joyce, 1st Cavalry Division commander at Fort Bliss near El Paso. In an address to Civilian Military Training Corps trainees at Fort Bliss, Gen. Joyce said that "you should always do as you would have others do unto you." "As soldiers be tough," he said. "You can never be soft, but always be human and always think of the other man," the general stated.

**Farm Families Take Inventory Of Past Year's Operations**



The farmer and his wife pictured above are not writing down their New Year resolution, but they are, according to U. D. Kindrick, rural rehabilitation supervisor for the farm security administration in Martin and Glasscock, taking an inventory of the past year's farm and home operations. "Every farm family which borrows money from the farm security administration," Kindrick said, "agrees to keep businesslike records and to follow a sound farm and home-management plan, which is worked out with the FSA rehabilitation supervisors for the county." "This plan," he continued, "usually calls for the production of enough vegetables, milk, eggs, and meat to feed the family and for enough feed and forage crops to take care of the livestock. Ordinarily it also provides for at least two cash crops. The county supervisor is glad to advise borrowers on crop rotations, erosion control, livestock and equipment purchases, marketing, and other farm problems." The supervisor said by keeping accurate records in books furnished by the farm security administration, the farm families are able to check their gross incomes and expenses month by month. The record books also enable families to determine where they make the

**Shows Offer Good Billings For Christmas**

A pleasant offering of motion pictures is scheduled in Big Spring theater's Christmas day.

At the Ritz, Wesley Ruggie's "Arizona", is the billing. Starring Jean Arthur, the picture also has William Holden, of Golden Boy fame, and Warren William.

The Lyric is offering "Give Us Wings", with the beloved Dead End Kids and Little Tough Guys. At the Queen, "Friendly Neighbors", with the Weaver Brothers and Elvira will be showing.

In each case, the feature is also showing Thursday.

**'Financial Failure' Strikes Founder Of Pelmanism**

LONDON (UP)—The assets of Joseph Ennever, founder of the Pelmanism system of memory training, have vanished and now he has liabilities of nearly \$65,000.

Several companies had been formed in connection with schools of instruction in memory training, Ennever told the senior official receiver.

He attributed his failure to his liability for arrears of income and surtax on supplementary assessments made against him several years ago.

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Just one of the mob, in a dollar-ten seat, is our man George—champion of the underdog, belligerent non-combatant, believer in miracles and disciple of the true faith, Sportsmanship.

With George, in a new bonnet that looked cute before it had to go it alone in traffic, is his lady—wide-eyed, comparing, wondering how she and the hat are standing the competition. (But make no mistake, she is hep every minute to what's going on out in the arena—even if she does favor the fighter in the purple trunks because or- child is her color.)

For various reasons—and don't mention shortness of breath—George no longer indulges in anything more strenuous than golf and volleyball at the Y. Therefore he takes his sports remote control. It is George and his folding money who make possible the giant boxing arenas, hockey rinks, field houses and other assorted stadia (or stadiums, if you like that better).

See George watching a prize fight, and he's a regular Dempsey—waving and bobbing, fainting, rolling with a punch, keeping that old left out there all the time.

At a wrestling show, he's a regular card. You can't tell him that it's all done according to scenario. He trembles with fury when the villain of the sketch tries to wrap the hero around a ring post, howls his indignation when the hero is boosted out amongst the type-writers and cameras. Once, back in '37, George picked up his chair and started for the ring to save the tottering juvenile from extinction, but a cop persuaded him that justice, as always, would triumph. That's George, all-American spectator.

**Expert Woman Pilot Covers Caribbean Area**

CLEVELAND, O. (UP)—Mrs. Arlene Davis, diminutive aviatrix who holds a rating permitting her to pilot larger planes than any other woman flier, has returned from a solo flying trip to the islands of the Caribbean. The 6,000-mile trip took her to Cuba, Haiti and Puerto Rico.

Mrs. Davis attained national recognition when she won fifth place in the Bendix Trophy Race, a transcontinental feature of the National Air Races. "Placing fifth in the Bendix race may make you famous, but my biggest thrill came on this jaunt to tropical islands," Mrs. Davis said. "And one of the biggest thrills of the trip was in handling the technical details of the hop, such as clearance papers, charts and weather reports."



BAN—Princess Hohenlohe (above) of Hungary, friend of high Nazis, has been ordered by the justice department to quit United States or face deportation proceedings.

**'Electrical Brains' Made For Boulder Dam Use**

PITTSBURGH (UP)—Two steel-clad switchboards—so sensitive they have been termed "electrical brains" by engineers—are being constructed here for use at Boulder Dam, in Colorado.

With installation of the new units, the combined switchboard at the Boulder Dam power station will contain more than 5,000 meters, relays and switches. Placed end-to-end, they would form a row 7 1/2 feet high and 550 feet long and would require some 900 miles of wire for connection.

**Mobile Port Takes On Warlike Appearance**

MOBILE, Ala. (UP)—This southern seaport city has taken on a warlike appearance almost comparable to America's World War days.

Barbed wire and armed guards are in evidence everywhere. A heavy cyclone fence has been placed around the state docks where ships of belligerent nations tie up. A special pass is needed for admittance. Much of the imported hardware used in the framework of warplanes is unloaded at the state docks.

Wishing You And Yours A

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**A MERRY Christmas to Everyone!**

As we look back over the year just past we fully realize the factors that have combined to make possible such an enjoyable year... We can think of any number of instances where your friends and your influence have been of tremendous benefit to this organization and Big Spring as a whole... and it is with this thought in our hearts that we stop for a moment at this happy Yuletide to wish you all the joys of the season.

We hope that your every Christmas wish will be granted and that this will be a most happy occasion for you and yours.

**BIG SPRING Chamber of Commerce**

**Merry Christmas to You—**

It is a wish straight from our hearts that you and yours may share the victory of—

"Peace Upon Earth; Good Will To Men"

You have been the mainstay and the strength of our business life... and as Christmas morning looms with its message of Peace and Good Will, we extend to you and yours the heartiest greetings of the season.



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