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From The Editor's Window

BY MRS. J. S. YEAGER

There are now 550 hotels in the vicinity of Miami, Florida equipped for the entertainment of winter visitors. This is said to be the greatest concentration of hotels outside the limits of New York City.

Charles A. Lindbergh has been chosen to receive the Wright Bros. Memorial Trophy for "significant public service of enduring value to aviation in the United States." The citation recalled his New York to Paris flight, nonstop, in the Spirit of St. Louis in 1927, his air tours of South America and the Orient, his work in rocket propulsion, his war time services as a civilian during which he flew 50 combat missions, and now his present work as special consultant to the air force chief of staff.

Lewis W. Douglas, our ambassador to Great Britain, was recently operated on for relief of a vein condition in both legs. The hospital reported that he was resting very comfortably and that the operation was a success but the exact nature was not disclosed.

It is reported from Britain that Lord Rothschild is trying to give away his mansion of 60 rooms with 365 windows. He says he cannot sell it and the taxes and upkeep are more than he can afford to pay. Lord Rothschild is from a very wealthy family and inherited the mansion. It is said Queen Elizabeth slept there in 1578. No one seems to care to accept the mansion on account of the expensive upkeep.

A steamship passenger was suffering acutely from seasickness, and the steward tried to console him.

"Don't despair, sir," he said. "No one ever died of seasickness."

"Don't tell me that," the sick man groaned. "That hope is the only thing that is keeping me alive."

Voters: "I suppose it is your great ambition to leave deathless footprints on the sands of time, is it not?"

Candidate: "Well, no, not just exactly — all I want now is to cover my tracks until after the election."

Gen. Dwight Eisenhower is one of those who believe too much emphasis is being placed on personal security at the expense of individual liberty. Recently in a speech he heartily endorsed the doctrine of Thomas Jefferson in that the best government is the one which governs least.

Gold has accidentally been discovered in Norway. Geologists recently examined some "bright stones" picked up by reindeer herdsman and found they contain gold. Prospecting however, has been postponed until next year.

Putnam Study Club Holds Xmas Party

The Women's Study Club observed their annual Christmas party December 12 in the home of Mrs. R. D. Williams with Mrs. I. G. Mobley and Mrs. R. B. Taylor assisting. The house was decorated with all the Christmas trimmings of mistletoe, red candles, Santas and red berries, with a beautiful decorated tree as the center of attraction.

The following program was given: roll call, a Christmas verse; book review, "The Chain" by Paul J. Weillman, by Mrs. W. B. Swim of Abilene.

Mary Evelyn Taylor and Patsy Ann Foy sang "Here Comes Santa Claus" accompanied by Mrs. E. C. Waddell. As they sang, Gayle Williams and Nancy Hutchison acted Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus entered and presented gifts from the tree.

A beautiful Christmas plate of peas and cranberry salad, star shaped sandwiches, individual coconut cake topped with a lighted red topper, candy, nuts and coffee was served to Mrs. Stan Bailey, Mrs. W. B. Swim of Abilene, Mrs. F. P. Shackelford, Mrs. Bill Taylor, Mrs. Gene Lee Finley and Jackie, Mrs. Bud Fleming, Nancy Evelyn Taylor, Patsy Ann Foy, Gayle Williams, Nancy Hutchison, Misses Betty and Ruth Mobley, Mrs. J. A. Yarbrough, Mrs. J. N. Williams, Mrs. R. L. Clinton, Mrs. L. A. Williams, Mrs. Fred Heyser, Mrs. Leo Clinton, Mrs. Bryan Clinton, Mrs. E. C. Waddell, Mrs. C. A. Dittmore, Mrs. Fred Cook, Mrs. John Cook, Mrs. Henry Foy, Mrs. Douglas Foy, Mrs. Charlie Brandon, Mrs. S. M. Eubank, Mrs. H. A. Pruet and Mrs. A. B. Hutchinson.

WTCC Organizes Water Association

West Texas Domestic Water Association, has been organized, with the purpose to promote the value of water originating in and available to West Texas has been chartered by the Secretary of State.

The domestic charter was granted to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Monday as a scientific and educational organization. Incorporators were Harold Hughes, Price Campbell, and G. C. McDonald.

The West Texas Domestic Water Association was organized in November at the annual meeting of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention in Fort Worth.

Cotton Report To December 1

Census report on cotton ginning in Callahan county has just been received and it shows that there had been ginned to December 1, 3307 bales of cotton had been ginned from 1949 crop prior to December 1, as compared with 479 bales for the crop of 1948. This is about 600 per cent more than was ginned in 1948. This was an increase to the Callahan County Farmers of about 330,000 dollars figuring each bale, including the seed to amount to approximately \$100 per bale.

NO BUSINESS CAN PROSPER AND SUCCEED IF PROFIT INCENTIVE IS TAKEN AWAY FROM IT

Its a pretty serious indictment of something or other, these questionable influences at work to put a ball and chain on United States Business. Take all the talk for example, about dictating how much Profit a business can earn, after taxes. That road leads to one inevitable end, a wreckage pile of business, the like of which this nation has never witnessed. There are today in this country, three and one half million businesses, the largest number of businesses, small, medium, and large in the nations history. Against all the odds, despite all the resistance, business is the only major department in our entire American economy that is self supporting.

And the simple, honest reason is that United States Business have the brains and "know now" guts to start a business, and keep business going at a profit taking all the risks of loss that must be taken under our profit and loss system.

The only countries in the world who even come close to our wages and prices do so with money and men borrowed from the United States.

Why then do you hear among business-men today, expressions of mounting discontent? Why the growing reluctance to start a business? Why so often the remark, "Whats the use, the rewards are no longer worth the risk. The answer to that question is clear to anyone who has been keeping up with what has been going on the past 16 years. The risk is great.

Every school boy knows that the incentive back of every business is profit. When that incentive is destroyed, business dies. Those who are plotting this country's future by ignoring its past, may well take notice.

The investigation that is being proposed by Senator Gillett of Iowa to investigate why the price of steel has been raised, is too

The Souths Held Family Reunion

The annual re-union of the C. E. South family was held at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Griffin. Mrs. Griffin is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. South. The dinner celebrated the 90th birthday of Mr. South, a native of Virginia, who moved to Clyde in 1898.

Attending the reunion were; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. South, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. May of Roscoe, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore, Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. Charles South, Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Roy South, and daughter, Margaret Ann, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Carl South, and children, Tom and Lacy, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Olaf South and son Eddie, of Roscoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph South and children, Sylvie, Lynn and Lee, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Otto May, Post; Mrs. Virgel Smedley, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. B. Davis and daughter, Patsy, Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Jones, and children, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Barr, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Jack South and children, Betty Kendrick and Kay Nell Nichols, of Marfa.

silly to even be considered since the factfinding board that was appointed, which recommended that the steel company's start a pension fund which is nothing more than a raise in wages set off a fourth round strikes and increase in wages. It appears that anyone with intelligence

enough to be elected to the United States Senate would not be silly enough to want an investigation at to why the price of steel has been raised. This is as simple as the falling of rain and as natural as there must be a reason as to why the price of

Mr. and Mrs. Damon Have New Grandson

Mr. and Mrs. Gaines Mitchel are announcing the arrival of a son born December 12th, weighing eight pounds and five ounces and named Phillip Damon. Mother and baby both are doing nicely, at last reports. Mrs. Phillips is the former Marian Pearl Damon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Damon of Putnam.

Mrs. John Schaferena Wins Parson Contest

Mrs. John Schaferena living about four miles north of Baird, was the lucky person who won the 9 foot "She'vador Refrigerator" in a contest run by the Parson's Electric Company at Baird. Mr. Parsons has an appliance store second door south of the Court House in Baird, on the west side of the street

Mrs. E. E. Sunderman was shopping in Baird Saturday morning.



NO WONDER!—Along with its oranges, Sarasota, Fla., boasts of its feminine pulchritude. And this picture of Ann Williamson proves the state a reason to boast.

Farmers At Loss On What to Plant

Callahan County farmers are up in the air about the cuts in wheat and cotton acreage, things they have grown all their lives. They are turning to Oliver West the county agent for advice to what to plant to take the place of cotton and grain in this area.

West said that experiments may be made with soy beans in the adaptable soil of the area. He said that the farmers of the Cross Plains, Rowden, Area would be their allotment on peanuts an other year.

The range in Callahan County as winter sets in is the best in several years ranchmen informed the agent. There is plenty of season in the ground to produce a good crop of winter grass for livestock.

Wheat Prices Up On Gov't Buying

Wheat gained up to more than a cent per bushel Friday, aided by the government buying flour and allocation of funds to Greece for the purchase of wheat and flour. Lard also advanced and the rest of the markets was spotty not changing much from Thursdays prices.

Wheat ended 1-4 to 1 3-8 higher, corn 3-8 lower to 1-8 higher, oats 1-2 lower to 1-8 higher, rye unchanged to 1-8 lower.

Moderate buying entered the wheat market at the start. This represented lifting of hedges against sales of flour in the PMA which was in the market for 236,000 sacks.

The ECA granted \$4,837,000 to Greece for wheat and \$835,000 to buy flour. Austria secured a loan of \$3,814,000 to purchase lard.

Mr. & Mrs. Nordyke To Have Open House

There will be an open house honoring Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Nordyke Sr. on their golden wedding Anniversary; their children will be hosts to the friends and acquaintances of their parents at open house from five o'clock Saturday Dec. 24, 1949 at the family home, 222 Popular, Baird Texas.

There will be no formal invitations sent out, but we shall be happy to have you call. No presents please.

Mr. and Mrs. Nordyke are long time residents of Callahan County living near Cottonwood until about one year ago when they moved to Baird. They are the parents of former sheriff Clarence Nordyke of Callahan County and now a Texas Ranger located at Brownwood.

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Sheriff Williams Arrests Escapee In Sweetwater After Personal Search

Sheriff J. B. Williams combined business with pleasure in Sweetwater Thursday when he arrested a man who had escaped from in Ranger several days ago. Williams was in Sweetwater on a tip that the man was seen there recently.

In the Eastland County jail as a result of Sheriff Williams' making the search for the man his personal chore was James R. Castleberry, who is facing charges of cattle theft. The charges resulted from the theft of cattle which Williams recovered and was forced to care for for some three weeks before the owner could be found.

Williams was driving down a Sweetwater street Thursday and

saw the man emerging from a cafe. He left his car and made the arrest personally.

The man escaped in Ranger when Sheriff Williams permitted him to enter a house to change clothes. He went in the front door and out the back and was not seen again by the Eastland County sheriff until the arrest in Sweetwater. Williams considered it a personal affront and made the search and subsequent arrest alone.

The man also faces charges of theft of over \$50 in Palo Pinto County. He allegedly stole automobile tires there.

Sheriff Williams also announced that Dallas County was holding a man wanted in East-

land County for automobile theft. He allegedly stole a 1949 Ford from a Ranger man. He was driving the car when arrested by Dallas officers.

Civil Service To Hold Exams On Federal Jobs

The U. S. Civil Service Commission today announced examinations for the following positions: Agricultural Education Officer, Education Officer (Administration of Policies and Programs), Education Officer (Instructional Aids and Media), Education Officer (Research and Evaluation), all paying from \$3,825 to \$6,400 a year; Civil Engineer (Trainee) paying \$2,650 and \$2,875 a year; Junior Scientist (Chemist, Physicist, Metallurgist) and Engineer, paying from \$2,650 to \$3,825 a year.

The Agricultural Education Officer positions are in the Department of Agriculture, the Education Specialist positions are in the U. S. Office of Education, and the Education Officer positions are in various Federal agencies. All are located in Washington, D. C., and vicinity. To qualify, applicants must meet a basic requirement of appropriate education or experience or both, and in addition must have experience in the field for which they apply. Pertinent graduate study may be substituted for part of this additional experience. No written test will be given.

The Engineer and Civil Engineer (Trainee) jobs are in the Bureau of Reclamation in several Western and Midwestern states. To qualify for these positions applicants must pass a written test. In addition, for the Civil Engineer (Trainee) jobs they must have completed appropriate undergraduate college study; for the Engineer jobs, they must have had 4 years of education or experience in engineering or a combination of such education and experience. For the Engineer jobs paying \$3,825 a year, an additional year of experience is required.

Junior Scientist and Engineer jobs paying from \$2,650 to \$3,825 will be filled in various Federal agencies in Washington, D. C., and nearby Maryland and Virginia and in certain Navy establishments elsewhere in Maryland and Virginia; similar jobs paying \$3,825 are to be filled at the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio. All applicants must

Shivers Proclaims "Operation Democracy"



Wednesday, December 7, is proclaimed "Democracy Beats Communism Day" by Governor Allan Shivers, seated above with American Legion State Commander Joe Spurlock, standing left, and John Ben Shepperd, State Legion Americanism chairman, standing right. Governor Shivers called upon the seven million citizens of Texas to join with more than 100,000 Legionnaires in 788 Texas American Legion posts in "a calm, patriotic, appraisal of Democracy."

pass a written test. For jobs paying \$3,100 and \$3,825, they must have had appropriate education or experience or a combination of the two.

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Eastland Pastor Talks To Lions

Rev. J. E. Blunt, Eastland

minister, addressed the Cisco Lions Club on the subject of "Communism and Its Spread" at the weekly luncheon meeting at noon Wednesday at the Hotel Victor. The program was

in charge of Austin Flint. "You can't be a Christian and a Communist," Rev. Blunt said. "There is no place in the Communist doctrine for Christ and the christian principals" he pointed out that the Cominism exist primarily for the state, without considering morality or man. He warned, however, that it cannot be ignored, "for it now covers one-fifth of the world."

Rev. Blunt regarded Christianity as the only tangible challenge to Communism, pointed out that "we can't see how a doctrine can last that totally disregards God."

der the head of the Govern- Miller.

Each publication is listed unment agency producing it and also indexed by type of business and by the operational subject with which it deals. Among the latter are accounting, advertising, credit, displays, financing, merchandising, personnel training, and many others. Also listed are sources of statistics on production, trade volume, and price trend, and helpful infor-

mation on the development of marketing programs.

In addition the 38-page booklet indicates which Federal agencies can be assisted to retail business men and to which of them special trade problems should be addressed.

The new guide of Government retailing services may be purchased from the Dallas Field Office of the U. S. Department of Commerce, 1114 Commerce Street, at 15 cents a copy.

Seasons GREETINGS



Good cheer
Good luck
Good day
Good night
Good things

Elite Beauty Shop

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Retailing Guide Released By Commerce Dept.

Retailers and others engaged in distribution who wish to take advantage of the various forms of assistance available to them from Federal Government agencies will be helped by a new publication issued recently by the U. S. Department of Commerce, stated Ray L. Miller, regional director of the Commerce Department's Dallas office, today. This Booklet, "1949 Guide to Government Information on Retailing," is a bibliography of Government publications and periodicals related to the retail trades.

It was prepared at the recommendation of the Department's Retail Trade Advisory Committee. This group of retail trade representatives from 41 national retail trade associations felt that there was a need for a simplified guide to the large amount of government-produced information of value to the nation's retailers, said



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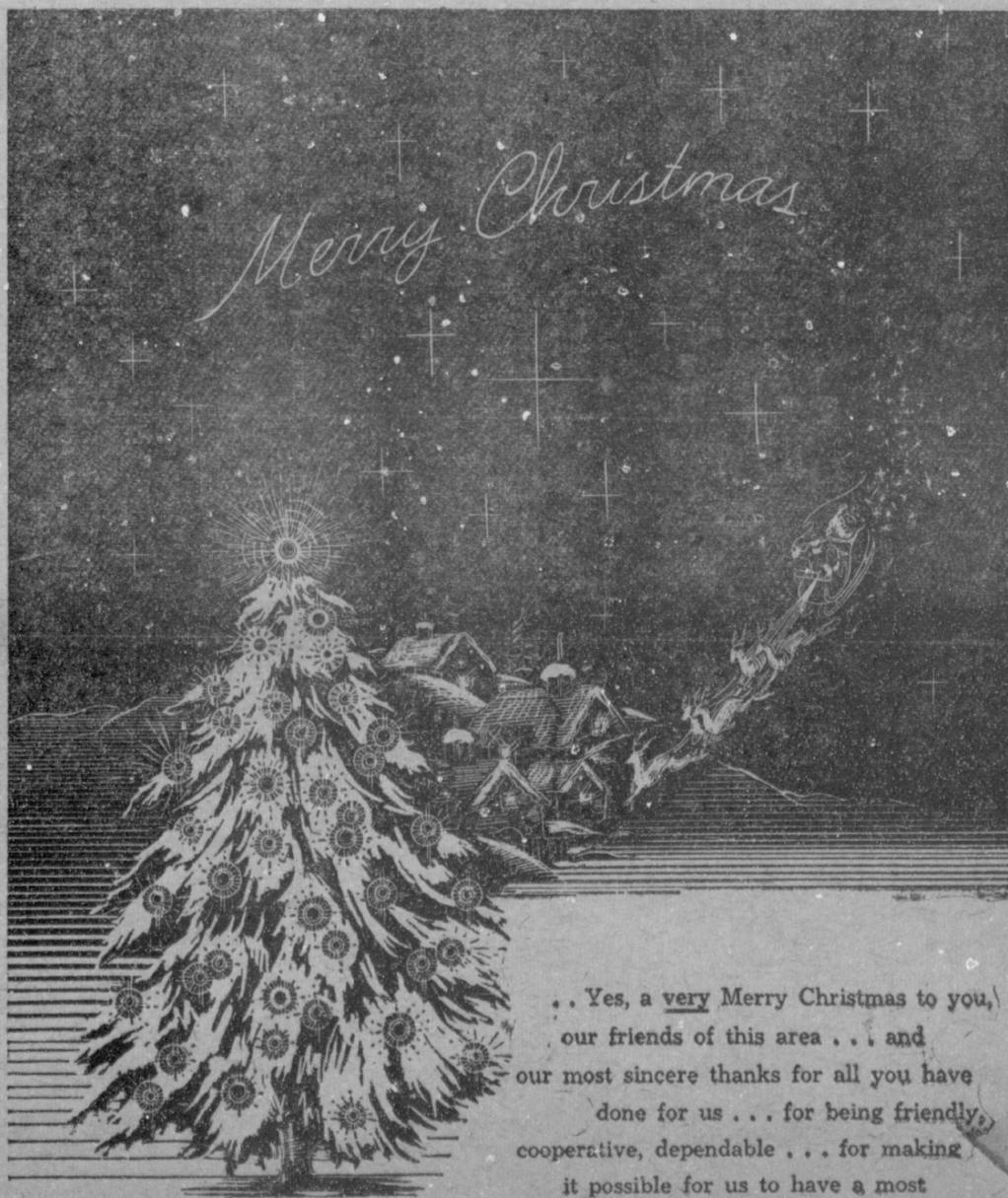
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**Marine Corps
New Policy**

lene Marine Corps enlistment office said Thursday that between now and Dec. 31, young men can enlist in the United

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*Merry
Christmas*



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Sportsman green — a beautiful chartreuse which comes with a chartreuse and black leather trim or a combination of black leather and Bedford cord — and Matador red metallic — a medium red color trimmed with black and red leather or Bedford cord combination — are new and exclusive colors on the new 1950 Ford Convertible Coupes now on display in dealers' showrooms. Nine other colors with attractive trim combinations also are available in the smart new Ford convertibles which feature an improved top mechanism and improved weather sealing. Foam rubber front seat cushions and an improved regulator handle for the quarter windows are other features.

States Marine Corps for a period of three years and pointed out that after that date only four year enlistments or four to six year reenlistments would be accepted.

He also stated that effective Dec. 14 six year enlistments

would be accepted.

Sgt. Norton said that the change in enlistment procedure was due to the large number of reenlistments in the corps. He stated that the Marines know a good thing when they see it and are taking advantage of the

reenlistment offer.

Sgt. Norton will be at the post office in Cisco each Thursday between the hours of 9:30 to noon to interview applicants for duty with the Marines.

**Civil Service Calls
Translator Exams**

The Civil Service Commission announces examinations for filling vacancies in the position of translator for the following languages: French, German, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish, Chinese, Czech, Danish, Dutch, Greek (modern), Hebrew, Hungarian, Japanese, Norwegian, Polish, Rumanian, Russian, Swedish, Turkish, Yiddish, at the entrance salaries ranging from \$2875.00 to \$4600. per annum.

Employment will be with various Federal agencies in the state of Texas. Application forms and additional information may be obtained from the post office or from the Regional Director, 14th U. S. Civil Service Region, 210 South Harwood Street Dallas 1, Texas.

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Merchants Credit Bureau Secretary Given Certificate of Efficiency

A certificate of efficiency has been awarded to Mrs. Lucile Huffmyer, Secretary of Merchants Credit Association, by the Retail Merchants Association of Texas. The award certifies that Mrs. Huffmyer has completed a prescribed course of study and met other requirements established by the Associated Credit Bureaus of Texas, Inc. The award entitles the Merchants Credit Association to all rights and privileges for five years.

Before being given the certificate, Mrs. Huffmyer attended at least one school of instruction and a State and District meeting and passed a written examination. Records of the bureau were also examined for efficiency.

Signing the certificate, which will be hung in the local bureau, were Carlos L. Carter of El Paso, president of the Retail Merchants Association of Texas; J. W. Waddle of Houston, president of the Retail Credit Executives of Texas; and Howard G. Chilton of Dallas, president of the Association Credit Bureaus of Texas, Inc.

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BETTER HEALTH FOR TEXANS is the purpose of this new pamphlet, ONLY THE BEGINNING, produced by the Texas State Department of Health. The booklet contains basic information about the venereal diseases. Free copies may be obtained from local health departments, or by writing to the Texas State Department of Health, Austin, Texas.



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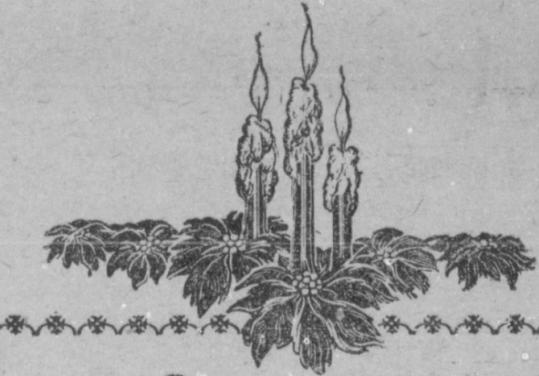
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CAN'T GET LOST—Jochen Reinhardt, three-year-old German orphan, arrived at LaGuardia Airport, N. Y., well protected. The instructions directed him to his new parents in Falls Church, Va.

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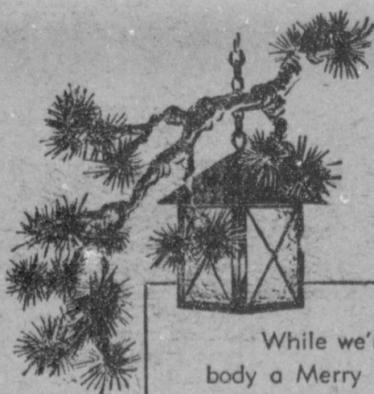
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Personals

Mrs. Gus Brandon returned from Big Spring where she had been visiting with her sister, Mrs. Steve Huestis who has been ill for some time. She reported her recovery was slow.

Glenn Burnam of the Union community was in town one day the past week and while here subscribed for the Star Telegram for another year.

Raymond Clark has just returned from a trip in the Amarillo territory where he has been for the past several days looking after business interests.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Cunningham of Jal, New Mexico, are here to spend the Christmas with his mother Mrs. J. H. Cunningham and other relatives and friends. They formerly resided here.

Raymond Clark made a business trip to Cisco Friday afternoon and while there visited with his brother, Dr. F. E. Clark who is recovering from a major operation.

The Editor and wife received a fine letter from Mrs. Lula Dixon formerly of Putnam, but now of Yosemite, Calif., the past week. She says she enjoys the Putnam News and set her subscription up for another year. Thank you Mrs. Dixon.

Mrs. Edna King of Lamesa, former resident of Putnam, was a recent weekend visitor with her mother who is ill in the home of her son, Marvin Week living about three miles north of Putnam.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hutchison and daughter Nancy were shopping and visiting in Abilene with relatives Saturday.

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Wranglers Place Twelve Men On 3 All-Conference Teams

The Cisco Junior College Wranglers placed eleven men on the all-zone team for the Western half of the Texas Junior College Athletic Conference, according to an announcement by Coach Stormy Davis at the annual Wrangler-Lobo football banquet at the Country Club Tuesday night.

The selections were made at a meeting of the coaches of the Western half at the Texas Hotel in Fort Worth Monday. Four of the Wranglers made the first team, three the second and four received honorable mention.

The Wranglers placed more men on the first team than did any other squad and more on the entire All-Zone squad. Ranger placed ten and Odessa, the conference winner, placed nine. Odessa placed three on the first team.

First Team —

Leonard Grigsby and Harold Sides received the unanimous vote of the coaches at an end and fullback slots respectively. Others making the first team were Harold Hill and Paul Varner at halfback.

On the second team, Jim Spencer made end, J. M. Moore made guard and Gene Milsap made the team at center. Receiving honorable mention were Don Price at tackle, Arkansas Allen at guard and Lonnie Crosby at quarterback, and Jeter at fullback.

The selections were as follows:
Ends — Nobles, Decatur; Grigsby, Cisco.
Tackles — Cox, Odessa; Hill, Cisco.
Guards — Torres, Decatur; Musslewhite, Odessa.
Center — Neal, Ranger.

QB. — Reynolds, Odessa.

HB. — Crawley, Ranger; Varner, Cisco.

FB. — Sides, Cisco.

Second Team —

Ends — Spencer, Cisco; Hill, Odessa.

Tackles — Jones, Ranger; Tate, Decatur.

Guards — Neal, Ranger; Moore, Cisco.

Center — Milsap, Cisco.

QB. — Wright, Ranger.

HB. — Mead, Odessa; Turner, Odessa.

FB. — Madison, Howard Co.

Honorable Mention:

Ends — Jones, Ranger; Puckett, Howard County.

Tackles — Whaley, Odessa; Price, Cisco; Knappenberger, Ranger.

Guards — Turner, Howard Co; Townzen, Ranger; Van Pelt, Howard Co.

Centers — Allen, Cisco; Guthrie, Howard Co.; Walker, Odessa.

Quarterbacks — Arnold, Odessa; Crosby, Cisco; Stallings, Howard Co.

Half Backs — Ford, Ranger; Lees, Howard Co.; Staples, Decatur; Oliver, Clifton.

Full Backs — Spencer, Odessa; McWhorter, Ranger; Jeter, Cisco.

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Capacity Crowd Hears Frank Kimbrough at Football Banquet

Cisco football players, coaches and fans officially closed the 1949 season Tuesday night when a capacity crowd gathered at the Country Club for the annual gridiron banquet. The affair was staged under the auspices of the Lions and Rotary clubs.

Frank Kimbrough, head coach at West Texas State College, Canyon, and former mentor at Baylor and Hardin-Simmons, was the principal speaker and he told the Cisco audience that "football is the greatest game for making men out of boys."

Pointing out that most football players are good students, Kimbrough regards the game as "nothing easy and you won't be a good player unless you work." He said the method his staff uses to determine a player's potentialities is to consider his desire, his ability and his size.

"Winning isn't the main purpose of a football coach," he said. "He must encourage his boys to make the most of their educational opportunities —

teach you to fight for what you want, for there's a large crowd at the bottom of the ladder of success."

Kimbrough expressed the hope that "the day will come when the fans in the stands feel like the men on the field — then, we'll have a real game."

Following his talk, he showed pictures of the recent West Texas-Hardin-Simmons game. He was introduced by Coach Stormy Davis of Cisco Junior College, who played under him at Hardin.

Opening the program, Davis introduced his Cisco Junior College Wranglers and thanked fans and school officials for "making our year a success." Coach Jack Everett introduced his Lobes. Coach Buck Overall and

Bill Sledge were introduced. Elliott of the Rotary Club, Mayor G. C. Rosenthal and others were introduced. Jay Garrett, president of the Lions Club, was master of ceremonies.

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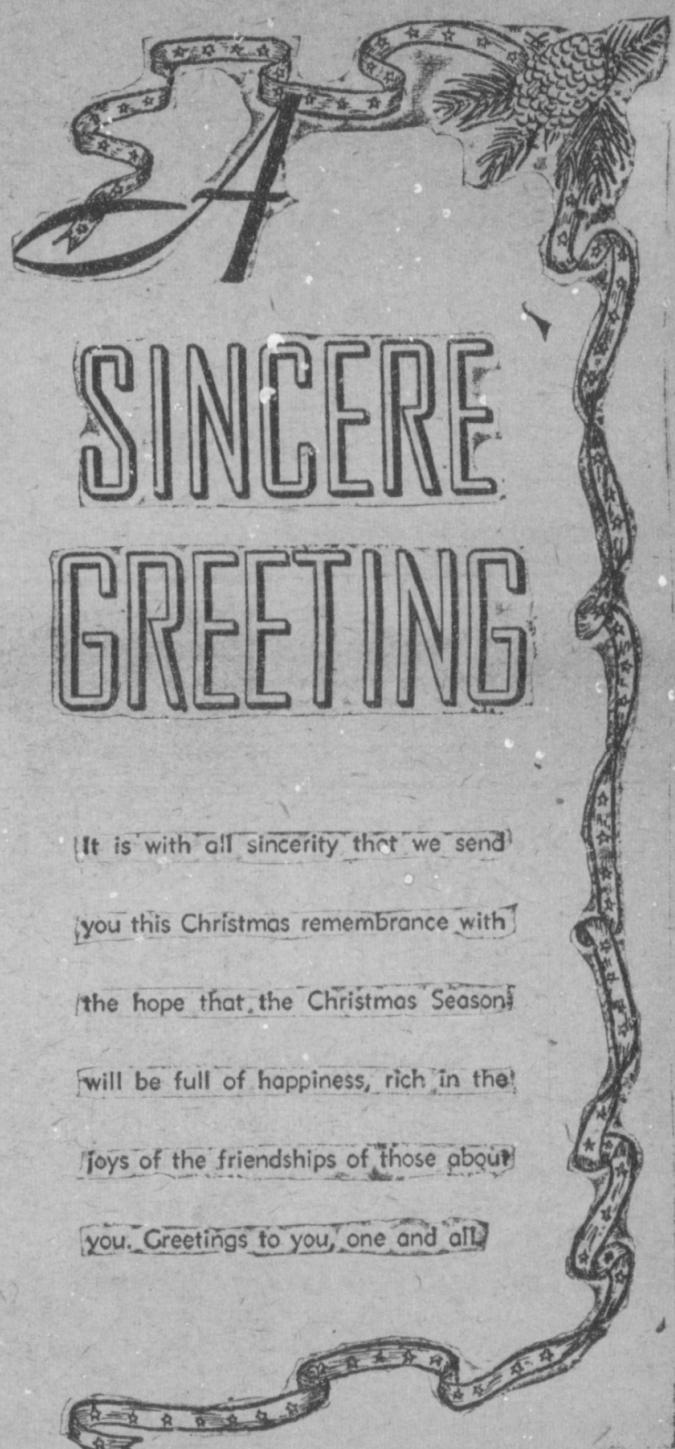
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Olin Culbertson Talks To Rotary

"Don't Careism" is one of the most dangerous "isms" we face in American today," Olin Culbertson, member of the Texas Railroad Commission, told Rot-

arians at their regular meeting Thursday. Mr. Culbertson, who appeared on the program as the guest of Frank Walton, was asking for more interest in the affairs of government on the part of the people.

"That 'Don't Careism' could lead to the infiltration of other 'isms' if we fail to wake up

and take an interest in the affairs of state," he said.

He pointed out that there was never a time in the history of the country when the government needed more service and less self and asked citizens to replace selfishness with selflessness.

Culbertson asked that Americans stop taking government as a matter of course and to stop taking too much for granted.

"Excessive governmental spending is a step toward Socialism," Mr. Culbertson pointed out in using England as an example. He stated that Englishmen now spend 40 per cent of their income in taxes under the Socialistic form of government and that at the present time citizens of the United States were paying 29.3 per cent of their income for taxes — city, county, state

and federal. He pointed out that no country could go on indefinitely spending beyond its means.

In speaking of the oil industry Mr. Culbertson painted a gloomy picture. He said that far-eastern oil was being produced and imported to the east coast 38 to 61 cents per barrel cheaper than it could be produced in America and that Canadian oil would soon be reaching the United States by way of new pipe lines. He said that we were discovering too much oil and cited the Scurry County field as an example. He added that there were 184 wells in that field now capable of producing from 400 to 5,000 barrels each per day.

Mr. Culbertson was introduced by Mr. Walton, who was a boyhood friend of the commissioner, who in addition to his duties with the commission op-

erates a dry goods store and a cattle ranch in South Texas.

Visitors at the luncheon were Rotarians H. R. Shackelford and Jimmy Trammell of Breckenridge, H. E. Strickland of Abilene, Paul Peters of Nocona, E. M. Grimes, Lloyd Chapman and Jimmy Burns of Eastland. Mr. Shackelford is president of the Breckenridge club.

Other visitors were G. F. Williams, Austin; J. W. Thomas, Midland; W. C. McDaniel, Otis Strickland, Charles W. Jones, E. L. Jackson, Norman Huston, L. M. Cawley, Steve Nance and Daniel Gray, all of Cisco. Gray was the recipient of the calf donated by the Rotary Club to the Eastland County Youth Dairy Program.

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Grand Champion Steer Brings Record \$11.50 Per Pound



CHICAGO, ILL.—A record price of \$11.50 a pound, for a total of \$13,800 was paid for "Judge Roy Bean," Grand Champion steer at the International Livestock Exposition. High bidder at the auction was Dearborn Motors Corp., Detroit, national marketing organization for Ford tractor. The champion Hereford steer, exhibited by the Pecos County, Texas, 4-H Club, weighed 1200 pounds. The record price was 75 cents a pound higher than the previous top of \$10.75 paid for last year's International Grand Champion.

Mrs. Berta Hazelwood, Mrs. Irene Hallmark, Miss Mayme Estes, Mrs. Cate Crawford, Miss Pearl Donoway, Mrs. Josephine Clements, Mrs. Mary A. Brown, Miss Ella Andres, and Mrs. Miriam Bledsoe of Cisco.

cotton seed. "Our substances inventory may be valuable in heading off difficulties certain to arise should the cotton seed industry shift to solvent extraction to procure oil," Dr. Frampton declared.

Cotton Research Project Outlined

AUSTIN, Dec. 17 — Work now being done by University of Texas cotton research scientists may help develop cotton seed refining by solvent extraction, Dr. V. L. Frampton, researcher, reports.

At the present, most refining is done by hydraulic press. The University scientists are hard at work "getting to know" more about oil-soluble substances in

To date, the researches have found from their oil-soluble studies that cotton seed is a potential source of Vitamin E, an important factor in nutrition; and lecithins and cephalins, emulsifying agents used to prepare oleomargarine, mayonnaise, and candies.

Also, they have found there is present in cotton seed oil a wide variety of fatty acid, carbohydrates, and achols.

The research, which has been going on for four years, moves slowly because finding analysis methods is difficult, Dr. Frampton explains.

Local Sorority Has Xmas Party

The Beta Upsilon Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma held its annual Christmas party on the afternoon of December 10, in the home of Miss Doris Joe Pyle at 611 West Seventh Street.

After a short business session, conducted by the president, Miss Ione McIntyre of Clyde, a constitution drill contest between two teams was directed by Mrs. Alize McCanlies. Prizes were awarded to the contestants.

Gifts were exchanged by the members after which a delicious salad plate was served by Miss Pyle, assisted by her sis-

ter, Mrs. Ina Martin.

The following members were present: Miss Isadore Grimes and Mrs. L. C. Cash of Baird; Misses Ione McIntyre and Alda Nordyke of Clyde; Misses Martha June Morehart, Louise Snoddy, Nettie Thornton, and Mrs. Evelyn Whatley of Eastland; Mrs. Lucretia Irby, Mrs. Lois Whitaker, Miss Doris Joe Pyle, Mrs. Alice McCanlies, Mrs. Minnie Hill, Miss Olga Fay Ford,

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Eastland County Youth Dairy Plan Begins As 17 Boys Receive Jerseys

Seventeen Eastland County club youths received registered Jersey heifers at ceremonies in Eastland Tuesday to begin the Youth Dairy Program in the County.

The calves were awarded to the boys who were selected by a committee as the most deserving in the county by virtue of their work in 4-H and FFA club work. The committee worked hand-in-hand with agriculture teachers in making the selections.

A large crowd of business and professional men from over the county braved the chilling winds to attend the ceremonies and to hear Emmett Brown of Cleburne urge the boys to "feed them better and grow them bigger."

Brown told the boys that business men were investing in their future and that they should do their best to prosper from the start they had been given.

The heifers given the boys were purchased from Fred Tooke of Tyler for \$200 each and will

become the property of the boys when they give a heifer calf raised from the gift animal to perpetuate the program.

The Cleburne man told business men that the gift was not a donation but an investment to assure the economic stability of Eastland County. Mr. Brown is one of the leading Johnson Co. men behind a similar program that has been in operation for some three years.

Theo Lamb of Eastland is president of the county program and Travis Wheat of Eastland is vice-president. B. A. Butler of Cisco is secretary and J. D. Lauderdale of Cisco is treasurer.

Boys receiving heifers and their sponsors are as follows:

Dan and Don Jobe, Cisco, Banner Creameries; John Joyce, Rising Star, J. J. Calloway, Cisco; Jimmy Webb, Cisco, Cisco Chamber of Commerce; Daniel Gray, Cisco, Cisco Rotary Club; Brooks West, Rising Star, County of Eastland; Ray Don Harris,

Eastland, Eastland Chamber of Commerce.

Joe Ed Reynolds, Eastland, Eastland National Bank; J. D. Carter, Eastland, Eastland Rotary Club; Norman Barton, Cisco, First National Bank, Cisco; Paul Perkins, Rising Star, First State Bank; Joe Buckley, Desdemona, King Motors, Eastland; Don Webb, Eastland, Lamb Motor Co., Eastland; Clyde Herring, Eastland, Muirhead Motor Co., Eastland.

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TWC Homecoming Scheduled Feb. 22

FORT WORTH, Dec. 15 — Texas Wesleyan College annual homecoming basketball game will be played February 22 when the TWC Rams meet an Abilene Christian College on the Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum court in Ft. Worth.

Members of the Ex-Student Alumni Association will gather at 5:30 p. m. at the College's new Student Union Building for an open house and will go in a body to the game at 8 p. m.

The organization's executive committee will meet at 4:30 p. m. for a planning meeting for May Fete ceremonies which are scheduled for May 27.

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