# THE ROPES PLAINSMAN 



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JEST SOME THOUGHTS -
We think if we pause to take a nap have come and gone.

We never saw anything move so
rapidly before.
Were
We're mighty afraid that whil
we're gazing toward the North looking for the bearded gentleman he will be disappearing
wwith his famous hi-ho.
—
Guess the proper phrase is not
hi-ho, but ho-ho. Brings to mind silver ho
reindeer.

## On-e of the arts that very few peo ple accomplish is the art of keeping gifts hidden and a secret until the

 appointed time.Tis the time of year for mysterious packages, red bows, qala trees,,
mistletoe, jammed shopping centers, a visit to Santa, and the two m
used words in the dictionary,

## it's annual Christmas edition

 week, so that we won't have to work all night on Christmas Eve. We note an item very much mis-ing in the modern letters to Santa Claus. Tim was when the most in
portant thing was the stocking, fil
ed with fruit portant thing was the stocking, fil
ed with fruit, nuts and candy. and
a surprise or too. Now the thin even commence to fit into a stock
ing. We all move along with


We received two very good items
from Mattie Kinnison this week. Irom Mattie Kinnison this week.
She wrote them in 1954. Our thanks to Mattie for sharing them dear santa Please don't forget, my little Sis
For she is sweet and only three For she is sweet and only three
It would break her heart to miss It would break her heart to miss
A gift from you under our tree.

I'm a great big fellow of seven
Not asking anything for me Not asking anything for me
But she's too little to understand But she's too little to understand,
It would break her heart, you see Dad works hard, trying to get us
Lots of things like other kids, We kneel and pray each night
Just before we crawl in bed.

## Thank you,

Your gift will bring a lot of joy.
And I'll be one big happy boy.
CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

## May the Star of Christmas That shines from un

 That shines from up above Remind you, God is near you And giving you, His Love.May all the added pleasure
The joy that's in the air, The joy that's in the air, Each day, no matter where.

## May our Loving Saviour Hear your every prayer

 May He guide and guard you And keep you in His care. You, who follow in His wayHis Spirit amply bless His Spirit amply bless
Much loving joy and peace With success and happiness.
Make a wish of happy things
Yon would That is just the very wish That is just the very wish
We are making now, for you A Merry Merry Christmas From us to all of you,
A Merry Merry Christm
So, we roll off the page, and hop you get your Christrn
done before Christmas.

## Band Concert Will Be at 8 Sunday Night

 be heard Sunday night as the Ropes Night; and "Jingle Bellss" by PierSchool Bands present their anrual pont.
Christmas concert in the School Fourth grade soloists include Kim
Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { School Bands present their anrual pont. } \\ & \text { Christmas concert in the } \\ & \text { Cchool } \\ & \text { Fourth grade soloists include Kim } \\ & \text { Auditorium at } 8: 0 \text { p.m. } \\ & \text { Opening the gala program will be } \\ & \text { Lemon, Larry } \\ & \text { Sabra Hewlett, Donya Marcy }\end{aligned}\right.$


| - Don McWhorter <br> As we drive around the country today we observe many things of pleasure to most of us. <br> Particularly at this time of year we see decorated houses and strects and know that this season is one of bright and joyful moments. <br> The small towns go all out for decorating the one street which they might have and the large cities decorate the main city square or the main street. All of the stores are bright and beautiful to entice the shoppers. <br> But, with all of these decorations |
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United Methodist To Present Pageant

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## Get Your Cards Now

## at is. Ropesville's Eagle Band make very nice a Christmas and would vill wind up its foll fund-raising friends and family

 ampaign on Friday, December 19. The band is selling plastic-coated If you need some Christmas cards, placemats, six in a box for $\$ 3$, andthe band still has several boxes left they feature scenes from America. or your convenience. Featuring These, too, would make nice holiday American holiday scenes, the cards gifts. The band students would appre
ciate your assistance and business Also available are boxes of sta- so don' tdrive 20 miles looking for tionary, sporting scenes from ail cards and gifts. Give the band hall
over America, or just Texas scenes. a call. You'll even get free delivery! over America, or just Texas scenes. a call. You'll even get free
These cards also sell for $\$ 1.25$ per

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Mansfields Service Station
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Cyanamid Farm Supply
BOWLERS OF THE WEEK
Gladys Henson
Don Thomas
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ALTERNATES
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Betty Watts
Betty Watts
HIGH GAME SERIES
Mansfields Service Station - 2501
C \& C Gin - 2351
Bowers Butane -2328
HIGH TEAM GAME
Mansfields Service Station - 875
Mansfields Servic
C \& C Gin -844
Bowers Butane - 816
HIGH INDIVIDUAL SERIES
CLASS A
Glenda Sparks - 536
Betty Watts - 533
Hazel Bevers -517
CLASS B
Joyce Shannon - 472
Bobbie Mitchell - 443
Charlene Sims - 441
Charlene Sims - 441
HIGH INDIVIDUAL GAME
CLASS A
Lola Marcy - 214
Betty Watts -214
Nelle Dalton -210
Nelle Dalton - 210
Merle Robinette - 205
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Von Ayers - 205
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CLASS B
Charlene Sims -193
Joyce Shannon - 187
Bobbie Mitchell -174
Bobbie Mitchell - 174
The bowling alley
orchid to the league member bowl
ing the highest score last Thursday
ing the highest score last Thursday.
Don Thomas received the orchid
with
with a high game of 196.
ROPES SCHOOL
CAFETERIA MENU
The menu for the Ropes School
Cafeteria for the week of
Cafeteria for the week of December
15 through the 19th is as follows:
15 through the 19th is as folows
Monday Frid steaks, macarons
and cheese, buttered broccoli, hot
and cheese, buttered broccoli, hot
rolls and butter, peaches and milk.
Tuesday - Fried chicken, scal-
loped potatoes, buttered blackeyed
peas, spiced apples, peanut butter
on crackers, hot rolls, butter, milk.
Wednesday - Tacos with chili,
Wednesday - Tacos with chili,
corn and tomatos, buttered green
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and butter, and milk.
Thursday - Hot dogs with chili,
pinto beans, buttered spinach, fruit
pill
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SERVICEMEN'S COLUMN
OF ADDRESSES
(Each year the Plainsman print
the addresses of servicemen so those whe addresses of servicemen so those who care to may send them a card
at Christmas, or a letter. We invite you to send in addresses for publicaiton.)
SP-5 Weldon P. Kinnison
451-76-8214
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Co. B. 319th USASA Bn. (C)
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S.Sgt. and Mrs. J. T. Lott
1044

San Antonio, Texas 78210
(formerly Erline Kinnison)
FN Lonnie Exum B733030
USS White River LFR536
FPO San Francisco, Calif. 96601
Harold D. Abney DT3-USN
Box 46 NAVSUPACT
FPO San Francisco, Calif. 96695 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { T.Sgt. Ray T. Marrett FR305326011 } \\ \text { C.M.R. } & \text { Box 1783 }\end{array}$ APO San Francisco, Calif. 96235 Sgt. James D. Marrett
Box 9505 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Box } 9505 \\ \text { Pope AFB } & \text { N. C. } 28208\end{array}$ Sgt. August Kulms
2113 Ruth Street 2113 Ruth Street
Leesville, Louisiana 71446 YTa 1st Lt. Bobby McNabb 218 Spear Drive
Ft. Bragg 2830
T-Sgt. Bobby J. Whitlock AF18438562
CMR - Box 5676
APO San Francisco, Calif. 96235 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { A1C John W. Roberson AF15796597 } \\ 632 \text { SPS } & \text { D. FIt. }\end{array}$
APO San Francisco, Calif. 96320
Mr. and Mrs. Morris Goad
107 9th Street
Edwards AFB, Calif. 93523
(formerly Jackie Nell Whitlock)
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nance
San Antonio, Texas 7822
(formerly Emma Jea OT William D. Cain 451749558 Sq. 9 No. 10 OIS. Class 70-00
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EI Paso, Texas 7992
U. S. AIR
U.S. Air Force Staff Sergeant Aaron
M. Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Williams of Route e, Meadook,
is on duty at Korat Royal Thai AFB is on duty at Korat Royal Thai AFB
Thailand. Thailand.
Sergeant Williams is an informa-
tion supervisor with the s tion supervisor with the s88th Tac-
tical Fighter Wing, a unit of the Pacific Air Forces, headquarters
or air operations in Southeast Asia,

IN HAMLIN
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Martin were in
Hamblin attending the bedside of
her sister, Mrs. Ruby Hennington.
her sister, Mrs. Ruby Hennington
who suffered a heart attack. Ray
returned home while

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## GIFTS FOR

CHRISTMAS
DECORATIONS

## Paper and Ribbon

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ROPES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of cash receipts and disbursemients
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1969
$\begin{array}{cccc}\begin{array}{c}\text { State and } \\ \text { County } \\ \text { Available }\end{array} & \text { Local } & \text { Maintenaice } & \text { Trans- } \\ \text { Interest and } \\ \text { portation } & \text { Sinking } \\ \text { Fund }\end{array}$

|  | Available | Maintenance | portation | Fund | Funds | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Opening Cash Balance, September $\text { 1, } 1968$ | \$ 2,492.20 | \$ 5,212.04 | \$ 2,028.26 | \$ 1,557.29 | 277.9 | \$ 11,567.76 |
| Receipts |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 Local Sources |  | \$129.343.83 | \$ 4,700.00 | \$52,772.67 |  |  |
| 20 County Sources, |  | 10,072.00 | \$ 4,700,00 | \$02,772.67 |  |  |
| 30 State Sources | \$55,629.25 | 66.270 .34 | 21,594.00 |  | \$21,769.89 | 165,263.48 |
| ${ }^{60}$ Loans |  |  |  |  | 2,300.00 | 2.300 .00 |
| 85 Interfund Transfers |  | 2,409.28 |  |  |  | 2,409.25 |
| Total Cash Receipts | \$55,629.25 | \$257,599.50 | \$26,24.00 | \$83,272.67 | \$24,069.89 | \$446,861.31 |
| Total Funds Available | \$ $\$ 8,121.45$ | \$262,807.54 | \$28,322.26 | \$84,829.96 | \$24,347.86 | \$458,429.07 |
| Disbursements |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Budgetary Disbursements | \$53,267.72 | \$204,118.44 | \$25,301.35 | \$50,913.65 | \$18,619.15 | \$352,220.31 |
| Returned Check |  | 20.00 |  |  |  | 20.00 |
| Investments Purchased |  |  |  |  | 2.409.28 | 2,409.28 |
| Prior Year Payables Liquidated |  | $3,083.22$ | 1.073.94 | 33,000.00 |  | $87,352.61$ <br> 4,15716 |
| Total Cash Distursements | \$53,267.72 | \$261,574.27 | \$26,375.29 | \$83,913.65 | \$21,028.43 |  |
| Closing Cash Balance, August 31, 1969 <br> Less: Accounts Payable, August 31, 1969 |  |  |  |  |  | \%40,109...6 |
|  | \$ 4,853.73 | \$ 1,233.27 | \$ 1.966 .97 | \$ 916.31 | \$ 3,319.43 | \$ 12,269.71 |
|  |  | 1,867.44 | 529.82 |  | 145.80 | 6 |
| Unencumbered Cash Balance Add: Temporary Investments and Time Deposits August 31, 1969 | \$ 4,853.73 | (63\% |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | \$ 1,47 |  | \$ 3,173.63 | \$ 9,720.6 |
|  |  | 71,482.96 |  | 53,252.56 | - 0 | 124,735.42 |
| Unencumbered Fund Balance, August 31, 1969 | \$ 4,853.73 | \$ 70,848.69 | \$ 1,417.15 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | \$ 1,417.15 | \$5,168.87 | \$ 3,173.63 | \$134.462.07 |





HTHE PATIO PAIR!
This popular patio pair is now being offered at this special sale price especiall for the holiday season. And, while the next few months may not be patio weathe there's no reason you should wait 'til Spring to give your family these fine gifts. Come warmer weather the economical gas barbeque grill and the charming gas light will be a welcome addition to your patio scene. So, call Pioneer Natural Gas and tell them you want to give the patio pair to you
Why wait 'til warm weather to be nice to your family?


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loneer natural gas company


## Christias party

## The annual Cinristmas Party the members of the United Metho <br> the members of the United Meth

dist Church will be held on Wedne
day, December 17 at 7:00 p.m.
The children are especially invite
sent. He will have bass of fruit for all the kiddies. All adul are invited to share the joy friends and families.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL

The Annual Harvest Festvial dinner will be held at the church at $7: 00$
p.m. Wednesday, Janlary 14. This dinner will be a special opportunit fond and to share your harvest wit the Lord. The Lord's Acre commit tee will be in charge of the dinne
and mak plans for the 1970 Lord and mak plans for the 1970 Lord
Acre Program. new faces in the choir The Chancel Choir of the United Methodist Church gained four new
members Sunday. Mrs. Jewol Sha members Sunday. Mrs. Jewol Shan
non, Mrs. Irene Armstrong, Mrs non, Mrs. Irene Armstrong, Mrs, ship. These ladies responded to greater service and meaning $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { their Worship experience. We are } \\ & \text { aiming for a twenty member choir } \\ & \text { with some overlap for those time }\end{aligned}\right.$ with some overlap for those time
when all cannot be present. yo: found your special place of seryo! found your special place of ser- en into Old Mexico wher we njoyed
vice? Maybe it's in the Choir. have plenty of seats still coen. Ac and singing talent is not a necessity, Just come with joy in your heart WOMEN'S SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY The WSCS h ad their annua Christmas party Wednesday, Decem
ber 10 in the home of Mrs. Sybl Harris. The program was presenHarris. The program was presen
ted by the president, Mrs. Milli McWhorter and the Secretary of
Spiritual Lif, Mrs. Nina Hayslip. Spiritual Lif, Mrs. Nina Hayslip
The Joy of Christmas was share

METHODIST MEN TO MEET

> The United Methochist MLe 1 wi
neet Weduesday, December 17 th at
 have breakfast and shar- the man Wharf, and that is a sight to HERYL ANN HARPTS PIANO $\mid$ We visited the next two days with STUDENT'S RECITAL My niece and she accompanied us
The oiano students of Miss Shery: everywhere we went. We starte Inn Harris will present a recital at home about 8 a.m. Monday and a

he United Methodist Church at 3.00 rived here Tuesday at $5: 30$ p.m. o.m. Sunday, December 14th. All We didn't have a bit of trouble |  |  |
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| of the public is invited to attend. | My new '70 L.T.D. Ford Emory go |
| FELLOWSHIP GROUPS | me is quite a car. We drove a tot | FELLOWSHIP GROUP

MET WEDNESDAY
MET WEDNESDAY
he Fellowship "Koinonia" groups
$\qquad$
Richard Parchmas with Richard Danny and Carolyn Rosser of V.
Dre and Mrs. Charles Shannon, with with their parents, other relative harles leading. The groups stud- and friends $\qquad$
Thursday Night Special Mexican Plate WALTS CMFE

GOOD COFFEE COURTEOUS SERVICE DELICIOUS FOOD WE NOW HAVE SHRIMP ON OUR MENU VISIT US TODAY!

## Specialsfor Friday \& Saturday

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