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Teague, Vardy, Webb Head CoC

Joe Teague, III was named president of the Slaton Chamber of Commerce in a meeting of the CoC's board of directors Monday morning.

The CoC directors, meeting for their last time before the January 11th banquet, also selected Dr. P. L. Vardy, superintendent of schools, as vice-president; and Alex Webb, treasurer.

The trio will take office at the first meeting after the annual banquet, when five new directors will be elected by those persons in attendance.

Going off the board are Ted Swanner, M. G. Davis, Ray Belt, Joel Combs and John Schmidt. The same process as used in the past will be used to elect directors this year, it was decided at the meeting Monday.

There was some discussion at the meeting of changing the method of electing or choosing directors, but the board decided to utilize the same method this year as in the past.

It works this way: Nomination ballots are mailed to local merchants, asking for the nomination of at least two persons to be directors of the board. Any taxpayer who wishes to nominate candidates for the board may do so, whether or not they receive a nomination form. Those taxpayers who do not receive a form can place their nomination at the Chamber of Commerce office in City Hall. As a usual measure, local retail merchants are mailed the ballots.

Chamber of Commerce Manager Bill Ball said Monday that nomination blanks would be mailed out Saturday. And they must, he emphasized, be returned to the CoC office in City Hall, either through the mails or delivered in person, no later than noon, January 4th.

Then, after the nominations are all in, the 15 persons who had the most nominations are voted on at the annual banquet. Outgoing directors are eligible for re-election.

Teague, Vardy and Webb will be charged with directing the activities of the board for 1960.

Outgoing officers are: Robert Hall Davis, president; Rush Wheeler, vice president; and Joe Teague, III, treasurer.

Christmas Tree Pickup Planned By Jaycees

A Christmas tree pickup will be staged by the Slaton Jaycees this Saturday.

Those Slaton residents who want their used trees to be picked up and hauled off for burning by the Jaycees should place them in their front yards Saturday morning.

A truck will come around and pick up the trees sometime during the day, according to "Pete" Williams, club president.

Eight Attend Youth Meet On LCC Campus

Eight persons from Slaton attended an area-wide young peoples' meeting held on the campus of Lubbock Christian College recently.

After a dinner in the college cafeteria, the young people were entertained with a concert by the LCC band and A Cappella Chorus.

Approximately 1,000 persons attended the meeting. Those attending from Slaton included Sue Delaney, Colene Gilliland, Melva Wall, Janet Martin, Arlan Wilkinson, Sue Armstrong, Janet Gunnels and Harold Mobley.

Stanley Lockhart, minister of the Harris and Irving Church of Christ in San Angelo, spoke during the devotional period on "The Challenge of the Age."

Wilson FHA Has Christmas Party

The Wilson FHA had their annual Christmas party, Monday night, December 14.

Thirty-one girls, the four Chapter mothers and their sponsor were there.

Refreshments of sandwiches, candy and punch were served.

Several games were played by the group and then the gifts were handed out.

Everyone had a real nice time.

Serving on the various committees were: Decorations, Darlene Menzer, chairman; Kathryn Hughes, Glenda Young, Verda Mae Fields, and Jean Hagler; Entertainment, Nancy Wuenesche, chairman, Jane Schneider, Jo Williamson and Margaret Crowson; Food, Linda Roper, chairman, Carol Lamb, Helen Schneider and Jeanette Buxkemper.

Mrs. Piety Peterson of Fort Worth has been visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. D. S. Richardson, for the past few months.

We would like to wish all members of the O. E. S. in Slaton a Merry Christmas from Chapter 249 in Arlington.

Some Stores To Be Open Saturday

Although most Slaton merchants have decided to close for Saturday, some will remain open.

Anthony's and T. G. & Y. are planning to be open this Saturday and a few more will be open in the event some want to exchange gifts, purchase needed items, etc.

Members of the Operating Brotherhoods will be addressed by four visiting speakers on legislation needed to promote safety for the membership.

State Legislative Representative for the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Al H. Chesser of Austin, will be one of the visiting speakers.

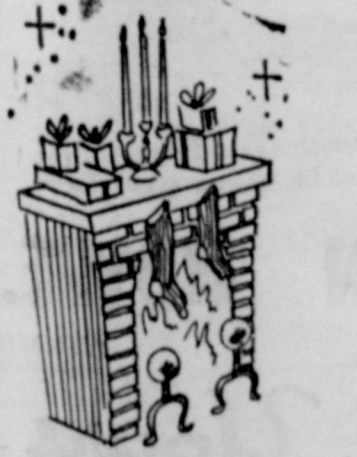
What, indeed, is this holiday, that we rush and tear about, decorating trees and mantelpieces, giving gifts and gathering about the festive board?

What, indeed, is this holiday that we must deck the halls with boughs of holly and dangle mistletoe from the chandelier? In the midst of the trappings and traditions that we have gathered for generations, what can we say about the Christmas?

Christmas is more than an occasion; it is more than an anniversary and much more than a mere holiday. Christmas is because of CHRIST... because He was born, because He is.

"For on this day is born unto the world a Saviour" ... What more to be said about Christmas than that we must be reminded that CHRIST was born, that He is with us, always, the Hope and the Light, the Promise and the Fulfillment.

Every man must fulfill the meaning of Christmas within his own heart. Our customs, decorations, gift giving—everything else associated with Christmas is imitation, an idle echo, if we do not recognize and accept that Christmas is with us because Christ is within us... always.



Vota Vita Class Has Class Social

The Christmas social of the Vota Vita Sunday School Class of the Westview Baptist Church was held in the home of Mrs. L. O. Lemon, December 15.

The devotion was opened with a prayer by Mrs. Lemon. Mrs. T. V. Ellis gave a devotion on Christmas. Christmas carols were sung. Mrs. R. A. Thompson furnished the music.

Gifts were exchanged.

A beautiful bulky knit sweater was given to Mrs. J. E. Todd,

their teacher. The meeting was closed by Mrs. Todd.

Refreshments were served by the co-hostesses, Mrs. Lemon and Mrs. J. E. Gray to Mesdames Todd, Loudell Dean, T. V. Ellis, Keith Price, Claude V. Ellis, Keith Price, Claude V. Ellis, Keith Price, Claude V. Ellis, Keith Price, Claude V. Ellis, Keith Price, Claude V. Ellis, Grady Patterson, N. R.

Boyce, Fred Wiley, J. B. Smith, Albert Whittington, Ophie Cooper and Mrs. R. A. Thompson.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL FROM THE SLATONITE.

Brotherhood Legislative Meeting Set

Big 4 Brotherhood Legislative meeting will be held in the American Legion Hall at 2 p. m. Sunday, December 27.

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EDITORIALS

Why Read Slatonite Advertising?

There are many ways in which Slaton could turn to make it a more prosperous town, many ways in which the citizens of our city could co-operate to increase the prosperity of its business industries and also many ways where we can neglect our opportunities.

The age old cry of "trade at home," is no doubt a good axiom but the repetition of the worn out slogan is no longer good enough to have the effect it might be hoped to accomplish and the merchant who is depending solely on the expectation that people will trade with him simply because he has established his business in Slaton is most likely to be disappointed.

Competition is close and regardless of how loyal most people are to their home town prices count more these days than they have ever done before. A good many people who live in Slaton work in Lubbock and it is quite often as easy for them to shop there as it is here. If Slaton were a town situated in an isolated area the merchants might be in a position to be independent but regardless of how you feel, we might as well admit that we are in competition with the merchants of Lubbock, and do the best we can to keep our local customers and attract some from the bigger city if we can.

This might not be as difficult as it might seem. The Slaton merchants have the advantage of being able to operate at a considerable less expense in many ways than those in Lubbock. There are of course advantages of car load buying, lower freight rates and fast turnover that a Slaton merchant has to over come.

Even though a Slaton merchant is willing and able to meet competition, with prices and qualities as good or better, the fact is not going to bring customers unless the facts are brought to the attention of the people whose money is going to be spent and the quickest and best way is through advertising in the Slatonite.

This may sound like, and is a straightforward advertisement for this paper but it is a fact that cannot be denied and those who wish to see the town prosper will not only watch this paper for the best values the merchants have to offer but those who are in business will publicize their values through these columns.

These are ways the citizens can help each other, first by keeping a close touch with the advertising columns, and second by using them if they are in position to offer something worth while to the Slaton area. A. M. J.

How To Enjoy Yourself

As has the custom for all our lives we will all endeavor to enjoy this Holiday as best we can. Most will be surrounded by relatives and friends but some will be alone or perhaps only two or three in a group. It is a time to be of cheerful spirit and to endeavor to make those around us as happy as possible but it also a time to consider those who have been unfortunate, and there are many more of them than one might be conscious of unless we go to some trouble to investigate.

Prosperity and full employment for those who are able to work no doubt are conditioned that are most desirable and these conditions come nearer being so now than at any time in history, but for those who are sick, or unable to work, the high prices and their disabilities make it harder times than most of them have ever experienced before.

Should you be counted among the most fortunate it would be good advise to enjoy your opportunities to their fullest. Enjoy your friends and relatives, but do not forget that there are some people who may have come to the end of the row. Take a few minutes, a few hours, and if necessary, a few dollars and do what is in your power to give the other fellow a life. Today, tomorrow, next week and in 1960 remember you'll enjoy helping although you'll likely never get a thing in exchange except, perhaps, some good will, but don't bank on it, you may not even receive that. Do it for the pleasure you will get out of doing a good deed. A. M. J.

MUCH NEEDED CHECK FROM HOME



Letters To Santa...

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a pair of boots, I wear size 13 1/2. They are brown and they are at Fondy's Boot Shop. I want a pair of guns.
My sister, Terie, wants a Toodle doll and a coke machine.
Love,
Don Steen.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a gun, it is called a 45-BB revolver. Thank you for the toys you gave me last year.
With love,
Linnal Denton.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a big baby doll with curly hair, a cabinet and a sink. I have tried to be a good girl. Please remember all the other boys and girls.
I love you,
Elaine Boyle.

Dear Santa:
I love you. Please bring me a Toodles doll. I want some clothes too.
Love,
Nan Steen.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a doll.
Love,
Jane Webb

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a record player and records. My brothers would like boots and guns. My little sister wants a doll, ironing board and iron.
We love you,
Monette, Karan, Kenneth, and Keith Johnson.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a train. Please bring me a train, a rifle and a set.
Love,
Tom Melton.

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy. Please bring me a train.
I love you,
Henry Gomez, Jr.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a train and an airplane rifle.
Love,
Dick Davis.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



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STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights
by Vern Sanford

state or federal judge. There has been some speculation that Daniel, who already has held a raft of high offices, might succeed retiring Chief Justice of the Supreme Court John E. Hickman or the late Jimmy Allred as a federal district judge.

Daniel said he had great respect for the judiciary, but whether as public official or private citizen, he wouldn't want to be sidetracked from the fight for "progress, good government and fair taxation."

"Bottle Clubs" Under Fire—For years Texas law against selling liquor by the drink has been no hindrance to the thousands who belong to "bottle clubs."

Serving of mixed drinks to members and guests of private clubs was assumed to be the same as serving liquor in the home. But the thing has gotten out of hand, says Liquor Control Board Chairman Coke Steven (See Highlights Page Seven)

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AUSTIN—As the year draws to an end, it appears Texas' big political question of the moment will not be answered until next year.
That is the question of whether the Legislature will be called into special session to raise teacher salaries.
Gov. Price Daniel has said that if he does call a session, it will not begin until after Feb. 1, filling deadline for the primaries. Next few weeks are to be spent in study and conference with legislative leaders on possible methods of financing.
Governor Daniel said that in answer to his poll a majority of lawmakers (77 House members and 20 Senators) had written him they favored teacher raises. Many of these, however, attached "ifs" and "buts" that left considerably less than a majority in favor of plunging right into the task in a special session.
Besides teacher pay, the governor said a special session would also be asked to raise money to pay for medical aid for people on the state welfare rolls.
He will not call a session, said the governor, unless he feels reasonably sure its tasks can be accomplished in the 30 days. But he isn't giving up, he added as long as it seems possible "with some hard work to get it over."
Too Little Time?—Among those with doubts about the probable success of a special session is House Speaker Waggoner Carr.
In his answer to the governor's poll, Carr said he felt education was too important a subject "to be legislated upon under the extreme pressures of a... 30 day limitation."
Carr also called on the governor to spell out well in advance of any session the tax proposals he would submit so legislators would have time to talk them over with their constituents.
Governor Daniel shot back that he would submit, for one, the abandoned property bill which would allow the state to take over unclaimed funds held by banks, insurance companies and other firms. This bill was repeatedly voted down in the House earlier this year.
No Yen For Bench—Though his political future is not settled, Governor Daniel has definitely ruled out the possibility that he might become a

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Yet the strong religious training of his own childhood has helped him in life more than he can ever know. Why shouldn't his children have the same advantage? And why shouldn't yours?

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STRENGTH FOR THE WEEK

THE WAIT FOR CHRISTMAS
Gen. 3:15, 16

As I was doing some business in the band, I overheard one woman say: "I'll really be glad when Christmas is over." There are so many presents to buy, so much to do until I'm exhausted by the time Christmas is over.

This is a sad way to look forward to Christmas, but it seems that more and more of us are becoming or will become like this woman. By our commercializing Christmas, we have lost the true meaning of it.

But if we will go back to the Garden of Eden in the Bible, we will find Adam and Eve looking forward to Christmas. But they did not realize it at the time. The verses 15 and 16 of the third chapter of Genesis is a prophecy given to them explaining that a babe born only of a woman would deliver them from Satan's clutches. For the Lord pointed out that the Woman's Seed (the Savior) would crush the serpent's (Satan's) head, only after the serpent bruised the Woman's Seed's heel. This may sound complicated. But what it promised was that the Savior (the Woman's Seed) would be wounded while the power of Satan (the serpent) would be put to an end.

Now all of this was fulfilled. Jesus was placed on a cross and died, but He arose showing that He was victorious over Satan. By this, Satan's power was killed forever if men would accept what Jesus Christ did for them.

Adam and Eve looked forward to this great prophecy being fulfilled. When Cain was born, Eve knew that either this was the savior or else through him the savior would come. For she exclaimed: "I have the Man, the Lord" or "I have a man with the help of the Lord." (According to translation used.) In this, she was mistaken, for she had to wait four thousand years or more for the prophecy to be fulfilled. As generations went

by, the Old Testament believers believed ever more strongly in the Messiah, the Savior and looked forward to Him. But they had to wait.

So in our churches today, we have a season of Advent (Waiting) in recognition of this long period of waiting. Surely we who can look back to the Christ child can also wait with expectancy, the way they did, for the coming again of the Savior's birthday.

PRAYER: Help me O Lord to look forward to Christmas with a little of the expectancy of the Old Testament believers. Help me not to forget Thee during these hectic days. Help me not to be so concerned with Christmas that I forget Thee, O Lord, Who didst come into the world as a Babe to save me from my sins. Amen.

James J. Burnett
St. John Lutheran Church
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Merry Christmas!

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Happy New Year!

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JOYOUS TIDINGS



May Christmas joys and Christmas cheer
Be yours throughout this coming year.

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On Christmas Day:

We extend to you our sincerest wishes for your complete enjoyment of the good things that only this day can bring . . .

Williams Funeral Home

Merry Christmas to All



We extend the season's greetings to you and yours at this most joyous of holidays. May you enjoy the day fully!

Geer Service Station

Wishing you a MERRY CHRISTMAS

FULL of good HEALTH, good CHEER, and good FORTUNE . . . and friendly COMPANIONSHIP!

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Merry Christmas



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for
Christmas
AND THE
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MERRY CHRISTMAS



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Happy New Year too

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Merry Christmas

The great and wonder of Christmas is that human beings can truly overcome with good will kindness toward fellowmen. May we teach us to let the year. Let us for Peace!

Mildred Powers
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SEASON'S GREETINGS



Santa's loaded his sleigh with the good. We'd like to do the same if we could! Instead we'll have to wish to each of you Happiness, Peace and Joy that will carry through!

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GREETINGS

My CHRISTMAS to ALL! We wish this message to you what we would say to you individually—with a warm clasp. We appreciate your patronage in the past year our only hope is it will continue that we will come to know you better, to love you better.

Employees of
Slaton Co-op Gin

Longtime Slaton Resident Dies

W. L. Jobe, 66, resident of Slaton since 1926, died at 3:15 p. m. Friday in Mercy Hospital here. Ill health had forced his retirement from a dry cleaning business here recently.

Services were conducted at 2:30 p. m. Sunday at the Westview Baptist Church, with the pastor, the Rev. C. M. Fields, officiating. Burial was in Englewood Cemetery under direction of Williams Funeral Home.

Survivors include the wife; two daughters, Mrs. C. E. Reynolds, Lubbock and Mrs. Woody

Stone, Slaton; two sons, Charles and Kenneth, both of Dallas; grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Ova Sue Wilson Secretary Of College Club

Ova Sue Wilson of Slaton serving as secretary of the Radio Club at North Texas State College this semester.

Miss Wilson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wilson, 755 S. 21st., is a senior education major and is also a member of the College Players.

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Cleburne Rites Held For Mrs. Nowlin

Services for Mrs. Minnie Vic Nowlin, 81, were held at 11 a.m. Friday in the Dillion Funeral Home at Cleburne.

Burial was in Cleburne Cemetery. Mrs. Nowlin died at 5:15 p.m. Wednesday at the home of a son here after a long illness. She had been living with him since 1955. Williams Funeral Home took the body overland to Cleburne.

Survivors include a son, Jack; a daughter, Mrs. Charles Hearon, Houston; a sister, Mrs. J. G. Stephens, Cleburne; eight grandchildren.

Dear Santa: We, Shirley, Linda, and Arvil Joe Cooper are visiting our

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Four Wilson High School Band Members Win

Four of the Wilson High School Band members went to Regional Band Contest in Lubbock, Saturday, December 12. Each of them made the Regional Band. They are: Junion Hewlett, 1st chair Baritone; Freddie Koenig, 6th chair Cornet; Milton Ehlers, 4th chair Bass; and Keith Sanders, 9th chair Cornet. They will get to try for State Band in the near future.

Church Schools Attendance Totals 1,493

Attendance at church schools in Slaton, Sunday, December 20 totaled 1,493 in the 11 churches which reported. Churches reporting and their attendance was as follows:

First Christian	76
First Methodist	221
First Baptist	373
Church of the Nazarene	42
Westview Baptist	186
First Presbyterian	68
Grace Lutheran	106
Church of Christ	248
First Baptist Mission	42
Assembly of God	75
Bible Baptist	56

Dear Santa: I don't want to much for Christmas. My Daddy is sick. I won't some skates, some dishes, and doll. Bring my little sister a doll, and my little brother wants a gun and a pair of skates and a truck. I love Santa. Love, Brenda, Martha and Bradley

Dear Santa: I have been a pretty good little girl. I want a rocking horse and a piano, and anything else you want to bring me. I love you alot. Ann Webb.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS



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Dear Santa: I want a Patti-Playtime doll that has blond curly hair, please. We will leave some fruit cake and coffee for you. Love, Jane Webb.

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I love you,
Virginia Vargas.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl. Please bring
me a kitten and a doll.
I love you,
Martha Davila.

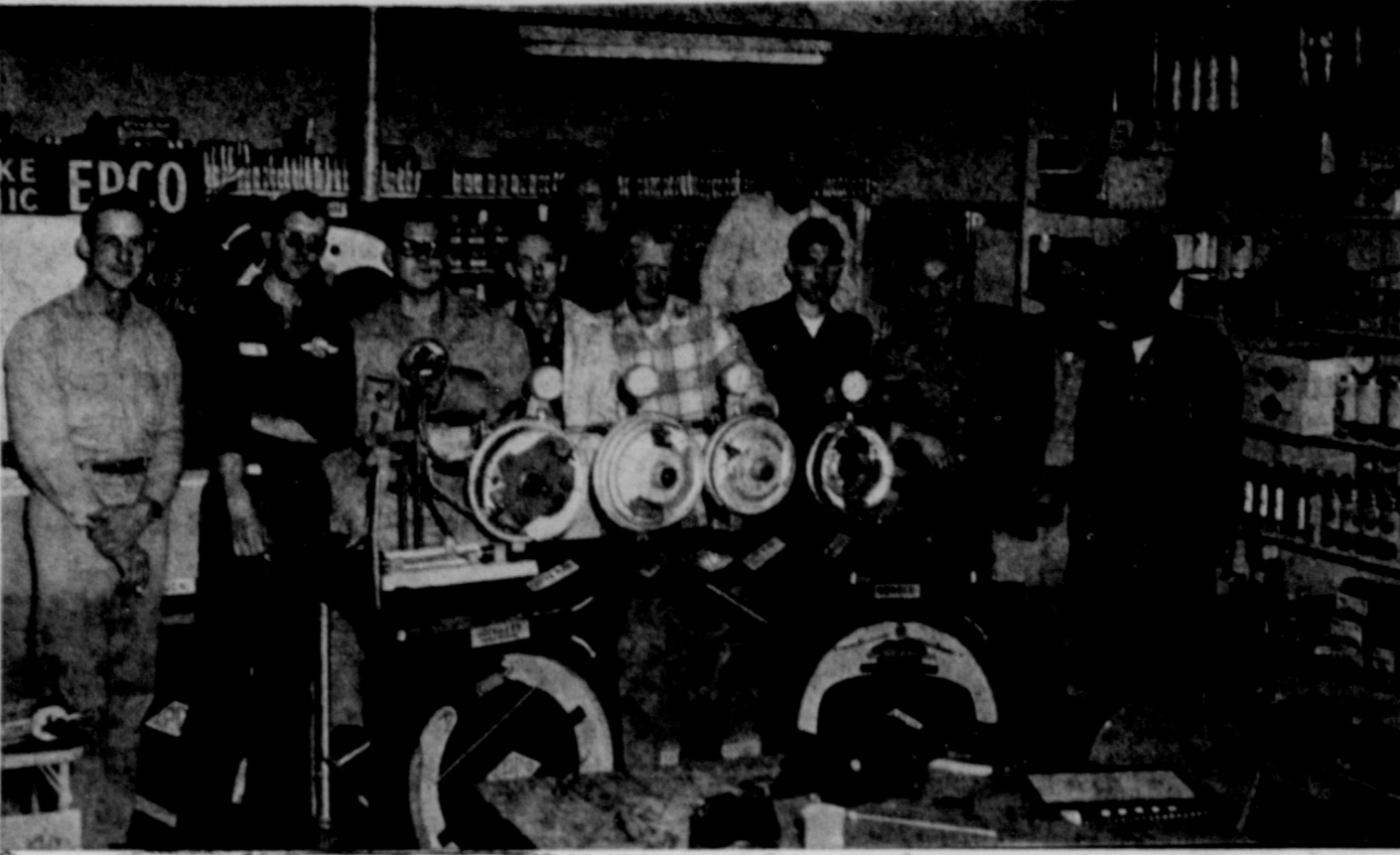
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl. Please bring
me a doll.
I love you,
Amelinda Castro.



GLAD TIDINGS

To our faithful old friends and our
cherished new ones, we extend sin-
cere Christmas greetings and good
wishes for the coming year.

Henzler Grocery



BRAKE CLINIC

Participants in the recently-completed brake clinic conducted at Caprock Auto Parts are shown with the machines and models used in the clinic.

JUST TALK
BY A. M. J.

If you would like to see how
grandpa used to do business bet-
ter drop by and take a glander

at Bruce Pember's redecorated office.

The women with their marble top tables, unwieldy cut glass bowls and bowls and pitcher sets have nothing on him. There is a slicked up and very ornate roll top desk, a hat rack and umbrella stand and several antique chairs including one exceedingly comfortable desk chair that is just right for snoozing. He also has an old electric light globe, blackened and worn by time, but it will still burn. To special visitors, it is said, he will turn it on for a few minutes at a time. When I visited the office Bruce was absent and I did not get the history of the items he had but some of them took me back to my boyhood days. Especially the light globe. In those days a home that was equipped with electricity was "something" and an electric light fixture was something unknown. Just bare globes were a luxury and we were very proud of ours when first installed. We lived in an old fashioned two story home and my father's bedroom was on the second floor. The early light globes had a sticker on the end of them and the glass was clear. One of these globes hung suspended on an electric cord at the landing at the top of the stairs just low enough that it would stab my father on his bald dome every time he went up the stairs, unless he stooped a little, which he never did. For many years it was a nightly battle between my father and the light globes with him mumbling maledictions and the globe swinging wildly from the collision.

My father also had a roll top desk in his room upstairs although not nearly as ornate as the one Bruce has on display. On my father's desk was an old Oliver typewriter that worked something on the order of a wind mill. He used one finger on each hand to operate the typewriter and kept it busy most of the time he spent at home. He had every pigeon hole and desk stuffed with the things he wrote and no one was allowed to dust, arrange or disturb the material in his desk. He could tell when a fly had walked across the top of it and he would no end. Some of the rolls of paper remained in the pigeon holes in his desk for years.

None of us know what he wrote or what things he thought valuable, were in the desk. It was still a part of his equipment when I left home to make my fortune which I never have. Perhaps next year.

—just talk—

Last week I felt sure I had unraveled the mystery of why the sirens blow in Slaton and announce with authority that the screechings are fire alarms but I must be mistaken for I was loafing around on the streets last week and the ear jarring howls began jangling. Along with several other very busy men I took time to look over toward the Fire Department expecting to see the fire engines come blasting forth with their signals screaming and with the men's coattails flying, but not a thing happened. If there was a fire it went out without the interference of the fire department or there was no fire. If Slaton has a fire every time the screeching sounds then we must have a lot of fires and if the alarms are sounded for some other reason my curiosity needs to be satisfied. Some day perhaps I'll go over to the fire station and find out, until that time kept tuned to this column for information.

—just talk—

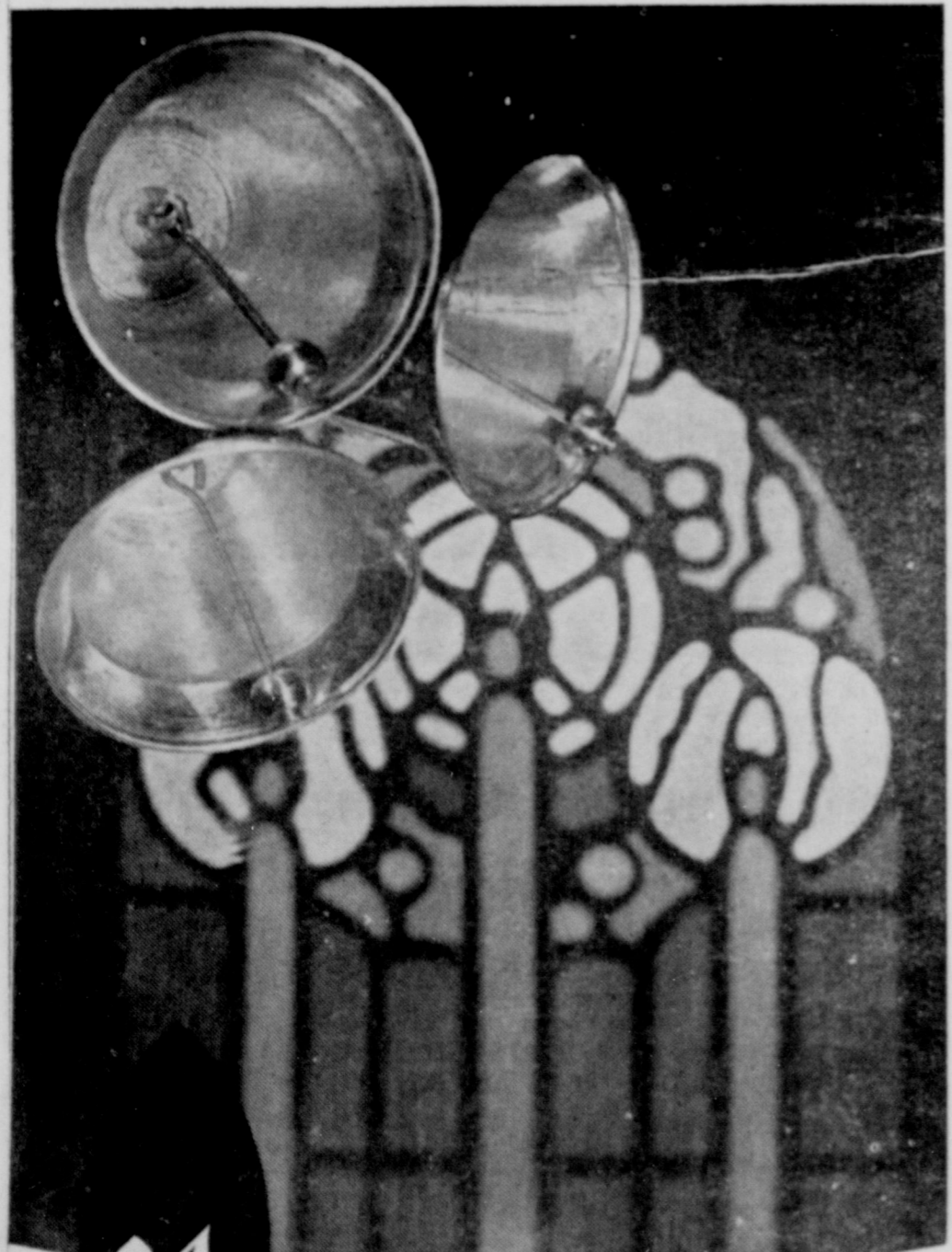
It would seem at a time like this that I should work up some kind of Christmas spirit and to tell the truth I do have a benevolent feeling towards most every one. Yesterday I went

over the list of folks I know with the idea of thinning out those to whom I would withhold a Merry Christmas but I find that I have forgiven all of those who have done me what I once considered a wrong. It might be that a man is getting in pretty bad shape when he cannot find some one he can dislike with fervor. I used to enjoy holding grudges and grinding them in my craw but I have outlived my grudges and find myself willing to shake hands and wish every the best of all season's greetings.

—just talk—

Along with Judge Smith, C. E. Spence, Charley Austin and all the other men, who have a little or a lot of money invested in farms, I have gotten myself into a nervous breakdown over Secretary of Agriculture Benson, the four row in and four row out idea. Although our farm seldom does any good regardless of how many rows are planted in or out. If our hundred acres were not close to a small oil field we might as well own a hunk of the Sahara. If it rains it does so somewhere else and if the bugs get hungry they always eat on the spindly little stalks out out way, but just the same I am as steamed up as anyone else. Give me something to worry about and I'll get my fever up to 106. Personally I never have had any faith in oil and I have not now, but if some

CHRISTMAS 1959



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gamblers ever strike oil on our farm I'm going to do something foolish, something extravagant, something very silly. I don't know what it could be but if you ever see me dressed up like Zezra, stepping high and passing every one up you'll know its happened.

—just talk—

Here is another one from Paul Crume's column in the Dallas News:

Joe Owen, 11, of 1706 Wilbur, had to go to the hospital recently to get a bad appendix out. As soon as he heard about it, Joe's pastor, Baxton Bryant, of the Elmwood Methodist, hurried over for a visit. Toward the end they prayed together. The minister asked the Lord's blessing on Joe.

"Help Joe to get well soon and to get back home and back to school," he added.

Joe waited until the amen.

"If you don't mind," he said quickly after that, "just leave that school out of your prayer."

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HIGHLIGHTS . . .
(Continued from page Two)
Mr. Jr. He said there are many clubs selling mixed drinks that are not private, non-profit clubs

but are operated like business concerns to make money. Stevenson and Atty. Gen. Will Wilson have announced a statewide drive to close up the illegal clubs. Proposed new laws also are being drafted to define

clearly what sort of club is legal. Present law neither bans nor recognizes "bottle clubs." Private bars got started in the swank country clubs, then sprang up over the state in business and professional clubs. Individuals then started their own social clubs. It is the latter—the public "clubs"—which are charged with violating the law.

Adoption Case Closed—
State Supreme Court has made final its ruling in a case that some say may cause uncertainties in the legal procedure for adoption of babies of unwed mothers.

It upheld the decision of a lower court in returning to its natural mother a child she had previously agreed to have adopted.

Crime Rate Rises—
Texas' fast growing cities seem to be surging ahead in crime faster than in almost any other area.

Houston had in the first nine months of the year 89 murders, same number as Los Angeles, four times as large a city.

State Relief Drops—
As more people become eligible for social security, the number of Texans seeking state old age pension is decreasing.

ment was 224,113, only about two-thirds of the 368,416 getting social security checks.

Total monthly welfare payments for the state were some \$11,685,333, compared with \$20,622,190 a month in social security.

Short Snorts—
Nineteen candidates will campaign through the holiday season in hopes of winning places in the Legislature Jan. 9. Four posts were vacated by resignations. Special elections usually attract many candidates, since the high man wins without a runoff. . . . U. S. Dept. of Agriculture has estimated the 1959 Texas cotton crop at 4,500,000 bales. This is lower than previous estimated, but better than the 4,308,000 bales ginned in the state last year. Average yield per acre will be about 337 lbs. One-eighth, or six of the 48 persons executed for crimes in the U. S. last year, were executed in Texas. California, Georgia and Ohio also had six executions each. So far this year Texas has had only three executions.

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I love you,
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Boys Attend Wayland's Special Day

PLAINVIEW—Wayland Baptist College Pioneers' 84-68 victory over Sul Ross, climaxed a day of varied activities at Wayland for three boys and their counselor, representing the Royal Ambassador organization at Westview Baptist Church.

The young boys as well as others from the Lubbock and Dickens Baptist Associations, were special guests of the college on Dec. 12, the first in the second annual series of Royal Ambassador Days being staged on the Wayland campus.

Attending with counselor, Robert Woodfin were Larry Lemon, Kenneth Lee Romines and Ronnie Leavelle.

In addition to basketball and a tour of the campus, a variety program with Dr. J. Ivyloy Bishop, chairman of the division of Bible and religion at Wayland, as master of ceremonies, furnished entertainment.

President A. Hope Owen extended a special welcome to the boys, who also attended a mission program. The International Choir Quartet, sang for the group.

A panel of International students, sketched their country customs and explained RA work in their homelands.

Dear Santa:
I have really tried my best to be a very good little girl. One thing I want you to understand, is that I don't like to go to bed very early. Please bring me a bicycle, stove, ice box, cabinet and some presents.
Please bring everyone something.
I love you,
Carla Combs.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl. Please bring me a doll.
I love you,
Graciela Martines.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl. Please bring me a doll.
I love you,
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Greetings



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Christmas Greetings



Santa is on hand to wish you and yours the best and merriest of Christmas seasons and we add our own wishes to those of St. Nick for a joyful Yuletide

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Christmas Greetings

TO Our Friends:

Realizing that no man or company stands alone, it is with a deep sense of gratitude that we of Bland's Furniture, express our appreciation to those who have contributed so much to our success during the past year.

We are especially grateful to you, our many loyal customers, whose cooperation has helped make 1959 an outstanding year.

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Most sincerely,
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Legals THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF LUBBOCK SHERIFF'S SALE WHEREAS, on the 19th day of October, 1959, in Cause No. 5548 in the 99th District Court of Lubbock County, Texas, wherein City of Slaton, Texas, Plaintiff, and The State of Texas, Lubbock County High Plains Water District and Lubbock County Water Improvement District, Impleaded Party Defendants, recovered judgment against Gloria Jean Green; Hattie Mae Wilbon, one and the same person as Hattie May Wilburn, Charles W. Jones; and any person owning, having or claiming any interest or lien in the property described herein and the unknown heirs and legal representatives of all Defendants and of Irvin Green, deceased, one and the same person as Irvin G. Green, Defendants, for taxes, penalty, interest, and cost against the hereinafter described property; WHEREAS, on the 16th day of November, 1959, by virtue of said judgment and the mandates thereof the Clerk of the said County did cause to be issued an Order of Sale commanding me as Sheriff of said county to seize, levy upon, and sell in the manner and form as required by law the hereinafter described property; WHEREAS, by virtue of said judgment and said Order of Sale and the mandates thereof I did on the 25th day of November, 1959, seize and levy upon as the property of the above defendants the following described property, situated in Lubbock County Texas, to-wit: (Said description showing the number of acres, original survey, locality in county, and name by which said property is most generally known.) All of Lots Twenty (20) and Twenty-one (21) in Block One (1) of Edwards Addition to the Town of Slaton, Lubbock County, Texas, containing two (2) town lots of land. And I will on the first Tuesday in the month of January, 1960, the same being the 5th day of said month, proceed to sell all the right, title, and interest of the Defendants in and to said property at the Court House door of said county in the city or town of Lubbock, Texas, between the hours of 2:00 p. m. and 4:00 p. m. to the highest bidder for cash, provided however, that none of said property shall be sold to the owner of said property directly or indirectly or anyone having an interest therein or to any party other than a taxing unit which is a party to this suit for less than the amount of the adjudged value of said property or the aggregate amount of judgments against said property in said suit, whichever is lower, subject also to the right of the Defendants to redeem same in the time and manner provided by law and subject also to the right of the Defendants to have said property divided and sold in less divisions than the whole. Dated at Lubbock, Texas, this 5th day of December, 1959. Grady Harriet Sheriff Lubbock County, Texas By Verlie Shearer, Deputy CC-3tc-9 SPOTS before your eyes—on your new carpet—remove them with Blue Lustre. "Electric shampoo machine for rent." Lasater-Hoffman Hardware. 1tc-11



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We say Merry Christmas to you with a charming yuletide story



Blenod Christmas

by Stanton M. Meyer

Now that Bruce Suckles is around forty, and probably getting fat and a little bald, maybe he's almost forgotten about little Jeanne and Victor back in the tiny village of Blenod, France—especially since Bruce Suckles is old enough now to have a couple of youngsters every bit as big as Jeanne and Victor were back on that December day in 1917. He lives somewhere in Ohio, perhaps, and I hope Santa Claus is good to him and his family this Christmas.

I'm sure that Jeanne and Victor haven't forgotten. I would be pretty hard to forget anything about that winter when the snow came down and covered up the stretches of broken bricks that once had been beautiful roads, and when the long trains of horse-guns creaked past, plowing deep furrows in the drifts faster than the flakes could fall.

And it would be hard to forget about Christmas that year, too, maybe because it seemed as if there'd be no Christmas. There weren't any candles, for one thing, and even if there had been, you didn't dare put them in the window for fear of enemy planes. And how could you go to mass of a *Nôel* when the church had no roof and only one wall? Even *le bon père* stayed at the field hospital, where he was sorely needed. No candles, no shops, no priest, no fat goose, no toys—and nothing to make them out of, either—not a very pleasant outlook for Christmas with *maman* ill and *papa* far away fighting for *la patrie*.

But that was before Jeanne and Victor met Bruce Suckles. You see, it was late on the night of the twenty-third of December that the Buckeye Battery jingled wearily up the road from the east, where the sky was always red after dark. The gun carriages sounded for all the world like a score of Santa Claus sleighs, if you just listened to the clinking of the harness chains, and forgot about the creaking of the big wheels and the grunts of the soldiers who tried to push them out when the drifts got too deep. How the horses steamed! The lantern light picked out little shining streaks on their backs where the snowflakes had melted away.

Jeanne and Victor tiptoed to the window to watch while the animals were led away to the sheds and barns. Pretty soon the little street was filled with men, and then you could see the light shining out of the *suberge* onto the snow as the *propriétaire* held the door open.

After Jeanne and Victor were back in bed they could hear the horses stamping in the distance, and now and then under their window a broad, hearty laugh and low voices in an accent that sounded not at all like the talk of the English *soldats* who had often billeted here in the past. And then, pretty soon, it was morning.

The very first person little Victor and Jeanne saw after they had given *maman* her tea and bread and had made her warm and gone out into the street—the very first person was Bruce Suckles. Victor remembers his tanned face and his blue eyes, and how small his overseas cap looked on his big round head, and how funny his blue denim overall trousers flapped around his ankles when he walked, showing his spiral leggings underneath.

"Hello, kids!" he said, and laughed. A big hearty laugh that filled the whole street.

"*Faus-etes un Americain?*" asked Victor, timidly.

"Sure!" said Bruce Suckles, "un grand *Americain* and a darn grand cook!" And he laughed again.

"Cook?" said Jeanne, in her charming Lorraine accent.

"What is cook? *Un Officier*, perhaps?"

"Huh? But yes! Better than an officer. A *chef*. *Chef de cuisine!* I'm the man that cooks the grub for the whole

battery. Soup and coffee and beans and pump-dee-terry and sometimes a *poulet* for the captain! Why, little girl, what is the matter?"

For the mention of all that food can make even a brave little French girl cry—even one whose *papa* is fighting for *la France*—if she has had nothing to eat for days but hard black bread and watery tea and a little weak red wine. And Jeanne was biting her lip hard to keep back the sobs.

In ten seconds Bruce Suckles was seated on the nearest doorstep with Jeanne on his knee and he was wiping away her tears with a blue handkerchief as big as an altar cloth. And in ten seconds more Victor was sitting on the doorstep beside him, doing the explaining as became the head of the family; and perhaps because he was old for his years—what boy was not in France in 1917? He told what there was to tell in straightforward, matter-of-fact, man-to-man fashion.

He told of *maman*, who had been ill of a malady in the heat for many weeks; of the *papa* who was far away in *Picardy*; of the great shell that had killed their only cow. Of the black bread that grew blacker and harder as the weeks went on. A doctor? No, of a certainty, there was none in the village. All were needed at the front. No, *monsieur*, *maman* had had no doctor. If it weren't for poor *maman*, and for the fact that little Jeanne would have no Christmas—the rest one could endure for one's *la belle France*. Why not? *C'est la guerre!*

And then suddenly the tall *Americain* had squeezed their hands and left them and was hurry down the crooked little street. And then he was back again. With an *American officier*—a military doctor with gray chin-whiskers and bright boots, to whom he was amazingly respectful and said, "Yes, Major" and "Here are the children, sir." And in a little while Major Chin-whiskers was at *maman's* bedside, holding *maman's* wrist very solemnly while the tall *Americain*, the Monsieur Bruce Suckles, was giving them *American* chewing gum and telling them of his little sister in a faraway place called Akron.

Victor and Jeanne went to sleep late that night. *Maman* had been given medicine from a bottle brought by the *American* doctor. There had been white bread and jam and a strong chicken broth for supper. Bruce Suckles had brought them in under his overcoat. "From the officers' mess," he said. And now the moon was shining cold and white over the roofs of Blenod and it seemed that even the thunder to the east was nearly stilled.

Does Bruce Suckles remember Christmas Eve in Lorraine in 1917? With the distant murmur of music in the *suberge* and the muffled stamping nearer in the stables where the stout artillery horses nickered and champed the hay in the mangers? To Victor that soft champing remains as a living memory, for it made him think of a story of another manger in a long ago time far away.

Victor noticed, too, the flickering lights in the market house where the Buckeye Battery was billeted. Did they never sleep, these tall *Americains*? And where was that fat cannoner going with Monsieur the Inn-Keeper's best and biggest red tablecloth?

And then, strangely, it was morning again.

Victor remembers hearing Jeanne call out from the little living room before he was half out of bed. And then of going in and of seeing *maman* sitting up in a chair, warm and comfortable and smiling. The rest is still like a dream of heaven—as it was then to a boy who had known only cold and shells and the sound of marching feet for three long years.

In the center of the clean-swept room towered a great

tree. One of the republic's own fir trees, no doubt, mysteriously appearing here in this little house as if there were no stern forest guards to protect the nation's wood reserves and keep pilfering hands away. Its high top touched the low ceiling and bent back again. From its branches—carefully tied on with bits of twine—were a dozen candles. Strange they looked, all lit at once! Each white candle bore a stencil mark in purple ink: "U. S. Commissary Dept." And their light made doubly wonderful the strange fruit that covered the tree—little dolls and mannikins and soldiers, cleverly clipped from cardboard; bars of real chocolate; queer little packages labelled "chewing gum". Beneath the tree stood a doll's house, its roof shingled over with the bright covers of cigarette packages. A miniature warship, carved from a single piece of wood with a trench-knife, was steaming through a snowy sea of white cotton. And next to it, miraculously contrived of cigar-box wood and tin cans, stood a toy gun-carriage, caisson and all, bearing the proud sign "Buckeye Battery".

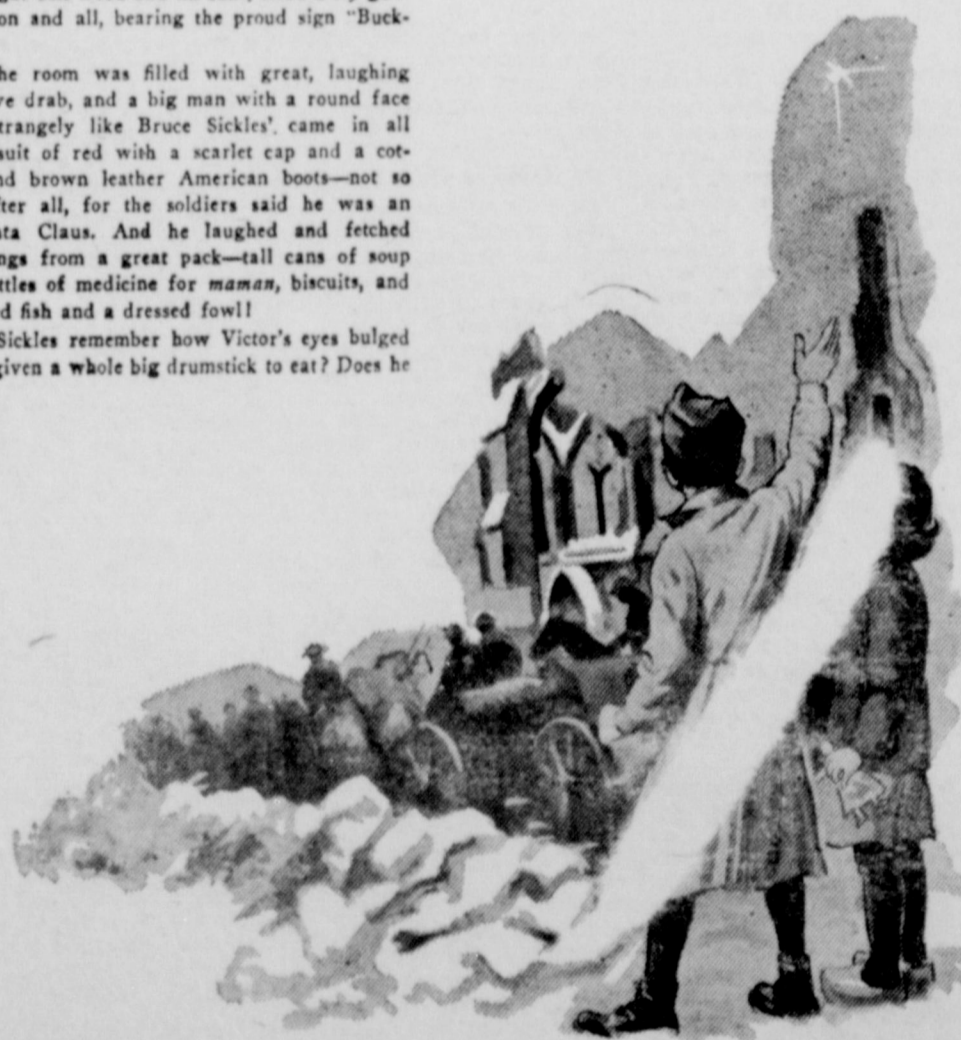
And then the room was filled with great, laughing soldiers in olive drab, and a big man with a round face that looked strangely like Bruce Suckles, came in all dressed in a suit of red with a scarlet cap and a cotton beard and brown leather American boots—not so astonishing after all, for the soldiers said he was an *American* Santa Claus. And he laughed and fetched wonderful things from a great pack—all cans of soup and beans, bottles of medicine for *maman*, biscuits, and cake and tinned fish and a dressed fowl!

Can Bruce Suckles remember how Victor's eyes bulged when he was given a whole big drumstick to eat? Does he

remember the warm red fire in the stove, and the games, and how the red-haired soldier made little Jeanne laugh when he imitated a cat-and-dog fight and then played on a mouth harp? Does he recall the songs, and how he taught a little French boy to sing "K-K-K-Katy" while the war seemed far away?

I wonder if he remembers seeing a boy and a girl the next morning, standing near the market house when the horses were led to their places at the guns and the Buckeye Battery jingled away through the snow toward the east where the thunder was loud again. Does he recall, perhaps, waving from the back of the escort wagon? And of hearing two voices cry, "Bon voyage!" above the noise of command and the horses' feet?

Does he remember? I, Victor, think he does.



This World War I Christmas story originally appeared a quarter of a century ago in the old St. Nicholas Magazine for November, 1914. It has since become something of a minor children's classic. To many a U. S. veteran who once spent a Christmas far from home—in Italy, France, the South Pacific or Korea—this tale may strike a nostalgic note of remembrance.

The Slaton Texas Slatonite, Tuesday, December 22, 1959

The Birthday Party Returned With Christmas

The celebration of Christmas brought back the birthday party.

To the early Christians, it

was unthinkable to celebrate one's birthday—much less the birthday of Christ. Birth meant the assumption of original sin and frequently the beginning of a life of persecution and perhaps martyrdom.

Birthday festivities, moreover, were a pagan custom. The Pharaoh of Egypt and Herod celebrated their birthdays, as the Bible relates. But it was sacrilege even to suggest that

a Divine Being had a birthday.

In the 300's, however, this attitude was beginning to change. World Book Encyclopedia reports that in the year 354 the Bishop of Rome declared December 25 to be the anniversary of the birth of Christ.

But it took another pagan ritual to help establish Christmas. The ancient people of Europe had been accustomed to celebrating the winter solstice, when the sun seems to return to the Northern Hemisphere, in late December. The pagan feast commemorating the victory of light over darkness was simply replaced by the Christian festival honoring the "Light of Life."

Cotton Maid Competes For National Title

Miss Enna McDaniel, 1960 South Plains Maid of Cotton, will fly to Memphis, Tenn., December 27 to compete with 21 other finalists in the National Maid of Cotton Contest, December 29-30.

Miss McDaniel, 21 year-old senior student at Texas Tech, was named South Plains Maid of Cotton on the evening of November 24 at the Lubbock Muni-

cipal Auditorium, in competition with 17 other South Plains girls.

Since the contest, she has been called upon to appear at several social functions in the Lubbock area, and was on hand to greet the Mexican Ambassador to the U. S., H. E. Antonio Carrillo-Flores in Lubbock last week.

On the evening of December 14, Miss McDaniel was the "star in a style show which was the main program of the Lubbock Agriculture Club's Ladies

Night held at Lubbock's Slide Road Community House.

Now in the process of selecting her \$1,000, all-cotton wardrobe, given annually to the contest winner, Miss McDaniel will be given a regal "send-off" from Lubbock when she, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. J. R. McDaniel, board an airliner, December 27.

Born in Neosho, Missouri, the 1960 South Plains Maid of Cotton, was reared on a cotton farm in Seagraves, Texas. She is a psychology major at Texas Tech, and is scheduled to graduate in January.

"This game is so much more fun than golf!" exclaimed the enthusiastic young lady during her first night of bowling. "You're not always losing the ball."—John Thornton.



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Christmas



Greetings..

Christmas commemorates the most Wonderful Happening that ever befell the human race. Let us, in our joy, help to celebrate the birth of Jesus by passing on to others the happiness that dwells within our own hearts.

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How to Make Your Home Say "Merry Christmas"

Christmas, with its magic of colored lights, is one time when the individual really comes into his own. With the same basic materials, and the same general ideas to express, it is a source of continual wonder to see the vastly different effects which can be created. And, it is not necessary to go to a great deal of expense to create something which is lovely to look at and which says "Merry Christmas" to all who see it.

Keeping a few simple rules in mind and giving your imagination free rein, you can make your Christmas decorating a project in which the whole family can share, giving everyone a feeling of satisfaction in his own individual contribution.

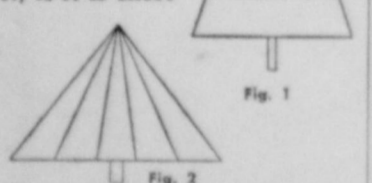
Selecting and Caring for Tree

For many of us, the tree itself will always be the central figure in any decorating scheme. Selecting it, bringing it home, visualizing it in its dressed and lighted glory—all add to the sense of anticipation.

Select a tree that is full and beautifully shaped. As soon as you bring the tree home, stand it in a pail or tub filled with water until you are ready to set it up and trim it. This will prolong the life and appearance of the tree, keep the needles from falling and minimize the danger of fire.

Trimming Your Tree

Lights can do a great deal to improve the shape of a tree. If your tree is long and slender, string the lights around it; if it is short



and squat, string them in vertical rows, from top to bottom. (See Fig. 1 and Fig. 2.) Don't guess at the number of lights you need for your tree. Professional decorators use this formula: Multiply the height of the tree by the width of the branches at the base, then multiply by three. A tree seven feet tall, and five feet wide at the base thus would have 105 lights. Using this rule and spacing your lights evenly, you will always have an excellent balanced effect. (See Fig. 3.)

Don't limit yourself to conventional Christmas lights. Lamps which simulate ice crystals or snow balls are now available and produce a very interesting appearance. Consider also the flashing, twinkling or bubbling lights which give the effect of motion and are particularly appealing to children.

Start at the Top

Trees should always be trimmed from the top down. First the Angel, Star, Spear or other tree-top piece should be

put in place. Then the lights should be strung, top to bottom. Reflectors and halos add much to the brilliance of lights.

Now you are ready for the "string type" decorations. With this much done, you can begin to place your most interesting ornaments, selecting spots where they will show to best advantage. When all the ornaments have been placed the tinsel can be arranged, each piece hung individually on the branches. Angel hair or a spray of artificial snow may be added at the very end.

The top-to-bottom procedure should be followed throughout. It is the easiest, the fastest and, above all, the safest way. That word "safest" is one which you should be conscious of throughout the Christmas season. All light strings should be inspected carefully and all sets with worn or exposed wires replaced with new U/L approved sets. Protect against short circuits or blown-out fuses by making sure you have at least one set of lights with a safety fuse plug (such as those manufactured by NOMALITES). This set should be connected to the wall socket or other source of current; other light strings can be attached to it. Should a fuse blow, it can easily be replaced at the socket, with a twist of the fingers.

Christmas All Over the House

Even the loveliest tree has its effect heightened if the rest of the house is decorated attractively and in good taste. Practically every home offers a wealth of simple materials which can be used for novel, imaginative decorative pieces. An ordinary vase can be filled with greens and white branches with ornaments and placed anywhere. Three graduated, embroidery hoops decorated with tinsel can be suspended by ribbons around a half-inch wooden dowel inserted in a plastic styrofoam base. A set of vari-colored lights wound around the dowel glow through angel hair; a few small ornaments strung from colored ribbon complete this lovely miniature "tree." Another effective idea is to form a cone of heavy Christmas gift wrapping paper and place it over a dowel. The paper should be heavy enough to keep its cone shape, and translucent enough for the light to shine through.

The traditional Christmas greens provide many beautiful arrangements. Laurel and Pine branches wound around a stair-rail can be decorated with lights, canes and a few simple ornaments for a glowing effect.

Greens banked on a mantle have their beauty heightened by proper placement of lights. A madonna figure combined with spruce branches and creche lighted from behind makes a foyer table truly lovely. An attractive dining room decoration can be fashioned from greens arranged on a tiered plate or lazy susan with lights and ornaments. A set of lights intertwined with Pine or other greens on top of a bookcase makes a beautiful illuminated display. Window wreaths, laurel swags across your drapes and other greens also become much more interesting and original when lights are cleverly used



Keep in mind, too, the candeliers, lampposts, angels, snowmen, Santa Claus figures and other "ready-made" decorations which are available. They can be combined with greens, ornaments, ribbons and other materials with very good results. This idea is particularly adaptable in window treatments where both imagination and a safe, convenient light source are most desirable.

Your House a Christmas Card

We have all experienced that warm glow of good feeling and fond memories which can come from just glancing at a house which seems to wish the whole world a "Merry Christmas."

Here too, safety must be the watchword. All outside wiring must be rubber-insulated and heavy-duty—#12 or #14 cord is best. A permanent, protected outdoor type receptacle is the most satisfactory current source. Lacking that, you can use a porch or garage light. Should that not be convenient, an indoor light socket can be used safely in this manner—get a board about six to nine inches wide, cut to fit snugly under any window. Drill a hole in the board, put it in position and close the window so that it meets the board. The outside wire can then be run through the hole and connected to an indoor socket. Brace lock the window with a stick (See Fig. 4).

More Tips for You

More hints and help are available to you, free of charge, in a booklet called "The Art of Decorating." This booklet contains not only decorating ideas for the Christmas season, but for many other holidays and occasions throughout the year as well. Your FREE copy will be mailed to you promptly upon request. Simply address: Noma Lites, Inc., 55 West 13th Street, New York 11, N. Y., and ask for "The Art of Decorating." We believe it will help you enjoy the brightest, gayest, safest Christmas you have ever known.

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A Christmas party for Brownies of Troop 97 was held in the Scout House Friday, December 11, 1959. Entertainment consisted of playing games and group singing of Christmas carols. Brownies were presented with gifts and they in turn presented gifts to their leaders. The refreshment table was covered with a red Christmas cloth and a poinsettia arrangement formed the centerpiece. Punch, Christmas candies, mixed nuts and cookies were served to the following. Barbara and Pattie Kayser, Carol and Doris Kitten, Johnnie Sue Mosser, Veronica Kitten, Sandra Buxkemper, Linda Nell

Sorority Has A Christmas Party

The Kappa Kappa Iota Sorority had their Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Martha Brown 605 S. 11th, Thursday night. Mrs. Brown was assisted by her daughter, Cathy. Gifts were exchanged. They played games of Broncho. The house was decorated for Christmas. Those present were Mesdames Lucy Jay, Ginger Gekel, Betty Wheeler, Mary Clay, Pat Boswell, Ardell Reasoner, Mary Gilmore, Evelyn Boyd, Wanda Hurst, Dorothy Wright, Judy Bryant, Sandra Jackson, Helen Kerr and Sherrel Boyd.

Kahlich, Jo Eckert, Karen Melcher, Lynn Bryant, Terrie Hillers, Cindy Dubose, Yvonne and JoAnn Blair and the leaders, Mesdames Norbert Kitten and Tony Steffens.

NOT A ONE MAN JOB

The American visitor was taken to Trafalgar Square in London, and there he saw the statue of Lord Nelson. "Who is that guy on the top?" he wanted to know. "That," said the guide, proudly, "is the man who made England what she is." "Too bad," said the American; "too bad to blame it all on one man."

One of Lincoln's greatest and most quoted remarks during the Civil War, was: "I have been driven many times to my knees, by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go."



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The Sounding Board

(Editor's Note: "The Mayor of Acuff" writes in The Idalou Beacon. Here he compares his column to that written by Beacon editor Bill Wilkerson. The next little item comes from The Andrews County News' column, "Drifting Sands.")

Last week I received a letter from some people down at Kingsland, Tex., who were nice enough to write and tell me they enjoyed my column more than the Boll Weevil. They didn't exactly say that but by the time I got through reading between the lines that's the way I made it out.

They also sent a cash contribution to by favorite charity—the Food and Clothing For Charlie Mullins Fund—and I really appreciate the donation. You can bet your boots I ain't got anything from the Acuffites and I can't for the life of me figure out why because I've always been so nice to them all.

Our Men In Service

YUMA, Ariz. (FHTNC)—A participant in the Navy's fourth annual air weapons meet, "Operation Top Gun" held at the Marine Corps Auxiliary Air Station, Yuma, Ariz., November 30 through December 4 was Charles M. Ashford, airman, USN, son of C. T. Ashford of Route 1, Slaton.

He is serving with Utility Squadron Three at the Brown Field Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Chula Vista, Calif.

The competitive aerial weapons training exercise featured Navy and Marine teams from Atlantic and Pacific Fleet squadrons, selected in similar competitions within the fleets.

More than 130 planes belonging to frontline operational units flew in the competition which is conducted to evaluate Aviation weapons systems, supporting equipments, and training and operating techniques on a Navy-wide basis under the most competitive conditions.

A highlight of the meet was a missile demonstration at the Point Mugu, Calif., Pacific Missile Range December 2, featuring the first public firing of the Sparrow III, supersonic air-to-air missile, from all weather jets using only the craft's radar to sight and destroy the target drone.



May Your Hearts Be Filled With Happiness and Cheer

Greetings to you, one and all. May your holiday season be merry, the coming year filled with much happiness.

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CHRISTMAS



GREETINGS

Have a wonderfully happy Holiday Season. We wish you all the health and happiness in the world during the coming year.

SLATON DECORATOR AND GIFT SHOP
Slaton, Texas

Now that the cotton is almost harvested I can hear the dominoes start to rattle and those shouts from the back room of the Phillips 66 Recreation Parlour: "Why did you play it that way when any fool can see it should have been played this way cause look at me, I saw it didn't I?"

Makes a fellow wonder if the Civil War started at Acuff during a domino game. At least that's the way it sounds some times.

Now don't forget, keep them cards and letters coming and don't forget to send money.

Charlie Mullins
Mayor of Acuff
(Editor's Note: Lissen, boy, any more craks like that and you'll have a crak in your skull. I got troubles enough without having to thrash you all over the front page. Sey, Charlie, is it true that the Recreation Parlour is almost as popular as Harold's Club at Reno?)

SOUNDING BOARD

The views expressed by husbands are not necessarily those of the management.

The young lad had only been home a few minutes before his mother noticed the shiny package of just-opened cough drops. "Where did you get the cough drops?" queried the mother. "Stole 'em over at the store," was the youngster's honest reply.

Two spankings followed immediately: one for going to the store, another for taking the cough drops.

Later the father returned home from work and the mother related the story to him. Another spanking followed.

Next morning, the father, the son, and the package of cough drops went to the store. The pre-schooler apologized to the store owner, and reached deep in his pocket and hauled out the money to pay for the cough drops.

The day passed and the incident was not mentioned again. The family sat down at the table that night and started eating their evening meal. No one mentioned the incident of the afternoon before.

Silence prevailed at the table until the young boy choked the diners when he blurted:

"The Bible says 'Do unto others—and I did unto the store.'"

Miss Pat Stansell of Midland is visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ford Stansell, during the holidays.

Wilson FFA Chapter to Show In Major Livestock Show In Spring

WILSON—There are 30 boys in the Wilson FFA Chapter. The boys have 4 show lambs, over 150 barrows, and around 50 head of breeding stock in their project program. The members plan to exhibit their stock in three major shows this spring: El Paso, Houston, and Lubbock, and also the county show and the Wilson and New Home show. In the Houston show, the boys have 70 head of barrows entered, in the El Paso show the chapter members plan to exhibit approximately 60 head. In the County and Lubbock show, approximately 40 head will be exhibited by the boys.

In the past, the boys have been doing real well. In the State Fair this fall, Rodney Meaker exhibited the Reserve Champion Duroc, Freddie Koenig, the Reserve Champion Yorkshire, also, Junior Hewlett bred the Champion Berkshire exhibited by his sister, Jeannie Hewlett. Besides these honors in the state fair, the boys were awarded ribbons on thirty of the thirty-four head that they entered.

The boys are breeding hogs of every breed. Durocs: Rodney Meaker, Donald Herzog, Jackie Bishop, Ronnie Nolte and Larry Mears; Poland Chinas: Larry Petty, Larry Mears, Dean Daniel, Buford Rinne, Albert Rinne, Mike Moerbe and Phillip Hughes; Yorkshires: Freddie Koenig and Wesley Menzer; Hampshire Jack Mason and Larry Riney; Berkshires: Junior Hewlett, Joe Hewlett, James Wuensche, Milton Ehlers and Jerry Hutchinson; Chesterwhites: Don Webb

and Jerry Swope; Spotted Poland: Donald Klaus and Roy Nolte. To supplement the barrows raised, Bobby Lee, v.o. ag. instructor, bought 60 head from some of the outstanding breeders in the cornbelt.

Besides the individual projects, the chapter owns and operates a cooperative boar service. Five boars are owned: Chester White bred by Dale Lacey of Lockney, Texas; Duroc bred by Rudolph Warnke, Pierce, Nebraska; Poland China bred by Gregory Steffen, Crofton, Nebraska; Berkshire

bred by W. H. Cooke of Quanah, Texas; Spotted Poland bred by Norman Postast, Spencer, Iowa. The boys are looking forward to an outstanding show season this year.

"Oh, I dunno," said the driver. "But when you got up give a lady your seat, you've got the only one on the bus."

Dogs used to bury bones, but today, Fido, like a master, eats out of a can and lets the future take care of itself.

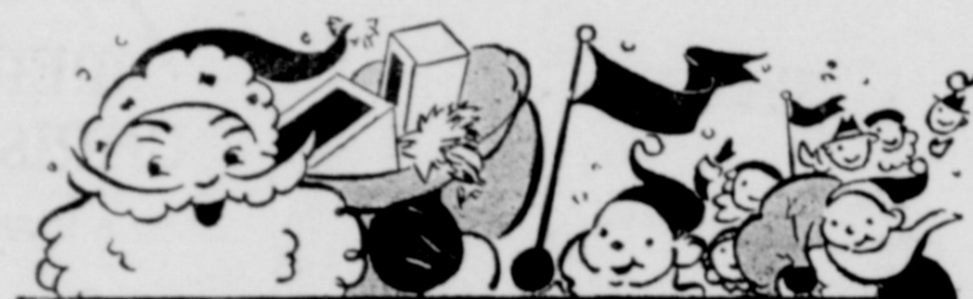


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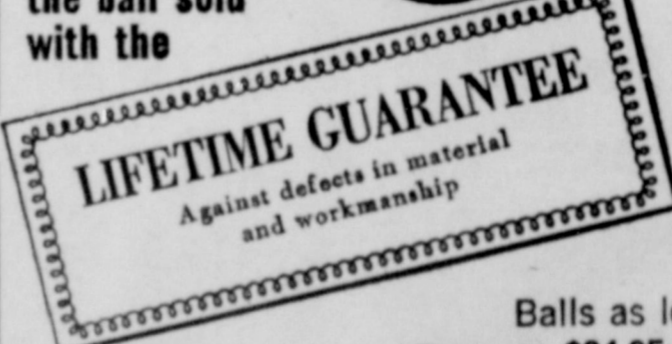
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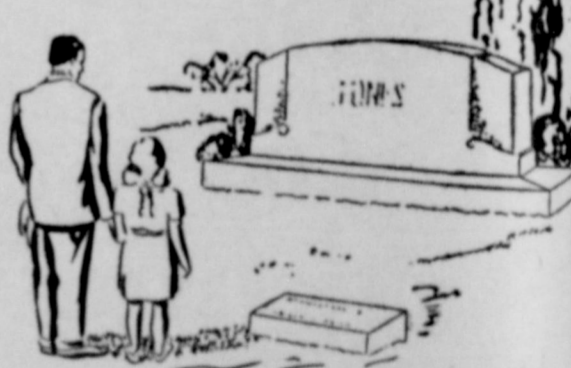
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