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Robstown Man Is Named First C of C Manager

Clarence H. Wright, long time business man at Robstown, Texas, was named the first manager of the newly formed Schleicher Co. Chamber of Commerce at a meeting of the board of directors here Monday night.

Wright's election is the result of several months of preliminary work by interested citizens in forming this organization for community and county betterment. Already rented for an office is the small building beside George Humphrey Motors, where Jack Halbert's Magnolia office was formerly located.

Mr. Wright plans to move here shortly after the first of the year, and it is understood that he has already made arrangements for a house. He will assume his duties January 15. For about 20 years, Mr. Wright was in the vegetable produce marketing business in Robstown. Since 1952 he has been city secretary at Robstown, and was a chamber of commerce director. He was elected manager from among three applicants at Monday night's meeting.

The Wrights have one son who lives in Louisiana. They are members of the Presbyterian church.

It was stated that Mr. Wright expects to maintain regular office hours in his new job, and will spend the first few weeks getting acquainted, in addition to establishing the routine of the office.

After Mr. Wright has had time to organize the office, there will be another county-wide meeting of Chamber of Commerce members.

Christmas Music At First Baptist Church Here Sunday Night

The First Baptist church of our city will feature its 20-voice choir Sunday night, December 22, at 7:30 in an all-Christmas musical program. The choir, under the direction of Mr. Paul Goodwin, First Baptist music director, will present "The Nativity Song," by Roy E. Nolte.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Oil News

Miami Petroleum Co., Inc., of Abilene ran casing to a depth of 6,130 feet on a total depth of 6,270 feet at the No. 1-D Roy Glass, a multi-pay prospect located 14 miles northeast of Eldorado. Tihery sand production was indicated with the recovery of 140 feet of 32 gravity oil and 30 feet of very heavily oil and gas-cut mud on a test between 4906-20 feet.

Tucker and Henderson No. 1 Harris was 5,557 feet in lime. No description of core cut between 5272-305 feet.

Tucker and Woody No. 1 Cheek 3,587 feet in shale with lime streaks.

El Paso No. 1 Boyd bottomed at 486 feet, moving in rotary.

Sharp 1 White cleaning out at 3,700 feet. Operator cleaned out to 5,390 feet but the hole caved in. Operator will clean out to 5,100 feet and set casing.

A Canyon gas discovery has been indicated in Sutton county with the flowing of gas at the rate of 4,000,000 cubic feet per day on a drill stem test at Pan-American Petroleum Corp., No. 1 Thelma Espy, Ellenburger wildcat located 13 miles southeast of Sonora.

GRAVESIDE SERVICES HELD

Graveside services were held here Monday afternoon for Vickie Dianne Sackedis who died at birth Sunday at 5:00 a.m. in Goodfellow Air Force Base hospital. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Sackedis, who is the former Mimmie Ann McAngus.

Survivors in addition to the parents include one sister, Lucy Denise and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross McAngus of Eldorado and Mr. and Mrs. Sackedis of Hartford, Conn.

Services were conducted by Chaplain Woods of San Angelo.

Post Script

Added to the mechanical staff at George Humphrey Motors this week is David Rutledge. This brings the service department personnel to five, according to the proprietor.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Weimer arrived in Eldorado and will reside in one of the houses at the Permian booster station. Mr. Wimer will be superintendent of Permian Pipe Line here. Their former home is in Hugoton, Kansas, and they have one daughter. The family belong to the Christian church.

—ps—

New employees of the Permian Basin Pipeline are moving to Eldorado this week. They will be employed at the booster station west of town and will be hunting for houses and apartments both furnished and unfurnished. Those being transferred here are:

Ronald A. Haynes from Clifton, Kansas.

Joe R. Pike from Skellytown, Texas.

Ira R. Day from Fort Stockton, Texas.

William B. Thurman from Clifton, Kansas.

L. J. Rittenhouse from Welcome, Minnesota.

Rodney A. Hammond from Ventura, Iowa.

D. T. Mason from Clifton, Kan.

R. L. Miesel from Mullenville, Kansas.

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Anyone with houses for rent or sale, please leave word with James Williams or Eldorado Success.

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Yesterday we received a nice note from Zetta Bauer, noting a change in their address and renewing their subscription to the Success. The new address is 917 37th street, Niagara Falls, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Bauer and family moved from Eldorado last spring after being in the jewelry business here several years. She states that they miss Eldorado and couldn't get along without the Success.

Boothe Is Hauling Trash On Contract For City

Solon Boothe is now hauling trash for the City of Eldorado. He started work the first of December after making contract with the city council.

Trash is picked up daily in the business district, and every two weeks in the residential areas.

Hedge and tree trimmings are not considered trash to be picked up. City officials also remind residents that obstructing of alleyways with trash anywhere in the city is strictly prohibited.

J. E. Hill has been ill and confined to his home since last Friday.

Girl Scouts Finance Drive A Success

Girl Scout leaders announced this week that the recent finance drive was very successful. They have expressed their appreciation to all those who donated money or time to the drive.

It is pointed out that the investment in the daughters of today will pay off in the mothers of tomorrow.

Most important business transaction Saturday when the Frontier Council met at the Scout House in San Angelo was the acceptance of 300 acres of ranch land in Real county donated to the Girl Scouts of the Frontier Council by Joseph Vanderstucken of Sonora. The next step will be the erection of permanent buildings on the site.

Plans are being made to have the Senior Patrol encampment at the camp site in August 1958.

BISHOP VISITS LOCAL CHURCH

Bishop Earl Dicus of San Antonio made his annual visitation to the St. Mary's church last Sunday. He was assisted by Lea Roy Aldwell of Austin and Sonora.

There was large crowd in attendance and several visitors from out of town were here. There was one confirmation who was a member of St. John's church in Sonora.

After the service, luncheon was served at the Memorial Building. The Christmas theme was carried out in the room and table decorations.

COTTON REPORT

The cotton harvest is about complete for the county with the local gin operators reporting 78 bales ginned this week. This brings the total for this year to 1,684 bales.

Most of the braceros have gone back home to celebrate Christmas, leaving very few cotton pickers here at this time.

Commenting on the damage done by the early fall freeze, one irrigation farmers reports that he had expected to make about 250 bales of cotton early in the season; but to date he has gathered only 50 bales and may get 10 or 15 more. The early freeze and other weather conditions caused similar losses over the entire county.

More Protests Aired On Highway Re-Routing

A group of business men met with the county commissioners Monday afternoon to discuss the proposed change in the highway through town. Spokesman for the commissioners was County Judge W. R. Bearce; however, everyone present made some comment. All the businessmen present were much opposed to the change in routing the new road one block west of the present main street.

The group was told that several months ago the judge and commissioners met with a group of engineers and employees of the highway department and a request for right-of-way for the road was made by the highway group. At that time it was stated that a change would be made in the routing through town with the point made that it would be routed to miss Eldorado completely if any opposition arose to the plan proposed. The commissioners agreed to furnish right-of-way at that time for the new route and at the meeting Monday it was pointed out that since they had committed themselves, there is nothing that can be done about it regardless of the feeling of the people on the matter.

One business man commented that he was being "steam-rolled" by the State Highway Department engineers and planners and there was nothing he could do about it.

A few of the business people do not object to the new proposed route down South Divide, and some of the lot owners are being offered increased prices for their property located on it.

ESTERBROOK FOUNTAIN pens, \$2.50 — Eldorado Success.

General Telephone Company Requests Rate Increase Here

Officials of the General Telephone Co. of the Southwest met with the city aldermen Tuesday night to request a raise in rates for the phone users of this county. Several business men and others attended the meeting, including the president of the Chamber of Commerce, Jo Ed Hill.

The phone company officials pointed out that to receive the amount of net income allowed by law, the rates would have to be increased to \$16 for business telephones and \$8.00 for residence phones. This conclusion was based on investment in the county, maintenance costs, and other expense compared to the phone rental income received from subscribers. Income received by the phone company from long distance calls was not included in the computations. The officials pointed to the fine service given by the local system here and the absence of reports of trouble, citing the fact that only an average of 40 trouble calls per month are received by the local office.

In an interview with Mayor Rance McDonald Wednesday morning, he stated that everyone should be urged to report every instance of phone service interruption. If it is impossible to report it locally for some reason, it can be reported to the San Angelo office or to the Sonora exchange, he said. He further stated that there is a large number of service interruptions that are not reported because of the fact that most of the trouble will clear up without calling into the office if one has the patience to wait.

The rate in Sonora has been raised to \$10 for business phones and \$5 for residences. In Eden the rates are \$10.25 and \$5.25. The phone company officials will meet again January 14 to further discuss

rate increases. All citizens interested in this matter are urged to meet with the city aldermen and phone officials on this date.

Present Rates

The following are present rates for local telephone service, as they were set up in 1954:

Business One Party	\$8.25
Business Two Party	7.25
Business Extension	1.50
Residence One Party	4.25
Residence Two Party	4.00
Residence Four Party	3.75
Residence Extension	.75

The figures are exclusive of the 10% federal excise tax. The tax is added to each subscriber's telephone bill each month.

Last Increase Was In '54

Most recent increase for the General Telephone Company of the Southwest in Eldorado took place in the summer of 1954. Success files reveal. At that time a compromise schedule of rates was set up.

In the Success of August 19, 1954, is the following account:

"In a meeting that dragged on from 8:00 until over an hour past midnight, city councilmen and phone company representatives haggled over proposals and counter proposals Tuesday night and finally arrived at a compromise schedule of phone rates—thus settling a controversial question which has been the subject of indignation meetings in Eldorado homes, and streets and businesses since the matter was first brought up July 13.

"The new rate provides for an increase, but not as large a one as the company originally asked for.

"With both sides girded for action, the battle of wits lasted for over five hours, each side giving a little until 1:00 a.m., when the final compromise figures were agreed upon.

"We fought as hard as we know how in the people's interest," states Mayor Calk. "It was this or go to court! We're phone users too—some of us have several phones—and we don't like an increase in rate any better than anyone else

does. We do hope what we did is acceptable to Eldorado."

"Defending the city's interests were Eldon Calk, mayor, and Dick Preston, Gus Love, Jerry Pennington, and Lum Davis, aldermen—only C. C. Henderson was missing, due to absence from the city.

"Representing General Telephone Co., were: J. A. McCrum, company rate adjuster of San Angelo, John E. Robbins, Jr., divisional manager, and Euston Woollard, district manager, of Sonora."

The tabulation of old, requested, and new rates, as set forth in the 1954 Success were:

	Present In 1954	Requested In '54	Granted In '54
Bus. One Party	5.25	11.00	8.25
Bus. Two Party	4.25	9.00	7.25
Bus. Extension	1.00	1.50	1.50
Res. One Party	3.00	5.50	4.25
Res. Two Party	2.50	4.75	4.00
Res. Four Party	2.25	4.00	3.75
Res. Extension	.75	.75	.75

Phone Service Since the War

Twelve post-war year have seen much improvement in Eldorado's telephone service. When World War II ended, the local telephone exchange was being run from a switchboard in the house where the McLaughlins still live. Agitation for a dial system started and the foundation for the present modern building to house dial equipment was laid in March of 1946. The building was completed in May of the same year.

Wartime shortages caused delay in the shipping of the dial equipment, so that it was not until early in 1948 that the equipment arrived and was installed. The switchover to dial took place in October of the same year, with a party which included prominent local citizens, as well as telephone officials and factory representatives of the North Electric Co. of Ohio. Former local telephone operators were also guests. Eldorado was one of the first towns in the area to get dial telephones.

Intervening years have seen the dial system expanded to serve all of Schleicher county.

Legion Party Starts Tonight at 5:30; To Be Followed By Contest Judging

Santa's visit will be the highlight tonight of the annual American Legion Christmas party for the children of Schleicher county. Beginning at 5:30 on the east side of the Memorial building, with

songs by Mrs. Teele's choral group, the visit by Eldorado's Santa Claus in his specially decorated automobile is scheduled for 6:00 p. m.

Santa will assist Legionnaires in distributing candy, apples, and

oranges to all children 12 years of age and younger. Again this year preparations have been made to serve 600 children from inside the Memorial building.

Orland Harris is commander of the local Legion post, and he appointed final committees at a recent meeting.

Decorating Contest

Following the community wide party sponsored by the Legion, judging will take place in the Christmas decorating contest for residences of the town and county.

The Lions club and the Junior Woman's club furnish prize money for this annual event.

Three prizes are announced: 1. for best door decorations. 2. For most attractive window decorations. 3. For best outdoor yard or roof display.

A prize of \$10.00 will be given in each of the above classes. This is the 7th such contest sponsored by these clubs and always creates much interest among Schleicher county residents.

(Anyone living outside the city limits wishing to enter the contest should contact Mrs. George Humphrey or Mrs. T. P. Robinson, Jr.

Last Paper For This Year

This edition of the Success combines the issues of December 19 and 26 and is the last one for the present year. The next paper you will receive will be dated January 2, 1958.

Our best wishes for a Happy Holiday Season

THE NEW

TEXAS

ALMANAC

FOR 1958-59

just received and on sale for \$1.50 at the

Success Office

Ground Observers' Filter Center To Go On Standby January 1

Improvement and expansion of our electronics warning system has led to filter centers of the Ground Observer Corps being put on a standby basis effective January 1, according to recent announcement received here by Mrs. Nolan Nolan McDonald, local post supervisor.

Observers on duty will no longer phone in each plane passing overhead, it was stated, but only:

1. Any aircraft in distress.
2. Any severe weather.
3. Any weather which constitutes a flying hazard.
4. Any unidentified flying objects.
5. Any unusual aerial activity.

Each Ground Observer Post is to be on standby where it can be manned in a matter of minutes.

A letter received this week on the new procedures by Mrs. McDonald from Lt. Col. Ben Baines of the filter center in San Antonio stated further:

"The surveillance which you and your volunteers have provided during the past two years has been of material aid to the Air Defense Command in keeping aware, at all times, of aircraft occupying the air above us. Such knowledge is indispensable to an effective air defense system, and in helping to provide it you have made a direct contribution to the national security. I am well aware that this surveillance could never have been provided without a stern devotion to duty, sacrifice and personal inconvenience on the part of each volunteer, the only reward for which is the appreciation of a grateful nation.

"Let me remind you again that any member of your post is always welcome at the Filter Center, and I hope they will come to see us when in San Antonio. I also would appreciate hearing from you personally concerning your thoughts and reaction toward this new program.

There is no doubt in my mind, however, that since you and your observers have served the country so willingly and so well in carrying out the day-to-day air defense mission, you can be equally depended upon to serve it in its hour of need.

L O A CLASS HAS PARTY

Mrs. T. P. Robinson entertained her Sunday School class with a Christmas party and dinner last Friday evening at her home.

Twenty-two attended. The group had dinner then spent the evening playing table games. Four guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Ratiiff and Rev. and Mrs. DuBose.

Decorations throughout the house were carried out in the Christmas motif.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR CALLED

Paul Goodwin is the associate pastor who was called by the First Baptist church recently. His home is in Durham, N. C., but he is now attending school at Howard Payne College in Brownwood. He has a wife and one small child and they will move here in January.

Mr. Goodwin will receive his degree in music at mid term.

TO MISSISSIPPI FOR XMAS

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Andrews plan to leave Saturday for a trip to Mississippi during the holidays. In Taylorsville, Miss., they will visit in the home of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr and Mrs Charles Vowell. The Andrews family will return home after Christmas.

FACULTY HAS PARTY

The faculty of the Eldorado school system had its annual Christmas party in the homemaking department Monday. About forty-five attended. A turkey dinner was served to those present and gifts were exchanged. The group played table games during the evening.

Texas Almanacs — Success Office

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brooks were spending their vacation with friends and relatives in Alto, Texas, when he became ill and was moved to a hospital in Rusk. According to friends here, he is much improved.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Calk last week end were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Calk of Coleman.

NOTICE

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF SCHLEICHER

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That whereas on the 9th day of December 1957, Wallace Joiner, did present to the Commissioners Court of Schleicher County his petition and application for permission to cancel and throw back into acreage Blocks 29 through 36, Orient Heights Addition to Schleicher County, Texas, said petition being as follows:

The State of Texas)
County of Schleicher)

This December 9, 1957

TO THE COMMISSIONERS Court of Schleicher County, Texas: GREETING, Whereas, Wallace Joiner of Schleicher County, Texas is the owner in fee simple of the following described land situated in Schleicher County, Texas, to-wit: BLOCKS 29 to 36 inclusive, Orient Heights Addition to the City of Eldorado, Schleicher County, Texas. That said map or plat of Orient Heights Addition is recorded in Vol. 8, Page 165, Deed Records of Schleicher County, and description of said Orient Heights Addition is recorded Vol. 9, Page 416, Deed Records of Schleicher County.

Whereas the said Wallace Joiner is the owner of the whole of said Block 29 through 36 inclusive, and is desirous of having all of said blocks thrown back into acreage as it existed before such sub-division was made.

Your applicant would further show that the cancellation of such blocks in said sub-division will not interfere with the rights of any purchaser owning any portion of such addition, as this applicant owns the whole of such blocks, and further that this cancellation will not interfere with the rights of any other person owning an interest in Orient Heights Addition of Schleicher County, Texas.

Whereas, your applicant prays that you enter an order on the minutes of your court, authorizing such owner to cancel the Blocks above described by written instrument.

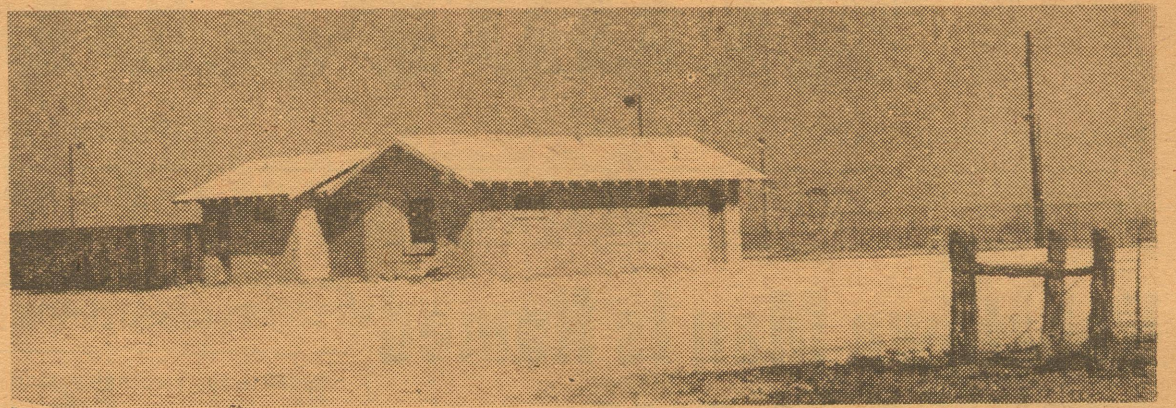
/s/ Wallace Joiner
Wallace Joiner

Now therefore, notice is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Schleicher County, Texas will hear and act upon said application on January 2, 1958, at 10:00 A. M. and any person desiring to protest said cancellation shall appear before said Commissioners Court and give his reasons why said Blocks shall not be thrown back into acreage

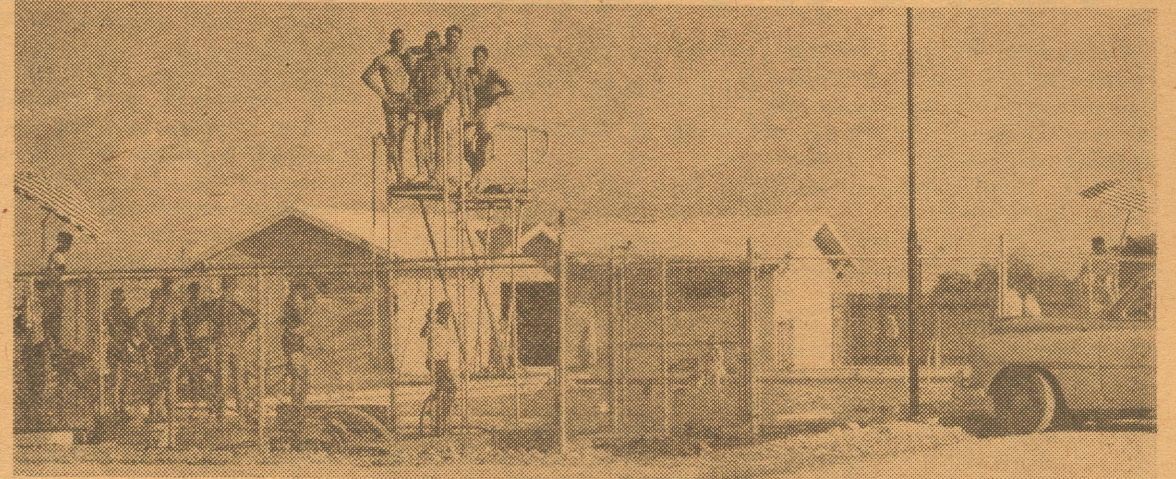
ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THIS COURT AT ELDORADO, TEXAS, this 10th day of DECEMBER 1957.

(seal) J. P. Enochs, Clerk of Commissioners Court, Schleicher County, Texas (50-51-1—364 wds)

New Park and Church In West Addition



Pool view from southeast shows fence at left enclosing wading pool, dressing room bldg. is at center



A typical day at the pool last summer is shown in this photo, taken from the north side, looking south



St. Mary's Episcopal Church, built last year, is located on the airport road in the West Addition



No fancy words can say what we feel as well as this old fashioned greeting,
MERRY CHRISTMAS

Ed Meador



WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATRONAGE DURING THE PAST YEAR AND EXTEND OUR BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Bill's Gulf Service

Bill Burton, Prop.

Phone 26161

(Open All Day Christmas)



Brightly the Holiday spirit lights new friendships and rekindles old ones year after year. We hope you are pleased with the way we have served you and pledge anew our willingness to help our Community in any way possible.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

to YOU and YOURS

Eldorado Motor Co.

Fred Furr, Prop.

West Addition Undergoes Some Changes After Half A Century As Location of Fine Homes Here

After half a century, the West Addition of Eldorado is still the location of a few well preserved fine homes, which remain from an early era, although some changes have come to the neighborhood as result of recent county and city development.

Of a few houses in the Addition, such as the one built in 1908 by S. I. Nicks, scarcely a trace remains. A few, however, have been kept in a beautiful state of preservation and stand today as monuments to the builders, and to Eldorado's early days.

Typical of the homes which early-day men of means erected, are those owned by Mrs. D. C. Hill and Mrs. C. M. McWhorter.

It was in about 1909 that Fred Millard built the large frame house which he sold three years later to the D. C. Hills. Lumber was hauled from San Angelo for building the house, and at that time Eldorado had about 300 residents.

Outwardly, the house looks about the same as it did when built. The

sleep roof, dormer windows, and lightning rods are still prominent, although the exterior of the house was painted white a few years ago, a change from the original yellow.

Following the building of the house, it was piped for gas, and when electricity came to Eldorado it was wired. More recently the interior has been sheet-rocked, and the dark varnished woodwork has been painted light. Several sliding doors between rooms are a unique feature, as are the high ceilings.

Before his death early in 1955, Mr. Hill grew apples and pecans on the place. Mrs. Hill and her daughter Katherine still live in the house.

Mrs. C. M. McWhorter's residence was built by the late Mr. McWhorter in 1924-25, with Lark McClary building the exterior walls of interlocking tile, and doing the other concrete work. The interior walls are plastered and have been repainted only once since the house was built.

At that time water was supplied by a nearby windmill, and later city water was connected. About ten years ago the street in front was paved, and last year cement curbing was built around the front of the property.

An unusual feature for this area is the partial basement which extends under the four back rooms of the house.

The fireplace is the focal point of the living room, although it is no longer used as such. The original roof of metal shingles is still in use, and the natural gray stucco finish is the same as when the house was built.

Mr. McWhorter moved to Eldorado in 1904 and was in the mercantile business for many years on the corner now occupied by Long's store.

Before he built the present residence, he lived with his mother, Mrs. N. H. McWhorter in a frame house on the same block. Also living there for a time were his brother, W. L., and his sister Daisy.

When he came here from Cass county, Mr. McWhorter brought some bulbs and other plantings, which he set out and some of these are still growing around the place. The profusion of bluebonnets, iris, narcissus, and daisies, in addition to the fruit trees, are a show place or the county each spring.

The rest of the five-acre block have given some trouble over the years with mesquite and prickly pear and tumbleweed growth.

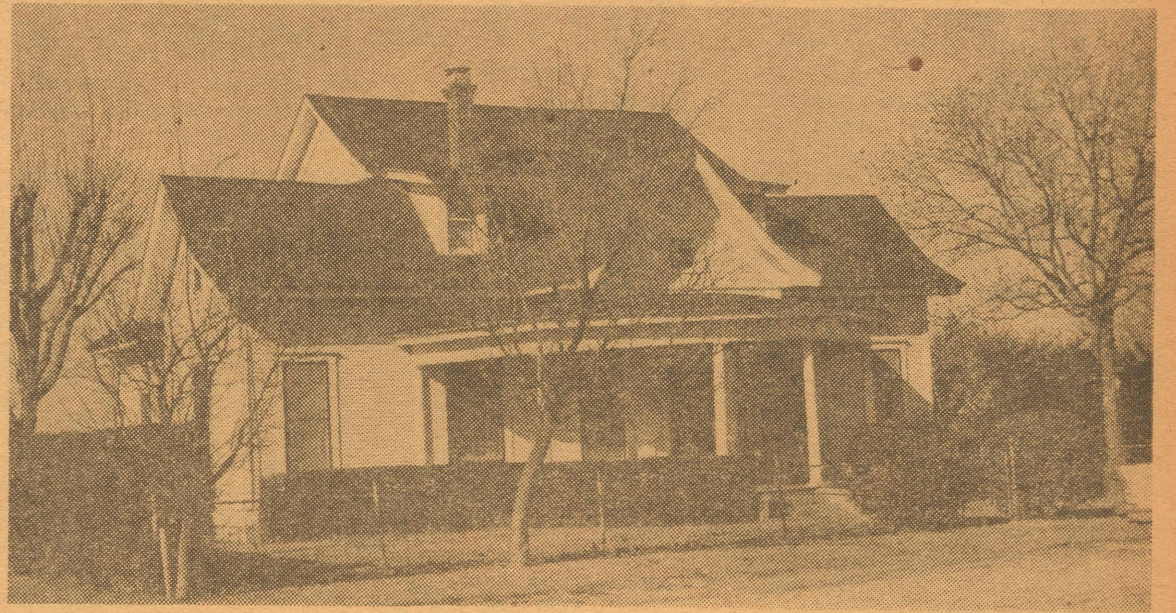
Mr. McWhorter died in 1940. Mrs. McWhorter and Miss Kitty Buchanan still live in the house.

W. L. McWhorter built a large two-story house nearby, and this was moved over and completely renovated a few years ago by Mrs. W. L. McWhorter, where she still lives.

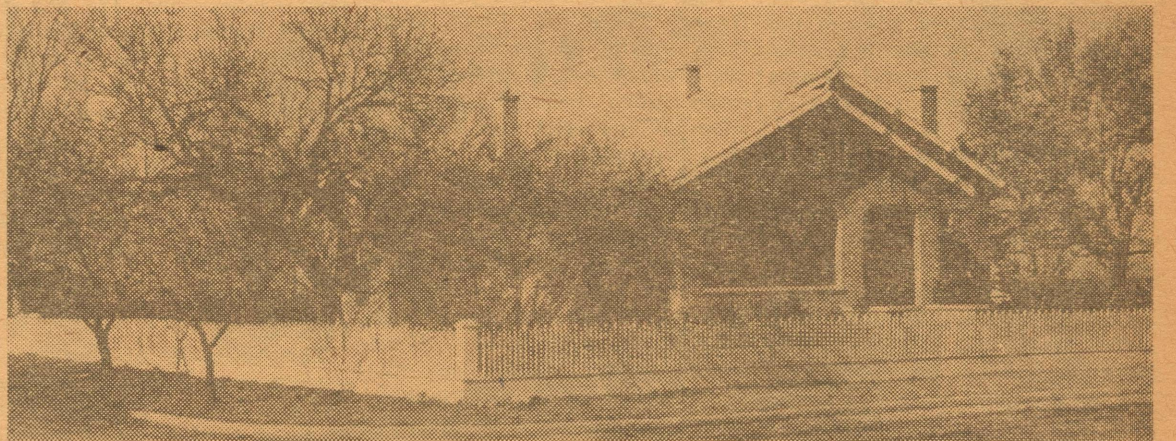
Other early builders in the neighborhood included B. E. Earl, Mrs. Gey Williams, John Davis, and J. E. Tisdale.

It is still true of most residents of the Addition that they have plenty of elbow room. Most of the houses are on very large lots.

Changes In the Addition
The past two years have seen some changes in the West Addition. Most prominent of these is



Mrs. D. C. Hill's Residence



Mrs. C. M. McWhorter's Residence

Eldorado Ministerial Alliance Thought for the Week



GOOD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY

"Unto you is born this day... a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."
LUKE 2:10

The angelic proclamation to Judean shepherds echoes around the world today... bringing joyous news to all in whom Christ abides... for truly Christ Jesus came for you, and you, and you.

Christmas IS CHRIST'S DAY

As we come again to the time when we celebrate the birth of the Savior, let us remember the basis of that celebration.

First; He was born a Savior as the angels said. On that day when the Angel visited the young virgin Mary, he told her that she would bring forth a Son, and should call His name Jesus, for He would save His people from their sins. Then we see that eternally he was born to be a Savior. And at the same time He was very God, yet very man. In all of the names that he was called by and had the right to

use such as Almighty God, Jehovah God, The Christ, etc. yet in Revelation 22 as he was signing off after giving that wonderful book I think that he gave the greatest illustration of His eternal kinship to us when he did not use any of the titles that he might have used, but instead just said "I Jesus."

Christmas is "Christ's Day." Let us make it more so by working to that end. Make it a day of deep celebration of the eternal truths, "This day a Savior is born." —J. F. Dossett.

the park block on which are located the new swimming pool and Legion Field. All of block 6 of the addition was acquired by the county for the park location after voters approved a bond issue for the pool some time ago. In the summer Legion Field is the scene of night-time baseball for boys' teams. Both Legion Field and the pool were in use for the first time this past summer.

Several streets in the addition have been calched as the result of the park development.

Improvements now going on at the airport on the west edge of Eldorado give promise that the airport will see increased use in the

future by aircraft owned by companies and individuals. It will be adapted to all-weather use when the north-south runway is calched. A new east-west runway has also been graded out. The city and county pay lease each year on West Estate land used for the airport.

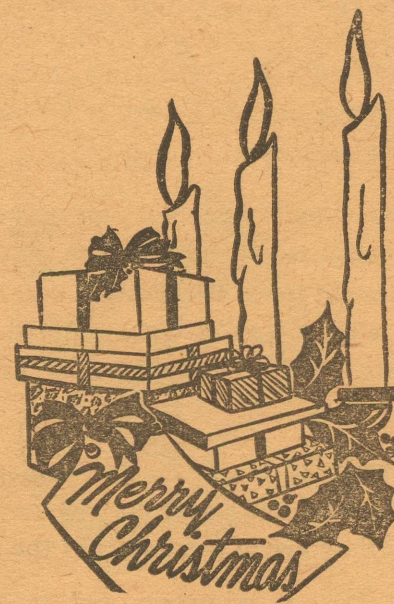
The Sonora highway will pass a block closer to the West Addition if the present plans for routing it down South Divide street are carried through.

Last year the exquisite new St. Mary's Episcopal church was completed. Other more recent building in the neighborhood has included new houses built by W. H. Hale and Mrs. W. E. Bruton.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Whiteley



AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

Eldorado Drug



AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

We appreciate your patronage. Keep coming during 1958.

HARKEY HUMBLE STATION
Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Harkey and Kaye

THE

Christmas

STORY

Now it came to pass in those days, that a decree went forth from Caesar Augustus that a census of the whole world should be taken. This first census took place while Cyrenus was governor of Syria. And all were going, each to his own town, to register.

And Joseph also went from Galilee out of the town of Nazareth into Judea to the town of David, which is called Bethlehem, being of the family and house of David, to register together with Mary his espoused wife who was with child.

And it came to pass while they were there, that the days for her to be delivered were fulfilled. And she brought forth her firstborn son, wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were shepherds in the same district living in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood by them and the glory of God shone about them and they feared exceedingly.

And the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which shall be to all the people, for today, in the town of David, a Savior has been born to you who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign to you; you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among men of good will."

And it came to pass when the angels had departed from them into heaven, that the shepherds were saying to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass which the Lord has made known to us."

So they went with haste, and they found Mary and Joseph and the babe lying in the manger. And when they had seen, they understood what had been told them concerning this child. And all who heard marvelled at the things told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept in mind all these things, pondering them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, even as it was spoken to them.

ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE 2:1-20

We hope you will pause to read this old, old story because this is the true meaning of Christmas.

West Texas Utilities
Company

Jerry Johnson Wins State Award For Paper On Range Management

Among winners announced Friday in Fort Worth in a contest of the Texas Section of the American Society of Range Management was Jerry Johnson, who is a student in San Angelo college. He is a son of Mrs. Lavelle Meckel of Schleicher county.

Johnson won the state award in the senior division of a contest for his paper which he wrote on range management. Richard Hamby of San Angelo won the junior division.

It was the first year any SAC student had won the contest, and they doubled up this time, making a clean sweep in both junior and senior divisions.

HEANERS RETURN FROM FUNERAL SERVICES

Rev. and Mrs. Russell Heaner returned Friday after attending funeral services for two of Rev. Heaner's uncles during the week. Rev. Heaner conducted the service in Houston for J. E. Heaner on December 7. Enroute home they stopped in Junction where Mrs. Heaner addressed the WSCS and while there received news of the death of W. B. Heaner in Laredo. They attended the funeral services in Laredo the afternoon of Dec. 11.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR LAST MINUTE MAILING

According to the local postmaster C. T. Waller, all packages mailed out of the state should be sent special delivery or special handling to assure delivery by Christmas. After Friday all parcels sent to points within the State should be sent in the same manner to assure delivery.

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

There will be a service of Holy Communion on Tuesday, Christmas Eve, December 24, at 8:30 p. m. Rev. Alanson Brown, Celebrant. Visitors are welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wells visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Newlin last week end. They returned to their home in Big Spring Sunday evening.

Week end visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arch Crosby were Mr. and Mrs. Bing Crosby of Christoval. The Arch Crosbys and Grace Lindsey of San Angelo plan to spend Christmas in Christoval with Mr. and Mrs. Bing Crosby.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Lloyd Monday and Tuesday were his brother Mr. and Mrs. John Lloyd and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Lloyd and baby all of Morton, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Willoughby expect to leave this week end for Weatherford where they will spend Christmas with her sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hardin. Other guests in the Hardin home will be Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cole from Oklahoma City and their daughter Ann from Washington, D. C.

CHRISTMAS PLANTS: Poinsettias, azelias, mums, Christmas pepper pots. Priced from \$2.50.—The Eldorado Flower Shop.

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Home Demonstration Agent's Column

By MRS. VIDA KREKLOW

In case you didn't get it last year, the peanut brittle recipe is like this—

Peanut Brittle

- 3 cups sugar
- 1 cup white corn syrup
- 1 cup water
- 1 pound raw peanuts
- 2 tblsp butter or margarine
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon soda (level)

Cook sugar, corn syrup, and water until it forms a hard ball in cool water. (250 to 260 degrees on candy thermometer); add raw peanuts and continue to cook until mixture turns golden. Remove from heat and stir in butter and salt, stir in soda. Pour on to a greased slab or cookie sheet, and pull out to a thin sheet. Break into pieces when cold. If by chance brittle should stick to pan just put in warm oven for a few minutes and it will turn out easily.

I've had some calls lately asking whether or not pecan pies will freeze. They will. Don't crush them in the freezer, the fluted edges which look so pretty, break easily when frozen. Make flat edges if you can't box or wrap them separately.

Bake pecan pies in a slow oven. Any cooking with eggs should be done at low temperatures. I've used this recipe for a much longer time than I like to think of, but anyway it's still very good. Marjorie Malloy, who is one of the best cooks in San Saba, gave this to me when I taught home making there.

Pecan Pie

- 4 whole eggs.
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1/2 cup sweet milk
- 9 teaspoon vanilla
- Pinch salt.
- 1 cup pecans, broken
- 1 cup sugar
- 3/4 cup dark corn syrup
- 3/4 cup light corn syrup.

Beat eggs. Mix flour and sugar. Mix everything except pecans. Pour into unbaked crust; sprinkle pecans over filling before placing in oven. Bake at 325 degrees for 30 minutes. Reduce temperature to 300 and cook for 15 to 20 minutes longer or until custard is set and firm.

Bake early—enjoy Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Higgins had as their guests last week end, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Perry of Ozona.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hext drove over to Brownwood for the week end. They visited friends and relatives and returned home Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hall of Fayetteville, Arkansas, are expected to arrive in Eldorado Sunday and will visit in the home of Mrs. Irene Rutland during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Love went to Abilene Saturday and were accompanied by four band students who entered the regional try-outs.

Mrs. W. H. McClatchey plans to attend a family Christmas dinner at the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Newman in San Angelo Sunday.

Mr and Mrs. W. G. McAlpine and Juanita visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Crider and family in Iraan Sunday.

Mrs. L. T. Wilson left early Tuesday morning by train on a trip to Concord, California, where she will visit in the homes of two daughters. She expects to be gone about two weeks.

James Clark, Charles McLaughlin and Nancy Elder are expected home from the University of Texas Saturday afternoon.

Anita Runge visited her sister, May Runge, in Austin December 5th. On Dec. 7 they both went to Galveston and Houston and visited relatives and friends. Anita returned December 11.

Pvt.-2 James Lee Swain has returned to Fort Lewis, Washington, after spending his leave in Eldorado. He will now be assigned to foreign duty.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young were in San Angelo on business Monday. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Louie Koeger before returning home.

ELDORADO LODGE
No. 890 — A. F. & A. M. Stated meeting 2nd Thursday in each month, at 7:00 p. m. from Oct. 1 to April 1, and at 8:00 from April 1 to October 1. Visiting brethren welcome.

News From Our Neighbors

Measles and Mumps

An outbreak of measles and mumps sent absenteeism rocketing to a new record at Fort Stockton high school this week. Supt. of Schools James G. Huckby, reported Wednesday that absentees totaled 59. Approximately 50 students had been out of classes Tuesday.—Fort Stockton Pioneer.

Trailer Rates in Iraan

The Iraan city council set up new rates for trailer parks. The motion was made, seconded and passed that: Trailer units pay a garbage fee of \$1.00 minimum for the first trailer and 75c for each additional trailer and that trailer units pay a sewer fee of \$3.00 for the first trailer and 75c for each additional trailer; the number of trailers in a park to be determined by city employees at the time of meter readings.—The Iraan News.

Businesses Expand

R. G. Elliott's new Superette drive-in grocery will open tomorrow, Friday, Dec. 13. The new service station which he has leased to the Taylor Oil Co., is to be in operation about Dec. 20. Winter Cleaners & Laundry have constructed a new coin operated automatic laundry which will be open within a few days. Work continues daily on the remodeling and redecorating of the Holland House.—Alpine Avalanche.

Looking Up

There is news of another geophysical crew moving to Sanderson and also news of the great probability of another rig moving into the county for the drilling of a gas or oil well. The rig, if it moves in, will be within shouting distance of Sanderson, if you can scream pretty loud. There is also news of several trailer courts being contemplated and under consideration.—Sanderson Times.

Planning For Dams

A steering committee to direct the plan of action in obtaining dams on the Kickapoo Creeks was named last Friday when land owners on the Kickapoo watershed were guests of the Bronte Lions Club.

F. S. Higginbotham was named chairman of the committee, with the following land owners to serve with him: W. D. McDonald, Noah Pruitt, Sr., Austin Sandusky, J. A. Perciful, Preston Davis and Edward Rawlings.—Bronte Enterprise

Good Pecan Crop

Raymond Roy Walston, who has been buying pecans at Western Wool & Mohair Co. this year, has figured up that the income from the Menard County pecan crop this year will approximate \$100,000. Only a handful of persons who own a large number of pecan trees do anything toward taking care of their trees, Walston says. "What other crop," he asks, "can bring in \$100,000 without care?"—The Menard News.

Assure Dam Project

Development of a flood prevention plan to include both Dry Devil River and Lowrey Draw was assured Wednesday when \$3,500 was provided jointly by Sutton County and the City of Sonora. The additional funds will be provided through the Edwards Plateau SCD, with whom the original trust fund agreement on Lowrey Draw was prepared. The necessary funds are thus being provided as an amendment to the original agreement and will save several weeks delay.—Sonora Devils River News.

New Water System

The pipeline contractor for the city water system, Moore Construction Co., assures the city council that if nothing prevents the water lines will all be laid, tested and sterilized by the end of next week. The meters are due to arrive soon.—Sterling City News Record.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Scruggs have moved to LaPlace, La., where he was transferred by Shell Pipe Line Corporation.

Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Dollar and family spent Sunday in Fort Stockton. They were accompanied by Carol Higgins.

David Kuykendall is scheduled to arrive here Saturday from his school in Englewood, California. He will be at home for two weeks.

Mrs. Jim Smith is confined to the Hudspeth Memorial hospital in Sonora for medical treatment. She entered the hospital last Thursday and will be there for some time. Her condition is improving.

Events of 1957

What were the most important news developments in Eldorado and Schleicher county during the year 1957? In this final edition of the year, we would cite the following items from our files:

New roads were in the news. The State Highway department announced that Highway 277 south to the Sutton county line would be rebuilt and would come into Eldorado on South Divide street, one block west of the present highway, work to get under way in the spring. A longer range project is an Eldorado to Iraan road, which was approved by the Highway department, and which will be completed in 1961.

Definite steps toward organizing a Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce were taken, and Clarence H. Wright of Robstown has just been elected as the organization's first manager.

Pioneer and Permian pipeline companies started operations in the county and were building a compressor station in the Reynolds community, and a gathering system throughout Schleicher, Sutton and Val Verde counties.

In honor of Major General Alvin R. Luedecke of the U. S. Air Force the Eldorado Lions club sponsored a day in his honor on July 4th, which included free barbecue, parade, and banquet.

Schleicher county's new park, with swimming pool and the Legion Field ball park, was completed and put in use for the first time. Location is in the west part of town.

Members of the Eldorado Riding club went to Florida and won the world's championship in Palmetto Polo.

Definite action toward improving the Eldorado airport was taken, with the city and county planning to install an all-weather air strip and make other improvements.

Qualified county voters approved a \$150,000 bond issue for construction of a new school gymnasium, and construction is under way.

Schleicher county's new agricultural building was completed and put into use. It is located near Eagle stadium south of town.

Jim Runge and Tom Meador attended the Fourth National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of America at Valley Forge, in July.

And last but not least, increased rainfall during the year gave farmers and ranchers hope that the long drouth period was ending.

Texas Almanacs — Success Office

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Eldorado Success

Bishop Dicus of San Antonio was a guest in the Forrest Runge home Saturday night. Bishop Dicus is Suffragan Bishop of Diocese of West Texas and conducted services in St. Mary's Episcopal church here Sunday at 11:00.

J. L. Ratliff was confined to his home with a cold this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stevens left Tuesday for Harlingen where they will spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Eva Stack. They will return home about January 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Minnick of Midland visited friends and relatives here during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis McCormick will have as their guests during the holidays, Mrs. McCormick's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Angelo of Fresno, Calif. They are expected to arrive Monday and will be here until January 2.

Mrs. H. H. Mercer who has been visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mercer expects to return to her home in Marlow, Oklahoma Saturday. She has been here about two weeks.

Elton McGinnes was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Low and Mrs. Sam McGinnes to Lamesa where they attended the funeral of a relative, Kirby Stevens. They made the trip Sunday.

G. F. Zumbrunn who has been visiting in the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young for several weeks, plans to return to his home in Oklahoma City after Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Montgomery visited in the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Montgomery recently. They returned to their home in Boerne Tuesday.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Williams are their daughter and son-in-law, Ensign and Mrs. Thurman Atchley of Pensacola, Florida. They arrived Sunday and plan to visit other relatives and friends in this section before Ensign Atchley reports to Corpus Christi for further duty with the Navy January 5.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Etheredge of Lubbock are expected to arrive here Saturday for a holiday visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Doyle and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Etheredge. They plan to return to Lubbock Christmas Day.

Ronnie Mittel plans to arrive home Friday (tomorrow) from Tech for the holidays. Henry Mittel, Jr., will be here from the University of Texas December 23.

Sonny Moore arrived in Eldorado Sunday from Climax, Colo., and will visit in the home of his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Moore until December 25.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Van Dusen and family plan to leave Friday on a trip to Tyler and Quitman where they will visit friends and relatives. They will also attend the golden wedding celebration in honor of Mrs. Van Dusen's parents Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Reed which will be held Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Mund spent Monday visiting in San Angelo with Mr. and Mrs. Wendel Yates.

CHRISTMAS BARGAINS

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- 1953 Buick Special Rivera, 2 door 375.00
- 1952 Chev. 4 door Sedan, R&H, powerglide 575.00

Our Best Wishes For A Merry Christmas

JAMES WILLIAMS CAR MARKET

NOTICE, PROPERTY OWNERS IN THE CITY OF ELDORADO

Tax collections have been dropping off about 2% annually for the past four years.

This condition has reached the point to where about 85% of the property owners are paying the cost of city government.

The City Council in regular session passed the necessary measures to hire a Tax Attorney to collect delinquent taxes. A contract will be signed January 14 with a Tax Attorney and delinquent tax accounts will be turned over to him for collection.

If you owe past due Taxes you can save yourself attorneys fees and court cost by paying your taxes before they are in the hands of the attorney.

L. B. BURK, City Secretary
Tax Assessor & Collector.

At Christmas Time

With sincere appreciation of your friendship and goodwill, we extend to you and yours our very best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a New Year full of happiness and success.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stigler and Family

Best Wishes For A Merry Christmas

TOPLIFFE GAS & ELECTRIC SERVICE

New Babies

Born to Mrs. Helen Winans on December 10, a boy. He has been named Tommy Joe and weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz. at birth. He has one brother and one sister, and a grandmother, Mrs. Chester Winans of Christoval. Mrs. Winans and the new baby are staying in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Swain for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Sears are parents of a son, Michael James, born in the Hudspeth Memorial hospital Saturday morning, Dec. 14. He weighed 8 lbs. 3 oz. at birth and has one sister and one brother. Grandparents are Mrs. Lou Ella Hardy of Garford, Texas and Mrs. Florine Sears of Tajum, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Campbell are parents of a son born in the Hudspeth Memorial hospital December 9 at 8:40 a. m. He has been named Jack Donovan, Jr. and he weighed 8 lbs 3 oz. at birth. The Campbells have two other children, both girls. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Greer, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dryden, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Campbell, and Mrs. Ida Stanfield.

Mrs. Gene Horton of Fort Worth is a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jo Ed Hill and will remain through the holidays. Peggy Hill had been visiting her and returned with her to Eldorado. They arrived here Monday afternoon.

Janice Watson entertained all her dancing classes at the regular class hour Monday with a Christmas party. She served Cokes and Christmas cookies to her students.

Tom Henderson underwent major surgery in the Hudspeth hospital in Sonora Saturday morning and is doing nicely.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. L. Wheeler Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wheeler of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Parson and daughter, Mrs. Glenn Shadix and her baby of Brownwood visited in the home of Mrs. A. H. Green and with Ethylene this week. They were here from Sunday until Wednesday.

Mrs. Walter Hanusch and Mrs. Melvin Cox spent the week end in Eden visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hanusch.

Mrs. Elizabeth Powell drove to San Angelo Friday and brought her grandchildren, Lee and Susan Ray home for the week end. Their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ray spent Sunday here and the family returned home Sunday evening.

W. L. Bierschwale has been transferred to Baytown and has begun work in his new position there with Shell. Mrs. Bierschwale and their daughter will join him in a few days.

Drew Scherz of Sonora is spending a few days in the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Ochsner. His mother, Mrs. Harold Scherz is ill with flu in the Hudspeth Memorial hospital in Sonora.

Holiday visitors arriving here this week end are two sisters of Mrs. Delbert Edmiston and their families. They are Mr. and Mrs. Claude A. Roth and children of Piedmont, South Dakota, and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Daniel and children of Odessa.

Lilburn Hazelwood of Temple visited Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Hazelwood Sunday night. He left Monday morning for Pecos on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Carroll and Vicki of Ozona visited Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Whiteley and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hazelwood and other relatives Sunday.

Mrs. Jim Adams took her son, Rip, to San Angelo Monday where he has entered a hospital for medical treatment. He has been ill several days.

Week end visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glendale Peterman were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ragsdale from Adamsville, Texas.

Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Alexander were R. J. Alexander, Jr., and Miss Arlinda Grifford of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Henderson of Sonora and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. Nolan McDonald attended the singing convention held in Menard Sunday afternoon.

Guests during the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ashmore are their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Gray from Los Angeles.

Herman Phillips arrived in Eldorado last Friday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Phillips. He will return to A. C. C. in Abilene January 2.

Mrs. R. A. Evans is visiting with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Haynes and Dale in Katy this week. She plans to return home for Christmas holidays.

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'The Night Is My Enemy' Production By Juniors Is Well Received

"The Night Is My Enemy," a three-act mystery play, was well received by the people of Schleicher county in its presentation Thursday night by the Junior class.

Margo Mittel played Roane Shepperly, a blind girl, with precision and polish, and Jeannie Mund gave good characterization of Tessie, the maid. Other players were Janis Sofge, Ernest K. Nimitz, Myrta Ann Topliffe, Nancy Jo Jackson, Robbye Waldron, Arnie Lee Westbrook, Alvin Atkinson, and Phillip Walker.

Sound effects added much to the air of mystery and suspense which built up with each succeeding act.

The Junior class and their play director, Bill Bowen, are to be commended for putting on so demanding a play, and carrying it through so smoothly.

Other committees who helped were as follows:

Lighting and special effects: Mary Jo Parker, chairman; Edward Taylor, Farris Nixon, Willie Luedicke.

Posters: Jerry Doyle, Robbye Waldron, Jeannie Mund, Dan Mittel, Emma Menees.

Tickets: Jimmy Mackey, Emma Lou Menees, Jo Lawrence.

Programs: Nancy Jo Jackson, Joe Ray Stanford.

Make-up: Judy Wyatt, Edna Faught, Joyce Dollar (Dramatics Club).

Sets: Senior boys of Dramatics club.

Stage manager was Joe Ray Stanford. Miss Dana Ray Owens and Guy Whitaker are class sponsors.

"The Cat and the Canary," another classic mystery play, is to be given by the Seniors sometime early in the spring. It will also be directed by Bill Bowen.

Party Held For Cast

After the play, mothers of the cast were hostesses at a party for the members of the Junior class, their dates, sponsors, Mr. Whitis, and all the students that helped with the play. The party was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnie Westbrook. Decorations throughout the house were in the Christmas theme.

About forty guests attended and the class presented a gift to the play director, Mr. Bowen. Refreshments served were sandwiches, cookies, hot chocolate and coffee.

LOCAL PEOPLE TAKE TRIP TO AUSTIN

Mrs. Tom Johnson and Mrs. W. N. Ramsay accompanied Edwin Johnson and his daughter Elaine to Austin Sunday. Elaine was guest soloist for the morning services at the University Baptist Church. She also sang in the cantata Sunday evening.

The local people returned to Eldorado Monday morning and Mr. Johnson returned to his home in Midland. Elaine visited briefly with friends in Waco then boarded a plane for New York where she will sing with the Westminster choir for several appearances.

TWO BRIDES HONORED WITH SHOWER HERE

Two recent brides, Mrs. Richard Poole (nee Jane Henry) and Mrs. Lanenan Stephens (nee Sue Henry) were honored Saturday with a bridal shower. The affair was held at the Memorial building in the club room.

Hostesses were Mrs. Jack Griffin, Mrs. Joe Dossett, Mrs. L. C. Higgins, Mrs. J. T. Ottaberry, Mrs. Bill Williams, Mrs. George Williams, Mrs. Vernon Carroll, Mrs. W. E. Turnbow, Mrs. Clovis Taylor, and Mrs. E. T. Turnbow.

Guests were served cake squares and punch.

CIRCLE MEETS

The Business Women's circle of the WMU met Monday night with Louise Kuykendall. Mrs. Spencer gave the mission book, "Continent in Commotion."

There were five members present and one guest, Mrs. Allen Kuykendall.

MISS WILLIAMS PARTICIPATES IN CORONATION SERVICES AT SAN ANGELO

Miss Jimmie Dell Williams arrived in San Angelo by plane Friday afternoon to participate in the "Miss Spirit of Christmas" festivities. Jimmie Dell was guest of honor at a dinner given by the Jaycees in the Cotillion room of the Town House hotel.

At the coronation service, Jimmie Dell, who was "Miss Spirit of Christmas" of 1956, crowned the new queen, Miss Jane Felts of San Saba. This was followed by a dance, also in the Cotillion room.

She returned to Austin Sunday afternoon.

Presbyterian Notes
Calendar For The Week

Sunday
10:00 ----- Sunday School
11:00 ----- Morning Worship
5:00 ----- PYF
7:00 ----- Evening Worship
Monday
6:30 ----- Annual Christmas Tree and Party
7:00 ----- Santa Claus Arrives
7:30 ----- PYF Carol Singers
Wednesday
Christmas day—Family Christmas worship in the homes.

This Sunday night we invite the public for our Sunday night worship as the background of the whole program will be piano and organ Christmas music by Judy Hext and Nancy Jo Jackson. They will play the Christmas music that they played for the Junior Woman's club with an addition of the scripture reading of the Christmas story in the appropriate places between the musical numbers. This is our annual Joy Gift program for retired ministers.

At last Sunday's night program when our choir brought us a Christmas cantata, we were happy to have 173 people enjoy the music. The public is always invited.

East Side Baptist

Monday evening, December 9, the Men's Brotherhood met and the speaker was Brother Westbrook of Grape Creek Baptist church. The speaker was a gentleman 82 years old and his talk was enjoyed very much.

A delightful meal was served to the 17 members present. Fred Furr was elected Brotherhood president replacing W. R. Davidson who has moved away.

Brother Durward Rutland of San Angelo replaced Brother Dossett in the Sunday evening service.

The WMU met in the home of Mrs. J. T. Ottaberry. Mrs. Jack Griffin brought the Bible study. Cookies and coffee were served to nine members.

A group will present the Christmas program Sunday night beginning at 7:30. The subject will be Joseph and the Nativity and it will be a story on film. There will also be carol singing. Everyone is invited to attend.

Success in Schleicher County, \$2 year—elsewhere \$3 year.

Methodist News

Mrs. E. H. Topliffe, chairman of the commission on education, asks everyone who comes to the white gift Christmas program at the church Sunday evening to bring a gift for the poor people of Eldorado, wrapped in white paper. The gifts will be distributed to the five neediest families in Eldorado. Gifts of toys, food, clothing for all ages, and bedding are requested. Money may be put into a white envelope. Used clothing, if clean, will be quite acceptable. Bedding should also be clean.

The pastor and his family will spend Christmas in Victoria with the pastor's mother, Mrs. B. T. Heaner. In case of emergency he can be contacted by telephone at Hillcrest 5-2994.

The Christmas cantata was presented last night in the sanctuary under the direction of Bob Burkart.

The pastor and his wife will entertain all of the college students and servicemen of Eldorado and their dates at a buffet supper some time after Christmas. Mrs. John Sedberry is collecting the list of these young people who are away in college or in service. If you know of one who will be home for the holidays, please call her at 2-1391.

There will be a New Years Eve watchnight service at our church, starting at 11 p. m.

Our Christmas program will be held this Sunday, Dec. 22 at 7:00 p. m., beginning with the white gift service and closing with Santa Claus and the Christmas tree.

CHRISTMANS ON TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Chrestman will leave this week end to spend Christmas in the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Chrestman in Taft. They will be joined by their granddaughter, Barbara Chrestman in San Antonio. After Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Chrestman will drive to Wichita Falls where they will spend a week visiting friends and relatives.

MERRY MAKERS HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Merry Makers club met at the Memorial Building for their Christmas party last week. There were 12 members present and after an afternoon of playing forty-two they exchanged gifts.

Pecan pie a la mode and coffee was served.

ATTEND FUNERAL IN SAN SABA

Mrs. Bob Page and Mrs. Ed Hill attended the funeral for Richard Crane which was conducted at the First Methodist church in San Saba Saturday afternoon. Mr. Crane, 86, died Friday evening.

Survivors include one daughter and a son, Terrv Crane, who is a former resident of Eldorado.

Interment was made in the Goldthwaite cemetery.

SEVERAL ATTEND DINNER AT ROACH RANCH

Mr. and Mrs. Eldred Roach entertained with a turkey dinner at their ranch home near Harper Sunday. Guests from here were Mrs. A. J. Roach, Jim Tom Roach, and his two sons Tommy Joe and Henry, and Mrs. Mattie Cozzens.

Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Bailey and Miss Helen Henderson of Ozona, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kidd of San Angelo, Mrs. Cleo Henson, Mrs. Buddy Howard, and Miss Mary Nell Roach of Houston.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Rutha Boyer Sunday were her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stephenson and Mack of San Angelo.

Mrs. Clayton Sanders of Grandfalls visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cheatham Friday and Saturday.

Jerry Donaldson of Rankin spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Donaldson.

Guests of the James L. Spencers this week end were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Wright of Robstown.

Merry Christmas

to our customers, old and new.
We wish you happiness and prosperity throughout the New Year.

WEST TEXAS CAFE

Mrs. Lester Henderson



Merry Christmas

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May the
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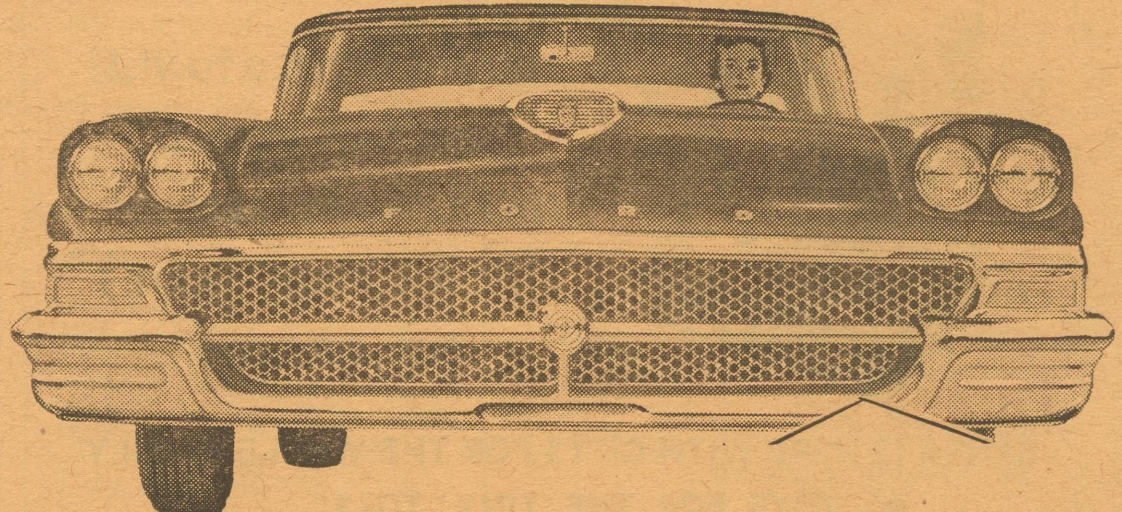
Through good years and bad we appreciate our friends.

Our customers have been loyal and our business relationship pleasant, for which we thank you.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

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Mr. and Mrs. Cramer Sofge



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

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George and Lola Humphrey

VISITORS IN POWELL HOME

Mrs. Elizabeth Powell will have all her family home this Christmas. Pvt. David Powell, who is stationed at Ft. Carson, Colorado, will arrive by plane Thursday (today). Others present for Christmas

dinner will be Mr. and Mrs. George Graham and children of Midland, Mrs. Roscoe Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ray and children of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. John Rae Powell and children of Eldorado.

JIM DAN HILL HONORED BY WISCONSIN GROUP

Milwaukee, Wis.—Brig. Gen. Jim Dan Hill, a native of Eldorado, Texas, was honored at a dinner-meeting of the Wisconsin Society, Sons of the American Revolution, at the Pfister hotel here Dec. 5.

Gen. Hill, president of Superior State College, Superior, Wis., received the gold good citizenship medal of the national society SAR. The medal was presented by Geo. E. Tarbox, Jr., of Denver, Colo., president-general of the SAR.

Gen. Hill retired in 1956 as a major general commanding Wisconsin's national guard. He headed the 190th field artillery regiment during World War II when he won five battle stars and several medals including the Croix de Guerre. He served in World War I as a seaman in the navy. He is the author of "Sea Dogs of the Sixties" and "The Texas Navy."

Night Club Holds Christmas Party

The Christmas party for the Night Bridge Club was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McLaughlin Monday evening.

There were four tables of members present for the affair. The group enjoyed a turkey dinner at the Memorial building and then went to the McLaughlin home for an evening of bridge. Charlie Trigg and Mrs. Jimmie West won high and C. C. McLaughlin and Mrs. Trigg won bingo. Gifts were exchanged among those present.

LIBRARY NEWS

The older Intermediate Girl Scout troop of Eldorado brought the holiday spirit to the library when they presented a tree with festoons of cranberries, popcorn, and ornaments to brighten the reading table.

Girls in the troop are Ruth Ann Thigpen, Phyllis Parker, Helen Smith, Barbara Dollar, Jane Sanders, Trisha Hardy, Pam Jones, Judy Deaton, Terry Phelps, Martha Topliffe, Barbara Fry, and Joan Griffin.

Our thanks to these girls and their leaders for the first Christmas tree we have ever had in the library.

The newest guild books in the library are "Below the Salt" by Costain, "Sweet Promised Land" by Laxalt, "Deeds of Darkness" by Ashton, and "When the Bough Breaks" by Carney.

Jimmie Dell Williams made a rush trip from Austin to San Angelo this week end where she passed on her "Miss Spirit of Christmas" crown to her successor. She returned to Austin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Taylor of San Angelo spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hallmark and Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Taylor.

Baylor students who are expected home Friday are Janice Cales, Jack Stanford, and Gilda Humphries.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bradley of Brady visited in the home of Mrs. Frank Bradley Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. J. B. Christian visited with her sister, Mrs. M. L. Leddy, Sunday in San Angelo. Mrs. Leddy is confined to the Shannon hospital due to injuries sustained in a fall at her home. Mrs. Christian stopped in Christoval and visited with Mrs. O. E. Conner and Enos Hill before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dannheim visited Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Powell Sunday.

Week end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Josh Ewing were Mr. and Mrs. John S. Sutton, Jr., and two children of Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hazelwood and Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Hazelwood visited Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McDonald at Buchanan Dam Sunday.

S. P. Harris, father of Odis Harris, had surgery for the amputation of his leg last Thursday. He is a patient in Emergency Hospital in San Angelo and is improving but is still on the critical list.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Steward during the holidays will be their sons, Bob and Jack. Bob arrived here Wednesday (yesterday) and Jack will be here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Turnbow spent the week end in Midland visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Moore and Mrs. Ora Pool.



We are approaching the merriment of another Yuletide season, with a divine hope that the days of the future will be more profitable than they were during the past seven years, and that our spiritual lives will multiply along with the coming prosperity.

We greet you in the coming of a New Year with many thanks for your kind and loving deeds, expressed by your patronage during the past 12 months or longer.

You will find us ready to serve you through 1958, so come to see us for the next 365 days and we will thank you again.

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One of the best stocks in town from which to select your every need. If you need anything, try us—we might have it.



GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

To all our friends, both old and new, we extend our best wishes for a Christmas of good cheer and a joyous New Year.

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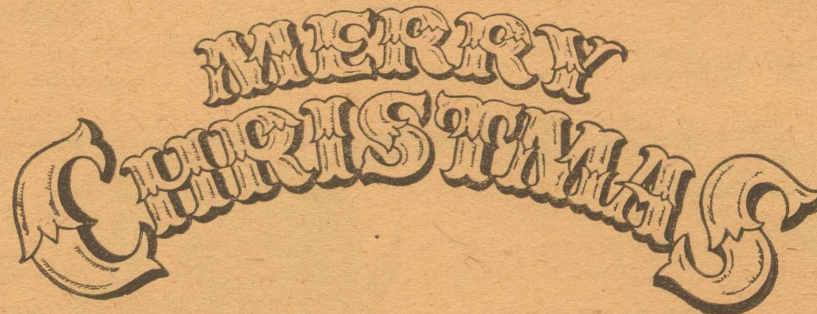


AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

Thanks For Your Patronage. Keep coming for those good Sinclair products.

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BEST WISHES FOR A



FROM

The Ratliff Store

Eldorado

Sonora

GREETINGS

On this, our first Christmas in Eldorado, we extend to you the greetings of the holiday season. Thanks for your friendliness and patronage in the brief time we have been here. Our most cordial greetings and best wishes.

Tom Ratliff

Insurance

Merry Christmas

AND

Happy New Year

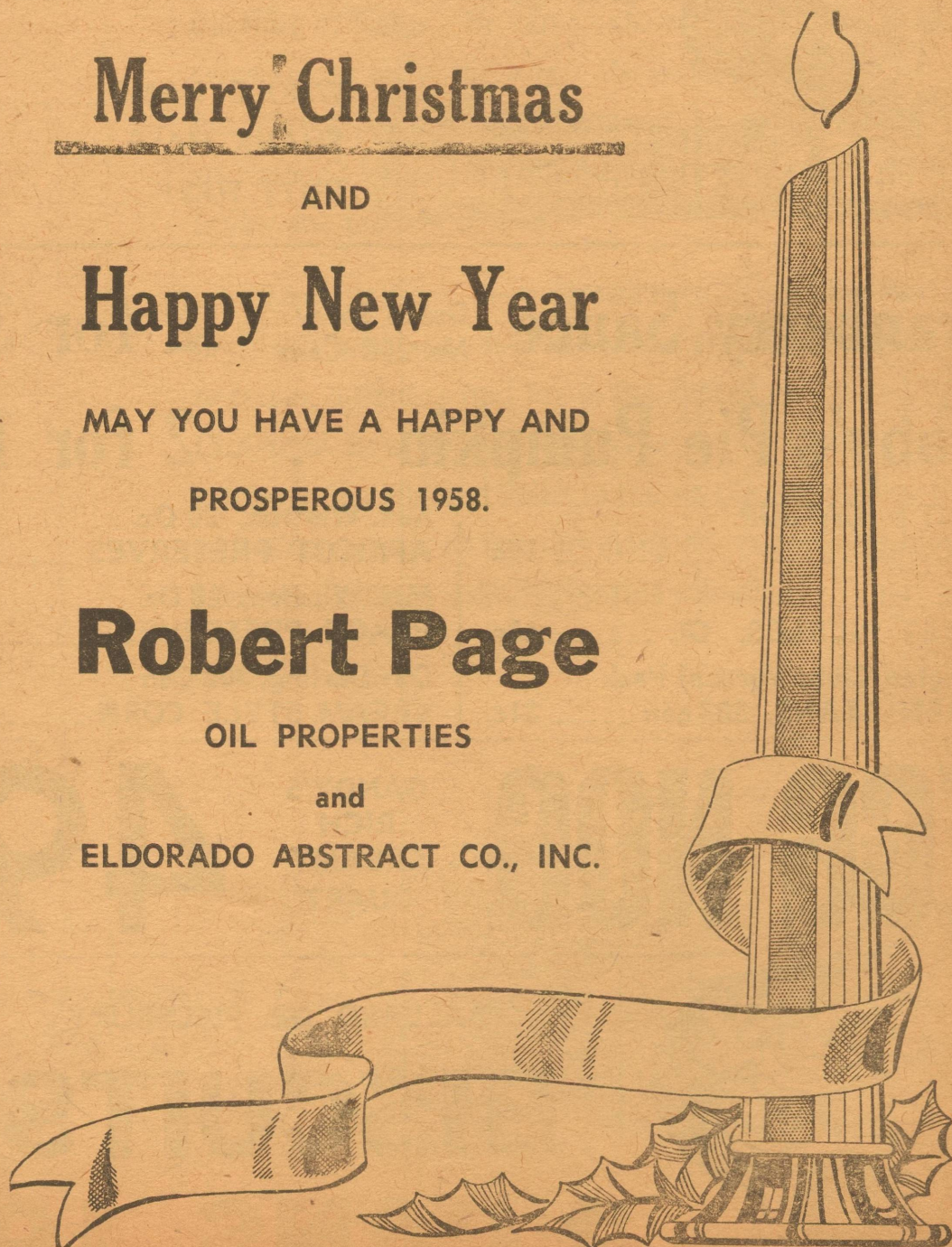
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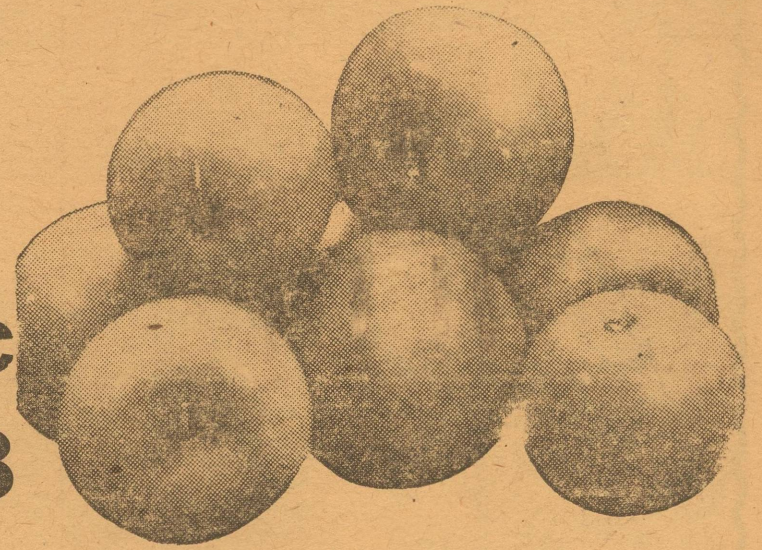
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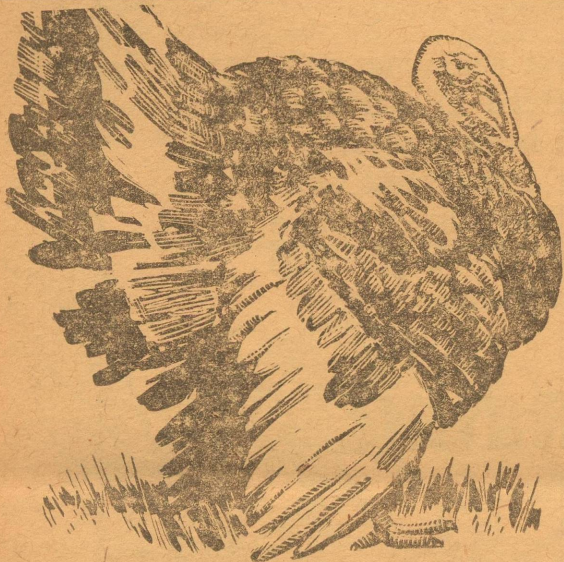


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3-Lb size, ea. \$2.99
4-Lb size, ea. \$3.99
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SAUSAGE Armours Star Cello Roll **Lb. 39c**

Cranberry Sauce Ocean Spray No. 300 Cans **2 for 39c**

Libby's Pie Pumpkin **2 for 19c**

HUNT'S CATSUP 14 Ounce ----- 19c	Mrs. Winston, 20 Oz. APRICOT PRESERVES ----- 45c
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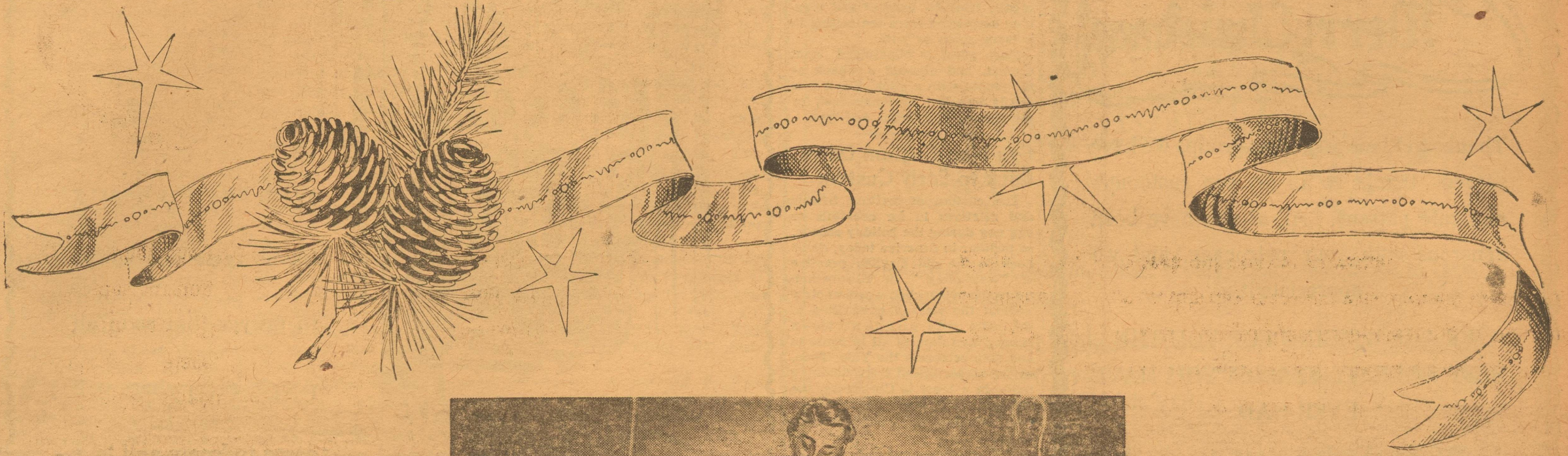
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ELDORADO — SCHLEICHER COUNTY, TEXAS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1957

NUMBER 51



Long, long ago, 1,957 years as man now marks the passing of time, a star shone brightly on the little City of Bethlehem. No ordinary night was this, and no ordinary star. This was a night of glory and wonder and this was a star that would be the hope of the world. On this night in Bethlehem the angels sang in their heavens, the humble shepherds knelt in the fields to pray and even the wise men were filled with awe and reverence.

Here in this quiet place a glorious birth brought hope and joy to the hearts of men, for here in Bethlehem, on this starry night, a King was born. His coming was made known by the angels. Unaccompanied by blatant blasts of trumpets or hawking cries of heralds, their soft, praise-filled voices reached out into the stillness of the night, singing "Hosanna, Hosanna, hail to the King!"

Out on the hillsides the shepherds heard and they knelt among their flocks to pray. And there came three wise men, following the star that had guided their pathway from the East.

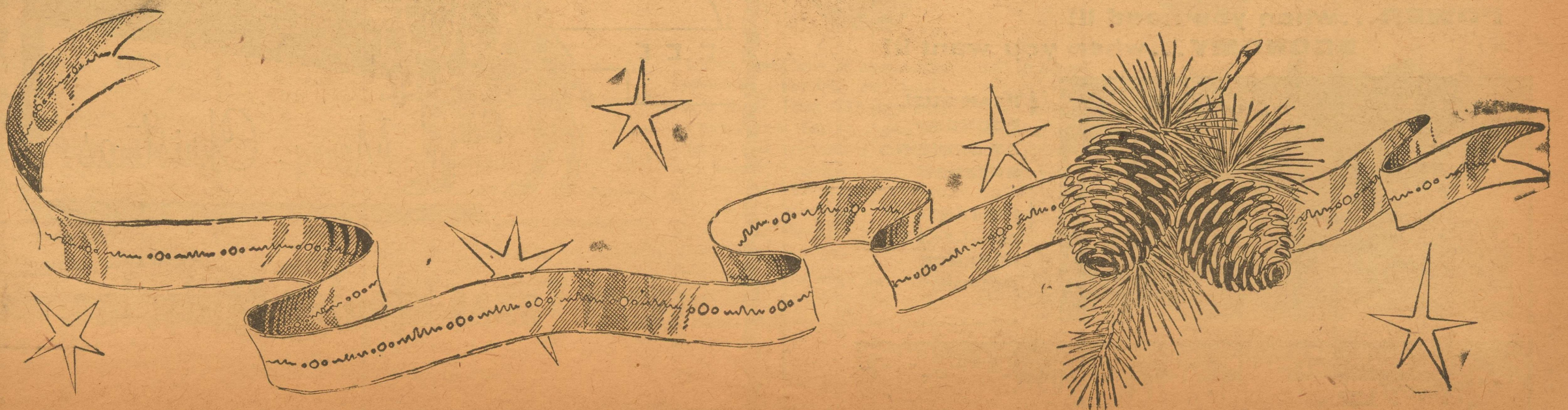
Simple, indeed, were the surroundings. A crude stable served as a palace; the royal cradle was but a lowly manger filled with hay. There were no trumpets, no court criers, no multitudes surging forth to adore. There, that night in Bethlehem, when the story began, there was only the stable, the

Child in the manger, with Mary the Mother hovering near and Joseph standing quietly by. And in the brilliant light of the star were the Wise Men and the shepherds—bearing gifts for the new-born King of Kings.

Through centuries of telling and retelling this greatest of all stories has remained unchanged. It has for centuries marked the beginning of a new era of hope and faith for all mankind.

For the King that was born in Bethlehem was not a mere king of some worldly domain. He was the King of all men and the King of Kings. He came unto earth as a promise of eternal salvation, to show the way. He walked in the valley of men, not garbed in the regal raiments of worldly authority but surrounded by an aura of ethereal goodness and wisdom; as a leader and teacher of men.

There is then, deep significance to this holiday we celebrate as Christmas. It is more than an anniversary or a festive occasion; a time to find joy in the acts of giving and receiving. Christmas is a time for prayer and thanksgiving; a time to return in thought and spirit to the simple meaning of the Story of Bethlehem; for on this day mankind was divinely blessed and given the right to seek out eternal salvation.





Thanks to Lions and other groups we have served—thanks to all drive-in customers and cafe patrons. All of you have been generous with your patronage, and we appreciate it.

WE ARE WISHING FOR YOU THE BEST HOLIDAY SEASON YOU HAVE EVER HAD

Pop's Dairy Freez

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Riley

CLOSED from Dec. 23 to Jan. 6

Pinata Is Traditional In Mexican Observance

Our Mexican friends south of the border are picking up some of our holiday traditions and we could do ourselves a favor by adopting one of their customs, such as the "breaking of the pinata."

Widely used in Mexico throughout the year, the pinata is busiest during the Mexican Christmas Festival. The pinata is a fragile earthen jar which is filled with sweetmeats, trinkets, candies and toys, then suspended from the ceiling in a large room or patio.

Each guest is blindfolded, spun around, and allowed a whack at the pinata with a stick. When it is finally smashed, all hands rush for the shower of candies and toys.

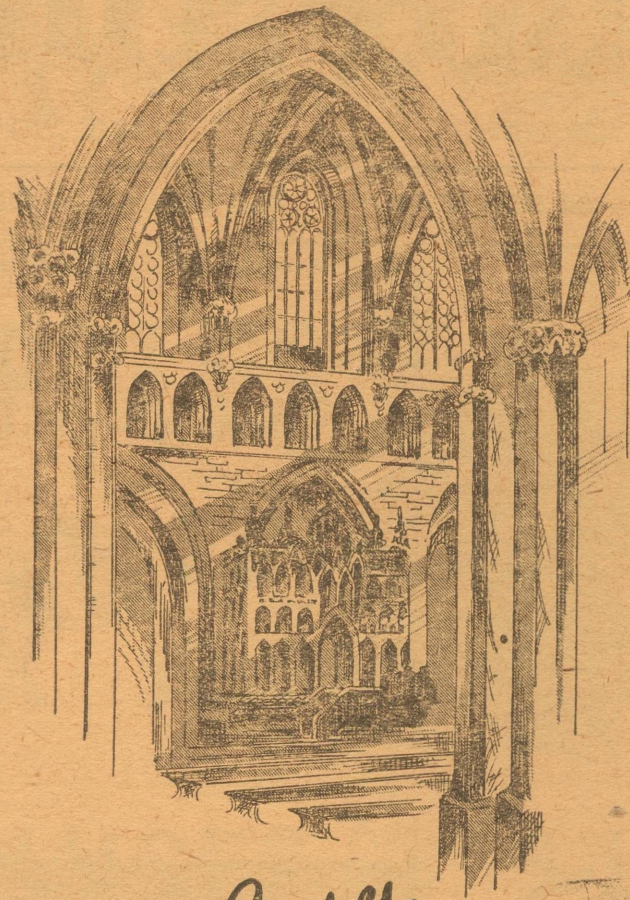
Egg Nog Custom Dates Back to Early Custom

The custom of inviting friends and relatives in for cocktails or egg nog during the holiday season, so popular in America today, dates back to the old English practice of "wassailing." In Elizabethan times, no celebration was complete without the wassail bowl filled to the brim with pungent ale—a cheery invitation to all to come in and help celebrate the Yule. Then, as the guests raised their steaming mugs in a toast to Christmas, the merry cry of "What Hail!" "Wassail!" would ring joyously through the hall.

Holiday Decorations

Instead of the conventional wreath on the outside of your door why not string some bells and tree ornaments on narrow baby ribbon and hang from a huge red bow?

Make your door and window frames bright and cheerful by framing them with ribbon and sprigs of holly. Hang the ribbon in festoons across the curtains and tie at the sides in wide sash bows for colorful effect.



Merry Christmas

With hopeful hearts,
let us raise our voices
in prayer that soon all
people everywhere will
come to know and love
the true Spirit of
Christmas . . . the joy
that comes in giving as
well as receiving.

HALEY TRUCKING

MR. AND MRS. PAUL HALEY



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

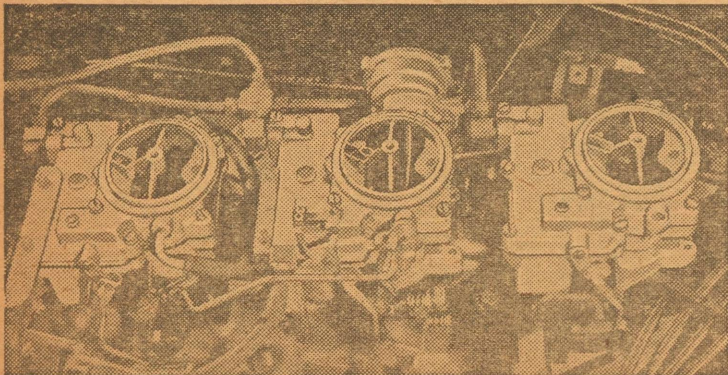
Thanks for your patronage. We hope to serve you again through 1958.

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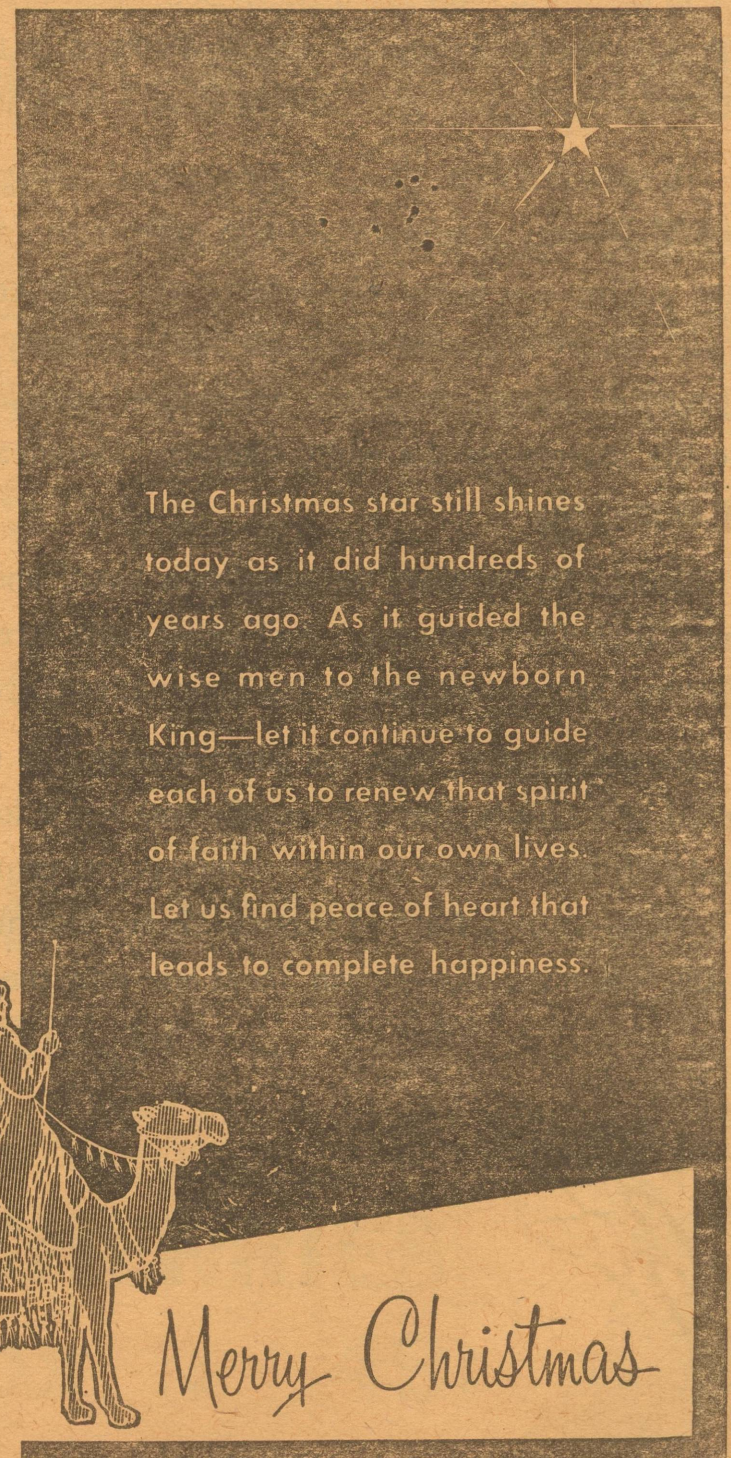
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The Christmas star still shines today as it did hundreds of years ago. As it guided the wise men to the newborn King—let it continue to guide each of us to renew that spirit of faith within our own lives. Let us find peace of heart that leads to complete happiness.



Merry Christmas

West Texas Woolen Mills, Inc.

Fine "El Dorado" Blankets

Christmas Season of '47 Found Goods Becoming More Plentiful

Christmas holiday season ten years ago—late in the year 1947—found Schleicher county in the beginning of the post-war boom period, which has continued except for the more recent drouth years. Shoppers for Christmas goods and other items were beginning to find goods plentiful, although some things, notably automobiles, were still in short supply.

Success files of the period reveal that the county, various churches, and individuals were getting ready to start building projects "as the general public evidently resigns itself to years of high building costs and decides to try to go ahead!"

During the previous year, 1946, county voters had approved a \$50,000 bond issue for erection of a new recreational building as a memorial to the dead of all wars. County Commissioners expressed doubt that the sum of money would pay for the building as originally drawn up; however, they decided to go ahead and start construction. The present Memorial Building was completed during the following year, 1948.

The First Baptist and First Presbyterian churches were launching building programs for new Sunday School annexes. The Baptists, planning a \$15,000 annex, were setting up a fund drive under direction of Bob McWhorter, E. W. Mund, and W. O. Alexander. The Presbyterians, with Edwin Jackson, W. M. Patterson, and Jack Ratliff on the building committee, were planning to add on to their building at the rear. Eldorado Methodists announced the paying off of the mortgage on their parsonage, which had been completed in 1945 and occupied by the Rev. and Mrs. F. B. Faust that same year.

Another project, for which a mass meeting was held, subsequently failed. This was a plan for organizing and building a cooperative hospital to serve all of Schleicher county.

Maurice Christian was convalescing at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Christian, after several weeks' hospitalization while he was receiving treatment for injuries received in a football game at Junction.

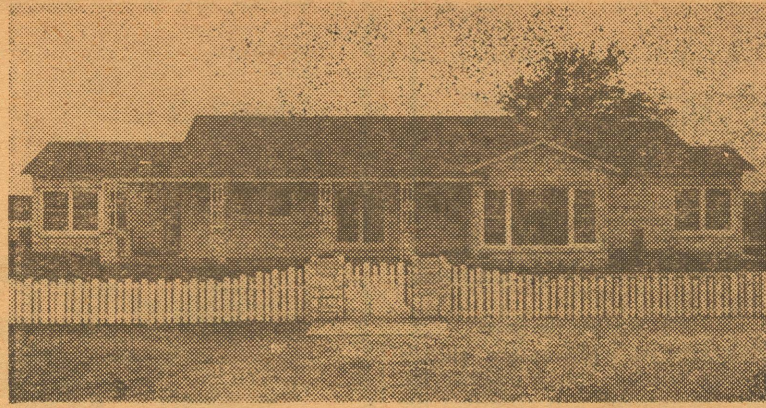
Ollie Alexander Jr. was brought home. He had been stricken with infantile paralysis about a year and a half previously while serving in the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ratliff, whose modern ranch home had been recently completed on the Menard highway, were honored with a housewarming and open house. This house, comprising 2400 square feet, with exterior finished in Austin stone, is now owned by Mrs. Katherine Linthicum.

Another social event of import-

ance, which is still well remembered, occurred a few days after Christmas when hundreds called at the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. DeLong on the occasion of their Golden Wedding anniversary. Hostesses were the daughters, Ruby, Ruth, Mary, and Jetty Grace. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie L. Baker were also honored on their 25th anniversary.

College students at home for the holidays included: Frankie Thompson, T. P. Robinson Jr., and Gardner McCormick, Baylor; Margaret Hicks and Anita Runge, San Angelo college; Floyd McGinnes, Howard Parker, John Lee Jones, Stuart Williams, Bobby Oglesby, John Ochsner, and Fred L. Speck, all of John Tarelton at Stephenville; Wilson and Paul Fage and Edda Lou Meador, SMU; Katharine Davis and



Residence on Menard Highway built by Jack Ratliff
Scene of 1947 Housewarming

Bill Gunstead, North Texas State; Wm. Sauer, Wenonah Sudduth, Patsy Ballew, Texas Tech; Mary Lillian Ellington, Texas U; Jerry Blaylock, Hensel Matthews, Wm. Spurgers, Sul Ross; and Jack Neill, School of Mines, El Paso.

Eldorado in 1947 still had only two paved roads leading out of town; these were north to San Angelo and south to Sonora. In Eldorado itself sewer lines were being extended and some of the first paving of streets was done, notably in Glendale. Still several years in the

future was the fine, modern school plant which now serves all the county.

Other highlights which occurred earlier in the year of 1947 included work started on Menard highway, city voted purchase of the gas system, Charlie Trigg established Ford dealership, Earl Parker's Dodge business was established, as were Eldorado Flower Shop, Ratliff Funeral Home (in new building), Stigler Jewelry, Taylor Welding, Carr Studio, and Boyer Electric.

To ALL OF YOU
WE EXTEND
Christmas GREETINGS

At this holiday time we are glad to extend the greetings of the holiday season to our many customers and friends.

YOUR LOYALTY AND COOPERATION
HAVE BEEN MOST PLEASING TO US.
WE THANK YOU FOR ALL PAST FAVORS
AND WISH YOU THE HAPPIEST
OF HOLIDAYS.

We hope to serve you again during 1958.

Palace Barber Shop

Mrs. W. C. Doyle

A. J. Long



CHRISTMAS

GREETINGS

Beautiful indeed is the Christmas story . . . the history of how, so many years ago, the Wise Men saw the shining star and followed it to a rich and wonderful reward. As we observe again the birth of Him, it is time to find new faith and new hope in the true spirit of Christmas. It is in this spirit that we send greetings to all our friends. And for your loyal and friendly patronage this past year, we extend our sincere thanks. We want to continue to be of service to you in the future.

Southwest Texas Electric CoOp, Inc.

Owned By Those We Serve

**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS**



and

*Good
Going*

for 1958

SOLON BOOTHE

YOUR FRIENDLY



MAGNOLIA DEALER



WE HAVE ENJOYED
SERVING YOU, OUR CUSTOMERS.
AS THE
HOLIDAY SEASON ROLLS
AROUND WE ARE GLAD
TO EXTEND OUR THANKS, AND
OUR BEST WISHES FOR A
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR.

Hazelwood Laundry

**Make Holiday Candle
From Scrap Pieces**

Odds and ends of partly burned candles can be used to make a big, long-burning Christmas candle. Melt the candles and remold them in an ice cream carton or oatmeal container, whichever is handy. Use plain cord for the wick. When the wax is beginning to harden, tie the wick to a pencil and suspend it in the wax. Let set hard, remove the carton, and there is a nice candle for your table. Be sure, however, that you burn the candle safely. While it is pretty and attractive and adds to your holiday decorations, it is also a potential fire hazard.

MAKING SNOW

Grandmother's way of making snow for evergreen branches is still a good and economical way to dress up holiday decorations. Use plenty of soap chips or flakes in a little water. Beat lightly with a wire mesh spoon just long enough to get a nice, thick foam and smear on the needles and stems. Allow to dry and you have a beautiful winter woodland scene.

Prepare for Holiday

Children learn the real meaning of Christmas when you let them participate in preparations and activities. Making gifts for someone special is a project that even a three-year-old can do. Children can fill pretty jars with sand to make attractive doorstops. They can make clove apples to add spice to handkerchief drawers. Even their simple drawings make gifts that parents cherish. Baking cookies and making Christmas decorations also put children in spirit of things. And even small children can string popcorn and cranberries for tree trimmings.

Deeper Meaning

Making Christmas cards shows children that there is more to the cards than the actual sending. You particularly want friends to know you are thinking of them at Christmas time, and children can learn this early. Music is a part of Christmas and offers another opportunity to put meaning into the holiday for children, who enjoy singing.

**HOLES IN THE
GROUND**



By Shirley Sargent

CAMERON Fairweather shifted his too-lean body against the worn porch rail and regarded the bare back yard bleakly. "Not only holes in my head, but in the ground too—"

"Oh, Cam, don't be bitter!" His pretty wife, Sylvia stopped him. "You're out of the hospital, we've found a place in the country just as the doctor said; now all you have to do is finish recuperating."

"That's all very fine and I do appreciate it." Cam's brown eyes were grave, "but there's only a week before Christmas and we have three youngsters who believe in us as Santa's helpers. What have we to give them?"

Sylvia's smile was in itself a gift. "Yourself," she said simply.



Sylvia's smile was a gift. "They've missed having a father . . ."

"They've missed having a father dreadfully while you were licking T.B."

Pleasant Thought

"That's not enough," but he was pleased. He had home, family and health; money meant little compared to their riches.

"Then we'll give them our love." "But that has to be expressed." "In such simple ways as a hug," she nodded. "You'll think of the ways."

"I'll try," he answered gently. "Let's not move the children in until Christmas Eve." What would Ellen, dreamy with teen-age fancies, think of this? Rowdy, ten-year-old Mike and imaginative Teddy, eight, were used to city living and comforts.

"Children adapt," he said. "I just wish we had some presents for them."

"Think about it," she commanded.

The Fairweathers trooped noisily into their new home Christmas Eve.

"Where are the Christmas surprises, Daddy?" Ellen asked tentatively.

Cam led the way upstairs and turned a knob. "This is your room Ellen."

"Oh Daddy! It's beautiful!"

It was beautiful to a fanciful, privacy-loving teenager. It was a large room with a recessed window seat and a four-poster bed that he had resurrected from the cellar. There was a pretty little cherry rocker that he had polished until it shone.

"What's for us?" Mike demanded. "This is girl's stuff."

More Surprises

"There's more," Cam assured him joyfully. He had not misjudged his children. He took them to the cellar converted to a workroom. Mike was enthusiastic.

"What's the lumber for?" Teddy asked listlessly.

"That and the shovel are your presents," Cam explained.

"Mine? What for?"

"Come on." Cam led him to the back porch and flicked on an especially powerful yardlight he had installed. He could sense Teddy's disappointment; the others were puzzled.

Sylvia said warmly, "It's a mystery, Teddy, but I'll bet it's a good one."

"Take a good look at the yard, son. See that big, old walnut tree? The lumber's to build a treehouse in it."

"Honest? Oh, it's terrific. What's the shovel for?"

"See that biggest hole? Thought you might like a cave."

"Would I ever!"

"Me too," Mike said.

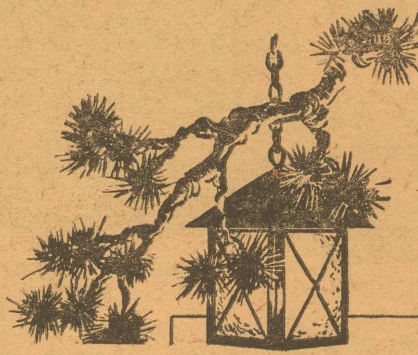
"Sure," Cam put his arm around Sylvia, "there are plenty of holes."

"Can I start tomorrow?" Teddy demanded. "Wow, I'll bet I'm the only guy in the whole world that ever got a treehouse and a cave for Christmas!"

Sylvia said simply, "Cam dear, such wonderful ways to show them your love."

"The holes in our bank account gave the ones in the ground a new meaning, but all you get is me."

"And that, said she, "is the best present of all."



Thank You!
AT CHRISTMAS

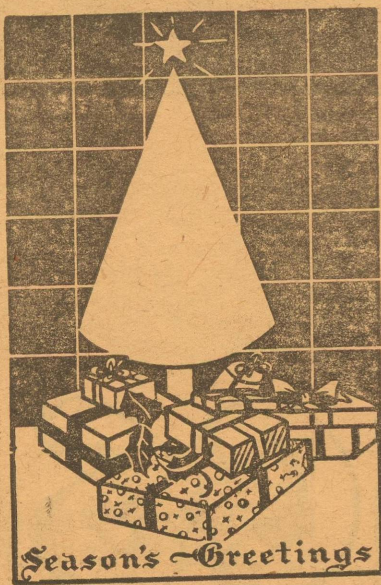
December marks a big month for us as your Gulf wholesalers — it's the season of extending holiday greetings, and it's our 15th anniversary in this business.

We took over the dealership in Gulf products 15 years ago December 1, the first day of gasoline rationing.

Over the years we have learned to value our friendships, and to appreciate our pleasant business relationships with the motoring citizens of the county.

At this holiday time we want to express our appreciation to all of you, with the hope that we can serve you again through the New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Finnigan
YOUR GULF CONSIGNEE



BEST WISHES FOR
A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Each year as the holiday season returns we take please in greeting customers and friends.
We appreciate your patronage and value your friendship.

Eldorado Welding
Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Carroll
and Shirley



GREETINGS

As an expression of our
genuine appreciation of

your friendship and all that

it has meant to us,

We wish you and those you love

A Joyful Christmas Season.

FRANK MEADOR



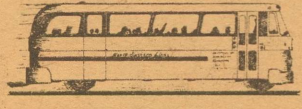
**Merry Christmas
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR**

We Appreciate Your Patronage and
Hope to Serve You Again During
1958.

**McCormick Drive In
GROCERY**

Hollis Bernice Buzz Phil

**HOME FOR
CHRISTMAS**



By F. L. Rowley

JENNIE BROOKS was a nurse. A young nurse. Young both in length of service and in salary. Annie, her room-mate, wasn't surprised to find her frowning when she burst into the room just two days before Christmas. Jennie's meagre savings had been lined up carefully on the bedspread.

"Making up your shopping list?" asked Annie.

Jennie made a wry face. "I'm wondering whether to use this money for presents—or to spend it on a round-trip ticket home. This year I'm getting Christmas Day off, you know."

"Lucky you! I'm on duty. Say, if you need money—?"

"No thank you!" Jennie said firmly.

Too Bighearted

Annie sat down on the bed beside her friend. "You wouldn't be in this fix if you weren't so bighearted," she chided.

Jennie pretended not to hear. "Maybe if I were to go home by bus—"



Jennie sighed. "Sometimes it's hard to do the right thing . . ."

Annie grasped her arm. "Mrs. Winters got a new bed-jacket this afternoon; there was no name on the card. Just 'Merry Christmas!'"

"Why how nice!" Jennie exclaimed innocently. "Who could have sent it to her?"

"And old Mr. Carruthers got a new pipe."

Jennie smiled brightly. "Isn't he a wonderful old gentleman? So gay in spite of everything."

There Are Rules

"You'll be gay if Wilson finds out who's handing out presents. You know it's against the rules to give or accept anything more costly than a card. And now you're short!" The 'Wilson' to whom she referred was the strict head nurse of Hillcrest Hospital.

Jennie sighed. "Sometimes it's hard to do the right thing; sometimes the right thing even seems cruel."

Annie nodded. "That's what rules are for, honey. And while we're at it, don't forget the rule about accepting money from patients."

Jennie stiffened. "You know me better than that!"

Annie patted her shoulder. "Sure. But I also know that old Mr. Carruthers is taking up a collection for you; all the patients on the second floor are chipping in."

Jennie gasped. "Why didn't you warn them? If Wilson finds out about it I may lose my Christmas leave."

For one wild moment she was tempted to accept the money in spite of the rules. Then she looked down at her white skirt; the white shoes. How proud she'd been to don them! Squaring her small shoulders, she decided to give Mr. Carruthers a lecture on hospital rules.

A short time later she was passing through the vestibule when a stern voice brought her up short.

"Brooks!" Only Wilson could shout 'Brooks' as though it were a vice of some sort.

Unexpected

Jennie walked uncertainly into Wilson's office. To her surprise Miss Wilson was smiling.

"Brooks, someone left an envelope here for you—there's money in it."

Jennie backed away. "The rules say we're not permitted to accept money from patients."

Wilson smiled approvingly. "Right. Yet this is somewhat—er—different. The enclosed note is signed: Mr. Anonymous. Our rules don't quite cover a case of this nature. I'd advise you to take it Brooks—and a Merry Christmas to you!"

Jennie's eyes were damp as she left the office. Now she could get the radio and go home for Christmas too. And Mr. Carruthers, peering from his second floor window, chuckled merrily as a pert young nurse waved to him from the bus stop on the corner!

MERRY
CHRISTMAS

HAPPY
NEW YEAR



THANK YOU

WE WISH TO THANK THE PEOPLE OF ELDORADO
AND SCHLEICHER COUNTY FOR THE
GENEROUS PATRONAGE WE RECEIVED DURING
THE PAST YEAR. WE ARE PREPARED TO
CONTINUE SERVING YOU IN 1958.

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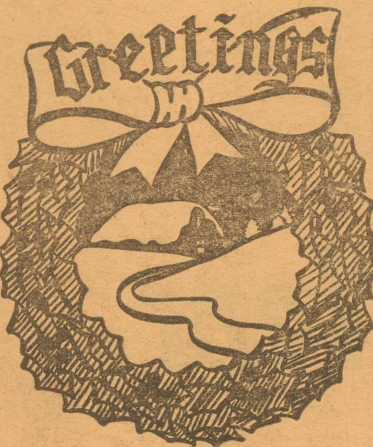
Merry Christmas

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and
HAPPY NEW YEAR**

J. D. Ashmore
Barber



AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

Your patronage during 1957 is appreciated
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We value your friendship highly and we appreciate the fact that you consistently come to Hank's Gulf when your car needs attention. We can only say Thank You—and wish you a good holiday trip.

HANK'S GULF STATION



**Greeting
and
Best Wishes**

WE HAVE
ENJOYED SERVING YOU AS YOUR ELECTRICIAN
AND HOPE TO MERIT YOUR FRIENDLY
RELATIONSHIP IN THE COMING YEARS.
MERRY CHRISTMAS — HAPPY NEW YEAR

Blake's Electric

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Blakeway

DRIVE CAREFULLY DURING THE HOLIDAYS—
THE LIFE YOU SAVE MAY BE YOUR OWN



And there were in the same country shepherds, abiding in the field keeping watch over their flock by night.
 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shown about them; and they were sore afraid.
 And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for behold, I bring unto you good tidings of great joy, which shall be unto all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
 And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.
 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:
 Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace, Good Will Toward Men!



MAIL EARLY . . . Getting folks to mail early is always a job for the postmaster. In the case shown above Chicago Postmaster Carl A. Schroeder seems to have the right idea as he enlists the aid of Santa's shapely daughter, Miss Claus. The Chicago post office handles one of the largest volumes of Christmas mail in the world.



HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

Attractive holiday adornments for the front door, mantels and dining room can do much to bring the warm, friendly spirit of the Christmas season into the home.

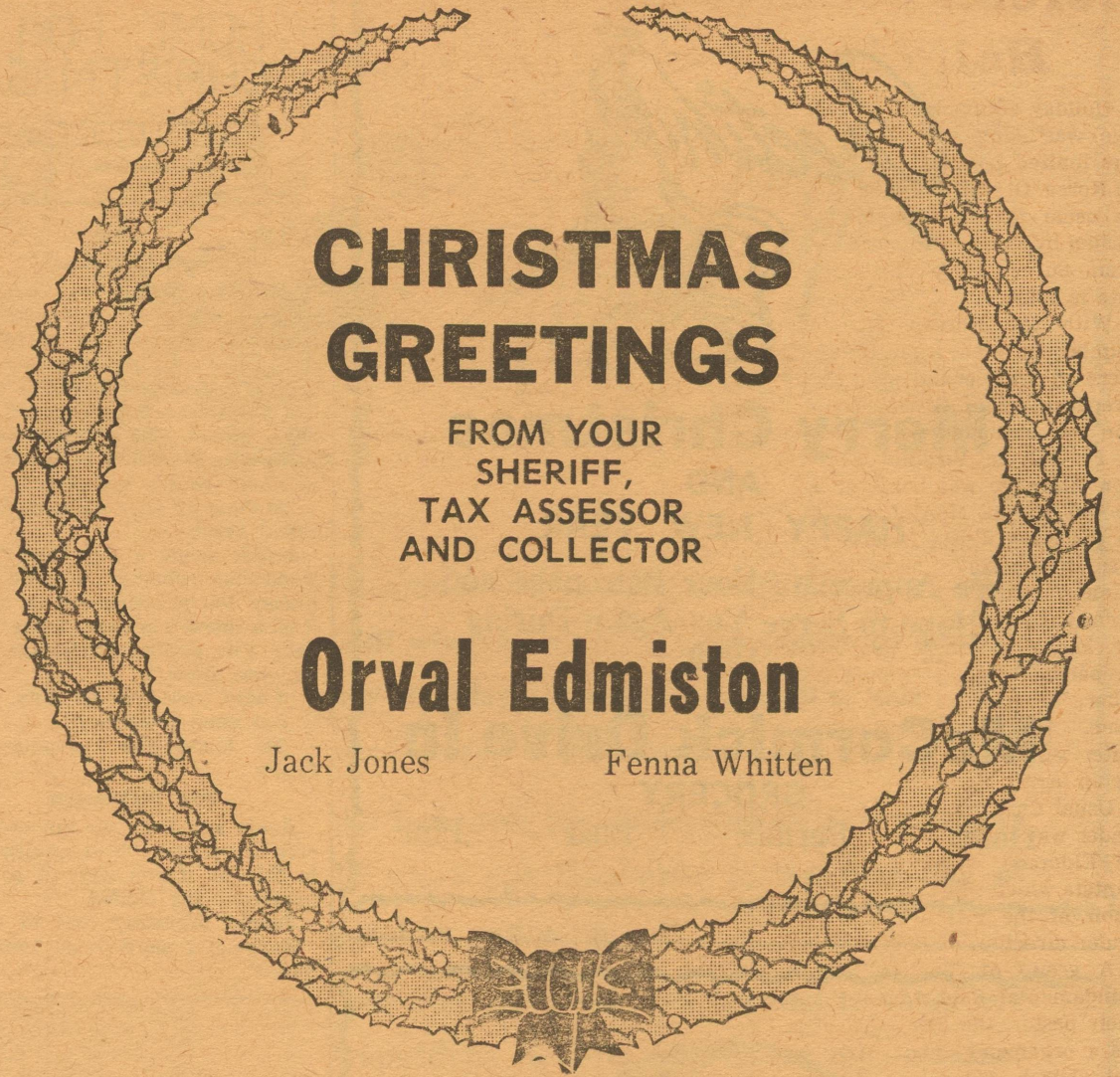
A triangle or crescent formed of two or three types of greens will brighten the front door. Pine, hemlock, spruce, fir, laurel, holly and scotch broom all work well here. Tie the stems together with string or wire to form the triangle or crescent. Use branches of varying length, with the larger foliage near the base of stem end. Add a bow of waterproof Christmas ribbon and some pine cones, berries, balls or bells for color at the stem end of the spray.

Front Door Piece

Turn a few greens upside down and insert them at the basal ends to cover the bare stems. The entire spray should then be turned upside down and hung on the outside of the front door.

A simple, but attractive dinner table arrangement involves using a glass salad bowl with a needle or pin holder in the center. The holder can be made fast with modeling clay. Place a few evergreens around the edge of the bowl, inserting the stems in the holder. A dozen red and white roses or carnations facing in different directions completes a beautiful but simple centerpiece for the table.

An excellent mantle piece can be made from a piece of plain white Styrofoam. Insert candles in a row down the center, then decorate foreground and background sparingly with small pieces of evergreen.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

FROM YOUR
 SHERIFF,
 TAX ASSESSOR
 AND COLLECTOR

Orval Edmiston

Jack Jones

Fenna Whitten

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Happy New Year

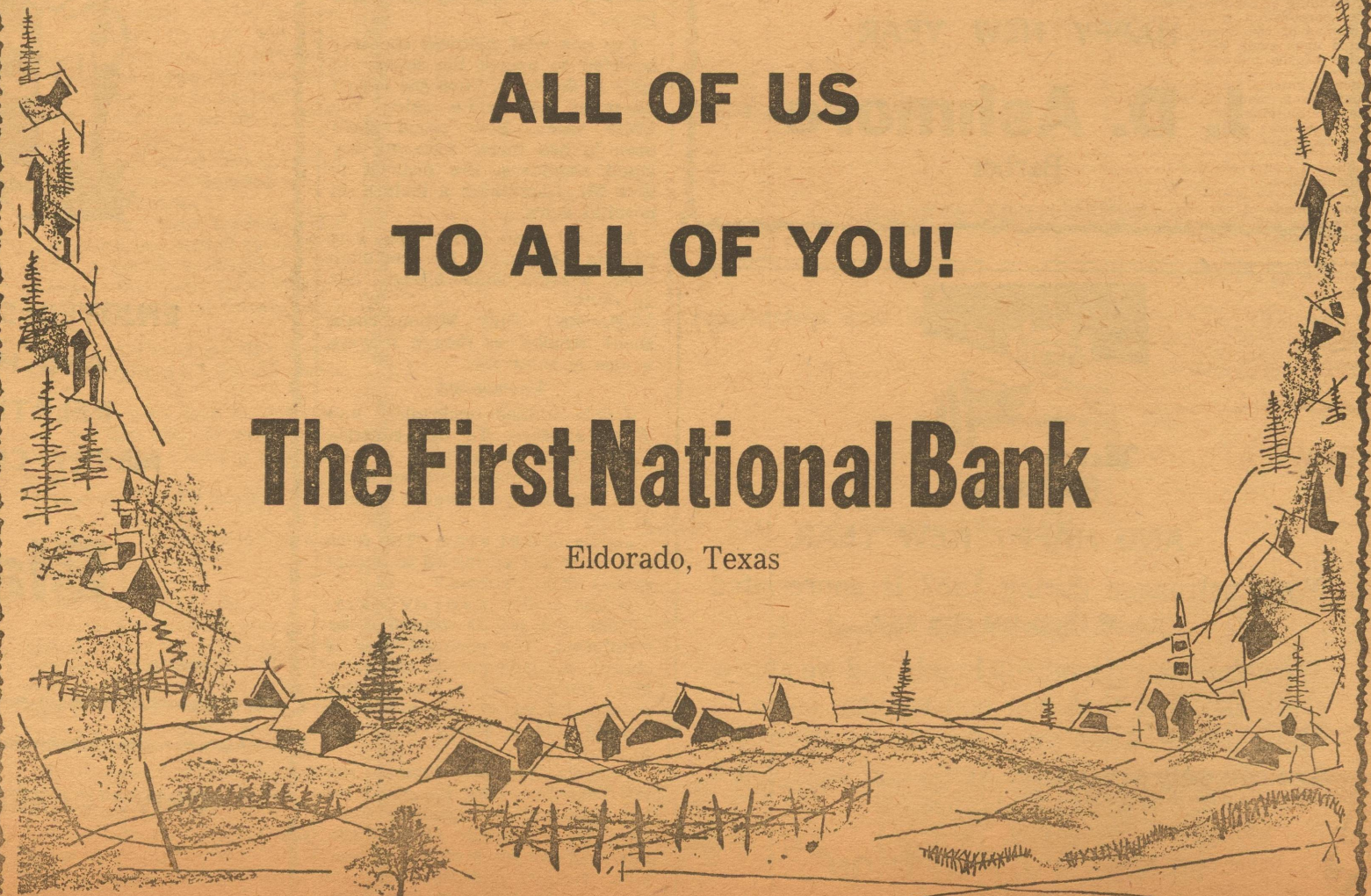
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ALL OF US

TO ALL OF YOU!

The First National Bank

Eldorado, Texas



A Message Of Friendship

TO OUR FAITHFUL OLD FRIENDS
 TO OUR CHERISHED NEW FRIENDS
 AND
 TO THOSE WHOSE FRIENDSHIP
 WE HOPE TO EARN, WE EXTEND A
 VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Davis Cosden

Lum Davis, Prop.

Korean Conflict Marred Holidays Five Years Ago

Holiday enthusiasm of five years ago was dampened somewhat by the limited police action going on in Korea. Otherwise it was business as usual for most people, as revealed by items of interest gleaned from Success files of the period, late in 1952.

With the Korean War on, a number of men from the county were in service and others were preparing to go. Grover Lee Johnson was stationed with the Army at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia, and Glendon Aldredge was home on leave, as was Harlan McAlpine who was in the Navy. Rusty Dannheim was also in the Navy, and Floyd McGinnes, and Eldon and Billy Dan McAngus were serving in Europe. Dr. and Mrs. Robert Maginot were preparing to move from Eldorado where he had practiced for some time. He was getting ready to enter service and serve in Korea as an Army doctor.

Usual Christmas activities were under way in the various churches of Eldorado. These included a cantata which was presented by the choir of the First Baptist church under direction of Lavelle Meckel.

A group of families from the Fundamental Baptist church, with their pastor, the Rev. F. H. Pryor, were organizing the Calvary Baptist church. (This was the group which built the church building near the school which was bought by the Eldorado Riding club recently for their clubhouse.)

In other church developments, the annual Nativity scene had been erected at the Bailey Ranch Baptist church, and the Rev. Cliff McDougal of Brownsville accepted the call to serve the Fundamental

Baptist church of Eldorado.

First prize in the Christmas decorating contest was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Robinson, Jr. Second prize went to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Edmiston and the third to Miss Lucille Farmer. The Lions club and the Junior Woman's club furnished prize money.

A mistake in orders, in which shipments of flowers to the Eldorado Flower shop and a nursery in Eldorado, Arkansas were mixed, resulted in a very large shipment coming to Mrs. Woodward's establishment here, all of which she sold.

Twelve Boy Scouts of Eldorado's Troop 18 delivered their good-turn box. The group consisted of Ernest K. Nimitz, Arnie Lee Westbrook, Ray Woodward, James Gillaspay, Eugene Bradshaw, Dan Griffin, Roy Lynn Taylor, James Lee Swain, Joe Ray Stanford, Sherrill Dannheim, Hunter Bill Edmiston, and Farris Glenn Nixon. They were accompanied by Scoutmaster Bill Gunstead and Explorer Advisor John Miller.

In a service in the Methodist church, Miss Jane Belk became the bride of James Alexander, with the Rev. Roy B. Shilling of Big Lake officiating.

In the school, the basketball season was under way, and the Eagles downed Iraan with Jerry Perry and Wilson Humphrey scoring high for the team. The girls' team attended a tourney in Sonora. The team consisted of Barbara West, Juanita Phillips, Lola Menees, Carolyn Ratliff, Colleen Hicks, Esther Jones, Jane Belk, May Runge, Fae Davis, Mary Lou Alexander, Trudy Gaynor and Gainell Belk.

Miss Esther Jones, a Junior student, was "Miss Eldorado," and Billy Kenneth Cheek, a Senior, was most popular boy. In other school happenings, the Eldorado Eagles were awarded the Edgar Glascock Sportsmanship trophy for the 1952 football season.

Finley and Page were remodeling the building they had purchased previously from Jack Ratliff. Ratliff had used the building in connection with his furniture business which he had closed out shortly before. Previous to that time the building housed Wheeler grocery.

Jack Hext announced the discontinuing of the frozen food locker part of his business, adding that the store was to be remodeled during the coming spring, after which the firm would confine itself to the retail food business. This announcement touched off a rash of home food freezer advertising by local appliance dealers.

At a Lions club meeting, Truett Kent Stanford was recognized as outstanding 4-H boy for 1952. Other boys honored for their 4-H work included Mike Moore, Dick Runge, Ronnie Mittel, Jack Stanford, and Ken Love.

Winners of the Oil Progress week essay contest were announced, with Ann Williams receiving a \$25 savings bond. Second and third place entries were submitted by Wilson Humphrey and Jorgi Lagow.

George R. Long, substantial land owner of the community and prominent local merchant, was elected to the directorate of the First National Bank of Eldorado at a meeting of the board of directors. Appointment of Mr. Long filled the vacancy on the board created by the death of J. B. Christian earlier in the year.

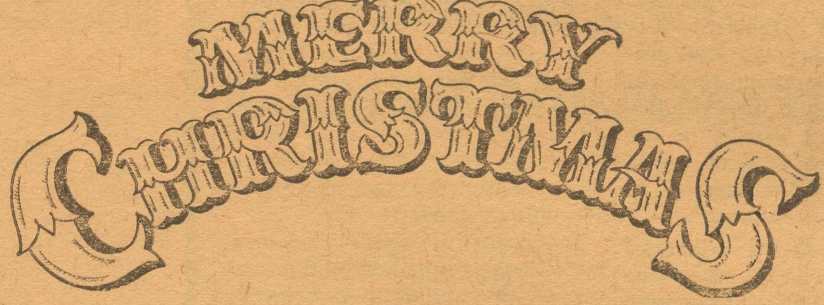
The school board was completing arrangements for purchase of the

new Jack Shugart house near the school. Supt. Holcomb and his family moved in during the holiday period.

A large crowd of friends and relatives of the area called on Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Wilson on their Golden Wedding anniversary.

Several important news developments took place earlier in the year 1952. Voters of the county approved a bond issue for right-of-way for the new road to Mertzson. The Rancho pipeline came through, and construction was under way on the million-

dollar Eldorado pumping station, then known as the Bailey station, south of town. The Great Drouth which had set in in 1950, continued through '52. County citizens voted with the state and nation to elect Dwight D. Eisenhower the next President of the United States.



Now that Christmas has rolled around again, we pause to take stock of our blessings.

You good people of Schleicher County and the many transient whom we serve have been most generous with us, for which we can only say a hearty THANK YOU.

May you have a big Christmas and a bright and prosperous New Year—and keep coming to our modern cafe during 1958.

JAVA JUNCTION

Mrs. Donaldson and Crew
CLOSED CHRISTMAS WEEK—DEC. 22-29

GREETINGS



This is the first Christmas for us back in business in Eldorado, and we wish to thank the many customers whose support has been gratifying. Keep bringing your shoes repairs to us during 1958.

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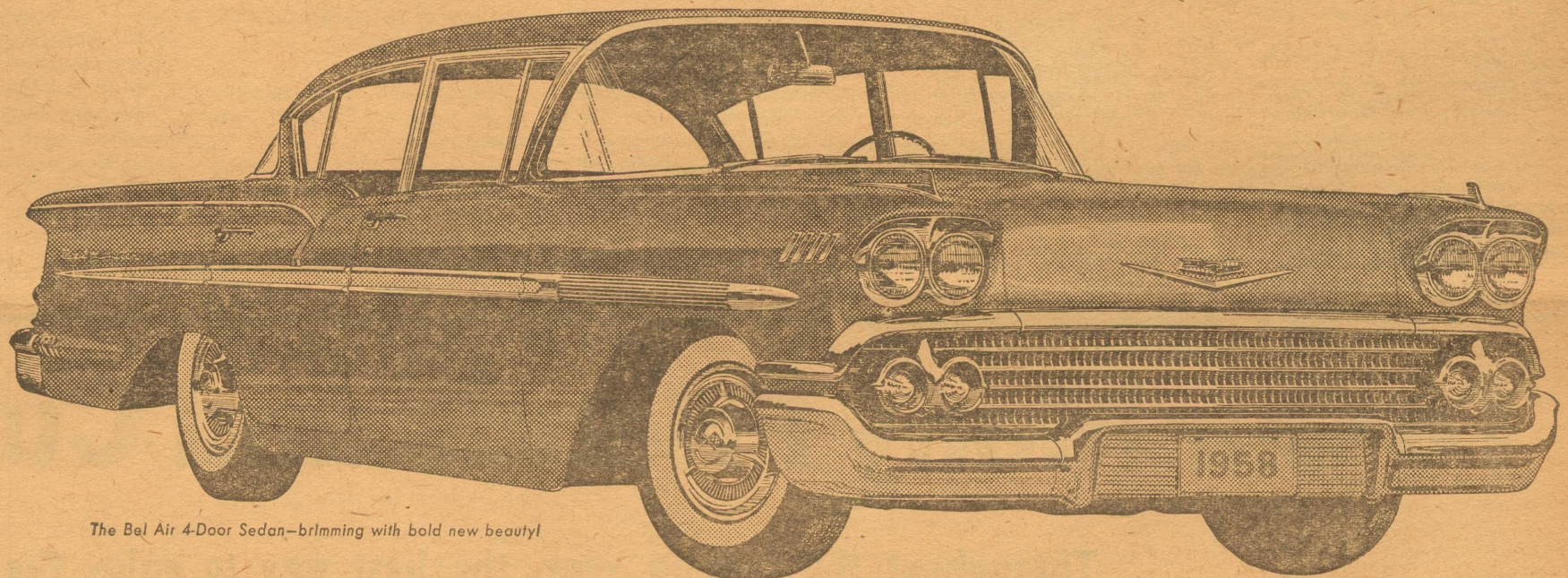
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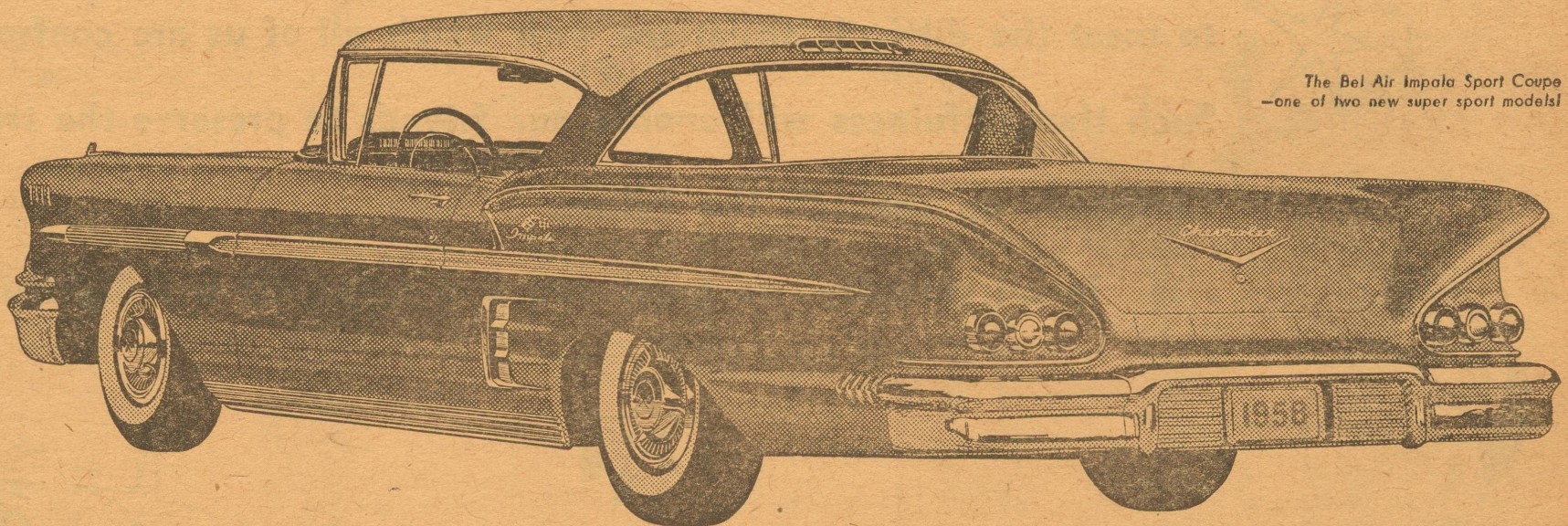
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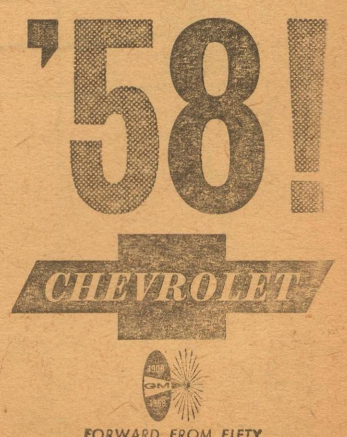
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COUNTY AGENT'S COLUMN

by *Tiny Godwin*

Schleicher County Agricultural Agent

What kind of a Christmas will you have? Family planning largely determines the spirit that will prevail in your home during the holiday season. Without advance planning, families get caught in the hectic, exhausting pace of trying to keep up with the Joneses in spending and entertaining.

Plan to relieve the financial strain, and emphasize the true meaning of Christmas—of "giving" instead of "receiving." Make or select gifts for people from whom no return is expected as a special family Christmas project.

The climate of Christmas can be enriched spiritually, too. Reserve a place for some representation of the real reason for Christmas, in the home. A simple, very natural arrangement of the nativity scene gives real meaning to the most important of birthdays.

Leptospirosis, is the full word

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that all livestock producers should become familiar with. This disease will be in short known as Lepto.

In a few short years lepto has risen from an obscure disease to its present position as a major threat to the cattle and hog industry. Estimates place the loss at 100 million dollars a year.

It is a difficult disease to control but is being controlled by the feeding of the antibiotic terramycin, proving 94% effective.

Lepto is a highly infectious disease caused by spirochetes that infect the blood stream and tend to concentrate in the kidneys. So far as is known lepto has not been diagnosed in this county. But is spreading over the U. S. rapidly, being in 40 of the 48 states at present.

Ernest K. Nimitz was one of the 22 Gold Star 4-H boys to receive special recognition at the district 7 4-H club banquet, sponsored by West Texas Utilities, Saturday, December 7th.

Dr. Harrington, president of A & M College made the address. Gold star awards were presented by Mr. Carpenter, president of West Texas Utilities. Judy Hext played the dinner music. Included among those present for the occasion were Vida Kreklow, Joe Kreklow, J. F. Runge, boys 4-H leader, and Mrs. Ernest Finnigan, girls 4-H leader.

We all know that the retailer has been hit by inflation in his cost of doing business. Higher labor costs, also higher taxes, higher rent and everything else. These same inflationary factors prevail in the ranching business, yet the rancher receives less for his finished lambs or calves than in 1953.

For a choice steer beef carcass costing at 40 cents a pound or \$236.00 in 1953, the retailer was

getting a gross profit of \$49.82, or about 21% profit.

In 1957 the same choice steer carcass costs the retailer \$224.20. He sold it for \$362.43 or a gross profit of \$138.23 or 61% profit.

Count the packer out. He received \$22.00 in which he paid all expenses in 1953. In 1957 he received \$20.70, his expenses had gone up too.

The above is a study made in large cities where great volumes

of meat is sold. It seems as a sound marketing program by the producer will answer to such a wide price margin.

Keeping busy at the right things keeps us from doing the wrong things.

Farm and ranch families will receive in the mail in the very near future from the county extension offices, information on in-

come and social security taxes.

This 64 page reference publication is written in easy to understand language with many income and social security tax items covered in detail.

Farmers and ranchers who keep a close watch on their business operations often find that they can do a much better tax management job when records are kept. The next guide will assist by pointing out helpful tax rights

and opinions.

Special attention is directed to page 11-12 to non taxable income items; page 14 allocation of certain farm expenses; pages 15-17 personal exemptions; capital gains page 24-29 and self employment pages 38-43. Chapter 9 treats depreciation allowances.

The County Agents office extends its best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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AND A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

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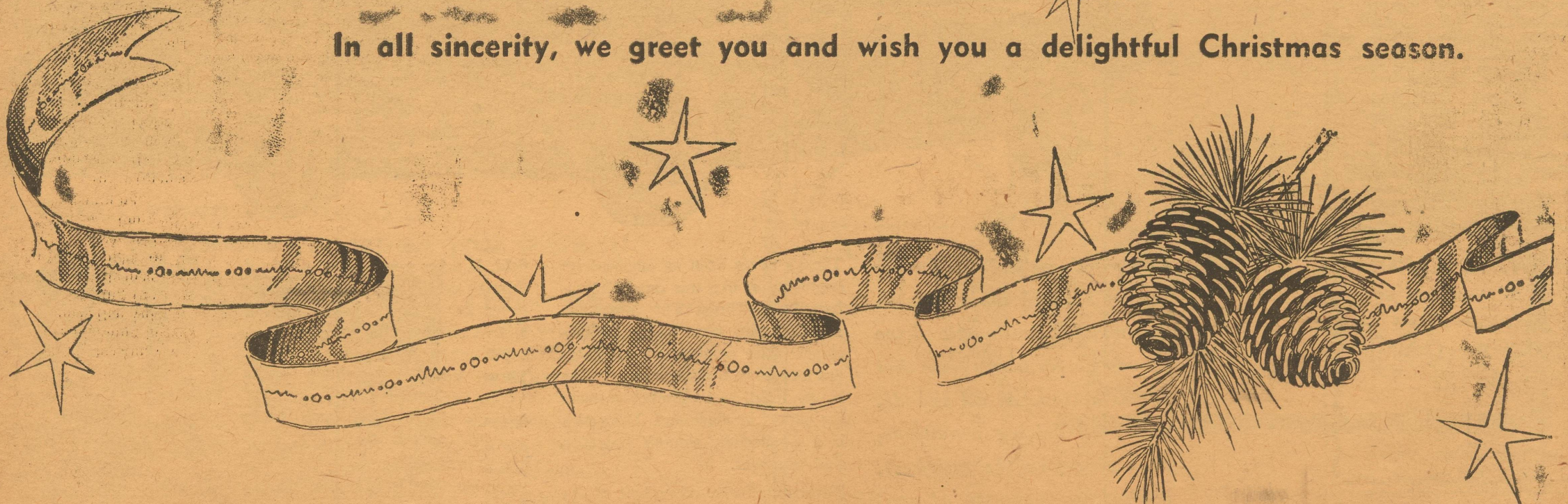


To Our Many Friends and Customers

Throughout the coming year, the best way to enjoy the same happiness which we experience at Christmastime, is to keep the spirit of the Yuletide uppermost in our thoughts each of our days.

Let us resolve to acknowledge our friendships more often . . . not with fine gifts particularly, but with some kind word of encouragement which will enable our friends to meet the difficult situations with which all of us are confronted from time to time. Such thoughtfulness will enable our friends to preserve the traditions of an American Christmas on through the future.

In all sincerity, we greet you and wish you a delightful Christmas season.



Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Company