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The McLean News

... McLean -- The Town Of Big-Hearted People

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Two Injured in Fire At Kellerville Plant

A flash explosion in the water heater building of the Warren gasoline plant at Kellerville seriously burned two men Monday morning, when an undetermined cause ignited gas fumes in the building.

Ferguson and John H. Biggers, both of whom were taken to the Worley hospital in Pampa for treatment immediately following the explosion.

Ferguson was most seriously burned, suffering burns on the hands, arms, and face. Most of the hair on his head was burned off in the fire, it was reported.

Biggers also was burned on the hands and arms, and suffered some burns on his face. His injuries, however, were not reported as serious as those of Ferguson.

Exact cause of the flash fire had not been determined by Tuesday afternoon. The two men evidently were draining the scrubber at the water heater building—that building commonly called the salt house—when the explosion occurred.

The building, approximately 15 feet by 25 feet in size, was not badly damaged, the fire only scorching the rafters to some extent, according to reports to The News.

The explosion occurred about 11:30 o'clock Monday morning.

Littlefield and Wichita Falls Top Gridsters

High school football in Texas over for the 1949 season. The Wichita Falls Coyotes are Class AA champs, and the Littlefield Wildcats are the Class A champions.

Wichita Falls won the AA title last Friday afternoon, when the Coyotes edged the Austin Maroons 14-13 in the final grid battle of that class at Fort Worth. The Coyotes led 14-6 at the half, and had trouble holding back the big and powerful Austin team during the second period. Wichita Falls replaced Waco as Class AA champion of the state, the Waco eleven having won in 1948.

40 Years Ago—IT HAPPENED HERE

Taken from the files of The McLean News of December, 1909.

The worst storm so far this season arrived Monday when the wind drifted to the northwest and blew with terrific force all afternoon and night. While the thermometer did not register very low, the dry hard wind was exceedingly disagreeable and considerable suffering among stock was occasioned.

Roy Ballard, who graduated from the Dallas High School last summer, is named as one of the three debaters who represented the Washington-Lee Literary Society in a debate at Washington and Lee University—Dallas News.

A condition that exists at the depot on cold days should be changed and the only way we know of to reach this end is by presenting the facts as they really are. In conversation with Agent Salmon Sunday afternoon that gentleman said:

all sitting back in the cold. Out of this number seven were passengers and five were accompanying passengers, the balance were sweaters, smokers, tobacco chewers, etc. Our lady travelers ask and pay for first-class service when traveling and what man would consider this condition first-class service for his wife, mother, or sister? Yet you will make yourselves responsible for this kind of service for other men's wives, mothers and sisters. We are always glad to receive and accommodate customers, but such conditions as are outlined above should not exist yet if I call attention to the matter I am dubbed a crank."

Those conditions certainly did exist Sunday, and we were one of the guilty number. The room was crowded with men who came sight-seeing, the air was rank with all kinds of foul odors and the ladies who were compelled to sit in the room while waiting for a train were not only subjected to the foul air but did not get the benefit of the fire as the stove was completely surrounded by men in overcoats. As is a fact in our case, we feel sure the majority of this infraction of the courtesy and humanity due to ladies is the result of thoughtlessness, and not an intention to offend, and hence we take this method of calling your attention to the matter.

It's Agin' the Law To Fire Air Guns Within City Limits

Parents in the city whose children are owners of air guns were asked this week by city officials to keep the children from firing the guns within the city limits.

Officials pointed out that many citizens are complaining to the city concerning the firing of the guns. There is a city ordinance which prohibits the firing of air guns within the city limits, and violators are subject to fine.

Therefore, it was explained, parents must keep their children from firing the guns in town, or it will become necessary to enforce the ordinance.

Rites Are Held In Alanreed for Mrs. Crawford

Funeral services for Anna Lella Crawford, 71-year-old resident of Alanreed, were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Alanreed Baptist Church, with Rev. L. P. Fort, pastor, officiating.

Mrs. Crawford died Friday morning in Groom. She had been in ill health for some time. She was born October 15, 1870, in Gonzales, and had lived in Alanreed for 15 years. For the past three months Mrs. Crawford had been making her home in Groom.

Burial was in the Alanreed cemetery by the side of her husband, James B. Crawford, who died February 17, 1938.

Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. J. A. Patterson of Groom, Mrs. L. M. Sprinkle of Oklahoma City, Mrs. Roy Howard of Lefors, and Mrs. Jimmie Hill of Alanreed; three sons, George Crawford of McLoud, Okla., Homer Crawford of Allen, Okla., and Pete Crawford of Groom.

Other survivors include three brothers, C. N. Simpson and Will Simpson of Fitzhugh, Okla., and J. R. Simpson of Roff, Okla.; three sisters, Mrs. Fannie Bomgardner of Shawnee Okla., Mrs. Horace McFarland and Mrs. Dayton Morgan of Fitzhugh.

Man Is Found Unconscious Near McLean

The young man found unconscious near McLean Monday has been identified as Don Simpson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Simpson of Joplin, Mo. He is an escapee from a Missouri mental institution, it was reported.

Rites Held for R. S. Jordan, Early Pioneer

Robert Steele Jordan, one of McLean's earliest residents and one who helped organize both the town and Gray County, died Tuesday at Lubbock, where he had been making his home for the past three years. He was 80 years of age.

Funeral services were held at the McLean Methodist Church at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, with Rev. W. B. Hicks, pastor, officiating. Interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of the Claborn Funeral Home.

Jordan came to Gray County in 1901, and helped in the founding of the county as well as the town. He was a charter member of the McLean Methodist Church, along with Mrs. Jordan, who survives him.

Mr and Mrs. Jordan moved to Lubbock in 1946 to be near one of their daughters, Mrs. W. H. Floyd. He had been in failing health since that time. He was born April 1, 1869, in Benton County.

Survivors include his wife of Lubbock; three daughters, Mrs. Roy B. Orrill of Perryton, Mrs. W. R. Hutchison of Newkirk, Okla., and Mrs. Floyd of Lubbock; two sons, A. L. Jordan of Channing and E. D. Jordan of Dallas; six grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were Boyd Reeves, Frank Reeves, Wilson Boyd, Homer Abbott, Homer Wilson, and Charles Cousins.

Honorary pallbearers were D. A. Davis, O. G. Stokely, C. M. Carpenter, M. D. Bentley, W. E. Bogan, C. G. Nicholson, C. S. Rice, J. A. Sparks, Arthur Erwin, J. L. Hess, and Byrd Gull.

Butane Truck Is Stolen From Local Station

The butane delivery truck of the Consumers Supply company was stolen from near the company station early Monday night, but was recovered an hour or two later in Erick, Okla.

The truck was stopped in Erick by an officer there, and four men were in the vehicle. Two of the men admitted taking the truck, it was reported, and said they had picked up the other two men between McLean and Erick.

Ted Glass, co-owner of the company with Arthur Dwyer, missed the truck when he opened the station for business Tuesday morning, and reported the theft to local officers. The Erick officer, however, had already reported recovering the truck there.

The truck was returned to the owners Tuesday, and apparently was undamaged.

Local Legion Sponsoring Drive For Toys for Overseas Children

'49 Christmas Over, Passes Quietly in City

Christmas—1949 style—is over, and the day passed quietly in the McLean area.

Local stores closed Monday, in addition to Sunday, and all was quiet downtown.

The holiday came the day after the annual visit of Santa Claus to McLean. Santa appeared at the Avalon Theater Saturday morning, following the showing of the free movie for the children. More than 500 children attended the show, and were given candy by Santa and his corps of helpers as the children left the theater. His visit here was jointly sponsored by the McLean Lions Club and the Andrew H. Floyd post of the American Legion.

That Christmas was over was in evidence Tuesday as the downtown decorations began to come down. Street lights were removed by W. C. Meharg and city employees Tuesday. Many business houses took down their decorations Tuesday and Wednesday.

All was not gay, however. In McLean, the Consumers Supply butane truck was stolen Monday night, but recovered in Erick, Okla., later that night. A young man, unidentified, was found near Highway 66 Monday afternoon. Two men, Bill Ferguson and John H. Biggers, received serious burns in a flash explosion at the Warren plant near Kellerville Monday morning.

Throughout the United States, there were many misfortunes. At least 580 persons died in accidents during the Christmas holidays. Of these, traffic accidents took 413 lives, fires killed 66, and 101 died in a variety of other accidents.

Texas alone had 39 killed in traffic accidents, 11 burned to death, and 10 others died from other violent causes.

BIRTHDAYS

Jan. 1—Glenda Rae Smith, Mrs. Joe Hindman, Mrs. W. R. Clark, Mrs. W. H. Floyd.

Jan. 2—Clyde Allen Windom, Velma Pearl Baker, Norman Grigsby.

Jan. 3—Pat Miller, Mrs. Kenneth L. Goodman, Allen Wilson.

Jan. 4—Joe Cooper, Gordon Wilson.

Jan. 5—Mrs. John B. Rice, Mrs. T. A. Langham, D. C. Carpenter.

Jan. 6—W. C. Simpson, Vester Dowell.

Jan. 7—Mrs. C. L. Wood, Mrs. W. E. Kennedy, Shella Maurine Skipper, Buddy Watkins, Glen Chilton, Bazel Pettit, Judson Tibbets.

Bjerg to Supervise Interior Painting Of New Building

Painting of the interior of the new city building in the City Park will begin next week under the supervision of C. Bjerg, local interior decorator, Guy Beasley, councilman in charge of the project, said this week.

Bjerg has volunteered his services as supervisor of the painting, and will make no charge for his services. He will not do the actual painting, but will be in charge of the color scheme and the blending of the paints, Beasley said.

The exterior work on the building is nearing completion, and some of the flooring inside is being installed this week. No decision on the seats has yet been reached, Beasley said.

Ginnings Here Now Total 3,988 Bales

Twelve more bales ginned in Gray County will push the total amount of cotton processed here by the two local gins to the 4,000-bale mark.

The two ginners in McLean, S. R. Jones of the McLean Gin and L. H. Earthman of the Paymaster Gin, reported they had ginned 3,988 bales thus far this season, and a number of bales are yet to be gathered.

If the weather remains clear, ginning is expected to be entirely completed within two weeks. Inclement weather, however, could change this expected completion date to quite an extent.

The ginnings are far above that of any of the past few years, in keeping with the bumper crop which has been gathered throughout the Panhandle and other parts of West Texas.

Weather has been excellent for gathering the cotton most all of the fall. Dry weather has hurt the wheat in the area to some extent although the light moisture of last week did partially relieve the dry wheat land.

Christmas weather proved to be favorable. Both Sunday and Monday were clear days, and the highways remained in good shape for the heavy holiday traffic. Freezing weather has been common for the past week, especially during the night hours, but the days have been clear and fairly warm.

George Washington had no middle name.

Donors Asked To Take Toys To Greyhound

The Andrew H. Floyd post of the American Legion will join other Legion posts throughout the United States in a "Tide of Toys" campaign to make life happier for unfortunate children overseas, Commander George Terry announced following a meeting of Legion members Monday night.

Posts throughout the nation are collecting "extra toys" from families, and all the toys will be shipped to children in war-torn countries who received little or no toys during the Christmas season.

All persons in the McLean area who have sturdy toys to donate are urged to take them to the Greyhound Drug, where storage space has been arranged, Terry said, and the toys will be packed and shipped within a few days.

War-like toys, electrically powered toys, or fragile toys, such as delicate china dolls, etc., are not wanted it was emphasized.

The chief purpose of the "Tide of Toys" is to let the children of Europe—the generation of the future—know that they have real American friends, Terry explained.

Distribution will be in the hands of CARE, which already has an efficient organization set up in most European countries, including Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, Holland, Norway, Austria, Germany, Greece, Czechoslovakia, and Finland. Any post may designate any of the above countries to which it wants its toys delivered, provided its boxes are properly marked.

The campaign for the toys was set for the period following Christmas, since it was believed a number of extra toys would be received by many children in the U. S. It is these toys, which would not otherwise be used by U. S. children, that are wanted.

Attending the meeting of the local post Monday night were Terry, Joe Gibson, Ervin Curry, Cohen Gallegly, Luke Henley, Hobson Agee, Walter Sargent, Paul Hugg, Hershel Smith, Spencer Suter, W. C. Kennedy, J. C. Slaughter, Ernest Erwin, J. W. Morris, Hal Mounce, J. D. Taylor, Arthur Boyd, and Jack Plummer.

Every failure is a step to success; every detection of what is false directs us toward what is true; every trial exhausts some tempting form of error.—William Whewell.

Friends should not be chosen to flatter. The quality we should prize is that rectitude which will shrink from no truth.—Channing.

There Was a Powerful Lot of Visiting Going on Here During Christmas

John Kirby of Pearall visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Kirby, over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Glass visited friends and relatives in Oklahoma City during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Simpson spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Allen. Mrs. Simpson later left for Lincoln, Neb., to visit Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dorris.

Visitors during the Christmas holidays in the Chas. E. Cooke home were Mr. and A. L. Cone, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cooke and children, Carol and Tom, of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cooke and sons, Don, Dick, and Dan, of Hart; and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cooke and daughters, Cookie and Cathy, of Phillips.

Mr. F. R. Smith visited in Clarendon during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Burrows of Pampa, Okla., spent the Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Mervel and girls.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Jones visited with Mrs. J. R. Ayers and daughter Emma of Clarendon during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Henley and baby, and Rosalee Jones spent Monday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mercer of Pampa.

Saturday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Jones were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bigham of Lefors.

Mr. and Mrs. John Broadhurst spent Christmas with Mrs. R. B. Wingate of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Buri Puett and son Buri Don visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Puett in Shamrock during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Lefe Smallwood are visiting with friends and relatives in Mineral Wells this week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Williams and twin sons, Jimmy and Johnny, of Gallup, N. M., were holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. McDonald of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Boswell of Pampa, and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McDonald and family of Pampa were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hall visited Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Hall of Alanreed during the holidays.

Mrs. Corinne Trimble spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Trimble and son Gary in Borger.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stubblefield and family visited with Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Stubblefield and Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Cline of Amarillo during the Christmas holidays.

Billy and Richard Hall of Amarillo were home for the holidays.

Frank Hall and daughter Darlene of San Antonio visited in the Everett Hall home during the holidays.

Mrs. Georgia Durham, Pat and boys, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Lofton in Alanreed during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cooper and family visited in Canyon during the holidays.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Carpenter during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Carmody of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Carpenter and children and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carpenter of Perryton, and Mrs. James E. Cooke and children of Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bohannon and daughters, Nka Nell and Carolyn, of Gainesville, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Reedy of Wichita Falls have been guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Massay, during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Grigsby of Borger are the parents of a son, Robert Burton Grigsby, born December 22, weighing 6 pounds.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kiser were Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Phillips and family of Pantex, Wesley Phillips of Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Phillips of the Updell community.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cousins were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lowry of Clarendon, Mr. and Mrs. Max Rae and family, also of Clarendon, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Reeves and daughters of Pampa, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Reeves and daughter of Amarillo.

Holiday guests in the T. A. Landers home were Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Burrows and daughter Evelyn, Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Steagor and sons, Jimmy and Tommy, of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Grigsby and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Mead of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Carruth and family, Mrs. Mildred Grigsby and Richard and Jo Ann, Miss Fern Landers of Lubbock, and James Swink of Shamrock.

Ngt. Alfred Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Smith, is on leave from the army at Panama City, Fla., to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. George Van Wess visited with Mrs. Lucy Riemer and Otto and Paul Riemer in Spearman during the holidays.

Tommy Sorrels is visiting friends in Abingdon, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Spencer spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Llewlyn in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton C. Little and family of Abilene visited in the home of Mrs. Little's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tedder, during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Payne visited friends and relatives at College Station.

Holiday guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Kritzer were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kritzer of Lafayette, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burnett of Dumas visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Ledgerwood during the holidays. Wednesday guests in the Ledgerwood home were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stevens and family of Shamrock.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Dunn of Dallas were holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Custer Lowary and daughter Pat visited Mr. and Mrs. Nellie Brown of Pampa, and Mr. and Mrs. John Ratstine of White Deer during the holidays. Wednesday of last week, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Lowary of Pottsview, Ark., were guests of the Lowarys.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Van Bohber of Dumas, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cobb and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bailey of Estelline were holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Jones and daughter Pat visited Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Jones and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hicks and family in Farmington, N. M., during the holidays.

BH Williamson will undergo an operation on his nose after eight weeks. He recently made a trip to Dallas to visit the doctor who will perform the operation.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jones of Dallas were Christmas Day visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Chilton of Cactus spent the Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bailey were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vestal Bailey of Pampa Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Campbell and daughter Chris spent Christmas in Turkey and Memphis with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hickman of Borger were holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bailey.

Jerry Hamilton of Okmulgee, Okla., spent the Christmas holi-

days with friends and relatives in McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Barrett and daughter Barbara, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Butrum and children were holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Butrum of Lefors.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Andrews and son Dick visited Christmas with C. B. Reeves and B. L. Howard and family of Childress.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Price and son Neil spent Christmas with Mrs. R. M. Pittman in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Meador of Houston spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Meador.

Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Eoyd Smith visited with Mr. and Mrs. Tyce Hugg in Amarillo over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Meador spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith in Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McIlroy and family were holiday guests of Mrs. D. C. Trent and son of Childress.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irven Alderson were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Alderson and Gene, and Mrs. J. C. Christal of Clarendon, and Adra and Reta Lamons of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Andrews and children, James Dale, Marsha, and Pat, visited Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kinkead of Tucumcari, N. M.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Appling were Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Bragg and children, Darla and Gary, of Fort Worth, Mrs. Vada Kiser and daughter Nettie of Amarillo, and Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Cobb and family of Lockney.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Allison and son Jimmy were holiday guests in the home of Mrs. J. L. Allison and daughter Naomi of Clarendon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Henderson and family of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stocker and family of Umbarger visited in the home of W. L. Stockton over the holidays.

Guests from out-of-town in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Greer over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Price of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Greer of Muleshoe.

Mrs. Sid Stewart visited Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Siles of Hedley.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Henley visited recently with C. E. Henley, who is ill in a Fort Worth hospital. Mr. Henley is reported as recovering rapidly and will be dismissed from the hospital the first of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Plummer spent the holidays with Mrs. O. L. Derrick in Pampa.

Nadene Seely is visiting her parents in Brush, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne W. Rives and son Mark of Austin are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Back.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Davis visited Marvin Davis of Panhandle and Melvin Davis of Childress over the holidays.

Christmas guests of the Fred Bentleys were Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Brumley of Hugoton, Kans., and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brumley of Clarendon.

Pfc. Wib Florey is on leave from the army and visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Florey. Wib is stationed at Alameda, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Smith Jr. visited with Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Smith and Mrs. J. D. Gray of Roswell, N. M., during the holidays.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: W. C. Murrell, if living, and if not, the unknown heirs of W. C. Murrell deceased, and their heirs and legal representatives,
GREETING:
You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's second amended petition at or before 10 o'clock a. m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being Monday, January 26, 1950, at or before 10 o'clock a. m., before the Honorable 31st District Court of Gray County, at the Courthouse in Pampa, Texas.

Said plaintiff's second amended petition was filed on the 3rd day of December, 1949.
The file number of said suit being No. 9565.
The names of the parties in said suit are: Ruth Goad, as plaintiff; Continental Oil Company, a corporation; John Deere Plow Company, a corporation; Gulf Oil Corporation, a corporation; First State Bank of Miami, a corporation; Tulsa Rig, Reel and Manufacturing Company, a corporation; J. C. Cox, the unknown heirs of J. C. Cox, deceased, and their heirs and legal representatives; H. T. Cox, the unknown heirs of H. T. Cox, deceased, and their heirs and

legal representatives, and all of the parties above named to whom this writ is addressed, as defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows:

Plaintiff sues 'n trespass to try title, alleging that on the 22nd day of May, 1944, she was, and still is, the owner in fee simple of the following described real estate and premises situated in Gray County, Texas:

The West One-half (W¹/₂) of Section No. 175, Block M-2, B. S. & F. Surveys, containing 320 acres.

On such day also she was in possession of such premises; and afterwards, on the 23rd day of May 1944, the defendants, and each of them, unlawfully entered upon and dispossessed plaintiff of such premises, and withhold from her the possession thereof.

Plaintiff further sues, in the alternative, for removal of the cloud cast upon her title to the above described real estate by abstracts of judgment heretofore filed in the Abstract of Judgment Records of Gray County, Texas, by the defendants, Continental Oil Company, John Deere Plow Company, Gulf Oil Corporation, W. C. Murrell, J. C. Cox, and H. T. Cox; and by liens or claims of title of the defendants, First State Bank of Miami and Tulsa Rig, Reel and Manufacturing Company.

If this citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

ISSUED this 3rd day of Decem-

ber, 1949.
GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT, at office in Pampa, Texas, this the 3rd day of December 1949.
DEE PATTERSON, Clerk, 31st District Court, Gray County, Texas.

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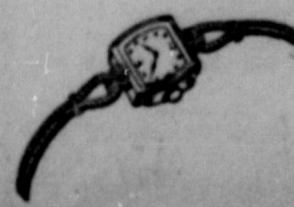
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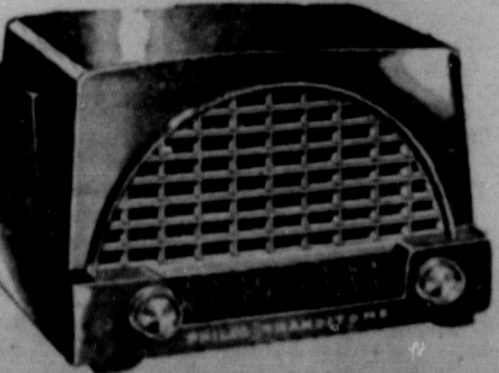
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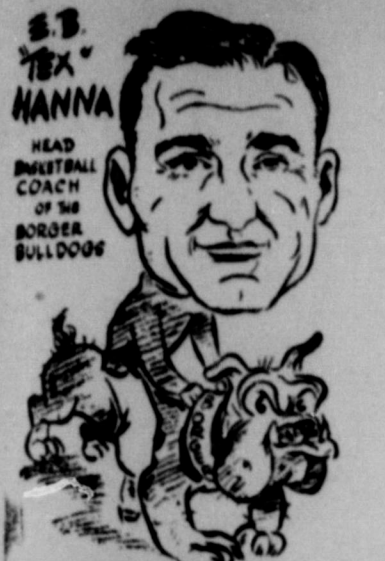
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PERSONALS

Home from college for the Christmas holidays are: LeWanda Shadd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Shadd, NTSC in Denton; Jack Brooks, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Brooks, Texas A. and M., at College Station; Bob and Jan Elack, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Black, McMurry College, Abilene; Johnny Haynes, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Haynes, WTSC, Canyon; Irma Fulbright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Fulbright, Abilene Christian College, Abilene; Claude Mounce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Mounce, University of Texas, Austin; Joyce Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Smith, WTSC, Canyon; Barney Myatt, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Myatt, Bill Mounce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Mounce, and Dick Andrews, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Andrews, all of New Mexico State College, Las Cruces, N. M.

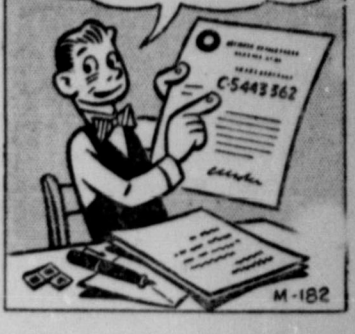
Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Egan and son Charlie left Saturday night for San Antonio to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Martin and friends from Amarillo, Cpl. and Mrs. C. A. Myatt Jr. and son C. A. of Fort Sill, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williamson of Mobeetle, and Mrs. Doris Zuspan and son Jerry of Amarillo were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Myatt over the holidays.

Sgt. Evelyn Burrows is home from Big Spring on leave from the army. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Burrows.

Vic Vet says

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She points out that a center of interest, in a straight line for stability, a feeling of balance and harmony of line and texture are the principles to be remembered when making a bouquet.

Start With One
"A good beginning is to start with a flower to be used as the main point of interest, near or slightly off center," she explains. "However, placing it near the bottom will keep it from looking top-heavy. It is also desirable to have one straight line for stability, and this usually is located in the center of the arrangement."

Miss Elliff emphasizes that, for harmony of line, all flowers must be aligned in one definite direction so that there are no crossed lines.

Color Repetition
She suggests that many different forms of the same plant will provide a pleasing variety for a bouquet. The light colors or small forms and buds, when placed on the outside of the arrangement, will give an airy look. "Repeating a color in an arrangement also will add interest," Miss Elliff says.

To best show off an arrangement, the A. and M. specialist advises the use of a very plain background and a container that attracts less attention than the flowers. The container must be harmonious in shape, size, texture, color and idea with the flower arrangement.

"Artists have found that where few stems are used, uneven numbers are more attractive," she says. "Providing interesting space and keeping the bouquet simple are two secrets of desirable arrangements."

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Dysart and Gail Plummer left Saturday for Paula Valley, Okla., to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Dysart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harve Williams. Mrs. Dysart and Gail remained for a week's visit.

Elmer Decker of Mountainair, N. M., spent Christmas in the Stratton home.

Mrs. George Humphreys and son Jack spent Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Mason of Wheeler.

Monday visitors in the Stratton home were Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Meier and daughter Mona of Amarillo, I. C. Decker of Pampa, and Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Switzer and children of Kellerville.



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ONE MONTH LEFT

ATTENTION YOU WOULD BE VOTERS, if you are interested in voting come the Democratic primaries next summer, you had better get interested in paying your poll tax.

Discounts, you know, are allowed on property taxes—school, city, and county—if paid in October, November, or December, and many people took those discounts in October and early November. As a general rule, these people would have paid their poll taxes at the same time, although they didn't this year. For, if you recall, the voters on November 7 balloted on the poll tax question, and the results of those ballots kept the poll tax in effect.

So, if you want to vote, and are not one of those exempt for reasons of age or for some other reason, you still have to pay a poll tax to have that privilege.

Poll taxes must be paid on or before January 31 to be of any value. Sure, you can pay your poll tax after that date if you like, but it won't help matters any as far as voting is concerned. A poll tax paid after that date is wasted money, as far as your voting privilege is concerned.

McLean has a population of about 2,000, we'd say off-hand and in round figures. Yet this past year there were only slightly more than 200 qualified voters with poll taxes. Actually, more than 300 were able to vote, since a number of people were over 60 years of age and were exempt. The 2,000 population figure includes, of course, the children of the town. But there surely must be more than 300 to 350 people who are 21 years of age or more.

One vote doesn't mean much, some people say. Yet take a look at the senatorial race last summer, when Lyndon Johnson won over Coke Stevenson by the slim margin of 87 votes. There were more than enough people in McLean who didn't have a poll tax to change that election if they had voted for Stevenson. Don't misunderstand, we weren't for Stevenson, didn't vote for him, and actually came out editorially in favor of Johnson. But the point we want to make is that a few votes are often important, even in a state-wide election. So pay that poll tax.

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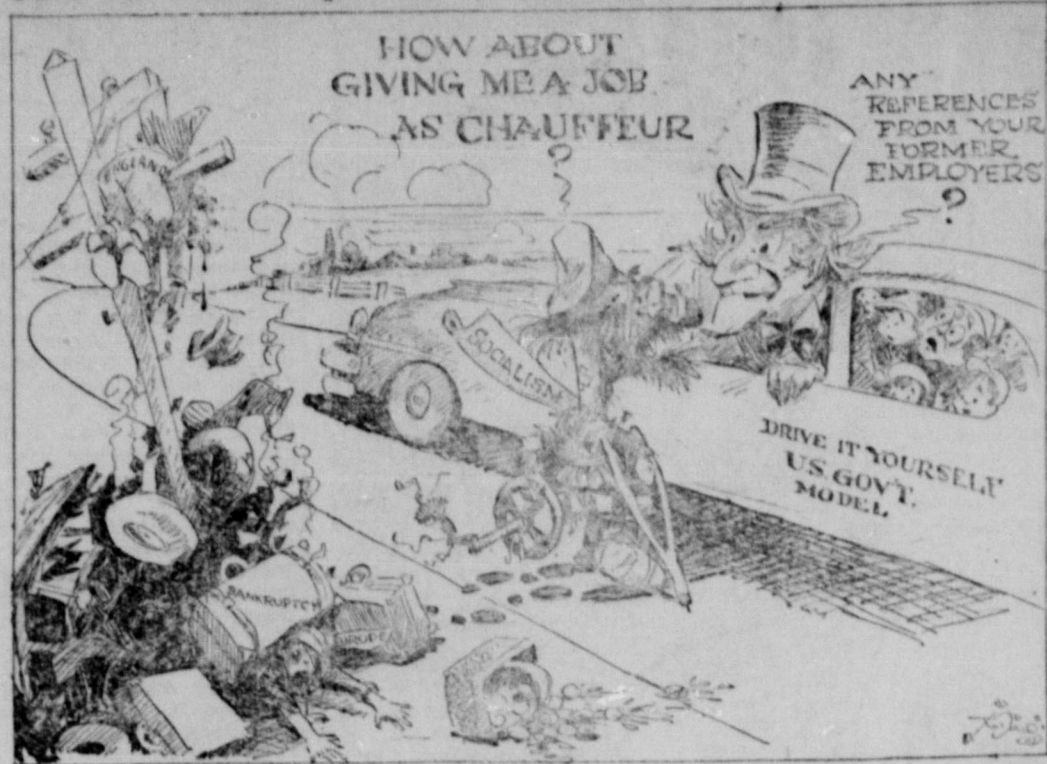
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Just Ask the People He Worked For

By Bing Darling



NO REFERENCES—HE JUST KNOWS HE'S WONDERFUL

By DON HEROLD

The seedy looking gent in the above picture has complete confidence in himself.

He just loves to drive cars—other people's cars.

If he wrecks the cars, his faith in himself is unshaken. It was the car's fault—not his, he says.

He'll try anything—at our expense.

And it's strange that a great many Americans want to give this

screwball a chance at our steering wheel, instead of depending on our own American kind of "do-it-yourself" driving which has got so far along the road of economic soundness.

Some of us love Russian theories and English theories and French theories—when we wouldn't for a minute settle for Russian or English or French realities.

Seems to me we ought to ask not "How pretty is the dream?" but "What do we get for our work?" In Russia today you get

a pair of women's everyday shoes for \$52 in England for \$12.00, in the U.S.A. for \$8.95. For an hour's work in Russia you get 1/3rd of a quart of milk in England, three quarts, in the U.S.A., six quarts.

One of the first things socialists would like to take over (but gradually, of course) is the power industries of America. But in France and England, the government has shown itself to be a very poor operator of utilities.

No thanks, Scraggly, we don't need a chauffeur with your rep.

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TALK

BY LESTER

Thoughts for the New Year:

Let's resolve, if we are veterans, to work with George Terry in building up the local post of the American Legion. George, the new commander, is putting forth a great deal of effort in trying to make a good commander.

However, George doesn't believe that the commander should run the post by himself, and he also doesn't believe the commander should have to make all the decisions. Furthermore, he feels that if a veteran in the area isn't satisfied with the way in which the Legion is being run here, he should attend the meetings and let it be known what he wants done and how it should be done.

So let's resolve, if we are veterans of World War I or II, to help George out.

I'm making that resolution myself, and I sure hope I keep it. Probably won't, however.

Let's resolve to encourage people to put in new businesses in McLean, and then when they do, let's support them with our trade and more encouragement. Every new business which comes into town will help the town in one way or another.

Sneaking new businesses, understand J. M. Payne is planning a photographic service here. His headquarters will be in Bob Shedd's new building, the Mullanax building next to the Post Office. Payne plans to develop films, make prints, etc., and also to take pictures of events which people often want to have recorded on film. It's a welcome service in McLean. More about it later when he gets set up.

Let's resolve to keep the new gym building new. When it is completed, it will be sparkling with newness and a beauty all of its own. That beauty will not stay long if we do not all do our part in keeping it neat and clean. It's public property, as much yours as anyone else's, so you should make up your mind to keep it in good shape. If you spit on the floor of your home then feel free to spit on the floor of the new building. If you do not spit on your home floor, then swallow it when you're in the new building.

Let's resolve to be more neighborly. Sounds like a silly resolution to you, does it? Well, how many times have you visited around with people in McLean last year? Or rather, how many different people did you visit with? Chances are, not very many. I have lived in McLean for slightly more than three years, and we

have been fortunate in having people visit in our home. But not very many different people. I doubt if I have been in more than 12 different homes in McLean during these three years—mainly because I didn't feel as if I would be welcome.

Why did I feel that way? Simply because the people in those other 400 or 500 homes didn't seem to want me.

Nothing would help McLean more than for us to be more neighborly—instead of being so clamish.

Let's resolve to be more friendly along with our neighborliness. By

that I mean let's speak to the people we meet on the streets. Let's not only speak to them, but act like we actually mean it. And before long, you'd be surprised how much it does mean to be able to speak to the people you meet. It gives you a warm feeling.

I try to speak to practically everyone I meet every day. Some days I speak to the same person a half dozen times or more, just as if I hadn't seen him or her in weeks. It does me good to do that.

I read once where a small town is the place where you speak to your friend and neighbor every

time you meet him, even though it may be a dozen times a day. McLean is a small town, you know.

Let's resolve to be more civic minded. Criticizing is all right, in my opinion, if you are willing to do your share of the work to correct what you are criticizing. But we have a number of local residents who gripe and criticize, but who do not want to do anything about it themselves.

By being civic minded, all of us, we can eliminate many of our troubles, or at least what we think are troubles. To be civic minded, a person must be willing to bear his share of the burden. Are you willing? If not, resolve to be: if you are, then resolve to continue to be.

Let's resolve to be more gracious. A gracious person is defined by Webster as one who has an attractive or pleasing character or appearance. That's one resolution I guess I need to take to heart. My character is often not very pleasing, and I don't suppose my appearance has ever been attractive. Maybe I shouldn't have mentioned anything about such a resolution as that.

By the way, if you should make any of these resolutions, make another to keep those you have already made. The woods are full of broken resolutions.

But whether you make these resolutions or not, whether you keep them or not, or whether you make others which will probably be better—I would like to wish all of you readers of this column (which would include my mother, myself, and one other, maybe) a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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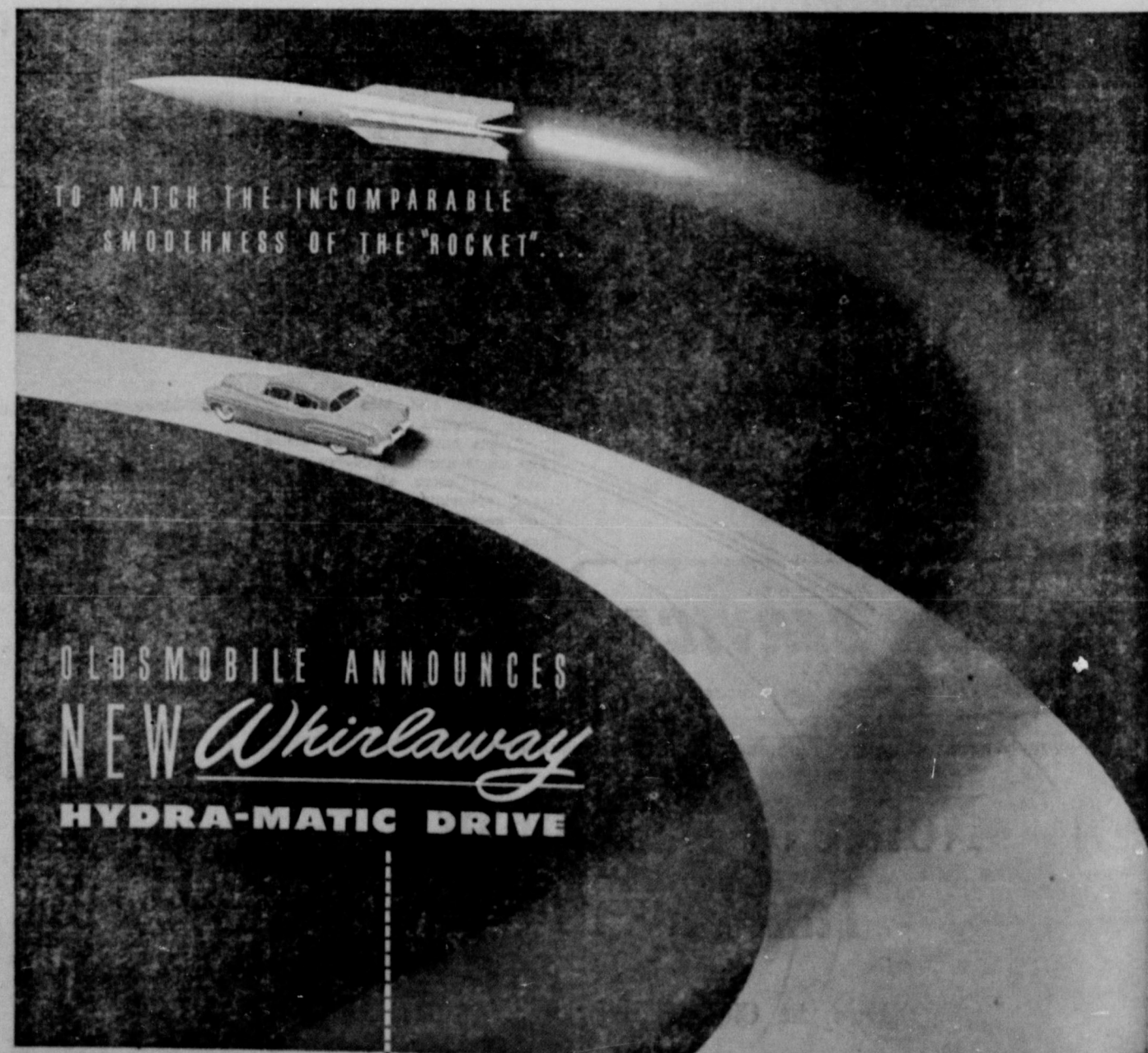
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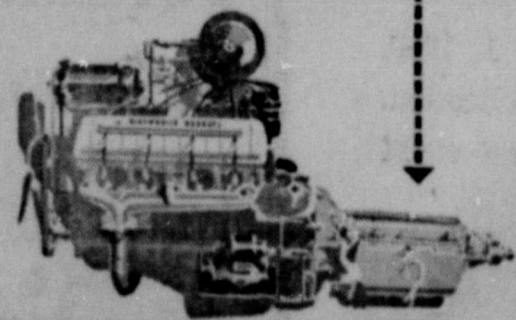
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Personal

Mr. and Mrs. John Key Lee of Austin are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Lee.

Holiday guests of Mrs. R. L. Harlan were Mr. and Mrs. Will Harlan of Skellytown; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kincaid and family of Oklahoma City; and Frank Harlan of Bueyeros, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Smith and sons, Jack and Lee, of Lubbock spent Saturday night and Sunday in the Edgar Petree home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howard and family spent the Christmas holidays in Mangum, Okla.

Holiday guests of Mrs. J. T. Glass and Margaret were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Kibler of Oklahoma City and Mrs. Frankie Purdy and daughter Mickey of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Orrick and family of Stuttgart, Ark., arrived Tuesday night to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. George Orrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Glass of Alameda visited friends and relatives in McLean over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Christie and family of Pampa spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Baker and Mrs. E. M. Christie.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wood and children of Amarillo visited their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sparks, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Baker and family of Pampa spent Christmas Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Baker, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Langham.

Rev. and Mrs. Herman L. Petty and son David of Fort Worth, Mrs. Nora Isabel Loveland of Abilene, and Mrs. Zora Idabel Kennedy of Amarillo were holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty and grandson, Vernon Kennedy, were Shamrock visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty, Vernon Kennedy, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Petty and son visited last Friday in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Rowland and Mr. and Mrs. Anon Leard of Amarillo.

Ronald and Conald Cunningham, who are attending New Mexico State College at Las Cruces, N. M., were home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wagner visited friends and relatives in Shamrock during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. James Harder of Levelland are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bogan visited Mr. and Mrs. Creed Bogan and daughter in Borger during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bazel Pettit and son Gary Don of Pampa visited with Mrs. J. B. Pettit during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Shedrick and daughter Rhonda Sue visited during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Maddox of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Sherrod and Joe and Jean shared their Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Walser and family, Gloria Stewart, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sherrod.

Mrs. Paul Mertel was hospitalized with an attack of appendicitis for a few days, but is home now and doing fine.

Mildred Holloway, who is attending nurses training school in Lubbock, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Holloway.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Carter during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Harde Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Blackman, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Blackman, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Bogard, Bill Bogard, and Connie Brady of Clarendon; Mr. and Mrs. Bazel Pettit and son of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. John Blackman of Bula, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Longino of Sapulpa, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Peabody and Mrs. J. B. Pettit.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Odell Mantooth were Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Mantooth of Weatherford, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tisdler and children of Weatherford, J. D. Pope of Lella Lake, and Miss Cleo Pope of Clarendon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. McCann of San Angelo visited with Mr. and Mrs. John Scott during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Nalton of Tulsa, Okla., were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Cllett.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mertel were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Smith of San Antonio, and Mr. and Mrs. Allan Harding of Clarendon.

Mr. and Mrs. Peb Everett and sons, Dick and Pete, visited with Mrs. M. J. Everett of Amarillo during the holidays.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank everyone for the many kindnesses extended to us at Christmastime; for the gifts of toys and foods; for the work done on our home; and for all the other remembrances. Your thoughtfulness will never be forgotten. May God bless each of you.

Mrs. Hester Adams and Children.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Dickinson during the holidays were Mrs. Nancy White of Trinidad, Colo., Jess Dickinson of Trinidad, Vernon Salmons of Tucson, Ariz., and Earnestine Dickinson of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. George Orrick spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Word of Alameda and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Orrick of Shamrock.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids for the purchase of the following school houses—Liberty in Wheeler County, Pleasant Mound in Collingsworth County, Skillet in Donley County, and Huntsman in Gray County—will be received by the McLean Independent School District, at the City Hall in McLean, Texas, until 7:00 p. m. January 9, 1950, and then publicly opened and read. The McLean school board reserves the right to accept or reject all bids. 52-2c

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And I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my sincere appreciation and gratitude to each of you for the many courtesies shown to me and my staff during 1949. You have been good to me and have cooperated willingly in our work of law enforcement. For this my staff and I are grateful and find it difficult to express in words our appreciation.

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LOST

Strayed from Walter Hagler place 4 miles south of McLean, two white-face yearlings, branded slash on left hip. Notify Cal Sugg, Wellington, Texas. 52-4p

WANTED

Want to buy—160-acre farm, well improved, close in. O. F. Anders. 1c

Man Found—

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 vealed upon questioning when he regained consciousness. Simpson suffered a head injury about a year ago, his father said, and he had been placed in the mental institution.
 Identity of a man found unconscious near U. S. Highway 66 two miles east of McLean Monday afternoon had not been determined by Wednesday morning, it was learned here.
 The young man was taken to the Shamrock hospital by highway patrolmen for treatment. He was unconscious when found, and was still in an unconscious condition late Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lee Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lee Jr. of McLean, and Mr. and Mrs. John Holly Lee of Austin visited with Mr. and Mrs. Junior Bonner and family in Graham during the holidays.

Texas 4-H'ers Win National Honors

SIX of Texas' state winners in 1949 received National honors for superior records of achievement in their respective 4-H award programs. Brief outlines of their records follow:



Hubert Frerich, 17, of Rowena, National 4-H Better Methods winner, saved 1 1/2 months' time and eliminated carrying 10,950 gallons of water by installing a hog waterer for his hog project, which also resulted in greater profits. Hubert's \$300 college scholarship was provided by Westinghouse Educational Foundation.

E. P. Wicker, Jr., 19, of Wilson, National 4-H Dairy Production winner, developed a herd of 18 registered Jersey cattle during his seven years in 4-H Club work. He has also done an excellent job with his meat animal and field crops programs. Young Wicker's \$300 college scholarship award was provided by Kraft Foods Company.

Lee Wolf, 19, of Gainesville, was National 4-H winner in the Tractor Maintenance program. Lee served ably on the committee making plans for a county-wide tractor clinic. His \$300 college scholarship award was provided by Stanolind Oil and Gas Co.

Bonnie Gallagher, 18, of Clarkwood, National 4-H Meat Animal winner, completed 63 projects during his 10 years in 4-H. He handled 113 baby heaves, 114 breeding cattle and 21 swine. His income from the sale of beef during this period was nearly \$21,000. Bonnie's award.

These programs are conducted under the direction of the Cooperative Extension Service.

SOCIETY

Junior Music Club Meeting Is Held In Boyett Studio

The Junior Music Club met in Mrs. Willie Boyett's studio December 16 for its regular meeting. Mrs. Frank Rodgers and Mrs. Earl Eustace were hostesses.

Billy Eugene Rodgers and Othelia Eustace were presented in repertoire playing. Billy Eugene played the following selections: "The Hunting Song," "Air in C Major," "Off We Go," "Campbell Train," "A Little Polonaise," and "Trick Riders."

Othelia played "Here We Come," "Drink to Me," "Long, Long Ago," "Evening Bells," "Teeter Totter," and "The Firefly."

Others appearing on the program were Bobby Weaver, Joe Lawrence Howard, Lou Ann Graham, Lester Sitter, Laura Mae Switzer, Suzanne Hibler, Deanne Clayton, Linda Foster, Pauline Erwin, Monta Jean Kennedy, Betty Dickinson, Max Billingslea, Gayle Mullanax, Cieta Sue Heasley, Donna Ruth Magee, Glenda Switzer, Glen Howard, Mollie Erwin, Beth Brooks, and Bobby Decker.

Students on the honor roll are Max Billingslea, Bobby Boyd, Beth Brooks, Barbara Ruth Carter, Bobby Decker, Betty Ruth Dickinson, Mollie Erwin, Pauline Erwin, Glen Howard, Monta Jean Kennedy, Donna Ruth Magee, Gayle Mullanax, Billy Eugene Rodgers, Lester Sitter, Glenda Switzer, Frankie Tucker, Mary Lou Watkins, Bobby Weaver, Cieta Sue Heasley, and Deanne Clayton. There were 27 guests present.

Littlefield—

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Littlefield, once-beaten and once-tied, wound up the season with a 13-0 victory over the Mexia Blackcats in the final Class A game held Monday afternoon at Abilene before 13,000 fans. The Wildcats racked up two touchdowns early in the second quarter, then settled down to hold the Mexia eleven the remainder of the game.

The Wildcats, downed in their first game of the season by Dal-

hart and later tied by Suda became stronger as the season progressed. Prior to the beginning of play-offs, they were given much chance at winning the title, but turned out to be favored in the final tilt. The Mexia eleven went unbeaten as untied to the final game.

Littlefield thus became the second Class A champion of Texas Class A football was set up in 1948 to allow state play-offs, with the Monahans team taking the first title last year.

Bees have four wings.

DOG GADGETS

By Harry Miller, Director, GAINES DOG RESEARCH CENTER

ON HIS LAST ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION ADMIRAL BYRD WAS ACCOMPANIED BY 150 DOGS

CALIFORNIA, WITH 37 ALL-BREED EVENTS ANNUALLY, HOLDS MORE DOG SHOWS THAN ANY OTHER STATE

THE SPRINGER SPANIEL GOT HIS NAME BECAUSE OF HIS MANNER OF 'SPRINGING' OR DRIVING GAME OUT OF COVER

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Specialist Warns Livestock Owners Against Poisoning

Prussic acid poisoning proves a serious threat to the state's livestock owners immediately after frost, reports H. I. Featherly, Oklahoma A. and M. College botanist.

Poisoning may result from pasturing livestock on sorghums, African millet, Johnson grass, or sudan after frost. The frost causes the plant to wilt and in the process, a chemical change takes place which may make the plant a deadly poison.

Featherly points out that in normal autumns, the plants which are young and succulent, especially volunteers or second growth, are likely to be dangerous after frost. Animals affected by prussic poisoning are horses, cattle, sheep, or any other animal that eats the plant when it is in a poisonous condition.

Symptoms of the poison are staggering, falling, convulsions, increased breathing, slobbering, tongue hanging, rolling of the eyes, and general paralysis. Cat-

Notice to Parents

A City Ordinance Prohibits the Shooting Of Air Guns Within the City Limits

A large number of complaints from residents of the city have been received concerning the firing of air guns by children in our city limits. We want to call attention to the fact that there is an ordinance prohibiting the firing of such guns in the city, and the violators are subject to fine.

Parents of children who are firing the air guns are asked to have their children stop this practice before further action becomes necessary. There is danger to life as well as property involved, and the ordinance will have to be enforced.

City of McLean

Christmas Banquet Honors Baptist Officers, Teachers

A Christmas banquet was held Wednesday night of last week in the basement of the First Baptist Church for the church officers and teachers.

Table decorations, place cards, and favors carried out the holiday theme.

Mrs. George Colebank, on behalf of the group, presented gifts to Howard Williams, church treasurer; Marnelle Ledgerwood, secretary, and Eunice Stratton, clerk.

Thirty-two people attended the banquet.



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