

By HOP JR.

In desperation, we checked with Willie last week to see if it is EVER going to turn loose with a little wet weather. He vows it will snow by Christmas, so maybe everything will be all right.

On this weather predicting: We ran across a seemingly pointless little article the other evening until we got to thinking about it.

What has ever happened to all the prairie dogs we used to have in this country? Did we actually exterminate them?

We can remember only a few short years ago when the whole country was crawling with the little varments and the county agent and all the government agencies were out to get 'em. Did we really rub them out? This writer hasn't seen a prairie dog in a long, long time.

If you're wondering what 'dogs have to do with weather predictions, we read where the old cowboys used to watch the activities of these little rodents with more than just a passing interest.

A person really studying their habits (said the story), could foretell of an impending big rain or other disturbance days in advance—when there wasn't even a cloud in the sky.

The prairie dogs are supposed to know when it's going to rain (this part of the story we can hardly believe), and because of this natural instinct, they always swarm into activity before a storm by building up the mounds of earth around the holes in which they live.

The mounds, of course, serve to keep rushing water from entering the hole and drowning the little ones—besides making it mighty messy and inconvenient for Mr. and Mrs. Prairie Dog.

How about it—does this sound half-cracked to you readers? Anybody know where we can get a bona fide prairie dog? We'd like to try this one out, just for laughs!

Several people who do not visit in our home or stop by the office very often have asked us if the Little Man is getting along pretty well.



In answer to their inquiries, we have here a small picture of him which was taken about the first of this month. The picture is accurate in the degree that it shows how ready with a big smile he usually is, but in all honesty, we must say that it is a very poor representation of his seemingly limitless energy.

A more suitable portrait would be just a blur.

Ever since we can remember, it has always been a dreaded after-holiday chore to take down the Christmas tree. There is no comparison to be found in the fun we have putting it up—it's really a job to get ourselves to take the ornaments from the tree, one by one, and store them away for another year.

In fact, we usually put off this unsavory job as long as possible—sometimes until the 10th of January.

The problem has been solved in the Graham home this season, however. With a meddlesome 20-month-old boy tearing through the house, our concern is how to keep the tree up. Tearing it down will prove no problem whatsoever.

Santa Fe Freight Stacks Up 23 Cars

Dozens, if not hundreds, of residents in and around Friona flocked to the scene of large-scale derailment Monday evening about nightfall, as 23 cars of an east-bound Santa Fe freight stacked accordion-fashion just south of the L&H Gln Company on the southwestern outskirts of Friona.

No one was injured in the wreck, the cause of which is unknown, but the big cars and their contents were crushed and twisted like matchboxes. The derailment occurred seven cars behind the locomotive, according to Hook Simmons, engineer.

Most of the cars were refrigerated, designed for transporting fresh fruits and vegetables, and several of them spilled their contents alongside the railroad right-of-way.

Within 24 hours, traffic was being moved through the scene of the accident again, but the mangled remains of the train had not been taken away.

JIM'S CAFE TO CLOSE

Mrs. Jim Moore this week announced that Jim's Cafe in Texico will be closed from Christmas Eve until Jan. 3 while she is visiting and "cleaning the place up."

THEY MAKE IT LOOK SO EASY



Operators of this huge crane made it look like a snap to unload these heavy steel beams from a railroad flatcar and then erect them as the framework for the new Farwell High School gymnasium. The beams, which were trundled down Third St. to the school site from a siding in the northern part of town, attracted many spectators, most of whom declared that the crane being used to move them was the biggest they had ever seen.

Residents Observe Christmas

Most community and church observances of Christmas are now past and surrounding area residents are preparing for their individual family gatherings.

Christmas decorations have been up since Dec. 11 and most businesses are planning to be closed Christmas Day.

Community Tree on Christmas Eve
The annual Oklahama Lane community Christmas celebration is to be in the Methodist Church this year and the theme of the program is to be "The Living Christ."

Mrs. Dee Brown is director of the program and her committee members are Wendol Christian, Jimmy McGuire, Mrs. Bobby Foster, and Dorothy Donaldson.

In the presentation, Harold Carpenter and McGuire will portray the prodigal son and his father; James Roach, Lloyd Guber and Frank Doshier Jr. are to enact the story of the Good Samaritan; Truman Kent and Walter Verner will be two rich men. T. C. Hukill is to be Nicodemus, Jackie Brown is to be Zacheus, Lee Mason is to be Simon, and R. E. Blankenship will be Paul. Wiseman will be played by Howard Garner, Sterling Donaldson, and James McDorman. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Snodgrass are playing Joseph and Mary.

David Willard will provide organ accompaniment and Rev. Vernon Willard will read the scripture. Rev. Vance Zinn will sing "Oh, Holy Night."

Farwell Baptists Have Special Program

Rev. E. J. Keith, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Farwell, extends a special invitation to all to come to Sunday School and Church Sunday and to bring their company with them. Services are at 10 and 11 a. m. and a special evening program is planned.

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Cotton growers and "all others interested in agricultural development" have been invited to attend a meeting Monday night, Dec. 27, at the Friona High School auditorium, beginning at 7:30.

The meeting is sponsored by the Parmer County Cotton Improvement Assn., and Arlin Hartzog, Association president, this week said that the purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the cotton allotment and factors affecting "trends" in Parmer County. Agricultural authorities will be on hand, he says.

This meeting will be similar to those held in seven other counties on the Plains in the past two weeks. Representatives of these counties (including Parmer) gathered at Tulla Monday of this week to talk the cotton situation. Attending from this county were W. L. Edelman, W. H. Long, and County Agent Joe Jones.

Previous to this meeting, the board of directors of the Association conferred in Bovina last Friday night and agreed to draft a "presentation" in the form of a letter setting forth the cotton situation as they see it in Parmer County, and to forward copies of this letter to a number of agricultural administration officials.

Here is the letter adopted and sent to a list of officials, including (Continued on last page)

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THE TRIBUNE'S EDITORIAL COMMENT

A Few Casual Thoughts About Christmas for 1954

There is no other time of year which can compare with that of Christmas in America, which finds men and women more like they should be all the time. Truly, it takes a veritable "Scrooge" not to absorb in some degree the warm tingle of the Yuletide.

In this, our annual Christmas edition, all of us join together to wish all of you a most sincere greeting for Christmas of 1954. Especially to the patrons of these columns—our advertisers—have we been indebted over the months and years past.

The businessmen of the communities in which we are proud to serve have been most generous, especially with this particular edition which you are now reading. As we do not have, and do not plan to have, a paper built around a New Year's theme, we also have included in this edition quite a bit of material suitable for the occasion of observing another year.

At the moment, our only wish is that you, as a reader and a citizen of America, will come to find the true meaning of Christmas, for only through an understanding and practice of our faith can we all come to have abiding peace in this old world.



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Figures Don't Mean We're Rich, But They Are Sure Encouraging

The figures published in this newspaper last week which showed that the farmers of Parmer County harvested \$25,000,000 worth of crops during this year don't necessarily mean that everyone is getting rich—far from it. But it does mean that our part of the country is miles ahead of many other areas in the arid Southwest, and that we are doing a lot better than holding our own in spite of extreme circumstances.

By splitting that 25 million into 1000 parts (there are about 1000 farm families in the county), it means that the gross income of the average county farmer this year was roughly \$25,000. Of course, some were considerably above this, some considerably below.

Also the figure mentioned in no way indicates the actual amount of money "made." The expense of farming with the aid of deep-well water is tremendously greater than methods which were used for years under dryland conditions.

However, the point that we want to make is that many, many people who depend upon farm trade were able to stay in business this year because the farmers of this area produced so much in 1954. Every businessman in every community of the county is directly dependent upon the farmer for sustenance. When the farmer misses a crop, so does the businessman.

And here is the ideal place to call our attention to another point that is often overlooked: If farmers would spend more of that \$25,000,000 right in their own communities instead of running off to Amarillo or Lubbock, it would mean that more of that money would stay in circulation around home and indirectly be a great aid to the farmer.

Our idea of giving presents at Christmastime is sometimes all our of order. We are careful not to overlook any of our friends who really do not need the presents at all. What about the destitute family down the street a few blocks? Will you remember someone who really needs and would appreciate a small gift this Christmas?

News From Rhea

By NOLA DRAGER

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Denney of Roswell, N. M., visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Alderson Sunday. He is a nephew of Mrs. Alderson. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Woltman and Butch and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Minter visited later in the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Botkins of Summerfield visited in the home of Mrs. Botkin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lawrence, Sunday. Also visiting were Mr. Botkin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Botkin of Tahoka, and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Ellis of Happy.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Sifford of Umbarger visited in the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Sifford, Sunday. They brought their dogs along and went coyote hunting. Billy Sifford reported that they caught two coyotes.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Bauer and family went to church at Hereford and in the afternoon visited in the home of Mrs. Bauer's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hoffman.

Mrs. Clara Sachs came home after a long stay with Evelyn Sachs of Long Beach, Calif.

Irene Schueler will leave Christmas Day noon from St. Joseph, Mich. to spend part of the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schueler.

Last Tuesday, Pastor and Mrs. Pullman entertained Pastor and Mrs. Koestner and daughters of Hereford and Pastor and Mrs. Sterling of Clovis.

Jake Johnson and E. T. Melton of Marionville, Mo., visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Alderson Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Calaway and boys of Bovina visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Calaway.

Mr. and Mrs. Flody Schlenker went to the Christmas party of REA and RTA Saturday night at Hereford.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Patterson and family visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schueler, Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Woolever of Clovis, spent Sunday in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schueler.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Patterson were her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Ritchie and family of Bovina.

On Friday, Dec. 24, the children of the Lutheran Church will present a program on the Christmas Story.

Melvin Sachs and C. G. Drager went to Amarillo to the L. L. A. meeting.

Mr. C. W. Dixon has two new irrigation wells on his farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Taylor of Friona visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schlenker.

Gladys Dean and Mrs. Flody Schlenker went shopping in Clovis Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schueler visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schueler, Sunday.

Leroy Baurer of Canyon visited in the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Bauer, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Wagner and family had dinner with Pastor and Mrs. Pullmann, Sunday.

The choir of the Lutheran Church went caroling, Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Kunkel went to Tulia to see his parents.

Wolverines Clatter By Bronchos 48-44; Girls Win 36-25

The Wolverines outlasted Floyd Bronchos Friday night to win a thriller in a three minute overtime with a score of 48-44. The girls had an easy victory over the Floyd girls 36-25.

A free toss in the last few seconds of the regular playing time saved the game for the Texico boys. Having to go into a three minute overtime, Allen Kelley made six out of six free tosses to cinch the win for Texico.

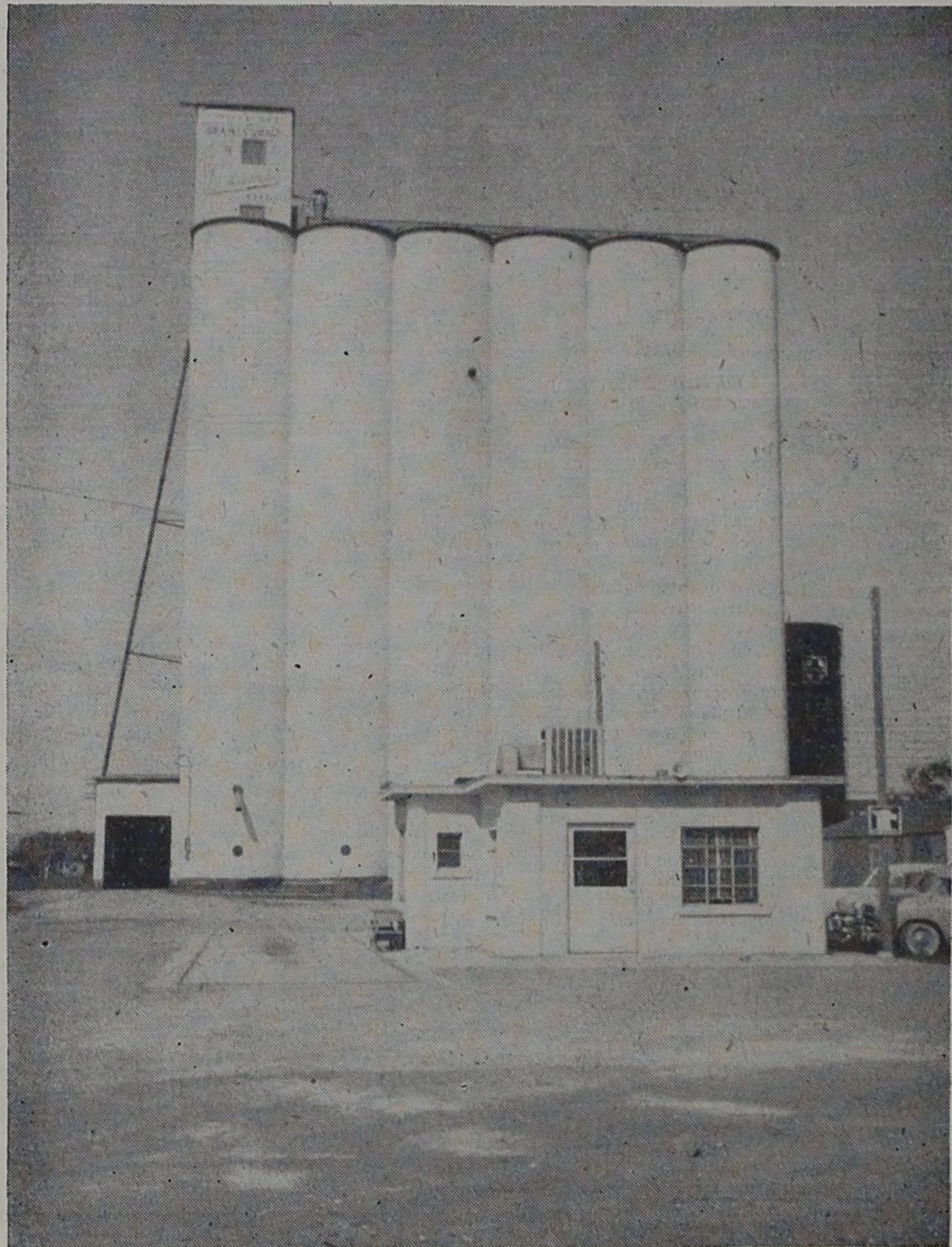
The high scoring honors go to Kenneth Reid with 5 field baskets and 7 free tosses for a total of 17 points.

When the whistle blew for the time out during the girls game, the band played the funeral march as a corpse was brought in on a stretcher to represent the plight of the opposing team.

Have New Grandson

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Tipton were in Hereford Sunday afternoon to see their new grandson, born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Bert Tipton.

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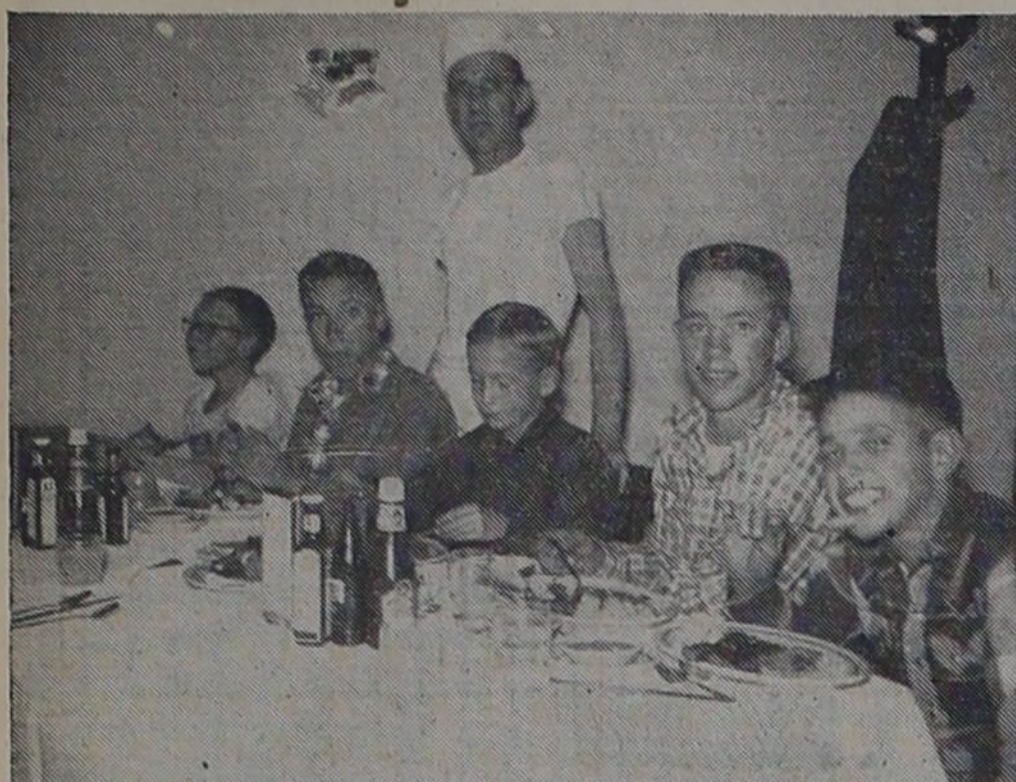
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Just because he wanted to "do something for the boys," Shirley Kesner of the City Cafe in Farwell invited newspaper carriers of Texico and Farwell to a free steak dinner Monday night.

Texico Farm Bureau Has Christmas Party

A Christmas party was enjoyed by members of Texico Farm Bureau local, when they met in the school lunchroom Thursday night.

During the business session, it was voted to have the next two meetings on the second Thursday of the month to avoid conflicting with the Curry County "42" games.

Following a report on the State Farm Bureau Convention given by Olan Schleuter, the program was turned over to Mrs. Roger Grisom.

Gail Hadley led the group in singing Christmas songs, accompanied at the piano by her mother, Mrs. John Hadley Jr., Jean Hadley then sang "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer."

A trio composed of Patsy Fain, Mary Ann McDaniel, and Gail Hadley sang "Here Comes Santa Claus."

Mrs. Lloyd Roberts of Clovis gave a reading entitled "The Christmas Rose."

After the exchange of gifts, refreshments of popcorn balls, coffee and cold drinks were served to the 34 members and five guests present.

Visit in Lubbock

Mr. and Mrs. John Lockhart and family were in Lubbock, Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Paul Whitney and family. The group enjoyed an early Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Graham spent last weekend in Morton. They attended a choral club and band Christmas program and a church Christmas observance in which their grandchildren were participants.

The B. N. Graham family will have their Christmas dinner on Christmas eve when all their children with the exception of a son in Sumatra, will be home. They plan to spend Christmas day with Mrs. Graham's people in Lamesa.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioners' Court of Parmer County, Texas, will receive bids at the Courthouse in Farwell, Texas, until 10:00 a. m. on January 10, 1955, for the purchase of one Diesel, Tandem Drive Motor Grader of approximately 115 horsepower, equipped with enclosed cab, cab heater, 14-foot blade with one 2-ft. left hand blade extension, rain traps, and hydraulic steering booster.

The County will offer in trade and part payment one "Caterpillar" No. 12 Motor Grader, Serial No. 9K 320, located in Precinct No. 2.

The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids. A. D. SMITH 11-2tc

Mrs. Jessie Orr, Moberly, Mo., arrived Saturday to visit Mrs. Lillian Aldridge and family over the holidays. She will return next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Randol were dinner guests in the home of the Grayson Roberts in Texico Sunday.

OES Has Special Christmas Program

Instead of exchanging gifts members of the Bovina Eastern Star Chapter brought a dollar in a Christmas card to the last meeting. The money will go to ladies in the OES home in Arlington.

Mrs. Glenn Dunn, Muleshoe, a former Texas Grand Officer, was to have spoken to the group, but illness prevented her coming. Christmas carols by the group

and two solos, "White Christmas," and "No Room in the Inn," by Mrs. W. H. Graham were included on the program.

Clown Gives Program For Three Schools

"Happy" Maxwell, sponsored by the Southern School Assemblies, gave programs in the Texico, Farwell, and Bovina schools last week. Several stunts and jokes completed the program.



Letters To Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus, I have tried very hard to be a good boy and hope you think I am. Please bring me a punching bag, cork gun, and Mr. and Mrs. Potatohead set. I like fruit, Auts, and any kind of candy. My brother and I hope you will get to visit all the children in the world. We will leave a lunch on the kitchen table for you.

Love, Galen Ray Brewer

Dear Santa, Please bring me a tiny tears doll and a bassinette and all so bring my sister Connie a tiny tears doll and electric stove. My brother Al wants a tractor. Bring my new baby brother Ty, a soft rubber toy. Love from all of us.

Linda, Connie, Al and Ty Phillips

Dear Santa, I am a little boy 10 months old today. I have not learned to walk yet, but I am trying mighty hard.

Please bring me some pull toys. Remember all the other boys and girls.

Love, Tim I. Mercer

Farwell Teams Split Victories with Morton

Farwell basketball teams, split their victories with the Morton teams in games played Monday night in Morton.

The girls lost to the hosts, 38-22. Glenna Ruth Davis paced the locals, scoring 16 points. The Farwell lasses led at the end of the first quarter, 14-12, but lagged behind in the second canto and never regained a lead.

The local boys came out on the long end of a 59-42 score. The Steers led, 18-13 at the end of the first period of play, and maintained their lead throughout the game. Doyle Ford was high scorer for the locals, with 16 points, closely followed by Eddie Smith who scored 13.

The teams have two games scheduled for next week. Three of them will be played against Springlake on Dec. 30, with the girls' game scheduled at 6 p. m. and the A and B team boys games following. Two boys games are set for Saturday night, Jan. 1, when both the A and B teams meet Elida, games starting at 7:30 p. m.

Community Christmas Tree Is Traditional At Texico School

By Bobbye Richardson

If you've never been to a community tree, you've really missed something. For years, the Texico Community Christmas Tree has drawn a larger crowd than any other school function.

If you haven't quite got into the swing of things and really don't have the Christmas spirit, here's one place where you're sure to get it.

To see jolly Saint Nick make his grand entrance and hear him tell of his airplane trip from the North Pole (unless there's snow, in which case he comes in his sleigh) is quite a thrill.

After all this, if you still feel like "Scrooge," just to watch the children's faces as they open the package Santa gives them under the huge brilliantly decorated Christmas tree, should be enough to melt even the coldest heart.

The Texico Community Christmas Tree was begun in 1935. Some thought that the community tree was a job for the churches and that donations would be hard to get, but after the school board started things rolling with \$5 each, it was easy to get the needed sum to fill the candy sacks for the 250 people who attended the first tree.

Speaking of candy sacks, sacking those treats is a lot of fun. It's done assembly line style, and the only difference in that assembly line then and now is that the teachers used to have to do it. It seems the teachers didn't enjoy it nearly as much as the high school students do now.

Yes, the community Christmas Tree is really something. You go out the door with a bag under one arm, a gift under the other, and a heart full of Christmas joy.

Texico "42" Club Wins Two Games

Members of the Texico "42" Club defeated two Center teams in games played Monday night at Center.

The Gillean team beat the Jones team of Center 39 1/2-32 1/2. The Spears team beat the Bass team of Center, 37 1/2-34 1/2.

Both teams are scheduled to play again Jan. 3, in matches at Texico, according to Clyde McDaniel.

Herman Gerles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gerles, arrived home Tuesday, after spending 15 months in Germany. Following his leave, Herman will be stationed in Altus, Okla.

Also home on furlough is another son, Bob, who is stationed at Camp Lajeune of North Carolina.



In These Days of Many Changes

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We have added the service of a competent gear-head repair man and offered this important service to irrigation farmers of the area.

And, most important, we have started on our new building in Farwell which will enable us to improve still further the service to this rapidly developing area.

By the way, if you're thinking of putting down a well this winter, we'd sure like to talk it over!

Seasons Greetings

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Social Events of Interest

Lutheran Ladies Reveal Secret Pals At Christmas Party

Mrs. Eddie Ramm was hostess to the Lutheran Ladies Aid Christmas party last Wednesday. Secret pal gifts were exchanged and identities revealed.

The members donated money to go to a hospital for mentally handicapped children in California, and sent gifts to a shut-in member of the church.

Refreshments were served to Mesdames J. A. Kaltwasser, Gilbert Kaltwasser, Ernest Kube, Ben Kube, Fred Ramm, Adolph Haseloff, Henry Haseloff Jr., Mary Kube, H. E. Schaffer, Walter Kaltwasser, Martin Kriegel and Otto Lingnau.

Fern Tipton Honored With Surprise Party

Fern Tipton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Tipton, was honored with a surprise birthday party on her fifteenth birthday, Friday night.

Early in the evening, the honoree had been invited to the G. W. Magness home for ice cream and birthday cake, since the occasion was also Mrs. Magness' birthday.

Upon returning home, Fern found the guests assembled to wish her a "Happy Birthday."

Favors were Christmas bags of fruit and candy prepared for the party by Mrs. J. C. Banks and Mrs. J. O. Ford.

Cake and punch were served by Merlene Crook, Sue McGinnis, Catherine Pullam, Vera Williams, Martha Smith, Naomi Hubbell, Rocky Foster, Tommy Lovelace, Delvin Langford, Billy Smith, Glen Hardage, Eugene Merriman, Melvin Hendrickson, Phillip White, Mitchell Walls, Ernest Rael.

Also, Glen McDorman, Leon Jamison, Darral Martin, Frankie Coffman, Doug Tucker, Darrell Garner, Preston Cain, Johnny Guley, Jimmy Cain, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mears, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Magness, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Tipton, and the honoree.

Those unable to attend, but sending gifts were Mr. and Mrs. Mose Glasscock, Miss Ella Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Mitz Walling, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Tipton, Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Cates, and Miss Marian Smith.

WMU, Brotherhood Have Xmas Meetings

Ray Tharp furnished the food for the turkey dinner served members of the Men's Brotherhood of the Texico Baptist Church. Nineteen members and six guests were present and members of the group presented the program. The topic was "The Power of Prayer."

Plans for the next meeting which will be the annual ladies' night on Jan. 4, were discussed. Willie Joe Carpenter and D. J. Brown are to be in charge of food and program arrangements.

Mrs. Wilma Nell Whitenor brought the Royal service lesson to members of the Texico WMU last Thursday. Her subject was, "How Far Is Bethlehem?"

SURPRISED WITH PARTY



Mrs. J. C. Temple, local pioneer, poses happily with her many gifts received Saturday, when she was honored with a surprise party, in honor of her 85th birthday.

Surprise Party Fetes Mrs. Temple

Mrs. J. C. Temple of Farwell doesn't let anything "get her down" and she was all smiles for a birthday party Saturday afternoon, to celebrate her 85th year. Although Mrs. Temple has been quite ill in past months, she was back on her feet and having the time of her life, when guests began arriving early Saturday afternoon, to give their good wishes.

The party was a surprise, staged by her daughters, Mrs. Ruby Dixon, and Laura Temple, and Mrs. Ella Montgomery, a niece. Mrs. Temple couldn't understand why the girls wanted her to get all prettied up early in the day Saturday, since they hadn't told her they were planning to go anywhere. But she complied with their wishes and was all ready for the party when friends began calling.

Birthday cake, apple juice or punch were served to attendants, and the afternoon was spent visiting with the honoree.

Mrs. Temple was born at Kemel, Texas, near the Brazos River, December 18, 85 years ago. The fact that her birthday was near Christmas doesn't bother her at all. "My sister always told me that I was their Christmas present that year," she said, as she explained that they took care of her when she was small and remarked in later years that she was "their doll" then.

The local woman then married the late J. C. Temple on July 7, 1895 in Waxahachie. They moved to Farwell 46 years ago, and the family has resided here ever since. Four children were born to the union. They lost one baby, and the two daughters reside with their mother in Farwell. A son, Elmer Temple, and his family, live in

Christmas Devotional Brought by Mrs. Camp

Mrs. Dorothy Camp brought the Christmas devotional, "Are You Ready For Christmas?" to the Companion class of the Texico Baptist Church at their Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Ansel Doolittle Tuesday of last week.

Business discussed included the changing of the meeting date from the third Tuesday of each month to the third Monday of each month. They also voted to give a basket of food to a needy family.

The hostess directed several games and prizes went to Mesdames Margaret London, Camp, and Betty Perry. The entire group exchanged gifts.

Refreshments of ice cream balls, individual cakes with "Merry Christmas" inscribed on them, and a hot punch were served to Mesdames Camp, London, Perry, Betty Donahey, Peggy Donahey, Margie Fought, Bonnie Cohee, Glenda Carpenter, Rita Dollar, and T. E. Roth, teacher.

Bonnie Cohee will be hostess at the January meeting.

Unique Game Begins Party

The Midway HD Club met in the home of Mrs. Davis Guley for their Christmas tree and program Dec. 14.

Mrs. Pearl Brown was in charge of the program and recreation. As the guests came in, Mrs. Brown pinned a name of a Christmas toy on their backs and they had to guess the name of the toy.

Mrs. Dorothy Brown opened the program with prayer. Mrs. Gladys Smallwood read the second chapter of Luke and Mrs. Elzoda Guley read "Don't Miss Christmas this Year."

Gifts were exchanged from a beautiful Christmas tree.

Refreshments of popcorn balls, candy, and apples were served to Miss Corinne Stinson, Mrs. Mildred Redwine, Mrs. Eileen Chitwood, Mrs. Pearl Brown, Gladys Smallwood, Bernice Sployn, Bess Hobbs, Dorothy Brown, Lillis Garner and Dorothy Ray Harlan.

Visit in Moss Home

Here for Christmas in the Luther Moss home will be the Moss' married daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Parris and children, Pamela and Lloyd Wayne, of Pecos City, Texas.

Also here for the family dinner will be Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hoard, of Eugene, Ore., parents of Mrs. Moss. This will be their first Christmas with their daughter in several years.

Albuquerque. Mrs. Temple is also blessed with three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Asked about her most memorable birthday, Mrs. Temple recalls that she was honored with a party on her 79th birthday, when more than 20 guests called to give her good wishes.

Attending the party Saturday were Mrs. M. B. McKinney, Mrs. Lena Yoder, Mrs. Grace Sanders, Mrs. Jennie Cox, Mrs. Albert Thomas, Mrs. John Guyer, Mrs. Chas. Lovelace, Mrs. Susie Jesko, Mrs. W. H. Graham, Rev. and Mrs. M. H. Stroup, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Graham Jr., Ronny Graham, Mrs. Anne Overstreet, Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Morgan, Mrs. Eddie Smith, Mrs. Ralph Humble, and Mrs. B. N. Graham.

Late callers were a grandson and his family, the Harold Dixons of Albuquerque.

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Aprons Given Women At Christmas Party

Aprons were presented to the attendance winners of the Golden Circle class of Texico Baptist Church recently, at the annual Christmas party of the group, by the losing contestant winners. The social was held in the home of Mrs. Mable Tharp.

After a short business discussion, women decided to have the contest each month. Iona Chappell and Clara Bell Smith were captains of the losing team and winning captains were Dot Richardson and Juanita Pruitt.

The program featured a flannel-graph of the first Christmas, narrated and pictured by Aileen Pearce and Margaret White. Mrs. White then directed Christmas carols.

Coffee, cocoa and California fruit cake were served to Mesdames Edith Cox, Muriel Thomas, Florene Clayton, Nell Autry, Jean Owen, Ophelia Billington, Mary Jean Patrick, Jeanean Grisham, Minnie Paul, Dot Richardson, Mary Peyton, Mable Tharp, Aileen Pearce, Margaret White, Katherine Lockhart, Evelyn Hadley, Juanita Pruitt, Velma Kelley, Willie Doshier, Margie Short and a new member, Mable Kesner.

Attend Band Concert

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Pool and son Sam, were in Morton Sunday to attend the band concert, and to visit Mr. and Mrs. Truett McCuiston. McCuiston was formerly agriculture teacher at Farwell.

Other local people attending the concert were Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. George Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Danforth.

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These fourteen home economics students received commendation from their teacher, Mrs. Edna Cates, for the fine job they did serving the county teachers at their quarterly banquet. They made the organdy aprons and maids' caps especially for the occasion. In the back row, left to right, are Agnes Kriegel, Ima Jean McKillip, Shirley Atchley, Cora Sue Atchley, Lucille Carpenter, Mary Ann Walls, Angela Williams, Naomi Hubbell, Pat Aldridge, and Murlene Crook. Those in the front row are Wanda Metcalf, Betty Smart, Marian Smith, and Rebecca Foster.

Amarillo Supt. Speaks to Teachers

Approximately 100 county teachers attended the quarterly meeting in the Farwell school cafeteria last Wednesday night, at which Charles Rogers, superintendent of Amarillo Schools, spoke on "Teacher Retirement."

Mrs. Shelby Jobs' Swing Band and the boys' quartet furnished the remainder of the program.

On the menu were chicken and dressing with date pudding and whipped cream.

Mrs. Lenton Pool was in charge of decorations. A Christmas theme was carried out with a castle loaned by Mrs. R. B. Tucker's fourth grade class and a fireplace furnished by the home ec department. The centerpiece on the head table was a styrafoam Santa and his sleigh. Place cards were boots.

The next meeting is planned for sometime in March and will be at the Lazbuddie school.

Alta Sheets and Frieda Locker, Muleshoe, and Elaine and Darrell Martin, Farwell, were in Amarillo Monday shopping.

Home on Leave

Cary Joe Magness, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Magness, is home on leave from the Army. He will report back to Camp Gordon in Augusta, Ga., on January 2.

A. C. Henneman Here for Visit

A. C. Henneman, who is stationed with the Air Force in Wichita Falls, arrived here Friday night to spend the holidays with his wife and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Dial. Mrs. Henneman has

been a guest in the home of her parents for about two weeks.

Henneman, who is attending accounting school, will return to his base January 4.

They also plan to visit with his mother, Mrs. Bess Henneman of Hereford. She is a former resident of this community.

Miss Hettie Nann Randol, daughter of the Sam Randols, is to arrive tomorrow from Ft. Worth to visit with her parents over the weekend. Another daughter of the Randols, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Fain, are to come Wednesday to visit through New Years.

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Rebecca Class Has Christmas Party

The Johnnie Williams home was scene of the annual Christmas party for members of the Rebecca Sunday School class of First Baptist Church, Farwell, recently. Christmas decorations were used throughout the house. Mrs. E. J. Keith was in charge of entertainment for the evening and Mrs. W. M. Turner gave the devotional. Gifts were exchanged. Popcorn balls, candy, apples and coffee were served to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Magness, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Dial, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Coffey, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hardage, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Huggins, Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Keith, Mrs. Ed Hardage, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Branscum, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Henson, Mrs. Maude Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Joe McWilliams, Mrs. Frank Doshier and Mrs. E. G. Williams.

Women Have Party In Rundell Home

Regular meeting of the Esther class of Farwell Baptist Church was held last week in the home of Mrs. Weldon Rundell with the Christmas motif used for entertainment and decorations. Carols were led by Mrs. Dub Mercer, and Mrs. Fred Curtis gave the devotional on "The Christmas Story." Mrs. Raymond Martin, president, directed a short business session. Gifts were then exchanged. Spudnuts, coffee, Cokes and peppermint canes were served to Mesdames Joe McWilliams, Joe Reed, Jack Spurlin, Raymond Martin, Charlie Hromas, Calvin Blain, Clarence Johnson, Calvin Murray, Cecil Rundell, Dub Mercer, Kenneth Fields, and the hostesses, Mrs. Curtis and Mrs. Rundell.

GA's Enjoyed Christmas Caroling

Intermediate GA's of the First Baptist Church in Texico met in the home of their sponsor, Mrs. Ansel Doolittle, for a Christmas party and Christmas caroling. The young people met and then went caroling. Later they returned to the Doolittle home for refreshments and exchange of gifts. Those attending were Bobbie Richardson, Audrey Hapke, Nadine Thornton, Gloria Johnson, Darlene Day, Mary and Molly Barnes, Nancy Glaze, Joanne Tadlock, Dena Bess Moore, Virgie Thatcher, Lynell Howard and Mrs. Doolittle.

Town and Country HD Club Has Party

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kube were hosts to the members of the Town and Country Home Demonstration Club and their husbands at a party last Thursday evening. Following the exchange of gifts, the guests played "42" and Canasta. Refreshments of sandwiches, Christmas cookies, coffee, cocoa, and homemade candy were served to Miss Corinne Stinson, Mrs. W. T. Magness, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Haseloff, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wilbits, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Magness, Mr. and Mrs. Joe White.

FHA Girls Have Christmas Party

About 35 girls attended the Farwell FHA Christmas party Tuesday of last week, according to Mrs. Edna Cates, sponsor. Refreshments of cranberry punch and festive cookies were prepared and served by the junior girls. The centerpiece featured a large red candle arranged with angel hair and pine cones. Secret pal gifts were exchanged and Phyllis Magness directed games. John Lockhart is visiting his mother, Mrs. Rebecca Lockhart, in Paris, Texas, this week.

Sisters Visit Engrams

Three sisters of Edward Engram are visitors in the Engram home this week, Mrs. L. E. Yoder, California; Mrs. Jess Lewis, Wichita, Kans.; and Mrs. R. A. Boddy, Santa Fe. Also here for the holidays are the Engram's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Williams. Williams is the son of Mrs. Cora Williams of Clovis. He is enrolled as a freshman at New Mexico A&M.

Honor Husbands At Christmas Dinner

Members of ESA feted their husbands at the annual Christmas dinner Saturday evening, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Watkins. The Christmas menu featured turkey, supplied by Mrs. M. C. Roberts, educational director of the group. Covered dishes completed the fare.

Secret pals were revealed, and gifts were exchanged by members. Special gifts were presented to Mrs. Roberts and to Mrs. Wilfred Quickel, president.

Former County Clerk Visits Friends Here

Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Roberts, Sedona, Ariz., visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hardage last weekend. The Roberts were on their way to Lubbock to visit their daughter, Zena Bell Green. They are former residents and Roberts has served as county clerk.

Spending Christmas with Mrs. Ethel Thomas are her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Levy, Jan and Tommie, Elk City, Okla., her son, Cpl. and Mrs. Warlick Thomas, Ft. Sill, Okla., and her brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Kistler, Pomona, Calif., and Gene Kistler, Rogers, Ark. Also a guest in the Thomas home is Wally Moeller, Lovington, N. M.

Relatives Visit Mrs. Kate Phillips

Recent guests in the home of Mrs. Kate Phillips were her daughter, Mrs. Carter Lawson, Encinitas, Calif., her brother, Jim Masongill, Los Angeles, Calif., and a sister, Mrs. R. L. McGuire, Seymour. Mrs. Lawson also visited with her daughter, Charlotte Tate. Since the group would not be together Christmas, they exchanged gifts before the visitors returned home.

Booths Have Guests

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Leinen and Jack of Riverside, Calif., are spending the holidays with Mrs. Leinen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Booth. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McDaniel of Austin also are expected to arrive sometime before Christmas. A student at the University of Texas, McDaniel is a grandson of the Booths.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Magness and Mr. and Mrs. Joe White and baby left Tuesday for Edinburgh and McAllen, Texas, where they will spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

Room Parents Give Party to Juniors

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hardage and Mr. and Mrs. V. F. Schell, room parents for the Farwell junior class, were hosts to members of the class and their guests at a party in Hardage home recently. Around 30 people were present and after games were played, refreshments were served. Calvin Murray and Mrs. Frances Fields are sponsors of the class.

Home for Christmas

A 3c Jesse Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cox of Farwell, is home for the Christmas holidays. He is in the process of being transferred from Chanute Field in Illinois to Hamilton Air Force Base in California. Cox arrived in Farwell Sunday afternoon, and will remain here until Jan. 4th or 5th.

Have New Baby

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roark are the parents of a daughter, born December 15. The little lady, who weighed 6½ pounds at birth, has been named Susan Marie. Grandparents of the new arrival are Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Gober, Oklahoma Lane, and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Roark, Muleshoe.

From Lubbock

Recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Lockhart included his niece, Mrs. Paul Whitney and three children, of Lubbock.

Ray Hallmark Home

Ray Hallmark, 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Hallmark, returned home Wednesday, after undergoing a serious appendix operation, Friday morning, at the Friona Hospital. Ray will be in bed for several days, and his mother reports that any visitors will be welcome. Mrs. James Cox left Monday for Houston where she will spend the holidays with her daughter.

Judge and Mrs. A. D. Smith left Tuesday for San Francisco, San Jose, and Santa Barbara, Calif. They will visit with Judge Smith's sister-in-law, Mrs. B. K. Smith, and Miss Virginia, and his niece, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Slover. They planned to return around the first of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cox and Leroy of Lubbock attended a funeral in Lubbock Tuesday of this week, for the father of Mrs. James Cox.

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All College Gang Helps With Paper

The Tribune this week enjoyed the presence of a number of young men and women, former employees of this newspaper, who have been away attending college. Increasing the staff this week were Miss Jo Sondra Magerus, student at ACC in Abilene; Miss Laurie Cooper and Richard Hapke, both of ENMU in Portales. In addition, Miss Naomi Hapke of Texico Schools worked on the Christmas paper after the school dismissed this week for the holidays.

Visit Overstreets

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hamlin Overstreet and Mrs. Anne Overstreet this weekend are Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Overstreet and Mark of San Antonio, and Lt. and Mrs. Ernest Lokey. Jimmie is the son of Mrs. Anne Overstreet and Mrs. Lokey is the daughter of the Hamlin Overstreets.

Miss Sanderson Feted

Miss Doris Sanderson was honored with a surprise birthday party in the home of the A. E. Hapke's last Saturday night. It was Miss Sanderson's 19th birthday. Those attending were Shirley and Carlene Branson, Mrs. Hapke and Dorothy, Bobby, Audrey and Naomi, and Miss Sanderson.

Has Mumps

Teresa Quickel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Quickel, has been ill with the mumps. Her mother reports that she is feeling better now.

In 1939 the Navy had only 80 destroyers—30 in the Atlantic and 50 in the Pacific. Today there are 125 destroyers in the Pacific alone.



May hope and peace, and above all, good cheer, be yours at this happy season; and may unhappiness be forever unknown to you and yours.

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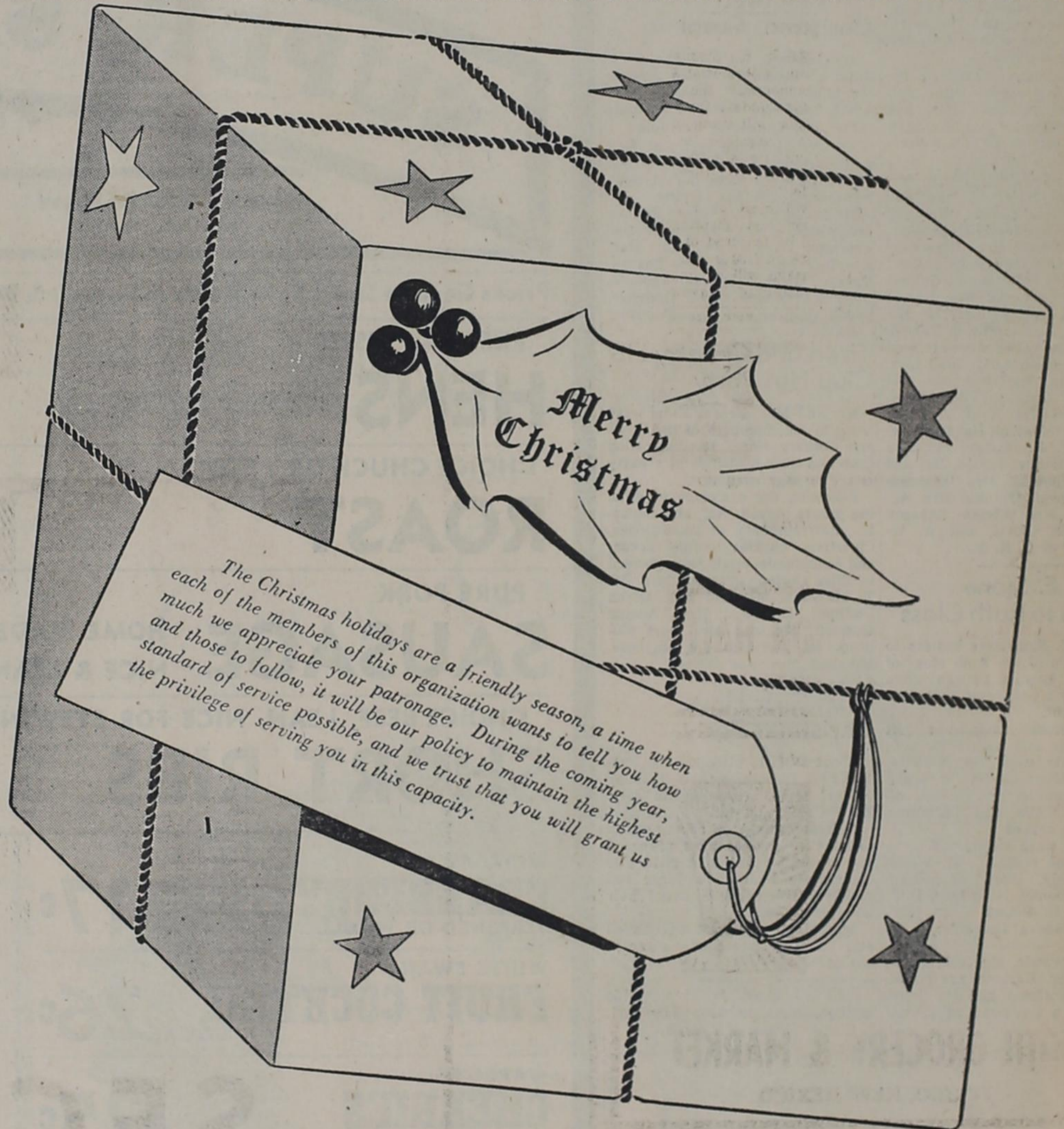
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College Students Here During Holidays

Thirty-seven local students have returned home to spend the holidays with families and friends in the Texico-Farwell area. Local students are represented at 18 colleges and universities, and a high school.

Home from Eastern New Mexico University are Jane Moss, junior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Moss; Rex and Jerry Pool, junior and senior respectively, sons of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Pool; and James and Ronald King, sophomore and freshman, sons of the J. E. Kings.

Other ENMU students are Ronny Dial, sophomore, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Dial; Howard Jenkins, sophomore, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Jenkins; Richard Hapke, sophomore, son of the Alfred Hapkes; J. B. Taylor, freshman, son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Taylor; Roy Snodgrass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rip Snodgrass; Darlene Sprawls, freshman, daughter of Aubrey Sprawls; Phyllis Tucker, freshman, daughter of the High Tucker; and Douglas Weisler, freshman, of the Edward Weislers.

Here from Texas Tech will be Dennis Raney, junior, son of the Vernon Jamisons, and Mrs. Raney, who attends Lubbock Schools; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Crume, seniors, and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Ware, freshman students. Mrs. Crume is the daughter of the L. M. Grissons of Bovina and Bill in the son of the Charlie Crumes. Mrs. Ware's parents are the Asa Smiths of Lariat, and the E. M. Wares of Bovina are Leon's parents.

Two students are here from Abilene Christian College. Kayla Felts is visiting her family, the Charles Felts in Lariat, and Jo Sondra Magerus is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Albert Magerus, Clovis. Both girls are sophomores at ACC. Visiting Mrs. T. E. Roth is her daughter, Carmen, a senior student at the University of New Mexico. Also here from the University are Wayne and Robert Tucker, visiting their parents, the Hugh Tuckers. Wayne is a senior, and Robert a sophomore. John Christian, senior student at Texas A&M is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rochelle Christian.

From New Mexico A&M are two students, Dee J. Brown and Douglas Williams. Dee J., senior, is visiting the D. J. Browns of Tex-

ico, and Douglas, a freshman, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Cora Williams in Clovis, and his wife's family, the Edward Engrams of Texico.

Both daughters of the John Aldridges are home. Mary Beth is a senior at the University of Texas and Nancy is a sophomore at Oklahoma University.

Visiting the N. R. Hardings and the D. O. Rollands are their children, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Harding. Nathan is a graduate student at the Southwestern Theological Seminary and Mrs. Harding is a freshman at Texas Christian University.

Home from St. John's College in Winfield, Kans., is Mary Krieger, daughter of the Martin Kriegers of Lariat.

Gerald Curtis is home from Tampa, Fla., where he attends Florida Christian College. He is visiting the H. S. Curtis family.

Ann Whitley, freshman at Texas State College for Women, is home with her parents, the Harry Whitleys.

Jimmy L. Moss is home from Lower Columbia Junior College Longview, Wash., to visit the Luther Moss family.

Beverly Lovelace, freshman at Stephens College in Columbus, Mo., is spending the holidays with her parents, the Gene Lovelaces.

Jim and Bill Green, sons of Dr. and Mrs. M. F. Green, are spending the holiday with their parents. Jim is a sophomore at Southern Methodist University and Bill is attending Southwestern Medical College.

Dudley Hughes, son of Mr. and Mrs. "Shorty" Hughes of Lariat, is home from Draghan's Business College in Lubbock.

Pudge Rose is home from New Mexico Military Institute to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Rose.

Dr. Joe B. Scrimshire, district superintendent of the Clovis district, brought a Christmas devotional at the men's breakfast, Friday, December 17. He spoke on "The True Meaning of Christmas." The members of "The Methodist Men," of Bovina were guests of the local group.

Those attending from Bovina were Messers Vernon Estes, Charles Ross, Frank P. Wilson, Jimmie Charles, J. E. Sherrill, Tom Beauchamp, Rouel Barron, H. J. Charles, J. T. Hammonds, Pat Kunselman, Marion Tate, A. G. White, D. K. Bell, Ike Quickel, Lewis Pesch, William Thornton, Rev. W. G. Whitte; from Texico-Farwell, G. W. Atchey, Lenton Pool, Loyd Cain, Wilfred Quickel, John Getz, Jack Williams, B. N. Graham, Sonny Graham, Jack McManigal, Joe Cox, J. R. Thornton, Paul Wurster, Woodie Lovelace, Charlie Lovelace, Joe Helton, Charlie Bieler, Nelson Smith, Johnnie McDonald, H. R. Crook, John Hadley, Gene Coffman, Frankie Coffman, Rev. M. H. Stroup; from Clovis, Roy Melugin, Roy Melugin, Jr., Dr. J. B. Scrimshire.

Those in charge of cooking and serving the breakfast of fried ham, scrambled eggs, hot biscuits, jam, jelly and coffee were Lenton Pool, Loyd Cain, Wilfred Quickel, John Getz, G. W. Atchley, and M. H. Stroup.

Here from Spur

Mrs. Theodore Swenson arrived Monday for a visit in the home of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Hill and George Howard. Mrs. Swenson resides in Spur.

jottin's from jeanne

Having somehow during the afternoon acquired a generous amount of Christmas spirit, and having a large number of Christmas cards on hand that we were already anticipating the thrill of opening—we called "Grandma" on Friday evening and asked her to come over and have a family "card opening."

She was only too glad to do so, and we welcomed her a few minutes later. Ronny was thrilled to see the guest, but he was also very sleepy. So we opened the cards and showed each of them to the 20-month-old towhead, before we plopped him into the bath tub.

Not acting true to fancy, he screamed a protest at being soaped and cleansed, and both "grandmama and mama" were hurriedly trying to finish the task so he could go to bed. He didn't like it and was thrashing around painfully. Striving to hit the dirty spots, we were about two jumps behind him with a soaped rag, when the child suddenly screamed loudly and we saw the soap had oozed into his eye.

That's when mayhem broke loose. He was struggling, we were wiping soap, and grandma came to the rescue. We had our head down and

didn't see the next sequence in the chain of events, but we heard a loud ker-splash—looked up and saw feet sticking straight up out of the bathtub, and grandma had the "giggles" so badly, she couldn't crawl out of the position in which she found herself.

Needless to say—she was wet from head to toe, and was not hurt—and Ronny was so startled, he immediately forgot his troubles.

The Grahams certainly get a "bang" out of those quiet evenings at home.

If you haven't had an opportunity to attend one of the Christmas receptions of the Farwell fourth grade, you have missed something. Mrs. R. B. Tucker, teacher of the class, seems to inspire the children to do so much more than one would believe the age of the youngsters would permit.

The important thing is that the children gain something more than skill, they greet their parents, and handle the reception themselves, with Mrs. Tucker in the background, of course.

We didn't get up to the reception last Tuesday night, and missed seeing the "fairylane" when it was at its best, but we were there first thing Wednesday morning, and Carol Smart, the fourth grader who served as our hostess, was as gracious and charming as any young lady. She knew all the better points of the decorations, and readily told us about them.

Lighting, art work, and original ideas of the children in the class had been utilized to make the room one to remember. Santa's castle stood about two feet high, and

glistened merrily as lights twinkled inside the structure. Varicolored lights played on "the Star in the East," and the Bible had a special place in the room.

We certainly appreciate our invitation from Mrs. Tucker to at-

tend the reception. After seeing how much work and love had gone into the construction of the articles in the fourth grade room, how could one help but get the Christmas spirit?



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METHODIST CHURCH NEWS Rev. Miller H. Stroup, pastor of The Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church announces the following services for Sunday, December 26. The pastor will bring an "after-Christmas" message at the 11 o'clock hour. He will speak on the subject, "The Difference Christ Has Made." MYF will meet at 6 p. m. for the supper and meeting. Youth Choir will be featured in the evening service at 7:30 p. m. The pastor's message will be on the subject, "Concerning Heaven."

MERRY CHRISTMAS

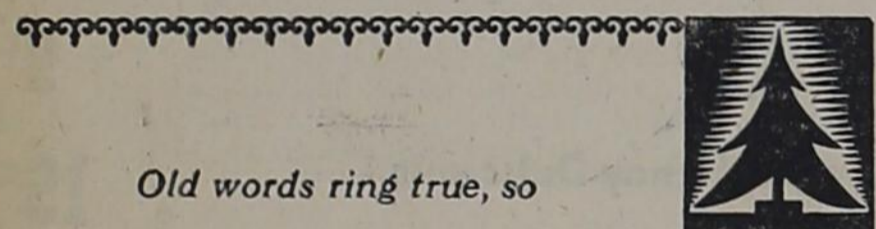
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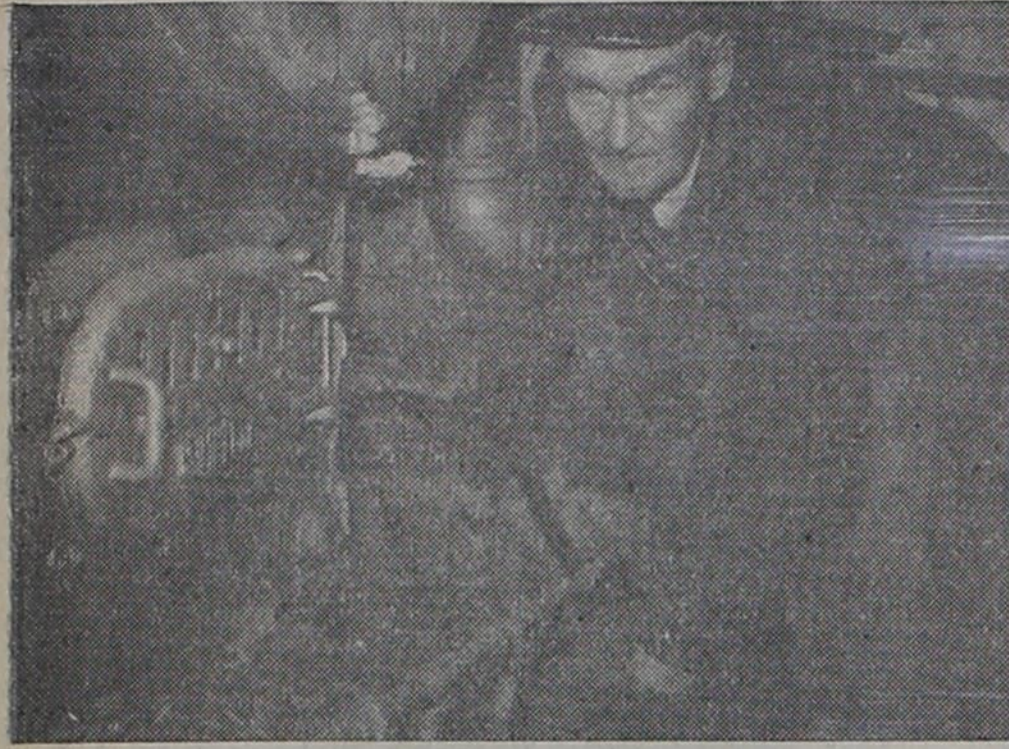
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R. S. "Tuck" Tucker, Farwell School janitor, takes care of, among other things, the work in the boiler room of the school to keep everybody comfortable wherever they may be in the building. Tuck has quite a list of experiences from his many years of janitorial work with Oklahoma Lane and Farwell Schools.

R. S. "Tuck" Tucker, Farwell Janitor, Has 23-Year Background with Schools

It's the kids who get the most fun out of Christmas, and if there's anybody who has been around a lot of kids for a long time, it's R. S. Tucker, janitor at Farwell Schools, who has been plying his broom-and-dustpan trade for 23 years.

"Tuck," as everyone knows him, took his first janitorial job "for a little while" with the idea of quitting in a short while, but is still going strong at the age of 74.

When a boy, Tuck didn't seem to have what modern kids expect in the way of Christmas. True, he would hang up his stockings on Christmas eve, but he was content to find nuts, candy, and fruits the next morning. The expensive gifts that we find around Christmas trees today seldom appeared when Tuck was growing up.

The familiar "school-yard figure" was born in Mississippi, but the family moved to Texas when he was only three years old. They settled near Fort Worth, and Tuck can remember that city when it was about the size of Texico-Farwell, having only one railroad at the time.

Tuck married Lennah Browder in 1907 in Durant, Okla. Since the young bride-elect was only 17 at the time, it was necessary for them to "cross the river" into Oklahoma

Tuck says that Christmas is one of the few times of the year when he can see all the kids happy at one time. (He always calls them "kids,"—never children).

Christmas presents slightly more work for Tuck in the way of cleaning up around the school, but he says that this doesn't bother him. Most schoolrooms now have individual trees for each class, but teachers have been very cooperative, and the extra work hasn't amounted to much, he says.

Seeing so many boys and girls grow up has made Tuck a philosopher of sorts. He has watched his "kids" grow up to be many different types of persons. "Some made good, some made bank robbers," is the way Tuck puts it.

Children seem to have changed in a number of ways since Tuck was janitor at Oklahoma Lane many years ago. "Kids used to do most anything I would ask 'em," he says, "but nowadays you have to sort of keep your eye on them."

All "kids," says Tuck, "have too much money today."

He also believes that students today learn less from their books than those of past years. "Some of those kids at Oklahoma Lane were awful smart students," he says. "Some kids don't know what they're going to school for."

The Tuckers had the unfortunate experience of moving to Oklahoma Lane back in the "dirty thirties" when blowing sand was such a problem. Tumbleweeds blocked roads in 1936, and dusts were especially vexing.

Regular community singings which were held at Oklahoma Lane never stopped for anything, even these dusts.

One which hit Oklahoma Lane proved to be so intense that Tuck got lost trying to walk from where they lived to the schoolhouse, a distance of only about one hundred feet.

Asked how long he intended to continue his janitorial work, Tuck had an unusual answer. "I'm going to retire when I make enough to live on without having to work," he said, making this point a little indefinite by adding, "When I was making forty-five dollars a month, it took all of it to live, and it takes all I make now, too."

The genial janitor comments that it took her folks seven or eight years to recover from the shock of what the two did.

The couple moved to the Oklahoma Lane community in 1928, where he took a job on the Jim Perkins farm. About a year later he was "talked into" a job as janitor for the Oklahoma Lane School, and there he had his long tenure in his particular vocation.

Tuck can remember many Christmases all right, but his fondest memories are of Halloweens. He recalls with particular delight one Halloween when he "blackfaced" a number of school children with soot from the coal furnace. Their mothers were quite indignant at the time, he says.

The first real Christmas tree that Tuck ever saw appeared at the Oklahoma Lane School after he had become janitor there. The kids really enjoyed the occasion, he recalls.

Once, a teacher brought a sack of roasted peanuts and scattered them all over the floor, up and down the schoolroom aisles, allowing the children to scramble madly for their share.

It was a simple observance, but one which all enjoyed immensely.

Wind-Fanned Flames Hit Roberts Elevator

Fire which was fanned by a stout 40-mile-an-hour wind swept through parts of the Roberts Seed Company holdings in Portales late Thursday afternoon.

Destroyed in the blaze was the center section of the buildings which M. C. Roberts, local grainman, owns. The elevator and contents were valued at from \$50,000 to \$75,000.

Much of this damage has been covered by insurance, however, and Roberts this week reported that he is "not sustaining any severe loss."

Origin of the fire is undetermined, although it was known to first appear in the top of the elevator. A crew, which had been using the cleaning mechanism, was told by a woman passing by that the building had caught fire in its upper areas.

Volunteer firemen of the Portales department were able to save several important parts of the company's holdings, including a 50 x 100-foot warehouse holding \$75,000 worth of certified seed.

Grain stored in a building next to the elevator was nearly all salvaged although the roof of the structure in which it was stored burned off.

Undamaged was another 30 x 70 storage area and the main offices and all equipment. "The fire could have been much worse," says Roberts.

The elevator will be rebuilt soon after the first of next year, says Roberts. The Portales buildings were put up in 1946-47-48.

Roberts owns an elevator in Clovis and Texico, with home offices being located here.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Cates were in Morton Monday night at the Farwell-Morton basketball game.

Farwell FFA Has Business Meeting

Troy Christian, president, conducted the regular meeting of the Farwell FFA Tuesday night of last week at the school. Routine chapter business was transacted by the 20 members present. Robert Morton is sponsor of the group.

FARWELL BAPTIST NEWS

Rev. E. J. Keith, pastor, is planning a series of messages on "The Great Bible Doctrine" to begin the first of the year and to last about three months. The Lord's Supper will be observed the first Sunday of the new year.

Mike Russell Is Polio Patient

Word has been received here of the illness of Mike Russell, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Russell, former residents of this community.

Mike, 3, has had a serious bout with polio, and his parents report he is now getting around on braces, and is improving. The Russells live in Orange.

His address is 11 Circle P, Orange, Texas, if friends wish to send cards.

HOME FROM NAVY

S. N. Emory Dale Baker arrived home on his 21st birthday Thursday, December 16, to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Irene Baker, and other family members. Baker is stationed on the U. S. Prairie at San Diego.

To Leave Thursday

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Griffin and children, Peggy Jo and Curtis, will leave Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays in San Diego, Calif., with his brothers, Horton and Louis Griffin and family.

A-3c Don Mangum of Tajique, N. M., visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Cates recently. An old friend of the family, Mangum is stationed at Chanute, Ill.

BASKETBALL —

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home team a one point lead before Glenn Davis popped the net seconds before the final buzzer to make the final score 38-37.

The scoring was even throughout the contest with Texico holding an 8-6 lead in the first period and Farwell leading 15-13 at the midway point. Farwell increased their lead to 26-21 in the third quarter before the Whirlwinds made their fourth quarter comeback, hitting for 16, while their opponents hit 12.

Texico's Sue Reid was the top scorer for the night with 21 points, 15 free throws and 3 field goals. Barbara Caldwell had 10 points for the losers and Anita Tharp and Susan Levins each had 3. Davis led the Farwell team with 17 followed by Carolyn Huffaker with 12 and Gloria Dial with 9.

SOUTH KOREAN —

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ple are so happy all the time," he says.

He says his family in Korea was fortunate in that the sector in which his home is located escaped bombings. They did have some machine gun bullets, but no damage resulted to the home.

Asked about the observance of Christmas in his country, the visitor says that most of his people are Christians, and their celebration is much like the one in the states. Most of the people attend religious services, exchange gifts and send cards. Of

course, there was no Christmas in Korea during Japanese occupation, he adds.

Chief diet is rice and vegetables. There isn't much meat especially after the war, and it's "pretty hard to see a turkey," but there are many special dishes that make the holidays more special, rice cakes and rice cookies. "My mother bakes pretty good," he grins, as he explains how she stays up all night before Christmas Day and cooks special dishes. Then friends are invited to the home next day to share their Christmas.

Santa Claus also comes to the schools in the Korean observance of Christmas.

Asked if he had a girl back home, Ohm explained that Koreans still observe the Oriental marriage custom. His parents will select his bride and will arrange the marriage. "So I don't know about a girl," he added. He does observe the American custom of dating, and often takes a friend to the show or a dance, but "that is not a formal custom, it is more Americanized," he explains.

Major Ohm will return to Seattle the latter part of this week, to return to his country, so his stay will be a short one. But he has enjoyed every minute of his visit, having already seen an irrigation well that was running, eating Mexican food, and trying to visit as many people and places as time will allow. His only regret is that his friend, JeDon, cannot be here to enjoy this week with him.

In closing the interview, he remarks, that his hope is that "we will celebrate a Merry Christmas in 1955 and also at the same time, peace of the world."

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In closing the interview, he remarks, that his hope is that "we will celebrate a Merry Christmas in 1955 and also at the same time, peace of the world."

CHRISTMAS —

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gram of that church last Sunday night. Kathy White was soloist. Four members of the junior GA's read the Christmas story interspersed with appropriate carols by other members of the group. Giving the readings were Phyllis Kelley, Joanne Brown, Gale Hadley, Wanda Morgan, and Lajune Burris.

Three-Act Play Highlights Program

Members of the United Pentecostal Church met for a special Christmas program Tuesday night. Featured was a three-act play, "No Room in the Inn," in which Jim Bob Smart and Shirley Branson played the innkeepers. Mr. and Mrs. Truman Gaines, Bovina, were cast in the role of two strangers and Mary and Joseph were played by Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lewis.

Wisemen and shepherds were Van Smith, L. J. Ryan, and Harlan Jones. Irene and Leslie Dyer sang between acts and following the play gifts were exchanged and treats distributed.

Classes Present Christmas Story

Each class at the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church took a different phase of the nativity story and presented it during a special Christmas program and devotional service at the church last night.

A complete list of programs for Bovina, Friona, and Lazbuddie was not available, but here is the information obtained.

Santa Comes To Bovina

Santa Claus was in Bovina last Friday night where he passed out treats to all the children in the city park after a Christmas program. Bovina schools were dismissed Wednesday.

The First Baptist Church of Bovina presented its Christmas program and play last night. After several numbers by a rhythm band, a pageant play "Gift of Love," was given by the intermediates. The junior choir sang carols throughout the play.

At the close of the program

Santa Claus presented gifts and treats and the pastor and family received a gift from the church.

Friona Details In Other Section

Complete accounts of the observances in the Friona community are being carried in the Friona section, but here are the highlights.

Santa Claus distributed treats to the children Tuesday afternoon at the Legion Hall and school was dismissed Wednesday afternoon.

Lazbuddie Schools Out Friday

School was dismissed at Lazbuddie Friday when each class had a party.

The Methodist Church had a program and Christmas tree Wednesday evening.

No special observances were planned by the other churches in the community.

ARREST —

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from outbuildings; and entering two rental places north of Farwell.

Lovlace reports that nearly all of the loot has been recovered intact, except the \$260 in cash.

Ward, who is held under a \$2000 bond, is a parole violator, having behind him a record of 27 years spent in penitentiaries. He was released last year.

COTTON —

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ing Sens. Lyndon Johnson and Price Daniel, Reps. A. J. Rogers and George Mahon of Texas; Reps. Robert Poage and Clifford Hope of the House Agriculture Committee; and Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Benson:

"Parmer County has 425,000 acres of crop land of which 300,000 are irrigated by approximately 1800 deep well pumps. These wells represent an investment of 14,000,000 dollars, a large per cent of which represents obligations secured by mortgages on land.

This compares with 190,000 acres of irrigated land watered by approximately 1200 deep well pumps January 1, 1954. These are owned or operated by approximately 1700 farm families living on the land. Many of these operators are veterans of World War II and the Korean conflict.

"In Parmer County 31,500 acres of crop land were planted to cotton in 1951 by 235 growers. In 1952, 80,000 acres of cotton were planted by 421 growers. In 1953, 670 growers planted 97,127 acres to cotton, prior to controls. In 1954 Parmer County was allotted 56,049 acres which was spread among 734 growers.

"In 1955 we are allotted 43,194 acres to be divided among 734 old growers with 149 applications for new grower allotment on file as of today. The County Committee has set aside slightly over 2% (1,000 acres) to be divided among new grower applications now on file and other applications to be filed between now and February 25.

"These figures readily indicate trend in development rather than over planting by old growers.

"The 1954 allotment for Parmer County was 56,049 acres which represented a cut of 42.3% from our 1953 planting. The 1955 allotment of 43,194 acres represents an additional cut of 23.1% from the allotted acres of 1954. As pointed out we face these cuts with at least a 40% increase in the number of growers since 1953.

"We feel that it was not your intention that such hardship be inflicted by the cotton reduction program if a national cut of approximately 15% was desired. We believe that national legislation to relieve hardships imposed by drought, and extreme grower trends such as that in Parmer County should be enacted."

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

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Apples, Fancy Delicious Per Pound	19c
Oranges, Extra Large Size Each	6c
Pecans, Paper Shell Per Pound	49c
Christmas Candy, Mix, Ribbon Per Pound	29c
Shell Pecans 1/2 Pound Cello Bag	69c
Bananas, extra large, C. America Per Pound	12c
Marshmallow Cream Pint Jar	24c

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Happenings at Friona

MRS. OSCAR BAXTER, Correspondent

800 Invitations Sent To Former Students And Teachers

Nearly 800 invitations have been put in the mail during the past few days to former students and teachers of the Friona school, requesting their presence at the yearly gathering of exes, to be held on Tuesday, December 27.

The program this year will be aimed primarily at "getting acquainted again," one member of the committee said this week. For a change, no big banquet and formal program has been arranged, rather, open house will be held during the afternoon with the evening being devoted to a big get-together in the school auditorium.

Registration is to be conducted in the school cafeteria between the hours of 2 and 7 o'clock in the evening, with all participants assembling in the auditorium at 7:30 for the night affair.

Up to Monday noon of this week, no definite arrangement had been made for an emcee to handle the evening visitation hour, officials added.

A business session will conclude the 1954 gathering.

Church Loan Will Be Paid in Full Jan. 1

An indebtedness of \$36,000 will be paid in full by the Friona Methodist Church on January 1, J. L. Shaffer, finance secretary of the church, announced this week.

The obligation was incurred back in 1946, when the beautiful new sanctuary of the church was erected, Shaffer said, adding his praise for workers who have conducted a recent drive to raise \$10,000 and "pay off the whole amount."

Work on the sanctuary began when Rev. David Binkley was pastor of the church, and continued during the pastoral term of Rev. Dewey Seago. Rev. Seago moved to another pastorate shortly before completion of the building, with Rev. Jimmie Tidwell as the local minister when the building was occupied. The present pastor is Rev. U. S. Sherrill.

A total of 267 families are listed on the church rolls at present, Shaffer said, adding that the finance group would likely have to face soon—the possibility of constructing additional space for the educational department of the church, with current facilities being strained to the breaking point.

Initial Loans Made By Credit Union

The first two loans made through the local Credit Union were completed last week, according to Mrs. Lucy Jones, secretary of the newly-formed organization.

Both loans, she added, were small, but representative of the sort of business the Credit Union is to handle. At the same time, membership in the organization continues to grow, with approximately 80 members now holding shares.

The first of regular monthly business meetings was held on Tuesday evening, when directors and members of the credit and supervisory committees met at the CC office, along with Mrs. Jones and Ray Ersland, district supervisor out of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Baxter and family left Wednesday afternoon for Elk City, Okla., to spend Christmas with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Curt Seigrist, and his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Russell, and other relatives.

One Program Remains For Local Churches

Only one program remains on the list for local churches, which have been noting the Yuletide season with special presentations during the past several days.

And the final program will be something new for Friona, as Spanish-American residents hold their Christmas observance on Christmas Eve, the program to be given in the old Baptist church auditorium.

Rev. Camarillo, the Baptist minister for the group, has been working with his congregation for some weeks preparing for the event, and special costumes and scenes have been worked out. The pageant will be given at 7:30 in the evening.

Week Has Been Busy
Beginning on Sunday evening at the Baptist Church, this has been a busy week for local residents who have enjoyed the different programs given over the city.

A Christmas pageant with special music was given at the Baptist Church on Sunday evening, with children, young people and adults all taking part in the portrayal of the Christmas story.

Wednesday evening, young people of the town were busy with their annual performance, held in the auditorium of the high school. Proceeds from this affair go into a swimming pool fund.

And tonight (Thursday), the Methodist Church will be the gathering place as the age-old story is revived in a modern version, prepared by a special committee. Music and detail have been worked out to make the pageant one of the most impressive ever presented.

Legion to Visit With Bovina Group

The Friona Legion Post is making special plans for January 11, on which night they will visit the Bovina Post, it was announced today by local officials.

Members of the Legion will assemble in Friona and make the trip en masse to Bovina, carrying with them the necessities for a feed and also providing the evening program.

Special guest of the evening will be Paul Spellman, of Wellington, district commander of the Legion.

Contest to Close Thursday Night

Final opportunity to cast ballots in the contest sponsored by the Bi-Wize Drug will be on Thursday of this week, with the counting of the votes slated for that night, Ralph Roden, owner of the store, said on Monday.

Prizes are offered the high seven youngsters in both boy and girl departments, and can be picked up at the store.

Leading in the tally this week were Patti Fallwell for the girls, Bobby Fulks, for the boys.

Chiefs Are Entered In Hereford Tourney

Friona Chiefs will interrupt their Christmas vacation to play in the Hereford Invitational Basketball Tournament, Dec. 31-Jan. 1.

First game for the Chiefs has been set for 4 p. m., Friday when they meet the Dalhart team. Winner in this contest will meet the winner of the Amarillo-Perryton game at 10:40 a. m., Saturday. Finals will be played at 8:20 p. m., Saturday.

In the losers' bracket, the losing team in the Friona-Dalhart game will play the loser of the Amarillo-Perryton game, at 8:00 a. m., Saturday. Finals in the consolation bracket are scheduled for 4 p. m., Saturday.

To Visit Father

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lewis and son, Don Edwin, plan to spend the Christmas weekend with his father, E. D. C. Lewis at Celeste, Texas. The older man has been in ill health for some months.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Martin were Saturday night supper guests with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baxter.

Businesses to Close For Christmas Day

Practically all businesses in Friona indicated the first of the week that they would be closed the entirety of Christmas Day, and several operators added that they hoped to close up shop fairly early on Christmas Eve.

Definitely to close at noon on Friday will be the city office and CC office, with others likely to follow the trend.

Christmas buying has been brisk this year, storekeepers said, adding that they did not expect things to slow down any great amount until the last few hours of Christmas Eve.

Santa made his annual visit to town Tuesday afternoon, with the Legion members helping out by providing sacks of treats for all youngsters. School children were dismissed early and taken to town in a body for their visit with the bewhiskered gent.

Christmas lights and greenery went up in downtown Friona last weekend and a festive air has been lent to the city with decorated homes and businesses.

Court of Honor Held On December 13

Members of the local Boy Scouts were spotlighted on Monday evening of last week, when a special Court of Honor was held and awards presented to the boys.

One Tenderfoot badge was awarded, with Floyd Reeve receiving the badge from W. M. Teague of Amarillo. Tommie Barker, Frankie Spring and Robert Neelley were announced as Second Class Scouts by Frank Spring; and Nelson Welch presented merit badges to Ted Sanders and Robert Neelley.

In addition to the presentations, the program included a short talk by Urlin Streu, of Hereford, who discussed the problems of Scouting and emphasized the need for leadership; presentation of corsages to mothers of the boys by Mr. McAdams, also of Hereford; and the story of "Silent Night," a film, shown by Teague.

Friona Teams Have Good Week's Record

Friona basketball teams wrapped up four of the six conference games played last week, with the boys and girls each losing one game.

The Squaws lost to the Kress team, 49-50, in an exciting contest in which they led until the final second of the game. The Chiefs avenged the loss by winning over the Kress team, 40-38, in another close contest.

In a home game against Sudan, the Squaws took the lead early in the game, and maintained it throughout the playing time, winning 45-39. The Chiefs suffered defeat at the hands of the Sudan boys, with a score of 19-48.

Both local teams won over Amherst, Tuesday night, with the girls winning, 64-49, and the boys' score being 32-27.

SCHOOLS OUT WEDNESDAY

Students and teachers of Friona scattered to the four winds on Wednesday, following dismissal of classes for the Christmas holidays. Special programs and parties were held by the various school groups on the final day, and vacation days will be enjoyed until January 3.

COMMISSION MEETS

Regular meeting of the city commission was held in the city offices on Monday evening of this week, with various business matters up for discussion, principal of which was preliminary hearings on the 1955 budget for the City of Friona.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Minor, Sue and Dale of Hereford, Mrs. Treva Reece, Bailey, Jim and Ted of Canyon, E. M. Sherrieb, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Drake and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Drake and daughters had their Christmas dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Drake.

NOTE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY



MR. AND MRS. J. A. WIMBERLEY

Friona Couple Receive 170 Guests Sunday

Approximately 170 guests attended the open house honoring Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wimberley on their Golden Wedding Anniversary, Sunday. The affair, at which all the couple's daughters, sons-in-law, and grandchildren were present, was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Brock of Friona.

Receiving the guests were the daughters of the honored couple,

Mrs. Opal Adair, Big Spring; Mrs. Lucille Andrews, Carlsbad, N. M.; Mrs. Mabel Reese, Cleburne, and the hostess, Mrs. Laverna Brock.

The four-tiered wedding cake, baked by Mrs. Brock, was topped with a miniature bride and groom, and decorated with gold sugar roses. It was flanked by huge frosted candles, outlined with holly and mistletoe. The table was covered with a cloth of hand-crocheted lace over gold. A floral arrangement of E. P. Thorne roses and fern centered the table. Golden

punch was served from a crystal bowl, and souvenir napkins, gold-edged and engraved "Addie and Alfred" completed the decor.

The heirloom sterling knife used to cut the cake belongs to Mrs. Wimberley's sister, Mrs. Eunice Jones of Lubbock. The knife has cut bridal cakes for many friends and relatives of the family, and Mrs. Wimberley is the first to use it on a golden anniversary. Her name will be engraved on the handle.

Mrs. Jones was the only attendant who was present for the couple's wedding ceremony in 1904.

Alternating at the serving tables were Mrs. L. M. Hargraves and Mrs. Russell Wimberley of Lubbock. Mrs. Homer Newton of Dimmitt, Mrs. Hazel Wimberley and Mrs. Hershall Wimberley of Muleshoe, all nieces of the couple; also, granddaughters, Sally Adair of Big Spring, Yvette, Sherrill, and Margaret Reese of Cleburne, and Sandra Brock of Friona.

Assisting their grandmother in opening gifts were the youngest granddaughters, Judy and Jan Andrews of Carlsbad, and Adeline Reese of Cleburne.

During the afternoon, background music was furnished by the grandchildren and grandnieces, Joan and Shiela Wimberley of Lubbock and John Andrews.

As a surprise to the honorees, who insisted that they wouldn't participate in a ceremony, a humorous ceremony was conducted by Rev. C. M. Fields. To close the ceremony, Rev. Fields asked the groom to kiss the bride, but he refused, since he "had already kissed her twice for the photographer." Following this, he agreed to take her for another fifty years.

Articles Displayed

The first gift Alfred gave his bride after their marriage was displayed on the registration table. It was a picture album, which is filled with photographs made in the early 1900's. It contains tin-type baby pictures of the bride and groom. Also on display were the wedding dress and petticoat worn by Addie at her wedding. The dress, made by the bride's sister, the late Ada Whiteley Campbell,

is brown wool broadcloth, trimmed with blue satin bands, and ecru lace over blue. It is fashioned with leg-o-mutton sleeves, is floor-length and has a 20-inch waist. The petticoat is white muslin, hand-tucked, and has embroidered ruffles. The navy blue pin-striped vest worn by the groom was also on display.

Earlier in the day, a covered dish and turkey dinner was served in the kitchen of the First Baptist Church of Friona. It was attended by 57 relatives. Arrangements were made by Mrs. G. H. Brock and Frank Andrews.

Out-of-town relatives attending the luncheon were two brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wimberley of Muleshoe, and Will Wimberley of Lubbock. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wimberley and children, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hargrave and daughter, Mrs. Eunice Jones, all of Lubbock, and Keith Brock, a Texas Tech student;

Mr. and Mrs. Hershall Wimberley, Mr. and Mrs. Hazel Wimberley and sons, and Gambrell Smith of Muleshoe. Mrs. Kate Cornwell, Ralls; Mrs. Carroll Taylor, Lamesa; Mr. and Mrs. Marion Duncan, Roscoe; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hargraves, Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Roberson, and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Roberson, Tucumcari, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Newton and J. C. Newton, of Dimmitt.

Out-of-town guests present for the reception were W. H. Graham, Farwell; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Canter, Dimmitt; and Mrs. Bert Stephens, Amarillo.

Local residents who called during the afternoon were: Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hays, Mrs. Leon Hart, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Reeve, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clements, Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Fields, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Castleberry, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Lloyd; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. White, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Lovett, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. White, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Blackburn, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baxter, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Murphree, Mrs. Archie Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hardesty;

Mr. and Mrs. Ray White, Shirley, (Continued on next page)

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Present Christmas Song Festival

Students of Mattie Mae Swisher Studio of Singing presented a Christmas song festival at the Methodist Church Sunday, Dec. 19. Junior choir students sang three numbers. Miss Linda Noland was guest soprano and Raymond Wells was guest tenor. They were accompanied by Mrs. Roy Miller.

Appearing on the program were Donnalee Lofton, Jearene Massie, Linda Kay Johnson, Johnnie Miller, Sharon Thorn, Robbie Osborn, Don Lewis, Earl Osborn, DeWayne Proctor, Bennie Lynn Hannold and Susan Elizabeth White.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Martin and children were in Clovis Wednesday on business.

WIMBERLEY—

Carl, and Troy, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fortenberry, Mr. and Mrs. David Moseley, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Miller, Johnnie, Donna, and Linda, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gee;

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Day, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ethridge, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wise, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Ercel Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Osborn, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Southward and Faye, Mrs. Rosa Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McFarland, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Johnson;

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Crow, Mrs. J. M. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Hough and Patsy, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Dilger, Mrs. Leonard Coffee, Carol, Kay, and Beckey, Miss Mary Sleen, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. White, Mrs. J. P. Wilson, Mrs. Minnie Hall;

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wise, Mr. and Mrs.

Bud Reed, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Buske, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Crow, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Lillard, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hyde, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Magness, and E. M. Sherrieb.

Party Given for Company Employees

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Baxter were hosts at a Christmas dinner Wednesday night for the Friona Motor Company employees at their home. Names were drawn and gifts were exchanged. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. George Marshall and Johnetta, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Collier, Darrell and Rita, Mrs. Sterling Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Jim F. Baxter and Patricia, Lonnie Dement, Carolyn Sue, Willene and J. L. Baxter and the host couple.

Mrs. Charles Luna, of Dallas, spent the weekend in the home of her brother, Henry Lewis.

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

Girl Scout troop VII met Monday afternoon at the Church of Christ annex. Leaders are Mrs. Lamb, Mrs. Ethridge and Mrs. Taylor. Hostess, Mikie Welch, served candy.

The girls made candles last week and this week they decorated them with sequins. There were 12 Scouts present. Next meeting will be January 3.

Girl Scout troop V met Monday at the club house. They took their Christmas trees, which they made last week, to the hospital. They also made taffy candy. There were 10 Scouts present and leaders, Mrs. Ralph Wilson and Mrs. Arthur Drake. The girls exchanged

Christmas gifts.

Brownie troop IX met Monday at the Church of Christ annex and exchanged Christmas gifts. They made candles to give to their mothers for Christmas.

Hostess, Elaine Beene, served donuts. Leaders were Mrs. Mildred Guinn, Mrs. Gladys Helmke and Mrs. Olive Massie. Twelve Brownies were present. Next meeting will be January 3.

Brownie troop VIII went to the home of Mrs. Faye Reeve for their Christmas party. Games were played and gifts were exchanged. They also went caroling.

There were 12 Brownies present and three leaders, Mrs. Lucille Latta, Mrs. Edith Johnson, and Mrs. Faye Reeve.

Refreshments of apple cider and candy were served.

Girl Scout troop VI met Monday night at the Baptist annex for their Christmas party and to ex-

change gifts. They played games and went caroling. About 19 scouts were present. Guests were Mrs. Coffey, Mrs. Patton and Mrs. Knight. Leaders were Mrs. A. L. Black, Mrs. Jinx Snead and Miss Ann McKee. Apple Santa Clauses, cocoa and candy were served.

Girl Scout troop IV met Monday at the Methodist annex. They enacted a Christmas program. Apples and candy were served to 11 scouts and leader, Mrs. Russell O'Brian.

Brownie troop X met Monday afternoon and held their investiture ceremony and received their Brownie pins. They sang Christmas carols and conducted a business meeting. Each girl was asked to bring money to send to Korea to buy milk for the children over there.

There were 21 Brownies present and three leaders, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Bill Stewart and Mrs. Ernest

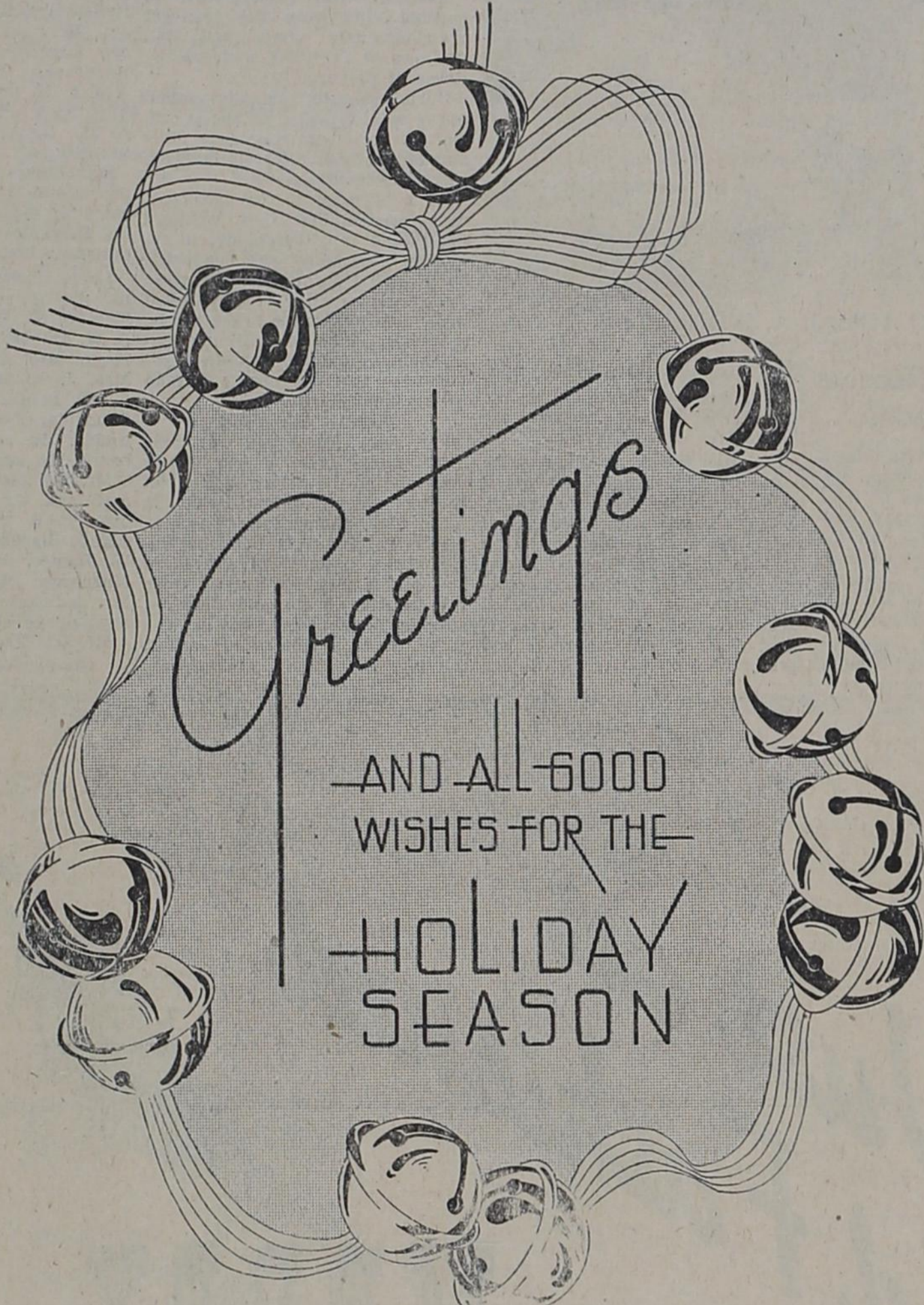
Osborn. The troop committee mother's served refreshments. Guests were Mesdames S. V. Chitwood, Bill Woodley, Russell Massie, W. M. Massie, L. V. Jennings, Roy Wilson, Ross Terry, Ralph Taylor, Bill Mayhon, Neal Fulks, H. C. Wells and John Lamb.

Visit Granddaughter

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Day returned home Sunday night from Denison. Mrs. Day had been visiting her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. David Hester, and helping to take care of her new granddaughter, Terry Lynn, for a week. Mr. Day went down over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Baxter of Clovis, visited Wednesday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baxter and Mrs. F. S. Truitt of Friona.

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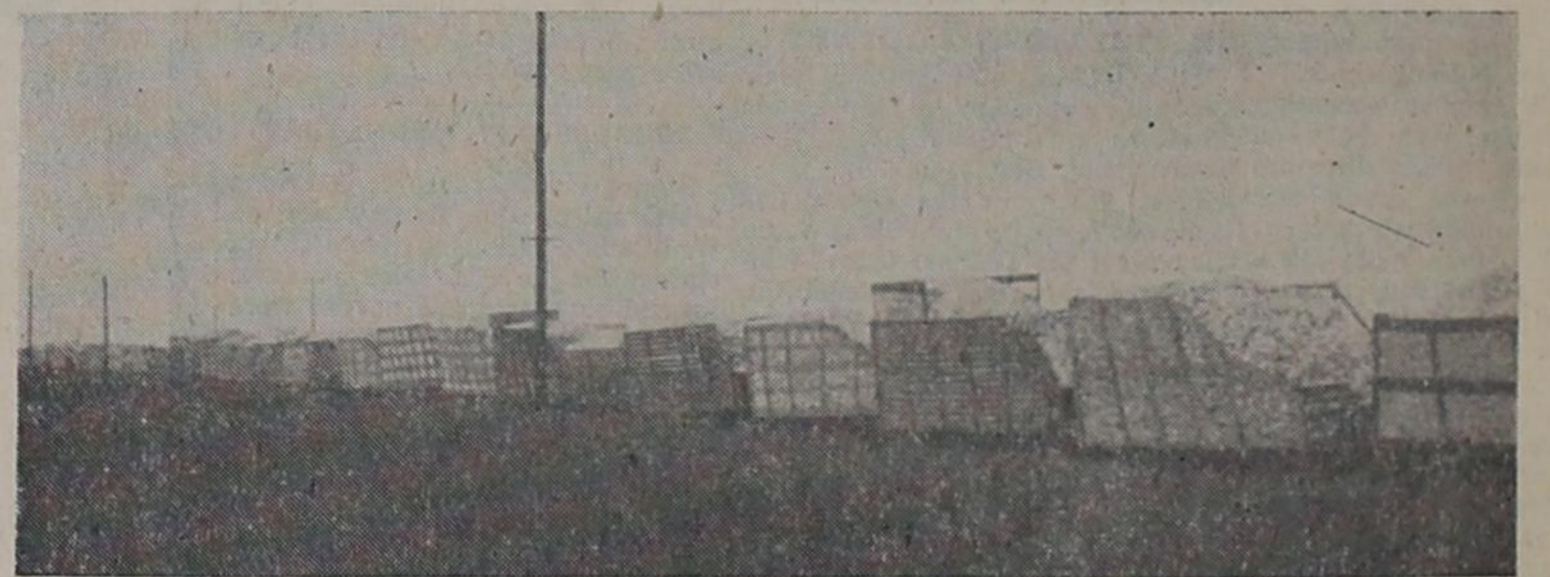
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**Pink and Aqua
Are Bride's Colors**

A bridal shower honoring Miss Joyce Ann Miller, bride-elect of Glenn Cunningham, was given in the home of Mrs. Steve Struve Saturday, December 18.

Serving table was highlighted by a floral centerpiece in the brides colors, pink and aqua. A large engagement ring gave center accent.

Mrs. Claude Osborn was at the serving table. In the receiving line was the bride-elect; Mrs. R. B. Miller and Mrs. J. T. Miller, her mother and grandmother; and Mrs. Cunningham, the groom-elect's mother.

Music was by Sally Osborn and Denise Magness, who played appropriate piano selections. At the guest book were Miss Avanel Parsons of Plainview and Miss Ann Simmons of Olney.

Hostesses were Mesdames Steve Struve, F. N. Welch, H. T. Magness, Claude Osborn, Sloan Osborn, Bill Buchanan, Carl Maurer, and Mrs. Nelson Welch.

Mrs. present were Mesdames M. B. Buchanan, Frank A. Spring, L. F. Lillard, J. B. McFarland, J. F. Miller, T. E. Lovett, Dillie Kelley, H. D. Mayfield, Dalton Caffey, E. Euler, A. W. Wood, C. W. Dixon, G. B. Buske, Curtis Murphee, Cleola Kirk, Louis Welch, Roy Clements, John B. Taylor, Ansel Renner, John Blackburn, J. T. Gee, W. M. Stewart, Dan Ethridge;

Also Dan Luttrell, E. W. Talbot, Jean Hardwick, C. A. Paul, S. L. McLellan, Lloyd Rector, Harold Lillard, Eugene Boggess, F. L. Reed, George Treider, Hayden Cason, O. F. Lange, Bert Shackelford, Roy Slagle, A. L. Black, Lucy Welch, Nelson Welch, Steve Struve, Bill Buchanan, H. T. Magness, Sloan Osborn, and Claude Osborn;

Also Misses Deann Buske, Linda Gee, Sally Osborn, Tommie Martin, Denise Magness, of Friona; Mrs. M. A. Snider Jr., of Farwell, Mrs. J. B. Cunningham of Denver City, Miss Avanel Parsons of Plainview and Miss Ann Simmons of Olney.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baxter, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Renner and Cotton, and Mr. and Mrs. Doyce Barnett helped celebrate Billy Dean Baxter's birthday with a surprise dinner at his home given by his wife and Johnny and Debra.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Graham visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Baxter and Patricia, Sunday.

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FRIONA SCHOOLS**

WITH PATSY ANTHONY AND GLADYS BAXTER

The West Texas State College Choir presented an assembly Wednesday of last week. Under the direction of Dr. Bright, the choir sang various Christmas carols including "The First Noel" and "Silent Night." Much of the music was composed and arranged by Dr. Bright. Special ensembles included the Varsity Quartet and the Jazzabells.

Congratulations to the students and faculty of FHS for their decision to donate the money that would ordinarily be spent for gifts for each other to the hospital fund. This is a most worthwhile cause and will help the community.

Another admirable project has been carried out by the seniors. They had a party Saturday night and took clothing for five needy families. The class responded with a variety of clothes for children from ages one month to 13 years.

The seniors were measured last Thursday for caps and gowns—just in case they graduate—and turned in names for their diplomas. Congratulations.

The nativity scene in front of the building and the lights over the doors make an attractive scene at night. Each class and organization had certain doors to decorate and each of them have done a wonderful job.

The Arrow staff won first place with their decorations on the gym doors, entitled "Peace on Earth." Receiving honorable mention were the sophs on the door of Mr. Watson's room, the pep club for Mr. Caffey's west door, the juniors for the English door, and the Arroy staff for Arthur's door.

Congratulations to these organizations. Each door is very beautiful, showing both originality and good design.

Judges were Mrs. Pudge Kendrick, Mrs. John Parish and Mrs. Frank Spring.

The band had pictures retaken this week. A financial report revealed that they made \$65.35 on the recent concert. This makes a total of around \$172 in their treasury.

The district FFA banquet was at Littlefield Tuesday, Dec. 7. Both agriculture teams and Donald Petty, Phyllis Fairchild, Elizabeth

Grubbs and Mrs. Gee attended. In the area contest at Plainview recently the junior demonstration team won second place. This does not enable them to go to Huntsville for the state contest, but we are still proud of them.

Second and third year girls presented the program for the FHA meeting Thursday. They modeled the garments they had made in class. After the business meeting, the mothers and students present adjourned to the home ec department for refreshments.

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Mr. and Mrs. Earl Drake and sons left Wednesday for Houston to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Drake's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Winchester, and her sister and brother and families. The Drakes will be gone about a week.

Joe Osborn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Osborn, is home for the holidays. He is a law student.

**Hi-Point Club
Has Family Party**

Hi-Point HD Club members and their families enjoyed a Christmas party at the Legion Hall Wednesday evening, Dec. 15.

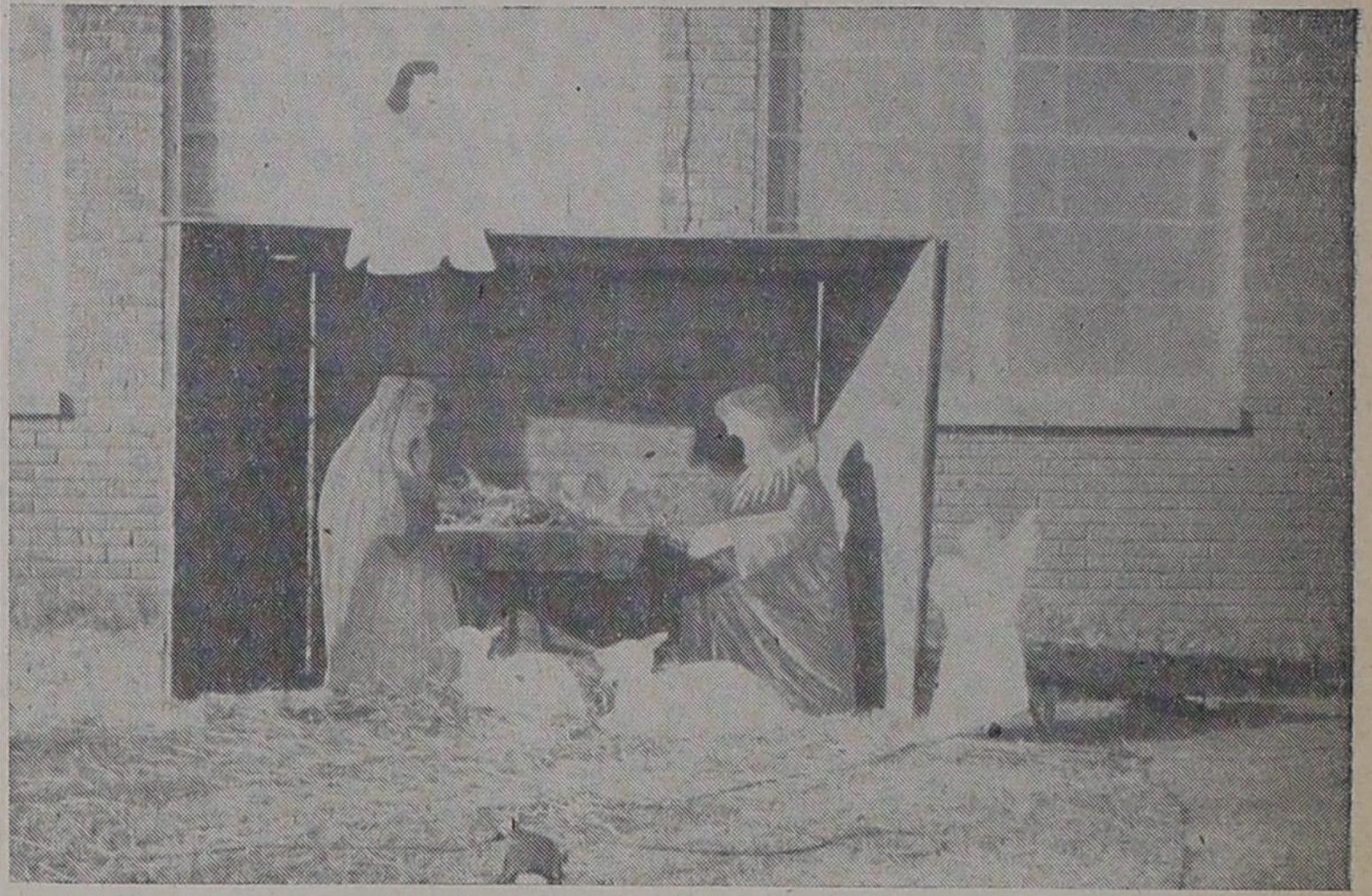
Gifts were exchanged and secret pals were revealed. Games were played by the group and then numbers were drawn for partners for games of "42" and canasta.

Refreshments of donuts and coffee and hot chocolate were served to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hamilton and Helen, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Mingus, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Renner and Dickie Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Dean Baxter and children, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brummelt, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Hough and children, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Mingus and Janet, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Mingus and Glenda, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Renner, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rector and Mesdames Naomi Oldham, Betty Louise Rector and Olive Rector.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. McFarland returned the middle of last week from Nassau where they had been on a week's vacation trip which McFarland won through the International Harvester Company.

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RE-ENACTS BIRTH OF CHRIST CHILD



This life-like scene in front of the Friona High School building shows the birth of the Christ Child who was laid in a manger. Overhead hovers an angel as Mary and Joseph kneel inside. The scene is equipped with facilities for lighting.

Resolved

Our Resolution of Good Will

Whereas . . . the happy Christmas Season is now here

Whereas . . . the Spirit of Friendship and Good Will now prevails

Whereas . . . we value greatly our friendly relationships

Whereas . . . we want to express our appreciation for this consideration

Therefore . . . it is our pleasure to extend our sincerest wishes for a

MERRY CHRISTMAS

DEAR FRIENDS

It has truly been a wonderful year of harvests, and as we close out the last pages of 1954, may we take this opportunity to express our appreciation to the wonderful farmers who are our customers. Your patronage has been very fine indeed.

We hope that the year has been a prosperous one for you, and please accept our wishes for a Merry Christmas and a better than ever 1955.

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DEPICTS NATIVITY SCENE



The entire front of the O. F. and O. business building in Friona was devoted to a religious Christmas theme this year, to help emphasize the Christmas spirit. In the second window from the left can be seen the Biblical text, "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men," and other scenes also fit into the story of the nativity.

In Williams Home

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wright Williams the past Sunday included her sister, Miss Ann Johnston, of Long Beach, Calif.; her mother, Mrs. A. T. Johnston; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Johnston and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Watts, all of Abernathy; and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brown and daughter, of Levelland.

The local people plan to spend Christmas in the home of Mrs. Johnston in Abernathy.

To Visit Relatives

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Martin left Wednesday for Colorado to visit their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Nidey at Campo; her brothers, Clarence Baxter and family at Springfield, Bill Baxter and family at Lamar, and L. A. Baxter at Eads.

They will spend Christmas with their son and family, the Junior Martins of Stamford, S. D., and her sister and family, the Miles Robbins of Blunt, S. D.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Martin and family, Mrs. C. D. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Heady and son, and Mrs. Carol Dean Dunn and children of Lubbock went to Miami Sunday to visit their sister and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Boots Deahridge and sons. From Lubbock the Martins will go on to Lamar and Campo, Colorado, to visit Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Nidey and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baxter and other relatives and friends. They will return home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Young of Spade were in Friona the first of last week attending to business and visiting their daughter, Joyce Young, and his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stowers.

Mr. and Mrs. Carol Day and Geraldine and Jearene Massie were in Amarillo Saturday afternoon and Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hays.

Miss Vera Ann Jones of Lefors will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jones. Miss Jones teaches at the Lefors High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Day Jr. and Deborah of Lubbock visited Tuesday afternoon with his father, E. R. Day Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Drake will spend Christmas with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Howard of Abernathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stephens and son, Tommie, of Tompkinsville, Kentucky, visited relatives here during the weekend.

Mrs. Grace Hart, Wanda and Elda were shoppers in Hereford Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Ralph Miller and Mrs. Nelson Welch were in Clovis Monday.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT AT LEWIS VARIETY

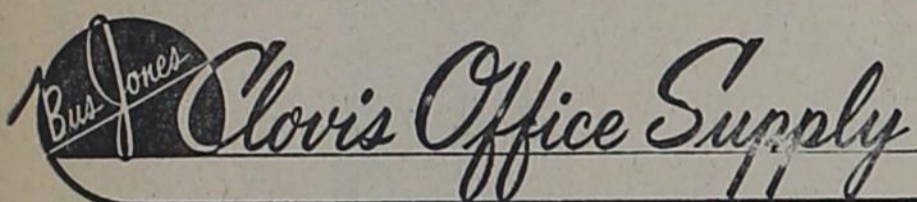


Like many other Friona businesses, Lewis Variety pleased the public this year with an attractive display of decoration tied around a Yuletide theme. Near the top of the building can be seen Jolly Old St. Nick complete with sleigh and reindeer, and bells and other decorations in the windows and door round out the motif.

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MORE FRIONA —

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Husbands Are Guests

Sunshine Sunday School class of the Methodist Church had their Christmas dinner Friday night at the church annex. Husbands were special guests.

Those present were Mrs. A. A. Crow, Mrs. Ester Haws, Mrs. C. L. Vestal Sr., Mrs. J. T. Reed, Mrs. Roy Slagle, Mrs. Pearl Hands, Mrs. A. W. Anthony Sr., Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Osborn, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Mercer, Mr. and Mrs. David Moseley, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Collier, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, Rev. and Mrs. U. S. Sherrill, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Shaffer and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Roberts.

in & around

FRIONA

with the gang

One of the prettiest windows we saw in our weekly visit to town on Monday was the big one in the city office, which had been (as usual) decorated by Elda Hart in an original manner—with Christmas cards, bells, tinsel and lights. Only thing we couldn't figure out was where the city crew, which always takes its cussin' from the general public, specially around the 10th of the month, ever scared up enough friends to get so many pretty cards for the window.

Young Jill Blackburn, having been cautioned not to spill Christmas secrets, has taken the admonitions almost too literally. Papa Keith questioned the young lady last week as to what Mama would like for Christmas, but Jill wasn't putting out any information. She finally did break down and tell Keith that "The only thing Mama has said she wanted was a week's paid vacation." Bet a buck she doesn't get one.

Clerks in Lewis Variety were taking a ribbing from their customers this week, with one reporting arrival at home minus one package faithfully promised to a young one, and another getting desperate regarding an order of feminine undergarments. . . . which are needed worse every day, it seemed.

Didn't really seem much like near-Christmas weather on Monday morning, but after some ten days of blasting winds and a good sprinkling of minor and major duststorms, the warm weather was more than welcome—and the street corner philosophers were out in full force, enjoying the sunshine.

Well, we passed another milestone this week as we tagged on another year to our admittable age. Found out some time ago, tho, that it doesn't do to tell how many years—your tactful friends will insist you don't look that old, while your more honest enemies will question the number of years you lopped off when making your announcement. Guess we'll just wait until we can be listed among those "75 years YOUNG."

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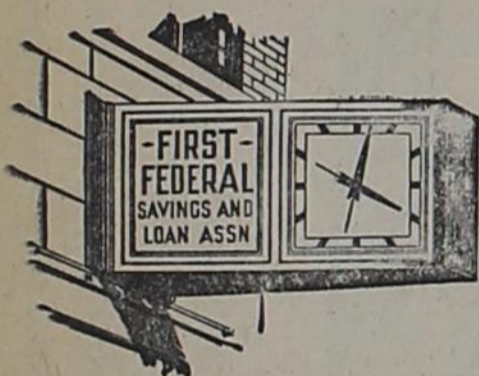
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» News from Bovina «

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Santa Gives Treats To Bovina Children

Jolly Old Santa Claus took time off from his toy making at the North Pole and visited kiddies and parents in Bovina, Friday night at the city park.

The Christmas activities at the park began with a speech by Mrs. Ovid Lawlis, spokesman for the Bovina Woman's Study Club, dedicating the large blue spruce tree to the park and future generations of children at Christmas time.

Mrs. Troy Fuller led a special prayer followed by the lighting of the tree. Christmas carols were led by Mrs. Bedford Caldwell and Mrs. June Rhodes. The arrival of Santa and his sack of goodies on the firetruck climaxed the evening.

Basketball Teams Play Several Games

The Bovina "A" girls and boys basketball teams came home Tuesday night victorious over Texico with final scores of 64-45 in the boys' game and 34-30 in the girls' game.

In the boys' game, Bovina lagged behind Texico one point in the first quarter, but had gained a five point lead at the end of the first half. Most of Bovina's scores were made in the last half. Jerry Newton was high point man for

Bovina making 15 points. Calaway and Smith tied for second high men with 13 points each. Moss of Texico scored highest with 17 points.

The girls A team and boys B team entered the Lazbuddie tournament December 16, 17, and 18. The girls lost to Farwell in their first game with score 47-34 and lost to Muleshoe, 44-38, in consolation finals. Springlake girls defeated Lazbuddie girls 43-42 in an overtime to be champs of the tournament.

The Bovina B boys lost both games.

Tuesday, Dec. 21, the Olton A boys and girls teams were to play Bovina on the home court.

Mustangs Will Play In Hereford Tourney

The Bovina Mustangs are entered in the Hereford Invitational Basketball Tournament, Dec. 31 to Jan. 1.

First round of play for the local team will be at 7 p. m. Friday, when they play Brownfield. If they win over Brownfield, the Mustangs will meet the winner of the Olton-Hereford game, at 12 a. m., Saturday. Finals are scheduled for 8:20 Saturday.

If, however, they should lose to Brownfield, the Bovina players will meet the loser of the Olton-Hereford game, at 9:20 a. m., Saturday, and finals in the consolation bracket are for 4 p. m., Saturday.

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Bovina Widows Club Has Yule Program

Thursday, Dec. 16, the Bovina Widows Club met with Mrs. J. R. Glover for a covered dish luncheon; after which, they had a short Christmas program.

Included were: "The Story of the Birth of Jesus," read from Matthew; "The Story of the Fourth Wise Man," told by Mrs. Caldwell; prayer by Mrs. McCutchan; "Silent Night," sung by the group. Next was a game of "tangled letters,"—taken from the season's most commonly used words.

Choosing partners by matching squares cut in every sort of shape, the women had an old-fashioned "candy-breaking." The two who first broke a stick of candy, received a thick candy cane to break. The two last ones had to do an old-fashioned "cake-walk." Mrs. Free and Mrs. Tom Hastings were the two penalized. Mrs. McCutchan and Mrs. Gaines got the candy cane.

Each woman brought a gift, which was numbered and placed in a large cardboard box. Each guest found their gifts.

"We do have fun, and such delicious food! We never need to say 'Hodges Grace!'"

Heavenly Father, bless us, and keep us all alive,

There's ten of us to dinner

And not enough for five."

Rather, we might substitute for the last two lines:

There's ten of us to dinner

And enough for twenty-five,"

says the reporter.

Next meeting will be with Mrs. Tom Hastings, on Thursday, Jan. 20, 1955.

BOVINA SCHOOL NEWS

A clown, who has toured the U. S. and European countries, presented the assembly program Wednesday of last week at the Bovina High School. He was formerly employed by the Barnum and Bailey Circus. He showed by demonstrations how to apply make-up and then remove it. He discussed the life of a clown and told of interesting incidents that had happened in his work.

Each grade in BHS will have a Christmas tree and party in their home room. School will dismiss Wednesday, Dec. 22 at 1:30 and will take up again Jan. 3.

Completion Date Set for March

Last reports on the new school building according to Supt. W. H. Willoughby, are that the building will be finished on the scheduled time, March 22, if everything continues to go well.

The roofers have completed the "A" and "B" wings and partitions in Wing "A" are finished, allowing the plasterers to begin in "A" Monday.

The concrete has been run in the auditorium, completing all floors except for the tile and finish work. The vault for school papers is finished and word has been received that the lockers have all been shipped.

All doors, door frames, windows and window frames have been received and are partly installed. The glazing work has been finished also.

The building has been connected to the city water, the sewage lines have been laid and the play area is complete, except for the roof.

Lions Entertain Bovina Mustangs

The Bovina Lions Club entertained the football boys and their fathers, and Coach Clovis Ratliff with a banquet Monday night at the Legion Hall.

Bud Sherrod, end coach at Texas Tech, was speaker, and he presented films of the game between Tech and Arizona. Allan Cumpston showed slides of games between Bovina and Farwell, Mador and Meadow.

A gift of appreciation was presented to the Bovina coach.

BOVINA BAPTIST NEWS

The Bovina WMU met at the church Tuesday, Dec. 21, at 2:30 for their annual Christmas party. A devotional was given by Mrs. Troy Fuller. Each member brought a pair of socks for an orphan, instead of having a gift exchange.

The WMU presented Mrs. Tidenberg with baggage as a farewell gift, and presented Mrs. Pierson, WMU president, with a Christmas gift. Following the party, they sacked the treats to be distributed after the Christmas program.

The First Baptist Church of Bovina presented its Christmas program and play this week.

A welcome was given by Paul Ratliff, then the recently organized rhythm band played "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," and "Jingle Bells." Following this, the junior choir sang "Silent Night" and "Jolly Old St. Nicholas." Carol Mast gave a reading, "A Christmas Wish."

The climax of the program was the pageant play "Gift of Love," given by the Intermediates. The junior choir sang carols throughout the play.

At the close of the program, Santa Claus was on hand to present gifts and treats.

The church presented the pastor and family with a gift.

An offering, taken in the church Sunday for the building fund, brought the final total of the fund up to \$3,964.88. All but a few hundred of this will be needed to meet the payment on the building in January of 1955.

The rhythm band, under the direction of Mrs. Harold Hawkins, played several Christmas carols for special music, Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Douglas Sr. also brought special music.

The date for a negro revival in the Baptist Church has been set for January 17 to the 23. On the morning of the 23, the revival preacher will fill the pulpit for Rev. Goodwin and bring a message to the Baptist congregation. S. M. Metters, pastor of the St. John Baptist Church of Clovis, will hold the revival.

Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 14, the Baptist WMU met at the church for a stewardship devotional presented by Mrs. Clovis Ratliff. Her topic of discussion was "Treasures." Following the meeting Mrs. Ratliff was pleasantly surprised to learn she was honoree at a stork shower given by the WMU.

Present were Mrs. Virgil Goodwin, Mrs. J. O. Combs, Mrs. R. N. Williford, Mrs. Wayne Garth, Mrs. Charles Hawkins, Mrs. J. W. Gooch and Mrs. Ratliff.

BOVINA METHODIST NEWS

Student Recognition Service The Bovina Methodist Church will have a Student Recognition Service for all collegians home from their studies in colleges and universities next Sunday night at the 7:30 o'clock worship service. The youth will take over the evening service, and the theme for the service is "A High Calling." Every Methodist Church in the land is having a similar service honoring

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these youth not so much to the individual himself but to the awareness of the work that they are undertaking in their studies. Three youths, Miss Mardell Moore, Charles Williams and Huey Lowrie are the speakers for the service, and their topics are "I'm Glad I Went to College," "A High Calling—Being A Student," and "Witnessing on the Campus." Leon Ware has been asked to preside, and Mark Charles will sing special music. Other students being honored are Mrs. Leon Ware, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ware, Donna Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Oakley Stevenson. These students are attending ENMU in Portales, McMurry College in Abilene, West Texas State College in Canyon and Texas Tech in Lubbock. You will want to attend this service. Following the service the WSCS will have a reception in fellowship hall for the youth.

New Years Eve Party

On New Years Eve the congregation of the Bovina Methodist Church will have an evening at the church for fellowship, fun and worship. Beginning at 6:30 in the evening with a family night dinner the people will come together for a covered dish affair. At 8:15 they will continue with a songpiration time. At 8:30 there will be motion pictures for young and old. At 10 there will be games for all. At 10:30 there will be refreshments. At 11 there will be two skits. At 11:30 everyone will go to the sanctuary for a watchnight communion service at the altar of the church. This is a night planned for the entire family. You are invited.

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Christmas Concert Presented Monday

The Bovina High School band, under the direction of Mrs. Patricia Collins, played a short concert on the Bovina Main street Monday evening at 7:15 p. m. The program consisted of Christmas carols.

Following the concert, the group returned to their band room and had a Christmas party. The door prize was won by Dottie Jo Weatherred, and the game prize by Nita Beth Estes. The group then

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CHRISTMAS Greetings

May the intimate peace of Christmas morning be encircled with the warmth and glow of the Christmas spirit... peace of heart akin to the spirit of the Holy Season. And so, best wishes for you on this birthday of a tiny Babe who brought peace and hope to this world two thousand years ago.



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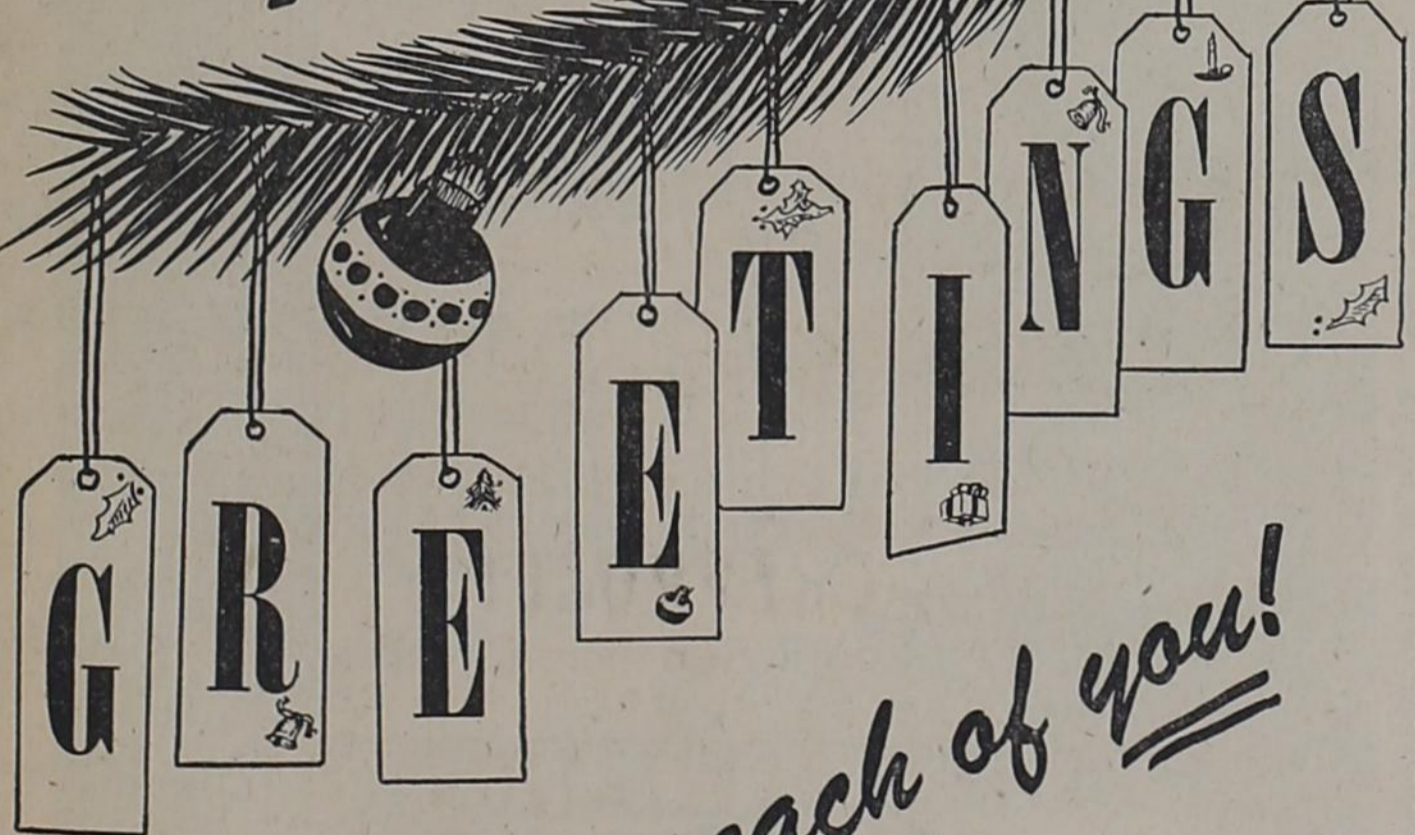


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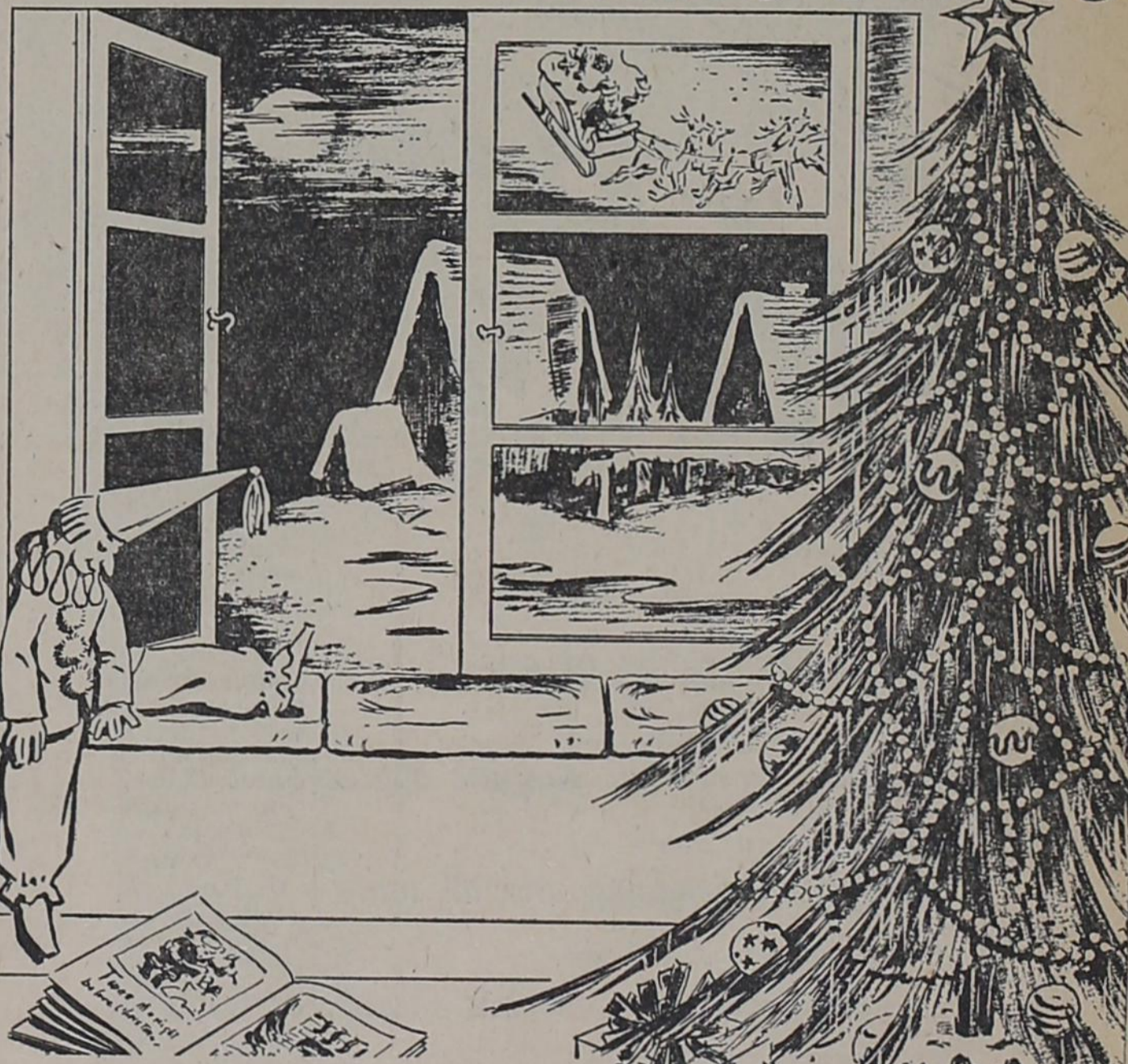
to each of you!

As you gather with your loved ones and friends at this gay season of the year, we want you to know our thoughts are with you and we are happy in your happiness. Season's Greetings to each of you!

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Instruments filed week ending December 11, 1954:
WD—Sloan H. Osborn, et ux, Lupe Vera, Lot 12, Blk. 92, Friona. Rel. of Judg.—Plainview Hosp. & Clinic Found., Dale McCuan.
Rel.—Brown & Root, Inc., et al, W. M. White, Lots 7 & 8, Blk. 23, Friona.
WD—J. H. Robbins, et ux, James Pearson, E2 Sect. 8, D&K.
Aff.—Hilton R. Somerville, public, s. r.
C. C. Will—Thomas J. Roller, dec., public, s. r.
Aff.—Chas. S. Roller, et al, public, Blk. 84, Friona.
Rel.—Fed. Land Bank, L. H. Pesch, s. r.
Rel.—Sinclair Oil & Gas Co., Ed M. Russell, et ux, Sect. 21, Blk. B, E. C. Millet Sur.
Correct. Deed—Thomas A. Roller, et al, Chas. S. Roller, Jr., Blk. 84, Friona.
M. Lien—J. W. McMahan, et ux, B. G. Bertram, SE4 Sect. 19, Harding.
WD—Otis Cansler, et ux, David Nelson, S2 of N. 234 a. Sect. 7, Synd. C.
Rel.—W. N. Hodges, O. B. Hinds, N2 Sect. 9, Harrah.
Conveyance in trust—Ross M. Glaze Jr., Ross M. Gaze Jr. et al, S2 Sect. 28, NE4 Sect. 27; SE4 Sect. 29, Johnson X.
Trans.—Ingram Bros. Pump Co., Citizens Nat. Bank, Lubbock, N2 Sect. 36, T7S, R2E.
DT—T. J. Hoppingardner, et al, Edward N. Maher, Tr., see above.
M. Lien—A. T. Watts, et ux, Howard Martin, Lots 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, Blk. 1, Farwell.
DT—C. O. Houser, et al, Charles E. Allen, Tr., Lots 11 and 12, Blk. 49, Friona.
M. Lien—John S. Glover, et ux, Russell Massey, SE4 Sect. 8, E. 40 a. SE4 Sect. 28, Synd. C.
T&A—R. W. Anderson, First Fed. Sav. & Loan Assn., Lots 21, 22, 23 and 24, Blk. 40, Farwell.
DT—G. A. Garrett, et ux, Sam Aldridge, Tr., see above.
Rel.—Franklin Life Ins. Co., Arthur L. Bolton, s. r.
WD—R. W. Cudd, et ux, Otis Cansler, S2 of N. 234 a. of Survey 7, Synd. C.
Abst. of Judg.—U. S. of America vs. Geo. W. McKinney, s. r.
Rel.—First Nat. Bank, Hereford, Marie Harper, part of League 488, Roberts.
Rel.—Clovis Nat. Bank, John S. Glover, et ux, SE4 Sect. 8, and SE4 Sect. 28, Synd. C.
WD—J. O. Barnett, Jr., et ux, Barnett Oil Co., Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, Blk. 5, Farwell.
M. Lien—N. C. White, et ux, Massey Bros. Drilling Co., Sect.

11, T5S, R4E.
DT—Don Joyner, et ux, Frank A. Spring, Tr., SW4 Sect. 8, T10S, R2E.
M. Lien & Assign.—Geo. A. Jones, et ux, Carl E. Schell, to 1st Nat. Bank, Amarillo, SE 146 a. of Sect. 9, T5½S, R5E, SE4 Sect. 3, Sullivan.
Contract of Sale—M. S. Wier, et ux, Charles A. Stewart, Lot 8, Blk. 63, Friona.
Rel.—John Hancock Life Ins. Co., Heard Whitefield, S2 Sect. 1, Sullivan.
DT—H. M. Beville, et ux, Vincent Tudor, Tr., E2 Sur. 18, T5½S, R5E.
Trans.—Billy B. Sides, L. L. Armour, see above.
WD—Billy B. Sides, et ux, H. M. Beville, see above.
Aff.—Clifton Harper, et al, public, W2 Sect. 3, Harrah.
Gen.—City of Friona, Harry R. McCauley, Lot 3 and N2 Lot 4, Blk 13, Friona.
WD—Lee Thompson, et ux, Billy B. Sides, SE4 Sect. 28, T10S, R2E.
DT—Billy B. Sides, et ux, G. D. Anderson, Tr., see above.
M. Lien—Bertie Stowers, H. H. Weis, E2 Lots 11 and 12, Blk. 32, Friona.
DT—William Marvin Sudderth, et ux, Jack Payne, Tr., Lots 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, Blk. 78, Bovina.
M. Lien—William Marvin Sudderth, et ux, Clay Scott, see above.
WD—Geo. A. Heath, Champ C. Worrell, half int. in NW4 Sect. 19, T6S, R3E.
DT—B. J. McKinney, et al, Sam Aldridge, Tr., Lots 4, 5, and 6, Blk. 29, Farwell.
Home. Desig.—B. J. McKinney, et ux, public.
Home Desig.—2. 6. Tawson, et ux Public.
DT—David Nelson et ux, Marvin Carlisle, Tr., S2 of N. 234 a. of Sect. 7, Synd. C.
WD—Sherley Grain Co., Sherley-Anderson-Pitman, Inc., Part of Robinson Add., Farwell.
DT—Sherley-Anderson-Pitman, Inc., John Hughes, Tr., see above.
CC Resol.—Sherley Grain Co., public.
CC Resol.—Sherley-Anderson-Pitman, Inc., public.
Instruments filed week ending December 18, 1954:
DT—Hugh Buckner, et ux, L. C. Malone, Tr., N2 Sect. 23, T4S, R4E.
WD—Sloan Osborn, et ux, Jose Maria Vela, Lot 5, Blk. 90, Friona.
WD—Jose Maria Vela, et ux, David Salinas, see above.
Rel.—Myrtle Lewallen, et vir., Paul Koeltzow, see above.
Home. Desig.—Robt. H. Schueler, et ux, Amicable Life Ins. Co., SE4 Sect. 34 and W2 Sect. 35, T2N, R1E.
WD—H. Y. Overstreet, et ux, E. E. Landrum, a tract along state line in Farwell.
WD—D. C. Melugin, C. R. Elliott, Sect. 27, Synd. C.
DT—James Pearson, B. J. Robbins, E2 Sect. 8, D&K.
Rel.—Amicable Life Ins. Co., J. D. Roach, et ux.
DT—H. B. Butler, et ux, Fed. Land Bank, N. 130 of E. 230 acres, Sect. 39, D&K, SE4 Sect. 34, D&K. Desig.—H. B. Butler, et ux, public.
DT—Lee H. Sudderth, et ux, Fed. Land Bank, SW4 Sect. 26, Synd. C.; SW4 Sect. 6, T10S, R2E; NW4 Sect. 7, T10S, R2E; SE4 Sect. 8, T10S, R2E; SE4 Sect. 25, Synd. C.; SW4 Sect. 7, T10S, R2E; Sect. 9, T11S, R3E; N2 Sect. 6, T10S, R2E; NW4 Sect. 5, T10S, R2E; NW4 Sect. 8, T10S, R2E; NW4 Sect. 12, T9S, R1E; NE4 Sect. 14, T9S, R1E; W2 Sect. 13, T9S, R1E; NW 409 a. Sect. 1, Synd. E.
DT—Blanche L. Sudderth, et vir., Fed. Land Bank, NE4 Sect. 12, T9S, R1E; SW4 Sect. 12, T9S, R1E; SE4 Sect. 12, T9S, R1E; E. 200 a. of N. 387 a. of Sect. 11, T7S, R2E.
DT—Lee H. Sudderth, et ux, Fed. Land Bank, SE4 Sect. 6, T10S, R2E.
Rel.—Dale B. Rule, Mary L. McNeff, A tract along state line, Farwell.
Rel.—Travelers Ins. Co., H. A. Poindexter, s. r.
WD—C. R. Elliott, et ux, John Turpin, E. 160 a. of N. 229 a. of Sect. 14, T7S, R2E.
Rel.—R. L. Truax, David H. Nelson, N2 Sect. 30, T4S, R4E.
CC Probate—Est. of Henry Thimling, public.
Rel.—Conn. Mutual Life Ins., R. L. Green.
DT—J. P. Macon, et ux, J. D. Francis, Tr., Lot 1, Gardner Add., Bovina, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 Industrial Lots, Sect. 8, Synd. E.
Trans.—R. Q. Silverthorne, Mercantile Nat. Bank, Dallas, see above.
Trans.—Chalmer & Borton, see above.
DT—John E. Bingham, et ux, G. D. Anderson, Tr., SW4 Sect. 4, T6S, R3E.
WD—E. V. Isham, et al, John E. Bingham, et ux, see above.
Guard. Deed—E. V. Isham, guardian, see above.
WD—W. M. White, et ux, H. Ray White, Lots 11 and 12, Blk. 12, M&F, Friona.
M. Lien—H. Ray White, Elroy Wilson, see above.
Rel.—Rural Life Ins. Co., H. T. Edwards, et ux, N. 233.75 acres of S. 549.4 a. Survey 18, T14S, R3E; N. 66 a. of E. 266 a. of S. 532 a. Sect. 13, T15S, R2E.
Note Ext. Agree. G. D. Anderson, E. C. Berry, et ux, Sect. 12, T7S, R2E.
WD—O. W. Rhinehart, et ux, Marion H. Carson, Lots 6, 7, 8 and 9, and 10, Blk. 31, Bovina.

Rel.—First Fed. Sav. & Loan, Helen Williams, Lot 9, Blk. 12, Friona.
WD—Donald R. Rule, et ux, L. M. Crow, parts of Wright's South Side Add., Friona.
Cert. of Co. Judg. of No Tax Due—State of Texas, Est. John S. Potts, s. r.
Aff.—J. D. Carpenter, Jr., public, W2 Sect. 103, Kelly H.
Patent—State of Texas, Abner Taylor, Survey 584.
WD—Boone Allison, et ux, T. W. (Buck) Gregory, part of Sect. 17, Johnson Z.
M. Lien—L. B. Blake, et ux, H. H. Weis, Sect. 12, Harding.
Ease.—Chas. Lunsford, I. W. Quickel, W. 186.16 a. Sect. 29, T3S, R3E.
WD—Pauline Lokey, R. L. Rule, NW 160 a. Sect. 1, Kelly.
Rel.—Green Realty Co., J. C. Redwine, NE4 Sect. 3, T11S, R3E.
WD—Roy Williams, et ux, Bonnie M. Wilson, Lot 1, Blk. 5, First Add. to West Loop Drive, Friona.
WD—Bonnie M. Wilson, et ux, Ralph Shelton, see above.
DT—Otis Branscum, et ux, Thurlo Branscum, tracts of Sect. 14 & 15, T9S, R1E.
WD—Thurlo Branscum, et ux, G. D. Anderson, Tr., see above.
P of A—William L. Matteson, Marjorie L. Matteson, s. r.
Trans.—Muleshoe State Bank, T. S. Glasscock, et ux, W. 296.6 a. of Sect. 11, T14S, R3E.
Rel.—Southwestern Life Ins. Co., Mrs. Hulda Saettler, et vir, NE4 Sect. 106, Kelly H.
DT—Tri-County Elevator Co., V. P. Patterson, Tr., parts of League 465.
WD—E. R. Hale, et ux, E. E. Engelking, NE4 Sect. 2, T14S, R3E.

**NEWS FROM THE
FARM BUREAU**
By RAYMOND EULER.

Pick up your 1955 Farm Bureau Calendar at the office before the year changes. Christmas season brings thoughts and feelings and memories that no other season of the year brings. To the very young, it brings thrills of anticipation of Christmas morning, when the things wished for and some he never thought of are found at the foot of the tree. A day of excitement is usually in store as friends and relatives visit and talk and feast.
To the adult it is a season of good cheer, particularly to those who have come to know the Saviour whose birth the date commemorates. Even to those who have not known this acquaintance of grace, it brings a feeling of thoughtfulness for others because it is the general

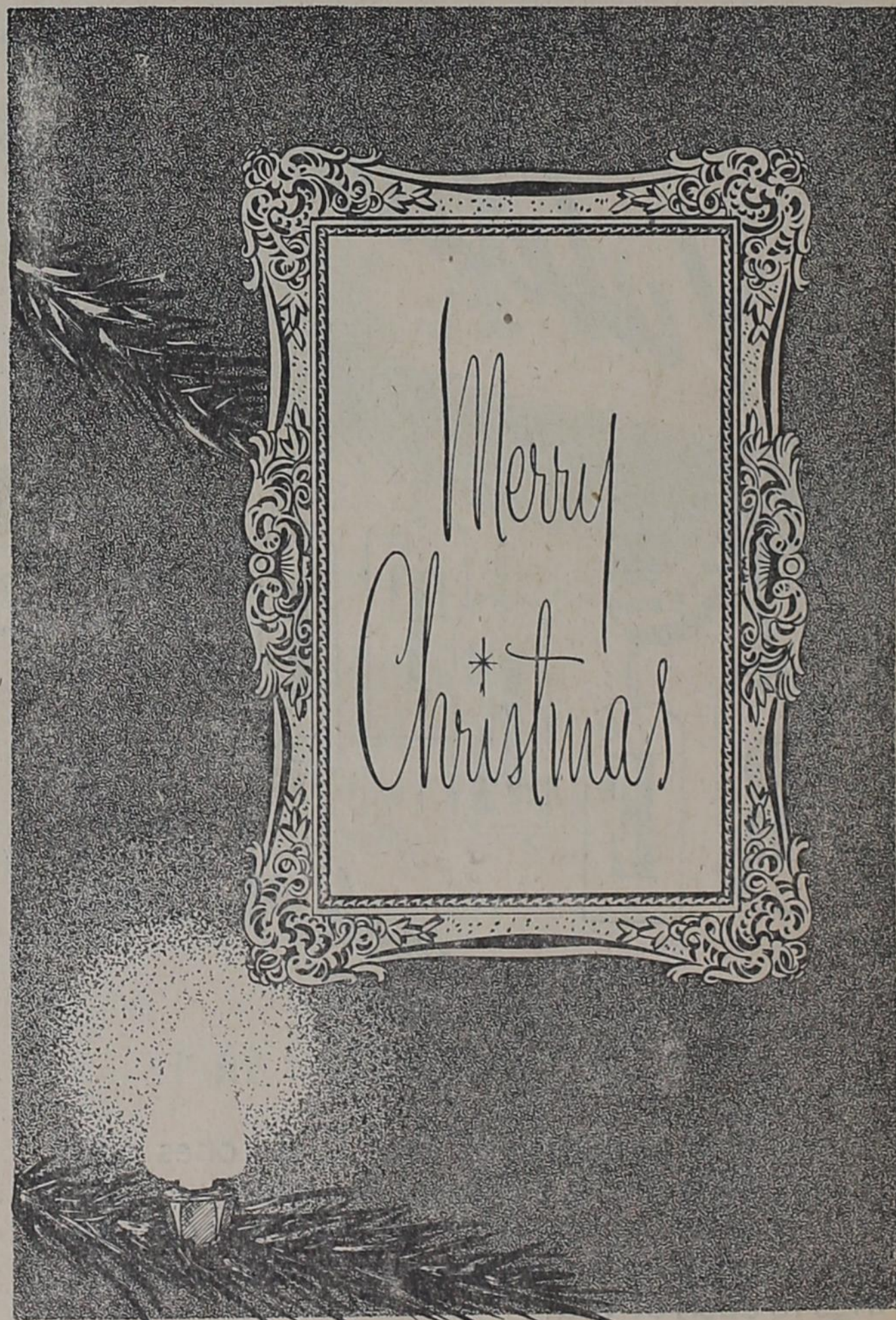
attitude prevailing. This is a season that should remind us that the freedom and plenty that abound in this great nation are the fruits of Christianity; not just the result of men's desires for them. Men everywhere desire freedom and plenty, wherever they are destined to live.
So the joys we take for granted are those common to American people in general and the economically high and middle class in particular. For there are some in this country who arise upon that day with little to decorate the family Christmas tree. If you know a family like that, let us know, or if you wish, do what is necessary yourself to avoid disappointment for them on Christmas Day. It will make two people happy; you and them.

In many parts of the world there is a majority of the "less fortunate," as they would be known in this country. We are pleased to know that there are agencies and groups and churches in this country that are seeing that some of the tables and backs are not bare, by helping send some of the necessities to the very needy people. We are glad that our government has released a billion dollars worth of surplus commodities that you can send to hungry and old people of the world by furnishing transportation and distribution for them. Some of these agencies are CARE, CROP and every Protestant Church in the land. The Catholic Church has its own relief program to which you can contribute if that is your church.



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MORE BOVINA

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held their Christmas exchange and the band presented Mrs. Collins with a bracelet and earring set. Mrs. Collins served refreshments to band members: Sandra Rhinehart, Sandra Martin, Irene Drager, Donnie Springs, Philip Caldwell, James Stevens, Robert Hukill, Nita Beth Estes, Kay Hartzog, Carolyn Robertson, Mildred Young, Harriet Charles, Charlotte Morris, Duane

Rea, Elmer Snodgrass, Carol Hukill, Barbara Williams, Dottie Weatherhead, Carol Hammond; Betty Gann, Celia Barry, Barbara Taylor, Janice Richards, Joan Kay Ezell, Arlene Clayton, Nickie Wolfel, Julia Ann Loyd, Verna Marie Estes and Anna Gaines. Mrs. Vernon Estes was guest of the band and assisted Mrs. Collins with the entertainment.

Mark Charles visited a while with relatives in Bovina Sunday.

Turkey and Dressing Served to Group

Members of the Bovina Woman's Study Club and their husbands met Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ike Quickel for a delicious dinner of turkey and dressing and exchange of gifts. Hostesses were Mrs. Rouel Barron, Mrs. Bill Bradshaw, Mrs. Buck Ellison, Mrs. Leslie McCain, Mrs. Art Mast and Mrs. Ike Quickel.

Around 9:00 p. m., Santa Claus visited the group and passed out the gifts from the tree. Dollar bills were pinned to the tree to help pay for the blue spruce tree in the city park, that was purchased for the park by the Woman's Club.

The following members were present: Mr. and Mrs. Ike Quickel, Mr. and Mrs. Reagan Looney, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bradshaw, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Tidenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Billie Sudderth, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Ellison, Mr. and Mrs. Aubra Ellison, Mr. and Mrs. Rouel Barron, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Rhinehart, Mr. and Mrs. Arlin Hartzog, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Shockley;

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Truitt, Mr. and Mrs. Walter White, Mr. and Mrs. Ovid Lawlis, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ezell, Mr. and Mrs. Art Mast, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Bass Elliott and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wilkinson.

Children Honor Parents Sunday

Sunday afternoon at 4:30, the children of the Kiddieland Kindergarten school presented a Christmas program for their parents in the home of Mrs. Margaret Caldwell.

The program consisted of songs, readings, rhythm numbers and a play by the students, Kregg Wilson, Wayne Davies, Margaret Jo Venable, Rickie Kunselman, Randy Jones, James Lee Calaway, and Timmie Rhodes.

Assisting on the program with piano selections were Linda Estes and Larry Downing.

Refreshments were furnished by Mrs. Paul Jones, Mrs. June Rhodes, and Mrs. Pat Kunselman.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Calaway, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson, Ann Lynn and Candy, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Venable, and Radford and Jan Gromowsky, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Kunselman and Isabell Kunselman, Mrs. Pete Davies, Mrs. Vernon Estes, Mrs. W. H. Downing and daughter, Mrs. Stafford, and Miss Ellen Remnsider.

PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS NEWS

Mrs. Charlotte Brice left Wednesday to visit her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Williams of Oklahoma City, for the Christmas holidays. Mrs. J. M. Lemmon of Amarillo made the trip with her.

The Pentecostal Holiness Church had its Christmas program Sunday night. A very enjoyable program was presented by the young people of the church. Following the program, gifts were exchanged by the young people.

SELL GOODIES

The FHA girls made \$24.50 on their bake sale Saturday at Wilson's Grocery Store. The sale featured Christmas candies, cakes, cookies and pies. The girls went Christmas caroling Sunday night, followed by refreshments of hot chocolate and cookies at the Home-making Cottage.

Students Entertain In Caldwell Home

Some of the students of the piano class entertained with a guest recital and Christmas party for their friends on Saturday evening in the home of their teacher, Mrs. Margaret Caldwell.

Their program of music was opened by singing "Silent Night." The following numbers were presented: "Braham's Lullaby" and "Singing Birds," Susie Estes; "Balade" (Burgmeeller), Joy Redden; "Hark, Vesper Bells" (Johnson), Janice Richards; "Valce Lucile," Barbara Taylor;

"Veil Dance" (Wright) and "Rustic Dance," Don Caldwell; "Star of the Sea" (Kennedy), "Fur-E-Lese" (Beethoven), Joan Kay Ezell.

Following the program, games were played and refreshments served. The guests were Nita Beth Estes, Verna Marie Estes, Carolyn Robertson, Patsy Richards, and Roger Ezell.

Class Has Christmas Social Thursday

The Beginner Sunday School class of the Bovina Baptist Church had its Christmas social Thursday afternoon at the church.

Several games were played and refreshments were served to Paul and Susan Ratliff, Carol Mast, Larry Truitt, Mike Garth, Roxie and Beth Hutto, Sheryl and Steven Lane, Linda Williams, Rex Cumpston, David and Cynthia Garrett, Sherman Edwards, Gail Boyd, Creta Lois and Jerry Morris, Bennie Kent, and Martha Ann Adams.

Mothers who attended were Mrs. Clovis Ratliff, Mrs. Eddie Hutto, Mrs. Garrett, Mrs. Wayne Garth and Mrs. Morris.

Hostesses for the party were Mrs. R. L. Douglas Jr., Mrs. Cecil Edwards, Mrs. A. P. Hobby, Mrs. B. R. Horton, Mrs. Charles Vickers and Mrs. O. D. Bingham.

Landrums Give Seasonal Party

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Landrum gave the Farmerton HD club members and their families a Christmas buffet supper last Wednesday, Dec. 8.

The table was decorated with white candles and small white Christmas trees.

Chicken and dressing and all the trimmings were enjoyed by all.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Jay Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Fite, Mr. and Mrs. Monte Barrett and children, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Battay and Keith, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Wright, Gene Gordon and Janice, and Mr. and Mrs. Landrum, Joe Eugenia and Margaret Rose.

The group will meet in January with Mrs. Elmer Lowrie.

Family Party Noted By Greenacres HD

Greenacres Home Demonstration members and their families met recently at the Friona Club House for a Christmas party. Games of "42" were played by the adults, and children were entertained with table games.

Pie and coffee and cocoa were served to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Brookfield and children, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hardesty and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Al Resnick and children, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wells and children, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Sherrie and son, Mrs. Gordon Hough and children, Mrs. Gene Anthony and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Meryle Massie.

Has Yule Party

The Friendship Class of the Bovina Methodist Sunday School met Monday night in the home of Mrs. E. T. Caldwell. The group delivered Christmas packages and sang carols.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Bell and children, Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Hammonds and Glen, Mrs. Oral Kunselman, Isabel Kunselman, Rita Caldwell.

A business session was held and Durwood Bell was elected as class vice-president when the class met Sunday after church at the home of Mrs. Bedford Caldwell for a sandwich luncheon.

During the afternoon, they packaged the Christmas gifts.

Dorcas Circle Has Party

Mrs. L. H. Pesch, assisted by Mrs. Earl Richards, was hostess Wednesday to the Dorcas Circle Christmas party. It was held in the home of Mrs. Pesch.

Mrs. Doris Wilson gave the devotional, followed by several games. Secret Pollyannas were revealed as the gifts were taken from the beautifully lighted Christmas tree.

Refreshments of fruit cakes and coffee were served to Mrs. Walter White, Mrs. Earl Richards, Mrs. L. H. Pesch, Mrs. Frank Wilson, Mrs. John Wilson, Mrs. Ike Quickel, Mrs. Bill Whitesides, Mrs. Lloyd Battay, Mrs. J. Hopingardner, Mrs. Elvin Hammonds, Mrs. Pat Kunselman, and Mrs. L. C. Moore.

Rainbow Girls Exchange Gifts

The annual Christmas party for the Rainbow girls of Bovina Assembly 158, was held Monday night at the Silver Grill in Clovis.

Around 30 people attended, including the mothers and fathers, who were invited as special guests.

The group enjoyed a Mexican supper, followed by an exchange of Christmas gifts.

Mrs. A. P. Hobby, Mother Adviser, was presented a lovely gift from the girls.

Lillie and Lois Ellison entertained with two vocal numbers, "Silver Bells," and "Winter Wonderland." Kay Leake also sang "I Told Santa Claus To Bring Me You," and "White Christmas."

Breakfast Honors Jo Ann Williams

Miss Jo Ann Williams, bride-elect of Lt. Don Trautman, was honored for a lingerie shower in the home of Mrs. Tom Caldwell Tuesday of last week.

Co-hostess was Mrs. Bedford Caldwell. Breakfast was served to Mrs. Bob Wilson, Mrs. Webb Gober, the hostesses and the honoree, and her mother, Mrs. Johnnie Williams. Regards were sent by Mrs. David Carson.

The centerpiece for the table was an arrangement of pink and silver carnations, centered with a small frying pan, containing "daisy" eggs.

Taffy Pull Highlights Seasonal Party

The Crusader Choir made up of about 20 juniors and intermediates of the Bovina Methodist Church met Friday night of last week for a Christmas social. They spent an enjoyable two hours skating at Clo-

vis and returned to the church for taffy pulling, popping corn, and Christmas carol singing. Mrs. Walter White is choir director.

Mrs. Vernon Estes, pianist, Jimmie Charles, Mrs. Eddie Redden,

Mrs. Arlin Hartzog, and Rev. and Mrs. White accompanied them to Clovis, and Mrs. Gene Ezell made the taffy for the group.

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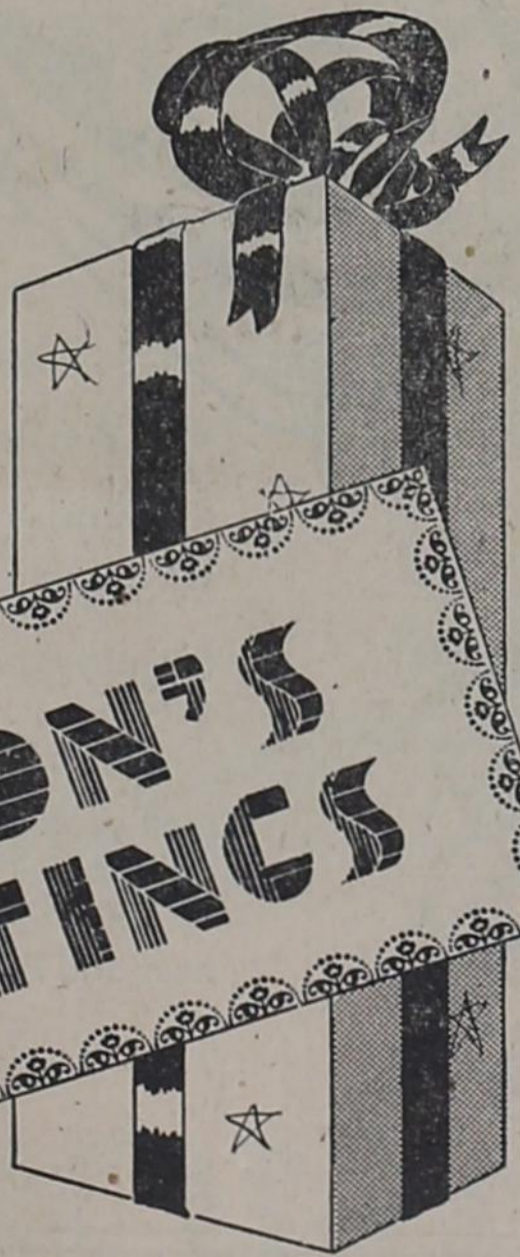
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Two WSCS Groups Meet At Bovina

Bovina Methodist WSCS met at the church Tuesday night with the Oklahoma Lane WSCS as special guests. Husbands were invited and the Wesleyan Service Guild members were also guests at the program.

Mrs. Billie Sudderth, president of the Bovina WSCS, gave the welcome, followed by Rev. Vernon Willard of Oklahoma Lane.

A summary of the study, "The City," was given by Mrs. William Thornton. A film, "The City Story," also was shown.

Following the benediction by Rev. Walter White, refreshments of cookies and punch were served.

Welcome a Son

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Wellborn welcomed a son, Johnny Blake, born December 15 and weighing 7 lbs. and 9 ozs. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ira Wellborn of Bovina and Mrs. Gladys Brant of Sterling, Colo.

Visiting in the D. S. Harrell home Wednesday were a nephew, Dee Harrell, and Mr. Mackintire of Bokchilo, Okla.

David Anderson Seven Years Old

David Anderson was honored with a party on his seventh birthday Tuesday afternoon by his grandmother, Mrs. Johnnie Williams and an aunt, Miss Jo Ann Williams.

The second grade students were treated with favors and refreshments, including Christmas sacks filled with popcorn balls, apples, candy and nuts, and Cokes.

Girls in the class received favors of rolling pins and boys were given small cars.

Francis Whitesides, son of the S. A. Whitesides, came home Saturday night from Memphis, Tenn., where he is attending a school of optometry. He will visit in Bovina during the Christmas holidays.

Rev. and Mrs. Virgil Goodwin went to Gould, Okla., Monday night where the pastor officiated at the funeral of S. W. Carmack.

The Grady Pricers were dinner guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Marshall and children.

A. G. White is home again from an extended visit with old friends and relatives in Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Oklahoma.

NEWS FROM LAZBUDDIE

Farwell Boys and Springlake Girls Win Tournament

Jim Gordon substituting for Jane Barton

The Lazbuddie High School Invitational Tournament was held December 16, 17, and 18. Here are the results of that tournament:

The Springlake girls and the Farwell boys took first place and both Muleshoe boys and girls took consolation.

In the first game of the tournament Farwell girls were pitted against Bovina and both teams gave good performances. In the first quarter, Farwell led Bovina by a score of 8-6. In the second quarter, the score was 23-13 with Farwell still in the lead. The third quarter score was 30-24, Farwell again. Farwell led in the fourth quarter and the final score was 47-34. This put Farwell against Springlake in order to get to the finals.

The second game Thursday night was Farwell boys against the Bovina "B" team. The gallant Bovina team was up against almost hopeless odds but, they did a good job and from all appearances were wonderful sports. The final score of this game was 73-12.

Lazbuddie and Muleshoe girls were next on the agenda and this was a very good game. The first quarter score was 14-13 for Lazbuddie. The second quarter, Lazbuddie gained a 5 point lead and the score was 27-22. In the third quarter, Lazbuddie gained even more and the score stood at 38-29. The final score was 45-37.

High point for Lazbuddie was Janice Oliver with 19 and Clara Jean Jesko had 16.

High point for Muleshoe was Douglas with 17 and Jean Montgomery had 15.

The Muleshoe and Lazbuddie boys played a very exciting game and by a foul only was Lazbuddie able to pull through. The game was nip and tuck. The first quarter score was 12-15 in favor of Muleshoe. The second quarter was 31-29 with Lazbuddie leading. The final count was 58-56. High point for Lazbuddie was Jimmie Oliver with 19 and Leon Smith with 12. High for Muleshoe was Wilson with 19 and Shaw who had 17.

Friday night, the first game of the night was Springlake and Farwell girls. The first quarter score was 11-13, Farwell. The next quarter was 19-27 in favor of Springlake. Springlake led the rest of the game with third quarter score 32-26, and a final tally of 46-42.

High point for Springlake was Hamilton with 17, Shirley McClusky with 16 and Jones had 13. High point for Farwell was Davis with 30 and Huffaker was next with 10.

Springlake and Farwell boys were up next, and the first quarter score was 18-6, Farwell. The Steers led all the game with second quarter 38-16; third 46-27; and the final score 65-35.

Lazbuddie and Springlake "B" girls played next and Lazbuddie led all the way. Lazbuddie won by a score of 44-22. This placed Lazbuddie against Springlake "A" girls in the finals.

Lazbuddie boys played Springlake boys and also won that game without too much trouble. The final score was 41-22. This pitted Lazbuddie against Farwell boys for first place.

During the Saturday night finals, Muleshoe and Bovina played for consolation, with Muleshoe winning by a score of 44-38.

Boys consolation competitors were also Muleshoe and Bovina. That game was also won by Muleshoe by a 68-19 score.

For first place, Lazbuddie and Springlake girls played with Springlake winning by one point.

That final score was 42-43.

Boys first place was won by Farwell, as they defeated Lazbuddie by a score of 58-36.

Lazbuddie Students Home for Christmas

Students home for Christmas are Miss Winnie Paul Ham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Ham of Rt. 1, Muleshoe. She attends Howard Payne College at Brownwood;

Miss Jimmie Frank Carpenter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Carpenter. "Sis" attends Texas Tech at Lubbock;

Miss Barbara Hinkson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hinkson. She also attends Tech;

Jerry Gleason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Gleason. Jerry attends Texas A & M at College Station;

Albert Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Clark. Albert attends West Texas State College at Canyon;

Max Crim, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Crim, is home from WTSC, also.

There are others, probably, who have not yet been contacted.

SCHOOL OUT FRIDAY

Lazbuddie Schools turned out Friday and each class had a party. Refreshments and gifts were enjoyed by all. School will begin again Jan. 3.

Recent Bride Is Shower Honoree

A shower honoring Mrs. Don McDonald, nee Miss Merlene Cargile, in the home of Mrs. Luther Hall was held Dec. 8.

The honoree was given a pink carnation corsage with pink, silver sprinkled ribbon. Her mother received a red carnation corsage with red, silver sprinkled ribbon.

The house decorations included a Christmas wreath on the door, and a modernistic centerpiece of chartreuse and silver angels on an angel-hair cloud. This lovely centerpiece was placed on a white lace tablecloth.

The guests were served white cakes iced in white and decorated with pink rosebuds, colored mints, and punch.

Those present and sending gifts were Mesdames J. W. Crim and Weldon, Flo Brown, Claude Sanders, E. O. Baker, J. R. Harris Jr., Jane Barton, Buck Crim and Doyle, John Gammon, Mary Schumman, Cynthia and Jane Harvey, Del-

ton Wenner, Bert Gordon and Jim, Don Sanders, John Agee, Bob Kimbrough, Lee Kimbrough.

Opal Bewley, Anita Treider, Claude Heath, Mae Parks, Vernon Goodwin, C. C. Graef, Harold Wilson, Pete Mimms, Al Jennings, Guy Cox, H. P. Cargile, Barney Floyd, J. D. Carpenter, Leroy McDonald, David, Ronnie and Debbie, Charlie Hammon, J. R. Harris Sr., Joyce Broyles, Neal Bradshaw, R. G. Treider, T. O. Leslie.

Mrs. Hunt and Wanda, Frank Hinkson, Preston Cargile, Betty Johnson, Maxine Elliott, Wayne Clark, E. L. Clark, J. J. McDonald, E. T. Ford, Jackie Looper, Ruby Gonsler, L. L. Goodwin, V. H. Bewley, Mrs. Wilson and Ailene, Sally Robinson, Reta Welch, Henry Ivy, Stella Johnson, Jimmie Ivy.

J. H. McDonald, Laura Treider, W. G. Coffman, Matt Jesko, H. H. Briggs, H. W. Carpenter, Lora Brown, W. E. Payne, Finnis Jennings, Artie Beavers, James Beavers, W. N. Foster, Ted Treider, Kenneth Reeves, James Harvey, Myrtle Gregory, Walter Steinbock, Eulan Parham, Charlie Gustin, Raymond Leslie, Alma Monk, Ben Foster, Thomas Beauchamp.

Jack Smith, E. V. Crain, Leon Smith, Alfred Steinbock, Ethel McCurdy, Clay Henson, J. B. Jennings, Dorothy Ward, C. A. Watson, Kenneth Hall, N. J. Goodnough, Riley Goodnough, Raymond Hodston, Sam Brownlee, Danny Cargile, Roy Daniel,

D. B. Ivy, Garvin Thorne, J. W. Gammon, Kenneth Seals, Maurice Goodwin, Conrad Nelson, Clara Jean Jesko, Glenda Hall, Wanda Hunt, Imogene Treider, June Smith, Louise Ham, Mary Gonsler, Betty Floyd, Jimmy Seaton, Stella Gressett, C. E. Goodwin, Ronny Smith, Perry Barnes, Bob Anderson, Claude Watkins, E. E. Dyer, Finis Kimbrough, Glen, Scott and Billy Wayne, Ralph Cox.

Hostesses were Mesdames Frances Treider, George Crane, L. R. Hall, Billy McGehee, W. S. Menefee, John Littlefield, Owen Broyles, Robert Kimbrough, Lorene Blackburn, Delia DeLoach and Luther Ham.

MAIL ANNUAL PAGES

The seniors mailed 46 pages on Tuesday for their annual. This is their second shipment. Their final shipment is due February 14.

The Bert Gordons spent the week-end visiting his brothers, O. M. and M. L. of Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Ham will spend Christmas in Bangs, visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gammon will spend Christmas at Lubbock visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Floyd will spend Christmas in Memphis visiting friends and relatives.

The Methodist Church of Lazbuddie was to have an annual Christmas tree Wednesday night. A

short play by Betty Floyd and Joe Briggs was scheduled.

Old Faithful, Yellowstone National Park's famous geyser, erupts once every hour.



With best wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS

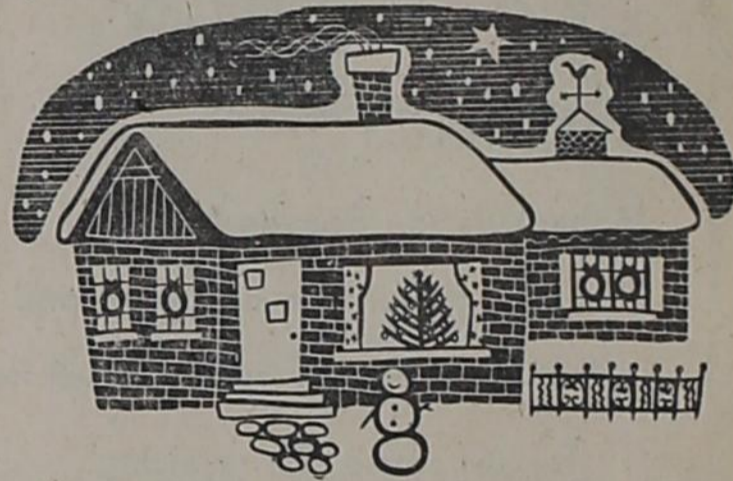
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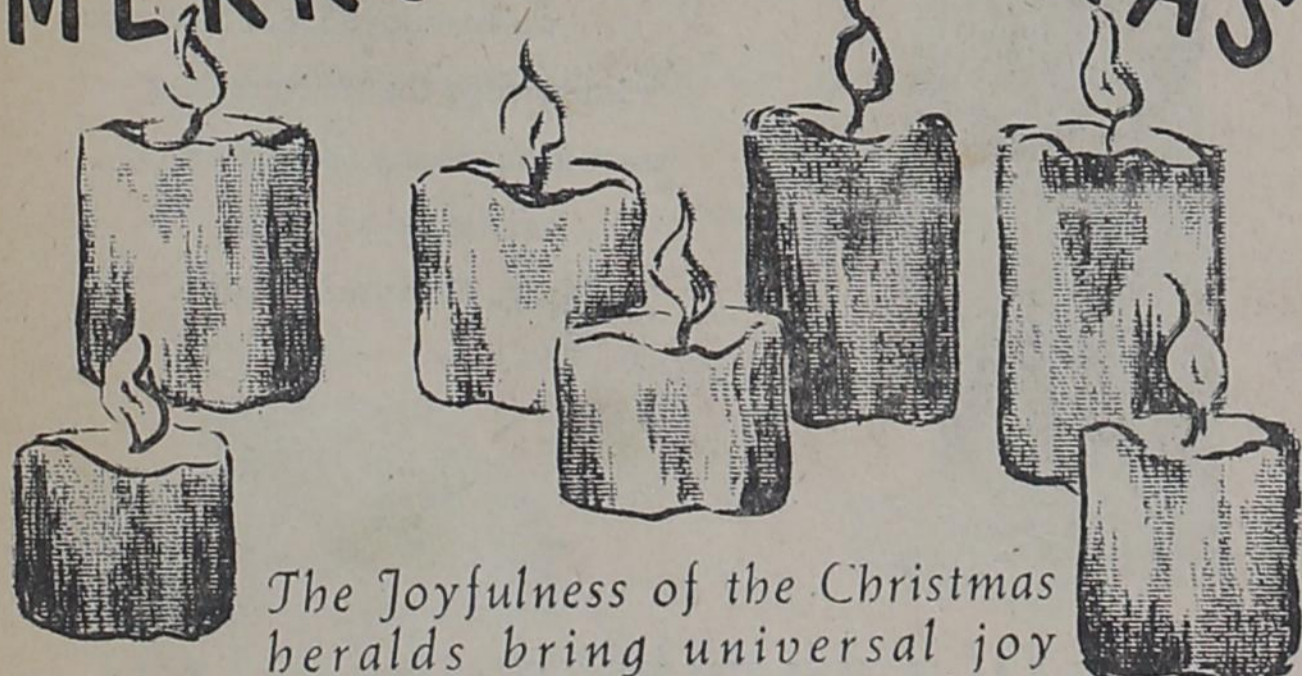


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MERRY CHRISTMAS



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It's a Pleasant Custom to Send
SEASON'S GREETINGS



You may be sure we extend our Greetings of the Christmas Season in all sincerity. We thoroughly enjoy this occasion of renewing friendly associations.

Our thanks for your patronage during the past year. May the New Year bring fulfillment of your every desire, as well as Health, Happiness and Prosperity

As this is our first year in the fine community of Bovina and the trade territory that surrounds it, we feel especially grateful to all you nice people who have done business with us and made it such a real pleasure to be located here.

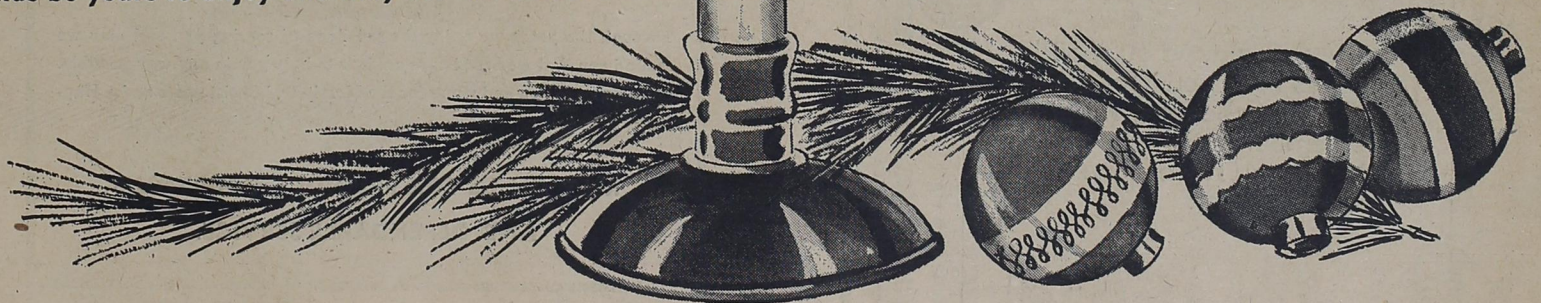
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AND THE BEST OF GOOD WISHES

A new Christmas season is upon us and once again we find ourselves eagerly awaiting the opportunity to extend compliments of the season to those about us. It is our sincere wish, and we believe it will be fulfilled, that Christmas this year will bring great joy and contentment to you, your loved ones and friends. May all the blessings that blend into a perfect Christmas be yours to enjoy and may the memories

of a happy season remain with you throughout the days of the coming year. We also wish to add our appreciation for the loyal friendships of this organization. Your consideration and thoughtfulness will inspire us to greater things and we trust we may continue to be worthy of these friendships. To know you and to serve you is a privilege and we hope these words of greetings will truly convey our gratitude.



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Friona, Texas

Letters To Santa Claus

FROM THE STUDENTS OF THE BOVINA FIRST GRADE

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you please bring me a Mona Lisa doll, some dishes and a toy piano.
I love you,
Linda Johnston

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Christmas to you. Please come to see me and Lanell and Loy. I want a Ricky Junior doll with a hat on.
Love,
Gwendolyn Christian

Dear Santa Claus,
Please come to see me. I want a doll and some dishes.
Merry Christmas
Juanita Reyes

Dear Santa Claus,
I want two guns, airplane and football.
Love,
Jerry Dale Roach

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a nice girl in the first grade. Please bring me a Tiny Tears doll with a suitcase and a baby buggy.
Brenda Pruitt

Dear Santa Claus,
We love you. Please come to see us. I want a doll, just any.
Martha Alice Snodgrass

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and a baby buggy for Christmas.
Love,
Nancy Slovak

Dear Santa Claus,
We love you. Please come to see us. I want a Tiny Tears doll and I want dishes.
Patsy Ann Cumpton

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a farmall set and a cowboy suit.
Love,
Clovis Downing

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a doctor set, a doll that walks, some dishes, cabinet, icebox, potato head and a baton.
Clara Jean Meacham

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and baby buggy for Christmas.
Love,
Nancy Slovak

Dear Santa Claus,
We love you. Please come to see us. I want a walking doll, and a suitcase with doll clothes.
Linda Sue Willoughby

Dear Santa Claus,
We love you. Please come to see us. I want a BB gun and a bicycle.
Merry Christmas
Jack Ray Walker

Dear Santa Claus,
We love you. Please come to see us. I want a Tiny Tears Doll, a suit case with some clothes and a nurse set.
Jan Everett

Dear Santa Claus,
We love you. Please come to see me. I want a BB gun. I will be careful.
Billy Ray Perkins

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a bicycle.
Billy Lynn Marshall

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a tractor and a caterpillar because I am a farmer. I am a good boy seven years old. I want candy, nuts and fruit too.
Alfred Stanberry

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a BB gun and cowboy boots. I have been a good boy.
Love,
Richard Carson

Dear Santa Claus,
I am trying to be good. I want a set of dishes.
Bonnie Sue Morris



Holiday Plants Need Special Care

Holiday plants require special care if they are to look their best. Just like human beings, they need bright light or sunlight, in the day and a proper amount of water. Wilting, leaf yellowing and burning, leaf drop and premature loss of flowers can be caused by under-watering or over-watering plants. Thorough watering is important as soon as plants are dry, but avoid leaving plants standing in water. Puncture the tinfoil or heavy paper on pots at the drainage hole to provide necessary drainage.

Here are some further suggestions:
Lower the night temperature to prolong the life of blooms. Minimum night temperature for poinsettias and Christmas begonias should be 60 degrees. The desirable night temperatures for azaleas, Christmas cactus, chrysanthemums, cyclamen, Jerusalem cherry, Kalanchoe, ornamental peppers, potted bulbs and cut flowers are between 50 degrees and 60 degrees. High room temperatures hasten the maturity of flowers and shorten their life. Avoid sudden temperature changes and drafts. Keep both plants and cut flowers away from radiators and heat registers and out of drafts. Poinsettias are especially sensitive to sudden temperature changes. They should never be left near a window sill as drafts will cause leaves to turn yellow and drop.

John Alden was the first trained English woodworker to come to this country. The rolling section of a roll-top desk is called the tambour.

Lesser Events Took Place On Christmas Day

Christmas is, above all else, the day on which we recognize the Nativity of Christ. It has been so since the fourth century, when the Western Church officially adopted December 25th as the date of the birth of the Saviour.

Since that time, this greatest of all events has completely overshadowed every historical event occurring on the same day. Ask anyone to tell you of something else in history that happened on December 25th other than the birth of Christ, and chances are they will give you a negative answer.

A few will remember that it was on this same date that George Washington crossed the Delaware. Only a true student of history will tell you that the date marks the birthday of Isaac Newton, Clara Barton and Frances Blake, among others.

Actually, the fact that Washington crossed the Delaware on Christmas is all the average American should be expected to

remember. But, it's interesting to note some of the other events that happened on the same day:

- In 1837, the Battle of Okeechobee.
- In 1941, Japanese captured Hong Kong.
- In 1492, wreck of the Santa Maria, at Haiti.
- In 1926, Hirohito became Emperor of Japan.
- It was also on Christmas day, in 1947, that China's constitution was adopted and went into effect, making the date China's National Renaissance Day. And, Christmas is also the birthday of the town of Kelso, Washington, settled on Christmas day, 1847, by Peter W. Crawford.

ROSE BOWL

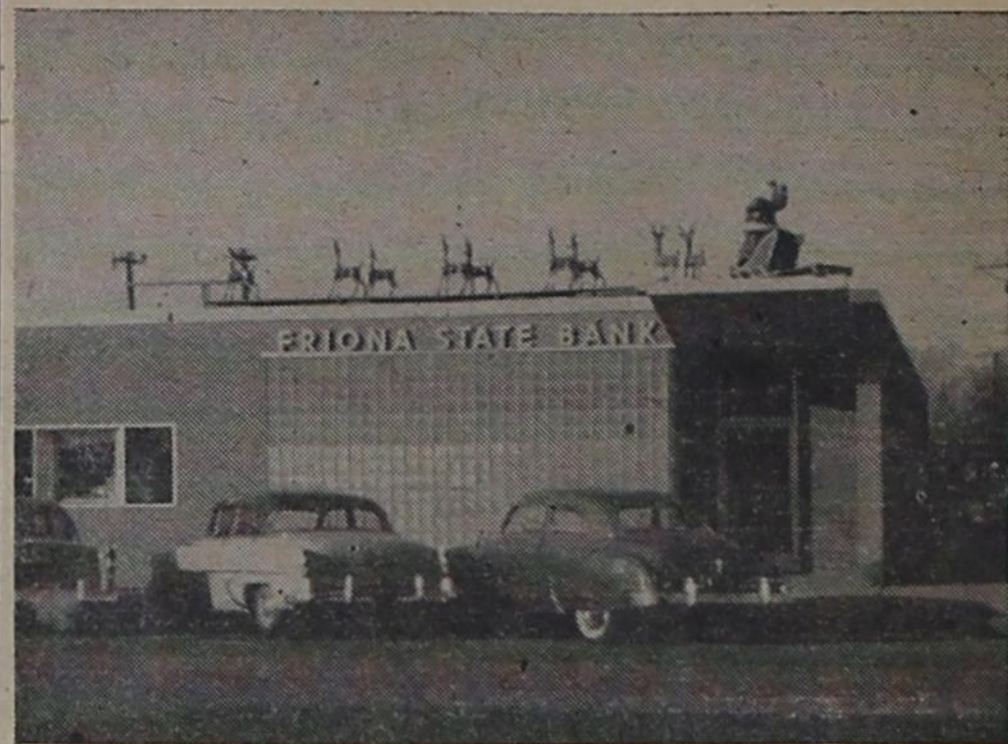
The fabulous Rose Bowl game started out as a supplement to the Tournament of Roses when the first east-west game was played on January 1, 1902. Michigan beat Stanford, 49-0.

Linbergh received the first Distinguished Flying Cross awarded by the U. S.

Rhode Island was the first state in the union to build its own airport.

In Oldham, England 960 tons of soot per square mile were deposited by March 1915.

SANTA CAME EARLY



The kids of Friona probably behaved better than usual before Christmas this year, because it was plainly evident to all that Santa Claus was in town and was keeping a watchful eye for good little boys and girls. The picture above shows Santa, his sleigh and reindeer, dashing along the top of the Friona State Bank building. Many downtown Friona businesses bedecked their fronts with Christmas themes.

Wiley Post made the first solo flight around the world in July, 1931, at 20 feet what you should see at 30 feet.

CHRISTMAS

Yuletide Greetings

The approach of another Yuletide brings with it the fond memories of pleasant associations during the year just closing. It brings to our mind the scores of favors that have come our way and the thoughtfulness back of them. As we pause to observe this glorious and happy occasion, we recall the many enjoyable relationships of the past twelve months.

Indeed, the people of this community have been considerate and we are truly grateful. May lasting happiness be your good fortune in the months to come.

To one and all, Merry Christmas!



At the close of another year, we reflect back upon the bountiful grain harvest produced by the people of this area, and we wish to say to each of you, SINCERE THANKS for the wonderful patronage you have brought us.

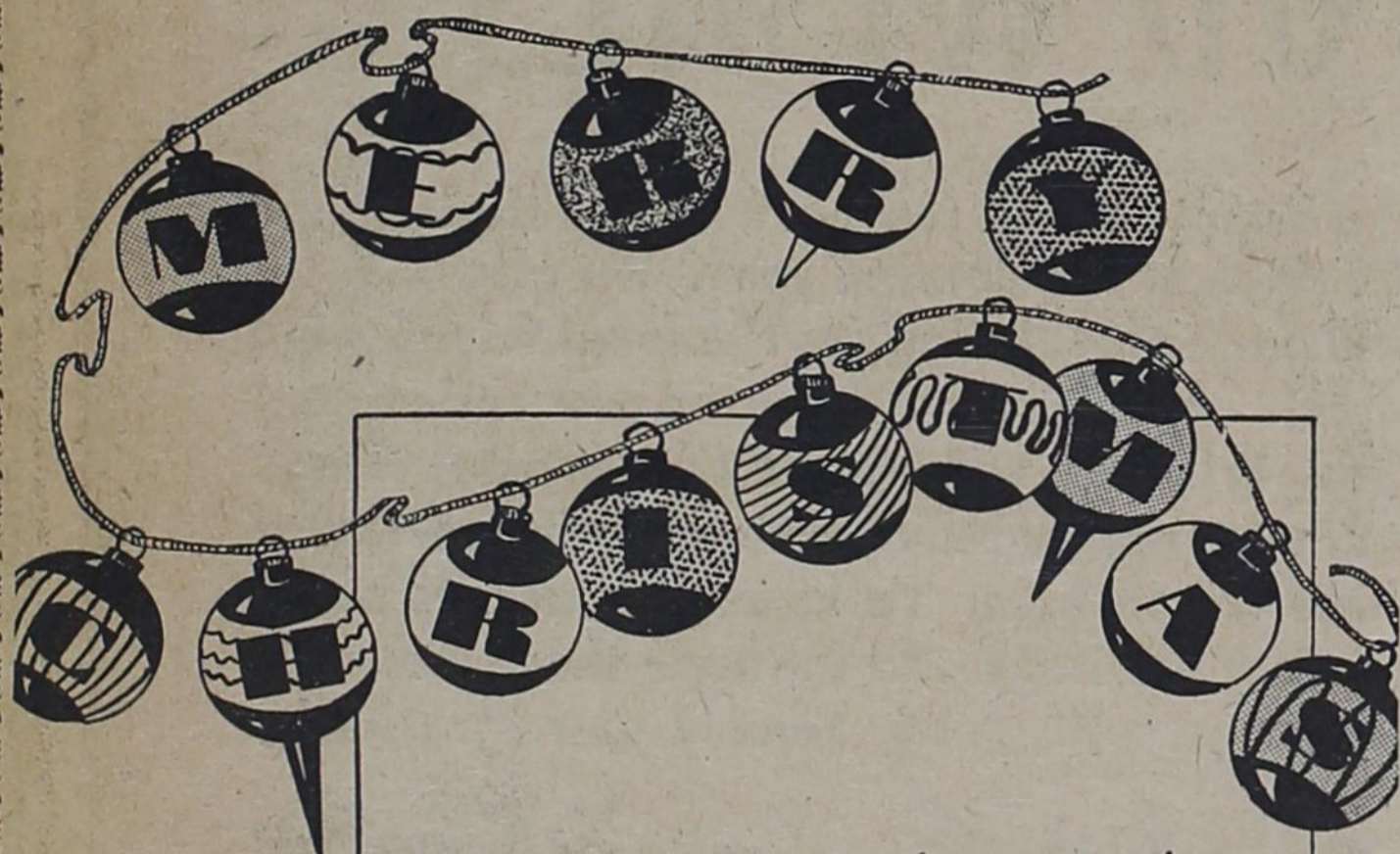
Through the years we enjoy the privilege of serving you and may we remind you that we are always anxious to help you in any way possible. Best wishes to you and yours for the Merriest of Christmases and a Happy New Year!

RELY ON US FOR FRIENDLY, COURTEOUS AND DEPENDABLE SERVICE.

BOVINA WHEAT GROWERS

A. C. TETER, Manager

BOVINA, TEXAS



As we extend our good wishes to you for the Christmas Season, we are remembering all the nice things you have done for us in the past.

Thanks a Million!

PAUL JONES
BOVINA, TEXAS

What Are Folks Planning On Doing this Christmas?

People of this area, like those of any other, observe Christmas in many different ways. To get an idea of what Christmas will be like for some folks who live in Bovina, The Tribune selected a couple of "average" families of that community to see just what they had planned to do on Christmas Day.

The first family contacted was that of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Charles, a well-known couple who have made Bovina their home for many years.

The Charleses moved into their pretty home in southern Bovina

only a comparatively short time ago, and have scarcely gotten used to living there.

They are planning for a big, exciting Christmas, and if the arithmetic of family members is reliable, 22 will be on hand to join in the festivities Saturday.

Children of the Charleses who will be there are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kaminski who have come from their home in California, together with their family;

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Charles and family, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Estes and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Charles and family all

of Bovina; Mark a student at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales, and Mrs. Charles' sister, "Aunt Ellen" Remmsnider.

Kids Make It Fun

The other Bovina family contacted is that of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Snell, who have three kiddies who are just the right age for an exciting Christmas.

Gene, who is manager of Bovina Butane Service, and his wife (also named Jean), have lived in Bovina for only a few months. They formerly lived on a farm in the Rhea community.

Brad, 4, and Craig, 3, are really

WE'RE HAVING CHRISTMAS AT HOME



Three children the ages of those in the picture above guarantee a lively and exciting Christmas, and that's just what the Gene Snells of Bovina are expecting when Saturday morning rolls around. Gene and Mrs. Snell are shown placing presents around the family tree in their home, and Craig, 3, (center) and Jen, 1 (at the right) are glad to help out. Brad, 4 (at the left) is busy completing decorations on the tree. "Santa Claus is going to bring me a road grader," says Brad. "Me too," says Craig. Jen doesn't know what she wants yet. Gene says he figures the family will start Christmas day "by waking up at about four in the morning."

PUTTING UP THE TREE



Grandkids make putting up the Christmas tree more than just a chore for the Wilbur Charleses of Bovina. That's Wilbur kneeling at the left, and Mrs. Charles, fresh from the kitchen with her apron still on, is steadying the tree. The grandchildren are Donnie (upper), who will be 1 on Christmas day, and Charlotte (seated on the floor), who is 4. Their mother, Mrs. Jack Kaminski, is holding Donnie.

live wires about Christmas, but their enthusiasm is matched by Jen, their sister, a toddler of only one year who doesn't let them do anything she doesn't get in on.

Christmas for the Snells will be spent at their home in Bovina, but that doesn't mean it will be a

quiet affair. In fact, Papa Snell fears that the anticipation of their Christmas tree will have the young ones out of bed "by four o'clock in the morning."

Christmas of 1953 was spent in Amarillo where the Snells were living at that time. They originally came from Central Kansas.

Jimmy Ware, Bovina, Is New Frat Member

LUBBOCK—Nearly 60 students, members of Kemas men's social fraternity at Texas Tech for the past 22 years, were initiated into Phi Gamma Delta, national social fraternity, during two days of activities last weekend.

All the national officers, including Cecil J. Wilkenson, executive secretary from Washington, D. C., were present for the installation of the 82nd Chapter of the fraternity. Activities included a banquet, initiation of charter members, alumni and undergraduates, a luncheon and an open house.

Kemas was the last of eight men's social clubs to affiliate with national fraternities of Texas Tech. It was established at Tech in 1932. Phi Gamma Delta was organized at Jefferson College, Canonsburg, Pa., April 22, 1848.

Among charter members who signed the original petition to Phi Gamma Delta from Tech's Lambda Tau Chapter was Jimmy Ware, son of the E. M. Wares of Bovina.

Control Of Flies In Laying Cage Houses

COLLEGE STATION—Srays, poison baits and management holds the key to successful control of flies in laying cage houses of poultry.

Flies publication says control of flies begins with the elimination of moisture needed for their development. Watering devices should be constructed so as not to leak.

Let the droppings underneath the cages build up into cones. The circulation of air will dry the droppings, eliminating moisture.

Clean the house and remove

TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS

Merry Christmas



WARD'S WELDING
Bovina, Texas

THEN--AS NOW



The Glorious Star of the East signified a special time in the history of man—a time when peace and good will should be foremost in the thoughts of all. It is with this thought in mind that we are pleased once again to bring a sincere Christmas Greeting to the friends and customers of Gaines Hardware of Bovina.

The joys of the Yuletide season can be many for those who recognize the purpose for which this holiday was set aside.

Join together with millions of other Americans who this year will recognize Christmas for what it really is.

Those who discover the true joy of giving will be those to whom Christmas will be a symbol of happiness.

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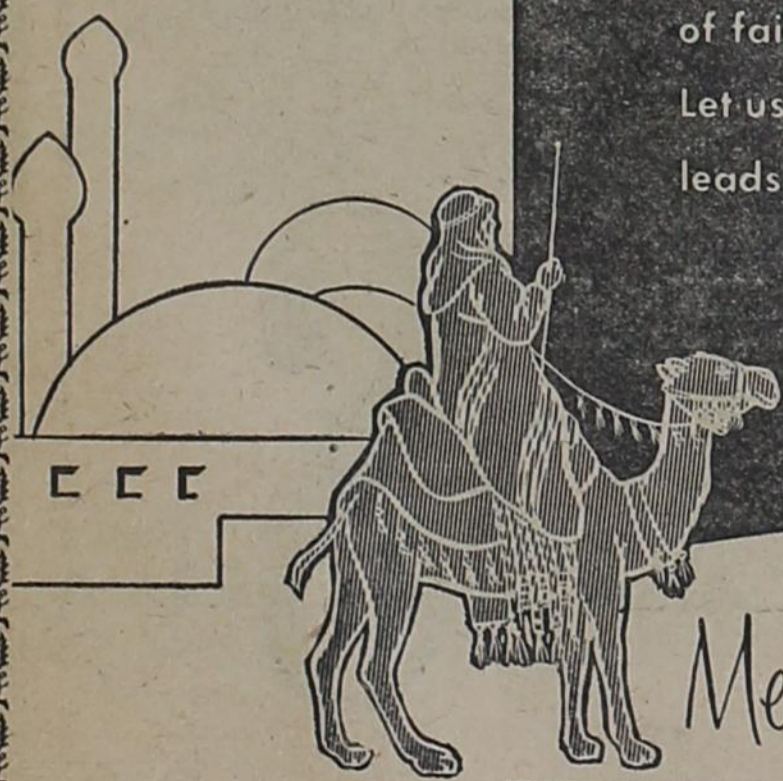
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GREETINGS

We value highly
our friends
and wish
each of you

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MERRY CHRISTMAS



Merry Christmas

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By Maud McCurdy Welch
TOMORROW was Christmas and Tommy was worried. It hadn't snowed at all, and if there was no snow to shovel, how could he make any money for Christmas?

Tommy lived in the neat farm cottage with his Uncle Pete and Aunt Lucy. Aunt Lucy had just told him he could go over and see Jimmy Reeder but be sure to be back by five o'clock. So Tommy started walking slowly toward the Reeder farm, as he had a lot of thinking to do.

In the small sitting room Aunt Lucy and Uncle Pete were talking. Aunt Lucy insisted that two dollars was an awful lot to pay for a dog. They were poor people after all and could only afford to give Tommy sensible things.

Uncle Pete thought Tommy should have the puppy he wanted. He was only seven, and needed a playmate.

Tommy was walking along still slowly, trying not to think how wonderful it would be if he could have this little puppy. His name was Blaze, and he was a runt; that's why he cost only two dollars. Tommy thought how the pup would frolic along beside him and wag his tail, and how they'd race over the fields when spring was here. But no use thinking about Blaze. He had to get a job.

It was when he was passing the big house where Mr. Robert That-



"Could you give it to me in new shiny dollars," Tommy said.
cher lived, that the idea came. Tommy went in and asked Mr. Thatcher for a job. Mr. Thatcher was said to be a bad-tempered,

Driving is a full time job that requires all your attention.

stingy old man, but Tommy wasn't going to be afraid of him. He said, "I need some Christmas money, and I thought you might give me a job to do."

The old man asked grumpily, "What do you want for Christmas?"

His Xmas Wish

Tommy explained about the dog and Mr. Thatcher said, "All right, you can go to work in the orchard, cleaning out under the trees."

Tommy found the rake and other tools and went to work with vim. A little before five, the job was done. Mr. Thatcher took a look at it, and said he'd earned the two dollars.

"Could you give it to me in new shiny dollars?" Tommy asked.

The old man nodded. "Thought you were going to buy a puppy?"

"Nope. Can't have the puppy. Christmas is for giving."

The old man put two silver dollars in his hand. He said softly, "Glad you reminded me, Tommy. I'd almost forgotten."
Then it was Christmas. After breakfast Tommy proudly laid a shining silver dollar in Aunt Lucy's hand and one in Uncle Pete's. They were both so surprised for a moment they didn't speak. Then Aunt Lucy nodded at Uncle Pete. He left the room and they heard the chugging of the old Ford as it went down the lane.

"The dollar shines pretty, doesn't it?" Tommy asked.

"It's beautiful, Tommy. Thank you." Aunt Lucy's voice sounded choked up.

When Uncle Pete came back, he gave Tommy two packages, mittens from Aunt Lucy and shoes from Uncle Pete. "Just what I needed," Tommy exclaimed and gave them both a big hug. Uncle Pete cleared his throat. "Tommy, your real present is on the back porch in a basket."

It was Blaze, the puppy. Tommy gave a cry of joy. He ran back to the sitting room, the puppy in his arms. "Oh, thank you, Uncle Pete. Thank you, Aunt Lucy. Thank you a million!"

But that wasn't all. An hour later a car stopped outside and a chauffeur brought in a big basket of fruit and one filled to the brim with wonderful things to eat. Even a turkey. There was a note, which read:

"Christmas is for giving. I wish you all a very Happy Yuletide." It was signed Robert Thatcher.

Aunt Lucy and Uncle Pete looked at each other in amazement. Then Uncle Pete said, "Well, Robert Thatcher certainly did get the Christmas spirit, didn't he?"

"Everybody is so good," Tommy said. He looked down at the puppy which was now asleep in his lap

Driving is not dancing, you should not cut in.



By Shirley Sargent
RALPH RANSOME, a forceful-looking, dark-haired man of about fifty, left the office early Christmas Eve. There was no use staying, he reflected almost bitterly, the office staff had been having a Christmas party since noon on company time. His family accused him of not having any Christmas spirit. Well, the office staff had too much of it.

The gaily decorated streets were lighted as he walked along the downtown area. Hurrying crowds seemed to be in a gay mood. Ralph remembered the Christmas of his own youth. He lived on a ranch with four other brothers and sisters, an aunt, two fatherless cousins and his parents. With that many mouths to feed, they were lucky to find a dime, an orange,



He felt excited. This was fun. And challenging, too.

nuts and a hand-knit pair of socks in their stockings.

Now it was vastly different, Ralph thought. Christmas was commercial and presents elaborate, often useless. Molly, his wife, bought the gifts for their three children. A less brilliantly lighted store window attracted him. Sports equipment was exhibited. Ralph remembered his boy's shout of pleasure last Christmas when he had opened something he wanted particularly. "Gee, dad, how did you know? Just exactly what I wanted."

And Ralph had to say, in honesty, "Thank your mother, son, I just work here."

Julie, his nineteen-year-old, had burst out, "Oh, daddy, it just isn't

"Hindsight" is as important as foresight, use your mirror.

any fun when you don't take part. You don't even know what you're giving us."

After All, He Paid

Well, who paid for it? Ralph thought now. So long as they got what they wanted . . . but did they? Maybe Julie and Jim had been trying to show him that they wanted something from him. Something he picked out. Ralph thought again of his boyhood presents that had been made especially for him. Why, he realized, that was what made them special.

The children were right then. All he did was pay for their gifts. This year he could pay double and take a chance that he would choose things they liked. It was supposed to be the thought, not the gift that counted anyway. Why, last Christmas it was that Jim had given him that awful pipe rack. But Ralph had accepted it with pleasure and still displayed it in a prominent place because Jim had worked hard to make something he could use. And the ill-fitting, hand-knitted socks from Martha. Those gifts had meant more to him than any store-wrapped package could. He turned and hurried into the store.

Ralph shopped carefully among the jostling crowds. He thought carefully as to whether the gift would be practical or not, appreciated or not. Molly was first and that was easy for Ralph knew she had wanted a watch for years. The children were harder. Julie was in college. She had everything. No, wait . . . She loved music, the type Ralph had no patience for. A Brahms symphony wasn't entirely practical, but he knew it would be appreciated.

He felt excited. This was fun. Challenging too. Other shoppers' faces reflected his own growing excitement. Next, year, he vowed, he and Molly would shop together. He backtracked to the camera department. Martha, their seven-year-old, was a photography fan. He bought several rolls of film and a "How To" book. Then, Jim. The boy lacked coordination, yet liked sports. A basketball and a punching bag. That ought to do it.

Later, as he let himself in the house, Ralph could hardly wait to see their faces tomorrow. But he didn't need to wait. As he placed the packages around the tree, Julie's delighted squeal brought the rest of the family in. When he turned around, he met four pairs of shining eyes that expressed their affection more clearly in words.

"Gee, dad," Jim sputtered, "you finally got the Christmas spirit."

Ralph smiled back at them warmly, "Guess it's catching, and incurable."

Everytime is train time at a grade crossing.



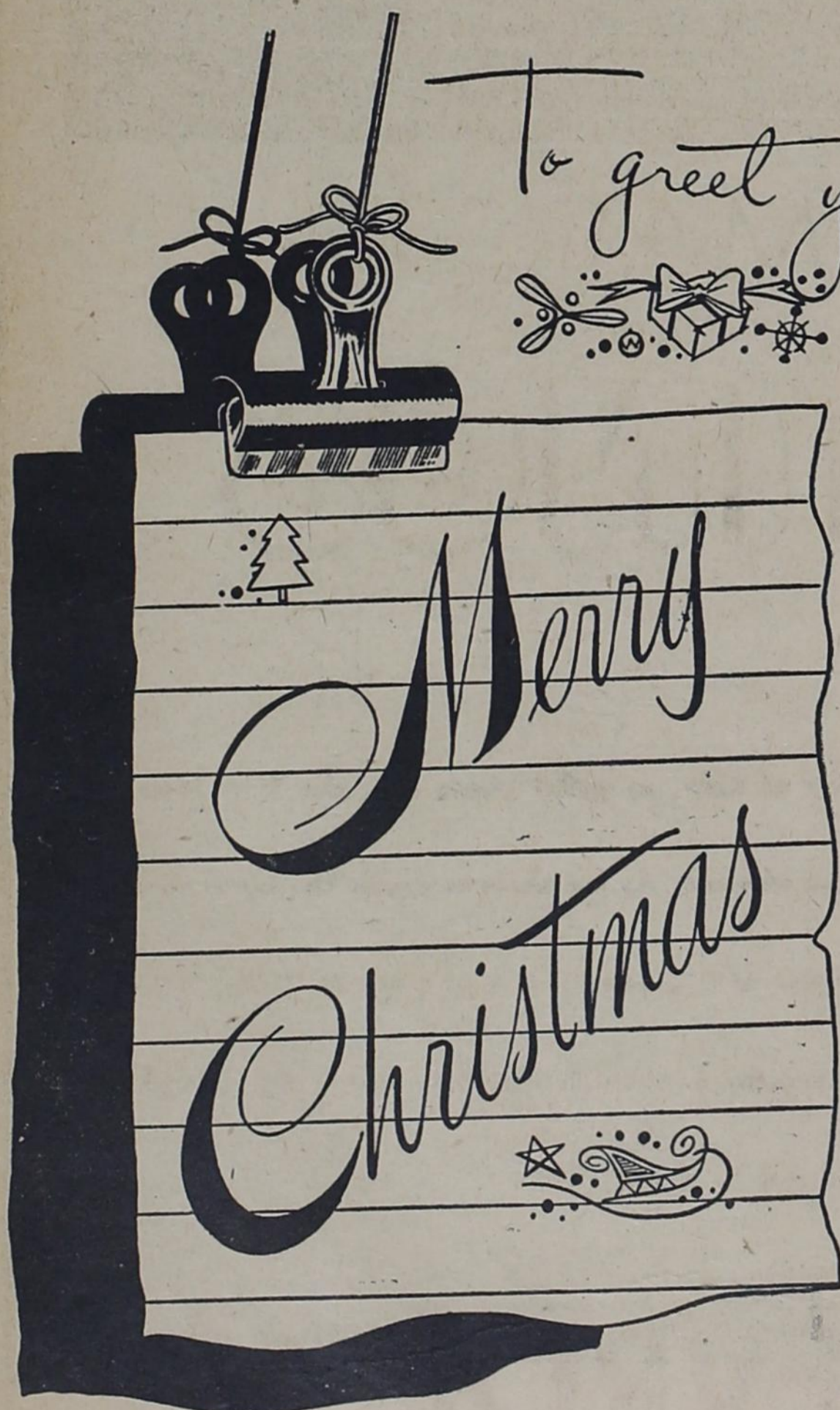
We celebrate the birthday of our King—the birthday of the Child born at Bethlehem centuries ago. With this birth came faith . . . faith in mankind . . . faith in eternal happiness. Let us today renew this faith . . . it is the one path to lasting peace and good will to all men.

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WHITE AUTO STORE
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Loads of Happiness

OUR WISH FOR YOU

It is pleasant at Christmas time to include with messages of good will and happiness . . . an appreciation for the many courtesies that have been sent our way. We want you to know we are sincerely grateful for the confidence you have shown. So, thanks and Merry Christmas!



SEASON'S GREETINGS

Friona Motor Co.

PHONE 2341, FRIONA



RESOLUTIONS

why make 'em
then break 'em...

Let's face it—there are no easy New Year resolutions. With each new year, man makes all kinds of promises to himself and to others. And, each year these same promises and resolutions fall by the wayside even before the NEW wears off the incoming year.

There is no easy resolution, for no resolution is worth the making unless it corrects a fault or curbs a bad habit. Something must be sacrificed if a resolution is to be worthwhile.

The chief reason most resolutions are never kept is because they were impractical to begin with. This year, 1955, we might all resolve that we will make no foolish resolutions that we shall not be able to keep.

With the world situation being what it is at the present time, we might all do well to settle on one single resolution—the will to work together for the achievement of a world peace. If we do this, and each live up to our individual responsibilities in regard to the achievement of such a high ideal, no other resolutions will be required.



Just like most everyone else, Saint Nick prospered after he came to America.

In Europe, before he reached these shores, Saint Nick was a tall, angular man who rode a bony gray mare. He hadn't been in America long, however, before he had a new name, a new face, figure and a new and better mode of transportation.

The early English settlers in this country started Santa's "new look" process. They adopted the legendary figure from the Dutch, but couldn't pronounce "Saint Nickolous." The best they could do was "Santa Kalout," which was corrupted to "Santa Claus."

In 1809, Washington Irving in his "Knickerbocker's History of New York," changed Santa's physical appearance by describing him as a jolly fellow with a broad-brimmed hat and huge britches. He also taught St. Nick to smoke a pipe, and traded his hay burner for a wagon.

Clement Moore in his famous poem, "The Visit From Saint Nicholas," went even further. He gave Saint Nick a sleigh, twinkling eyes, cheeks like roses, nose like a cherry and a round little belly.

Future writers may try to trade Prancer and Dancer off for a jet ship and trim down Santa's waist line. It will be a tough job, for, though he isn't streamlined, Santa pleases the young folks and that's mighty important.

'NIGHT BEFORE XMAS

Dr. Clement Clarke Moore was ashamed of his famous poem, "Night Before Christmas" and would not acknowledge that he wrote it for more than 20 years.

Clay pigeons are not made of clay, but asphaltum.



CITY STAR . . . A towering skyscraper is framed by a street light whose glow is much like the Star of Bethlehem.

The largest hailstones ever measured in the USA weighed 1 1/2

Cokesbury's, in Dallas, Texas, is the biggest book store in the nation.

The first Oxford and Cambridge boatrace was held at Henley in 1829.

Dr. James Naismith invented basketball in the winter of 1891-92.

Freemasonry was introduced into the American Colonies before 1730.

The earth's atmosphere extends approximately 620 miles from its surface.



WISHING YOU

MERRY CHRISTMAS

FRIONA POSTMASTER and CLERKS



Islanders Are First To See Every New Year

Residents of Chatham Islands, New Zealand, are always the first to welcome in the New Year. This particular distinction is brought about by the fact that the Islands lie just east of the starting point of time—the Admiralty's date line. It is made to curve east and west of the 180th meridian in such a way that it lies always in the ocean.

The year 1955 will leave the islands and race westward along the equator at a speed of 1,000 miles per hour. At 12:01 on January 1, 1955, in the islands, it will still be the last day of the year 1954 in New York and London. The milkman will be making his 7 a.m. rounds in New York and Big Ben will be striking the noon hour for Londoners.

By the time the New Year reaches the howling mob in Times Square, the Chatham Islanders will be preparing to set down to their New Year's day feast.

OLD TIMES

Before the revolution, New Year's was a gay time in Russia. In some cities the streets were decorated with flags and lanterns and thronged with merry-makers.

New Year Gatherings Are Ancient Tradition

Gathering with family and friends to celebrate the New Year is a custom older than when the date January 1 became accepted as the first day of the year.

Watching the old year out and the new year in is one of the oldest and most universal of all celebrations. The ancient Romans got together, although they celebrated the New Year in the spring, to wish each other health, wealth and happiness in the days ahead.

And, long before this time, the Vikings built huge fires at the turn of the year to propitiate their fierce Norse gods.

It Can Be Wished In Many Languages

"Happy New Year!" As the year 1955 rolls westward from the Admiralty's date line, these words will ring out in many languages.

Should you be in gay Paree, the greeting you'd hear would be "Bonne Annee!" Down in sunny Italy, they say "Buon Capo d'Anno!" which doesn't sound too different. In Spain, it's "Feliz Ano Nuevo!"

If you have relatives or friends in Germany, they may write, "Ein Glueckliches Neues Jahr." If so, they wish you a Happy New Year. The Swedish and Norse greetings are different from the ones above, although they are almost the same. The Swedes say, "Got Nytt Ar," and the Norse "Godt Nytt Aar."

Any way you hear it, though, it seems the same. The three words mean not only Happy New Year, but imply best wishes for all the days ahead.

FIRST DAY, FIRST MOON
New Year's was a 15-day affair in old China when festivities began on the first day of the first moon and climaxed on "Teng Chieh," the Feast of Lanterns.

Argentina was discovered in 1596 by Juan Daizde Solis.

President Woodrow Wilson was football coach at Princeton in 1890.



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.

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FRIONA, TEXAS



OUR BEST

Christmas

WISHES

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About Xmas Trees And Season Customs

"Twelfth Night," which many communities celebrate by a community burning of Christmas trees, is derived from the custom of early Christians who celebrated the feast of the Nativity of Christ for 12 days, placing special emphasis on the last or twelfth day. The "Twelfth Night" tree burning is also said to commemorate the light of the Star of Bethlehem.

The manufacture of toys for Christmas gifts and other uses last year required approximately 130,000 tons of steel products from all sources.

The first Christmas tree in San Francisco was made in 1850 from Douglas fir branches wired on a stick by a German wine shop proprietor.

Over three-fourths of the nation's Christmas trees come from the states bordering Canada.

The Puritan government of England outlawed Christmas in 1643. With the restoration of the Stuarts, Christmas customs and traditions were revived, but Christmas never regained its former prestige in England.

The first Christmas cards were mailed in 1846 by Henry Cole, an Englishman. The cards depicted a Victorian family assembled at the festive board and bore the now-famous greeting: "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you."

There are 6,080 feet in a sea mile.

Bran is the pericarp, or skin, on closing the seed of cereal grains.

MODERN TRADITION



A new Christmas tradition has been brought about in recent years or perhaps it should be called a pre-Christmas tradition.

At any rate, it's that time of the year again and safety organizations, insurance companies, fire department officials, even this newspaper give out with the perennial Yuletide warning: "Don't you have a Christmas tree fire this year?"

Precautions against fire is especially urged during the Christmas season because of the hazards presented by decorations, gift wrapping, defective wiring for Christmas tree illumination, and the tree itself.

This warning is necessary because of the established fact that fire takes a toll of more than 7,000 lives each year in the United States, with mortality from this cause naturally reaching its peak during the winter months.

You can keep from having a Christmas tree fire in your home by being especially careful about two things: the tree and the lights. Choose your tree carefully. One that has been cut too long or stored in a warm place will lose its needles quickly and is a definite fire hazard. If possible cut your own tree or buy it directly from the grower, then keep it in a cool, shaded place out of the wind until you're ready to decorate it.

NEW YEAR STORY



UM-M GOOD!

Ham and fruit are natural flavor partners. A frosted grape garnish is a quickie all will like. Keep the grapes in a cool dry place until ready to serve. Dip small bunches of grapes into an

egg mixture made by beating one egg white until syrupy. Add 2 tablespoons water. Then dip the grapes into granulated sugar. Let the grapes dry and serve in green leaves surrounding the ham—giving the food a Christmas color as well as flavor.

The Pilgrims were bound for New York when they landed at Plymouth by mistake.

Graham flower contains more minerals than whole wheat flour.

Duncan Phyfe, the furniture designer, was born in Scotland.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Everybody, Wherever You Are

Once Again, In 1954,

In taking this opportunity of expressing our best wishes for the Christmas Season to our hosts of friends, we are mindful of the splendid associations and friendships that we have had in the years past. And it is in full appreciation of all the fine things you have done for us that we express our sincere thanks to each of you whom we call our friends.

May we continue to serve you during the months to come.

So, wherever you are—north, south, east or west, may we extend Season's Greetings to you, one and all.



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How Does It Feel To Have Your Birthday on Christmas?

Being born on February the 29th is a big enough calamity for any boy or girl—but coming into the world on Christmas Day is even worse!

So believe at least three people who live in Friona whose birthdays come each year as everybody else is thinking about Christmas.

Elwood Vaughn, who works at the Magnolia service station of Kermie Deaton, and Nan Noel Lillard, 7, and Bobby Sanders, 12, are the unfortunates about which this story is written.

Elwood sums it up by deciding that he sure is "getting cheated," although he says so with a grin, and it is apparent that most of his gripes are in a good humor.

As a boy, he was raised in Central Texas with two sisters and four brothers. Elwood's sisters and brothers didn't let him forget his birthday even though it came on Christmas, he says, and he can remember getting spankings on Christmas Day, just for being a year older.

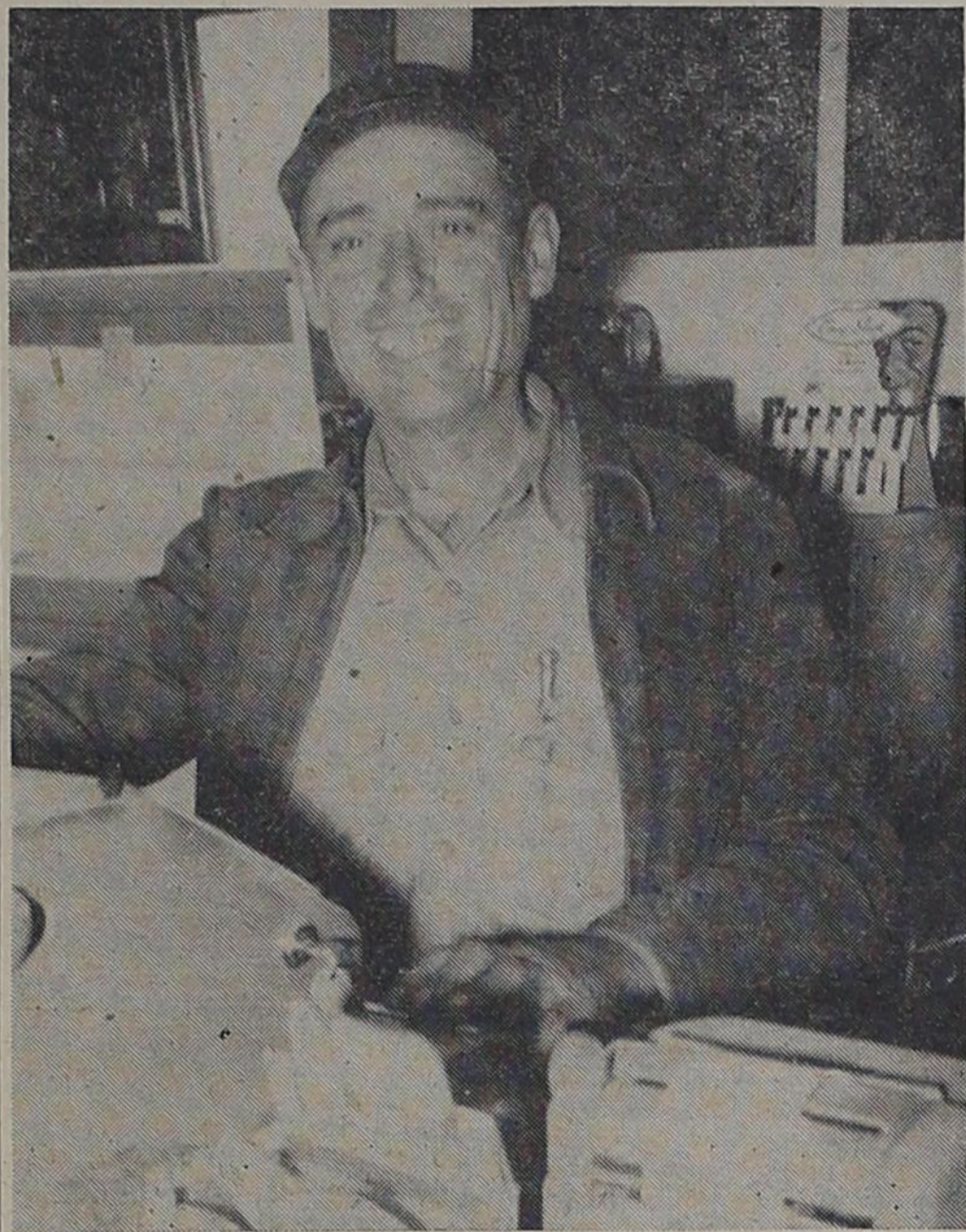
His brother and sisters usually gave him only one present.

Elwood, who of course is mature now and doesn't take the matter too seriously anymore, has been living in Friona for 10 years. He and his wife have two sons who are both away from home: Haywood and Odell, and a daughter, Dorothy, who is senior at Friona High School.

Owes Her Name To Day

Nan Noel, the snaggle-tooth but cute daughter of the Harold M. Lillards, will be eight on Christmas Day, and she takes this a little

HE'S BEEN CHEATED



Elwood Vaughn, above, says that having a birthday on Christmas Day sort of cheats a fellow out of some fun. "If my birthday was some other day besides Christmas, I'd get another big dinner instead of having only one a year the way it is," he says.

more seriously than Elwood. As you might have guessed, the little girl owes part of her name to Christmas Day.

Her brother, Jim Carl, who is slightly older than she, has his birthday on January 30, and Nan sometimes "borrows" part of his birthday as her own.

"He resents this a little, though," says Nan's mother, "and really, Nan has never had a birthday all her own."

Like many other little girls, Nan has the good fortune of having a kind-hearted grandmother (Mrs. Edith Lillard) to remember her birthday, as well as Christmas.

Her grandmother often bakes her a birthday cake—on Christmas Day.

He Wants A Party

Bobby, the 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Sanders, is in the sixth grade. He is sure that he will manage to get a birthday present this year at least, says his mother, as the children of his class exchanged names for gifts. He can call this Christmas gift his "birthday" gift, she laughs.

"I never have gotten very many birthday presents," says Bobby, "—just a little better Christmas present."

Bobby's mother reports that Bobby has wanted a birthday party all of his life but has never had one. "The reason we haven't had one for him is because we have told him nobody would come to it," she says. "Everybody would be thinking about Christmas instead."

Bobby cannot remember getting any whippings on Christmas Day just because it was his birth-

"AND DON'T FORGET WE HAVE BIRTHDAYS!"



A birthday is quite an event in the life of a boy or girl, just as is Christmas. That makes it quite a shame when both fall on the same day, because one overshadows the other. Nan Noel Lillard and Bobby Sanders, above, are two students of the Friona grade school who don't intend to let Santa Claus forget it's their birthday Saturday. Bobby is giving Nan tips on what to put in their letter they are sending airmail to the North Pole to make sure Santa will know of their plight.

day, and is optimistic about this year's prospects. He has a grandmother, too, and she has promised him a special birthday present.

Bobby says he wouldn't change his birthday even if he could.

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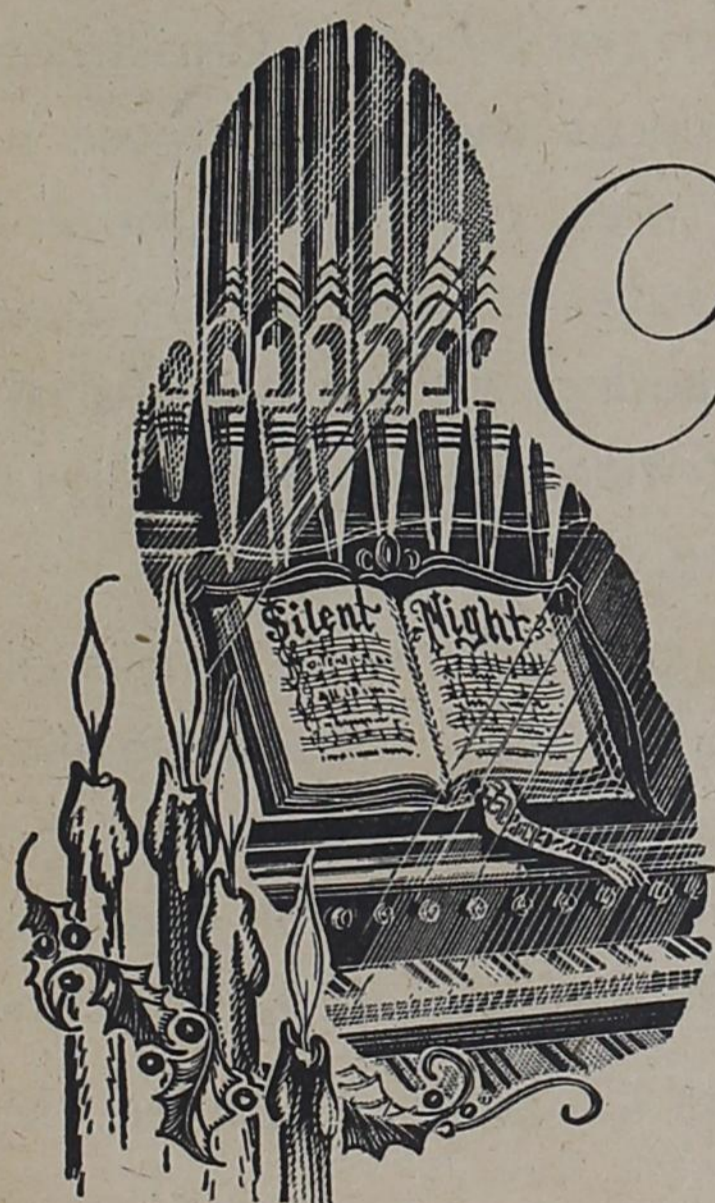
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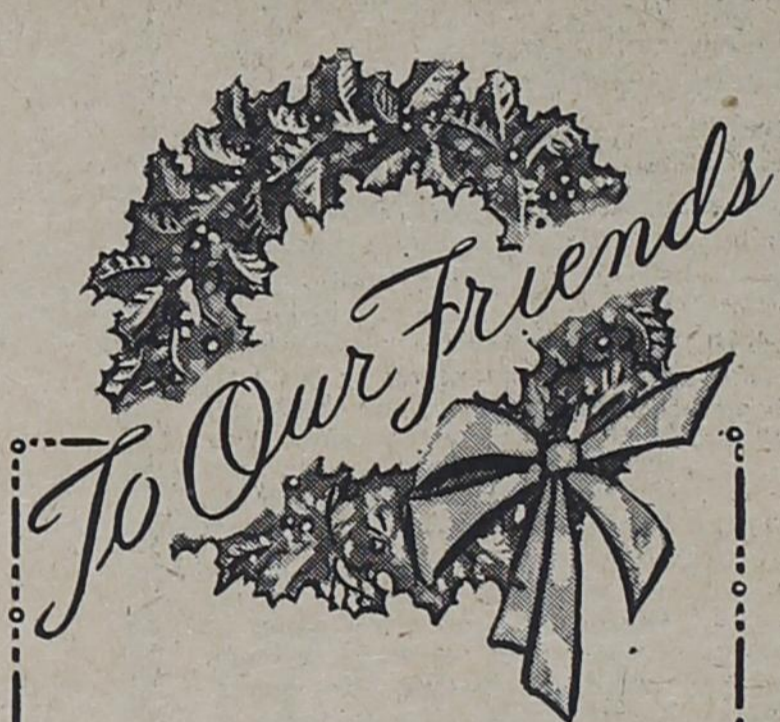
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GREETINGS



Christmas is for the young! How many times do we hear grown-ups make this statement? Much too often.

Christmas belongs to all of us to share, to take part in the celebration of the birth of the Saviour, the greatest event in the history of the world.

It seems to some that Christmas belongs to the young because these few fail to realize that children are not engrossed with the troubles of everyday living in the fashion of their elders. They are young at heart.

For a true Christmas we need only renew our faith in the Saviour born at Christmas time. We, too, will then be young at heart.

Early Controversy Over Exact Christmas Date

The origin of many of our Christmas customs can be traced back to prehistoric times, with some pagan customs being modified to fit into the Christian observances.

Even today, while December 25 is almost universally celebrated as Christmas, some countries, such as Armenia, celebrate it on January 6, the Epiphany, or spiritual birth of Jesus.

There was considerable controversy in the early days of Christianity as to whether the physical birth or the spiritual birth of Jesus should be celebrated. And those who believed the spiritual birth should be celebrated even disagreed among themselves about the date, some holding that it took place on March 25, others that it occurred on December 25.

The theologians finally agreed upon December 25 as the correct date and such has been celebrated since the year 354.



HELPING HAND "Not a creature was stirring" except this two-year old who slipped downstairs to see what was up—or down. Guess who belongs to the boots.

New Englanders did not begin to celebrate Christmas until the 19th century.

Once Plentiful Reindeer Dwindle in Numbers

Santa's helpers—the reindeer—once were plentiful in their native habitats in the north. In recent years, however, their number dwindled so seriously that conservationists once feared the animals might become extinct.

Chief enemy of the reindeer, as of so many animals, is the wolf. Some experts estimate that wolves have destroyed over 500,000 reindeer within the last 15 years or so. It was estimated in 1950 that there were 50,000 reindeer left.

In the past few years American boys and girls have been forced to settle for "stand-ins" or native deer wherever Santa's sled with its eight helpers was used. The true reindeer are difficult to keep alive in temperate climate and with the supply so short, protective measures don't allow the reindeer to come southward for the holiday season.

Helen Keller lost her sight, hearing and speech at the age of 19 months.

Holy City Today Filled With Poor And Homeless

The effect of the conflict has been crippling of Bethlehem's chief industry, the making and selling of objects of piety from olive wood, Dead Sea stone and mother-of-pearl. Except at Christmas, pilgrims are so few that the profit had gone from the business.

On Christmas Eve, however, the dusty city takes on new life. Christian diplomats living in divided Jerusalem expect to be escorted to the little town over the unused highway through no-man's land. Pilgrims from the Israeli side pass through the Mandelbaum Gate.

Pilgrims rich and poor alike, worship together in the fourth century Church of the Nativity. There is a High Mass, during which the image of the Christ Child is carried from the church through a series of underground chapels.

The ceremonies come to a climax before three adjacent shrines. The Altars of the Nativity, the Wise Men and the Manger. Outside, Christians from many lands will sing, as angels sang nearly 2,000 years ago: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Outdoor Decorations Should Not Harm Evergreen Shrubs

It won't be a chilly Christmas for many outdoor evergreens and shrubs this year, with outside home decorations expected to be even more popular than in past years.

It's nice to have bright decorations outside, tree experts say, but too many home owners give their home grounds evergreens a hot foot while stringing them with overly-powerful Christmas lights for a blinking, brilliant colorama.

They offer this advice to protect trees while utilizing them to the best advantage in achieving that beautiful outdoor display:

Use only electrical fixtures designed to be strung on outdoor trees.

Use bulbs no stronger than 15-watts. They're bright enough to be gay and colorful, yet don't generate enough heat to burn foliage, even on direct contact.

Check periodically to determine if needles or foliage are turning brown in vicinity of lights. If so, rearrange the lights. Not even a beautiful light display is worth marring valuable evergreens that are a source of beauty the year round.

Did You Wonder Why Santa Drops Gifts Down Chimney?

How did it come about that Santa drops his gifts down the chimney?

For the answer to this common belief about Santa and Christmas, we must go back to Saint Nicholas, responsible for so many other customs related to Christmas.

There's a story about an impoverished nobleman who was unable to find husbands for his three daughters because he could not afford a dowry for each. He was about to sell the daughters into slavery when St. Nicholas heard about it. Silently, Old Saint Nick dropped three bags of gold down the chimney. All three daughters soon married and lived happily ever after.

Thereafter, Saint Nicholas was often pictured holding three bags of gold. It is thought that he died about 343 A.D. and historians say that for 30 days after his death his genial spirit roamed the earth, filling the hearts of mankind with love and generosity.

It could be said that St. Nick and Dr. Clement Moore, who wrote "A Visit From Saint Nicholas" (now better known as "Twas the Night Before Christmas") contributed most to our present concept of Santa Claus.



Every year about this time we hear the same story: Christmas is getting too commercial.

Last year, in fact, some grown-ups rebelled and said because Christmas was getting "so commercial" they intended to tell their children that there was no Santa Claus.

Like little Virginia O'Hanlon, who wrote the famous "Is there a Santa" letter to the editor of the New York Sun, children are very easily disillusioned. But, like Virginia, they need only reassurance from someone they believe in to sustain their wonderful belief. It is entirely wrong for us to shatter their dreams.

Christmas IS commercial in some aspects. Thousands of people earn a livelihood working the year around in toy shops or factories which produce Christmas specialties. This, in itself, does not make Christmas "too commercial," for toymakers have produced Christmas novelties for hundreds and hundreds of years. In the same vein, we can not say Christmas is too commercial merely because newspapers, magazines and catalogs are filled with gift advertising as the holiday season approaches. They advertise Spring merchandise, Fall merchandise, etc., so why not Christmas merchandise, when the dominant theme is one of giving?

No—"Too commercial" is an overstatement. Christmas is too commercial only in the minds of grown-ups. If we think so, let's work to see that the "true spirit" of the season abounds about us and not attempt to take away from children the joy of one of the greatest moments in their young lives—the time when Santa visits.

For — "he exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there was no Santa Claus!"

Let there be a Santa as long as there are little Virginias.



to Our Many Friends and Customers

With the passing of each year, it becomes more evident that the peace of Christmas is enjoyed only because there were those who made every sacrifice that we might enjoy Christmas to its fullest extent. As we extend our Season's Greeting we are mindful that without those sacrifices, we could not enjoy the blessings of peace.

If we strike a solemn note at this glad season of the year, it is only because we are remembering that there were those who gave their all to make it possible for Americans everywhere to observe and enjoy Christmas.

The peace of Christmas is sacred. May we never forget.

Christmas...

is a time for summing up our blessings, for acknowledging with gratitude the loyalty of our friends, and for expressing appreciation and good wishes that the Season will be rich in rewards for you.



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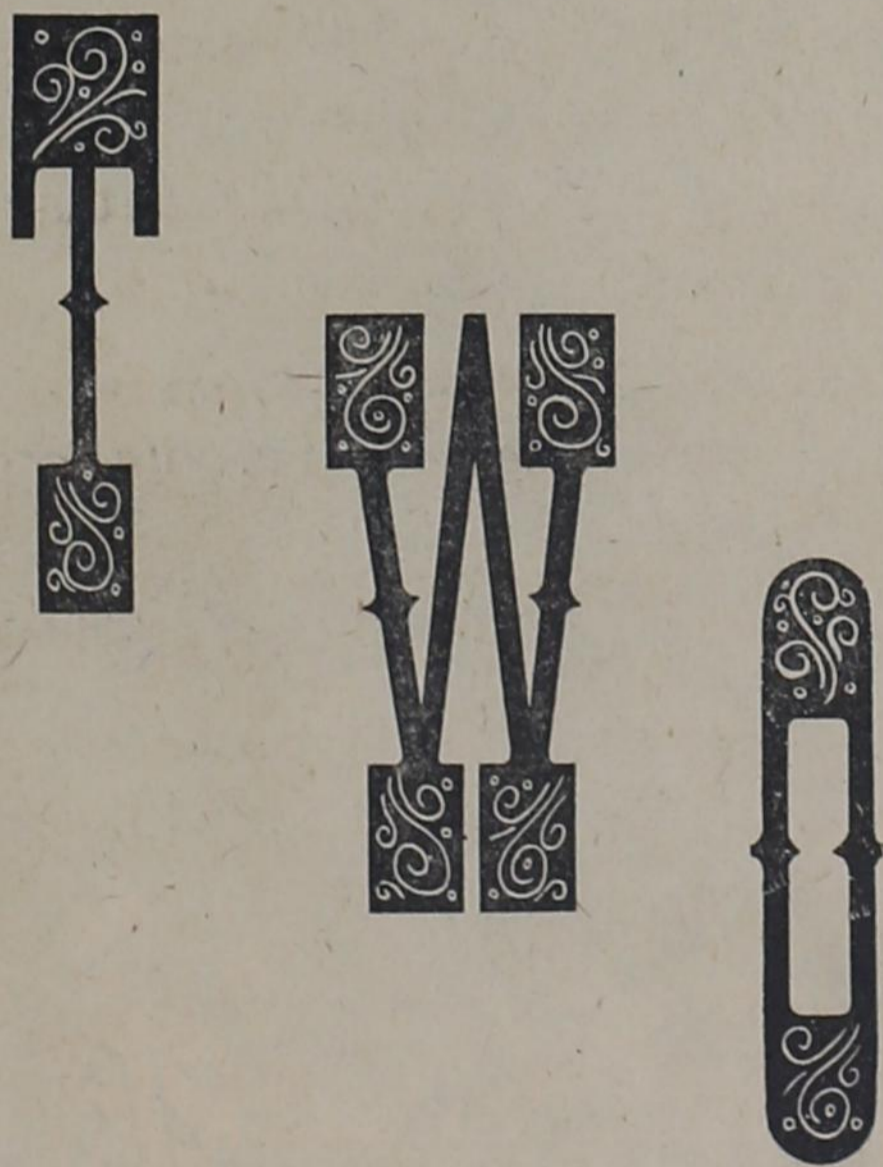
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Here's our greetings again, and we're including all the good things we can think of for you and yours. May it be a season of true happiness, a time in which you will see the full realization of your every dream and ambition.

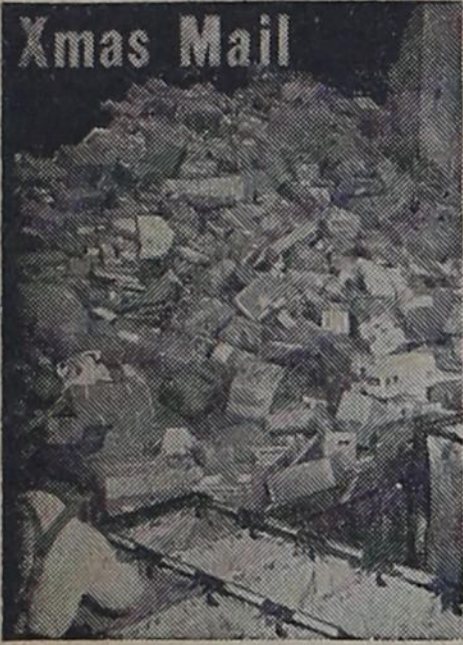
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Christmas Plant, Poinsettia, Named After Statesman

The poinsettia, "The Christmas Plant," takes its name from a brilliant American statesman, Joel Roberts Poinsett.

Poinsett was U.S. ambassador to Mexico and a friend to several American presidents, yet he achieved his principal fame by introducing this Mexican plant to American botanists. Upon his return to his South Carolina home, Poinsett grew the unusual house plant and was directly responsible for its ensuing popularity in this country.

The beautiful poinsettia thrives in its native Mexico, but elsewhere must be handled with care. Constant warmth is needed, with most experts recommending temperatures between 70 and 80 degrees during the day and no less than 65 at night. Sudden changes in temperature cause the plant to drop its leaves.

The brilliantly colored flowers it has at Christmas time, however, make the poinsettia a decoration "must" in most homes and is reward enough for any effort needed to make the plant thrive.

Mexican Custom Will Brighten Christmas Party

If you're planning a Christmas party for the kiddies, why not brighten up the affair the Mexican way? Make plans for a "pinata" and we promise it will be the high spot of the gathering.

Widely used in Mexico throughout the year, the pinata is busiest at Christmas time, during the Mex



lasts 21 days. It is constructed of thin, fragile clay, filled with sweetmeats and trinkets, then suspended from the ceiling as a form of decoration.

Sometime during the gathering, each of the guests is blindfolded and given a stick which is brandished in the air until the pinata is shattered and the delicious contents pour forth.

It's a wonderful way to entertain the kiddies, but the game may be—and often is—enjoyed by older folks.

Cedars Of Lebanon Oldest Christmas Trees

What some people consider to be the world's oldest Christmas trees have been standing on a Mediterranean plateau for centuries. These are the cedars of Lebanon, protected by both religion and by law.

Some of these magnificent trees have a girth of 40 feet and a branch circumference of 300.

These trees were not always protected. Once, as the result of an agreement between Hiram of Phoenicia and King Solomon, conscripted Hebrew laborers were sent into the Lebanons to take to Jerusalem, as the contract stated "cedar trees without number."



SANTA KNOWS Boys will be boys, but Santa warns that time is growing short. Andrea Kleczek, who came from Poland to live in U.S. with parents, talks it over with Santa.

The Pillars of Hercules are two promontories on the Strait of Gibraltar.

The story of Robin Hood is an English folk tale and the author is unknown.

Letters To Santa Claus

FROM THE STUDENTS OF THE FRIONA FIRST GRADE, SECT. 1-A

Dear Santa Claus;
I have been a good boy. I would like for you to bring me a wagon and lots of things.
Thanks,
Kenneth Webb

Dear Santa,
I am a little 7 year old girl in the first grade in school. My teacher's name is Mrs. Stark. I sure do like her.

Santa I would like a bicycle, typewriter and a walking doll for Christmas. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Love,
Willie Grace Grubbs

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a service station. Terri wants a walking doll, and you choose something for Kirk. Remember all the other boys and girls. Thank you.

Love,
Scott Cummings

Dear Santa Claus,
Would you please bring me a basketball and a goal and some arrows. I have tried to be a good boy.

Love,
Terry Fite

Dear Santa,
I have been a pretty good girl. I want a ironing board and an electric iron for Christmas. I am

seven years old. I like school fine. I love you Santa,
Carolyn Jeanette Thomas

Dear Santa:
I can hardly wait until you come. Please bring me a twin boy and girl doll, some doll clothes, a doctor set, and doll-nurses set. Don't forget Jane and Billy, Eris, Vance and George—also all the other little boys and girls.

Love,
Janet Rushing

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me an electric train. Remember the little girls and boys.

Your friend,
Howard Lynn Rhodes

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a BB gun with BB's, and a big bicycle, and a big box of tinker toys.

Thanks,
Nolan Morris

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 6 years old. Please bring me a basketball, candys, nuts, and fruits. Don't forget all the other girls and boys.

Charles Shulk

Dear Santa,
I want a big truck, a new bicycle seat, a trumpet, and a western shirt.

Please take care of all little boys

and girls.
Thank you,
Eddie Bob Gore

Dear Santa,
I would like a doll, a purse, a nurses set, a comb and brush set, TV, and a new car.

With love,
Gay Singletery
P. S. I love you.

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl in the first grade. I am six years old.

I would like for you to bring me a walkie-talkie-doll, a set of dishes, also some fruit and nuts.

I have been a good little girl. Bring all the other boys and girls something also.

Your truly,
Myrthie Latham

Dear Santa Clause,
I would like for you to bring a doll, a doll bed, and a table, and some fruit and nuts and candy would make me happy. I've been a pretty good girl.

Jean Agee.

Dear Santa,
I want a doctor kit, and some candy apple. I love you Santa Claus.

Love,
Era Lou Roberts

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy at the age of six and I have tried to be a good boy. I would like to have a football helmet and also a punching bag.

My sister and I would like a basket ball.
Please remember the other children.

Love,
Gilert H. Beene

Dear Santa:
I have been a good little girl. Please bring me a doll, and dishes, also some fruit, nuts and candy. Remember the other boys and girls. Be sure to bring my sister a doll.

Thank you,
Judy Phipps

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 6 years old and in the first grade at Friona, Texas. Please bring me a electric train, and a bicycle. I have a little brother and two half aunts. Please bring them something too. Don't forget the other boys and girls.
Merry Christmas.

Love,
Dwight Turner

Dear Santa,
I have tired to be a good little girl I would like for you to bring me a big doll and a suitcase full of her clothes to dress her with. And bring me one or two story books.

And please Santa bring my little brother Stevie a big bouncing Spring horse and some little truck to play with.

We will be waiting for you Santa please come.

Love a little friend,
Diana Louise Martinez

Dear Santa Claus,
Thank you for the nice thing you brought me last Christmas. Mother says I have been a nice girl, so I would like to have a doll, and a buggy, and a telephone that will ring, and will say hello.

I will put a glass of milk and some cookies out for you.

Love,
Betty Fields

Dear Santa,
I want a service station, a horse and a garage. I want a police car. I want one small steel truck. I want one bus.

Hovert Dwayne Estep

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a BB gun, and a bicycle if you would bring it to me.

Love,
Carrol

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. I would like to have a pair of cowboy boots. Please remember all other little boys and girls.

I love you,
Terry Lynn Lovett

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a rodeo set, some candy, nuts and oranges. Bring all the good girls and boys some gifts.

Love,
David Bales

Dear Santa Claus:
My name is Bing Bingham. I am 6 years old. I would like a pair of boxing gloves, a punching bag. Please don't forget my mother and daddy and sister and Mrs. Stark.

Love,
Bing Bingham

Dear Santa,
I have been a god boy. Please bring me two guns with hosters, basketball and goal and anything else you would like me to have. Don't forget any little children, my mother and daddy or my teachers, Mrs. Stark and Miss Ritter.

Love,
Stevan Thornton

Gift-Giving Custom In Ancient England

One of the most plausible versions of the origin of the custom of giving gifts at Christmas time is the one saying it began in England.

In the days of the knights, it was custom to hang kissing rings in the great halls. These rings were decorated with mistletoe and beneath them would meet the young knights and ladies, each bringing Christmas roses to their secret love.

As times changed, so did customs, and roses gave way for other personal gifts at Christmas time.

Stars and bars was the name given the first Confederate flag, adopted in 1861 by the Confederate convention in Montgomery, Ala.

The Pony Express lost only one mail pouch in its history.

Greetings

May Christmas joys and memories live on during the coming year and keep you in constant company with happiness.



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Merry Christmas

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Letters To Santa Claus

FROM THE STUDENTS OF THE FRIONA FIRST GRADE, SECT. 1-B

Dear Santa Claus,
I am six year old in the first grade. Please bring me a doll that walks, kneels and has hair I can wash and curl. Also an all-in-one kitchen or a supermarket with a cart that my dollie can sit in. Bring my little sister a doll and remember my two brothers.
Love you,
Connie Lynn

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me football, doctor kit and a double hosters set. Put some candy and nuts in my sock. Don't forget Jimmy. I love you Santa.
Love,
Ray Gene Braxton

Dear Santy,
Am writing to let you know what I would like for you to bring me a hoster set and a dump truck, an a trycle, and I thank of my baby brother an sister, my baby brother would like a car and a tractor, baby sister would like a doll and a toy stove. I am only 7 years old an in the first grade, an love my teacher and hope you will bring her something. Her name is Mrs. Binger and don't forget us Dear Santy.
From a good boy,
Willie Bob Steward

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy six years old and in the first grade. Christmas is just around the corner and is time to start thinking of what we would like for you to bring us. I would like to get a blackboard, Black Crow set, a watch and a pair of boxing gloves and punching bag. Please don't forget all the other boys and girls.
I am trying hard to be a good boy.
Love,
Joe Darrell Mabry

Dear Santa,
I want a Tiny Tears doll, a make-up case and a big teddy bear. Remember all of the other little girls and boys.
Love,
Jill Blackburn

Dear Santa,
Please come to see me. Bring me a rifle, boxing gloves, and a football.
Thank you,
Travis Graves

Dearest Santa Clause,
I am a little boy, six years old. I am in Mrs. Benger's first grade room. I have tried all year to be a good boy. I would like for you to bring me a real live puppy, a book satchel, and a jet, and a jet bomber. I would kinda like to have a ring with a picture of Roy Rogers on it.

Please bring all the little boys and girls what they want—if they have been good.
I love you,
John Michael Baxter

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me an electric train for Christmas. The name of the train is "Crusader." Please bring my little brother, Ramey, a dump truck. Remember all the little boys and girls all over the world with some of your gifts.
Love,
Jay Beene

Dear Santa,
I want a fotball and that is all.
Roy Dean

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a football, gun and holster and a Bible. I am seven yers old. And am in the first grade. Please be good to Mrs. Benger.
Love,
Roy Dean Evans

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year and have gotten my lessons good every day. Please bring me a log truck and some logs to haul. I will also need two chains to keep them from falling off. Please bring me a John Deere tractor and a ditcher too. Santa please remember my little sister and all the other little boys and girls.
I love you,
Bryan Jameson

Dear Santa,
I am six years old. I have tried to be a good girl. Please bring me a Tiny Tears doll, a baton, a necklace and bracelet set and any thing else you might have for me. Don't forget the other boys and girls.
Love,
Rita Collier

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a doll, also clothes for my other dolls and a cooking set.
Marynn

Dear Santa,
I want a bride doll, I would also like a jewel box and a little Bible. I would like to have some nuts.
Love Phyllis

Dear Santa Claus:
I am 6 years old. I want a vanity table, a Tiny Tears doll and a nurse's kit. Please bring my little sister, Susan, a sleepy eye doll, some dishes and a ball. She is one. Don't forget all the little boys and girls.
Love,
Frieda Faye Floyd
P. S. We want some candy and nuts too.

Hans Christian Andersen's story, "The Ugly Duckling," was autobiographical.

More soldiers were lost by the British than the Americans in the Revolution.

Boxer Lou Nova combined the study of Yoga with his regular training.

There is five hours difference in time between London and New York.



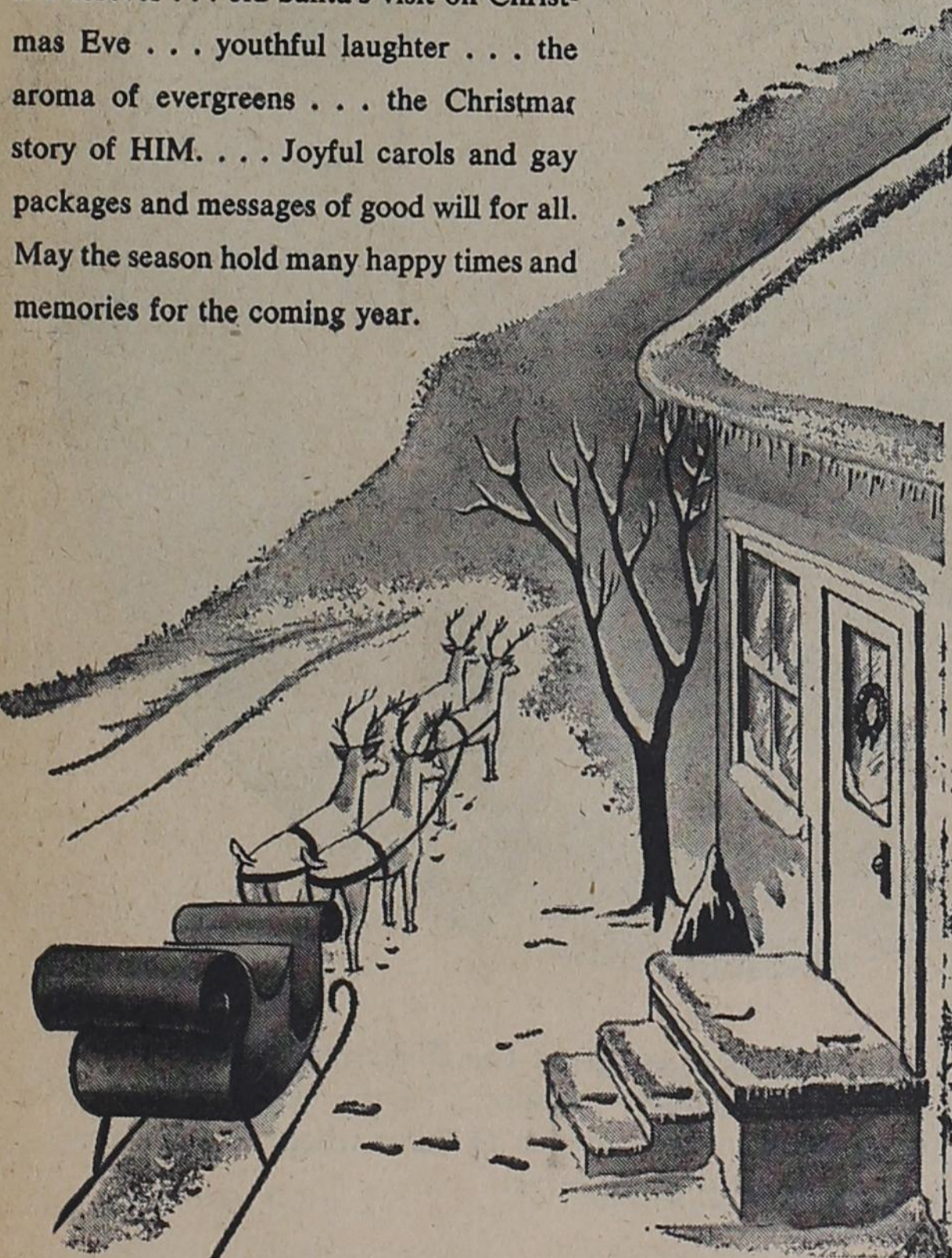
Greetings

May your Christmas be one that will long be remembered for its happiness and good cheer.

LuNORA's
"Tiny Tots To Teens"
FRIONA, TEXAS

YES... CHRISTMAS LIVES FOREVER...

It's the little things at Christmas time that live forever . . . old Santa's visit on Christmas Eve . . . youthful laughter . . . the aroma of evergreens . . . the Christmar story of HIM. . . . Joyful carols and gay packages and messages of good will for all. May the season hold many happy times and memories for the coming year.



BI-WISE DRUG
FRIONA, TEXAS

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Friends

During the comparatively short time that we have been in this area, we have come to know and appreciate many fine people with whom we have done business.

It has been a real pleasure to do business with the fine cotton growers of this area, and we wish at this joyful Christmas season to extend to you our most sincere THANKS for the ginning business you have brought us.

TRI-COUNTY GIN

SAM PATTERSON, Manager

SUMMERFIELD, TEXAS

a STRING of LIGHTS

By Don Wheeler

WE WERE in a dust covered box that sat in the corner of Mr. Barker's attic. All through the year no one ever bothered about us, but now, at Christmas time, we knew that once again we would be the center of attraction. Grumbling and grunting, Mr. Barker lifted our box into his arms and started down the attic stairs.

Being a rather plump fellow with a stomach that protruded so far he couldn't see his feet, he was, I regret to say, somewhat clumsy. About half way down the stairs he stumbled and our box went tumbling down the stairs. I was uninjured, but I'm afraid some of my friends suffered from the fall. A few minutes later we were all unpacked and laid on the huge dining room table.

"Well now, let's see, John," said Mrs. Barker. "We can use this string of lights, and this string and, oh! We don't want to use this old string again, John! They've been around here for years. Throw them out in the trash with these other things that were broken when you fell."

I was shocked! For years I had been used to decorate the Barker's Christmas tree, and now, simply because I was getting a little old, they were throwing me out! It is true that my popularity with the Barkers had declined through the years. When I was new I was used at the top, but now I was



About halfway down the stairs he stumbled and our box went tumbling down the stairs.

I seemed to find myself placed lower and lower on the tree.

Chocolate contains a small amount of theobromine.

My friends, most of them broken in tiny pieces, and myself were cast upon the trash pile in the alley. I felt sorry for them. They had many years of use ahead of them had Mr. Barker been more careful, but now they could never be used again. But what of me? I wasn't broken; only a little old. For two days I lay on the trash pile with my broken friends, and then, on the third day, a small child, who seemed to be searching the trash cans in the alley to see if he could find something of value, came upon me. With a cry of delight he gathered me into his tiny hands and scampered out of the alley and to the edge of the small town, where he lived in a broken down little old house.

How glad were his brothers and sisters when they saw me! That evening they trimmed their tiny tree, it was scarcely three feet tall, and I was the principle item of decoration. One of my lights was placed at the top of the tree and the rest were wound in and about from top to bottom. Then the tree was placed in the front window and for the first time in my life I was given the task of lighting an entire tree.

That evening it snowed and snowed and the wind whistled harshly about the corners of the house. I was glad that I was in a warm house instead of being on the trash pile in the alley.

A Visitor Comes

Suddenly there was a loud rap on the door. When Mr. Cullen opened it I heard a man's voice ask, "Have you seen the Granger boy? He was out playing this afternoon and hasn't come home yet. We think he's become lost in the storm. The whole town is out looking for him. Would you like to help, Mr. Cullen?"

Mr. Cullen quickly put on his coat and scarf and followed the man into the dark cold night. They had been gone only about twenty minutes when again there was a knocking at the door. When Mrs. Cullen opened it, in stepped a tall man, carrying a boy in his arms. The boy's ears and nose were blue from the cold, and his teeth chattered.

"Mrs. Cullen," said the man, "this is Tommy Granger. I'd like to leave him here while I go tell his parents we've found him and send word to the others to stop searching. It's no wonder he was lost in a storm like this. I was almost lost myself until I saw the light from your tree in the window."

How proud I was when I heard those words. My lights seemed to brighten and shine as they had never done before; especially the one at the very top of the tree.

Dominion Order was founded in 1215.

Christmas REUNION

By Norman A Disher

THERE was little doubt about it; it was Laura. I hadn't seen her for five years but I'd never forget that exquisite face.

Laura and I had been engaged about five years ago but it hadn't worked out because she'd decided one day that she wanted to do things before settling down. Going to Spain was one of them and I had been in Europe during the war so going back didn't appeal to me. I was ready to call one spot home so when I told her about the house I was building in Carmel she wasn't pleased. After that she avoided setting a definite date and finally I saw what was going to happen so I let her go.



This all came as a shock to me and I didn't know what to say.

It was a hard thing to do but it was the best way.

She looked my way and saw me then motioned me to come over to her stool.

"Hello Bob, it's been a long, long time."

"Five years Christmas, remember?"

I looked at her eyes, they were softer now, kinder and older.

"Yes, I remember. Still single?"

"Oh yes, yes," I looked out the window at the grey afternoon.

"I figured I'd run into you one of these days. How come you're still single. A nice person like you shouldn't have trouble getting married."

"I've never found anyone I liked well enough. They all seem sort of anti-climatic after you Laura."

Her Surprise

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police consists of about 1,000 men.

She looked at me and I thought I detected a momentary flash of fear in her glance.

"We did have something pretty wonderful, didn't we. I've regretted spoiling it more than once. I guess I was just too young."

She smiled in a funny way so I thought I had best change the subject.

"I thought you were in Europe?"

"I was Bob, but there's nothing there any more, just nothing. San Francisco has more of a flavor than Paris and the rest of the places. Maybe it's just me. I wandered around for almost five years and I still didn't find anything."

"You seem to be a more mature person now Laura."

"Five years have done that. What are you doing now?"

"Still writing a column, same one," I replied.

"Bob, do you understand why I left?"

I winced inside. I had hoped she'd let it pass but she seemed to want to open the old wound.

"No, I don't."

"Well, it was because I had to find out where home really was—I had to find what love really meant. I met a person over in England that I thought was what I wanted. I thought I fell in love with him until we went together for awhile and I began to notice small things about him that I didn't like; oh things like the way he contradicted me on small unimportant matters. One day it all blew up because I had remarked that you and I had never been so tense together. Then it dawned on me that you were really what I had wanted after all but I was just too dumb to see it. That's when I came back. I had to grow a little more to catch up with you. Do you see now?"

This all came as a shock to me and I didn't know what to say.

"Why haven't you tried to get in touch with me?" I asked her.

"People change."

"Not me Laura; not where you're concerned."

"I wasn't sure Bob—there's so much I want to say to you."

I looked at her soft, pink face and her wheat-colored hair and the way she felt for me with her eyes. Our eyes met and I took her hand.

"Let's get out of here," I whispered.

As I pushed open the doors that led to the sidewalk I could hear a group singing Christmas carols. I turned to Laura and I kissed her while we stood in the grey evening light.

"It's going to be a wonderful Christmas," she whispered.

Edmond Hoyle made a fortune explaining whist to Londoners.



WELCH-BLACKBURN HARDWARE
AND
WELCH AUTO SUPPLY
FRIONA, TEXAS

to you... A HAPPY CHRISTMAS

One of the genuine joys of the Yuletide is that which gives us an opportunity to express our appreciation to you. Each passing year brings us a higher evaluation of your many friendships.



HOUSER GROCERY
FRIONA, TEXAS



Merry Christmas

Each year we greet the Christmas Season with great gladness because it is the opportune time to extend our thanks to those whom it has been our privilege to serve.

ETHRIDGE-SPRING AGENCY
INSURANCE — REAL ESTATE — LOANS
FRIONA, TEXAS



"For God

So Loved The World

*That He Gave His Only
Begotten Son...*

**.... THAT WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH IN
HIM SHOULD NOT PERISH, BUT HAVE
EVERLASTING LIFE ..."**

JOHN 3:16



Often, in this modern day, we associate the giving of gifts to one another with the word "Christmas." Let us not forget, however, that Christmas signifies the Greatest Gift of All—Jesus Christ to All Mankind.

ALL EMPLOYEES AND PERSONNEL OF THE

**BRIGHTEN
THE
CORNER**

FURNITURE MART

WISH YOU A SINCERE MERRY CHRISTMAS

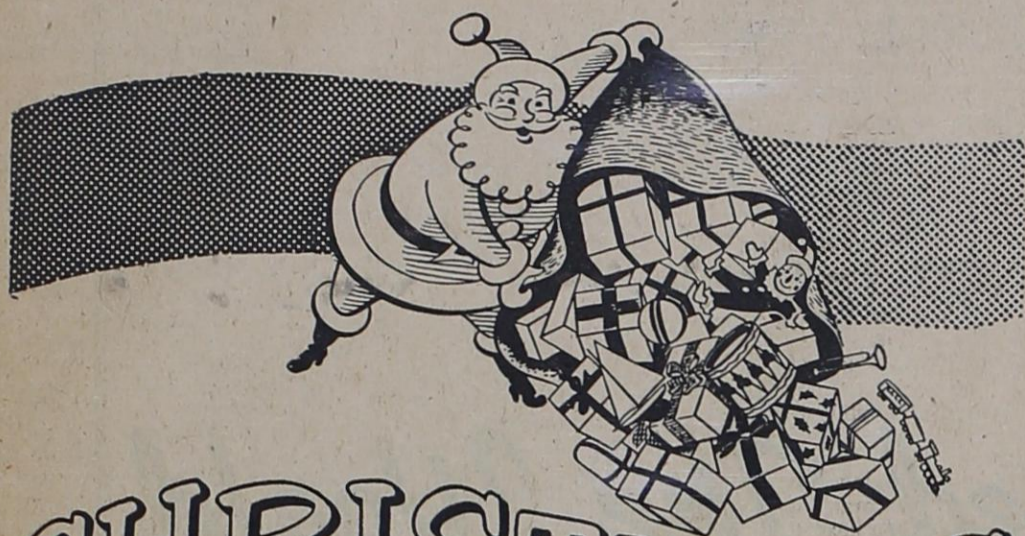
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Audrey Fielding
Beale Stewart**

**Harlan Jones
Billy Jones
F. C. Pichardo**

**Ernest Stewart
S. C. Moore
Jim Martinez**

**Orvel Branson
Leon Box**



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

This is the Season when each of us can express our own feelings of good will and to exchange friendly messages, one with another. Here is our greeting, and with it is a sincere thanks for your fine patronage and friendships in the year just coming to a close.

HERB EDWARDS JEWELER

CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

TO EACH OF OUR LOYAL FRIENDS

KENDRICK OIL COMPANY

FRIONA, TEXAS

Letters To Santa Claus

FROM THE STUDENTS OF THE FRIONA FIRST GRADE, SECT. 1-C

Dear Santa,

My name is Tim. I want a pair of guns and a truck. My teacher is Mrs. Brown. Remember all the other boys and girls at Christmas.

Love,
Tim Herring

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 7 years old. I am in the first grade my name is Jerry Don Carlton. Please bring me a train, and a whole lot of BB's.

Jerry Don Carlton

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a big doll bed, a mattress, and blankets and a Tiny Tears doll.

Monte Sue Welch

Dear Santa,
I want a football, a floor punching bag, cowboy and Indian set, gun and holster. Bring my sister and brother something too.

Love,
Teddy Renner

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl this year. For Christmas I would like a bike and a doll. By by Santa Claus.

Love,
Christina

Dear Santa,

I would very much like to have a bow and arrow set, also 2 guns and scabbards.

Thank you Santa and please don't forget the other boys and girls.

Love,
Mike Fallwell

P. S. Don't forget my little sisters.

Dear Santa,
I want a big airplane that I can fly. I have been good in school.

Kim Buske

Dear Santa,
I want a Betsy Wetsy doll, and I want some dishes and I want a doll buggy. I wanta Betsy Wetsy with some clothes. I am in Mrs. Browns room and I have been good. I am in the first grade.

Love,
Deborah Knox

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Roy Rogers troop van ranger set, twin holster set football and cowboy hat.

Eldon

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl, I am six years old. I want a doll about 25 inches tall. I also want a table and chairs. I want a doll house too.

Love,
Cheryl Jean Frye

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Sarah Ann Fallwell. I am seven years old and in the first grade at Friona. I would like to have a doll that takes a bottle, a nurse kit, and some new clothes for Christmas.

Love,
Sarah Ann Fallwell

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a toy clarinet, and nurse's kit, and a ring.

Thank you,
Patsy Rule

Dear Santa Claus,
I am six years old. I am a smart little girl and a good little girl. I would like a doll and a jumping rope, and a little Bible and some dishes.

Love,
Margie Lynn Carter

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy in the first grade. I am seven years old. I would like for you to bring me a cowboy suit, hat and guns. Also bring me some fruit and nuts.

I have been a good little boy. Bring all of the little boys and girls something also.

Yours truly,
Hugh Latham

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a football and a army jeep. Don't forget to fill my sock.

Lots of love,
Rex Wells

Brush Control Pays Texas Ranchers

Hebbronville—Brush control has paid off for the Benavides brothers, Jim Hogg county ranchers.

Six-thousand acres of brush country has become useful land since the beginning of a control program on the Benavides Ranch five years ago, reports Travis A. King, county agricultural agent.

Records kept since the program commenced show the following results:
An increase in calf crop from

70-75 percent to 85-90 percent. Calves sold had an average weight of 180 pounds more per head. Market quality of calves increased one grade. And, the rate of stocking jumped from about 40 acres for each animal unit to 20 acres per animal unit. King says in addition to "more money in the farmer's pocket" the pastures at the present time remain in an excellent condition.

New Ruling On Enlistment Is Announced

The Army will now accept for volunteer enlistment, persons without prior military service who have one dependent, according to M/Sgt. Harman of the U. S. Army Recruiting Station, Clovis, N. M.

This category of personnel has previously been barred from volunteering for Army service. The new change in Army regulations permits qualified persons to enlist for three years or more.

To qualify for enlistment under the new regulation, non prior service personnel with one dependent must be able to pass the Army's physical examination with a class A rating, and qualify in mental category I or II on the Armed Forces Qualification Test.

M/Sgt. Harman stated that the new regulation is of special benefit to persons who want to take advantage of the Army's training school program, which allows three year volunteers to choose a service school of their choice before they enlist.

Full information on the Army's new policy of accepting volunteers with one dependent may be obtained at the nearest U. S. Army Recruiting Station. Post Office, Clovis, N. M.

The Continental or Grand Union flag had thirteen alternate red and white stripes with the British Union Jack in the upper left corner.

George Washington's estate was valued at over \$5,000,000 when he died.



FROM THE ELECTED

County Officials

OF PARMER COUNTY

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COUNTY JUDGE

J. H. McDonald
Commissioner-Elect, Pct. 3

C. H. Jefferson
COMMISSIONER, Pct. No. 2

Loyde A. Brewer
COUNTY & DISTRICT CLERK

Mabel Reynolds
COUNTY TREASURER

E. F. Billingsley
COMMISSIONER, Pct. No. 3

Chas. Lovelace
Sheriff-Assessor-Collector

Forrest Osborn
COMMISSIONER, Pct. No. 1

H. L. Ivy
COMMISSIONER, Pct. No. 4

Hugh Moseley
County & District Clerk-Elect

Bill Sheehan
COUNTY ATTORNEY-ELECT

Letters To Santa Claus

FROM THE STUDENTS OF THE LAZBUDDIE 1st, 2nd and 3rd GRADES

FIRST GRADE

I am a girl 7 years old. I go to school at Lazbuddie. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a nurse set.

With love,
Margaret Janet Wilson

I am a boy 7 years old. I go to school at Lazbuddie. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a telephone, watch, nuts, candy and fruit.

Jack Reeves

I am a girl, 7 years old. I go to school at Lazbuddie. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a brides doll and nurse set and dishes, and nuts, candy and fruit.

With love,
Debra Ann Bullock

I am a boy, 6 years old. I go to school at Lazbuddie. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a bicycle and a shot gun and two apples.

With love,
Kenneth Burford

I am a girl, 6 years old. I go to school at Lazbuddie. I am in the first grade. Please bring me dishes, silver ware, nuts, candy and fruit.

With love,
Aleene Embry

I am a boy 6 years old. I go to school at Lazbuddie. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a sword set.

With love,
Gregory White

I am a boy, 7 years old. I go to school at Lazbuddie. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a football set.

With love,
James Koelzer

I am a boy, 6 years old. I go to school at Lazbuddie. I am in the first grade. Please bring me cowboy guns, nuts, candy and fruit.

With love,
Donald Clements

I am a girl, 6 years old. I go to school at Lazbuddie; I am in the first grade. Please bring me a princess Mary doll.

With love,
Deanna Scruggs

I am a boy. I am 7. I go to school at Lazbuddie. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a football set, nuts, candy and fruit.

With love,
Bobby Morris

Please bring me some guns. I

am in the first grade at Lazbuddie.
Love,
Joe B. Jennings
Age 6

I would like a doll and doll buggy for Christmas. I am 6 years old and go to Lazbuddie first grade.
With love,
Jenny Steinbock

I am 6 years old and have been a good boy. I want a zebra and some toys.

Larry Prather

I am a big boy. I am seven years old. I want a football suit if you could bring me one.

Love your friend,
Eugene Vaughan

I am 6 and go to Lazbuddie first grade. I would like a Toni doll.

Love,
Sherry Linville

SECOND GRADE

I am a little girl seven year old. I would like a doll for Christmas.

Your friend,
Donna White

I am a little girl seven years old. I would like a doll and a bicycle. I believe that is all.

Love,
Linda Gleason

I want a Cinderella watch. I want a nurse's set for Christmas. I want a ball for Christmas? I want a goat. I am 7 years old?

Your friend,
Jo Brown

I am a little girl seven years old. I have been good. I want a walking doll for Christmas, and a cash register. I go to sleep at night. And I want a nurse's set. I would like for you to come to see me?

Your friends,
Charlotte Seaton

I am a big girl seven years old. I want a baby doll with a teddy bear and snowwhite suit on and colored chalk.

Your friend,
Marsella Mayfield

I am a little boy eight years old. I want a BB gun and some BB's. I want a football and suit too. I want a bicycle too. I want a farm set too. A town set too.

Your friend,
Theron TD. Vaughan

I am a big girl seven year old. I want a doll in a suitcase. I want a baton suit and a baton. I want a set of dishes. I want a baby buggy. I want a nurses set.

Your friend,
Linda Louise Monk

I am a little girl eight years old. I want a suitcase for Christmas. I have a new kitten. I have lots of fishs. I have one pony tail doll. We have a little pig his name blacking.

Your friend,
Peggy

I am a little girl seven years old. I would like to have a doll and a Cinderella watch.

Love, your friend,
Marianna Gammon

I am a big girl seven years old. I want a nurse's set. I want a cash register. Come to see me.

Your friend,
Sharon

I am a big girl. I am seven years old. I want a bicycle and a nurse set too.

Love,
Jan Nowell

I am a little girl. I am seven years old. I want a make up kit, but just a make up kit.

Your friend,
Johnnie Beth Ivy

I am a big girl seven years old. I want a dollhouse? And some doll dresses to? And a live baby goat? And a doll coat? and a ball.

Your friend,
Donna Precure

I am a little girl seven years old. Will you send me a walking doll and a bicycle for Christmas. Come to see me.

I would like for you to send me a nurse's set too.

Your friends,
Patsy Ruth Jaramilla

I am a big girl seven years old. I would like for you to bring me a doll for Christmas. My sister wants a doll too. We are nice and would like for you to bring us one. We would like a suitcase too.

Love,
Linda Lesly

I am a big girl seven years old. I want nurse's set and a blackboard. I want some chalk and I want a suitcase and I want a set of dishes.

Your friends,
Carolyn Bradshaw

I am a big boy. I am 8 years old. I would like you to get me a bicycle and two guns and that is all.

Your friend,
Billy White

I am a big boy eight years old. Will you bring me a football, and a gun for Christmas. Will you please bring a football, and a gun? I have been good this year.

Your friend,
Ernest

I am a big girl seven years old. I thank I have been nice. I hope I have been nice. I want a nurse's set, and I want a two guns, wrist watch.

Your friend,
Bobby Jo Jones

I am a big girl. I am 7 years old. I want a bicycle for Christmas Will you please bring it to me. I have been good this year.

Love,
Gail Ivy

I am a big boy seven years old. I want two Royen suitcases and Royen suit.

Your friend,
Ronald L. Ashford

I am a big boy seven years old. I have been good. I want a rifle and a baseball suit and baseball.

Your friend,
Buddy Embry

THIRD GRADE

I have been a good boy. I want a Bebe gun, a jeep with lights and trailer.

I hope to see you soon.
Your love,
Charles Redwine

I hope you will bring me a gun. I know all the boys and girls like you very much. I hope you will bring me a big box of things. I hope you will bring me a little boat. My mother wants to have something good.

Hope to see you soon.
Love,
George Gales

I would like to have big doll with a big case of little clothes for my doll, and I also want to have a little piano. That is all I want for Christmas.

Hope to see you again.
Love,
Ester Jaramillo

I have been looking for you. I want about ten records and some two guns, and some boxing gloves, and some Bobsey Twin Books. I will close.

Jimmy Haynes

I have been a good girl. My teachers name is Mrs. Wilbanks. I want a doll, a baton, some dishes and silver ware.

I will close.
Love,
Lona Elaine Embry

How are you? Hope you will come soon. I am expected you. I want a doll and moccasins. Some dresses. I want a puzzle.

Hope to see you soon.
Love,
Pat Chitwood

I have been a good girl. I want a 21-in. walking bride doll, a suit and a pretty dress. I would like some and a pair of houseshoes.

Love,
Roxi Ann Williams

I would like to have a doll and a cash register if you are able to bring it to me. I hope it's good enough so that you can come to

see me on Christmas. I hope to see you soon,
Love,
Twila Gallman

I hope I will see you soon. I hope you will bring me what I want. Dear Santa, I would like to have a cowboy and Indian set and a puzzle. I would like a heart set, and I would like some candy.

Your friend,
Bennie Watson

I have been a good boy. I would like to have a football suit. I want a motor cycle too.

I hope to see you soon,
Love,
Kenneth McGehee

I have been a good girl this year. I hope to see you soon before Christmas.

I would like to have a doll a buggy and a bicycle. My little sister would like to have a doll and a buggy.

Goodby, see you Christmas Eve, Gayla Roxann Seaton the daughter of Mr. R. B. Seaton. My birthday is February 3 and my age 8.

I want a bow and arrow, dictionary, puzzle, bicycle, and a box of 48 game.

I hope to see you soon.
Stevie Young

I hope I will see you soon. The baby wants a ball. We have been good to our mother and father. I want a bicycle, and every-day dress. My brother don't care what you bring him, and my sister don't care either. Mother said that she would like a pair of everyday shoes. I hope I will see you soon.

I will close my letter now,
Wynell Barnes

I want a doll for Christmas. I wish you come soon I like to see you. I wish I had a doll for Christ-

mas. I hope I see you soon I thank that all.
Good-by,
Lidia Salos

I have missed you from last year. I want a paratrooper gun, boxing gloves, a jeep with a trailer with lights, and a globe.

Love,
Gary Mac Brown

I would like a shot gun, with a jeep and a U. S. map. I like a snap shirt.

Love,
Terry Lee Hargrove

I have been a good boy. I want a record player. I want a football set. I want a road set. I want a motor cycle.

I love Sant Claus,
Darrell Ray Mason

I want a doll for Christmas. Santa will you be here Christmas? Santa I want you to bring me a bicycle to. Will you Santa.

I will close,
Lonetta Nell White

I would like a football suit. A football too. I hope you come to my home, and I would like to have a electric football game. I have been a good boy this year.

I will close my letter.
Love,
Kelley Mimms

I want a football suit, a watch, electric football set for Christmas. Santa I have been a good boy. My mother said if I were a good boy I would get my wish.

I will close my letter and get my lesson.
Love,
Denny Thompson

The letter "Q" is omitted on the standard telephone dial.

Thirty-three states had prohibition before the 18th Amendment was adopted.



Wishing you
a very merry
Christmas...



IT HAS BEEN A YEAR OF WONDERFUL HARVESTS!

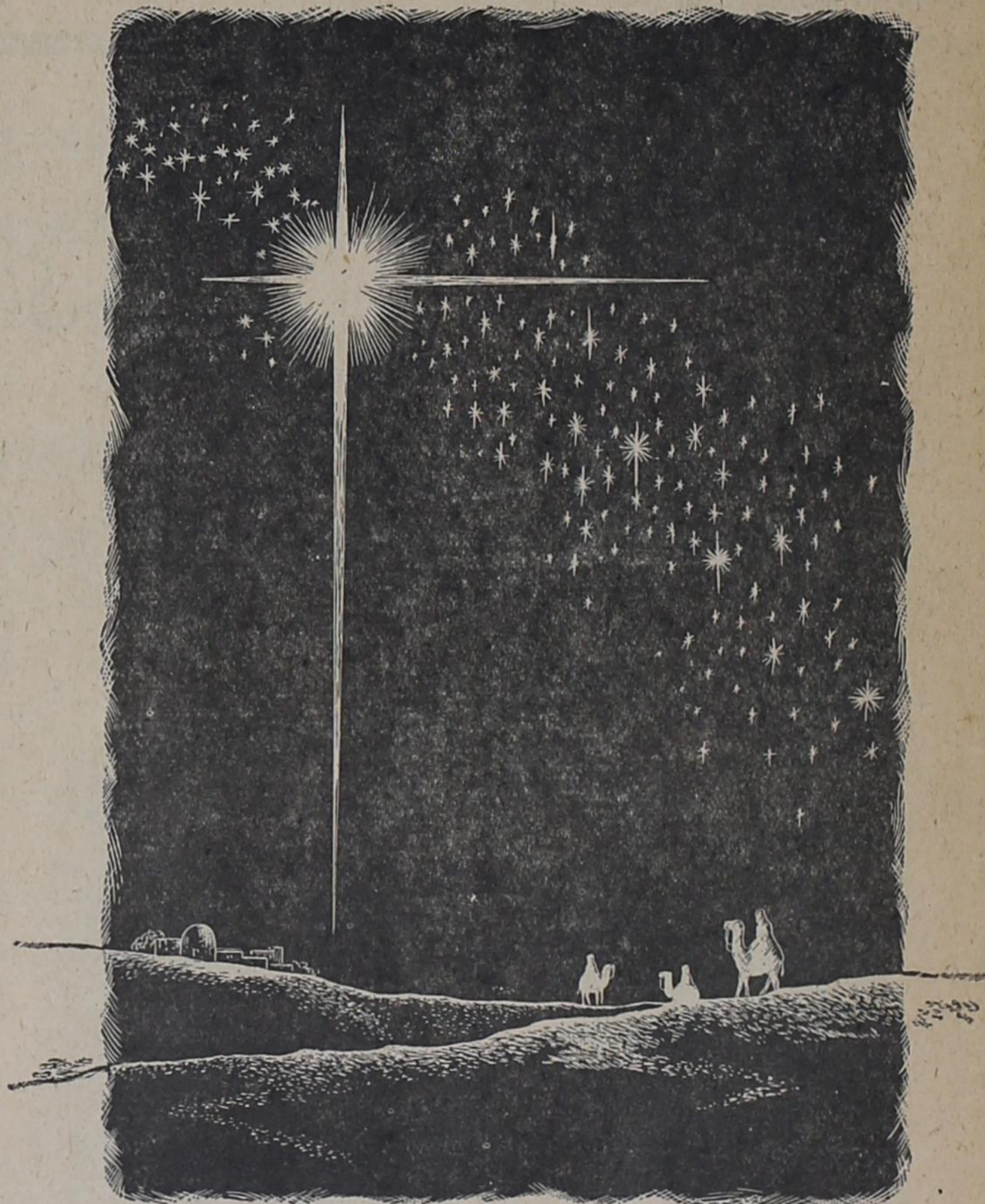
We of Tri-County Grain Company are truly grateful for the wonderful patronage which we have enjoyed this season. It has been a year of wonderful harvests.

TRI-COUNTY GRAIN COMPANY

PETE BRAXTON, Manager

BLACK, TEXAS

Christmas



O God, who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of thine only Son Jesus Christ; Grant that as we joyfully receive him for our Redeemer, so we may with sure confidence behold him when he shall come to be our Judge, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.





There was no Room

"I am sorry, Mary. They tell me they have no room." And so it was that Joseph, the humble Galilean carpenter, and his queenly young wife Mary, took refuge in a stable near the edge of town. For them, there had been no room. The population of Bethlehem was more than double, the descendants of David, having come to register as ordered by Herod. The journey had been a particularly tiresome one for Mary. The quietness of the stable and the small amount of warmth it provided was indeed welcomed by both She and Joseph. Near the hour of midnight, the darkened sky came to life with a light of ethereal beauty, above the stable, a bright new star with the brilliance of a million candles. In the distance angels were heard in a great psalm: "Glory in the highest, And on earth, peace to men of good will." The quietness of the stable gives way to the sounds of camels and voices of men, and there appears a group of Magi, wise men of Persia. They have followed the brightness of the star in search of a new-born king. They bring gifts of precious gold. There in the stable, wrapped in swaddling clothes, a manger for his throne, they find the Christ-Child.

Saint Nicholas Was Bishop Of Myra

Saint Nicholas lived some 1600 years ago in Turkey where he was for 17 years Bishop of Myra. Today, the place is known as Demre, province of Antalya—where his church may still be found and one may yet hear of the generous acts which made his life a great legend and gave him the "Santa Claus" character we all know today. It is said that Saint Nicholas, a man of great virtue and piety, became the patron saint of boys when he restored to life the sons of a rich Asiatic, who had been murdered by a robber-innkeeper while they were enroute to school at Athens. It is said that he was warned of the crime in a dream, but was unable to reach the inn in time to prevent the murders. He restored the boys to life through prayer and the murderer confessed his crime.

Holiday Whirl Means Extra Work For You-Know-Who

The holiday whirl is about us again and before it is all over some of us may feel like stretching out on the sofa beneath a sign: "Do not disturb until December 25, 1955."

But, let's face it. The common casualty at this time of the year is—Mom. Who gets stuck with the job of doing all the "fixing," of food, of decorations, of practically everything? You guessed it—the first one up in the mornings and usually the last to retire at night—Mom.

Most of us could pave the way for a more enjoyable Christmas this year and a happier New Year, by making an early resolution. It could be done with the simple determination to help make Mom's Christmas an easier one. It might be done by dividing up some of Mom's "extra" duties and assigning a share to each member of the family.

Christmas is a holy season and a time of good will. Poor Mom, though, is usually so tired she doesn't even have time to think, much less relax and enjoy the spiritual blessings of the season.

SANTA, INDIANA

The community of Santa Claus, Indiana owes its fame to its unusual name. At Christmas time its small post office is swamped with mail from throughout the world

Your Christmas Fireside Can Be Bright With Color

If you wish to get as much "color" as possible in your Christmas observance, here's a novel idea.

Pine cones, small kindling or chips can be so treated as to give off colored flames when burned in the fireplace. Dipped or soaked in a solution of various salts of certain metals, cones or chips will burn with a distinctive color. Cones will not readily absorb water, so salts must be suspended in a solution of turpentine.

Compounds which produce specific colors when burned are: Red—strontium chloride; green—barium chloride; blue-green—copper oxide or copper sulfate; orange—calcium chloride; lavender—potassium chloride; and yellow—sodium chloride.

A second method—if only cones are to be used—is to dip the cones in paraffin and before the paraffin

hardens sprinkle with the following chemicals for desired color effect: Green—copper sulfate; red—strontium nitrate; orange—calcium nitrate; and yellow—sodium chloride.



MERRY XMAS... It's an old costume but a new style Santa. Dancing Diane Sinclair tries on a suit for size.

GREETINGS

May the lighted Christmas log and the soft glow of Yule candles reflect the shining face of your loved ones at this glad season. Merry Christmas!



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Bonnie Wilson, Manager

MANY THANKS,

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We have been delighted with the wonderful business which we have received at all of our gins this year, and especially at our brand new gin at Farwell. Your response to our expansion has been most gratifying.

Allow us to wish each of you the very Merriest of Christmases, and to express to you our deepest appreciation for the ginning you have brought us. We will be ready to serve you next year, too!



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Letters To Santa Claus

FROM THE STUDENTS OF THE FARWELL FIRST GRADE

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a football and a jack in the box and a wagon and a little baby bulldog and a snow sleigh.
James Patton

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy. Please bring me an electric car, ball glove, football and a belt. Remember all the other boys and girls.

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 6 years old and I want a set of dishes for Christmas and lots of fruit, candy and nuts, please remember my brothers and sisters. They have been good to. Please remember my teacher Mrs. Cain.
Yours truly,
Martha Ann Leamon

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy. Would you please bring me a BB gun, tractor, and basketball goal. Also nuts, fruits, and candy. I am 6 years old.
I love you,
Doyle Johnson

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl almost all year, so please bring me a walking doll, tap shoes, nurse kit, some knives and forks, a stove, a fire truck and some candy and nuts.
Please, Santa, don't forget children who are sick.
Thank you.
Love,
Mattie Belle Latham

Dear Santa Claus,
I am six years old and have been a pretty good boy this year my mother says.
I would like to have a football, a gun and holster set, cowboy boots, a Prince Valiant sword and shield, a tractor with plow and wagon and some more parts to my train.
Gary Doshier

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 7 years old, in the first grade. Please bring me a dump truck and a football.
My little sister wants a walking doll.
Please don't forget other little boys and girls.
Please remember my teacher, Mrs. Cain.
Love,
Delton Wilhite

Dear Santa,
I want a gun and a holster like Jen Autry's for Christmas. I also want a bicycle and a pair of boxing gloves for Christmas. I also want a cowboy suite and boots to. Will you please bring my sister a bicycle and a pair of skates.
Donnie Vestal

Dear Santa,
I would like for you to bring me a pool table, one pair of guns and a punching bag.
"Thanks."
Your pal,
Jimmie R. Mace

Dear Santa,
Would you please bring me a set of guns with black hosters. I have been a nice little boy and helped my mama good.
Thank you Santa Clause,
Charles Lee Herrington

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a BB gun, horse and saddle, bicycle, candy, nuts fruit, gum, books, boots, French Harp and Christmas tree.
Larry Mac

Dear Santa Clas,
I want a walking doll for Christmas.
Teresa

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl seven years old. I want a bicycle. If you have one. My little sister wants a pony tail doll. Some candy and nuts for all. I have been a pretty good little girl.
How is Rudolph doing? Hope he is able to draw the sled for you.
A little girl,
Julie Routon

Dear Santa Clause,
I want a grader and a typewriter for Christmas.
I have two little sisters and one wants a doll buggy and a cash register. The other one wants a teddie bear.
Please bring all of us some candy and nuts.
We have been good and love you very much.
Bruce Bolton

Dear Santa,
I have been doing my best to be a good girl this year, and I would like for you to please bring me a doll without any hair, a bicycle with two wheels on the back, and a little sewing machine.
Please don't forget to bring something to my sister Carol and my brother Steve.
Love, Linda
P. S. Please don't forget to bring something to Blackie, my doggy. He has been pretty good, too.

Dear Santa,
I would like a Mr. and Mrs. potato head and a sewing kit, and a lip stick doll.
Love,
Dianne Lovelace

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bicycle or walking doll. Lots of fruit, nuts and candy.
Melynda Kaye

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy in the first grade. I would like a little tractor that I can ride on. I also would like a farm set. Please bring me some candy and nuts also.
Love,
Edwin Lingnan

Dear Santa Claus,
Please come to see me and my sisters, we want dolls; and a record player. I will try to be good next year. Take all the children something.
We will leave you some goodies.
Love,
Alice Thomas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a space gun a guitar a gun and scabbert set, a drum and lots and lots of candy and nuts.
Don't forget the other little kids.
Love,
David McDonald

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like to have a two-seated bicycle if you have one. Also a baby bed and a suzie walker doll. My brother Milton Lee would like a dump truck and a water fire truck.
Please don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
We will have cake and coffee for you.
Thank you Santa Claus.
I love you,
Edith Ann Walling

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bicycle, a pair of cowboy boots, and a lineman's line belt. I have been a good boy and will leave you a piece of cake.
Love,
Mike Camp

Santa Claus
North Pole
Dear Santa,
I love you. I'm having my big brother help me write this letter. I have been a good boy. I would like to have a radio player, wagon, a barn and a wrecker with cars, and don't forget my teacher, my mother, my daddy and my brother and sisters.
Yours truly,
Louis Warren

P. S. I'm six years old and am in the first.
Dear Santa,
I am in the 1st grade and I'm doing well in my school work.
For Christmas I would like some BB's; a racing car with a motor in it; and an erector set with a motor.
Remember all the other children.
Thank you Santa!
Michael Watkins

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old. Would you please bring me a doll and a set of dishes. I would like to have a little doll suit case and some candy, fruits and nuts.
Don't forget all of the other little boys and girls.
Maudie Faye Stancell

Dear Santa,
My name is Donna Gayle Spurlin. I am in the first grade, and I am six years old. My teacher is Mrs. Cain and please bring her something real nice.
I would like a doll with clothes, a nursette kit, a trumpet, a fountain pen set, also, a typewriter and a doll house. If you think this is too much, bring what you want to, and it will be just fine.
I will have cake and coffee for you. I love you, Santa. Bring all the children in my class lots of things too.
Love,
Donna

I love, Santa.
Dear Santa,
I am six years old, my name is Hobbie, I would like to have Fort Apache Stockade and bee bee gun, and some bees.
Melody is a real house wife. She is eight she would like a Dessert Mix Set and a Ready Mix Baking Set.
Don't forget all the other boys and girls.
O yes little 1 year old Alice said "Bring me anything you please." There will be coffee and cake to keep you warm and some candy for the Red Nose Reindeer. Tell Mrs. Santa. Hello.
We know the dwarfs and Mrs. Santa are very busy. We all hope we have a white Chirstmas.
Farwell, Texas
Love,
Alice, Hobbie, Melody

Coffman
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 6 years old, and in the first grade.
I have tried to be good I would like to have these for Christmas. A 2 bedroom house with furniture, and television set with antenna; a camera, and a bride's dress for my doll Susie.
My little brother has been a good boy; Please remember him too.
Goodbye Santa. Please come to our house Christmas Eve.
Carolyn Brock

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a cow boy gun holster set, some games, a small truck, a base ball and glove.
Thank you very much,
Larry Buck Gregory

Dear Santa:
Just a note to you to let you know what I want for Christmas. Please bring me a two gun holster set, a Prince Valiant set.
Bring something for my baby brother who is 19 months old. Bring us nuts and candy. Don't forget my teacher Mrs. Cain.
Thank you Santa,
Jerry Miles

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy in the first grade. My name is Danny Gully. Please bring me a BB gun, a football and lots of candy and fruit. We will leave you a cup of coffee and a piece of cake on the coffee table.
Your friend,
Danny Gully

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy. Please bring me a bicycle, farm set, and a space jet.
Don't forget my little brother and all the other children.
Please let Rudolph lead the bunch.
Your friend,
Byron Brewer

Feasting Important To World Observance Of New Year

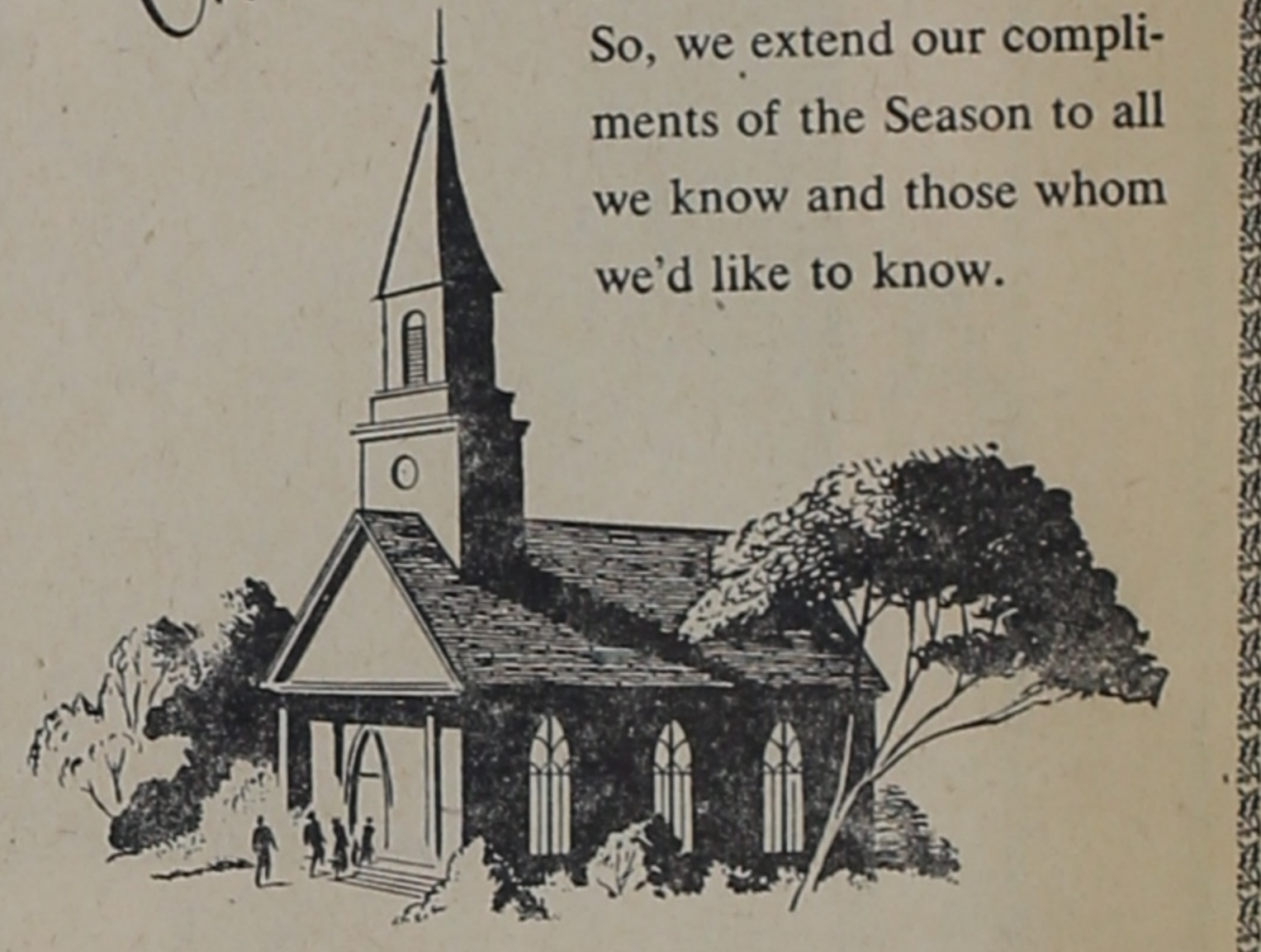
Feasting is as important a part of a New Year celebration as of Thanksgiving, with a good meal on the first day of the year symbolizing that there will be plenty throughout the days ahead.
The New Year's day banquet differs as one travels around the world. An important dish among the Spaniards is sopa, rice cooked with olive oil, tomatoes, vegetables and meat particles. Africans partake of cous-cous, which is composed of wheat grains, lamb and vegetables. Pickled greens, raw fish, roast bird and shrimp

fritters are menu headliners in Japan, with pickled chrysanthemum petals considered a special delicacy. The Swedes temper their feasts with a special drink, called glogg which is a claret wine sweetened with sugar and flavored with almonds, raisins, dried orange peel, cinnamon, cloves and cardamom. It is usually set afire before serving.
Feasts in England and Western Europe are similar to our American menus, chief difference being in the choice of side dishes. Turkey, duck or goose make the popular roast in England and in France. Latin countries bedeck their holiday fowl with truffles, chestnuts and olives and one might find snails on the menu in France.
Gunpowder is made of sulphur, charcoal and saltpeter.

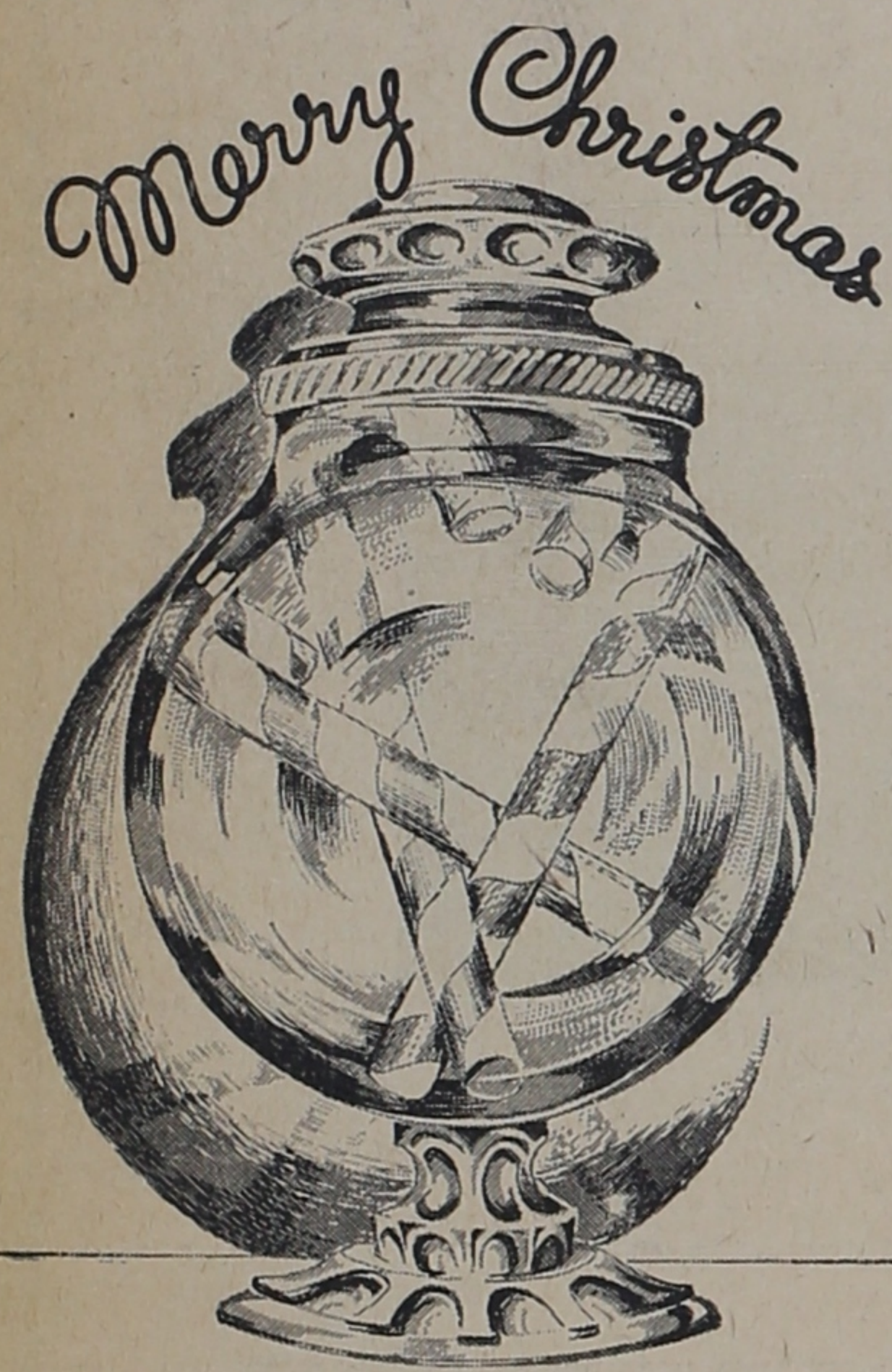
Gregorian Calendar Unified Our Timekeeping

Our present calendar—the Gregorian—was the first calendar to achieve any semblance of world unity on the time front.
The coming of this calendar, instituted by Pope Gregory in 1582 laid the groundwork for universal celebration of New Year's day.
Europe, which for centuries had celebrated March 25 as the first day of the year, was the first to adopt the Gregorian calendar. But it was not a complete adoption until 1752 when Great Britain joined the other European countries recognizing January 1 as the first day of the year and instituting use of the Gregorian calendar.
Of course, the date of January 1 is not celebrated by everyone. The Jews observe a 10-day New Year season at the time of the autumn equinox. The Moslem calendar, which dates to 626 A.D. has 12 months that begin with the approximate new moon without any intercalation to keep them geared to the seasonal equinoxes.
And, the Gregorian, although it performed a great job of unification, still doesn't satisfy everyone that uses it. Periodically some one comes forth with what they consider a better way of marking time.

It's wonderful to find, in the midst of things, a season like Christmas time, when all are thinking of peace on earth, good will to men. It's a happy time... a time for friendly greetings and good wishes. So, we extend our compliments of the Season to all we know and those whom we'd like to know.



BILLINGTON'S BARBER AND BEAUTY SHOP
FARWELL, TEXAS



At Christmas time we realize more than ever how much our friends—both old and new—have meant to us throughout the past year, and more than ever there is a special meaning in these wishes for a Merry Christmas.

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Merry Christmas

Ours is a regular old-time Christmas greeting... the kind we hope you enjoy remembering... and with it comes our sincere thanks for all your many past courtesies.

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MR. & MRS. S. N. KESNER FARWELL, TEXAS

The Best of all Good Wishes for CHRISTMAS

THE PAINT STORE
FARWELL, TEXAS
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Christmas Eve Business

By Dorothy Boys Killan

THE TELEPHONE rang just as Chris Jackson had climbed up on the stool to put the silver star on the very tip-top of the fragrant green fur tree.

"The hitch is," the stranger replied, "that we've got a new bicycle and a lot of other unwrapped gifts for our grandchildren crammed into the back seat. In fact, we're playing Santa, and we've simply got to get that stuff under their tree tonight."

Chris glanced into the living room and saw Karen holding the star, confidently waiting for him to return to their trimming party.



"Maybe someday you'll have a garage with all the latest and best," Mr. Baxter said.

his mind When a little fellow is expecting to see a shiny new bicycle under the tree and then it isn't there—

A Finished Task

An hour and a half later he straightened up beside the gleaming black Cadillac, wiped his greasy hands on an old rag and said: "There you are, Mr. Baxter. You'll get that bicycle delivered in plenty of time now."

"Yes, if I can pry my wife loose from your house," the portly gentleman's eyes twinkled. "When I left there a few minutes ago, she and your Karen were in the midst of the coziest coffee huddle you ever saw. It certainly was nice of you to send us up there to wait."

"Oh, well, it was too cold in this garage tonight to have you people stand around for a couple of hours," Chris said diffidently.

"Maybe some day you'll have a garage with all the latest and the best," Mr. Baxter smiled. "Like warm waiting rooms and 24 hour service."

Chris sighed. "I'm just getting started, you know, and of course there's another older garage already established in the village."

"I know there is," Mr. Baxter looked grim. "As a matter of fact, I called them first, and they wouldn't open up tonight for love nor money. The owner was having a party or something and just couldn't be bothered."

"Well, you know how it is," Chris murmured.

A Good Return

"I know how you are," the gentleman said firmly. "And because of that I also know what I'm going to do. Here's my card—"

Chris looked at the white slip and let out a low whistle. "State Auto Club, Harold F. Baxter, 1st Vice President."

"We've been wondering about the advisability of designating an official garage for the Club in this vicinity, now that the new road goes through here," Mr. Baxter went on. "And after tonight, I know we need one."

Chris couldn't help gasping. "You mean—?"

"Yes, I mean you," Mr. Baxter said. "It's dependable people like you we want on our books. And I'm certainly going to recommend your company for the position."

Chris grinned. "My company is just me and a part time assistant right now, but with the advertising your outfit will give us, we'll really begin to grow up. I just can't tell you what this means to me—"

"Let's get back to the women," Mr. Baxter interrupted in friendly gruffness. "I'd like another cup of that coffee."

Legend Says Christmas Trees Came From Egypt

Legend has it that the Christmas tree originated in Egypt, where the first trees used were palm trees.

The Germans brought the tree to America, however, as they also introduced it to England. The German Prince Albert, consort of Queen Victoria, introduced the first tree into England when he had a tree for his young daughter.

Martin Luther is said to have brought the first Christmas tree indoors for decoration, early in the 16th century.

When you fasten ornaments to your tree this year you will be commemorating a centuries-old Arabian legend that relates how plants blossomed and flowered and trees miraculously bore ripened fruit on the eve of the first Christmas.

MINCE PIE

The oriental character of the spices and flavoring in mince pie was said to represent the rich gifts the wise men brought to the Christ Child.

Theodore Roosevelt, at 42 was the youngest president ever inaugurated.

Christmas Scene: St. Francis Set The Stage

Did you ever wonder about the origin of the custom of displaying the Christ Child in the crib at Christmas time? These displays have become increasingly popular, so that this Christmas we find manger scenes in churches, store windows, even in outdoor locations.

Credited with the idea of the first display is St. Francis of Assisi, who is reported to have said to one of his followers: "I wish to celebrate Holy Christmas night with you. In the woods near the cloister you will find a cave where we shall arrange a manger filled with hay. We shall have an ox and an ass just as at Bethlehem. I wish to see how poor and miserable the Infant Saviour became for us."

This was in the small village of Garcia, in Italy, in the year 1200. St. Francis and his followers celebrated mass at the cave and sang hymns in honor of the Christ Child.

BEARING GIFTS

By Bruce Shelly

"OH NO!" said Brad Carr. "The Simpsons! We've completely forgotten the Simpsons!"

He plopped himself into the easy chair, still holding the precariously-balanced stack of gifts in his arms.

"Who?" asked his young wife. "The Simpsons. The couple that used to live next door to Dad. You remember, last Christmas they gave us that candy dish and we were so embarrassed because we hadn't bought anything for them. And now this year we did it again!"

Margie Carr scowled, her pert face filling with little wrinkles of child-like concern and attractiveness.

"Oh dear!" she said. "Wouldn't you just know it." She slumped on the arm of her husband's chair. "What will we do?"

"Too late now to buy something for them. Stores are closed. We'll just have to give them something we already have here in the house," Brad said.

"We can't do that, Honey. I wouldn't feel right about it."

Margie pensively chewed at her lower lip. "What do we have?"

Rising slowly from his chair, Brad walked around the small living room. "Whatever it is, it should be on a par with that candy dish they gave us last year." He tentatively examined several of the articles that filled the bric-a-brac shelf.

"How about this one?" he asked. "Which one?"

"This green vase — the small one. It should equal a candy dish any day."

Margie crossed the room to where Brad was standing. "It's very pretty, all right. I guess maybe it would do. It doesn't look damaged — no chips or anything."

"Why don't you wrap it, Honey," Brad said. "I'll pull the car out in front and load in the rest of the packages."

None Too Soon

A few minutes later, as he was climbing out of the car, Brad noticed a pleasant middle-aged couple heading up the steps of his house. He gulped as he recognized them. That had been a close call!

"Hello, Mr. Simpson!" he called. "Mrs. Simpson! Merry Christmas! We were just heading over your way."

The couple turned to greet him. In Mr. Simpson's hand was a small, neatly-wrapped package.

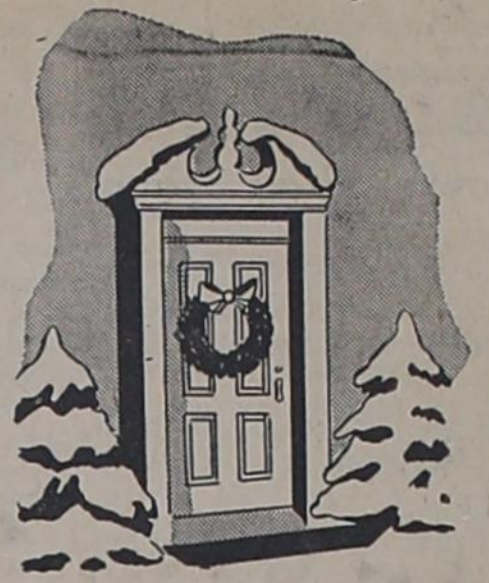
"We were just bringing your gift by," Mr. Simpson said. "Merry Christmas to you."

"Won't you come in?" asked Brad. "Margie has your present inside." He crossed his fingers. He HOPED Margie had wrapped the green vase by now.

As usual, Margie had taken care of her little task with wifely dispatch. The vase was wrapped and waiting on the living room table. Inwardly feeling a great surge of relief, Brad handed the package to the Simpsons.

Truth Awakens

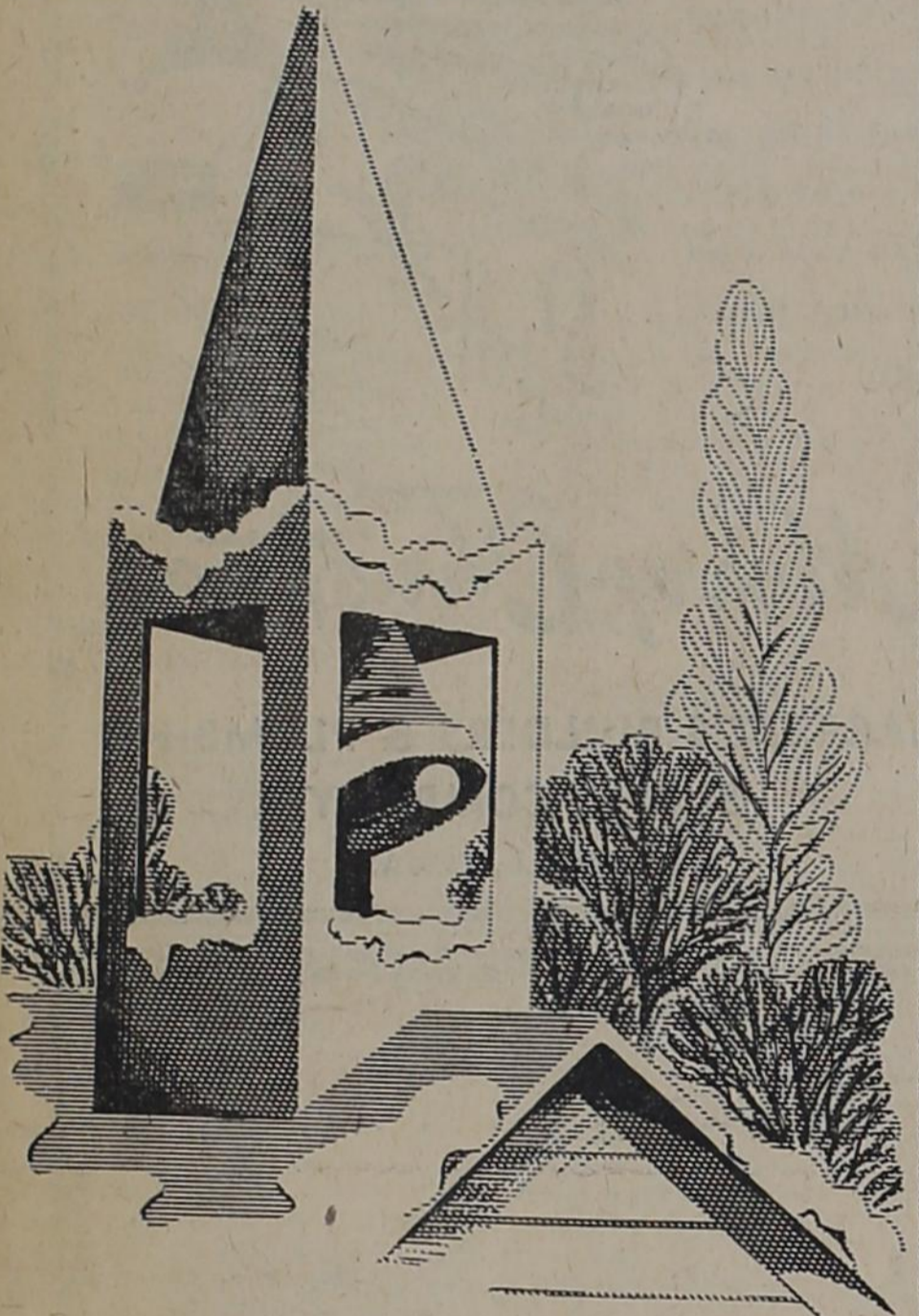
When the thank-yous had been exchanged and a few moments properly dedicated to small talk, the Simpsons excused themselves, stating that they had a number of calls yet to make.



orate the tree with balls of red, silver, blue and green, strands of popcorn and various decorations that are saved from year to year.

Be sure to hang a rope of evergreens, a spray or wreath on your front door—these signify to many who pass your home that you are celebrating this joyous season.

Season's Greetings TO EACH OF OUR MANY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS SIKES MOTOR COMPANY FARWELL, TEXAS



Merry Christmas

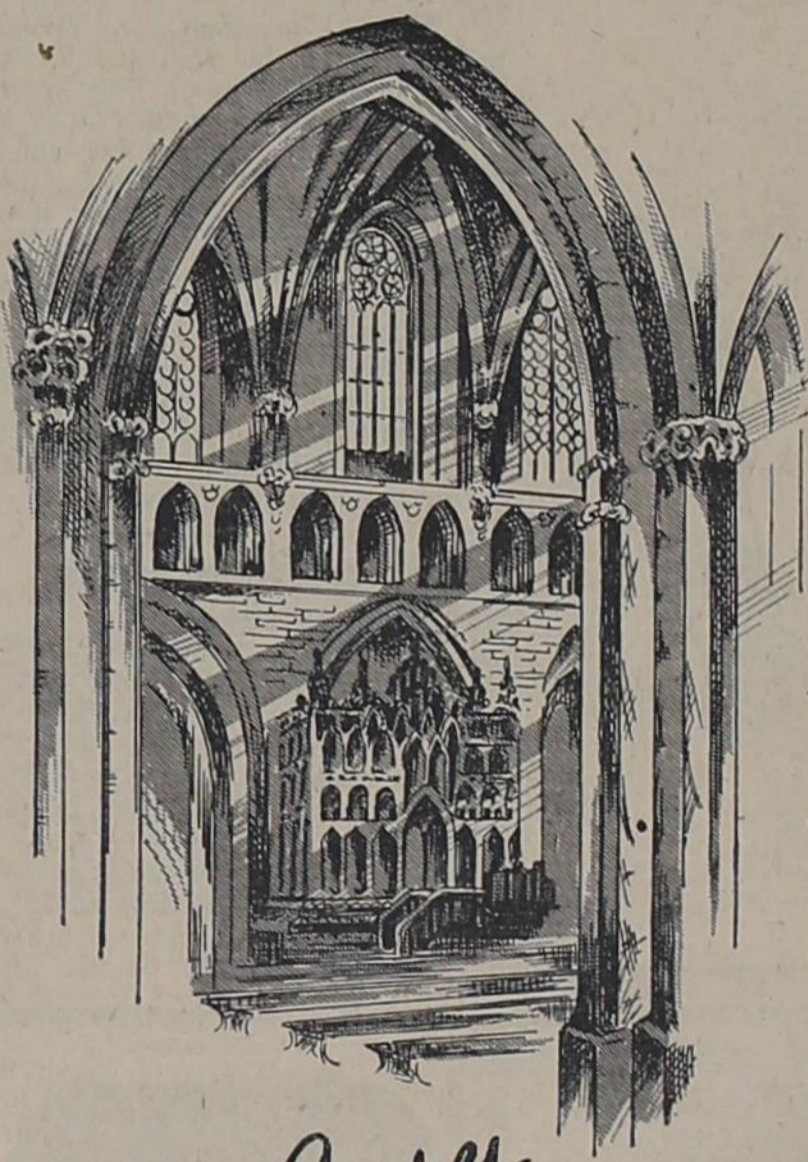
The sentiment that is in evidence during the Christmas season carries no greater pleasure than the opportunity it offers to send good wishes to those whose friendship is treasured.

MINNEAPOLIS-MOLINE FARWELL, TEXAS JIM MOSS RALPH HUMBLE ODOM SMITH

Legend Says Christmas Trees Came From Egypt... MINCE PIE... Theodore Roosevelt, at 42 was the youngest president ever inaugurated.

He held up a candy dish. "They gave us the same thing as last year." "Margie looked thoughtful. "That's funny," she mused. "I wonder why they did that." "I don't know," said Brad. "Unless..."

Did you ever notice that the prettiest homes around the community at Christmas are the ones decorated liberally with the green things of the season? Their festive appearance is obtained easily with proper display of such things as evergreens, berries, seed pods, and pine cones.



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.

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To us this thing called business is founded largely on friendship and the desire to be of service to our customers. We have appreciated your acquaintance and your patronage. And so to you and yours—we wish a real Merry Christmas. MEEKS SERVICE STATION FARWELL, TEXAS

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Christmas Carols Have Unique Beginnings

By Patricia Morgan

Lacking music for a midnight Christmas service in a little Austria parish, the minister of the small church wrote the memorable words to "Silent Night." Mice had eaten at the bellows of the worn church organ, which greatly troubled the minister and organist, yet out of the trouble was born this immortal Christmas Carol.

One of the most famous Protestant hymn writers, Charles Wesley, was inspired to write the beautiful carol, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," as he walked to church one Christmas morning in 1739 and heard the pealing of the bells.

"O Little Town of Bethlehem," one of the few carols by American writers, was composed by Phillip Brooks in 1868 while he was rector of a church in Philadelphia. This lovely hymn was written when a Sunday School class asked Brooks for a Christmas song. The organist of the church heard the melody in a dream on Christmas Eve and finished the arrangement in time for the service next day.

Giving us one of the few hymns of the 19th Century with the real Christmas message, "Peace on earth, good will to men," Edmond H. Sears wrote the inspiring words of, "It Came Upon A Midnight Clear" in the year 1849.

"We Three Kings" is a carol particularly associated with Twelfth Night, celebrated in most countries as the day the Three Wise Men from the East were led to the manger in Bethlehem. There is an old Spanish legend that these kings go to the Holy Land every year,

and on the way visit children, leaving toys for the good ones. Words and music were written by John H. Hopkins.

As we listen to the singing of Christmas carols during this season, everyone should be mindful of the inspiration and significance they gave to the individual writers. Centuries ago these songs were written, with no realization that they would become memorable down through the years. Each one has a special meaning, so just remember this as you sing them this year.

EDITORIAL

THE SPIRIT OF GIVING

By Bobbie Richardson

The night was clear and peaceful. The shepherds calmly watched their sheep, perhaps soft music came floating across the hills from some neighboring field.

Suddenly the night air was filled with angels proclaiming the birth of the Saviour of the world.

The shepherds left their flocks to take their small gifts to the Christ Child. The wise men followed the Eastern Star to take their gifts of great wealth to the Son of God.

The wise men gave great gifts, the shepherds gave small gifts; all were given from a heart full of love. God, as he looked upon those gifts didn't think of how much they were worth, but the love with which they were given.

As James Russell Lowell has said in his memorable poem, "Vision of Sir Launfal";

"Not what we give, but what we share
 For the gift without the giver is bare;
 Who gives himself with his alms feeds three
 Himself, his hungry neighbor, and me."

Picture Of A Band Student

The timid fourth grader approaches the music room with a smile on his face and a note clutched in his hand saying that he may begin to take band. How often he has looked at the performing high school band and wished that he, too, might someday be a part of that organization. At least he was old enough and had the encouragement of his parents to become a member of beginner's band.

Now, we shall attempt to follow the progress of this youngster as preparations are made to be in the high school band.

First, he must contact the band director, who will give him a simple test. He finds that an ear for music helps more than anything in band preparatory work. With his parents, they will discuss the type instrument which will be best for the individual student.

The youngster learns from the first that his chosen instrument will require intensive work and study. His progress will depend somewhat on his general ability, but study is the most important prerequisite. His text, "Easy Steps to Band," will require thirty minutes daily practice, plus the additional half hour class work.

If his interest and study remains, the student will be progressing rapidly, and during the second semester may be able to go into the intermediate band steps, and will be given a chance to perform simple solos before his classmates. This tends to reassure the student of his ability.

An important thing to a band beginner is that when he starts out he must learn a new and relatively difficult language, spaces, lines, and clefs from which music is read. Problems encountered are learning to read notes, follow directions, being directed by a baton, and blowing his horn correctly. Although difficult, he usually finds this enjoyable. Self-satisfaction comes with learning to play simple melodies, and playing becomes easier.

Now the beginner is ready to participate in group classes, playing simple harmonic songs, which teaches ear training. By putting in extra practice time, he may be permitted to rehearse with the high school band, which gives him a chance to play more appealing music.

The band student eventually finds that he will be included in many activities throughout the school year. There will be homecomings, Veteran's Day and various other parades, plus performances at basketball games. Also there will be the parties and good times enjoyed each year by band students.

Each student of the band is a representative of his school and community. When traveling to other schools and towns, people look to them as examples of the school and town he is from.

So now, our young band member has attained his goal, that of high school band member. How proudly he wears the school colors and performs to the best of his ability. Much work and patience has been put forth, but he feels that it has been worthwhile. He is now able to participate in the contests and band activities. He has gained coordination, self discipline and self leadership, plus a sense of music appreciation. Though it's been a pretty hard struggle, he is now an official member, and proudly serves in that capacity.

Junior High Loses In Overtime

The Little Foxes of Fort Sumner pulled through an overtime to beat Texico junior boys 19-17, Saturday night.

The Texico team had to play catch-up ball to tie the score in the last minutes of the game, the score being 12-8 at the half.

When the final buzzer came the score was tied 15-15, but the three

minute overtime period proved the difference as one of the Fort Sumner boys made the deciding two points in the fading seconds of the game.

The Wolverines lost 47-29 leaving the boys with the hope that it is the worst defeat they will suffer all year.

The Fort Sumner Foxes won the game in the first half as the Texico Wolverines outscored the Foxes 19-17 in the last half. The score at the end of the game was 47-29.

FHA Club Has Christmas Party

Singing Christmas carols and exchanging gifts were featured at the FHA Christmas party, Thursday morning, December 16.

Oneita Autrey completed the program by reading a poem, "One Little Outcast Pleas." The program was arranged by Joyce Gillean, Gloria Johnson and Oneita Autrey.

Betty Crawley, Audrey Hapke and Melba Doshier directed members of the club in a series of games.

Refreshments were served informally with each girl receiving a box of Cracker Jacks, a tangerine, grapes and salted nuts. Planning and preparing the refreshments were Lanell Howard, Mary Pichardo, Mary Sue Stover and Ann Reed.

EIGHTH GRADE HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The eighth grade had a Christmas party Wednesday, December 22. In planning for the party, the girls decorated the tree while the boys put up blue, white, red, and green ropes to decorate the room. To provide more thrills, the class drew names to exchange gifts. On the tree committee were Jerry Bowers, Jo Martin, Raymond Hadley, and Darlene Day.

The game committee consisted of Bobby Stover, Billy Ferguson, and Buster Harriman while the members of the refreshment committee were Pete Weisler, Anita Moss, Billy Thigpen, and Carlene Branson.

December 6, the eighth grade received their second order of library books from the State Extension Library in Santa Fe, N. M. They received sixty-five books from which they are making book reports.

Texico Teams Lose To Bovina

In two hard fought games Tuesday night, the Bovina High School girls and boys team defeated the Texico teams by scores of 34-30 and 63-45.

The Whirlwinds who stayed close behind the Bovina girls through most of the game were ahead of them at one time by two points, and were tied with them several times. The final score at the end of the game was 34-30. Sue Reid was high point man for the Whirlwinds making 20 points.

Although the Wolverines were ahead of the Mustangs at the end of the first quarter by six points, the Mustangs caught up and passed them making the score at the half-time, 20-19. In the second half the Bovina boys began to press the Texico boys and kept ahead. The score at the end of the game was 63-45. Jimmy Don Moss was high point man for the Wolverines making 17 points.

SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADES ENJOY SKATING PARTY

Achin' backs and sore heads didn't keep the seventh and eighth grade students from enjoying their skating party Monday night for they had two full hours of falls, groans and fun. Some of the students thought they knew how to skate, but most of them found out they didn't. Parents who accompanied the students to the Clovis Hillcrest Roller Rink were Mr. and Mrs. Coy Gooch, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Martin, Mrs. John R. Wall, Mrs. C. B. Stockton, Mr. Edward Weisler, Mrs. Anson Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Runnels, Mr. Jim Moss, Mr. J. W. Chappell, Mrs. Nora Day and daughter, Mrs. Lynette Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Almer Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Danforth and Mr. George Hill.

Members of the seventh grade are happy to welcome two new students to their class. They are Delia Montoya from Amarillo, and Wilbur Sprayberry from Portales.

Seventh grade students are proud to have made the wonderful trip through ENMU library last week. Mrs. Perry Crawley, Mrs. Ray Tharp and Mrs. Fred Danforth (sponsors) took cars. They learned many things new to them including something about the lights, magazines, movies, books, card catalogues, and other interesting things.

PATter

By Pat

Say, students, before we become too interested in those Christmas gifts, let's give some serious thought to this Christmas giving idea. True, there are many who sincerely give gifts to others on Christmas out of love—not with the "you gave me one last year" attitude. But why not give something different this year—give yourself.

Somehow, when we think of gifts, "things" come to our mind—or money—but the Greatest Gift ever given was that one back in Bethlehem over 2,000 years ago, God's Son—the only gift He could give. We doubt if there is anything that would please loved ones, or God, more than that of ourselves. Give the gift only you can give—YOU. For instance, give your talent— that voice or musical ability—use

it to make someone happy or for the church. Your strength—pitch in physically wherever you can help. Your knowledge—that keen mind should be used to study and learn that you might help someone else. That popularity—take advantage of your personality and use it to influence friends to really make something of themselves. Whatever talent you might have can be successfully used somewhere and bring good results. Do this, and make this a real Christmas, one you'll never forget!

Merry Christmas—Happy New Year.

THIRD GRADE MAKES CHRISTMAS PLANS

Decorating their room and tree was enjoyed very much by the third grade. Each pupil took his turn adding the decorations until they had the tree looking very pretty, according to Mrs. Frank Seale, teacher.

Each student has been quite busy
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May there come to you at this Christmas time all the precious things of life—health, happiness and enduring friendships.



Merry Christmas

**GARRETT'S BUILDERS & PLUMBING
 SUPPLY COMPANY
 FARWELL, TEXAS**



SEASONS

We wish you abounding good fortune, the best of health, and a season of happiness on this glad Christmas occasion.



GREETINGS

**RAY MEARS
 FARWELL, TEXAS**



A host of good wishes to our many friends and customers
**RED CROSS PHARMACY
 TEXICO, N. M.**



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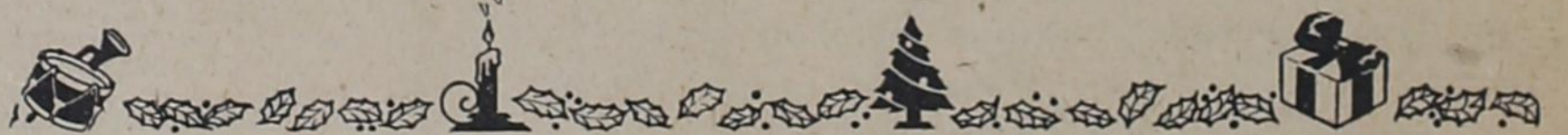
Christmas

Has a Meaning of Its Own

Every holiday occasion has its significance but none can compare with the Christmas Season. It is the one time of the year when all are united in one common attitude of good will toward fellowmen.

Christmas is always a welcome event with us. The reasons are twofold, first, because we enjoy the spirit of friendliness that predominates everywhere, second, because it affords us an appropriate opportunity of expressing our sincere thanks to those whom we serve, for their cooperation in the past. It is also fitting that we, at the same time, invite your continued patronage, as well as the consideration of those whom it has not been our pleasure to serve.

We hope this will be a Merry Christmas for you, one and all. We also wish you all the joys of a happy, successful New Year, one in which you will see the fulfillment of your every ambition. Best wishes to everyone!



**AND MANY THANKS TO EACH OF OUR WONDERFUL
 CUSTOMERS FOR YOUR FINE PATRONAGE
 IN 1954!**

PARMER COUNTY GIN "At the Crossroads"

CHARLIE AND JANE BARTON

LAZBUDDIE

making spatter paint Christmas cards. They used white paint on colored paper and have some very attractive cards.

Big plans are being made for the Christmas vacation as Champ Landrum will spend the holidays in California visiting relatives.

Beatrice Montoya, Kathleen Smith, Wanda Eshleman, Callaya Roberts, Billy Don Arnold, Doris Jenkins, Orvel Curtis and Belverd Harvey plan to spend Christmas Day with grandparents while Terry Neice will spend the Christmas Day in Clayton, New Mexico and Hap Danforth will go to Morton, Texas, and visit with grandparents.

Billy Billington, Lonnie and Ronnie Curry, Pat Hutson, Hazel McDaniel, Joy Reed, Mary Lou Corgo, Sue Walton, Dorothy Hapke, Wayne Crawley, Wanda Gayle Morgan, Gary Skaggs, and Susie Wyrick will enjoy their vacation at home with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Frank Seale will spend Christmas Day in Levelland with her sister and family, the J. D. Hardings.

Mrs. Claude Curry and Mrs. Morgan Billington were third grade room visitors recently.

"The class and teacher were very happy to have Rosemary Brehm back in school since she was out because of illness," states Mrs. Seale.

Mrs. Seale says, "We are very happy to welcome a new student to our class, Beatrice Montoya, who attended school in Amarillo previously."

Band Gives Program At Rosedale And Grady

The Texico High School band went to Rosedale Wednesday morning and to Grady in the afternoon to present concert assembly programs at both schools.

The band presented several numbers consisting of semi-classical and popular tunes.

Also appearing on the program were the Wind Jam Jivers in specialty numbers, which seemed to be enjoyed by these high school audiences.

Performing in front of the band as two march numbers were played were the band twirlers, each of whom did specialty routines.

The entire group was served a free lunch in the Rosedale lunch-room which was appreciated by everyone.

Texico Junior High Wins Two

In an exciting tilt Monday night the junior high girls defeated the Bovina girls 38-32. With the score being 17-14 in favor of Bovina girls at half-time, the little Whirlwinds edged past them in the third quarter and won the game by a margin of six points.

The 8th grade boys battled with the opposing team and were victorious with the score being 33-18 when the game ended.

The tussle between the 8th grade girls and Bovina's like team was quite a game. The girls fought till the buzzer sounded, but were defeated 27-19.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE IN SECOND GRADE

Putting forth a great deal of effort in the home stretch, twelve second grade students have reached the perfect attendance mark. They are Carol Terry, R. D. Clayton, James Roberts, Lidia Garcia, Homer Shaw, Wanda Burris, David Chappell, Jo Doshier, Lanny Doshier, Jerry Don Hudson, Gwienette Lovett and Ellen Caillouet.

Two new students, Harry Henry from Albuquerque, and Dale Morris from Quail, are welcomed by the children.

Decorations brought by the children were placed on the tree which made it bright and attractive. The children are anxiously awaiting a visit from Santa.

Beginners Band Starts Program Rolling

Beginners Band was first to appear on the program of the band concert presented Friday, Dec. 10, in the Texico School gymnasium giving several numbers showing the progress they have made during the first semester of work. The Beginners Band was followed by the Senior High Band with a program of light concert music, folk tunes, and popular music.

As an added feature the Bowman Brothers, a vocal group from Texas Tech, presented a few numbers.

The program was concluded by the combined talents of the chorus and band rendering traditional seasonal music in which audience participation was encouraged.

Monologues Discussed In Dramatics Club

With Doris Harriman presiding, the Dramatics Club met Friday. The subject "What Makes a Good Speaker" was chosen by Agrie Jones, speaker for the meeting.

Monologues were discussed by the entire group. Plans were made for some of the students to give monologues at assemblies or future club meetings of different organizations.

Bern Gantner Speaks To Press Club

Bern Gantner, editor of the Clovis News Journal, spoke to the press club Friday afternoon. Gantner's talk centered around preparing young men and women for future newspaper work which is what the high school journalism classes are engaged in throughout New Mexico high schools.

He also stated that there is a shortage of newspaper workers, and that it is a good field to go into for both men and women.

Field Students Visit Texico

Under the direction of John F. Adams, twenty-one students from Field, were taught some important factors of driving when they visited the Texico School Wednesday. Tests taken to improve driving habits were time reaction, distance judgement, field division, night vision, glare reaction, steadiness, color vision, eye dominance, and strength.

This educational trip was made by car and a bus with Buck Doran, superintendent of Field High School, as sponsor of the group.

The Texico students were very happy to have them as visitors and welcome them back any time.

FIRST GRADERS TO VISIT GRANDMOTHERS

"Off to grandmother's we will go," say some of the ambitious first graders who are making plans to visit grandmother during the Christmas holidays. They are Reatha Bailey, Veda Wilson, Jimmy Goolsby, Ronnie Wayne Spence and Leon Smith.

Martha Coffey will spend her Christmas holidays in Fort Worth with her aunt and uncle.

The children exchanged gifts with each other Wednesday in their classroom and Santa came to see them Wednesday night at the community tree.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT IS APPARENT IN FOURTH GRADE

Christmas secrets and excitement are very apparent in the fourth grade. The boys and girls have enjoyed decorating their room and tree.

Fourth grade pupils want to welcome Jimmie Maitlen from Clovis, and Frances Montoya from Amarillo, to their class.

"We are sorry to lose Viola Encinac who returned to her former home in Hereford," says Mrs. Avis Patterson, teacher.

Due to illness, Orvel Branson and Alice Martin have been absent from school.

Visiting in Amarillo over the weekend was Linda Palmateer while Glen Cox was very happy to have his grandmother visiting in his home.

SIXTH GRADE DECORATES ROOM

"Christmas decorations in the sixth grade room are very nice this year," says Margaret Hudson, reporter for the sixth grade room.

The windows are decorated with the three wise men and groupings of candles while the bulletin board carries the scene of the wise men on the road to Jerusalem.

A Christmas party on Wednesday was a fitting climax to the week's excitement.

Washington Began Open House Custom

Some historians credit George Washington with starting the custom of receiving friends, and holding "open house" on New Year's Day.

The first president began this custom in 1790, when New York was the seat of the government. He made a practice of opening the doors of the presidential mansion for a reception on each New Year's Day. Home and foreign diplomats were invited as well as the local citizenry.

Christmas Day Will Be Significant One For Mrs. Mary Johnson, Who Will Be 73

Christmas day will be an even more important day for Mrs. Mary Johnson of Farwell, than for most people who observe the Savior's birthday on December 25. On that day, Mrs. Johnson will also observe her birthday—her 73rd.

Mrs. Johnson has observed many unusual birthdays—in that it is nothing unique for her to receive her birthday gifts from under the Christmas tree, along with her Christmas gifts.

But packages and good wishes will be only part of the special emphasis of the day. Mrs. Johnson will see all of her children and visit with them, along with a number of her grandchildren. The family get-together is usually scheduled on Christmas eve, a day before Mrs. Johnson's birthday, but it is still a bonafide birthday occasion too. The celebration will be in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Carpenter of Farwell.

Others to be here are Mr. and Mrs. Abe Williams of Clovis, Mr. and Mrs. John Blake and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Minter of Bovina, and Minnie, who resides here with her mother. Mrs. Johnson has 13 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Last year, at the birthday celebration, Mrs. Johnson received so much candy, she was well supplied for a time. But she feared that she would be hindered from pampering her sweet tooth this year because she was suffering from a toothache when interviewed.

The local woman was born in Czechoslovakia but came to this country with her family when she was about six years old. She recalls little about life in the old country or her voyage over here. Her father was a farmer and the family settled around Gonzales. She helped on the farm when she was a girl, pulled cotton and all the other tasks. She grew up there and was married there.

Her memory on dates and facts was not too sure, but she was

actually a pioneer in this section of the country having come to Farwell in 1919 from Vernon. The family farmed about six miles east of Farwell in the Oklahoma Lane community, where the children attended school. She has lived in the same house on First Street in Farwell for 25 years, her daughter, Mrs. Williams, says.

John, Mrs. Johnson's son, says there was only a mercantile store in Farwell, that he first remembers. There were several stores in Texico.

The family had traveled on the train to move to Farwell. John, the son, had a more difficult trip, however. He traveled by horse and buggy and was 13½ days on the road. The buggy had an enclosed cab, but John remembers that it was a mighty cold trip.

He was stranded in a snow storm

in Silvertown and says "I nearly froze to death." He stopped at a big two-story house and asked if he could spend the night, and was refused because "there wasn't enough room." But he made it on down the road about a mile and a half and found a friendly cowboy in a cabin who was more hospitable.

The Johnson children recall that when they were small, they didn't have a Christmas tree at their house. On Christmas eve night, Santa arrived with his big sack of toys and left a gift for each of them.

The girls can still recall the thrill of seeing Santa and getting the doll he usually left for them. They would always know when he was coming when they heard a little "silver bell" outside the door. "Santa would want us to kiss him and we'd be scared to death," they laughed. As each child became older, the inevitable question was where granddad was when Santa came. He never seemed to be there.

Mrs. Johnson doesn't let birth-

days bother her at all. She just stays busy and some of the younger people have to jump to keep up with her. In the summer months, she does lots of things besides her duties at home. The past year found her pulling cotton and hoeing cotton part of the time. She stayed up with the younger ones too.

During the winter months, she likes to stay home by the fire where she pieces quilts, and keeps busy with other duties she likes.

Her children summed her philosophy up in one sentence when they said "she is only 20 years old at heart."

The first zoo in America was at Philadelphia.

A new-born infant sleeps about 22 out of each 24 hours.

TO BE 73 CHRISTMAS DAY



Mrs. Mary Johnson, a native of Czechoslovakia, smiles in anticipation of Christmas Day—also the day on which she will be 73 years old. Mrs. Johnson, who still speaks with a heavy accent, lives in western Farwell.



Merry Merry Christmas

ALLRED'S 66 SERVICE TEXICO, N. M.

Greetings of the Holiday Season to our friends ELECTRIC SHOE SHOP TEXICO, N. M.

Christmas Greetings JIM'S CAFE TEXICO, NEW MEXICO

This is not news But We Hope You Have A Merry Christmas

Never before in the history of this productive area have the people who farm our land been so blessed with such a bountiful harvest of grain sorghums as we have had during this wonderful fall of 1954.

We give thanks for these and other blessings that have been ours, and extend to our customers a most sincere word of gratitude for their patronage.

MACON ELEVATOR MR. AND MRS. J. P. MACON BOVINA, TEXAS

We Celebrate Christmas

Let it never be said of any of us that no room is to be found for Him in our hearts.

RUNDALL'S 66 SERVICE FARWELL, TEXAS

In the spirit of Christmas We send our Greetings

LITCHFIELD'S CLOVIS, N. M.



JOY TO THE WORLD . . . The famous boys' choir of St. Vincent Ferrer Church raises its collective voice in song during rehearsal of hymns which will be sung at Christmas Eve midnight mass. Boys are from eight to 14 years of age.

The New York Central Railroad introduced the streamlined train in the U. S.

The first permanent iron works was built in Massachusetts in 1645.

In the year 2000, Easter Sunday will be on April 23.

The first power-producing public utility was built in New York City in 1882.

Old Superstitions About Eating Of Mince Pies

Many writers say the mince pie originated in Germany, while others claim that its beginning is lost in the annals of history. Nonetheless, it was an essential part of the Yuletide celebration in early England.

Old superstitions held that any person refusing to eat mince pie would be unlucky for the coming year. Should he accept the invitation, and partake of mince pie during the holiday season, he would have the same number of happy months during the year as the number of houses at which he ate mince pie.

Christmas Was Once A Movable Feast

Christmas was once like Easter in that it was a movable feast, celebrated on a different date each year.

St. Cyril, bishop of Jerusalem, is responsible for establishment of the universal date we celebrate today. In 337 A.D., with the permission of Pope Junius I, St. Cyril appointed a commission to determine, if possible, the precise date of Christ's nativity. The theologians of the Church finally agreed upon December 25, and since the year 354 this date has been celebrated.

A Problem Resolved

By Don Wheeler

TYLER TURNABOUT placed a tray of sandwiches on the buffet in the dining room and hurried to the front door to welcome the first of his New Year's Eve party guests.

"Well, Tyler," said Robert Benson, ushering in his wife. "Don't tell me we're the first to arrive? I thought the Harrisons would be here at least."

"Nope, not them," said Tyler with a good-natured sneer. "They live right next door, but they're sure to be the last."

The Bensons seated themselves in the living room while their host went into the kitchen to assist Mrs. Turnabout in putting the final touches to the party preparations. The minutes ticked by and the guests drifted in, until at last they were all there, even the Harrisons from next door.

"Look here, Turnabout," said Tom Harrison as he planted his left foot squarely on the middle of the piano bench. "This is the time of year for making resolutions. I've made a few myself and I'd like to know if you've done the same."

"Me? Made any resolutions? I hadn't given it a thought, Tom, old boy."

"Well I have," said Harrison, lifting his foot in the air and bringing it down on the piano bench with a thud. Mrs. Turnabout

TOGETHER

By Shirley Sargent

AS ALICE DANFORTH moved from the sink, she saw the big calendar turned to December and the latent happiness within her swelled like a balloon. She hugged her secret to herself, glad now that she had kept it from Jed. What better way to start the New Year? Of course, if Jed had been here in Weed these last two months, she couldn't have kept it, but he had been gone on sales trips for the company. She walked into the living room to study their wedding portrait taken just three years ago.

Jed's expression was radiant. He was a tall young man with dark hair and warm brown eyes while Alice, herself, was slight with honey blond hair and a smile that lent her beauty. How happy they had been, Alice thought, when they had come to the town of Weed. The first year and the second year. It had been only recently that Jed had exhibited the restlessness that culminated in his transferring to the sales staff.

It had been only recently that Alice had paid particular attention to Weed's snow-covered parks, to its homey schools and its pervading air of "typical" as she had walked its broad streets. When they had first come to Weed, she had had little time for anyone but

too exhausted to go to the parties they had been invited to. There were tired lines in his face, especially around his eyes. "Let's just see the New Year in together," he suggested, sprawling on the couch.

Thoughtful Quiet

For a while the living room was broken only by the noises of the crackling fire and the popping corn. Outside, Alice knew, snow was falling in geometrically beautiful flakes that would heap together and mean shoveling tomorrow.

Jed sat up when she brought the bowl of well-salted, buttered popcorn to him. They sat side by side, sharing the bowl.

"Good," Jed mumbled, his mouth too full for clear speech. "How was your trip?" The clock read 11:45.

Jed sighed from deep within him. "All right," he said, "considering how green I am at sales. The boss is pleased. In fact . . ." he paused.

Alice was aware of his intent gaze. "In fact, what?" she questioned.

Jed rose, paced restlessly. "In fact, the boss is so pleased with my progress that he'll put me out in the field regularly. Now, don't interrupt. Let me finish. We would either move to Chicago or

maybe we could buy a house trailer and you could go with me." Jed poked another log on the fire. "Of course, it wouldn't all be fun and travel, but at least you wouldn't be stuck in Weed anymore."

Not Stuck At All

"Stuck in Weed," she echoed. "Who said I was stuck? Why, Weed has one of the best stocked libraries I've even seen in a small town and in the summer we have the band and the people are so friendly."

"But I thought you hated it here." His square face was set in lines of utter bewilderment. "That's why I took the darn job with the sales force."

Church bells began to toll the old year out as Alice went to Jed. "Jed, dear, you couldn't be more mistaken. I love Weed, and our future lies here. A wonderful future. Why, next June we're going to have a baby."

Jed whooped and hugged her tightly, then led her gently to the couch. "A baby. Our daughter or son? In June? Are you sure?"

"Of course, nitwit, and I want him, her, it to grow up in Weed."

"Then I don't have to stay with sales and we can live here and raise our child. Oh, Happy New Year, darling. Happy New Year!"

Greetings

To everybody... everywhere... we wish you a most pleasant Christmas season... one which will long be treasured by you and yours. And for your business since last Christmas, our sincere thanks.



CITY CLEANERS
FARWELL, TEXAS



Christmas Rose Is Hallowed By Legend

The delicate beauty of the Christmas-rose (*helleborus niger*) is hallowed by legend. A poor shepherd girl, the story goes, wept bitterly as she watched the Wise Men on their way to the Christ Child bearing rich gifts when she had nothing. An angel appeared. Upon learning the reason for the girl's distress, the angel caused the ground to be carpeted with shining white flowers. The young shepherdess gathered some blossoms. When she presented her gift, the infant smiled and as His fingers touched the white flowers, the petals became tinged with pink.



KING SIZE Letter of "thanks" is mailed by 19-month-old triple amputee in Roxbury, Mass. who received artificial limbs in time to walk for 1953 Christmas celebration.

Jesus was about 33 years of age at the time of his death.



"You'll never stick to it, turnabout," he said.

scowled from across the room, so Harrison retreated from the piano bench and leaned against the wall nearby, pausing only to grab up a cup of coffee from an end table as he did so.

Bob Bensen, who had caught the opening of the conversation, moved along with him. He was aware of the friendly arguments the two neighbors had indulged in over a period of several years. He knew a trap was being set for Tyler Turnabout.

"Well, Tom, let's hear some of your New Year's resolutions," said Benson, pulling up a chair.

He Tells All

"I've resolved," said Harrison, looking at Tyler, "to figure out some way to keep your dog out of my flower bed this spring. Further, I've resolved to figure a plan which will make you cut your share of the grass between our houses—by the way, you still have my lawn mower from last summer—a plan that will make you shovel your share of the snow off the front walk." Harrison gulped some of his coffee and continued, "A plan that will keep the branches of your apple tree from hanging over into my back yard; and a plan that will keep you from using my garbage can when yours is full." Harrison indicated a full garbage can by raising both hands above his head and as a result his coffee cup crashed against the wall and fell to the floor.

Harrison apologized for the action. Mr. Turnabout seemed unconcerned.

Most of the other conversation in the room had ceased and the others had gathered around the two smiling. The clock on the mantle showed that it would be a New Year in five minutes.

An Easy Solution

"Tell you what I'll do, Tom," said Tyler, "I'll make a resolution that guarantees you won't be bothered by any of these things this year."

"You'll never stick to it, Turnabout!"

"I guarantee it," said Tyler with a broad grin.

"All right, Turnabout. You make that resolution. If you keep it, and I know you won't, for just three months, I'll cut your grass for the rest of the summer. If you don't, then you cut mine. Agreed?"

"Agreed," replied Turnabout with an even broader grin.

"Let's shake hands on it before the New Year, just to make it legal," said Harrison.

The New Year arrived with horn blowing, hand shaking, and kissing of wives and then Tyler turned to Harrison and said, "By the way, Tom, I guess I should have told you before; we've sold our house. We'll be moving to the other side of town in a week! So when you come to cut my grass this spring don't forget to bring your lawn mower with you; I don't have one you know."

George Washington Goethals was the first governor of the Canal Zone.



Jed sat up when she brought the bowl of well-salted, buttered popcorn to him.

Jed; lately she had treasured every friendly greeting, every evidence of belonging. And soon, she wondered, will my interests narrow down again?

Jed arrived home too late and



Greetings for Christmas

POP SPURLIN'S SERVICE STATION
FARWELL, TEXAS



Holiday Greetings

The hustle of last-minute shoppers... bright, colorful decorations... the fragrant aroma of evergreens... laughter of children on the stairs — Christmas morn... the soft glow of candles — all remind us of the Holiday Season.

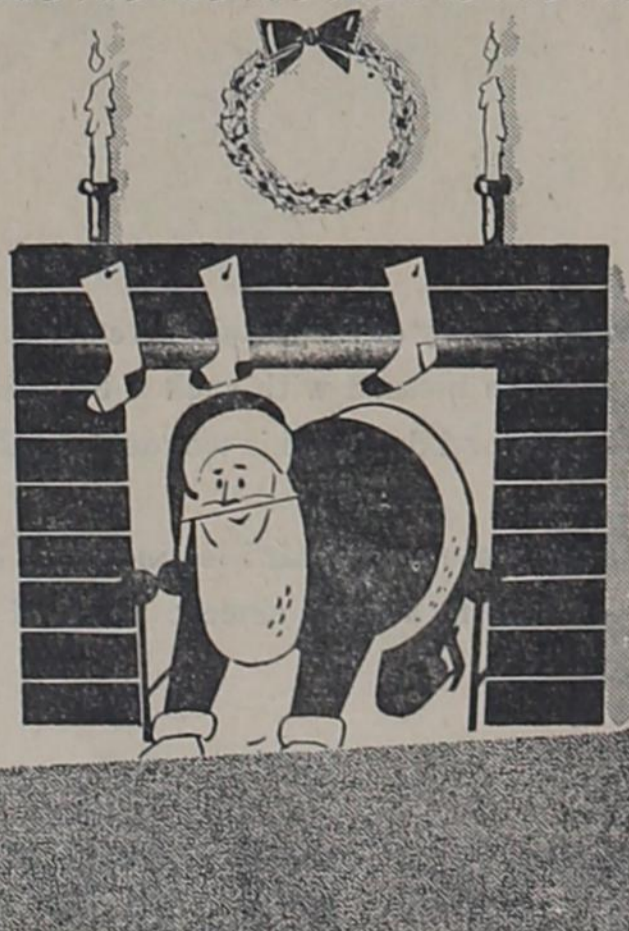
We are reminded of your loyal support which has contributed so much toward making the past year a good year for us. And we will not soon forget the pleasant relationships we have enjoyed these past twelve months.

For your confidence in us we want to express our true and sincere thanks for all past favors.

FARWELL HARDWARE
CLAY IRENE JERRY RONNY

BAGLEY OIL COMPANY
FARWELL, TEXAS

Season's Greetings





LARGEST MANGER SCENE . . . Boy visitor is dwarfed by manger scene in stone and marble, by sculptor Vincenzo Ferri, in Rome. Each statue is from 8 to 12 feet tall, include the Madonna and infant; St. Joseph and the three wise kings bearing gifts.

wouldn't get to see the new car until morning.

Cyrus was laughing when he came in. "I found a place in town where they paint cars while you wait, and fix them to look like new. They said our car was in good shape." He was holding something behind him.

"You don't say! Cyrus, what's that you're holdin' behind you?"

He grinned and set a dress box on the table. "Since we only had a paint job to pay for, I knew we could afford something else for the party."

Nancy took off the box lid and lifted out the blue silk dress. She smiled, then her face crumpled. Cyrus really had wanted her to have the dress. She mustn't cry.

"Cyrus," she scolded, "I told you to get the Newell car. But you can't trust a man to do as you tell him."

Cyrus grinned again. A Happy New Year Grin.

"Anna Christie" was the first movie in which Greta Garbo spoke. The early Puritans celebrated only one holiday, Thanksgiving.

Turkey Dinner



Planning a turkey dinner for Christmas? If you are, and you want to be sure it's a "good" bird when you place it on the festive table, then follow these tips in preparing that important part of your holiday meal.

Be sure all wing-tip feathers are removed. They may be pulled out easily by pressing the skin between the feathers down to the tips of the quill with the forefingers of one hand and pulling the feathers straight out with the other.

The drum stick can also be greatly improved by pulling with a pair of pliers as many of the nine heavy tendons in each leg as possible.

Singe your bird the easy way. Put a few teaspoons of rubbing alcohol in a jar lid, light, then rotate the turkey slowly over the

flame. The bird should then be washed with soap in lukewarm water, using a scrub brush, then rinsed in clear water and dried.

Don't stuff the turkey until just before putting it into the oven. Three skewers should be used before closing the cavity and a square knot tied after each skewer so the lacing won't tighten. If there is not sufficient opening to let off steam, the dressing will get soggy.

In roasting the turkey, you'll find that the wing-tips can be brought over the back and tied to make a "rack" on which the bird will rest in the roaster.

XMAS CUSTOMS

The origin of many of our Christmas customs can be traced back to prehistoric times, with some pagan customs being modified to fit into the Christian observances. But, as official Christian holidays, Christmas and New Year's had a long struggle to become firmly established.

"Birdcage Walk" is a well-known street in London.



Our **WISH** for You

THE HAPPIEST CHRISTMAS OF THEM ALL

HALL AND LUNSFORD
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THE BLUE SILK DRESS

By Sally Sandusky Eads

NANCY POWERS counted her egg money, then put it into the teapot and set it on the mantle. There was more than enough to pay for that pretty blue silk dress she had tried on at The Style Shoppe. Cyrus would be mighty proud when he saw her in that dress. He was going to town right after dinner to try to swap cars with Tom Newell, but Cyrus would have to pay boot. Nancy hoped the boot would not be too much, because Cyrus had his heart set on having that almost new car for them to drive to the New Year's Party.

She glanced at the kitchen clock. "My goodness! Cyrus will soon be here for his dinner."

When Nancy saw Cyrus walking slowly down the snow-covered



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path toward the kitchen door, she said, "Somethin' musta happened." He looked tired, and disappointed. She hoped somebody else hadn't traded for Tom Newell's car. Well, she wouldn't ask for awhile.

"What's the matter, Cyrus Powers?" she asked when he had finished eating.

"Nothin' Nancy, only I've decided ag'inst tradin' for Newell's car. I'll have the old one greased and washed, and it'll look pretty good, agoin' to the New Year Party."

"Cyrus Powers, you know better'n that," Nancy accused. "You was proud when we was young, and you've not changed. Why, you used to take me to the Parties in the finest rubber tire buggy in the county. Your horses always matched your buggy in looks, and you still want a good lookin' turnout, when you go some place."

Cyrus laughed. "And I had the prettiest, best dressed gal of all."

An Old Story

Nancy smiled. She'd heard that before. She started clearing off the table. "Cyrus, tell me the truth. Why did you change your mind about tradin' for that same-as-new Ford car?"

"Nancy, you're too inquisitive. But the truth is, I had Bud Carter take my bank book to town this mornin' and have it balanced. We lack fifty dollars havin' enough boot money. I could borrow it, but that would worry you and me both."

"Uh-huh." Nancy reached for the teapot and laid thirty-three dollars on the table in front of Cyrus. "Now, get to town and trade for that car before somebody else beats you to it."

"No, Nancy. That's your dress money." He pushed the money away from him.

"Shucks! I don't want a new dress. Get goin' before I spill dishwater on you."

A Good Cry

After he was gone, Nancy sat down and, woman like, had a good cry. It had been so long since she'd had a new dress, but she wanted Cyrus to have the car he'd set his heart on.

She mended and pressed an old dress to wear. Late in the afternoon, she went to the barn and fed the cattle and horses, and milked the cows. Then she locked up the chicken house. It was getting dark when she saw Cyrus coming into the driveway. She

One of the great joys of life, as we see it, is the friendship we experience through the years. Our firm has been blessed with many of these associations, reflected in the continued growth that has been ours to enjoy. At this glad season of the year we wish to once more express our sincere appreciation of these fine friendships and to invite your continued thoughtfulness and consideration. We like to think that there is a spirit of friendship underlying each business transaction. We value our business friendships as we value our personal friendships.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
TO EACH OF YOU

With our tremendous expansion program nearly completed, we are really ready to "settle down" in this community, and we feel that at Christmas time it is appropriate for us to express to our friends our heartfelt thanks for the grain business which you have brought us during our first year in Texico-Farwell.

Please be assured that we intend to do our utmost to give you every service that you might need in the handling of your grain in future years.

WORLEY GRAIN

HERBERT POTTS, Manager

FARWELL, TEXAS

Greetings and best wishes for the Christmas Season

LUNSFORD AND SONS
NEW AND USED CARS
FARWELL, TEXAS



A BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

ROBERSON SHAMROCK SERVICE
FARWELL, TEXAS

Letters To Santa Claus

FROM THE STUDENTS OF THE TEXICO FIRST GRADE

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a make up set,
a set of dishes and a mop.
I love you,
Guyla CoHee

Vicky Knight

Dear Santa,
I want a big truck.
Kenneth Sprayberry

Dear Santa,
Please bring pony tail doll.
Merlene Bell

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a jet plane.
Dickie Doshier

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Taylor Jr. Moore
and I would like a tractor for
Christmas and a wagon.
Lovingly Yours,
Taylor Jr. Moore

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a car.
I love you,
Virginia Knight

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and buggy. I have
been a pretty good girl.

Dear Santa,
Bring me some toy soldiers.
Love,
Jimmy Hargrove

We will leave you some cookies
and milk.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bicycle and
BB gun.
I love you,
Jimmie Morris

Love,
Linda Kay Terry

Dear Santa,
Bring a car to me, please.
Love,

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a table and
three chairs. Some records and
something for my little sister.
She wants a black board, Billy
wants a tractor.

I love you,
Veda Wilson

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a gun and scab-

bart.
Love,
Kenneth Ray Maitlen

Dear Santa,
I want a sword, a paint set a
chalk board and erasers and chalk.
Bring something to grandmother.
Love,
Bobby Landrum

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a walking doll
a set of dishes, two chairs.
I love you,
Ella Mae Brown

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a walking doll.
Love,
Martha Ann Coffey

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a car and a
watch.

Love,
Jimmy Goolsby

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a cork gun.

Love,
Billy Curtis

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a sewing ma-
chine.

Love,
Linda Gail Hudson

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a be be gun.

Love,
Charles Brinegar

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a deisel truck.

Love,
Ronnie Spence

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a deisel truck.
Love,
Ronnie Lee McCoy

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Bible and
some spurs and gun.
Love,
Leon Smith

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a paint set.
Love,
J. C. Jenkins

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a jeep.
Ray Maitlen

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a baton and a doll
with real hair, and a big coloring
book and some colors, and a black
board and anything else you want
to bring.

Please bring all the other chil-
dren something, and please bring
my three little sisters lots of things.

Merry Christmas
Mary Lou Perry

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a drum a walk-
ing doll.

I love you,
Jean Blair

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some spurs
and a gun an a scabbart.

love,
Keith Owen

Dear Santa,
Please bring me some dishes.

Love,
Darlene Bell

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a fire truck.
Larry Burns

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a black board
and a paint set.

Love,
Bobby Waldon

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Betsy Wetsy
doll.
Love,
Marilyn Doshier

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a blackboard.
Love,
Elroy Garcia

Dear Santa,
Please bring me car.
Glyn Powers

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll house.
Love,
Lena Mae Brown

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a walking doll.
Love,
Georgia Cordova

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a walking doll
and a baton.
Love,
Lynelle Ingram

New Year Calls For Celebrations

New Years is celebrated in un-
usual fashion in many parts of
the world and as a rule, it is a
time for gaiety and for throwing
off the shackles of another year.

It is one of the happiest days on
the Japanese calendar. Even the
poorest manage to have a new
suit of clothes for this day, which
is spent visiting friends. Celebra-
tions sometimes last as long as
two weeks, with three or four days
vacation from work taken by many
happy celebrants.

Animals were the chief subjects
of paintings in prehistoric caves.

The first American pilot's li-
cense went to Glen Curtiss in 1911.

Carbon Monoxide Is Winter Threat To All Motorists

AUSTIN—The cold winds of win-
ter will whip up a new threat to
Texans' safety.

The threat comes from carbon
monoxide, which, Dr. Henry A.
Holle, State Health Officer, char-
acterizes as being invisible, odor-
less, and tasteless—but deadly.

As cold weather draws near, the
danger of carbon monoxide in the
home or garage increases. Many
people throughout the state are
lighting poorly or faulty ventilated
heaters and furnaces in their
homes or running their cars in
closed garages. Closed houses keep
the cold out and the deadly fumes
in. A few people live to tell it be-
cause someone found them before
it was too late.

The burning of any fuel that con-
tains carbon may produce carbon
monoxide. This is true of coal,
coke, wood, oil, kerosene, gasoline
and such gaseous fuels as natural
or manufactured gas. Last year
7 Texans died of carbon monoxide
poisoning, two of them in auto-
mobiles.

All heating equipment should be
vented to a flue. Keep all rooms
ventilated. Do not turn the heater
higher than it was intended to run.
Never leave gas heating appliances
burning while you and your family
are asleep. Regulate adjustable
air-mixing valves so that enough
air is supplied to insure complete
combustion of the gas.

If a person is overcome by car-
bon monoxide they should first be
removed to fresh air. In addition
open windows and turn of the gas
in the room. If the victim has
stopped breathing, administer arti-
ficial respiration and if possible an

inhalator should be used to ad-
minister oxygen. Keep the patient
warm and lying down until a
doctor comes.

Managing Grain For Winter Grazing

COLLEGE STATION—Manage-
ment plays a big role in the suc-
cess of small grains and annual
clovers for winter grazing.

Don't turn in the livestock until
the new plants have at least six
inches growth, says E. M. Trew,
extension pasture specialist. This
allows the development of a hardy
root system and plants aren't eas-
ily pulled up by grazing animals.

Rotation grazing offers the most
efficient use of forage produced
by fast growing small grains and
legumes. With a rotation system,
fields are divided into smaller
blocks by portable fences. When
the animals are turned in, the
plants are grazed down rapidly and
evenly, moved to another pasture,
and the first plants make new
growth, explains Trew. He recom-
mends portable fencing because it
is easy to move and is inexpensive.

If grazing gets too far ahead
of livestock, mow the excess to
prevent early booting. If allowed
to make too much growth, the spe-
cialist says, small grains are more
susceptible to winter killing.

Remove animals from grains
which later will be harvested be-
fore the plants start to "joint."
Later grazing will reduce grain
yields.

Winter grazing usually is very
succulent and a little dry hay
should be used to help balance
the diets of livestock.

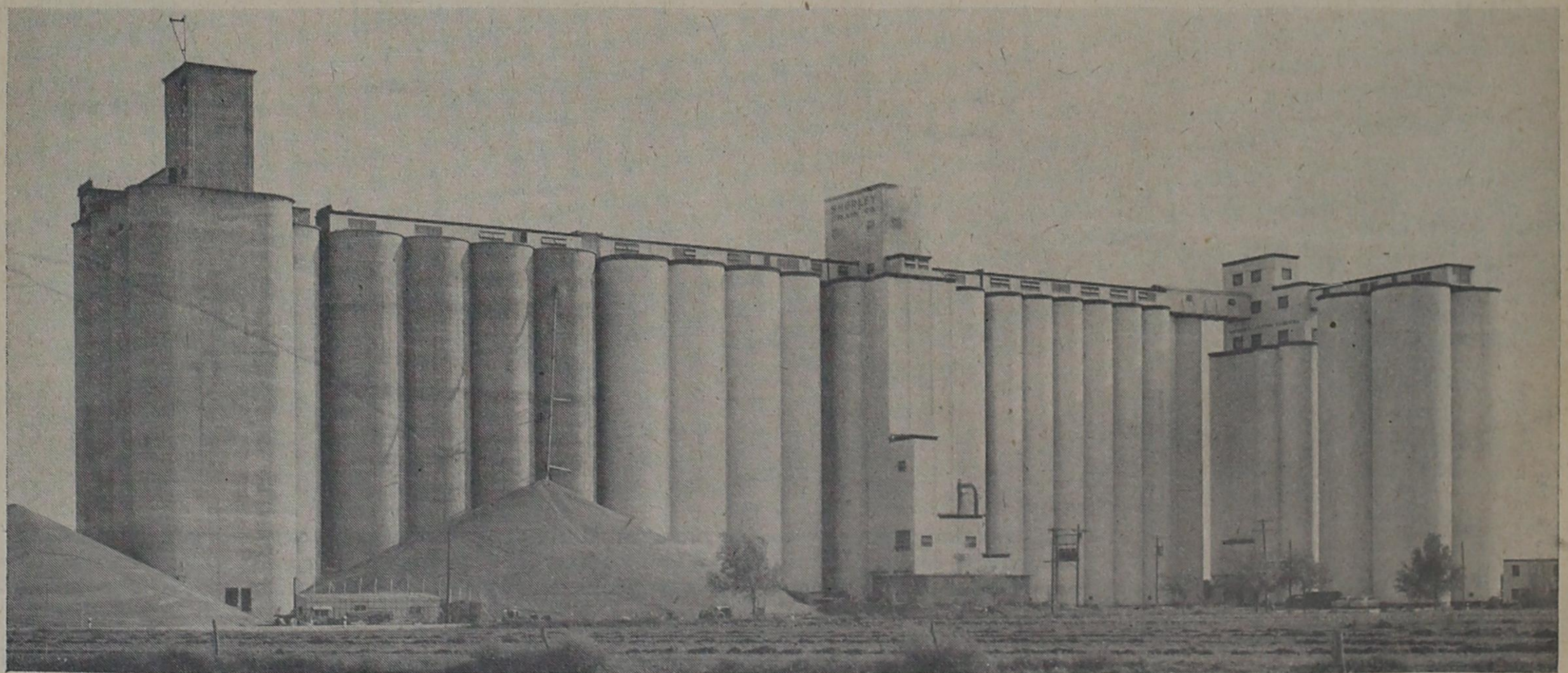
First year plantings of brome,
orchard, fescue or perennial rye
grass should not be grazed except
where under irrigation or on fertile
soil, says Trew. This delayed graz-
ing gives the plants a good chance
to become established.

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COUNTY FARMERS
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