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## Is There a Santa Claus?

(From the New York Sun of September 21, 1897.)

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of The Sun:

Dear Editor—I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, "If you see it in The Sun, it's so." Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?  
 Virginia O'Hanlan

115 West Ninety-fifth St.  
 Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds.

All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to our life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance, to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign there is no Santa Claus.

The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

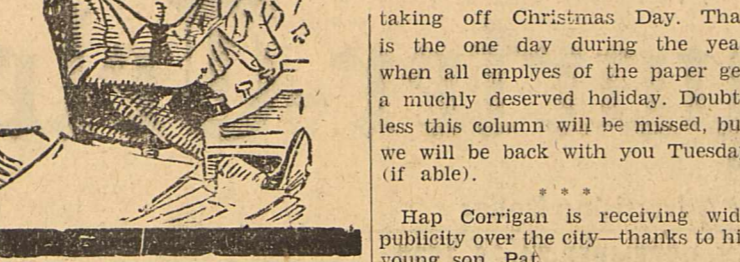
No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.  
 —Casual Essays of the Sun.

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**Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year**  
**WINGO CAFE**

# The Town Quack



Once again, it tried to rain but failed to come through. But never mind you, one of these days we are really going to get a real downpour that will have all of you yelling "quits."

It is Christmas time and also a thanksgiving time (Roosevelt to the contrary). Throughout the year, the city of Midland and all its residents have done better than for the past few years. That is really something to be thankful for.

You won't get any Midland paper tomorrow. Following a custom established several years ago, we are

## Good Health Is Best Cosmetic There's a Wide

BY ALICIA HART  
 NEA Service Staff Writer

NO matter how conscientiously she uses cream and lotions or how often she has her hair washed and waved, the woman who forgets the importance of sound health habits simply won't be able to greet spring with skin, hair and figure in condition to be proud of.

If she doesn't get enough sleep during the holiday season, and doesn't bother after the holidays to make up for lost rest, her eyes and the skin around them will have a tired, strained look that no amount of cream or lotion will remove. There are no other ways about it; adequate sleep is the best cosmetic for eye beauty.

Lack of exercise often is the cause of the hollow bones prevalent in the complexions of so many women at this time of year. Poor circulation does not make for firm, smooth, glowing skin. And lack of exercise may be one of the causes of sluggishness in the circulatory system. Whether she does setting-up exercises or reducing exercises, a brisk walk in the fresh air ought to be a daily must with every woman.

DRINK PLENTY OF WATER  
 COSMETICS experts seem to agree these days that most of us do not drink enough water. The old rule about drinking eight glasses a day is still a good one to remember, they say.

They pointed out, too, that improper diets often are responsible for blemishes and lumps and many other complexion ailments. The average recognized beauty diet today includes more green vegetables and green salads than starchy dishes; more fresh and stewed fruits than rich pastries. Not only reducing diets but regular diets for health and therefore beauty consist mainly of bulky contents that are fairly low in caloric content.

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 AND A  
**HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**

**KINBERG STUDIO**

## PERSONALS

Mrs. J. A. Haley and John Haley Jr. and family left Saturday morning for Houston to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Anna Lee Sivals left at noon Saturday for Dallas to visit her sister, Mrs. Joe W. Anderson, during Christmas.

Dr. and Mrs. Tom C. Bobo will spend the Christmas holidays as guests of his people at Rhome, Texas, and her people at Gainesville.

Miss Louise Latham will spend the Christmas vacation with her people near Brady, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Oates and children and Bob Roderick left this morning to spend the holidays with Mr. Oates' parents in Anson.

Miss Bernice Clark and Miss Flo Roderick left last night to spend the holidays in Eastland with Miss Clark's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nance left this morning to visit his father in Eula.

Mrs. Madison Crabb and Mrs. Wilburn Elliott of Odessa were visitors in Midland Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Ella Cooper is spending the holidays in Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Dunagan and children are spending the holidays with Mrs. Dunagan's parents in Ennis.

U. A. Hyde will spend the Christmas holidays in San Antonio.

Miss Edith Mullins is spending the Christmas holidays in San Antonio.

Miss Joyce Holiman left Friday afternoon for Ft. Worth and Dallas on a holiday trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gwyn, Miss Mary Reising, Miss Mahdeen Reising, and David Reising plan to spend the Christmas holiday in Haskell county. Mrs. J. M. Reising is already there, having been called by the illness of a relative.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Skaggs will visit relatives at San Marcos during Christmas.

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Sutton will spend Christmas in San Angelo as guests of his mother. They will be accompanied by their three sons, Walter Lee, Robert, and Charles. They will return Tuesday.

Mrs. Alice Wood will leave Sunday for Winters, Texas, to spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Baker are spending the holidays with her parents in Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McCarty and son, of Sweetwater, visited her sister, Mrs. Marvin Douglas, Friday

and Saturday, then going on to Andrews to spend the holidays with Mr. McClary's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Cox and son returned Friday from Mexia, Texas.

A large group of Midland students has returned from the University of Texas to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives here. Among them are: Billy Noble, Robert Payne, Jack Walton, Frank Nixon, Miss Velma Johnson, Miss Janie Marie Johnson, Joe Norman, Alfred Vogel, Paul Anderson, Aldredge Estes.

Wallace Wimberly returned Friday night from San Angelo where he attended a scouters meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bills and children of Snyder are visiting here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Merritt.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Stone and daughter, Jo Ann, of San Angelo are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Hines, for the holidays.

Barney Grafa Jr. is here from Baylor Medical School at Dallas to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Grafa.

Miss Frances Mahoney, student in Stephens College, Columbus, Mo., is home to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Eula Mahoney.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. S. Griley are spending the holidays with his parents in Fort Worth.

Rev. John E. Pickering, pastor of the First Christian church, will leave this afternoon for a brief visit with his parents in Mendenhall, Mississippi.

Mr. and Mrs. James Walker will take her mother, Mrs. R. L. Freeman, to Missouri during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Hart and little daughter, Nancy, of Mattoon, Ill., are here for the holidays visiting in the home of Mrs. Hart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Flaherty. On their return home they will visit Mr. Hart's family in Dallas and Little Rock, Ark. They were accompanied here by Mrs. Hart's aunt, Mrs. Bertha Baker of Tulsa, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reich were expected to arrive Saturday from San Antonio to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Flaherty.

Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Ashber left Saturday afternoon for California to attend the Rose Bowl game.

Dr. O. W. Orson of San Antonio arrived Friday to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Orson.

Mrs. Gwen Chambers returned Saturday night from New York. Mrs. Laura Copeland is spending the holidays in Abilene.

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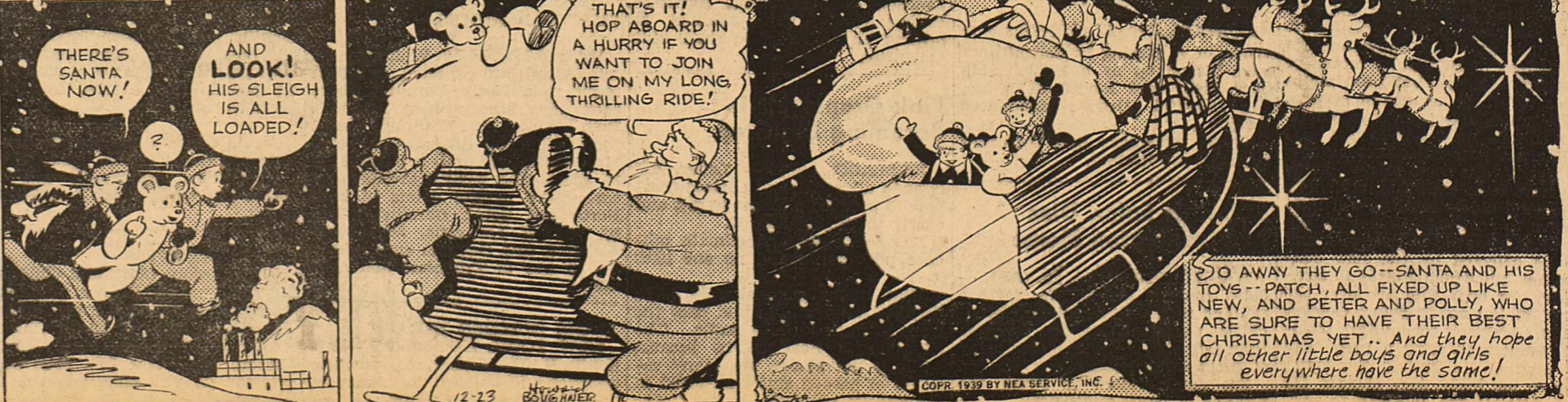
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### Miss Cleo Stuart Will Become Bride Of O. W. Roberts Jr. This Morning

In a quiet ceremony at the home of the Baptist pastor, Rev. H. D. Bruce, Miss Cleo Stuart of Midland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. R. Stuart of Tyler, and O. W. Roberts Jr. of Midland will be married at 7:45 o'clock this morning. Mr. Bruce will read the single ring service.

To repeat the wedding vows the couple will stand before a fireplace whose mantel will be decorated in Christmas style with blossoming poinsettias. There will be no attendants.

A few friends and relatives will attend the ceremony.

As the pre-nuptial solo, Mrs. Joseph Mims will sing "Oh Promise Me." Wallace Wimberly will be at the piano for the wedding music.

The bride will wear a dress and matching full-length coat in crushed-rose tone, with black accessories. Her corsage will be of pink rosebuds.

The couple will leave later this morning for a wedding trip to Tyler after which they will make their home here.

Miss Stuart is a graduate of Kerens high school and of Tyler Commercial college. She has lived in Midland about fifteen months and is manager of the Montgomery Ward office here.

Mr. Roberts, son of Rev. and Mrs. O. W. Roberts Sr., has been reared in Midland and attended high school here. He is employed at Wingo Cafe.

### Firemen Feted Wednesday Evening

Volunteer firemen of Midland and their wives were entertained with a party at the home of Mrs. J. T. Walker Wednesday evening, Mrs. Walker and the firemen's wives being cohostesses.

A Christmas scene decorated the mantel in the living room and a large gay Christmas tree stood beside the fireplace. The dining room was also featured by holiday decorations.

Games were played with bingo prize going to Mrs. Newell Beauchamp.

Gifts were exchanged and the fire department presented the chief, J. L. Tidwell, with a gift.

Plates were served to 38.

### Christmas Picture And Stories on Story Hour Program

A moving picture based on the poem, "The Night Before Christmas," was the chief feature of the Story Hour held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock in the children's library.

In addition Mrs. W. Bryant told two seasonal stories, "Christmas Story," anonymous, and "Minty Malem's Christmas," anonymous.

Oranges and apples were distributed to the children.

Attending were: Billy Prothro, Charles Crabtree, Jean Walsh, Wanda Joy Phinney, Jimmie Bob Phinney, Opal Scrivner, Weldon Smith, Frank Smith, Mrs. O. W. Smith, Rita Marie Dunlap, Lajuan Dunlap, Evelyn West, Robert West, Jimmy Fulton, Gary Throckmorton, Moselle Ray, Edith Ray, Gloria Jean Ray, Virginia Ann Upham, James Upham, David Anguish, Gloria Ruth Anguish, Buddy Anguish, Rosemary Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Baker, Virginia Pearl Baker, Charles Baker, Leo Baker, George Baker, Helen Golladay, Edwin Ware, Evelyn Ware, Mrs. Ware, Emil Roper, Billie Sue Bailey, Doris Bailey, Dianne Lynn Daugherty, Betty Sue Bibb, Shirley Page, Amon Craig English, Sonia Blackburn, Ann Elaine Arick, J. B. East, Bobby East, Geneva Whigham, Hal D. Farley, Inez Abbott, Frank Aldrich.

### Midland Couple Wed at Odessa

Mrs. Ruth Bridwell and E. G. Bridwell were married in Odessa Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, with County Judge A. H. Denison officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Bridwell are proprietors of the Cactus Cafe here.

### Bridal Showers Are Featured on Social Calendar Of Two Younger Midland Groups Friday Evening

#### Miss Martha Tidmore Is Honored by the Alvon Pattersons

Miss Martha Tidmore, bride-elect of Charles Patterson, was honored when Mr. and Mrs. Alvon Patterson entertained with a combined Christmas party and miscellaneous shower at their home, 319 W. Indiana, Friday evening.

Christmas bells and streamers in the party rooms and a gaily-decked Christmas tree added to the festivity of the occasion.

Games of 42, dominoes, and cards formed the chief diversion for the early evening.

Guests exchange gifts by number and Miss Tidmore was presented with the shower gifts in the same manner.

A Christmas refreshment plate was served.

The invitation list included: The honoree, her fiancée, Charles Patterson, Mmes. and Messrs. Hunter Midkiff, Madison Crabb of Odessa, Wilburn Elliott of Odessa, Marvin Douglas, Miss Ruth Tidmore, Bob Roderick, V. T. Pylant, Thurston Ruple, and the host and hostess.

#### Oomph Plus



Dimpled Nancy Bridges, 18, of Lebanon, Pa., wears that crown because it signifies that, in a New York contest, she won the title of "America's Personality Girl for 1940."

#### Dewey Anderson and Miss Vivian Arnett Are Wed Saturday

Mr. Dewey Anderson and Miss Vivian Arnett were married at 3:30 p. m. Saturday in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Arnett of Midland.

The ceremony was read by the bride's brother, Rev. J. W. Arnett of Lamesa, Texas, as the couple stood before the glowing Christmas tree.

The bride wore a fur trimmed costume suit of wine wool, matching hat and gloves, black shoes and bag. She wore a corsage of white gardenias.

Those attending were the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Arnett, a brother, Leon Arnett, Mrs. Leon Arnett and son Ralph Wayne of Midland; a brother, H. S. Arnett, wife and daughter Carol Inez of Huntington Park California, a brother, J. W. Arnett, wife and daughters, Grace Marie and Mary Elizabeth of Lamesa, a sister of the bride, Mrs. E. D. Rice, husband, and daughters, Betty Jo, Jane and Frances Faye of Midland, a sister, Mrs. Ernest Richters and her husband of Sterling City, Miss Joan and Lillian Arnett of Midland, sisters of the bride, Fred and Garrett Arnett of Midland, brother's of the bride.

Others attending were the groom's mother, Mrs. Ona Anderson of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Denham, Mrs. Haskell Watkins, Miss Eura Sneed of Midland and Jack Nickles of Odessa.

The couple will make their home in Odessa after a short wedding trip during the Christmas holidays.

#### Bobby Walker Is Honored With Dinner Party on Birthday

Bobby Walker was honored on his eighteenth birthday with a dinner party given by his mother, Mrs. J. T. Walker, at her home Saturday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock.

Table decorations carried out the Christmas color theme. Candles burned at either end of the table and a horn of plenty was arranged on the buffet.

The white birthday cake was lighted by candles in Christmas colors.

A turkey dinner was served to the honoree, Fred Gordon Middleton, Billy Joe Hall, John Junior Dublin, Courtney Cowden, Goodrich Heil, Wayne Lanham, Jack Nobles, J. M. White, Misses Freddie Fae Turner, Jeanne Davis, Mary Sue Cowden, and Louise Elkin.

#### Mr. and Mrs. Dodson Reveal Wedding; to Make Home Here

Announcement is made here of the marriage of Kenneth E. Dodson, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dodson of this place, and Miss Leta Mae Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wilson of Big Spring.

The wedding took place at Rankin, Texas, on November 12, with Rev. Wilson Akins officiating.

Mr. Dodson graduated from Midland high school with the class of 1937. During his high school years he was active in school social affairs and was a popular member of his group.

He is now employed at Piggly Wiggly grocery.

The bride is a graduate of Big Spring High school and has been employed at McCouris in Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Dodson will make their home here.

**The Midland Clinic-Hospital**  
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#### Mr. and Mrs. Rhoden Complimented at Shower Party

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Pulliam were hosts for a miscellaneous shower at their home, 1200 W. Wall street, Friday evening, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rhoden whose marriage took place on December 18.

Shower gifts were heaped at the base of a Christmas tree decorated with tinsel, red bells, and other ornaments. Presentation was made by asking the bride to go forward and open the packages.

Games were played during the evening and a refreshment course was served.

Present were: The honorees, Miss Eula Mae Yates, Miss Peggy Lykins, Miss Dorothy Cook, Miss Inez Pittman, Miss Elsie Zinn, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Zinn, Wayne Merriman, Bill Befflower, Miss Vada Lou Jones, Charles Rann, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Rhoden Jr., Miss Christine Johnson, Miss Wanda Brown, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jones, Miss Billy Marie Jackson, one guest whose name was not obtained, and the host and hostess.

#### At The Library—

- New non-fiction:
- Americas to the South, by J. T. Whitaker.
- Giddy Minds and Foreign Quarrels, by C. A. Beard.
- Democracy Today and Tomorrow, by Edward Benes.
- Toward An Understanding of the U. S. S. R., by M. T. Florinsky.
- The Earth's Green Mantle, by S. Mangham.
- Who Are These Americans, by P. B. Sears.
- Our Country, Our People and Theirs, by M. E. Tracy.
- Our Common Herd, by S. Sanders.
- The Best Plays of 1938-1939.
- Men Under the Sea, by Ellsberg.
- Imperial Twilight, by Bertilla Harding.
- Twilight of Man, by E. A. Hooton.
- Table Games, by R. J. Marran.
- The Nazi Primer.
- Ask Me Another!, by J. Spafford.
- How War Came, by R. G. Swing.
- The Old Santa Fe Trail, by S. Vestal.
- Attack on America, by Gen. A. White.
- Which Way America?, by L. Bryson.
- Revolution of Nihilism, by Rauschning.
- I'll Take the High Road, by Langewiesche.
- Air War, by W. O'D. Pierce.
- Country Matters, by Leighton.
- Four Hedges, by Leighton.
- Hilfer's Germany, by Loewenstein.
- An Artists Herbal, by Mansfield.
- Science in Your Life, by Pfeiffer.
- Maud, by Stroud.
- The Changing West, by W. A. White.
- Garden in Color, by L. B. Wilder.
- The Day Nursery, by E. S. Beer.
- One Pair of Hands, by Monica Dickens.
- Land Below the Wind, by A. N. Keith.
- Our Country's Money, by F. Majer.
- How to Draw What You See, by N. Moore.
- What Shall the Children Read, by L. E. Richards.
- Magis Dials, by Lowell Thomas.
- The Dutch Country, by C. Weygandt.



In true Christmas spirit we extend to you the season's jolly greetings.

**Phillips Electric Co.**

#### Kindergarten Class Is Presented in Christmas Program

Mrs. Bernard K. Buffington presented her kindergarten class in a Christmas program Friday morning at her home, 514 W. Holmes. Mothers were special guests.

Rooms were decorated with evergreens and white candles, the high point of interest being a Christmas tree whose decorations had been made by the kindergarten pupils.

The following program was presented.

Song, "Good Morning to Our Mothers"—Class.

Rhymes by kindly children.

Song, "Jingle Bells"—Bobby Stubbeman and Dorothy Black leading with jingles bells.

Story of the First Christmas—Betty Sivalls, Emily Hamilton, Sue Meriwether, Robert Champion.

Song, "Away in a Manger"—Sung softly by class.

Children taking part in the program were: Dorothy Black, Gail Black, Ann Elaine Arick, Warren Jackman, Jon House, Ray Simpson, Sue Meriwether, Mary Ann Wilson, Peggy Simmons, Betty Sivalls, Virginia Kroenlein, Tim Cornwall, Robert Champion, Barton Grant, Jean Ann Watts, Bobby Stubbeman, Emily Hamilton, Mary Ann Schlosser, Gloria McClelland, Bill Miller, Virginia Mitchell, Sandra Odale.

After the program, gifts were distributed from the tree.

The children then returned to the schoolroom for their party while the visiting mothers were served in the

#### JAYCEE MEET POSTPONED

Cancellation of the regular bi-monthly luncheon of the Midland Junior Chamber of Commerce scheduled for next Tuesday noon was yesterday announced by Bill Holmes, president of the Jaycee organization. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 9, Holmes said.

#### VISITS PARENTS

Miss Ophelia Greene left last night of Sweetwater where she will spend Christmas with her parents.

#### dining room.

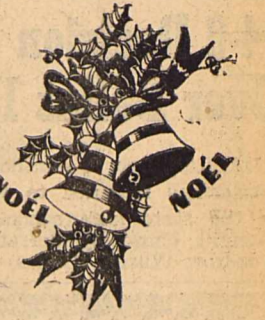
Mrs. Don Sivalls and Mrs. A. W. Wyatt poured, presiding at a table laid with a white cutwork cloth and appointed in silver. The centerpiece was a mound of silver balls surrounding lighted red tapers.

Guests were: Mmes. S. A. Schlosser, R. W. Hamilton, Frank Stubbeman, Ed Watts, J. J. Black, F. D. Grant, O. R. Champion, Sivalls, Wyatt, John W. House, John Cornwall, Geo. A. Kroenlein, J. S. Meriwether, T. R. Wilson, M. R. Arick, R. P. Simpson, J. E. Simmons, O. L. Odale, Jack Mitchell, Frank Miller, R. L. Miller, Johnson, Hoyt McClelland, and a group of children including, Bill Hamilton, Ann Hamilton, Mary Martha Sivalls, Ann Mitchell, Lois Black, Diane Burlington, Gail Odale.

Assisting Mrs. Buffington were Mrs. J. R. Mitchell and Mrs. Olive Hamlin.

After the party, pupils were dismissed until re-opening of the kindergarten class on January 2.

The flying lemurs, of Malaysia, can glide 200 feet from one tree to another.



Christmas greetings to our hundreds of customers and neighbors. Much cheer!

**Jno. P. Howe Co.**

# CHRISTMAS

"Peace on Earth Good Will Toward Men"



Another year. Another Christmas. Once more children look up, the very Star of Bethlehem reflected in their eyes as they hear the story of the infant Jesus.

Once more the parents of little children everywhere pray that there should be peace on earth—for never before in all history, has His lesson been more worthy of repetition. Good will toward men—let every man say it over and over. Let it be instilled in the hearts of those just learning the ways of life. Nor is there any man who can observe Christmas reverently—without doing sacrifice to His name—if that man fails to practice the lesson of "Good will toward men!"

The  
**Midland National Bank**

# Merry Christmas



TO OUR FRIENDS EVERYWHERE

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A Jolly Christmas to You and Yours and a New Year of Happiness and Prosperity

It is with deep appreciation for your kind favors of the past and a desire to serve you in the future.

**BARNEY GRAFA**

# LUBBOCK AND WACO TIGERS TO MEET IN STATE HIGH GRID FINALS

## Westerners Cop 14-0 Decision Over Dallas 11

DALLAS, Dec. 23 — The Lubbock Westerners marched to the finals in the state high school football pennant chase by defeating the Woodrow Wilson (Dallas) Wildcats

by a 14-0 score. By virtue of the win, Lubbock will meet Waco in the finals either next Friday or Saturday, date and site undetermined.

The Westerners today thoroughly outclassed the Wildcats in every department. First downs were 15-3 and that was about the margin of victory.

The Westerners passed only one time during the afternoon and it was good for a touchdown. "Red"

Moley who led the Dallas attack, was a star throughout the afternoon on both the offense and defense but the Westerners unleashed an attack that would not be denied.

Late in the second quarter, the Westerners started a drive on their own 20 that wound up with a touchdown when Tyson split the Wildcat line for 2 yards and a score. Cawthon kicked the goal.

It was late in the final period before Lubbock boys could score again. With the ball on the Dallas 19, fourth down and 19 to go, Tyson passed to Jackson over the goal for the score. Cawthon again kicked goal to make it 14-0.

A desperate Dallas passing attack carried to the Lubbock 25 in the final minutes but Lubbock intercepted and held on to the ball until the game ended.

## Tigers Score One Touchdown to Win Tilt With Houston

BY WILLIAM T. RIVES

HOUSTON, Dec. 23 (AP)—One second period offensive exploding against an outclassed sparring partner, Stephen F. Austin of Houston, placed Waco high school in the finals of the state interscholastic league football race Friday.

Six times Waco had opportunities to score, but only by virtue of a 17-yard pass from Robert Burks to End Orville Post could the Tigers dent the Austin armor, 7-0.

The victory placed the Central Texas team in the state championship round for the seventh time. Four times they have come away with the title, and Friday they demonstrated an offense which, with a little extra punch added, could repeat.

The Tigers completely overbalanced the struggling Houston team, scoring 13 first downs to Austin's 3, and running up a yardage total of 232 to 70. Twice Houston had chances to score. Once a fumble stopped a drive, and a missed field goal ended the other.

Waco also tried fruitlessly to kick a field goal.

### Hold On 6-Inch Line

The touchdown came a minute after Houston had made a great defensive stand on its own six inch line, and kicked out to its 17. Burks immediately passed to Post for the score, and Bowen kicked the extra point.

The game generally had few thrills, the boys playing a head-knocking game down in the line. The field remained firm through the first half, but a drizzle dampened the gridiron throughout the second portion.

Outstanding for Waco were Robert McCollum, Francis Pulattie, and Leverett Bowen, in the backfield, and Harry Gardner, guard, center, and Lloyd Meyers, bulky tackle, in the line.

Austin had Earl Newman, guard, Gene Willford, center and Ends Harold Stockbridge and Tom Raub to show to advantage in the forward wall, with Lawrence Kocurek the shining light in the backfield.

The bad weather kept the attendance down to an estimated 4500 persons.

### The starting lineups:

Waco	Pos	Austin
Pritchett	LE	Stockbridge
Vogel	LT	Diamond
Schiemena	LG	Hawkins
Gardner	C	Willford
Sproll	RG	Newman
Meyers	RT	Walker
Post	RE	Raub
McCollum	QB	Byron
Blanton	LH	Stringfellow

## Dallas Ready to Welcome Teams That Will Play in Cotton Bowl

DALLAS. (Spcl)—Dallas is ready to welcome the Clemson Tigers and Boston College Eagles who will pit their football manpower in the New Year's Cotton Bowl classic in which all net profits will be contributed to the new Texas Children's Hospital now under construction in Dallas.

Headed by Coach Jess Neely and accompanied by their band and marching platoon, the Clemson Tigers, co-champions of the Southern Conference, will arrive here December 26. The Boston College juggernaut, boasting four All-Eastern players, will arrive here two days later.

Popular prices of \$3.30 and \$2.20 prevail for the New Year's Cotton Bowl classic and President J. Curtis Stanford said today he was confident of a capacity crowd.

If Boston College objects to having its goal-lines crossed, the best possible advice it could be given prior to the Cotton Bowl game with Clemson's High-Riding Tigers is: Don't let the Tigers get the ball.

Once the pigskin comes into Clemson's possession, the dynamite might explode from any position and at any time. Lanky Banks McFadden, the six foot three inch All-American tailback who runs punts and passes with equal effectiveness from Jess Neely's single wingback formation, has led the South Carolina Bengals to the most successful season Clemson has enjoyed since John Heissmann turned out the only undefeated, untied team in 1902.

McFadden is the big shot, but there is variety aplenty in the makeup of the Tigers. Loyell (Shad) Bryant is recognized by Southern coaches and writers as one of the greatest reverse runners in 4 the business; Sophomore Charles Timmons is blazing his way to a favored spot among the leading fullbacks; Captain Joe Payne is a confirmed blocking back.

Clemson is gunning for scores and the lads are not particular how

Pulattie RH Pitner  
Bowen FB Kocurek

Score by periods:  
Waco..... 0 7 0 0-7  
Stephen F. Austin..... 0 0 0 0-0

Scoring—Waco: Touchdown, Post. Point after touchdown, Bowen.

Substitutes: Waco, ends, Olson, Howard; tackle, Craven; guards, Villines, Lindsey, Holliday; back, Burke. Austin, end, Williams; tackle, Hooper; guard, Robertson; backs, Davis, Wasek, Hill, Madeley, Morrison.

Officials: Kinney, Miss. A. & M. referee; Jimmy Higgins, SMU, umpire; King, University of Texas, head linesman; Minton, Indiana, field judge; Ox Higgins, University of Texas, statistician.

ous as the starters. Aubrey Rion does the passing and running for this unit, with Bru Trexler spinning and kicking, Ed Maness running the reverses and Norwood McElveen blocking.

It's a big and fast front-line bulwark that features veteran guards Tom Moorer, and Walter Cox, Tackle Bill Hall, Center Bob Sharpe and Right-end Carl Black, all lettermen, plus Blalock and Fritts.

The Tigers have been going great guns this year. One defeat, a 6 to 7, heartbreaker at the hands of mighty Tulane, is their only sore-spot. Victories have been won over Presbyterian College (18 to 0); N. C. State (25 to 6); South Carolina (27 to 0); Navy (15 to 7); George Washington (13 to 6); Wake Forest (20 to 7); Southwestern (20 to 6); and Furman (14 to 3).

### IN McCAMEY

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Collins will leave this morning for McCamey and San Angelo where they will visit relatives during Christmas. They will return Tuesday.

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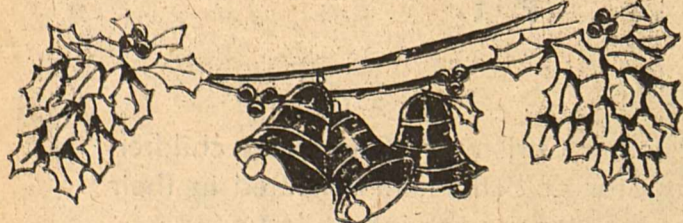
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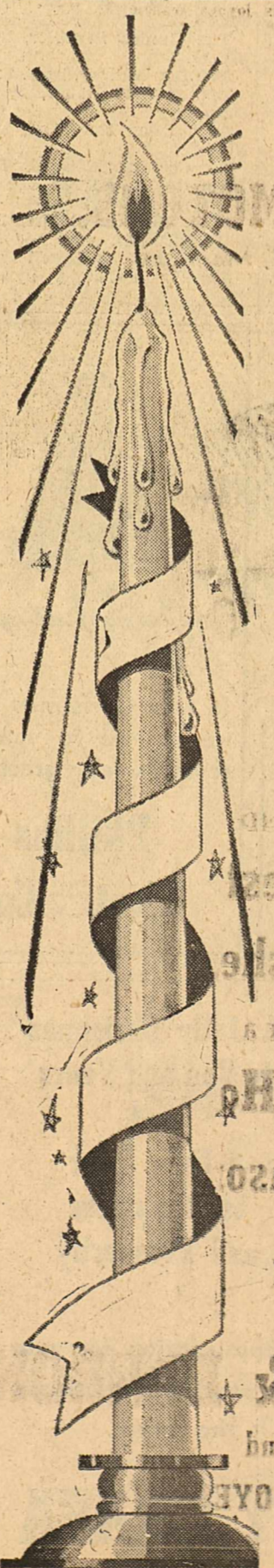
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### Lea and Eddy Counties Share Interest in Southeast New Mexico Developments; Chaves Gains Wildcat Test

HOBBES, N. M., Dec. 23.—New developments this week in Southeast New Mexico were divided evenly between Lea and Eddy counties, with Chaves county claiming some attention by staking of a wildcat test.

The Chaves test is Stanfield No. 1 Vogel and it is located 330 feet from the north, 2,310 from the east line of section 27-13s-25e. Rotary is being rigged up.

New wildcat location for Eddy was started by J. Harris at his No. 1 fee, 330 feet from the south, 2,310 from the west line of section 20-20s-23e.

**Eddy Discovery Well**  
Flow of 300 barrels of oil through casing in 12 hours after shot was registered by Kersey & Company No. 1 Creek, wildcat discovery east of the Loco Hills pool in Eddy. It was shot with 50 quarts of nitro from 3,264 to 3,280, one foot off bottom. Main pay was found in sand from 3,265 to 3,280 feet, where the well filled 800 feet with oil the first nine hours. It is located 330 feet from the north, 1,650 from the west line of section 23-18s-30e.

In section 21-18s-30e, L. R. Manning No. 1 Paton-McClay is drilling below 3,128 feet in lime, carrying 1,500 feet of oil in the hole.

In the new High Lonesome area of Eddy, Powell & Matthews No. 1 Leonard-Levers permit, section 33-18s-29e, is testing, bottomed at 2,265 feet in lime. At present depth it gauged 4,300,000 cubic feet of sweet gas per day through casing. Slight

showing of gas was struck at 2,235 feet, with large increase from 2,255 to total depth.

**Vacuum Pair Gauged**  
Dodson Drilling Company No. 1 A. H. McElrath, wildcat two and one-half miles northeast of the discovery produced in the High Lonesome area, B. H. Nolen No. 1 Abbie Lee, is shut down for repairs at 2,370 feet in anhydrite. It found showing of sweet gas gauged at 175,000 feet daily in sand at 2,357 feet. No. 1 McElrath is located 330 feet out of the southwest corner of section 3-16s-29e.

Two wells were completed during the week in the Vacuum pool of Lea. Phillips Petroleum Company No. 35 Santa Fe, the larger, flowed 22 3/4 barrels of oil hourly for nine hours through 3/4-inch choke on 2-inch tubing. The well was acidized with 1,000 gallons in pay lime from 4,453 to 4,623 feet, the total depth. It is in section 33-17s-35e.

The other new Vacuum oiler, Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 50 State-Bridges, section 12-17s-34e, flowed 120 barrels in six hours through 2 1/2-inch tubing set at 4,693 feet. It was shot with 250 quarts from 4,635 feet, where pay was topped, to 4,705 feet in lime, bottom of the hole, Magnolia has dug cellar and pits at No. 3-P State, 670 feet out of the northwest corner of section 26-17s-35e.

**Halfway Pool**  
Stanford Oil & Gas Company No. 3-E State, tract No. 18, in Lea's South Lovington pool, was completed for flow of 192 barrels per day through 16/64-inch choke on 2-inch tubing. The well is bottomed in lime at 4,970 feet and was acidized with 2,000, then with 4,000 gallons.

Argo Oil Corporation No. 1 The Texas Company-State, west offset to the discovery in the Halfway pool of western Lea, pumped 45 barrels of oil in eight hours for completion of 2,657 feet. It topped pay in lime at 2,654 feet and was acidized with 500 gallons. Location is 1,980 feet from the south, 660 from the west line of section 16-20s-32e.

The same firm's No. 1 Texaco-Humphreys, indirect west offset to No. 1 Texaco-State, is abandoning at total depth of 2,690 feet in lime. It logged showing of oil and two ballers of water hourly at 2,687 feet and had a hole full of water by the time total depth was reached. It is 2,310 feet from the south, 330 from the east line of section 17-20s-32e.

**Lea Wildcats**  
Culbertson & Irwin, Inc. of Midland and Plains Production Company No. 1 J. S. Lea, western Lea wildcat between the Halfway and Maljamar pools, is drilling below 3,062 feet in lime and red rock. The test is in section 8-18s-32e.

In extreme southeastern Lea, Leonard Oil Company No. 2 Ginsberg permit, in section 7-25s-38e, is drilling past 3,940 feet in lime. It had logged an estimated one-half barrel of oil daily at 3,765 feet, and showing of gas, with one baller of salt water hourly from 3,770 to 3,775 feet.

**Birds Like Ferry Home.**  
ISELESBORO, Me. (AP)—Two industrious and marine-minded martins did their best to set up house-keeping in the whistle of the Islesboro-Lincolnton ferry. But every time the boat whistled tooted, the birds wrecked their fragile "home." The crew finally persuaded the pair to build the love-nest on a dock near the ferry-slip.

### "Certificate Plan" to Help the Nation's Farmers Not Accepted

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (AP)—President Roosevelt's fiscal committee condemned to "further study" Thursday Secretary Wallace's "certificate plan" for paying farm parity costs through an indirect processing tax.

Displaying an almost unanimous coolness to the proposal, but not rejecting it outright, the group asked Wallace and a group of economists for "more information," and then quit without even planning another meeting.

Most outspoken critic of the plan was treasury Secretary Morgenthau, who had told the press earlier that he was opposed to any further taxation of consumers. He said consumers already were spending 60 percent of their income on federal, state and local taxes and "that's plenty."

Little more enthusiasm was shown by federal reserve Chairman M. S. Eccles; Budget Director Harold D. Smith; Frederick A. Delano, national resources committee chairman; and Lauchlin Currie, executive assistant and personal economist of the president.

Monday, Wallace introduced and explained the plan to this group and returned yesterday to hear what they thought of it.

The plan simply would prohibit the sale in this country of certain crops, primarily cotton and wheat, unless the farmer were paid a "parity" price—a price designed to give the farmer the purchasing power he enjoyed before the World War.

At present the farmer sells these crops in the open market, taking what he can get, and the treasury makes additional payments to him to raise his income toward parity. In the last year, this cost the treasury \$225,000,000.

Under the new plan, the elevator man or dealer buying the farmer's crop would be required to pay him not only the market price but would have to buy from him a certificate for the rest of the parity value.

The purchaser would sell the certificate along with the product and recoup the premium, until the product reached a processor. Processors

### Music Causes Cows To Give More Milk

LUBBOCK (AP)—Bovine music lovers at the Scheid Guernsey farm near Whitesboro give more milk since a radio was installed in the milking sheds a few weeks ago. Provision of music for the herd during milking periods follows experiments made in classes by an Scheid, Texas Tech graduate, who has been studying at the Michigan State College of Agriculture and Applied Arts.

He couldn't get out. The door was locked. The telephone switchboard operator plugged in all the telephones of the building and gave out a general SOS.

Dozens flocked to the lobby. Finally a mechanic worked the lock—it was stuck—and released the jurors.

They resumed their session in a few minutes. The door was carefully braced open.

### Book Started in 1872 To Be Finished Soon

SAN ANTONIO (AP)—Tunis J. Quick of San Antonio decided in 1872 to write a book on "Secrets of the Earth's Phenomena Revealed," something to do with a climate and centripetal force. At 90 he has completed the seventh draft of the book and thinks it is about

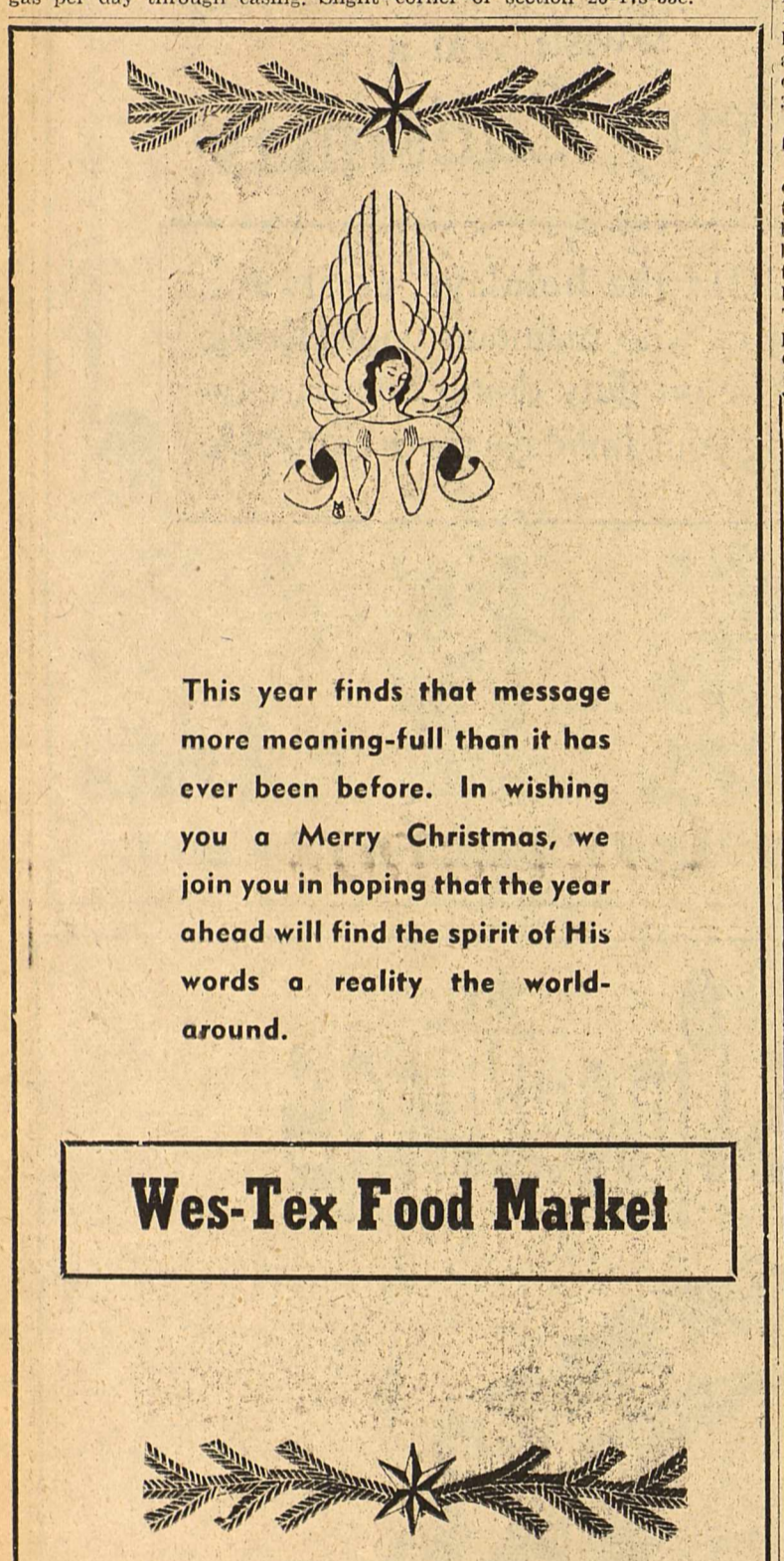
ready for publication. Quick will contend that there never was any "ice age," that earthquakes are caused by the readjustment of particles of the earth moved by centripetal force, and that the earth rotates on two axis at once.

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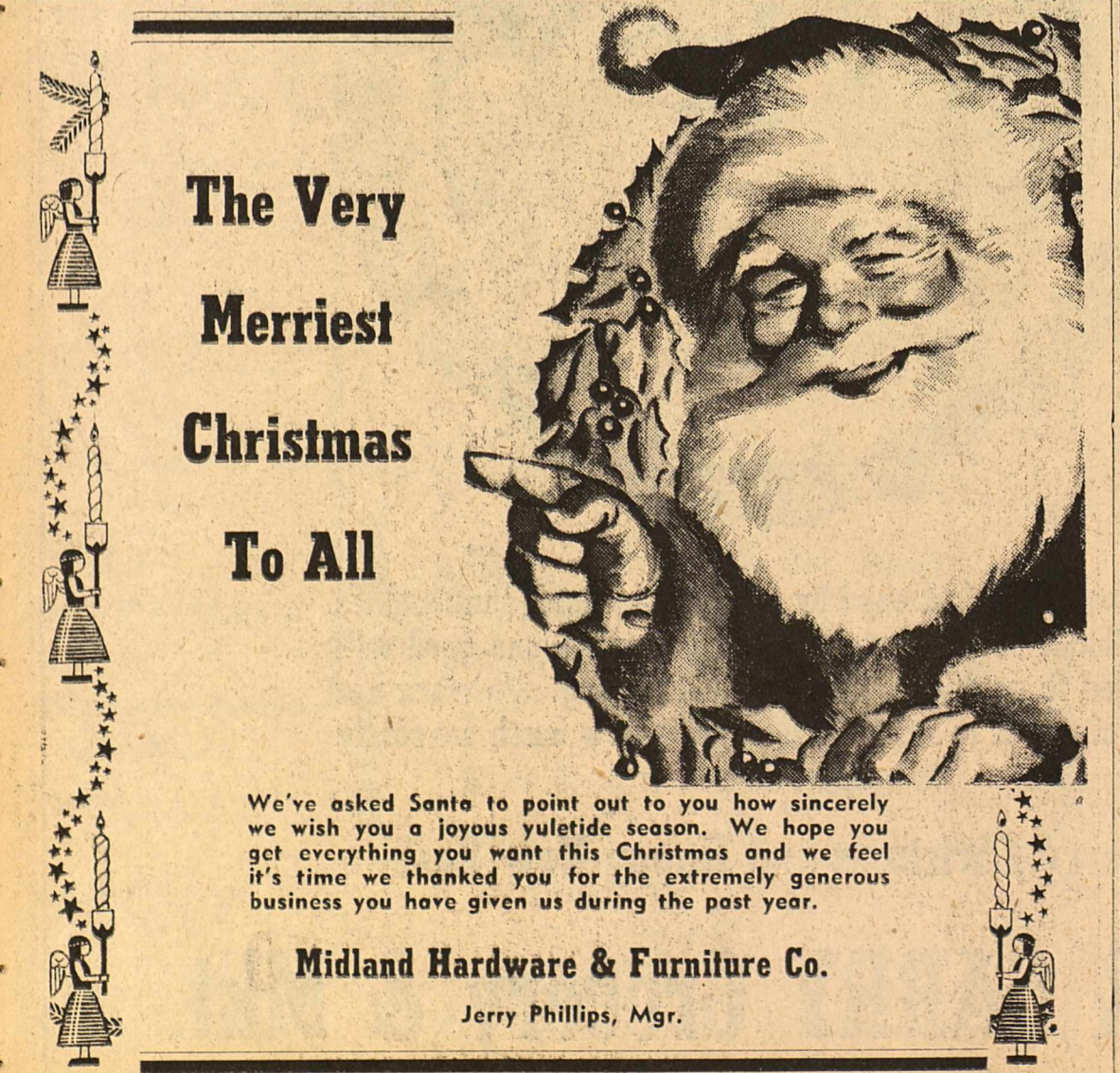


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To All and Best Wishes for the New Year

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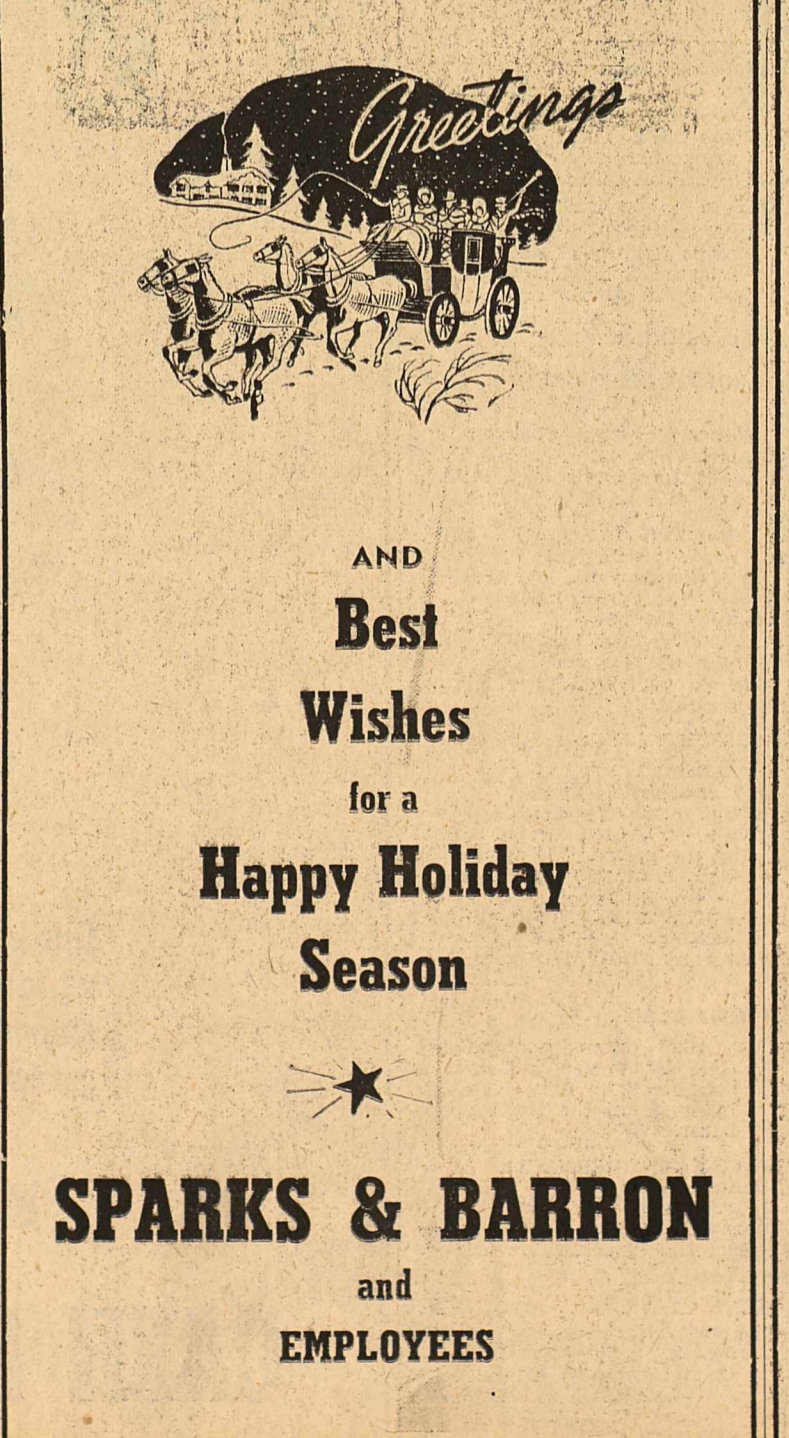
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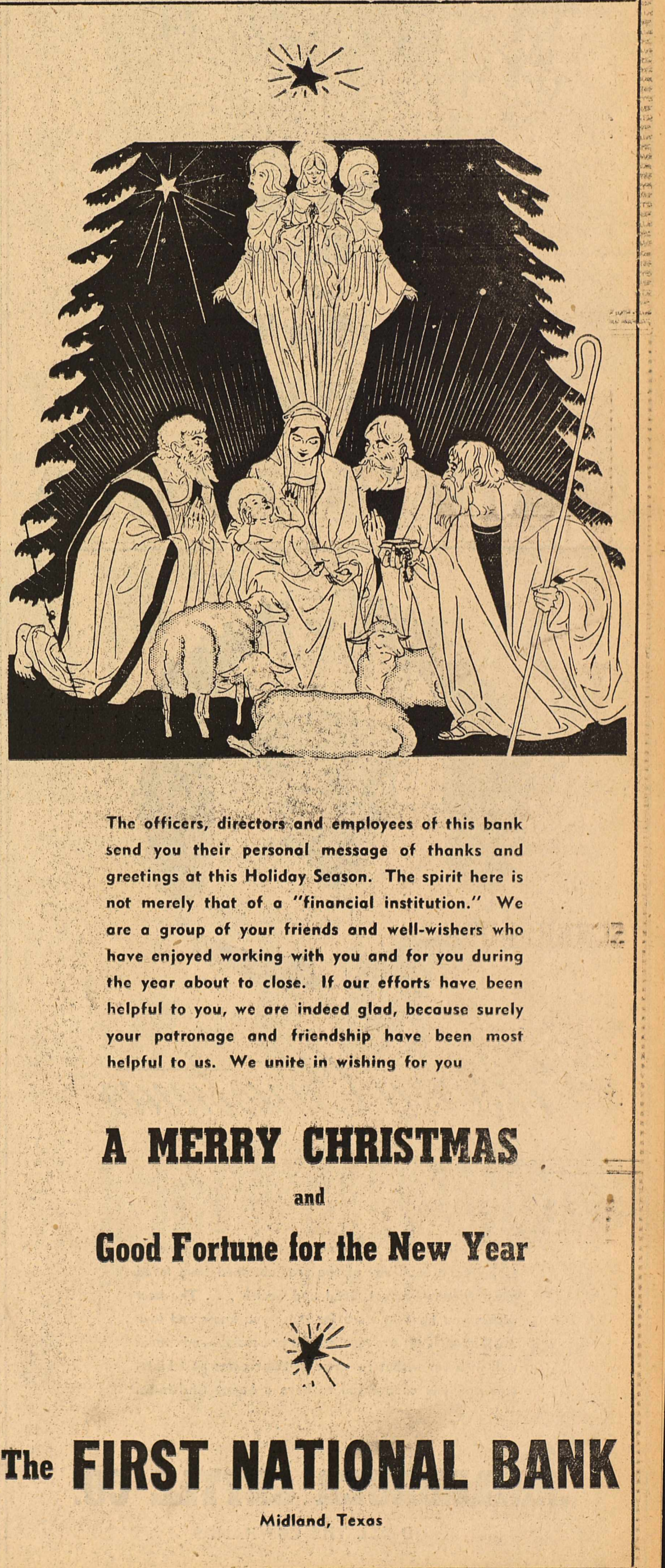
We've asked Santa to point out to you how sincerely we wish you a joyous yuletide season. We hope you get everything you want this Christmas and we feel it's time we thanked you for the extremely generous business you have given us during the past year.

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The officers, directors and employees of this bank send you their personal message of thanks and greetings at this Holiday Season. The spirit here is not merely that of a "financial institution." We are a group of your friends and well-wishers who have enjoyed working with you and for you during the year about to close. If our efforts have been helpful to you, we are indeed glad, because surely your patronage and friendship have been most helpful to us. We unite in wishing for you

**A MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
and  
**Good Fortune for the New Year**

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### Spinach Industry Is Crystal City Boon

CRYSTAL CITY, (AP) — The whiskers are those of Santa Claus but the voice is that of Popeye to Crystal City folks at Christmas time.

Perhaps there would be no "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" in these parts without the prosperity which is symbolized by this pattern of the spinach industry whose statute was erected on the plaza of this town several years ago.

Farmers and merchants of the Winter Garden district, in which Crystal City is the center and La Pryor and Eagle Pass the other towns, annually receive their Christmas present in spinach wrappers. This year they are expecting a two million dollar present since the spinach harvest, which opened the latter part of November, is expected to yield that amount of folding money.

"More than one hundred million pounds of spinach will be produced by Winter Garden farmers this year," Ed Zimmerman, Crystal

City buyer estimates. Approximately four thousand railroad refrigerator cars will be required to move this crop to markets at Chicago, New York and elsewhere as fresh as when taken out of the fields.

Santa Claus could stuff his bag so full of spinach in the Winter Garden that he could present every man, woman and child in the United States with a pound of this strength giving vegetable—provided they all liked it.

Rabbit skins are used extensively in the manufacture of felt hats

## Church Services

### ST. GEORGE CHURCH

Father John J. O'Connell, Pastor  
Christmas Schedule.

High mass at midnight Sunday 1:30 a. m. Monday. Mass with special service for Spanish-speaking people.

9:00 a. m. Monday. Mass followed by benediction and the Blessed Sacrament.

### GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

T. H. Gaalman, Pastor.

Services are held every second and fourth Sunday at the Midland Seventh-Day Adventist church, West Pennsylvania and Loraine streets, at 2 p. m.

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

Corner North A and San Angelo St.  
C. C. Morgan, Minister.

10:00 a. m.—Bible study.

10:50 a. m. Preaching and Communion.

3:00 p. m. Radio broadcast.

6:45 p. m.—Young People's Bible study.

7:30 p. m.—Preaching.

2:00 p. m. Tuesday. Women's Bible class.

7:30 p. m. Tuesday. Men's Bible class.

7:30 p. m.—Wednesday—Bible study.

9:00 a. m. Saturday. Children's Bible Drill.

"Come now, and let us reason together."

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

H. D. Bruce, Pastor.

9:45 a. m.—Sunday school.

10:55 a. m. Morning worship. The pastor will bring a message on "The First Christian Missionaries."

6:15 p. m. Training union. J. Boyd East, director.

7:30 p. m. Evening worship hour. The pastor will bring a message on "Jesus' First Worship."

7:30 p. m. Monday—Christmas prayer service at the home of Rev. and Mrs. H. D. Bruce to which all who would care to come are invited.

### FUNDAMENTAL BAPTIST CHURCH

502 E. Illinois.  
Chas. B. Hedges, Pastor.

9:45 a. m. Sunday school.

11:00 a. m. Preaching service.

7:15 p. m. Preaching service.

7:15 p. m. Wednesday. Prayer meeting. The public is invited.

### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

"Christian Science" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 24.

The Golden Text is: "Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the Lord hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem" (Isaiah).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible:

"And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ" (Revelation 12:10).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy:

"The great miracle, to human sense, is divine Love, and the grand necessity of existence is to gain the true idea of what constitutes the kingdom of heaven in man" (Page 560).

### TRINITY CHURCH

(Protestant Episcopal)  
Oliver C. Cox, Minister in Charge.

9:45 a. m. Sunday school.

There will be no 11 o'clock morning service.

7:30 p. m. Christmas tree.

11:30 p. m. Midnight Christmas Eve service. This is the first midnight service to be held in the Midland Episcopal church and all members are urged to attend, along with other interested citizens.

### SOUTH SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Corner of South Colorado and California streets.

Lord's Day services at 10:30 a. m. and 8:15 p. m.

### SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

West Pennsylvania and Loraine  
Lee Carter, Pastor.

Sabbath School, 10 a. m.

Preaching, 11 a. m.

8:00 p. m. Wednesday. Prayer meeting.

### ASSEMBLY OF GOD

516 S. Baird  
M. E. Stubbfield, Pastor.

10:00 a. m. Sunday school.

11:00 a. m. Church service. Sermon by the pastor.

7:30 p. m. Church service. Sermon by the pastor.

7:30 p. m. Tuesday. Young People's meeting.

7:30 p. m. Friday. Prayer meeting.

### NAOMI CLASS.

The Naomi (inter-denominational) class for women will meet at 9:45 o'clock in the private dining room of the Hotel Scharbauer.

### HOLINESS TABERNACLE

(Pentecostal)  
O. W. Roberts, Pastor.

10:00 a. m. Sunday school.

11:00 a. m. Preaching service.

### MEN'S CLASS.

The Men's class meets every Sunday morning at 9:45 o'clock in the Crystal ballroom of the Hotel Scharbauer. It is a non-denominational class and every man who does not attend services elsewhere is cordially invited

### FIRST METHODIST CHURCH.

W. C. Hinds, Pastor.

9:45 a. m.—Church school.

11:00 a. m. Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor on "The Guiding Star."

6:00 p. m. Leagues meet.

7:00 p. m. Christmas tree for children. A brief program will be presented by the children.

Adults are asked to bring any kind of food for the needy to the church.

There will be no prayer meeting and no choir practice during the week.

### FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

John E. Pickering, Pastor.

I. G. Bedford, Supt. of Bible School.

Mrs. Lee Cornelius, Director of Music.

9:45 a. m.—Bible school.

10:50 a. m. Communion service.

11:00 a. m. Special Christmas worship service. Sermon by the pastor on the theme, "Glory to God in the Highest."

6:00 p. m. Senior Endeavor.

There will be no evening worship service due to the "White Gift" Christmas service Thursday evening.

READ THE CLASSIFIEDS

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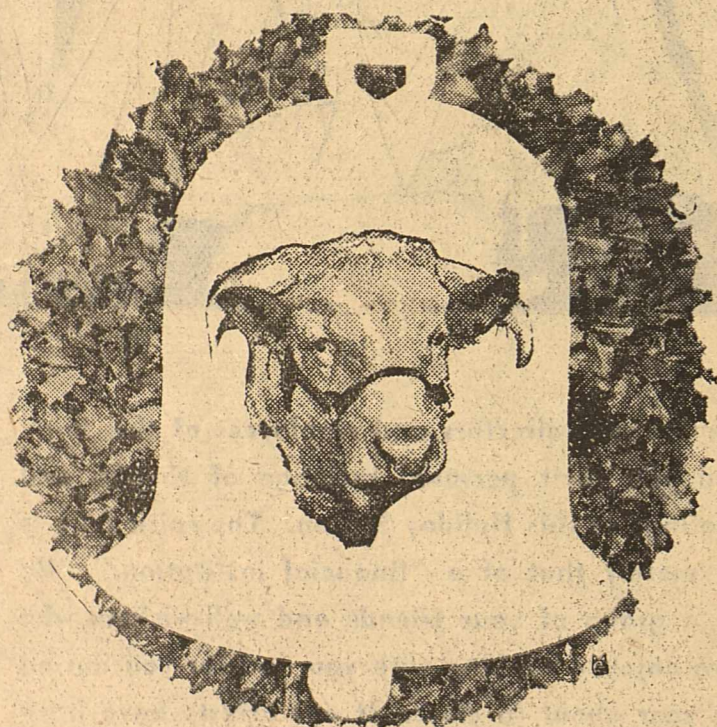
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14—Personal

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16—Miscellaneous

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Social Hour Club Is Entertained at Christmas Party

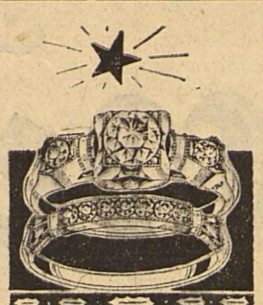
Social Hour club held its Christmas party at the home of Mrs. S. H. Gwyn Thursday afternoon. The club hours were devoted to conversation and to the distribution of gifts from the Christmas tree, with the hostess officiating. The Christmas tree was home-grown and its decorations were likewise home-made, showing novelties which may be metamorphosed from everyday materials. Refreshments were served to: Mmes. O. M. Tyner, G. C. Driver, C. B. Ponder, H. C. Whitmire, Ray Gwyn, Clyde Gwyn, R. O. Brooks, F. P. Barber, L. C. Stephenson, the hostess, and Norene Barber, Griffen Driver, and Imogene Driver.

Gray foxes, formerly observed except at night, are now frequently seen crossing Texas roads, Game Department biologists report.

16—Miscellaneous

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Rainbow Girls Have Colorful Christmas Party at Clubhouse

Rainbow Girls presented two baskets to needy families as their part in aiding Christmas cheer, according to Mrs. Mabel Rush, sponsor. Baskets were distributed Saturday. Christmas festivities for the group were held on Thursday night when about 40 of the girls gathered at the Country Club for a buffet dinner and party from 7:30 o'clock until 9:30, after which boys arrived and dancing was taken part in.

The club was brilliantly decorated with the seven colors of the rainbow in streamers and drapings and with rainbows used in the decorative scheme. The table in the private dining room was likewise decorated with the rainbow colors. More than 100 were in attendance during the evening, it was estimated.

The raccoon, according to State Game Department biologists, is fast becoming a rare animal in East Texas due to overtrapping and clearing of bottom lands for farming.

Mrs. Ramsel Is Hostess at Clever Breakfast Party

Mrs. Ruth Ramsel entertained at Agnes Cafe Saturday morning with a cleverly-appointed Christmas breakfast.

A poinsettia was centerpiece for the table at which places were marked by novel apples made of soap and wrapped in red cellophane. On each plate was a red party cap and when guests donned these they discovered the first course of the

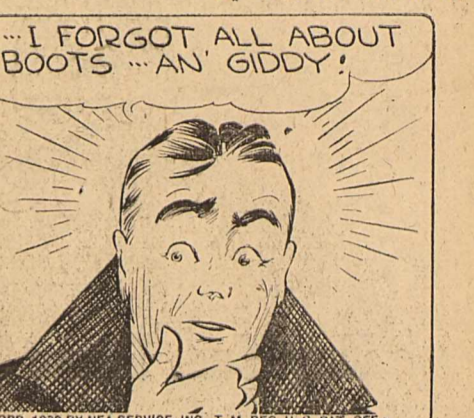
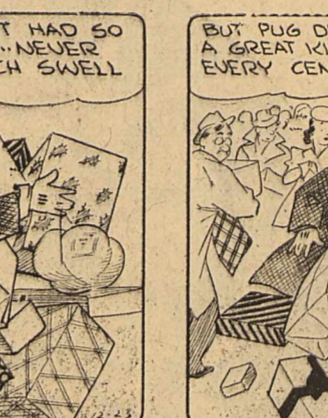
breakfast, a fruit cocktail, on the plate. Red candles featured the Christmas motif for the table. Guests were: Mrs. Lucile Westermann, Mrs. Willie Stell Reed, Mrs. Dona Dunagan, Mrs. Lewel Harris, Mrs. Ila Bacon, Miss Fannie Thompson, and the hostess. Also joining the party were Mrs. Ella Cooper and Mrs. Stanley. Cyclists Seek No. 1 Plate.

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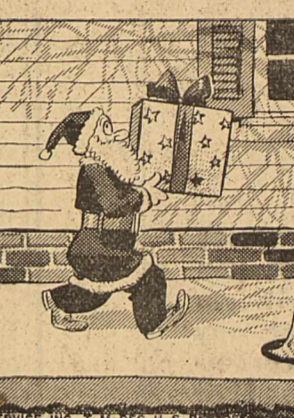
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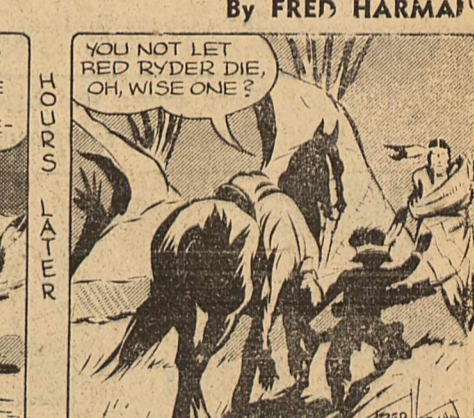
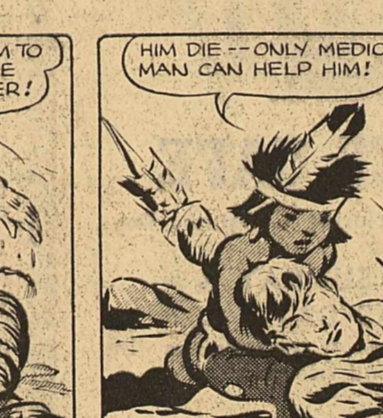
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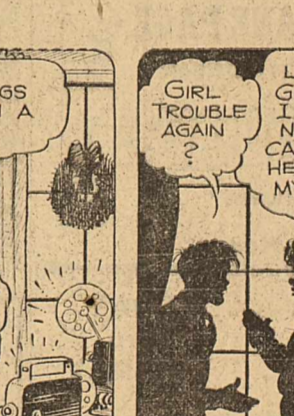
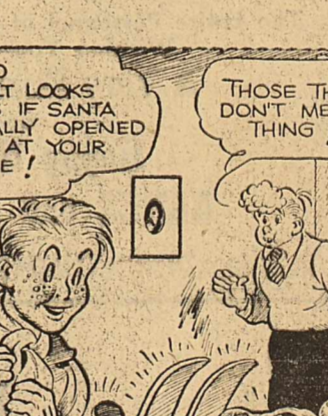
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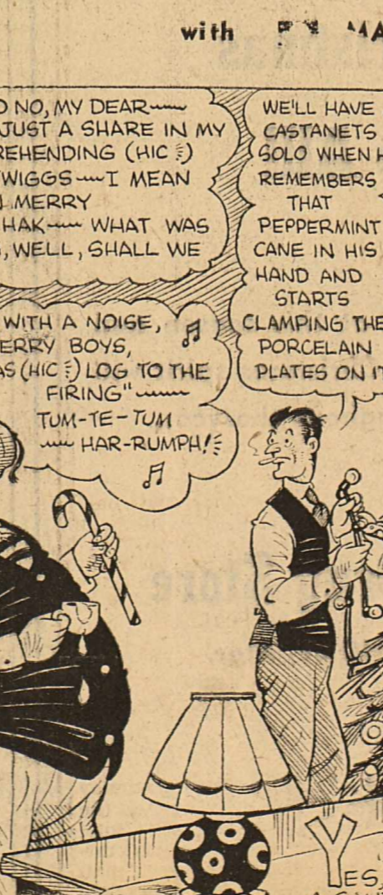
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**Cooperation Urged By Timber Farmers**

WASHINGTON (AP)—Farmers from the timbered areas of New England to the piney woods of east Texas are availing themselves of a cooperative movement to achieve improved farm wood utilization and increased yields.

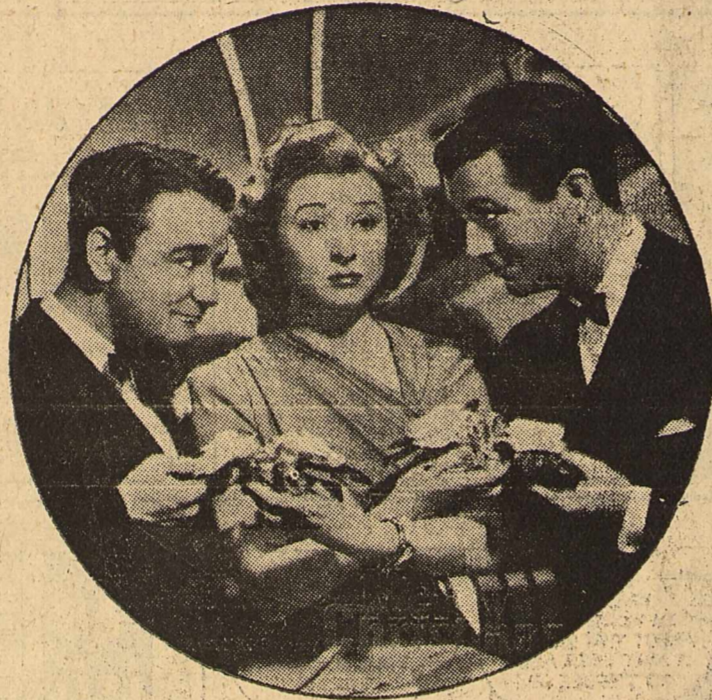
The forest service of the Agriculture Department, summarizing the spread of the movement, noted that among cooperatives so far was the Negro Farmers' Sawmill cooperative of Fayette county, Tex., which has sawed more than 132,000 board feet of lumber for farm and home use at rates varying from \$2 to \$7 a thousand board feet for lumber.

**Fate Takes Hand in Work of Salesman**

ATLANTA, Texas. (AP). — Mrs. Lillian Oliver, Atlanta insurance saleswoman, now believes in fate. Mrs. Oliver had delivered an accident insurance policy to a man in a department store and complimented him on taking it out.

"Yes, you never can tell what will happen," summed up Mrs. Oliver as she turned to leave. Then—she slipped on the floor and received injuries that confined her to bed eight days. A salesman for another company, on learning that the store carried liability insurance, suggested to Mrs. Oliver she apply for damages. His face turned red, however, when he discovered that his company had the store's liability policy.

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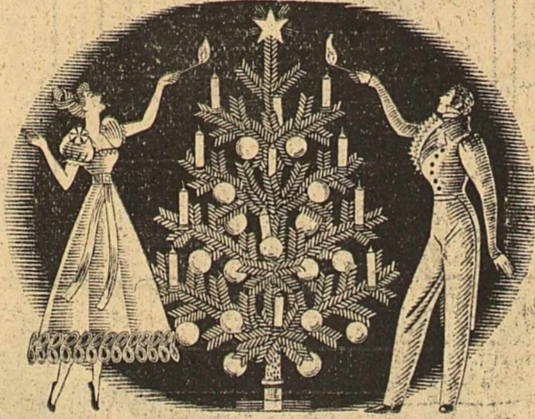
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**Old Glory Boy Named Top Meat Producer**

COLLEGE STATION, (AP)—Texas champion 4-H meat producer for the year is Jay B. Pumphrey, Jr., 15, of Old Glory, Stonewall county, who was named for the annual honor by L. L. Johnson, state boy's club agent of the Texas A&M Extension Service.

In his five years in club work, Pumphrey handled 19 beef calves, 11 breeding cattle and 327 swine, fitting and showing nine animals at county, state and inter-state fairs to win three grand championships and numerous other places, which brought him \$104 in cash premiums.

Gross returns of his work was \$8,078. Pumphrey's work, according to his county agent, I. L. Sturdivant, has shown the value of well bred animals, and recommended feeding practices.

**War-Time Loyalty Is Shown by Thompson**

AUSTIN (AP)—War-time loyalties between officers and men of the American Expeditionary Force bob up two decades after the World War.

One such instance involves Ernest O. Thompson, member of the Texas Railroad Commission and a colonel in command of three machine gun battalions overseas. Thompson, attending a meeting of oil men in a Texas city, was amazed to meet one of his former sergeants who had traveled from a neighboring state to visit his former commanding officer.

The commission official insisted that his war-time associate, now a big barbecue incidental to the oil meeting, The pair were inseparable for the evening. When Thompson was invited to sit at the honoree's table he declined unless his war buddy also was placed beside him. An extra chair promptly was shoved up to the table and the colonel and sergeant continued their reminiscing.

**CHRISTMAS greetings**  
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**Prison Cats of 75th Generation.**

WALLA WALLA, Wash. (U.P.)—Cats within the walls of the Washington State penitentiary have reached the 75th generation now.

The last census of the feline dynasty showed 50 cats in the prison that are direct descendants of those acquired in 1887 to keep the institution free of rats.



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