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# BRISCOE COUNTY NEWS

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### FREE SHOW FOR KIDDIES AT PALACE THEATRE

It has been the custom of the management of the Palace Theatre for many years to give a free show to the kiddies of the town during Christmas. This year the free show will be Monday, December 25, at 2 p. m. All the kiddies are invited. Cartoons, Comedy and Tex Williams will be on the screen. Free popcorn and candy will also be given.

MUSIC BY  
**COMEDY AND TEX WILLIAMS**



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## Notice, Farmers! It's Time to File Tax Estimate for 1950

Frank Scofield, Collector of Internal Revenue for the first Texas District, with headquarters at Austin, Texas, today reminded farmers in his district of the necessity of filing declarations of estimated tax for the calendar year 1950.

Collector Scofield advised that the law provides that any person who derives at least two-thirds of his income from farming and makes his return on a calendar year basis may postpone the filing of his declaration of estimated tax for 1950 on Form 1040-ES (1950) until January 15, 1951. However, if a farmer so desires, he may file his income tax return for the calendar year on Form 1040 on or before January 31, 1951, with payment in full at that time of the amount of tax due. If a farmer elects to file his final return on Form 1040 by January 31, 1951, he will not be required to file a declaration of estimated tax for 1950 by January 15, 1951.

Collector Scofield requested that farmers who desire to file a declaration of estimated tax for 1950 secure Form 1040-ES for 1950 and Form 1040F, schedule of farming, from the office of the deputy collector of internal revenue in their locality or by making such request by mail to the collector of internal revenue at Austin, Texas. If, however, it is the desire of the farmer to file a final return on form 1040 by January 31, 1951, instead of filing a declaration of estimated tax, he should request forms 1040 and 1040F.

Compliance with these instructions with reference to special filing requirements for farmers

will prevent assessment of penalties for failure to file a declaration of estimated tax.

## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

**DEAR SANTA CLAUS:**  
We are two little girls age 5 and 3. Will you please bring us a doll house with furniture, a little telephone, and blackboard. Please don't forget the candy, nuts and fruit, and remember all other little boys and girls.  
Your little friends,  
Marjorie and Carol McCain.

**DEAR SANTA CLAUS:**  
I am a little boy in the third grade. I wish you would bring me a football, suit, shoulder pads, B. B. gun, and also fruit and nuts.  
Thanks, Santa,  
Larry West.

**DEAR SANTA CLAUS:**  
I want a road grader. Also two guns and holsters.  
Terry Mosley.

## NEW FARM TO MARKET ROADS FOR SWISHER CO

Approval of 11 additional miles of farm to market roads in Swisher County has been announced by S. C. McCarty, district highway engineer.

Four miles will begin at the end of the FM road southwest of Happy at the Bob Franczy corner and extending to within a half mile of the Castro County line—seven more miles will extend from Highway 87 near Houston school west to the old Running Water road one mile south of McGuire school.

## HOLY NIGHT



This painting of the first Christmas was done by Feuerstein, an Alsatian who taught at the Munich Academy of Art.

## Tradition of Poppy

The poppy loaf, traditionally a part of Christmas Eve supper in Lithuania, is a small loaf made of bread dough and baked hard in a bread pan. When cool, the loaves are dipped in a solution made of water and sugar and ground poppy seed which is also used as a traditional holiday beverage.

Tradition prescribes that the poppy seed should be ground in an iron kettle using an ax handle as a mallet, and no Lithuanian would think of grinding seeds for the Christmas poppy loaves by any other method.

## It Takes Know-How To Burn a Yule Log

THE YULE LOG is a tradition of Christmas, but due to central heating and gas stoves it is becoming a lost tradition in this country. Few city dwellers have open grates or desire a log fire. And those living in the country find coal more efficient and less trouble.

However, for those who have a place to burn the yule log and want one, tradition says it should be oak, ash, olive, apple or pine. Further, the fire on which it is placed should be kindled from a brand saved from last year's log, and that it should not be allowed to go out during the night.

For those determined to have the yule log, the voice of experience says get hold of all the wood you can. Some kinds burn better than others, but reject none these days.

Ash is highly praised by some and can be used without being seasoned. It burns quickly, but throws off great heat. Poplar, on the other hand, should be seasoned or it will spark badly.

Elm is condemned as undesirable, but can be used. It is slow to get burning, but lasts a long time and brightens up when it gets going. A few logs of birch, pine or fir will help it along.

Beech and oak are among the best logs. Beech is especially good, having a pleasant aroma and a steady glow. Oak has the outstanding merit of burning slowly.

If none of these are available, wood from all kinds of fruit trees are prime favorites for the yule log because of their pleasant smell when burning.

## America Has Provided World With Poinsettia

WHILE IT SEEMS rather odd, it certainly is interesting that America has given the world its most beloved Christmas plant—the poinsettia. This plant, like so many others of our best flowers, is native to tropical America. The florist has been able to propagate it and grow it in a small pot, so that, with its flaming red bracts or leaves, it makes a most desirable Christmas plant.

There is a sentiment that goes with most Christmas plants — we hate to throw them away. What can be done with the poinsettia? Most of us figure that it is easier and cheaper to throw it away. However, if properly handled, it will bloom for you a second or even a third or fourth year. You can even propagate it, if you wish, and have more plants.

Give the plant a resting period around the middle of February. The florist simply lays it under the benches, but you will probably put it in your basement. Water it occasionally — enough to keep the wood from wilting, but no more. Then, around the latter part of May or early in June, bring it out, cut it back rather severely, and re-pot it. You can then put it outside if you wish in the shade of a tree or shrub, and water it enough to keep it growing. Of course, if you have a nice, warm, sandy spot, you might plant it right in the ground, but most of us prefer to leave it in the pot.

## PALACE .. THEATRE

SILVERTON, TEXAS

"THE PLACE TO GO FOR GOOD ENTERTAINMENT"  
SHOW OPENS 6:45 - STARTS 7 p. m.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY,  
DECEMBER 21, 22

James Cagney in  
**KISS TOMORROW GOODBYE**

Barbara Payton, Helena Carter, Ward Bond, William Cagney, Gordon Douglas

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

Whip Wilson, Andy Clyde in  
**GUN SLINGERS**

SUNDAY AND MONDAY,  
DECEMBER 24, 25

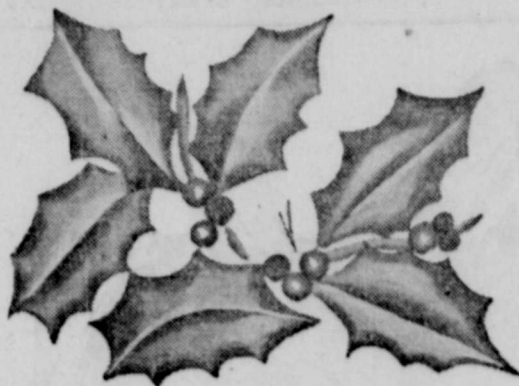
Joan Leslie in  
**THE SKIPPER SURPRISED HIS WIFE**

FREE KIDDIE SHOW XMAS DAY at 2 P. M. Cartoons, Comedy and Tex Williams. FREE Pop Corn and Candy

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY  
DECEMBER 26, 27

Van Johnson, Elizabeth Taylor in  
**THE BIG HANGOVER**

# Christmas wishes



We would share the blessings of the season with you.



May your homes be alight with warmth and peace.

1950

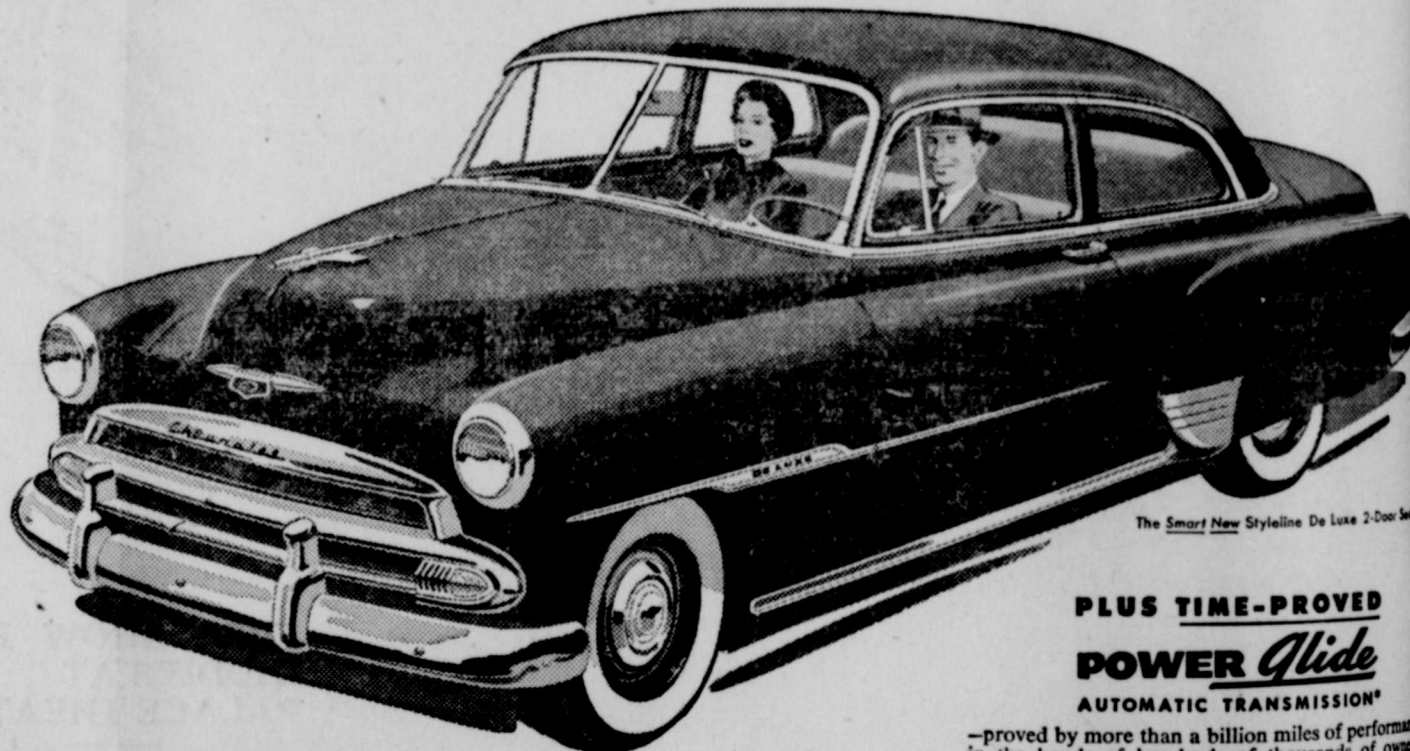
## Briscoe County Officials

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The Smart New Styline De Luxe 2-Door Sedan

PLUS TIME-PROVED  
**POWER Glide**  
AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION\*

—proved by more than a billion miles of performance in the hands of hundreds of thousands of owners.

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Choose Chevrolet and you'll own the newest new car for '51 . . . the car that is refreshingly new, inside and out . . . with that longer, lower, wider "luxury look" which stamps it as most beautiful in its field.

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You'll own the car that gives the top-flight combination of thrifty Valve-in-Head engine performance, riding-comfort and safety.

Come in . . . see and drive Chevrolet for '51 . . . America's largest and finest low-priced car!

**AMERICAN BEAUTY DESIGN**—Brilliant new styling . . . featuring entirely new grille, fender moldings and rear-end design . . . imparting that longer, lower, wider, big-car look which distinguishes Chevrolet products.

**AMERICA-PREFERRED BODIES BY FISHER**—With new and even more strikingly beautiful lines, contours and colors . . . with extra sturdy Fisher Unisteel construction . . . Curved Windshield and Panoramic Visibility.

**MODERN-MODE INTERIORS**—With upholstery and appointments of outstanding quality, in beautiful two-tone color harmonies . . . and with extra generous seating room for driver and all passengers.

**MORE POWERFUL JUMBO-DRUM BRAKES** (with Dual-Life rivetless brake linings)—Largest brakes in low-price field . . . with both brake shoes on each wheel self-energizing . . . giving maximum stopping-power with up to 25% less driver effort.

**SAFETY-SIGHT INSTRUMENT PANEL**—Safer, more efficient . . . with overhanging upper crown to eliminate reflections in windshield from instrument lights . . . and plain, easy-to-read instruments in front of driver.

**IMPROVED CENTER-POINT STEERING (and Center-Point Design)**—Making steering even easier at low speeds and while parking . . . just as Chevrolet's famous Knee-Action Ride is comfortable beyond comparison in its price range.

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**Simpson Chevrolet Company**  
PHONE No. 12  
SILVERTON, TEXAS



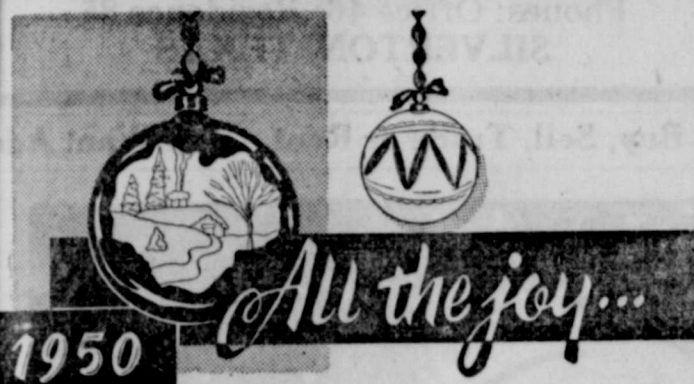
# SEASON'S GREETINGS

Merry Christmas 1950



We're deeply grateful for the gift of your friendship.

**BELLINGER'S SHOES AND DRY GOODS**



that a Merry Christmas can mean is our sincere wish for you this glad holiday season!

**COFFEE IMPLEMENT COMPANY**  
Main Street Phone 124 Silverton, Tex.



Your Merry Christmas is in the bag this year.



**CITY TAILORS**  
Silverton, Texas

## CHRISTMAS CAMELIA

By John Scott Douglas  
STENOGRAPHERS hovered around as Marta Manning wrapped the package that had reached the law offices. There were startled gasps of admiration when the paper fell away, revealing a potted camelia. Large and pure white, except for crimson-touched petals, its heart was filled with delicate golden stamens.  
"Oh, how beautiful!" Tessie gasped. "Who sent it, Martha?"  
"My boy friend," Marta said, her tone warm with happiness.  
"I didn't know camelias bloomed in time for Christmas," said Bess.  
"The Dai Kaugura does," said Marta. "But it's all crimson. This must be a new hybrid that Colby Blake stocked for the Christmas trade."  
Could Colby have developed it himself? she wondered. She remembered the day, when he had been showing her around his nursery, that she started to enter a small, new lath house at the back. "Don't



On the point of refusal, she remembered the broken date. "I'd be glad to, Mr. Ladd."

go in there, Marta!" And then he'd been embarrassed as only a big, redheaded outdoor man can be embarrassed by his own rudeness. "Forgive me for speaking so sharply, darling. You'll understand, some day."

In the two years since then, he'd never explained his strange words. It was but one of the things that had marred a more perfect understanding. The many broken dates were another. Engagements he could not keep because a truckload of plants must suddenly be delivered, or a customer must be seen about the laying out of a new garden.

"For you, Marta," said the switchboard girl. The girls dispersed as she picked up the phone. She heard Colby's voice.

"I feel terribly to beg off on another date, darling. But Roberts sprained his back lifting a tubbed tree, and had to go home. About twenty customers are coming in to pick up Christmas plants this evening, and someone must be here. Let me explain about that camelia—"

SICK WITH disappointment, she said, "Never mind," and hung up. Tears pricked her eyes. Wasn't she ever as important as a customer?

"Garral Ladd wants you to take a letter," said the switchboard girl. Any of the other girls would have gone into a tizzy if he'd suggested a date. Only Marta had had the chance to refuse him, not once but many times. For to her, he wasn't quite real.

Now, with a confident smile, he dictated: "To do the town on Christmas Eve with a lovely young blonde like you would make this my most wonderful Christmas. Will you say, 'Yes?' Devotedly, Garral Ladd."

"To whom shall I address it?" asked Marta.

"To Miss Marta Manning."  
Her cheeks grew warm. On the point of refusal, she remembered the broken date. "I'd be glad to, Mr. Ladd."

That evening, on her way home to dress, she stopped at a nursery to buy a small tree for her apartment. The tree, she recalled with a pang of disappointment, that Colby had promised to bring when he called. A woman loaded with bundles was leaving the nursery with a plant identical to the one Marta had received that morning.

"Isn't it lovely?" the woman asked, noticing Marta's glance. "It's the new hybrid developed by the Blake nursery." And she told Marta its name.

Marta stood stunned when the woman left. Then, abruptly, she turned back to her car, thinking, "I can call Garral Ladd later."

She found Colby wrapping red paper around a pot holding one of the new Christmas camelias.

"Can you forgive me, Colby?" she asked humbly. "I'll help wait on customers so we can be together Christmas Eve. You've made me so proud and happy."

"It was the only name for a flower so beautiful, darling."

She felt a touch of awe as she stared at the camelia he was wrapping. How like Colby to express his love by naming it the Marta Manning!

## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:  
I am a little girl six years old and in the first grade. I would like for you to bring me an adding machine and a blackboard.  
My little sister is two years old. She wants you to bring her a doll house with furniture.  
We have been good little girls this year. Please bring us some fruits, nuts and candy.  
Don't forget to bring all the other little boys and girls something.  
Your little friends,  
Barbara Kay Fisch,  
Linda Sue Fisch.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:  
Please bring me a National Champion Football suit and some extra track for my train. Please bring me nuts and candy. Thank you for the toys you gave me last Christmas.  
David Miller.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:  
I would like to have a Toni doll and a doll buggy. Please bring me some candy. Thanks for the nice toys you brought me last Christmas.  
Yours truly,  
Cleatrice Miller.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:  
I want a big baby Coo Doll with hair and sleeping eyes. Don't forget all the other little girls and boys.  
My love,  
Raye Garrison.

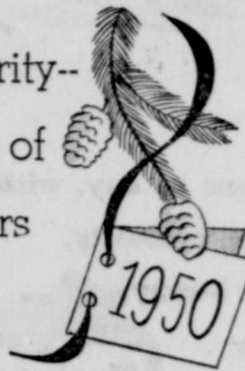
DEAR SANTA CLAUS:  
I would like for you to bring me a train, truck and a boy doll. Please bring David a little wooden wagon full of blocks. We have been good boys.  
Love,  
Bo Billingsley.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:  
I am a little boy four years old. I have been a good boy. Please bring me a pair of boxing gloves and a punching bag, and please bring my little sister, Laquinta Jo, a doll and doll bed.  
I love you,  
Robert Bomar.  
P. S. I'd like some nuts, fruit and candy, too.

TRY A NEWS WANT AD.



In all sincerity--  
the fullness of  
joy be yours  
this Yule.



**WILLSON & SON LUMBER COMPANY**  
We Appreciate Your Business

## Come in and see the New Silver Anniversary Pontiac



**Double Proof**  
that Dollar for Dollar  
you can't beat a Pontiac!

- ① A look at the Car proves its Quality
- ② A look at the Price proves its Value!

In the short time since it was presented, thousands of people have flocked to see the great new Silver Anniversary Pontiac—few cars have ever had a reception to equal this. Most people came to admire, which is natural enough. But a great many people do more than admire, they start figuring—they begin to compare this wonderfully beautiful and desirable car with the modest price tag it bears. No car, at any price, offers more for every new car dollar you invest than a great new Pontiac! Drop in any time and look at the car—then look at the price—you'll be doubly sure that dollar for dollar, you can't beat a Pontiac!

## Bomar One Stop Pontiac

TELEPHONE 15

SILVERTON, TEXAS



Mrs. Wade Welch and Mrs. John Arthur Arnold were business visitors in Tulia Monday.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Bullock and children, of Vigo Park, were business visitors here Thursday.

Recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Pearl Simpson were: Mr. and Mrs. H. L. O. Riddell, Mrs. Ola Mills, Mrs. J. S. Fisher, Mrs. Noble Lyde and daughters and Mrs. W. L. May.

Mrs. W. L. May made a business trip to Tulia Monday.

EVERY TUESDAY Radio & Appliance Service 90 Day Guarantee CANTRELL'S AT SEANEY HARDWARE & APPLIANCE COMPANY

NOTICE!—We will be closed from Saturday, December 23, 3:00 p. m., to Tuesday, January 2, 1951.



We want to say, with deepest sincerity, a very happy holiday to you.

1950

SMITH BEAUTY SHOPPE

"The Skipper Surprised His Wife" December 24 and 25

Returning from a cruise after a long absence from his wife and two youngsters, Lieut. Comdr. Robert Walker is confronted with a dual chore. Because his wife has broken her ankle, he finds it necessary to do the housework as well as attend to his naval duties. He determines that shipboard efficiency and organization can be applied to the operation of a household, and regiments his family's life accordingly. Meanwhile wife Jan Leslie is conniving with the admiral's lady to get her husband out of the service. The plot succeeds; the admiral and Walker are offered lush civilian jobs. Efficiency, however, has jettisoned the romantic aspect of Walker's home, so he does an about-face, passes up the shore job and returns to sea, with everybody happy.

Miss Jo Ziegler Wed to Roy Vaughan of Tulia

Miss Jo Ziegler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ziegler, of Silverton, and Roy Vaughan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Vaughn, of Tulia, were united in marriage, Wednesday, December 13, 1950, by Rev. R. E. Storm in the First Baptist Church of Clovis, New Mexico. Those attending the ceremony were: Miss Janie Bookant, Charles Vaughn, Elclon Vaughn, cousins of the groom, Joan Turner, Lela Jo Parson, and Elwin Vaughn, brother of the groom.

The bride was attired in a lovely blue suit with white accessories. The couple plan to make their home on a farm north of Tulia.

LIONS CLUB DONATE \$100 TO CHRISTMAS PROJECT

A representative of the Lions Club authorized the News to announce the club made up a \$100 donation to help finance the Christmas project that the three Lion Clubs, Turkey, Quitaque and Silverton were sponsoring. The Christmas scene is below the caprock near Quitaque. The money has been turned over to the party in charge of the project, our informant stated.

Sunday School Class Hold Annual Christmas Party

Members of the Friendship and Fellowship Sunday School classes met Tuesday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn for their annual Christmas party. Supper was served at 8 o'clock, then they all assembled in the living room where Santa Clause came and all had a wonderful time. Guests parted at 10 o'clock wishing each a Merry Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie McJimsey and family and Mrs. M. E. Noblett moved to their new home recently purchased from Ware Fogerson.

Mrs. Elmer Stinson, of Plainview, visited with Miss Eunice and Eddie Cox recently. Elmer has been sent overseas.

Mrs. Luke Thompson, Mrs. Dave Zigler and Mrs. Geo. Jones were business visitors in Plainview Tuesday.

Mrs. Grady Wimberly and Harold Seefeldt were business visitors in Lubbock Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bomar and Mrs. Freeman Tate, visited Tuesday and Wednesday in Channing with Mr. and Mrs. Rex Long.

Mrs. Falba Guest visited last Friday in Tulia with Mrs. B. D. Tindell.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Baldwin left Sunday night for Hobart, Oklahoma, in response to a sick message.

daughters, Dee Ann and Mary Lee, of Lubbock, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Bomar.

Mrs. Shelby Haynes visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Burson, in Plainview several days last week.

Miss Estelle Bradley visited her sister, Miss Betty Jean Bradley in Plainview over the week end.

YOU CAN'T MATCH A Frigidalre. Simpson Chevrolet Co. 7-4c

PERSONALS

Dewey Beavers spent the last week in San Angelo for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Self and daughter, Zobie, left Saturday for Corpus Christi, to visit their son, Billy, who has been moved from Oakland, California, to a hospital at Corpus Christi for treatment. Billy is reported to be slowly improving.

Mrs. R. E. Douglas, of Lubbock, visited Sunday with her sister, Mrs. T. R. Whiteside.

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Bomar and little grandson, Andy Colston, of Lubbock, were business visitors in Silverton Thursday and also visited relatives and friends.

Mrs. Gabe Garrison made a business trip to Plainview Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hodges and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Stephenson, of Tulia, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Grady Wimberly Thursday night.

—Mesdames Donald Alexander, Wayne Crawford and daughter, Mary, and Mrs. Lee D. Bomar, were business visitors in Amarillo Thursday.

and Mrs. T. D. Wallace, were business visitors in Plainview Saturday.



HAPPINESS RULE YOUR HOMES THIS SEASON.

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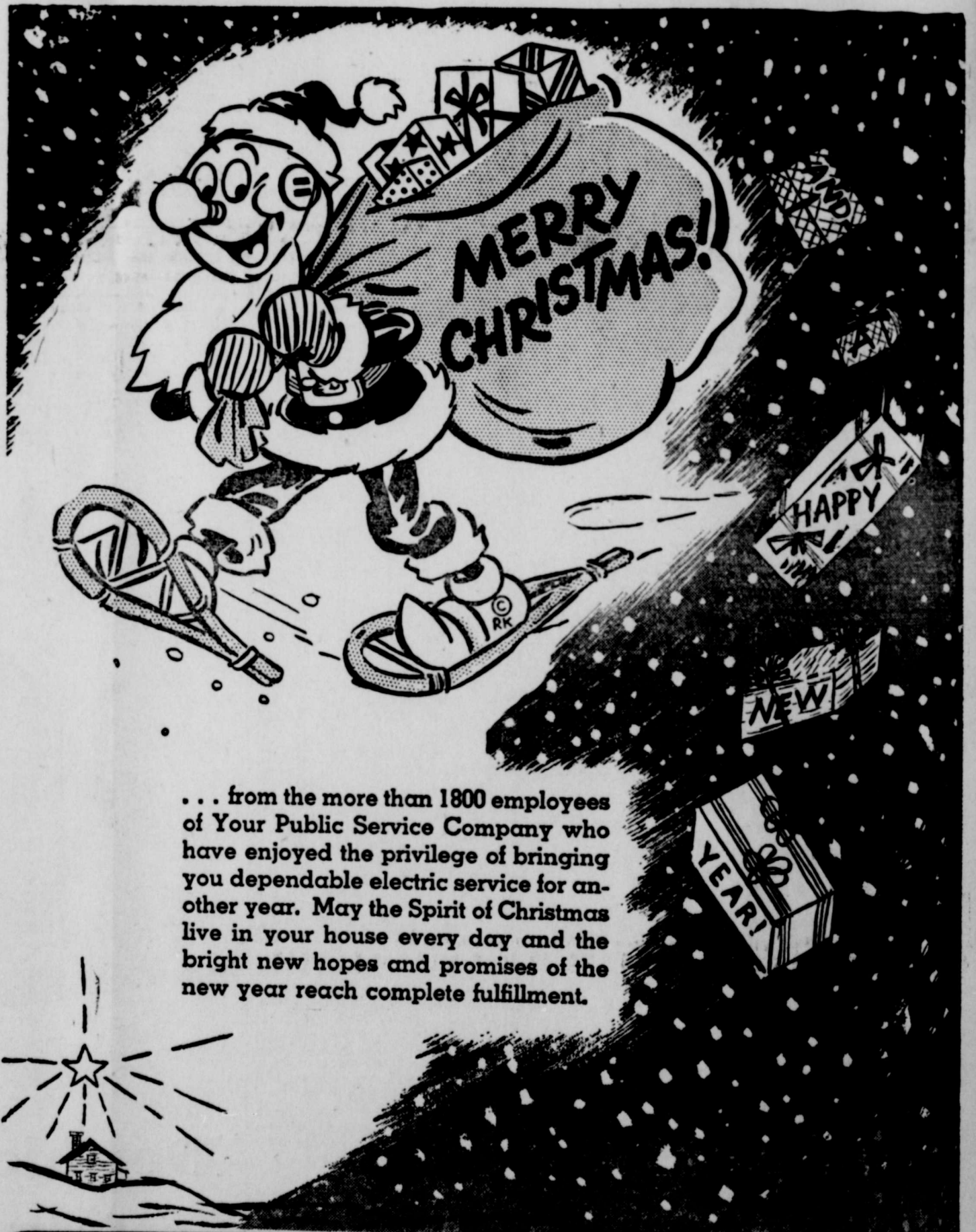


Here's to a bright and beautiful Christmas

1950

CHAPMAN-MINTER DRY GOODS

"We believe business goes where it is invited and stays where it is well treated."



... from the more than 1800 employees of Your Public Service Company who have enjoyed the privilege of bringing you dependable electric service for another year. May the Spirit of Christmas live in your house every day and the bright new hopes and promises of the new year reach complete fulfillment.

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**German Ladies Christmas Monday**

The German Ladies Auxiliary met December 18, with Mrs. ... as hostess for their party. ... assisted by Messer and Northcutt, ... Burson at the piano ... "The Star in ... Mallow told the "Littles Angel" by ... gifts for the children's ... and a cash dona- ... to the home. ... social hour was spent ... Mrs. Burson ... to ten mem-

**THANKS**

One who so gracefully ... during my recent ... cards, flowers, letters ... I extend my sin- ... and appreciation. ... R. E. STEPHENS.

**BIRTH**

Mrs. Jack Laudermilk ... of a baby boy ... in the local hos- ... has been named ... Grandparents are Mr. Claude Laudermilk of ...

R. Dowdy and Mrs. A. ... were shopping in Ama- ... of last week.



Joy be yours this Christmas

Roy Teeter Phone 87-R



HOLIDAY HAPPINESS FOR YOUR HOMES.

1950

STODGHILL'S HARDWARE

**Stores Will Observe Holidays Dec. 25 and January 1**

The stores in Silverton will observe as holidays Monday, December 25, Christmas Day and Monday, January 1, as New Years Day, by being closed all day on the above dates.

The public is requested to keep these dates in mind and do your buying early.

**Harold Joe McMinn Injured in Accident Friday Night**

Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McMinn went to Lubbock Sunday to be at the bedside of their grandson and nephew, Harold Joe McMinn, who was hurt Friday night while returning from a ball game at Abilene as he crossed the railroad near Snyder. A passing train struck the car which Joe and three other boys were riding in. One boy died, one other is still unconscious, one was unhurt, while Joe is suffering from a broken leg and serious head injuries and other wounds. He is in the West Texas Hospital. Drs. say his condition is fair.

**Dinner Guests in Edd Thomas Home Sunday**

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Thomas had as their dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Bert Douglas, of Lubbock; Mrs. T. R. Whiteside, Silverton; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. West, of South Plains; Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Garrison, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watts and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Alexander.

**PERSONALS**

Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn and Mrs. Paul Ledbetter were business visitors in Plainview Friday and visited Fayree McMinn.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lightsey will leave the latter part of this week to spend the Christmas holidays in California with relatives.

**BIRTH**

Mr. and Mrs. Clauda B. Welch are the parents of a baby boy, born December 18, in the Tulia hospital.

Buddy Waldrop, brother of Mrs. Wade Welch, has accepted a position in Plainview.

W. L. Messimer and M. E. Lov- ing, of Quitaque, went on a deer hunt in Eastland county and also attended to business while away.

Mrs. Henry Price was in Lub- bock Saturday and was accom- panied home by her son, Stanley, who spent the week end with his parents.

Mrs. Jim Stevenson and Mrs. Dean Allard took their mother, Mrs. Minnie Stevenson, to her home in Canyon Friday. Satur- day they visited in Amarillo, re- turning home Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Messimer visited in Childress Sunday.

Mrs. H. G. Fein, of DesDemo- nia, is visiting her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Perry and Mrs. H. G. Fein visited relatives in Floydada last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Womack and Mr. and Mrs. H. Roy Brown were business visitors in Amarillo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Summers spent the week end in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Heath and family, in Plain- view.

Mrs. Carl Daniels visited her sister, Mrs. W. L. Messimer one day last week.

Mrs. J. E. Estes, of Amarillo, spent Thursday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Summers. She was enroute to Mississippi, where she will join her husband, and they plan to spend the holidays in New Or- leans, Louisiana. Dutch Tidwell took her to Lubbock where she left by train.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Wright plan to leave Thursday morning for Phoenix, Arizona, where they will spend the holidays with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ownbry.

Genuine Frigidaire Refrigerators at Simpson Chevrolet Co.

**T. E. L. Class Party At Home of Mrs. J. C. Bomar**

The T. E. L. Class party of the First Baptist Church held their annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. J. C. Bomar Friday at 2:30 p. m.

As the group arrived Mrs. Bomar met the guests at the door, where they found the yuletide spirit of old Santa as the gifts were numbered and placed under the softly lighted tree by Mrs. A. A. Howard. The Christmas motif was carried out in the different rooms.

The group lead by Mrs. Howard entered into a contest dressing a snow man. Mrs. R. E. Stephens and Mrs. R. C. Hutsell were win- ners.

Mrs. Jim Bomar lead the group of T. E. L. children in a rhythm band concert.

Mrs. Dee Garvin and Mrs. Sam Brown served the guests fruit cake topped with whipped cream and coffee. The place favors were peppermint candy canes.

Santa Claus assisted Mrs. A. A. Howard in presenting each of the 23 ladies with a Christmas gift.

**P. T. A. Meeting Held December 14**

Thursday night, December 14, the Silverton P. T. A. met in the high school auditorium for their regular monthly gathering. Des- pite the cold weather a good crowd gathered, about one hundred adults were present.

The motion was made and sec- onded for the parents to bring dressed hens to the lunch room so the children could have a chicken dinner in the lunch room on Thursday, December 21.

The first grade won the prize for this month for having the most parents present.

The first grade also gave a very beautiful Christmas program which was under the direction of Mrs. Elms and Mrs. Wingo.

**CLAUD CROSSING CLUB NEWS**

The Claud Crossing Community Club met December 14, 1950, in the home of Mrs. Gabe Garrison for their annual Christmas party.

Games of forty-two and canasta were enjoyed by the ladies before the excitement of opening gifts from the lovely Christmas tree.

Delicious refreshments with a Christmas appeal were served to Mesdames: Alton Steele, Clyde Lightsey, Don Garrison, Obra Watson, Lila Liles, Bud Posey, Bill Martin, Gordon Alexander, Chick Northcutt, Edd Thomas, Kemp Thompson, Albert Mallow, Arnold Turner, Orville Turner, Bill Watts and the hostess.

The January meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Clyde Light- sey.

**Rev. Joel Aldridge's Illness Postpones Services**

Presbyterian services were post- poned last Sunday on account of the serious illness of the pastor, Rev. Joel Aldridge of Tulia.

Mrs. Geo. Jones, Billy and Mrs. Annie Stevenson and Gloria June

**LETTERS TO SANTA**

DEAR SANTA CLAUS: I want a model bottom dump truck. Also two guns and holsters. Mickey Mosley.

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Thursday, Friday, December 21-22

IMITATION OF LIFE

A human interest story brought back by popular demand. Clau- dette Colbert, Louise Beavers, Fedi Washington, Warren Wil- liams.

Saturday Mat and Night, Dec. 23

HILLS OF OLKAHOMA

Rex Allen, Elisabeth Fraser, Rob- ert Karnes, Fuzzy Knight, Roscoe Ates.

Sunday, Monday, December 24-25

FANCY PANTS (Technicolor)

Bob Hope, Lucille Ball, Bruce Cabot, Jack Kirkwood,

Tuesday, Wednesday, Dec. 26-27

SAN QUENTIN

Humphrey Bogart, Pat O'Brien, Ann Sheridan, Barton MacLane.

**WANT ADS**

FOR SALE—Two new inner spring mattresses. See them at Mrs. Pearl Simpson's home. Phone 37-W. 50

CALL W. E. STODGHILL for your electrical repair and service at 106-J or Marler Barber Shop. 50tf

FOR SALE—40 Model Ford Coupe, 48 Model Ford tractor and equip- ment. 1 F-30 Farmall. See Farris Martin. 50-3tp

**NOTICE**

This ranch and leased land is posted against trespassing. Any- one caught on land will be prose- cuted to the full extent of the law.

48-tp ALVIE MAYFIELD

If you want to sell a farm, see Roy Teeter. Phone 87-R

If you want to buy a farm, see Roy Teeter, Phone 87-R. 44-tfc

AUTOMOBILE Insurance. See Roy Teeter. 7-tfc

WANTED—Listings on irrigated and dry land farms and ranches. H. Roy Brown, office phone 46, residence 85. 45-tfc

TURKEY DRY CLEANERS!—Leave clothes at MARLOR BAR- BER SHOP for Turkey Dry Clean- ers. Pick-up Monday evening and delivered Saturday morning. 32-tf

Money to loan on Farms and Ranches at 4 1/2 Interest. See H. Roy Brown. 23-tfc

AVON COSMETICS needs smart mature woman to service custo- mers. Car necessary. Full or part time. Write Box 1054, Amarillo, Texas. 47-8tp

PAPER HANGING AND PAINTING—Quality work, reason- able prices. See T. C. Cherry or inquire at Willson & Son Lumber Company. 13-tfc

USED SERVEL and Electric Re- frigerators, good shape.—Simpson Chevrolet Company. 39-tfc

FOR SALE—1940 Model Mercury and one good stock saddle. H. A. Morris. 48-2tp

CUSTOM BLOCK HEADING FEED—See John or Fred Arnold. 84-2tp

WANTED—Pulling and setting irrigation pumps. See Charles Cowart. Phone 134—M.46. tfc

WATCH — Blackboard at office for bargains. H. Roy Brown. 5-tfc

FIRE INSURANCE on City and farm properties. See Roy Teeter.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Gilkeyson were in Lubbock Thursday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bomar made a business trip to Canyon Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Lyde and

Mrs. Mack Gaston returned to her home in Arlington, Texas after spending a week with her parents and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCracken spent the week end in Bronte and Robert Lee, with his mother and her two sisters.

Mrs. Ola Mills, of Tulia, visited with relatives and friends Thursday and attended to business.

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### Merry Christmas



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1950

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CHRISTMAS JOY

May heaven and nature sing for you this season.



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ACCORDING to the familiar old carol, St. Joseph was an old man. He probably was considerably older than Mary, but people may have thought of him as being older than he actually was because he enjoyed earnest conversation and the companionship of selected friends rather than boisterous pleasures.

When Joseph thought of Mary, he forgot the difference in their ages; she was the girl he had waited for, his beloved. They were espoused—or, as we would say, engaged—which was almost as official as being married. His heart soared on wings of the approaching wedding day, and then...

What Mary insisted had come to pass, simply could not be! Joseph wanted desperately to believe Mary, but such things just didn't happen, and if they did, they happened to somebody else.

Much as he loved Mary, Joseph was a righteous and God-fearing man and while he couldn't even think of making her a public example, he had just about made up his mind to put her away privily. That is, he thought he had made up his mind. In his heart, he knew he couldn't; what would become of her... of her child...

Then one night, after he had exhausted himself with tortured thinking, he fell asleep and the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying:

"Joseph, thou son of David, fear not..."

And when Joseph awoke, he did as the angel had bidden him, and took Mary as his lawful and cherished wife.

"Fear not," the angel spoke unto Joseph. "The angel had declared unto Mary."

"Fear not," the angel said unto the shepherds of Bethlehem.

Christmas Candles Have Been Used By Many Peoples

It would be astonishing, indeed, if no candles appeared in homes throughout the nation on Christmas Eve. The legend which surrounds the custom is believed to have started in Ireland.

There on Christmas Eve a large candle was burned which could be snuffed out only by one named Mary. As the Irish put it: "Who knows, on some Christmas Eve, Jesus and Mary and Joseph may come again, not to Palestine, but to the Holy Isle on the farthest edge of Europe?"

Their first use for Christmas is not recorded in the annals of any nation, but that the "Christ Child Candle", burned in the window of Christmas Eve is, according to an old legend, placed there to light His way if He makes an earthly visitation and in atonement for the night of His birth when there was no room for Him.

Also among the legends is one about bayberry candles burned on Christmas.

During the early history of our country, animal fats were relatively scarce. The branches of the bayberry shrub were covered with wax-giving berries and children were given the task of gathering the berries when candles had to be made so that the animal fats could be conserved.

According to tradition, one who burned a bayberry candle on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day would have long life and a happy one.

An old verse reads: "To learn you luck for the year they say, Burn a bayberry dip on Christmas day. If the flame burns bright and the light shines clear, Good luck will be yours throughout the year."

Hawaiian Christmas is Elaborate Affair

Although many Hawaiians have seen ice only as frozen in mechanical refrigerators, the trees used by the islanders for Christmas decorations are painted white to simulate snow.

Christmas dinner is an elaborate affair, enjoyed in the privacy of the home behind locked doors and drawn blinds. Any open-house hospitality is an economic impossibility; if the shades were not drawn and the doors not locked, homes would be invaded by hordes of strangers—all expecting food and drink.

Gift-giving is the order of the day, as everyone exchanges inexpensive presents. Even the servants in hotels expect and receive gifts from over-night guests.

#### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS To Max Harold Evans, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court of Briscoe County at the Court House thereof, in Silverton, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 15th day of January A. D. 1951, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 2nd day of December A. D. 1950, in this cause, numbered 1384 on the docket of said court and styled Nina Cantwell Evans Plaintiff, vs. Max Harold Evans Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Action by the plaintiff to recover divorce from the defendant, Max Harold Evans, alleging that the defendant was guilty of such excessive cruel treatment towards the plaintiff as to render their living together insupportable; as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Silverton, Texas this the 2nd day of December A. D. 1950.

Attest: (Seal) DEE McWILLIAMS, Clerk, District Court, Briscoe County, Texas. 49-4tc

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lightsey were his sister and son, Mrs. Grace Iron and Weldon, of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Hill and family, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warner Grabbe Sunday.

#### What's-Doing in the Churches

THE METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Grady Adcock, Pastor

Sunday School 10:00 Morning Service 11:00 Children and Young People's Meeting 7:00 Evening Service 7:30 WSCS every other Monday at 3:00

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00 PREACHING Each Third Sunday 3:00 Auxiliary every 1st and 3rd Monday in the homes of the members.

CHURCH OF CHRIST R. L. Bailey, Pastor

Sunday Bible Study 10:00 Sunday Communion and Preaching 11:00 Sunday Young People's Meeting 7:00 P. M. Monday, Ladies Bible Study 4:00 P. M. Wednesday, Prayer Meeting 7:30 P. M.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH G. A. Elrod, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 Morning Service 11:00 Training Union 6:15 Preaching 7:15 Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:00 W. M. U. Monday 2:30 Intermediates GA'S Fri. Eve. 4:00 Junior GA'S Monday 4:00 Brotherhood, First and third Monday night 7:30

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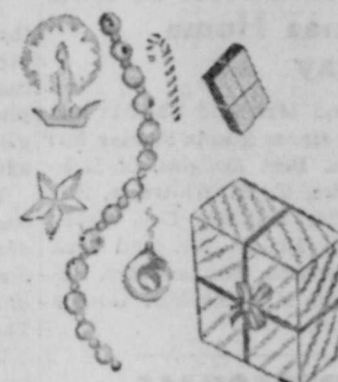
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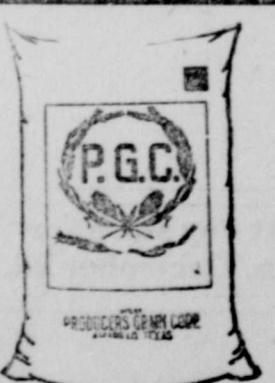
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RODNEY CHECKS ONE OF HIS STEEDS . . . Rodney, who might stand-in for Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer, gets an early morning from old Saint Nick as the bearded old gent prepares for annual visit. Rodney normally inhabits a Chicago zoo.

TEXAS POLIO TOLL REACHES NEW HIGH

A 20 per cent increase over the record 1949 total of polio cases is indicated for Texas this year on the basis of official figures.

According to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Texas will have over 2,800 new cases of polio in 1950.

Texas reported 2,684 cases up to November 18. During November and December in 1949, the state had 217 new cases. The Foundation, using this as a basis of what to expect this year, says

Texas will have more than 2,800 cases. The 1949 total was 2,355.

Meanwhile, Texas has received from the NFIP for patient care slightly more than \$322,708 more than the state sent in to the National headquarters during the last three years.

The state thus has had to depend on other states to handle the complete research financing burden and to even aid with care of Texas patients.

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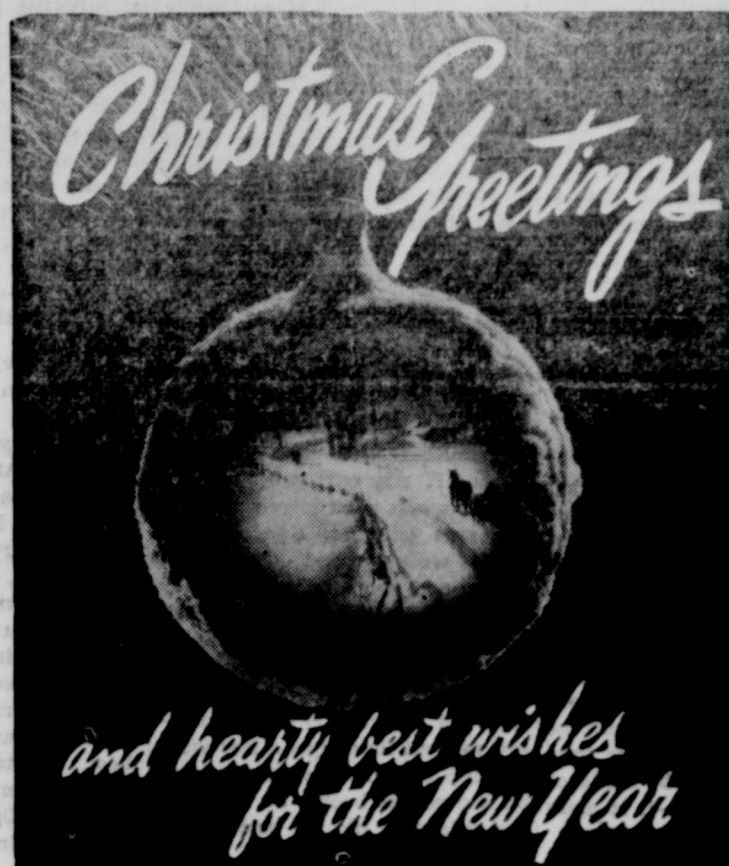
Their Work Will Make Your Christmas Merrier

Telephone people work their busiest gladly through the holidays knowing that your telephone is performing one of its happiest services at this time.

So, if you'll try to place your long distance calls early and avoid "bunching" calls on Christmas day, they'll see to it that your telephone enjoys its full measure of Christmas calls.

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SILVERTON, TEXAS

King Richard's Christmas Feasts

Upon a medieval Yuletide, King Richard III of England dined at Litchfield—and during the festivities 2,000 oxen and 10,000 gallons of wine were consumed.

Of course, the feudal set-up provided the great lords with the means for magnificence. The nobles received gifts from their lords; and the lords received gifts from their nobles; and the gradual process of giving and receiving was well ascertained as the honorarium of any baron or physician.

Elizabeth received a large wardrobe as gifts from her courtiers, and if the quality or quantity was not satisfactory, they were unceremoniously in-ferred from the situation.

Henry III entertained a large number of knights, peers, and nobles who came to attend the marriage of the Princess Margaret, his majesty received a royal Christmas gift of 100 oxen, plus 600 fat oxen from the Archbishop of York.

Similar assistance, whether given or given in the spirit of the season, was well afforded by the Christmas feasts for the king and the one given in West-

minster Hall in 1248, which lasted a week.

Striving to outdo his predecessors and give his successors something to shoot at, Henry VIII kept one Yuletide at which the cost of gold cloth that was used amounted to 600 pounds alone. He had tents erected and artificial gardens plotted within the spacious hall of his palace. Knights came out of the tents to joust in tournaments and fantastically dressed dancers, covered from head to foot with gay ribbon streamers, emerged from the gardens to entertain the guests.

Preparation for the feasting on such occasions is perfectly appalling to epicures of the 20th century—and can only be vaguely comprehended by considering that Richard II normally employed 2,000 cooks to prepare food for the 10,000 persons who dined—irrespective of special feasting—at his expense every day.

Activity Theme Dominates Cards

Modern Christmas cards feature hundreds of interpretations of the popular Nativity theme. Many of these are reproductions of the old masters, while many have been created especially for the Christmas card industry. The Nativity theme, which naturally lends itself to an almost infinite variety of interpretations, has long been the favorite subject of Christian artists. Many of the details, based on certain Bible texts, have been taken from various legends—such as the story of the Magi—which were not included in the Bible until the Wise Men were mentioned in the Gospels.

Annunciation is among the most popular subjects represented in Christmas art, antedating the Magi and Child theme by several centuries, and it is interesting to note that the fathers of the Church have explained how the Madonna should be portrayed: her dress should be blue and her mantle usually blue and

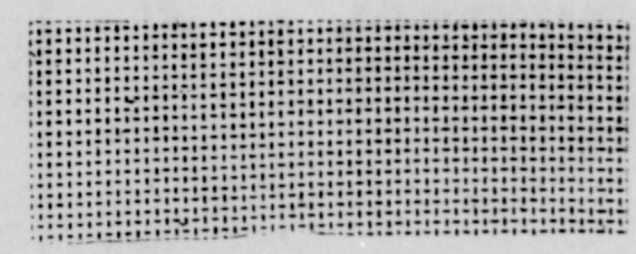
Letters to 'Santa Claus' Come From World Over

Postoffice officials in Santa Claus, Ind., are accustomed to overloaded sacks of mail during the pre-Christmas rush. Senders want their cards and gifts stamped with the famous Santa Claus postmark, plus thousands of wistful letters addressed in childish scrawl to "Santa Claus, Santa Claus, Ind." And then there is the annual crop of "Santa Claus" letters written by youngsters in far-away places who haven't heard about Santa's permanent address in Indiana, U.S.A. At least a dozen versions of the time honored note-in-the-bottle story find their way into metropolitan newspapers every year.

The notes, sealed in small bottles and securely tied to Christmas trees, are discovered by Christmas tree dealers, housewives; and even enlisted men at naval centers and military barracks: they come from places like Renous, a village in New Brunswick, Canada, boasting a total population of 85 inhabitants.

The notes range from the wistful to the desperate, requesting such things as a mamma doll, a sled, a sweater, or a pair of overshoes.

Santa Claus Makes Stop Out West



Christmas comes and reawakens the appreciation of pleasant associations rekindles the warmth of friendships.

To you whose friendly support during the past year has contributed so greatly to our welfare we extend cordial and appreciative thanks.

May your Christmas be happy and the New Year Prosperous.

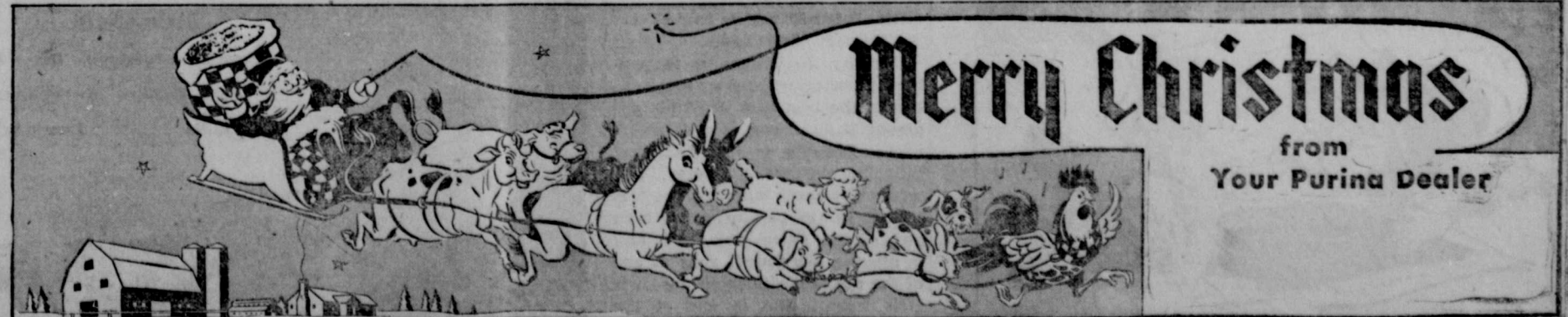
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From the paper staff to all—We wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

### EDITORIAL

In the midst of merry-making over the holidays, let us not forget the real purpose for our Christmas Holidays. It should mean more to all of us than just a vacation from school and exchanging of gifts. Remember the basic reason for this holiday is celebration of the birthday of Jesus Christ. His teachings should be always followed but at this time our affirmation should be made of our faith. Remember—it is more blessed to give than to receive.

### EDITORIAL

By Joe Monday  
Well boys and girls, it looks like you'd better watch out if you don't have your driving license. It may cost you. Driving license aren't hard to get and they may save you a lot. Suppose a car in the wrong pulled out in front of you and you hit them. If they had their license and you didn't you are in the wrong. Driving license cost only fifty cents for operator's, one dollar for chauffeur. If a person is caught driving without license as a few were a while back its just pretty hard on the pocket book. So to be on the safe side it'd be best to get your driving license.

### ONE WEEK FOR CHRISTMAS

When the announcement, "One Week for Christmas" came out the students let out a moan that could have been heard all over the building. Comments like "Other schools have two weeks; we had two weeks last year; its not fair; and others expressing the same idea," were heard from every corner. Doubtless these students have forgotten the week in the

fall when other students of other schools were in class and they were enjoying their vacation. It is much more convenient to make up that lost week now than to make it up next summer when every one is anxious to be out with the other schools.

### A—HONOR ROLL

The following students have straight A's on their report card: First grade, Barbara Kay Fisch; Second grade, Joe Dale Francis, Joy Ann McCutchen; Third grade, Marsha Monroe, Gretchen Morris; Fourth grade, Susan Anderson, Paula Reid, Richard Jarnigan, Dennis Nix.

### A AND B HONOR ROLL

The following students have a's and b's both but still have a 90 average: First grade, Robert Hughes, Joyce Thomas; Second grade, Joe Anderson, Celene Latham, Freddie Scott Dunham, Cleatrice Miller, Doris Estes, Kathryn Raasch; Third grade, Glenda Rae McWilliams, Dickie Mayfield, Joyce Thornton, Bobby Crass, Frankie Lou Hunt, Tommy Henderson, Elaine McDaniel, Teddy Gail Hancock; Fourth grade, James Albert Jacobs, Myrna Sue Bingham, David Miller, Mary Jane West, Veneta Sweek, Sandra Jo Smith, Louengale Norris, Joy Ann Gatewood, Diana Fogerson.

The children in the first four grades are all excited about Christmas. They are very proud of their rooms decorated by the room-mothers and are ready for Santa to come.

### HENRY EVANS

Henry Evans was born in One-ton, Texas, September 16, 1934. He moved to Lockney in 1949, moved to Kress and then to Silvertown. Henry has no favorite food. His favorite sport is tennis but he likes all the others too. He is coming out for basketball although he isn't eligible to play in the games. He plans to come out for football next year. He likes dancing but says he can't dance very well. He is taking band and plays the cornet. Mr. Porter reports him to be a pretty good band student. He has taken band for about 7 years. Henry says he thinks he will like Silvertown. The paper staff wish to be one of the first to welcome him to our school. We hope he likes it here.  
By Millie Marshall.

### LOCKNEY OVERPOWERS SILVERTON OWLS 34-17

The Longhorns walked over the Owls 34-17. The Owls did their best but their best wasn't good enough for the Longhorns. The Owls held the Longhorns down the first half 20-11. The Longhorns got away from them the last half scoring 16 points to the Owls 5. Donald Bean was high point man scoring 6 points.

### SILVERTON STARS OVER FLOMOT 28-8

The Owls played hard and fast last Friday night scoring 19 points to Flomot's 7 the first half. The "B" string boys played most of the last half and showed up good. The Owls 10 points to Flomot's 1. Don Beean was high point man with 16 points.

### CHRISTMAS

By Gay Merrell  
Christmas represents the birth of the Christ child and every year it is celebrated by everyone throughout the United States and other lands. Presents are exchanged among family and friend. Big dinners are eaten and you see people you haven't seen in a long time.

Christmas is a time of gayety and fun, but remember who made it possible for us.

Christmas Eve, lets all say a prayer for the things we have and for the boys who will have Christmas in a Korean fox hole. Merry Christmas, everyone.

### GIRL BASKETBALL PLAYER

By Darrell McWilliams  
Dorothy Jo Heckman is perhaps the shortest, and we feel sure, one of the best basketball players among the girl cagers of this district. Dorothy is just five feet tall, but to see her play, you would not know but what she was just as tall or perhaps taller than any of the other girls. Dorothy is playing her fourth year at one of the guard positions on the Owls girls team. She is one of the team captians this year.

If everyone could play basketball according to their size as Dorothy does for her size, we would certainly have some good teams.

### MISS ANNA LEE ANDERSON

Miss Anderson was born at Silvertown. She likes to teach very much. She said when she was small she had made up her mind to teach. She has been teaching school for thirty years. She likes to watch the children grow from childhood to manhood. She has had many interesting moments she will never forget. Miss Anderson's parents owned the land the school is on before the school was built. When she started teaching the children were older. She taught two different classes and both were very small. Then the school children were twelve and thirteen years of age. She says the year after the following year is more interesting as they go along. She is head of the teachers in the little building.

Miss Anderson went to Quitaque to school for four years. It was then she made up her mind to be a teacher. She moved to Silvertown and finished high school. She went to college at Philadelphia and Boulder City, but she got her degree at Canyon.

### MEET THE SENIORS

Pat Northcutt was born on September 15, 1934 at Silvertown. He started to school at Silvertown in 1940 and has attended school here ever since. He graduated from Grammer School in 1947.

Since entering high school Pat has been a member of the F. F. A. for four years. He was treasurer of the F. F. A. for the year 1949-50. He was elected president for the year 1950-51. In his F. F. A. activities Pat has won reserve champion for three years in the fat steer division of the local Fat Stock Show.

Pat has played football for four years and lettered two years out of the four. He received honorable mention on the All-District team this year.

Pat plans to attend college after graduation.

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

By Gloria Pebsworth

How does Silvertown High like the idea of getting only one week out for Christmas?

Junior Mercer—I think it stinks!  
Mary Dudley—I wish it were like the "good old days," 2 weeks.  
Beth Mason—We ought to get

two weeks, but since we've got new teachers, you know how it is.

Billy Wayne Garvin—I don't think we ought to have to go to school on the first of January.

Mr. Lourance—There's not anything I can do about it so, "I like it."

Miss Breeding—I would like to have two weeks.  
Miss Gunn—It's all right, I guess.

Bonnie Watters—We've always had two weeks until "this year."  
Mary Lou Bellinger—It's all right, we get out a week.  
Five out of nine like the idea.

### POOR JUNIORS

The Junior class has fallen down on grades this year, or is it just that the teachers are harder this year. Here is an example of how you can loose points. You say something out of place its a 2, you chew gum 2, you are late to class 1, you are absent unexcused 2, or excused its just 1. When you loose three or four points a week it adds up fast and the faster it adds the faster you fail.

It looks like that the twelve juniors will be joined by the twenty eight sophomores in the junior class of 1951. Don't tell, but I've heard that three or four sophomore girls are going to be seniors next year. Bet its lone, some in there, and how are three or four girls going to put on a senior play.

Most of the junior boys and girls failed out of basketball the third six weeks and also failed in classes. But there were a few who passed by the skin of their teeth, and managed to crawl over the failing point. The rest of the class wishes to offer congratulations and best wishes to these. Few of the juniors are wondering if they can take the old age pension and still take junior subjects.

### GOSSIP

Nosey head Wanda turned Red down Saturday night. We wonder why?

It seems we have a new couple here at Silvertown High. It's Kay and Darrell O'Conner. We think they make a cute couple don't you?

Something has happened. We never see Joe Wayne with Ruby anymore. We have seen him sev-

eral times lately with Donna Jean. Nosey wonders what bum excuse Mary will use the next time someone she doesn't want to go with asks her for a date.

Sunshine was with Omer Jay Saturday night. She sure changes fast doesn't she.

Joe and Wayma were together Friday and Saturday night. They seem to be getting kinda thick lately.

Nosey wonders if Mary and Carroll can't find better places to park than in front of the school house on Sunday afternoons.

Mary Lou, Pat, Dottie and John were all together Sunday afternoon down in the South part of town.

It seems Billie Don is slipping. We heard he didn't have a date all week end.

Willie has a new girl friend. We heard she's from Tulia.

Beth, Eudean, Bonnie, and Subil sure have gotten up in style. We saw them in a 50 Olds Convertible.

Eudean and Duke, Millie and Carl, Aubrey, Lou and Wallace were all in Quitaque Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Arnold attended the Christmas Cantata at the Presbyterian Church in Tulia Sunday night.

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