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County FM Roads And U. S. 271 Are Due Improvement

The Texas Highway Department has announced that the first step has been taken that will set up a new program of highway work in Titus County for the calendar year of 1957. This new program is especially designed to protect the investment already made in the state system of roads.

Gilbert A. Youngs, district engineer of the Texas Highway Department at Atlanta, has stated that the following state highways and roads are scheduled for new seal coats under this program:

Hwy. FM 71 at Wilkinson E. to Morris County line, a distance of 8.7 miles.

Hwy. U. S. 271—From Franklin County line to U. S. 67 in Mt. Pleasant, a distance of 17.6 miles.

Hwy. FM 1734—From U. S. 67 in Mt. Pleasant to U. S. 67, a distance of 8.9 miles.

Hwy. FM 1735—From St. 49 to Roeder, a distance of 3.2 miles.

Hwy. FM 1000—From U. S. 67 at Cookville to St. 49, a distance of 6.0 miles.

Hwy. FM 2152—From U. S. 271 N. W. to road intersection, a distance of 6.2 miles.

Hwy. FM 899—From Mt. Pleasant to Franklin County line, a distance of 8.4 miles.

At Talco Hospital

Admitted Dec. 13, J. J. Nelson; Dec. 17, Mrs. J. H. Clawson; Dec. 19, M. J. Pendleton and Mrs. L. M. Verbel.

Dismissed: Dec. 18, J. J. Nelson and Mrs. J. H. Clawson.

Fur coats come from skinning dumb animals—including father.

Wreck Involves Car and Truck

Thursday evening on Farm to Market road east of Talco, a '51 Ford driven by Neal Waddell and occupied by Jimmy Matlock and Frankie Stephenson, collided with an American Liberty Co. truck, driven by Dick Hood. As the Waddell car attempted to pass the truck, Hood made a left hand turn. The truck struck the right side of the car, tearing off the door and smashing the right side of the car and bending the left fender of the truck. There was no injury to the occupants except bruises to Frankie's arm. Neal had just arrived home Thursday morning from San Diego, Calif., Naval Base for ten day leave to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Waddell and sons and other friends and relatives. After reporting back to the base he will leave January 21 for parts unknown.

Talco P-TA Has Interesting Meet

Talco PTA held its regular meeting in the school auditorium Thursday evening with a good attendance. E. K. Sparkman, minister of the Methodist Church, gave the invocation. Mrs. Westbrook's second grade room won the attendance prize for grade school and the junior class won for high school.

During the business session Mr. Baten, the president, gave his impression of the State PTA Convention which he attended in Amarillo, in November. Mr. Baten reminded the people to take advantage of the Tuberculosis X-ray unit in Mt. Pleasant December 13, 14 and 15. And everyone was again urged to make preparations for displays at the Arts and

Merry Christmas to Everyone of Our Readers



INTRODUCING Elder C. M. Fields, newly elected pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, who moved onto the field Wednesday to begin his duties as pastor. He comes from First Baptist Church of Friona, where he has served four years. Particulars concerning him appeared in last week's Times.

Handcrafts Show in March. Ribbons are to be awarded in all divisions.

An impressive Christmas program was presented under the direction of Mrs. Nadine Caldwell, program chairman. Little Billy Wayne Flanagan gave a reading, "The Night Before Christmas." Mrs. Westbrook's second grade presented "Why the Chimes Rang." And a group of children from the various grade school rooms became "Living Christmas Cards" in a play depicting all the traditional stories of Christmas. A quartet from high school composed of Dora Ann Gandy, Tommie Jean Calloway, Barbara Medlin, and Linda Haynes, furnished the Christmas carols accompanying the various scenes.

Following the meeting, was a social hour in the school cafeteria. Mrs. Webb, the hospitality chairman, and her assistants, carried out the Christmas theme by serving fruit cake, coffee, cookies, and drinks to adults and children. If you were not there you missed a good program. May we see you at the January meeting?

The distance between some people's ears is one block.

Next Week's Edition Will Be Day Late

Because Christmas comes on Tuesday next week, no business will be transacted by this newspaper on that day. But it will make next week's edition a day late. Please remember newspaper folk don't work on Christmas day when next week's edition doesn't show up on time.

Funeral Held for J. W. Holloman

William Arthur Holloman, 73, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Jessie Lindamoor at San Benito, from the effects of a heart attack.

He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Evelyn Morris, Odessa; Mrs. Connie Lewellen, Hobbs, N. M.; Mrs. Mary Dill, Dallas, and Mrs. Lindamoor; five sons, A. C. Holloman, West Memphis, Ark.; Marvin Holloman, Ft. Worth; J. W. Holloman, Mt. Pleasant, formerly of Talco; Sherman Holloman of Sherman, Doyle Holloman of Dallas, and three step-sons, James Moman of Dallas, Everett and Carter Moman of Sherman; a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The family began arriving at the home of Mrs. Mildred Holloman in Talco on Tuesday and remained until the body arrived on Wednesday and after the funeral Thursday.

Funeral services were held Thursday at 11 a. m. at a Clarksville funeral home with nephews as pallbearers.

A son, Marvin, suffered a heart attack at the funeral and was rushed by ambulance to a Dallas hospital. His condition is unimproved.

SURPRISE BIRTHDAY DINNER FOR MRS. MORGAN

On Friday, Mrs. Aline Morgan's daughter, Mrs. Johnny Cabbell, called on her to prepare a birthday cake for her 76th birthday. By noon other relatives surprised her by arriving for the birthday dinner. She received several nice gifts.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Cabbell and children and Mrs. Alvin Dyke Jr. and sons.

Yes, Christmas Is Coming Again

Vari-colored street lights, decorations in stores and shops and shoppers with their arms laden with brightly wrapped packages, remind us that it is here again—Christmas, that is.

Local schools are dismissed and children are excited about the holiday stretching in to the New Year. Teachers are planning for family get-togethers in their homes; college students are home for the Yule-tide festivities and everyone is feverishly trying to crowd two days work into 24 hours of time.

If too much shopping, gift wrapping and other holiday activities have left you feeling limp and worn, turn the pages of this paper and read the many Christmas greetings from your friends—the merchants and business men of this territory. This will surely revive your Christmas spirit—Peace On Earth, Good Will Toward Men!

Inch Rain Falls In This Area

Rains this week have brought 1.01 inches of moisture to Bogata. Rivercrest reported .83 inches up to midnight Wednesday.

A dense fog, and mist, cutting visibility to one-eighth of a mile, blanketed this area Wednesday. A slow rain began falling in the afternoon.

Chilling wind dropped the mercury to 35 degrees Tuesday morning. Other than this, thermometers have registered from the low 70's to the low 40's.

New and Renewed Times Subscribers

The Times thanks those whose names appear below for their subscription patronage.

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Large Crowd Here Saturday, Santa Claus Parade

There was a large crowd of all ages in Talco Saturday to see the beautiful parade and bring the children to see Santa Claus. The parade was led by two police cars driven by Sheriff Paul D. Brown and Deputy Grayson. Directly behind them were Mr. and Mrs. Donhoe on beautiful buckskin color horses, carrying the American and Legion flags.

The senior band was first in the main parade, followed by the beautiful floats and decorated cars, bicycles and horses and other bands. Santa was riding in the fire truck in the middle of the parade and gave candy to the children.

The cars were beautiful, with the Book Club taking first place. On the floats were Virginia Johnson, representing the freshman class, sophomores by Gail Swope, juniors by Hazle Gable, seniors by Martha Chapman.

Senior Band sweetheart was Eloise Hall. Second prize was a three-way tie between seniors, juniors and sophomores. First prize for the decorated horse went to Gayla Lou Caldwell with her horse driven hitched to a one-horse shay, using Christmas cards as the main decorations. Riding in the shay were Pam Miller and Jane Dell Flanagan.

Carolyn Gauntt was first for the bicycle decorated in bright Christmas colors with her tiny dog riding in the basket. The bands furnished beautiful music.

R. A. Miller, Roy Beasley and John Lewis attended the funeral of Lynn and Tom Cox's brother in Winnsboro Wednesday afternoon. Lynn and Tom formerly lived in Talco.

Mrs. Oscar Morgan Rites Thursday

Mrs. Oscar Morgan, age 70, passed away Tuesday at 11:50 a. m. at Baylor Hospital in Dallas, from the effects of a heart attack. Mrs. Morgan had been in poor health about two years and had gone to Dallas for treatment. She was born Nora Emma Hanks, November 27, 1886. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan celebrated their golden anniversary five years ago.

Funeral services were Thursday at 2 p. m. at Calvary Baptist Church, Talco, conducted by Revs. Orban Harper and Joe Denton of DeKalb, under the direction of Smith-Bates Funeral Home. Burial was in Friendship Cemetery, near Mt. Vernon.

Pallbearers were Red Hanks, Robin Slaughter Jr., Jack Mills, Eugene, Ennis and M. L. Brown, cousins and nephews of the deceased, all of Talco.

Survivors are her husband, Talco; two sons, Willie and Smiley Morgan, both of Dallas; eleven grand-children and two great-grandchildren, and one brother, Claud Hanks of Bloomington, Cal.

Basketball Schedule Talco Trojans

Following is the schedule of the Talco Trojans basketball games for the balance of the season. Star denotes home games:

Dec. 14—Talco vs Linden.

Dec. 18—Talco vs. James Bowie*

Jan. 8—Talco vs. Hughes Springs*

Jan. 11—Talco vs. Liberty*

Jan. 18—Talco vs. Bogata

Jan. 22—Talco vs. Pewitt

Jan. 25—Talco vs. Linden*

Jan. 29—Talco vs. James Bowie

Feb. 1—Talco vs. Liberty

Feb. 5—Talco vs. Bogata*

Feb. 12—Talco vs. Bogata*

Feb. 15—Talco vs. Pewitt*

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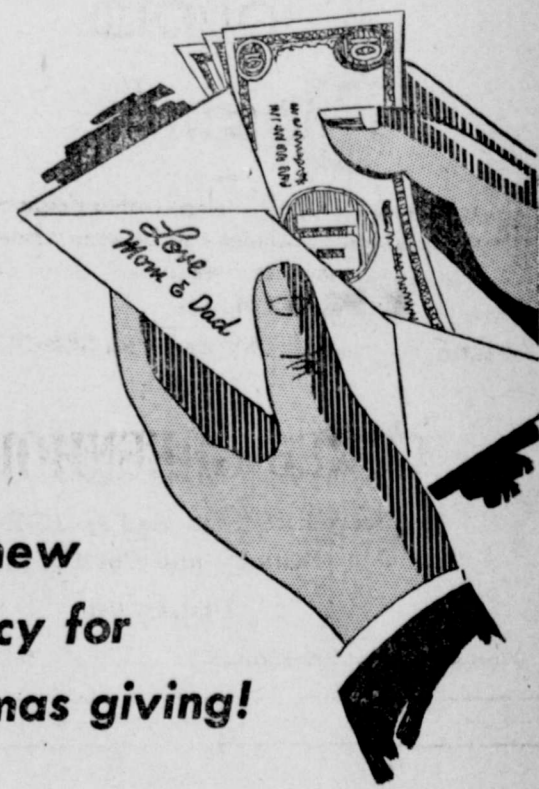
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Highlights and Sidelights FROM Your State CAPITOL

By VERN SANFORD, Texas Press Association

Austin.—Christmas has come to the Capitol, and all the traditions are being observed.

A mammoth 40-foot tree with hundreds of lights centers the rotunda. State employees, from the youngest clerk to the top man, gather round the huge tree once each year to sing Christmas carols.

For the first time, Gov. Allan Shivers and his family will spend Christmas in the Mansion. In the past they've gone to Sharyland, their Rio Grande Valley home. But this year they're staying here to get ready for moving . . . to make room for Gov.-Elect Price Daniel who takes office on Jan. 15.

Sen. Daniel is working against time to get legislative and inauguration plans settled before the first of the year. Then he must go to Washington to serve two more weeks as senator.

But between being senator and getting ready to be governor, the Daniels hope to sandwich in a simple family holiday at their Liberty ranch home.

"BETTER GOVERNMENT" BILLS—An extensive legislative program, designed to prevent recurrence of state scandals has been unveiled.

Sixteen "better government" bills were formulated in the attorney general's department under sponsorship of the Texas Press Association. TPA's legislative committee approved the measures and has called on Texas newspapers to work for their passage.

Bills are aimed primarily at secrecy in public affairs. They would outlaw closed meetings of governmental bodies, force publication of official transactions and impose penalties for suppression of public records. Insurance companies would be required to publish financial statements at least twice a year. Names of veterans applying for land under the veterans land program would be publicized.

DANIEL BACKS WATER

PLAN—Gov.-Elect Price Daniel will submit as emergency legislation the proposed \$100,000,000 water development fund.

Daniel said he will support this and other objectives of the Texas Water Resources Committee's program. But he said he wants to study further before making a tax recommendation.

According to committee members, the \$100,000,000 revolving fund would not require a special tax. It would be used to extend credit to local governments for water conservation projects.

However, the committee did suggest taxes to buy water storage space in federal reservoirs. Proposed levies would increase fishing licenses 50 cents and place a five per cent excise on pleasure boats and motors.

CITIES FIGHT OVER WATER—Texas' largest cities have squared off in a water rights battle that promises to surpass all others.

Southern Canal Company has asked the State Water Board for a permit to withdraw 200 million gallons daily from the Trinity River for industrial use in the Houston area. Houston has indicated it is backing the company's plan.

Trinity River Authority, together with Fort Worth, Dallas and other cities using Trinity water are protesting. Testimony before the Water Board is expected to be complex and lengthy.

WATERFALL DEFICIENT—All areas of the state are nearing the end of the year with substantially less-than-normal rainfall.

State Board of Water Engineers reports 11-month deficiencies ranging 12 to 19 inches. Storage in major lakes continues at about 43 per cent of capacity.

DROUGHT AID EXTENDED—U. S. Dept. of Agriculture has extended from Dec. 31 until March 15 the emergency program to help livestock owners in drought areas buy feed.

Gov. Shivers commended this decision and asked that USDA

GAME WARDENS FIND 'WILDCAT'

Two state game wardens halted an auto near Rucker's Bridge in north Lamar County on suspicion of game law violations Friday night and captured 11 half-gallons of wildcat whisky instead.

Wardens Reb Burks of Paris and Oma Puckett of Clarksville were cruising along the farm highway near Rucker's Bridge shortly after 9 p. m. when they noticed two Negroes in a suspicious car.

They halted the auto, checked it and found the moonshine whiskey. A quick call brought Sheriff Dan Bills to the scene, and resulted in charges of possessing unstamped liquor against two Red River County men, Roy Frazier and Estine Love.

The two pleaded guilty Saturday to the charges. Frazier was fined \$200 and costs, Love \$100 and costs.

also extend grazing privileges under the soil bank program. He requested railroads to continue reduced freight rates for hay shipments to drought areas.

Cameron and Willacy Counties have been added to bring the total drought-hit counties in Texas to 233 out of 254.

SHEPPERD OFFERS AID—Atty. Gen. John Ben Shepperd will go to Tennessee next month to help defend persons charged with interfering with school integration. Shepperd, whose term of office ends Jan. 1, will act as a private citizen.

A federal court order has enjoined persons from interfering with Clinton school integration by "thought, deed or word." Shepperd said he thought this "too broad."

SHORT SNOTS—There'll be a several months delay, Land Commissioner Earl Rudder has told some 13,000 veterans applying to purchase land. Money from the additional \$100,000,000 bond program voted in November will not be available until sometime between April and June . . .

USDA has upped its forecast of Texas' 1956 cotton crop to 3,610,000 bales—a 10,000-bale increase over the November estimate . . . Texas farmer is becoming a big operator, according to the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research. From 1949-53 the number of farms decreased 12 per cent, but total area under cultivation jumped by a half million acres. Results: fewer farms, but more in the \$25,000 a year bracket. . . . Austin school authorities may ask the legislature to establish a special school for the teenage boys who serve the law-makers as pages. In the past, pages have missed a semester of work . . . Newly-elected prosecuting attorneys came to Austin for a short course in state codes and procedures. Sponsors were the University of Texas School of Law and the Attorney General's Department. A course for incoming sheriffs and deputies was held simultaneously by the Department of Public Safety.

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Of course, there would have been some estate taxes and administration expenses in the father's estate, but that would have been much less than the taxes which resulted from the gift. However, depending upon individual and particular circumstances, there may be occasions when a gift is advisable. Your lawyer can advise you on this matter.

A bowlegged man can always be thankful he wasn't born a girl.

Is That Christmas Gift Taxable?

Although it may come as a surprise to some people, the federal government levies a tax which applies to gifts made by one person to another. However the government has no desire to tax ordinary birthday and Christmas gifts. The law therefore excludes from taxable gifts the first \$3,000 given to each individual in each calendar year.

The law also excludes from taxable gifts, gifts to the church, community chest, and similar charitable organizations, and allows each giver an exemption of \$30,000—before the tax applies.

The tax applies whether the gift is of money or of property. If it is of property, the tax is computed on the fair market value of the property at the date of the gift.

The purpose of many gifts is to remove the property from the taxable estate of the giver at the time of his death. This may or may not be accomplished. The federal law provides that transfers made within three years before date of death shall be deemed to have been made in contemplation of death and shall be taxable in the estate of the one who dies.

It may be advisable to "look a gift horse in the mouth" for the gift may cost the one who receives the gift in income taxes as well as the giver in gift taxes.

For income tax purposes the cost basis of property received by the gift is the cost to the giver regardless of the fact that the giver may have paid a gift tax on the gift. The other rule is that in case of property received by inheritance, the cost basis is the fair market value at the date of the decedent's death.

An example will show the application of the rules. Suppose a farmer acquired his land in the early days at a cost of \$10,000. This property is now worth \$50,000. The farmer wishes to retire and to escape estate taxes, so he gives the farm to his daughter.

Although he may pay federal gift taxes totaling several thousand dollars, when the daughter decides to sell the farm for its \$50,000 value, she still has to pay income tax on \$40,000 profit (difference between the sales price and her father's cost of \$10,000).

On the other hand, if the farmer had not given the farm to the daughter, but had left it to her under his will, he would have saved the gift tax. The daughter would have taken the property at a cost basis of \$50,000, so upon the sale she would not have had to pay any income tax.

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Why not do your shopping now by filling out the order blank found elsewhere in this issue. All gift subscriptions will be announced thru the columns of this newspaper.

MCCRURY TO BE HONORED ON 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Observing the Golden Wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Tient McCrury of Bogata, their children will hold open house at the McCrury home in Northeast Bogata on Christmas Day, Dec. 25, between the hours of 2:00 and 4:00 p. m. All their friends have a cordial invitation to attend.

A PART OF CHRISTMAS

Holly branches are part of the Christmas scene. Even before there was a Christmas the ancient Romans found that the shiny, prickly green leaves and red berries of the holly tree were ideal as festive adornment for the halls where they celebrated their feasts of Saturnalia.

Holly came to be considered sacred by many because its beauty was greatest at a time when most other trees were barren. Evil spirits and witches hold powerful sway in the legends and folklore of all peoples and they account for holly's present position as a doorway decoration. It was placed over entryways and windows in the belief that its thorns would ward off these unwanted visitors. Regardless of legendary spirits, one thing is sure, Christmas holly is here to stay as an expression of the friendliness, good will and joy of the season.—Industrial News.

Local District WHD Agent Is Transferred

Miss Edith Wilson, District Extension Agent, will leave her post at Mt. Pleasant January 1 to accept a similar position in Amarillo, District 5 which headquarters at Mt. Pleasant includes Lamar County on the western boundary.

Miss Wilson will become District 1 agent where the agent has retired.

Mrs. Gladys Kolander, Titus County Home Demonstration Agent, will succeed Miss Wilson.

GLASSES NO CURE-ALL
Many persons assume that

FARM MACHINERY THEFT AT LINE BRANCH

Various farm implements were stolen last week from the Claude Morgan farm at Line Branch. It has been reported that the theft was witnessed by an unidentified party. Two suspects, both Hagensport residents, were arrested Friday night by Constable W. J. Corbell of Bogata.

wearing eye glasses will cure them of the ailment for which they were prescribed. But this is not the case. Instead, they serve merely as a badly needed corrective for vision for those who are nearsighted, farsighted or have an astigmatism.

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ed by his cousin, Mrs. Neva Crump and children visited her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Rook Jordan, and children of Paris, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Welch visited his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Mankins of Mt. Pleasant and also her mother, Mrs. Pearl Hays of Mt. Pleasant, on Sunday evening.

and children of Lake Charles, La., are visiting his mother, Mrs. Maggie Humphries and his sisters, Mrs. Shep Barber and Mrs. Herman McElroy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Carroll accompanied their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Milton Carroll and baby to their home in Yorktown, after an extended visit here.

Mrs. Reed Hostess to Book Lovers Club

The Book Lovers Club met in the home of Mrs. Lyndon Reed Friday afternoon for its final meeting of the year. The entertaining rooms were very festive looking with poinsettias, fruit arrangements and other traditional Christmas decorations. Mrs. Juarene Sanford was welcomed as a new member.

Roll call was answered with facts about France, and Mrs. Garland Jagers brought the very inspiring story of the French heroine and Saint, Joan of Arc.

The social hour was enjoyed playing bingo. Mrs. Sidney Frugia and Mrs. Everett Blackburn were winners of the floating prizes. Mrs. Reed served beautiful refreshments of red and green sandwiches, white cake squares decorated with red bells and white candles, potato chips and spiced tea to Mmes. Felix Jones, J. L. Cato, E. W. Smith, Sidney Frugia, John D. Wright, W. R. Sanford, Garland Jagers, Ed Nugent, Everett Blackburn and H. O. Williams.

The Christmas party for members and their husbands will be Friday, Dec. 21 at 7 p. m. at the Humble Recreation Hall.

The next club meeting will be January 11, in the home of Mrs. Blackburn.

Coffee Honors Mrs. R. A. Miller

On Thursday morning from 9:30 until 11 o'clock, Mmes. Helen Warnell and L. R. Brewer were co-hostesses at the home of Mrs. Brewer for Mrs. R. A. Miller, who is moving to Mt. Pleasant soon.

The living room was lovely with beautiful mums. Mrs. Miller was presented with a lovely pink bedroom light and a pink chenille bath set from special friends, of whom several were unable to attend the coffee. Those having part in the gifts were: Mmes. John Stone, Lee McAfee, Odell Morrison, M. J. Pendleton, T. W. Orr, F. A. Jones, G. G. Ryan, Charlie Worden, Norman Register, Bessie Sears, Walter Cunningham, Joe Hall, Harold Bonham, Joe Kirl, Jack Winn, Dan Cotten, J. A. Davis, Maggie Barnard, H. M. McMasters, G. N. Anderson, Sallie Gage, J. W. Gray, W. R. Shaw, C. E. Griggs, H. M. Pierson, Charlie Parsons, Dick Cain, Gayle Burnham, C. E. Blackburn, Mattie Eberts, Frank Sloan, L. M. Hambrick, W. E. Chapman.

Those from out of town were: Mmes. Tommie Hicks, Mt. Pleasant; Bobby Roberts of Winnsboro, Ruth Zollar, Tyler, and R. L. Smitherman of Overton and the hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Funderburk order The Times sent to Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hobbs for a year.

Sunday S. Classes Have Fellowship

Mmes. Ney Blackburn, Jack Mills, Lorena McFerrin and W. E. Welch were co-hostesses to the Dorcas and Friendship Sunday School classes of the First Baptist Church on Friday evening at the Humble Recreation Hall for their annual Christmas fellowship.

The hall was beautiful in soft lights with the register table at the entrance laid with a cream crocheted cloth with a center piece of sumac and cedar with blue balls. To the right of the door was the manger scene set on a pale pink cloth with tiny Christmas lights. Chairs for the guests were arranged in a semi-circle around the beautiful tree centering the room, a center piece on the piano was a candle arrangement. Holly and Merry Christmas in silver lettering finished the decorations. The program consisted of Christmas story by Mrs. Mills, carols played by Miss Gabie Jean McFerrin, Christmas songs by Miss Barbara Harris with own accompaniment on the guitar, Miss Mary Banks of Mt. Pleasant, played several numbers on the accordion and sang.

Following the program a fellowship hour was enjoyed with games conducted by Mrs. Mills, then gifts were exchanged. Refreshments of open face sandwiches, pickles, olives, individual pecan pies decked with whip cream and a cherry, with cold drinks and coffee were served by the hostesses to Mmes. Leon Hall, Clifton North, Daisy Harris, Lena Stockton, Georgia Sullivan, Ola Faulkner, Kathleen Bean, Roy Lilley, Aubrey Harris, Elison Hobbs, Edmond Brown, Lee McAfee, D. E. Howard, Alline Pope, Lenna Brown, Cecil Stockton, Carthal Gibson, Naomi Fitch, Ruby Horn, Ima Sikes, Ophelia Hood, Joyce Alexander, Lillie Farmer, Gladys Garretson, Tommie J. Burleson, Iva Lee Gauntt, Onna Hooper, Daisy Harper, Opal Morris and special guests, Mrs. Hollie Banks and Mary of Mt. Pleasant, Barbara Harris and Gabie Jean McFerrin.

The classes presented their teacher and assistant teachers with beautiful gifts.

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CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

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MAPLE SPRINGS

By MARVIE RANDLE
Thru error these names were omitted in the list of those sending gifts to the bridal shower of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Graf: Mr. and Mrs. Ney Blackburn and boys, Mr. and Mrs. John Parr, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Clabe Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Shipp and son of Mt. Pleasant, Barbara Graf of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Blalock and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Holcomb and Brenda, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Lennox of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Franks and children, Miss Dorothy Dyke, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Logan of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Anchutz.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Randle and Doyce of San Antonio, are spending the week with Mrs. George Randle.

Mr. and Mrs. Sebe Terrell and children of Argo, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Ritcherson.

Phillip Medlin of Talco, spent Sunday with C. W. Fry.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Goss of Mt. Pleasant, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Brown.

Bobbie Ruth Williams is visiting her sister in Texarkana.

The Maple Springs school had three absent Monday.

The Maple Springs School will have its annual Christmas dinner December 18. They will start serving at 5:30 p. m. After the dinner there will be a Christmas tree and Santa will distribute candy.

BEGINNERS AND PRIMARIES ENTERTAINED TUESDAY

Teachers of the Beginners and Primary department of First Baptist Church, Mrs. Wayman Alexander, Mrs. Carthal Gibson and Mrs. Aubrey Harris, entertained their class with a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Alexander Tuesday night. The children enjoyed games and exchanged gifts from a beautiful tree in the living room. Near the tree was the manger scene. Each child was presented a bag of candy and fruit from their teacher.

Refreshments of cookies and cold drinks were served to Butch and Cindy Burleson, Linda Pope, Glenda Stockton, Kay Lilley, Martha Faulkner, Nelda Alexander, Sandra Hall, Cheryl Pinkston, Berenda and Beverly Alexander, Mike and Steve Hooper, Mike Slaughter, Donald North, Robbie Joe Gibson, Billy and Jimmy Ottinger, Randy Mills, Carol Faulkner, Billy Lon Hall, David Hobbs and Gary Wallace.

Mrs. George Burleson and Mrs. Jack Mills helped the hostesses with the refreshments. Several of the parents were present to help entertain the children.

Mrs. Gabie Crawford visited Miss Ada Stephenson of Mt. Pleasant, Saturday.

Miss Jackie Winn of Dallas, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Winn.

Hollie Banks of Mt. Pleasant, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Fuller on Friday night.



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for the Holidays
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A Happy Yuletide

As Christmas again lights the world with its message of peace and good will, so our thoughts are brightened by the warm memories of pleasant associations contributed by our friends.

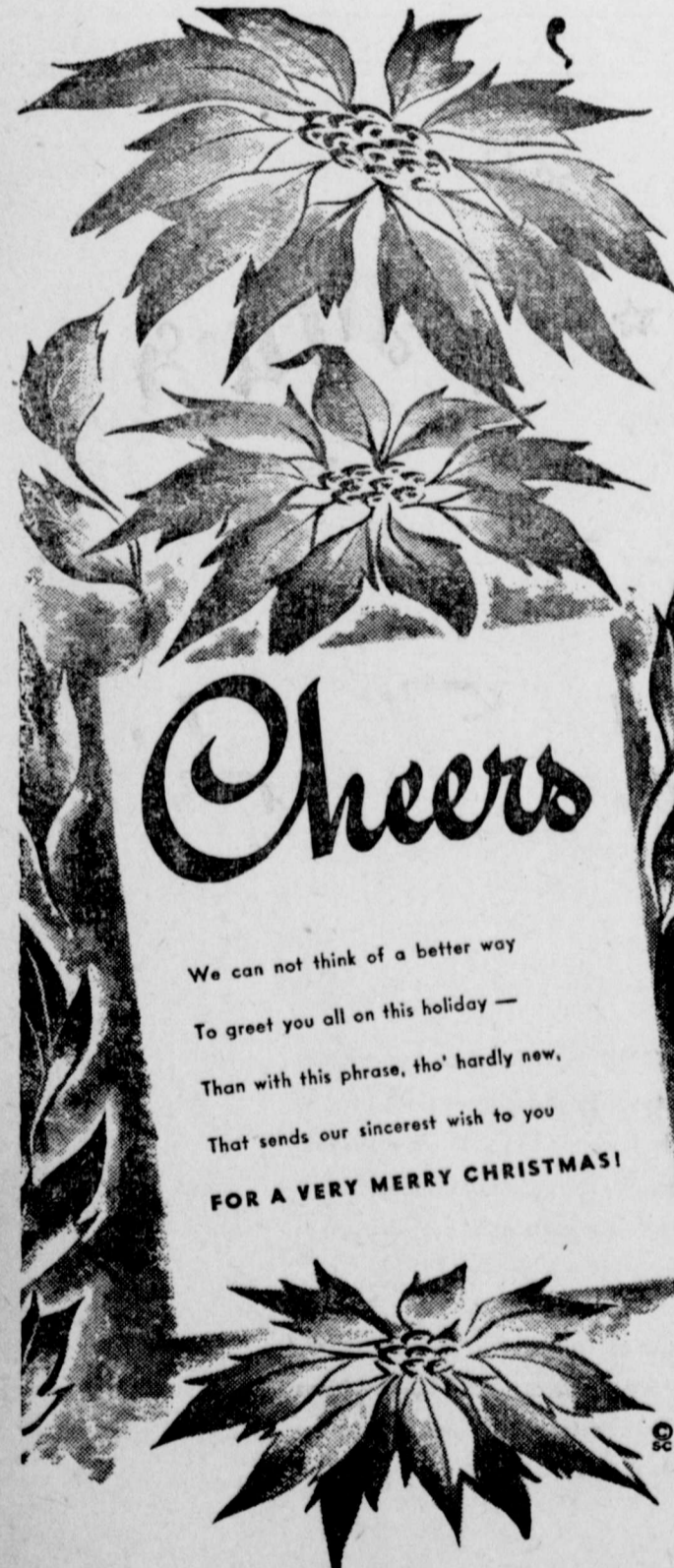
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MAY THE CHRISTMAS BELLS RING IN A MOST HAPPY SEASON



May the Christmas bells ring with all the happiness that you so richly deserve, is our Christmas wish to the people of this community. May the true spirit of the Yuletide linger on through every day of the coming year as a reward for your thoughtfulness and kindness.

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That sends our sincerest wish to you
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GREETINGS

from US to YOU



Once more it is our pleasure to extend the compliments of the season and express our hope that the New Year will bring to you and yours the abundance of good things and good health you

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Happiest of Holiday Seasons . . .
may it be filled with the Best of everything!

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his home town newspaper, you
can lay a bet he bought it to read
its contents 52 times during the
year.

We don't want to spoil the ef-
fect of a paragraph in The Talco
State Bank's ad this week. It is
a little joke that might be mis-
leading if you don't read it liter-
ally. Anyway, read it a second
time before taking action.

Winter puts in its official ap-
pearance Friday, Dec. 21 at 3 p. m.
It is also the shortest day of the
year with sunrise at 7:30 and sun-
set at 5:31. When the editor re-
calls how cold he was two morn-
ings in November on a deer stand,
he thought then winter had ar-
rived and the calendar in error.

Take it easy while driving dur-
ing the holidays. Let's lower
those tragic figures from last
Christmas driving. The causative

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Rates: 3 cents per word first in-
sertion; 2 cents per word each ad-
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FRIENDSHIP CLASS ENJOYS FELLOWSHIP

Mrs. W. H. Cogburn and Mrs.
R. L. Prestidge were hostesses to
Friendship Sunday School Class
of Calvary Baptist Church Thurs-
day night in the home of Mrs.
Cogburn. Business was called to
order by President Mrs. K. W. Tut-
t. Mrs. John Cook voiced the
opening prayer. A short business
session followed. The Christmas
devotional was given by Mrs. R.
L. Prestidge.

A prayer by Mrs. L. R. Miller;
Mrs. M. J. Davis and Mrs. Ardell
Flanagan led the group in several
Christmas games. Refreshments
were served to Mmes. R. H. Whit-
ney, Milton Whitney, Ardell
Flanagan, Davis Harton, K. W.
Tutt, John Cook, J. W. Via, M. J.
Davis, L. R. Miller, R. W. Weising-
er and the hostesses, Mrs. Pres-
tidge and Mrs. Cogburn.

factors in these accidents were
principally speeding, driving
while intoxicated, driving on the
wrong side of the road, failure to
grant right of way and following
too close—in that order. Again
we repeat—take it easy.

CARD OF THANKS

Our sincerest thanks for the
numerous ways you, our friends,
helped us during my illness.
Your visits, flowers, cards and
the food were truly appreciated.
May God bless you.
Mrs. A. C. Jones.

HOUSEWARMING HONORS MR. AND MRS. J. W. VIA

On Monday evening Mmes. Leo
Roberts, Lloyd Gaunt and Davis
Harton were co-hostesses at the
home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Via
for a housewarming, congratulat-
ing them on their new home. Mr.
and Mrs. Via received many beau-
tiful gifts for their new home.
Fellowship with friends was en-
joyed and each toured the beau-
tiful, spacious home, located on
Crawford Avenue.

The hostesses served coffee and
cookies to Mr. and Mrs. Elroy
Brock, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hood,
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hawthorne,
Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Burton, Mr.
and Mrs. Cecil Cannaday, Leo
Roberts, Lloyd Gaunt and Caro-
lyn, Davis Harton, Mrs. Bettye
Winkle and Charles, Mrs. F. M.
Hall, Mrs. Fred Coker. Several
sent gifts who were unable to at-
tend.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SERVICES SUNDAY

There will be special Christmas
services and a program Sunday
evening, beginning at 6:30 at the
Assembly of God Church. The
program will begin with the
young people singing Christmas
carols, followed by the Christmas
message by the pastor. His sub-
ject will be "Christ is Born." Af-
ter the message two of the Sun-
day School classes will present a
short program before gifts are ex-
changed. Everyone is welcome to
these services.

BANQUET FOR MASONS AT HOTEL STEVENS

The Tri-County Scottish Rite
Club enjoyed a banquet at Hotel
Stevens in Mt. Pleasant on Fri-
day night. The speaker was C.
W. Hudson 33rd degree of Dallas.
Those from Talco enjoying the
occasion were Mr. and Mrs. V. L.
Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coker,
Mr. and Mrs. Riley Gibson, Mr.
and Mrs. J. R. Poston, Mr. and
Mrs. A. L. Sikes, Rev. and Mrs.
E. K. Sparkman, and Mr. and
Mrs. C. E. Griggs.

EYES DO AFFECT GENERAL HEALTH

While it is generally true that
it is impossible to strain our eyes
to the point of permanent dam-
age, eyestrain can—and often
does—contribute to such wide-
spread discomforts as indigestion,
nervous fatigue and a general
lowering of physical efficiency.

Mrs. Fletcher Hanks visited her
daughter and family on Wednes-
day, Elder and Mrs. Claud Boyd,
Speedy and Karen of Mt. Pleas-
ant.

WSCS ENTERTAINS THEIR HUSBANDS

The WSCS met at the church
annex Wednesday evening for a
banquet honoring their husbands.
Christmas songs were sung and
the story of Christmas was told
by giving the meaning of each
letter in the word. Each fact was
written on the bulletin board over
the manger scene near the beau-
tiful tree decked with gifts.

Gifts were exchanged among
Rev. and Mrs. E. K. Sparkman,
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sloan, Mr.
and Mrs. William Parks, Mr. and
Mrs. Dick Cain, Mr. and Mrs. J.
R. Poston, Mr. and Mrs. E. K.
Burks, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cox,
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brown, Mmes.
D. H. Kelley, Laura Hendrick, J.
W. Gray, A. E. Foster, W. C. Tan-
ner and W. H. Hammond.

JUNIOR SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ENTERTAINED

Miss Alice Ruth Tidwell, Mmes.
Elmer Harris and John Stockton,
Junior teachers of the First Bap-
tist Church, entertained their pu-
pils with a Christmas party in the
home of Miss Tidwell Tuesday
night. The group enjoyed several
games before exchanging gifts.

Refreshments of cream, cake
cold drinks, candy and fruit were
served by the hostesses to Gayle
Henley, Janie Hood, Carolyn Kel-
ley, Rita Martin, Barbara Harris,
Linda Blalock, Paula Edwards,
Donald Stockton, Jas. Mills, Jer-
ry Lynn Faulkner, Larry Slaughter,
Bettye Stockton, Gable Jean
McFerrin and Mrs. Lorena Mc-
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THURSDAY & FRIDAY



SUNDAY & MONDAY



TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY



Best wishes for a
Merry Christmas
and a
Happy Holiday Season



GREETINGS

TO ALL OUR
MANY FRIENDS—
OLD AND NEW

We're going all out to wish our very good friends
and customers the very best that the season
offers — may you and yours enjoy the merriest
Christmas ever.

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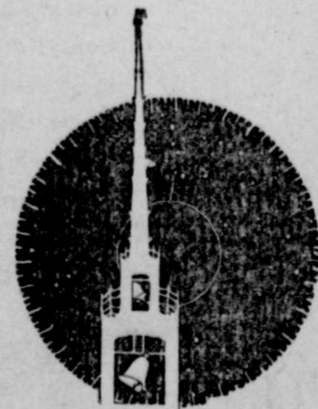
OTIS LAWRENCE



Pleasant Yuletide Thoughts

THE YULETIDE SEASON brings with it
pleasant thoughts of friendships—tried, proven
and cherished throughout the past. It makes us
realize that friendly associations with our fellow
men are invaluable in both public and private
life and are above things material.

It is significant of the season, then, that we
pause to say Merry Christmas and Happy New
Year. And for your friendships and favors we
are truly grateful.



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LOCAL NEWS

by MRS. W. E. WELCH
Reporter
Phone DR 9-3511

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Sain spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Ural DeShong of Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Brewer of Kilgore, spent Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Brewer.

Miss Johnnie Stockton, Dallas, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Stockton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Collins send The Talco Times to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Moore, Palestine, as a Christmas gift.

Bob Bradley and Mrs. Pearl Hays of Mt. Pleasant, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Welch on Tuesday.

Mrs. Ruth Jones spent Monday in Longview with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nichols Jr.

Mrs. Fred Coker visited Mr. and Mrs. Leon Coker of Naples and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hearn of Omaha on Sunday.

William Richard Swarts of Ft. Sill, Ok., brother of Mrs. Mildred Holloman, has been promoted from corporal to sergeant.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Pope and family visited his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Shoffner at Rosalie on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenyon Eaton and Nancy of Centerville, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Perdue.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Thomas visited her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey D. Robertson of Mt. Pleasant, on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Potthoff and children of Houston, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Anderson Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gauden and Freddy of Leonard, visited his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gauden, on Sunday.

Jim Nelson was dismissed from Talco Clinic Tuesday, where he had been a patient since Thursday. You noticed an account in last week's paper where he completed 30 years service with Magnolia Oil Co. with no loss of time due to accident or illness. He was in the hospital before the paper was published. He has decided the second 30 years is not going to be as easy as the first.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Keith of Bogata, visited her sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Copeland and Mrs. John Tension and Mr. Tension on Sunday.

Mrs. Eva Jones has gone to Mooringsport, La., to spend the Christmas holidays with her daughter and family, Mrs. E. M. Sloan.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wallace and Gary of Seattle, Wash., are spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. D. R. Farmer, and Mr. Farmer.

Misses Tessie and Jessie Harper attended the Business and Professional Women's Christmas banquet in Paris on Sunday morning.

Mrs. C. C. Collins returned home from Ft. Worth on Wednesday after a week's visit in the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. A. Frugia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Byrd will arrive Friday from Houston to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Smelley.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Franklin of Terrell, were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Welch. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hazlewood and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hall.

Easter Ann Seay, commercial teacher of DeKalb school, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Seay, and her sister, Janice, home from school at Commerce.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. J. W. Gray and Mrs. Sallie Gage Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Osborne of Naples and Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Gage, Scotty and Sharon of Mt. Pleasant.

S. F. Worthington and Patsy spent the week end in Mexia with Mr. and Mrs. Gene Worthington and Belinda Jo. Mrs. S. F. Worthington returned home with them after attending the new granddaughter for five weeks.

Mrs. J. R. Lee left Wednesday for Dallas to spend the Christmas holidays with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lee. Her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Seward of Ft. Worth, will meet her at the home of J. B. and family for the holidays.

The Richard Millers of Talco, have purchased the Loyd Winston home on Chester Street. The Winstons are now living in Ft. Worth and the Millers will move to Mt. Pleasant upon his retirement from his position with the Magnolia Production Department after many years of service. They will move here by the first of the year.—Mt. Pelasant Times.

J. O. Blakely attended two funerals of relatives last week. Mrs. Marget W. Oliver died at Muskogee, Ok. in her 70th year, and Mrs. Milard Blakely at Council Bluff, Iowa. He has the sympathy of Talco friends in his bereavement.

Mrs. Elmer Luttrell spent Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Joe Hardin of Fault, who has suffered a broken foot. She is much improved. Mrs. Luttrell also visited her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Ritchie and children of Paris.

Miss Eda Mae Smelley of Moorehead, Ky., will arrive Friday to spend Christmas holidays with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Smelley and to visit her mother, Mrs. D. J. Smelley Sr., who is making her home with her son.

Visitors on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Luttrell and Gypsy were Mr. Luttrell's mother, Mrs. Telle Luttrell of Paris, with her brother, Marvin Chitty of Ft. Worth, and Mr. Luttrell's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ocie Luttrell of Blossom.

Mrs. Bob McClung left Friday to meet her brother, J. D. Burham, of Johnson, Kans., in Amarillo, when they continue to Roswell, N. M., to visit their sisters, Mrs. Frank Madrid and Mrs. J. E. Heblson, and attend the reunion of their family on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Jones and Randy of Longview, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nichols of Ft. Worth, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Jones. The Nichols visited Mr. and Mrs. Gaines Robinson, also. Mrs. Nichols is Mrs. Jones' and Mrs. Robinson's sister.

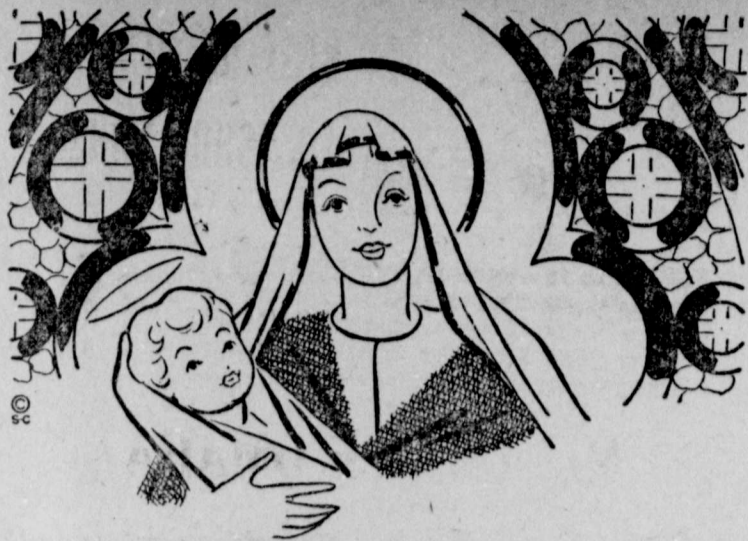
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kelley and son of Dallas, were spending the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kelley and Mr. and Mrs. Lank Easterling, when Mrs. Ray Kelley was admitted to Titus County Hospital and underwent emergency surgery for appendicitis on Saturday morning. She is reported doing nicely.

Miss Martha Nell Brown arrived home Wednesday from nurse's school in Dallas to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brown.

The Brotherhood of First Baptist Church met Monday night at the church with 17 men present. The lesson was brought by D. E. Howard and C. E. Smith.

A group of eleven young people from Marietta was in Talco Saturday night carol singing and asking at the homes for offerings for the needy.

Mrs. Gabie Crawford, Lorena and Gabie Jean McFerrin visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ewell McClinton off Mt. Pleasant, Tuesday night.



We extend our sincerest wish that your holiday be filled with spiritual joys and all the happiness that express the deepest significance of the blessed Yuletide....

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FRESH DRESSED
HENS, Lb. 45c

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MISS ALLUMS ENTERTAINS TALCO SCHOOL FACULTY

Miss Elizabeth Allums, teacher in the Talco School, entertained the faculty with a Christmas party Monday night at her home in Bogata. Refreshments were served.

ed, Mrs. Nadine Caldwell doing the honors, by pouring delicious spiced tea. The table was laid with a Christmas cloth in the traditional green, red and white colors.

Those attending were Mr. and

Shower Honors Mrs. R. L. Miller

Mrs. R. L. Miller was honored with a pink and blue shower Thursday from 2 until 4 p. m. at the Calvary Baptist Church annex. Hostesses were Meses. W. S. Taylor, W. R. McLeroy, Ardell Flanagan, James Gandy, C. A. Bennett and V. L. Taylor.

The honoree was presented with a lovely corsage of pink carnations. The gift table was centered with a large stork, surrounded by pink carnations, blue birds and miniature shoes, filled with tiny pink carnations. Mrs. Miller received many useful and beautiful gifts.

Refreshments of cake squares decorated with pink and blue rose buds, mints, spiced tea and coffee were served to Meses. D. R. Harton, E. D. Buchanan, L. R. Lemay, J. J. Smith, S. O. Loving, Jack Thompson, W. H. Coghurn, Lou Elkins, C. C. Collins, R. A. Henderson, W. H. Hammond, J. B. Nelson, R. L. Prestidge, Omer Cole, M. J. Davis, C. E. Griggs, R. T. Fuller and Vernon Martin.

Sending gifts were Meses. Eugene Hargrove, Buck Thomas, E. A. Rogers, J. E. Luttrell and Lena Merle Weldon Orr, Guy Ferris, Oscar Morgan, R. J. Rosson, Olan Matlock, K. E. Westbrook, K. W. Tutt, Johnny Cook, Fred Coker, Mack Pittman, Roy Beasley, Gertrude and Miss Ermadine Walls; Meses. Elton Belcher, R. H. Whitney, P. P. Hendrix, Charles Hawkins, O. J. Holland, Jim Nelson, Jimmy Turner, M. J. Spruill, Lyndon Reed, Floyd Haynes, W. T. Calloway, Buddie Robertson, W. R. Buchanan, Jim Davis, H. M. McMasters, Rex Mitchell, A. C. Newsome, G. G. Ryan, Joe Morse, U. C. Broach and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fuller and Katty.

Mrs. Eldon Chaloner and Jim Bill, Mrs. John Lee, Mrs. Vivian Westbrook of Bogata, Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Burton, Mr. and Mrs. Acie Cannaday, Mrs. Lucile Perkins, Mrs. Nadine Caldwell and Gayla Lou, Miss Alice Ruth Tidwell, Leon Shoffner, all of Talco. The hostess, Miss Elizabeth Allums and her mother.

Gifts, from the tree which was literally aglow with its many and brilliant lights and decorations, were exchanged by matching numbers which were previously drawn.

Mrs. C. A. Swink of Denison, is spending Christmas holidays with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Seabaugh, Chuck and Kay. A week end visitor of the Seabaughs was his father, W. J. Seabaugh of Denison.

Mrs. Jones Hostess Fine Arts Club

Fine Arts Club held its annual Christmas program and party in the home of Mrs. M. E. Jones at 2 p. m. Tuesday. Lavish Christmas decorations with white and gold predominating were artistically carried throughout the reception suite. In the living room was the mantle banked with glitter, sprinkled gold foliage, cones, seed pods and berries. On the coffee table was an arrangement of snow-covered magnolia leaves. Many hand-made candles were used in the decorating theme.

Meeting was opened by prayer led by Mrs. R. J. Rosson. A short business session was presided over by Mrs. Howard Johnson, president. Members voted to send a cash donation to CARE to be designated by the General Federation to Hungarian Refugee Relief in Austria.

"Merry Christmas All Year Long" was the subject of the program under direction of Mrs. G. N. Anderson, who presented Mrs. S. O. Loving in an impressive reading of "Let's Keep Christmas" by Peter Marshall. Mrs. C. C. Collins gave "The Hope of Christmas" by Charles Templeton.

After the program gifts were exchanged by the members. In the dining room refreshments were served from the table, which was overlaid with a green linen cloth, bordered in sequin trimmed Christmas trees flanked on either side with white candles in snowball holders.

FIRST BAPTIST W. M. A. HOLDS MEETING

WMA of the First Baptist Church met Thursday at the church. Meeting called to order by the president, Mrs. George Burleson. Opening prayer was led by Mrs. Aubrey Harris. Roll call by the secretary, Mrs. Wayman Alexander was answered with scripture verses.

Christmas boxes for underprivileged colored children was discussed and a committee of Mrs. Fitch, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Burleson was appointed to investigate. Prayer voiced by Mrs. Mills and the lesson followed taught by Mrs. North, "To Everyone That Believeth." Dismissed in prayer led by Mrs. Billy Joe Pope.

The next meeting will be Dec. 20 at 7 p. m. at Mrs. North's home for the monthly program.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Walls will arrive Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother and sister, Mrs. Gertrude Walls and Miss Ermadine Walls.

Talco Chapter 346 Has Luncheon

Talco Chapter 346 Order of Eastern Star met at the Humble Recreation Hall Tuesday night at 6:15 for a covered dish luncheon and Christmas celebration.

The delicious meal consisted of chicken and dressing with all the trimmings, pie and coffee. Games were played with Mrs. Roy Beasley and Mrs. Ardell Flanagan taking prizes. The group exchanged gifts and the chapter presented Worthy Matron Martha Miller and Worthy Patron Roy Beasley, a nice gift each.

Enjoying the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Ryan, Mrs. Olan Matlock and Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Beasley, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hammond and Calvin, Mr. and Mrs. George Griffith Jr., Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Rosson, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McLeroy, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson, Meses. Charles Kaufman, Ardell Flanagan, Mary Jo and Jane Dell, Jerry Worden, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Miller, Linda and Ray.

MRS. HOWARD JOHNSON ENTERTAINS FRIENDS

Mrs. Howard Johnson entertained a group of friends with a Christmas party in her home on Thursday evening.

A smiling Santa and large urns of pink-garnished greenery and seasoned ornaments greeted the guests as they arrived and were welcomed into rooms filled with an atmosphere of holiday gaiety. The pink, green and gold theme of the decorations was accented by a large buffet arrangement of tinted foliage, pink ornaments and gold-sparkled reindeer. On either side were crystal containers holding sprays of gilded magnolia leaves.

The tea table was covered with a pink lace cloth and held a three-tiered centerpiece of gold glittered artificial fruit and Christmas balls topped with a tiny sparkling reindeer.

YOUNG ADULT CLASS HAS PARTY

Young adult class of the Methodist Church, with Dr. E. L. Miller, teacher, met on Friday night at the church annex for a Christmas fellowship hour. They enjoyed several games with their fellowship and refreshments of cake and coffee.

Those attending were Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Burton, Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Johnson, Mrs. Guynell McAfee and Ross Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Seabaugh.

Leston, Mrs. B. F. Landrum and Mrs. O. A. Landrum of Mt. Pleasant, spent Saturday with Mrs. Mankin's daughter, Mrs. E. W. Smith and Mr. Smith and attended the Christmas parade.

was a visitor of Meses. Ida and Lallie Welch on Monday.

J. J. Smith went deer hunting in South Texas the first of the week.

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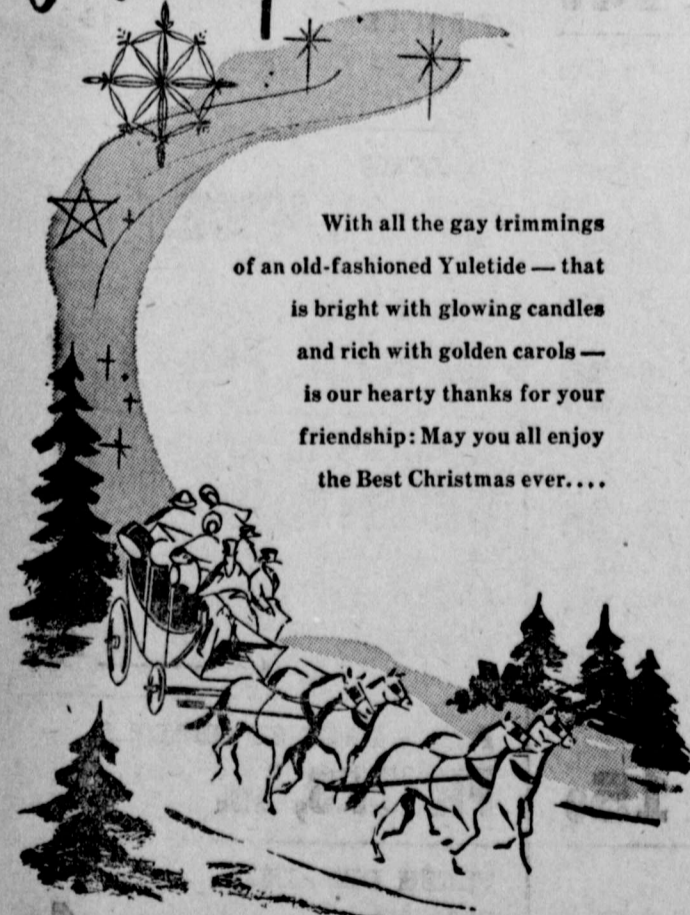
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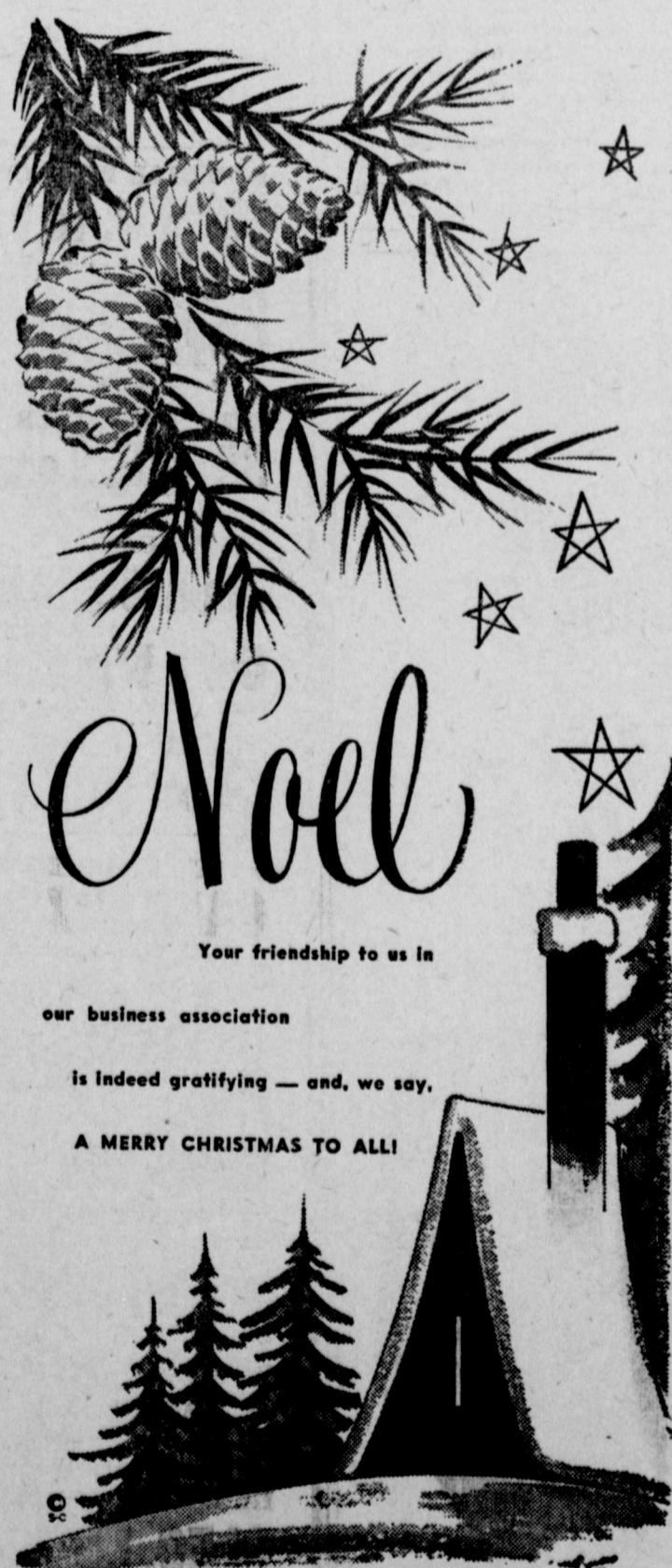


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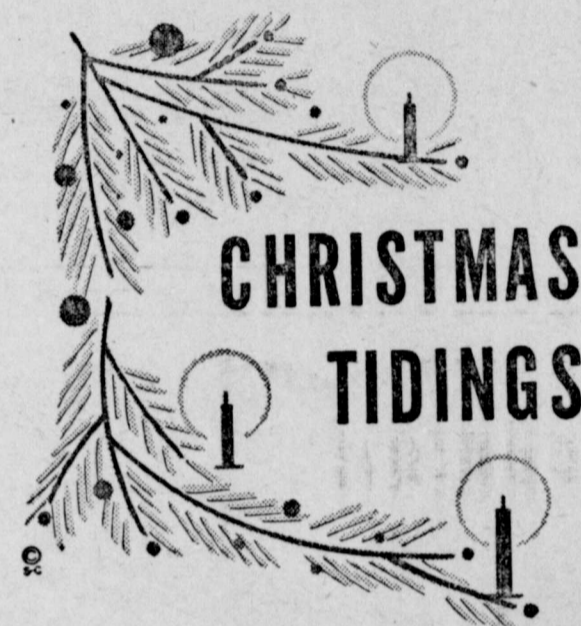
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LOCAL NEWS ABOUT BOGATA

By MRS. WALTER PETTIT

Pete Daniell of Dallas, was a week end visitor in the Ben Ward home.

Bobby Setzer requests a change of address to 4020 Sayle St., Greenville.

Pleas Turner spent Monday in Dallas, buying merchandise for his store.

Mmes. Gus Swaim, Melvin Brown and Ross McClure spent Thursday in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Maulfair of Baytown, visited his mother, Mrs. Ruth Maulfair, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Farris and children of Gilmer, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilkinson, Sunday.

Mrs. Acklas Martin of Lorenzo, is visiting Mrs. G. A. Vaughan at Jolntown. She will be remembered here as the former Miss Ethel Stevens.

Charles Bryson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ed Bryson, has been ill this week with a sore throat.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Pettit and Lynette moved Monday to the Hutson property on the Mt. Vernon highway.

Miss Mary Lassiter, Miss Tom Underwood and Mrs. Bess Pope attended candlelight services Sunday at the First Methodist Church in Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Ward and Randy of Mt. Pleasant, were week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ward.

Mrs. T. L. Bryson is in California for a month's stay with her daughter, Mrs. K. D. Coleman, Mr. Coleman and children at Lafayette.

Mrs. Fred Horner returned Sunday from Dallas, where she spent ten days with her daughter, Mrs. Baecel Cook, Mr. Cook and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon Peaden of Commerce, spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Laurel Peaden and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sloan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Warren of Milton, spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Murlie Roach, Mr. Roach and children.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Thompson spent last week in Longview with their daughter, Mrs. H. S. Harrell and Mr. Harrell.

Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Shelley and children visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Shelley in Ft. Worth during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Townes of New Boston, were week end guests of her sister, Mrs. John Forester and Mr. Forester.

Mrs. Hattie Butler of Dallas, spent the week end in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Pettit, Mr. Pettit and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wells of Cooper, were Saturday and Sunday night visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wims and Durward.

Mmes. Travis Hale and Britt Lassiter were in Avery for a Sunday visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Swan, Mr. and Mrs. Wade West.

Sunday visitors in the Houston Pettit home were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Daniels of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Hymer Weddle and children of Pattonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurel Peaden send a subscription for The Bogata News to his mother, Mrs. O. M. Cox of Tatum, N. M., as a Christmas gift.

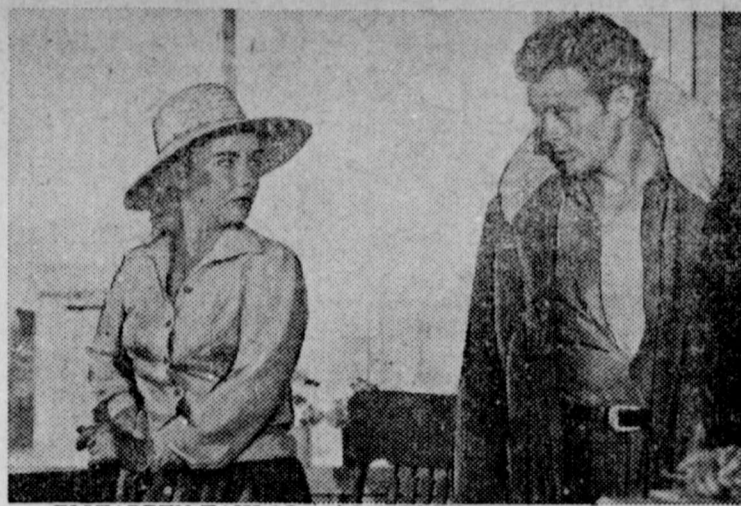
Mrs. Alice Selmon returned to her home at Brookston last week after a week's visit here with her daughter, Mrs. Mack Mitchell, Mr. Mitchell and Alice Ann.

Mrs. John Hancock of Bogata and Mrs. Charlie Davidson of Depert, send The Bogata News to their sister, Mrs. Cora Tatum, Rt. 6, Pittsburg, for a Christmas gift.

Mrs. Iva Hooker returned Sunday from Beaumont, where she visited in the F. R. Lipscomb home and attended two granddaughters, who underwent surgery Friday.

Durward Wims, MM2c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wims, has returned to his duties aboard the USS Wisconsin, after a leave spent here with his parents and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ward left Sunday for Longview, where they will visit their son, Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Ward and children, and their daughter, Mrs. Lucille Kerknot and daughters before he continues to Houston for a medical checkup.



ELIZABETH TAYLOR and JAMES DEAN have a disagreement in this scene from Warner Bros. "GIANT." In WarnerColor. At Grand Theatre, starting Christmas Day

Rabid Skunk Is Killed at Bogata

A rabid skunk, third in three years to be found in Red River County, attacked a dog belonging to Huddleston Brothers at Bogata a few days ago. Head of the animal was sent to the State Laboratory and the report showed rabies.

The Huddleston dog will be kept under observation. During the last three years no rabid dogs had been reported in Red River County. In addition to three skunks, one cow was a rabies victim.

The vaccination program followed here annually in recent years is credited largely with the absence of dogs in the reports of rabies incidence. Participation in the program was down sharply last year, however, indicating dog owners were less alert to the peril of this disease than formerly.

New Judge Local Court Appointed

James R. Hubbard of Texarkana was appointed Friday by Governor Shivers to serve as judge of the 102nd Judicial District of Texas comprising Red River and Bowie Counties. The Texarkana attorney takes the post made vacant by the resignation last month of Judge Bun L. Hutchinson.

Hubbard's term will end Dec. 31, 1958.

Hubbard, 31, is a native of Bowie County and has practiced law there since 1950 when he was graduated from Baylor University Law School. He was city alderman in Texarkana for one term and is now a member of the city planning commission. He is a member of the state bar's grievance committee for the 1st Congressional District.

His mother is Mrs. Eliza McLendon who lives at Alkin Grove and he is a brother of John McLendon of Clarksville. His wife is the former Miss Vera Wilson of Bogata.

Retired After 30 Years in Navy

Lieutenant Commander Wayland McLendon was recently retired after 30 years of active service in the U. S. Navy.

He left his native home at Rosalie to join the Navy as an enlisted man in 1927 and worked his way up. At the time he left the service he was operations and training officer aboard the USS George Clymer.

"Out of my 30 years, I served 24 at sea," he asserted. "And the most enjoyable ones of all were spent aboard ship."

REMEMBERED

Friend: "I read in the paper your rich aunt passed away."

Jones: "Yes. And I spend the last eight years pretending I was fond of her darned cats so she'd remember me in her will."

Friend: "Well, what did she leave you?"

Jones: "The cats."

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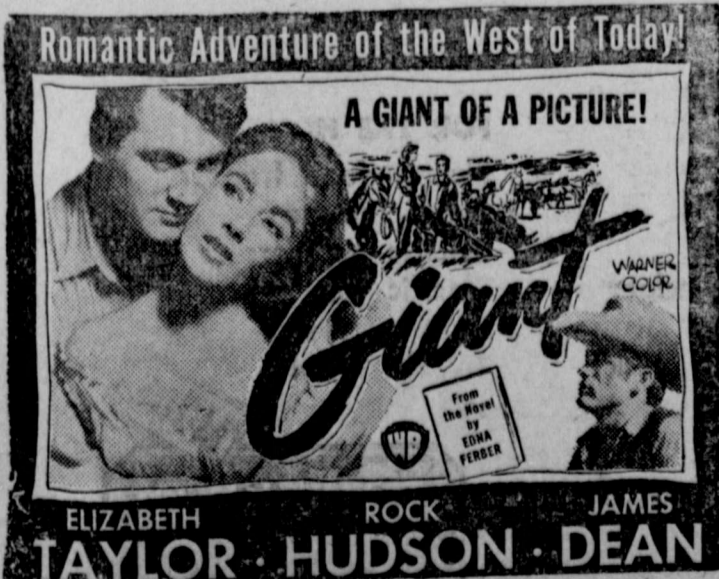
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HAGANSPORT

Mrs. J. H. Clawson, New Haganport, has been ill the last few days and her son and family were called. They took her to Talco hospital, where she will have special care.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Cooper Jr. passed away Sunday. The funeral was held Monday.

2nd Lt. George T. Van Pelt, Jr., grandson of Dr. and Mrs. George P. Grout, writes he is now in Japan, having been transferred from Okinawa. He is pleased to be in Japan.

A message Saturday to J. W. Carrell gives the information his grandbaby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Dyer of Snyder, was in the hospital with pneumonia.

Ralph Smith is in the Veterans Hospital at Dallas. He had an eye removed this week.

Those who solicited money for the Pipkins fund following the recent auto accident, wish to most heartily thank those who contributed so generously.

Ardon Holmes and family of Palms, Calif., spent a few days with Wilbur and Mrs. Holmes.

Mrs. Bob Hunt is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. L. Barron and Mr. Barron.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Mauldin have moved from Irving to Mt. Vernon, where he has bought a place.

Howard Johnson of Irving, was at Lakeview over the week end. Mrs. A. R. Pipkin is ill and had to have a doctor call. She reports Bill making good progress at the hospital and expects him to make his home with them in the near future.

Mrs. May Henry returned home after a five weeks visit at San Antonio and Bay City.

A CURE

"How can you cure a man of believing in dreams?"
"Let him marry one."

Ike Is Spending Peacetime Chief

Washington.— President Eisenhower and the American taxpayer will break some records in this fiscal year. And that is not good for the President or for the American taxpayer.

Mr. Eisenhower is the spending peacetime president, ever. The treasury figures will substantially support that claim to fame when the 1957 fiscal year books are closed at midnight next June 30.

The treasury now estimates that the government will spend in this fiscal year about \$69 billions. If so, Mr. Eisenhower will have spent in the four years of his responsibility nearly \$270 billions, which is more than government cost in any other four peacetime years.

Will Spend \$91,000 On Highways In Red River Co.

Texas Highway Department will spend \$91,000 for improvements on highways in Red River County during 1957, D. C. Greer, State Highway Engineer, has announced. This is in addition to the regular construction and maintenance program.

The money will be spent on—

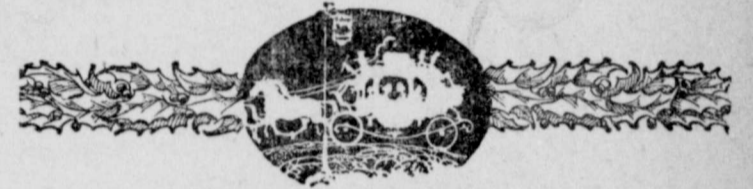
FM 114 from English to US 82 near Avery, reconstruct grading, structures and surface, a distance of 5.0 miles.

FM 1699 from English, north, base repairs and seal coat, a distance of 3.4 miles.

FM 910 from Clarksville, south, base repairs and seal coat, a distance of 5.7 miles.

FM 410 from FM 194 to FM 411, base repairs and seal coat, a distance of 6.4 miles.

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Alcorn Not Surprised Christmas Is Here Again - Knew It All Time

Editor's note: Achin Alcorn, philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Sulphur, has discovered Christmas is about here, his letter this week reveals.

Dear Editor: I know it's customary at this time of the year to look up with a start and say it's impossible for Christmas to be about here again, it was only a short time ago we had the last knew it was that time again, and it suits me.

I know too that to alot of people

Christmas means running up a lot of debts, but this is the wrong idea. My idea of Christmas is that it ought to be something different and why do at Christmas time what you've already been doing the rest of the year? This is a good idea, and if we could get England and France and a few other countries to join with us in this yuletide debt-free spirit, I'd have no objections.

In this connection, I'd like to throw in the thought that the reason everybody looks to the Unit-

JOHNTOWN

By MRS. G. A. VAUGHAN
Mrs. Jim Williams and daughter and her mother, Mrs. D. A. Baxter, visited their cousin and niece, Mrs. Pete Hall and family in Paris, Tuesday.

Mrs. Acklas Martin of Lorenzo, arrived Friday for a visit with a cousin, G. A. Vaughan and family and other relatives. She left Monday, joining Mr. and Mrs. Dick Childers, visiting in Bogata, returning to their home. Mrs. Martin will be remembered as Miss Ethel Stevens, who formerly lived here 36 years ago.

Avret L. Vaughan, scheduled to enter school for Highway Patrol training in Austin on Jan. 3, arrived at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Vaughan Friday from Corpus Christi, where he has been employed since graduation at Bogata High School in 1953.

Mrs. Minnie Wickersham and two daughters and their children of Grand Prairie, visited her brothers, Frank Rhodes and Francis Foster and their families, Saturday.

John Wayne Horn, U. S. Navy at Jacksonville, Fla., talked by telephone Sunday with his mo-

CUNNINGHAM

By MRS. CLETUS COOPER
Don't forget Dec. 20, Thursday night at 7:30 at Cunningham school for the Christmas candle-light service and Christmas carol singing conducted by Harold Bell, music director. If you must miss it, you will miss a fine program. Everyone invited.

Cunningham 4-H girls met in the 5th and 6th grade room Dec. 10 with president Sharon Anderson, presiding. Miss Colleen Lewis made announcements. Ann Baker led the prayer and pledge. Miss Lewis also showed some films, on caring for clothing.

Jesse Taylor entered a hospital in Paris Thursday for a check-up and examination. He was dismissed Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Williams are not doing very well the last few weeks.

It was reported Tom Eudy has lost several cows from what was supposed to be at the hands of careless hunters. This situation is getting serious and it is too bad that people have to suffer losses in this way.

Mrs. Lucille Wakefield is sporting a new car since Saturday.

Virgle Hulett of Deport and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hulett of LaPorte, were guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Wyatt. Mr. Wyatt is improving after a few weeks of illness.

Detroit Masons Note 75th Anniversary

Bennett Lodge No. 531 A. F. & A. M. at Detroit observed its 75th anniversary last Wednesday night with a banquet at the Detroit school, with 85 plates being served members and guests. Dr. Jas. Gee of ETSTC, Commerce, was speaker of the occasion.

Twenty-five year buttons were awarded Ben F. Brooks, Chas. T. Brooks, B. G. Bailey of Deport, Claud Council, J. K. Evans, S. F. Gibson, S. C. Stiles, H. D. Latimer, Dr. W. N. Mullins, Van H. Morgan and James S. Sharp. Mrs. Dick Scott of Fulbright carried a 25 year button to her husband, a patient in veterans hospital in McKinney.

Attending from Deport were Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Bailey and Mr. and Mrs. Travis Solomon.

Saturday night with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cherry of Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cherry of Cooper, were supper guests in the home of their daughter, Mrs. James Jones and family, Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake Bonham of Maxey, were visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Denison, Sunday.

The Christmas parade was really good at Deport Monday afternoon. A large crowd attended. Santa was real generous with a gift for all the children. They all enjoyed it so much; all the cars

were decorated so pretty.

He That Winneth Souls Is Wise
Billie Graham
Christmas
1956
ROBERT E. IGO



Season's Greetings

*A greeting, small,
that says to all -
May you have the very best
Christmas ever yet enjoyed!*

Dr. and Mrs. John R. Brittain
DEPORT

ed State for a loan when their credit runs short is because the U. S. has been sending the wrong people abroad. The million or so of U. S. tourists who went abroad this past year have been the cream of the crop, from a spending standpoint, and it gives the wrong impression. If the U. S. was smart it'd send me and a few others like me abroad to let Europe in on the fact the U. S. has people with financial problems the same as anybody else. If Europe looked me over and still asked for a loan, there wouldn't be any question about it, they're hard up over there.

But what I started out to say was that I learned long ago not to let your financial situation stand in the way of Christmas. Anybody who is waiting till everything is just right before he settles down to enjoying Christmas will never be able to get anymore out of it than he does the 10th of the month when his bills are due.

Consequently, all I'd like to say this week is that I've enjoyed writing for this newspaper the past year and I hope everybody on down to the editor, has a merry Christmas and that 1957 brings them at least half of what they'd like to get and only a fourth of what they're afraid they'll get. I'll settle for that any time.

Yours faithfully, A. A.

ther, Mrs. Fred Whitten Jr. and Miss Patricia Bain. He was recently stationed at Norman, Ok.

Douglas and Nona Hawkins of Longview, spent the week end with Mrs. W. J. Hawkins and Mrs. T. A. York and other relatives.

Mrs. Robbie McCuller and son of Talco, visited Mrs. W. J. Hawkins and Mrs. Irene Pew, Sunday.

W. E. Hawkins and M. H. Dryden worked in Talco the past week and stayed with relatives here at night. They returned Friday to their home in Longview.

Rudy Williams won the electric percolator and six lbs of coffee given away at Cotten's grocery Saturday, Dec. 15. Little Miss Carolyn Wicks drew his name from the box, which won her one lb. coffee and a box of chocolate candy.

Mrs. Nannie Pirtle, who has been confined to her bed by illness at the home of a son, Jim Pirtle, is reported able to be up.

Relatives here received word that Miss Shirley Watts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Watts, and Marcus D. Allums of Bogata, were married in Rockwall, Saturday, Dec. 8. They will make their home in Dallas, where they are employed.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thomas recently purchased the building formerly occupied by W. N. Dodd and moved Monday from the house owned by Guy Roy White.

Miss Jacque Hart of Corpus Christi, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Vaughan, Saturday.

Rev. Alvin Blalock visited in the John Sale home, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Foster and son visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pope at Talco, Sunday.

Mrs. Monroe Rector and son and Mrs. Robbie McCuller and son of Talco, visited Mrs. W. E. Hawkins and family at Longview, Tuesday.

Mrs. E. J. Stansbury and children, Mrs. Floyd Whilby and Jimmie Cotten, all of Houston, visited W. A. Cotten and his sisters, Saturday.

Mrs. Luther Randolph of Ada, Ok., is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. A. Kinsey.

Mrs. W. A. Kinsey was in Talco Monday for medical attention.

Mrs. Irene Pew and Mrs. W. J. Hawkins visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ward, Sunday at Bogata.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Vaughan of Dallas, visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Vaughan, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Garren of Dallas and Bob Vaughan, who had spent the week with them, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Vaughan, here Saturday.



May this Holiday bring you the utmost of joy and may the New Year bring with it success as a reward for your every effort. You have been very considerate.

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