

# THE FOARD COUNTY NEWS

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## YES, VIRGINIA

"Yes, indeed! Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age — they do not believe in Santa Claus, that is, they think that nothing can be which is comprehensible by their little minds.

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

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

"Not believe in Santa Claus? You might as well not believe in love! You might as well not believe in beauty!

"You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus — the most real things in the world are those neither children nor men can see.

"Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there — nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men, but ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the unperceived beauty and glory beyond.

"Is it all real? — ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else so real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus? Thank God! — he lives, and he lives forever — a thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."



One December day in 1897, Virginia O'Hanlon wrote to the New York Sun "I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, 'If you see it in The Sun, it's so.' Please tell me the truth—is there a Santa Claus?" The answer to Virginia O'Hanlon's question, written in a moment of deep spiritual insight by Francis B. Church, stands even today as a testament reflecting two thousand years of faith. It has been reprinted here because it always will deserve to be read again.

## Basketball Team Takes 2nd Place at Seymour Tourney

Crowell High School basketball team won three out of four games played at the Seymour regional basketball tournament. The team took second place in the tournament, Olney defeated the Wildcats 31 to 29 in a game Saturday night to first place honors. Crowell defeated Holiday 22 to 20, Chillicothe 41 to 24, and Iowa Park 30 to 24, and the right to play in the finals Saturday night. The teams participating in the tournament were Albany, Seymour, Valley View, Mound, and Chillicothe. Crowell received a nice trophy for having second place honors. Crowell's two-point victory over Holiday on Thursday night was scored by F. L. Ballard and Marlow, Wildcat forwards, and scored eighteen points for Chillicothe on Friday and high-point scorer of the tournament with 40 points, Jon Sanborn stood out in the Iowa Park game with 13 points scored. Howie Rouse Todd's defensive play contributed a great deal to this victory. Todd held Gerald Cope, Hawk forward, to eleven points. Cope scored 21 and 25, respectively, in games played last Saturday this season. Crowell did not have an outstanding player in the Olney game. Marlow fouled out of the game early in the second quarter to hamper the Wildcat scoring. Jim Tom Cates played a good defensive game in Marlow's place. Other Crowell boys saw service in this tournament. McBeath, Arthur Lee Marlow, Bobby Jack Stinebaugh and Gordon Wood Bell.

## Cemetery Report from President

Mrs. N. J. Roberts, president of the Cemetery Association, has the following to say concerning the status of the cemetery conditions. These facts concern everyone in the community and should be given serious thought.

"In the month of December, there have been two donations made to the cemetery fund. Believe it or not, we cannot maintain a sexton at ten dollars a month. He has been off for the last six weeks or longer with his family, picking cotton, thus giving him a chance to make more than we can pay him.

"He's now back on the job, and it is the last chance you'll have to contribute toward the cemetery work this year. We have some expense coming up which will call for some extra funds—one is the wiring of the house for REA, another is the graving of the street on the west edge and another is moving a fence to make a wider street.

"Our records show that the same people have supported the upkeep of this cemetery for twenty years. A number of small contributions would help wonderfully.

Mail contributions to or see either Lee Black or Mrs. N. J. Roberts.

Mrs. T. J. Long, Conroe... \$5.00  
E. Kenner... \$5.00

## ROTARY CLUB

Dr. J. H. Barnebee Jr. talked to Crowell Rotarians about socialized medicine at the Wednesday noon meeting of the Club at the DeLuxe Cafe. Jim Cates was in charge of the program. Dr. Barnebee made a very interesting and instructive talk.

Visitors at the meeting were Rotarian Walker Todd, president of the Quannah Club, Richard Ferguson of Knoxville, Tenn., a former member of the local club, Ed Zak of Kansas City, Ben Barker and Ted Stafford of Crowell.

reference game on Tuesday night, January 10th.

## Social Security Representative to Be Here Dec. 28

James B. Foyce, Field Representative from the Wichita Falls Social Security Administration Field Office, will be in Crowell at the Post Office at 2 p. m. on December 28. He will be available to answer questions on social security; to discuss possible benefits and take claims from persons who seem to be entitled to benefits; and take applications for social security account number cards.

## Husband of Former Crowell Woman Dies at Sherman Dec. 12

Murray Randolph Stewart, husband of the former Miss Wanda Burks, who graduated from Crowell High School in 1935, died suddenly in Sherman at 9 a. m. on Monday of last week. Funeral services were held in Sherman Wednesday.

Mrs. Stewart is the daughter of Mrs. S. W. Burks of Sherman and the family resided here for many years. Mrs. Glen Roberts of Vernon, a sister of Mrs. Stewart and also a former resident of Crowell, attended the funeral.

## NEW CARS REGISTERED

New automobiles registered at the office of the tax collector since Dec. 5, as released by Dan Callaway, deputy, are as follows:

Hubert C. Brown, 1950 Oldsmobile DeLuxe Coupe; I. J. Jackson, 1950 Ford Tudor; J. H. Lanier Jr., 1949 Chevrolet 2-door; H. E. Roark, 1949 Plymouth 2-door; J. E. Minor, 1949 Chevrolet 2-door.

## NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

In order to give the News staff a chance to take a rest and get ready for 1950, a paper will not be printed next week. We do wish our friends and customers a happy Christmas season.

The office will be open most of the week to take care of subscriptions.

## Funeral for Mrs. T. J. Ferguson Held Tuesday

### Mrs. Ferguson, a Pioneer, Succumbed Sunday Evening

Funeral services for Mrs. Tom J. Ferguson, who passed away in the Crowell Hospital Sunday evening, Dec. 18, were held at the Methodist Church Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 20, at 2 o'clock with Rev. Aubrey C. Haynes, pastor of the church, officiating.

Favorite songs of the deceased were sung by a choir. "God Will Take Care of You" was sung as a duet by Mrs. C. W. Thompson and Mrs. T. B. Klepper. Mrs. Paul Shirley accompanied the songs. H. E. Ferguson, brother-in-law of the deceased, sang "Amazing Grace" as a solo. While the body lay in state from 1 until 2 o'clock, Mrs. Shirley played soft organ music.

Pall bearers were Moody Bursley, George Self, L. A. Andrews, H. K. Edwards, Dillard Howard and Ernest Johnson. Flower bearers included Miss Gusta Davis, Mesdames Moody Bursley, J. G. Adcock, Ernest Johnson, H. E. Thompson, Thomas Hughston, Foster Davis, Floyd Ferguson, Evelyn Campbell, Oscar Gentry, Milton Hunter and Henry Borenard.

Members of the Sunday School class of which Mrs. Ferguson was a loyal member until ill health prevented, were honorary flower bearers: Mesdames L. Kamstra, J. N. Ribble, B. F. Ringold, G. G. Mills, Hines Clark, G. J. Benham, G. M. Bush, J. J. Brown, P. S. Lovelady and J. H. Minnick.

All friends of Mrs. Ferguson were named as honorary pall bearers.

Interment was made in the Crowell Cemetery under the supervision of the Womack Funeral Service.

Zela Elizabeth Myers Ferguson was born on October 29, 1881, at Blanton, Hill County, Texas. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Robert Myers.

On October 31, 1899, she was united in marriage to Thomas Jones Ferguson at Truscott. The couple resided south of Crowell until a few years ago when they moved to Crowell to make their home. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last October.

Mrs. Ferguson was converted at the age of twelve and united with the Methodist Church. She was a consistent Christian and a loyal church member all her life. She was known for her kindly disposition and friendliness, and was loved by all who knew her. She had been in frail health for a number of years.

Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson. They are Shelton Ferguson of Cotulla, Mrs. Fred Schwab of San Antonio, Henry Ferguson of Fort Worth, Theo Ferguson of Ranger, Richard Ferguson of Knoxville, Tenn., Mrs. Henry Killgore of Gainesville and George Ferguson of Crowell. All the children were at her bedside while she was ill.

Other survivors are her husband, ten grandchildren, one great grandchild; five sisters, Mrs. J. C. Eubank, Truscott; Mrs. D. B. Pitts, Wichita Falls; Mrs. C. C. Lewis, Wapato, Wash.; Mrs. W. E. Ryder, Benjamin and Mrs. Jess Boykin, Albany, Texas; three brothers, George, George W. Myers and Ralph R. Myers of Truscott and W. T. Myers of Bowie.

Out of - town relatives and friends present for the funeral were Mrs. Henry Ferguson and children, Harold Ray and Ernest Richard of Fort Worth; Mrs. Shelton Ferguson and sons, Bobby and Gary, of Cotulla; F. P. Schwab and Charles Schwab of San Antonio; Henry Killgore of Gainesville; Mrs. Richard Ferguson and daughter, Betsy, of Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Theo Ferguson and children, Billy, Linda, Bobby and Charles, of Ranger; Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Pitts, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pitts, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Pitts and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Howell of Wichita Falls; Mrs. Clint Swartwood, Mrs. Frank Bird, Thornton Ferguson, Mrs. A. J. Powers, C. D. Gribble, Mrs. Dawson Beach, Mrs. H. E. Gribble and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Fox, all of Vernon; Mr. and Mrs. Jess Boykin and Mr. and Mrs. H. Scott of Albany; Geo. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Roberson

## Basketball Team Defeats Quannah Indians, 39 to 20

The Crowell High School basketball team defeated the Quannah Indians 39 to 20 here Tuesday night to bring its string of victories to ten out of twelve games played thus far this season. The Crowell "B" string boys also defeated the Quannah "B" team by the score of 46 to 25. The Crowell girls defeated the Quannah girls in volleyball by the lopsided score of 15 to 0 and 15 to 2 to make it a complete evening for the Crowell team.

Jon Sanders and F. L. Ballard led the way for the Wildcats in the regular game. However, Jim Paul Norman, Crowell center, played his best game of the season. Quannah was playing without its star forward, Bobby Williams, in this game and the other Indians were not consistent with their goal shooting. Quannah was leading Crowell at the end of the first quarter by one point. The Wildcats took the lead early in the second quarter and continued to widen the margin until the game was over.

James McBeath led the Crowell attack in the "B" game and turned in fifteen points. However, Bobby Jack Stinebaugh and Charles Wishon pushed McBeath for this honor. Earl Ellis led the way for the Quannah "B" boys with twelve points.

LaVerne Owens looked the best for the Crowell volleyball girls but Crowell's entire team was much superior to the Quannah team. However, Quannah does not have a gym period for its girls which is quite a handicap. Other girls representing Crowell in this volleyball game were Joline Lanier, Myrtle Bartley, Betty Barker, Mary Comer, Violet Rummel, Betty Brock and Tommie Meason.

## Wedding Anniversary and Reunion of Family Held for J. N. Brysons

On Sunday, Dec. 18, the family of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Bryson met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dunagan for a holiday get-together and to observe the 80th birthday of their father which falls on Dec. 21 and in addition, to celebrate the fifty-ninth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Bryson.

All the children of Mr. and Mrs. Bryson were present with the exception of one daughter, Mrs. E. S. Flesher of Clayton, N. M., who was unable to attend.

Those present were the honored guests, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Holman and son, Morris, of Handley; Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bryson and their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Boggs, of Hollis, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bryson of Graham and daughter, Mrs. J. T. Van Natta and children, Jack, Jerry and Linda, of Midland; CWO and Mrs. J. D. Bryson and children, Don and Diane, of Albuquerque, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Allen of Clayton, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bryson and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dunagan, of Crowell.

After the noon meal, the family enjoyed a Christmas gift exchange and group pictures and moving pictures were made. A moving picture show by Warrant Officer Bryson of his stay in Japan was the highlight of the day's entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kinchele called in the afternoon.

and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Myers and Stan Westbrook, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Eubank and Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Eubank, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Browning, all of Truscott.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ryder, Mr. and Mrs. Myers Ryder, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cash, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Jones and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ryder Jr. of Benjamin; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Ryder of Odessa; Miss Murdis Williams and Mr. and Mrs. H. Sellers and family of Paducah; Mr. and Mrs. Percy Ferguson of Slaton; Clyde Knight of Childress; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Eubank of Post, Lester Myers and George Ferguson of Littlefield; Mr. and Mrs. Grady Sullivan and daughter of Vernon; Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Timmis of Gainesville and others.

## Vance Barker, 4-H Club Boy of Foard County, Wins Gold Medal Award; Other Awards Won by Foard County 4-H Boys

The Gold Star for outstanding 4-H Club work was won by Vance Barker of Foard County. This award is given each year by Texas A. & M. College Extension Service to the outstanding 4-H Club boy in each county, Joe Burkett, County Agent, has announced.

The Wilson Meat Animal Award was won by R. H. McCoy of the Black community. This award is presented each year by the Wilson Meat Company to a boy who has done outstanding work in meat production.

J. C. McCoy won the Leadership Award presented by Edward Foss Wilson, Chicago, Ill., for his outstanding work as a leader in his 4-H Club.

Vance Barker of Foard County also won the Achievement Award presented by the National Committee on Boys and Girls Club work, Chicago, Ill.

David Jackson of the Thalia community won the poultry and Field Crops Medals presented by Dearborn Motors Corporation of Detroit, Mich., and International Harvester Corporation of Chicago, Ill., for outstanding work in the two fields.

The award for outstanding work in Soil Conservation presented by the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company was won by A. L. McGinnis of the Margaret community.

C. T. McDaniel, Charles Black and Larry Johnson won medals on their garden demonstrations.

## Foard County PMA Committee Allotted \$60,300 in Soil and Water Conservation

Foard County farmers will have up to \$60,300.00 to help with their soil and water conservation in 1950. The PMA committee of Foard County has set a limit of \$1,250.00 to each farmer. If each farmer attempted to use this much

there would be a shortage of funds but it is expected that most farmers will not use the full amount.

The funds for 1950 are an increase of \$9,600.00 over the initial allocation for the 1949 program which was \$50,700.00.

## Free Will Baptist Church Cleared of Debt Last Week

The debt on the Free Will Baptist Church was paid off last week by its sixty-five members making contributions to the building fund, it was announced Monday by G. R. Webster, deacon, who erected the building.

Although the building is not finished, it has been in use for the past two years. H. H. Haston of Paducah is pastor of the church. The church was organized in 1937 with an enrollment of 16 members.

## Methodist Home Representatives Visit in Crowell

Hubert Johnson, superintendent of the Methodist Home for Orphan Children in Waco, spoke at the morning hour at the Methodist Church Sunday, Dec. 18. He was accompanied by Bob Ponder, who is editor of the Sunshine Monthly, the official magazine of the Home.

Three young ladies, Misses Eugenia Williams, Wanda Spinks, and Ludie Jacobs, who live in the Home, also accompanied the party and furnished several special song numbers for the morning service.

## Open House to Be Held for Crews' Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Crews will observe their golden wedding anniversary on January 1, 1950. Their children, all of whom will be at home for the occasion, will hold Open House on that day to honor their parents and cordially invite all friends to call at the Crews home between the hours of 3 and 6 on the afternoon of New Year's Day for an informal hour.

This notice constitutes an invitation.

## Crowell Stores to Close All Day on Monday, Dec. 26

Stores and other businesses in Crowell will be closed all day Monday, Dec. 26, in observance of the Christmas holiday, according to an announcement made this week by Mike Bird, chairman of the retail committee of the Foard County Chamber of Commerce.

The stores will close on Monday since Christmas Day this year falls on Sunday. The announcement was made following a survey of merchants in the city.

Foard County got another rain Tuesday night. The cold spell hit Wednesday afternoon and the thermometer was around freezing Thursday morning.

## HOSPITAL NOTES

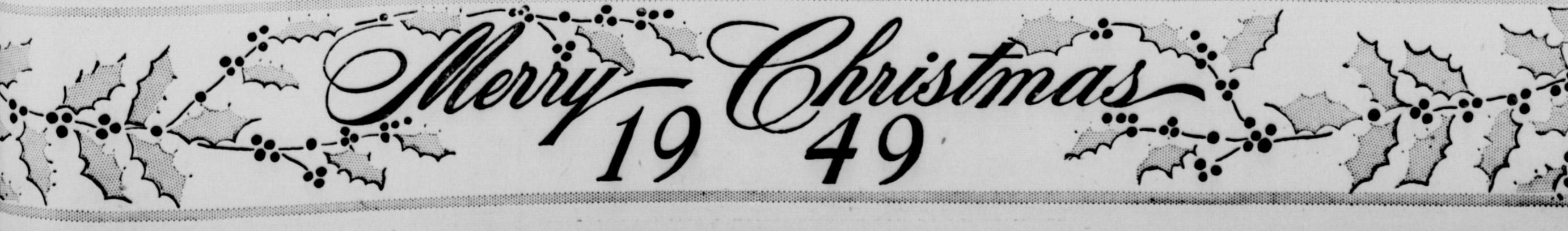
### Foard County Hospital

Patient in in:

L. G. Andrews  
Mrs. Jack Hasselvander and infant daughter  
Mrs. Katherine Gallacher  
James David Gallacher  
Danny John Gallacher  
Grady Halbert  
A. B. Curtis  
Stella Newman (Col.)

Patients Dismissed:

Mrs. John Rader  
Mrs. Will Johnson  
Mrs. Clyde Eddy  
Mrs. Charlie Drabek  
Dr. J. H. Barnebee Jr.  
Mrs. Jordan Petsoff  
Duke Wallace  
Mrs. Ira McCurley and infant daughter



# Crowell High School WILDCAT

Clara Jones Editor  
 Violet Rummel Sports Editor  
 F. L. Ballard Sports Editor  
 Bobbie Abston Joke Editor  
 77777 Scandal Reporter  
 Camille Todd Home Ec. Reporter  
 F. L. Ballard Senior Reporter  
 Betty Barker Junior Reporter  
 Patsy Carroll Soph. Reporter  
 Jim Norman Fresh. Reporter  
 Rondyn Self Social Reporter  
 Mary Alice Rader Proof Reader  
 Montez Laquey Reporter  
 Jenny Webba Reporter  
 Jean Gamble Reporter  
 Buster Laquey Reporter  
 Charles Pittillo Reporter  
 Donald Reynolds Typist  
 La Verne Owens Typist  
 Joline Lanier Typist  
 Billy Johnson Typist  
 Rouse Todd Typist  
 Mrs. Lewis Sloan Sponsor

## CHRISTMAS

Although Christmas has become commercialized until it is hardly recognizable as the birth of Christ, it is not "humbly" as Scrooge says in Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."

Too much stress has been placed on the number of dollars you spend and the number of pres-

ents you receive. When we consider the zooming alcohol sales and the accidents that the Yule season brings, we feel like hanging our heads.

On the other hand, would it really matter if there were no Christmas; would we miss anything other than the birth of the Christ Child, the religious element?

Think of the great artists who have been inspired to paint pictures of the Christ Child, the beautiful Christmas carols our composers have given us. In the midst of our cold war, class and race hatreds, each one needs to concentrate for a few days on love, sentimentality and awe are emotions that we need in our lives. Man needs the message of "Peace, good will toward men."

We wish you a Merry Christmas, an old fashioned Merry Christmas—simple, unselfish. We believe that if Christmas is a humbug, it is needed.

## MUSIC OPENS HOLIDAY SEASON FOR CHSITES

Opening the holiday season, CHS's music class and Elementary School's music class under the direction of Mrs. Charles Davis and the CHS Band under the direction of Miss Mary Close will present a Christmas program Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Numbers by the High School Chorus and the Elementary School Chorus are the following:

"Deck the Halls," High School Chorus; "The Holy City," 7th and 8th grade music classes; "Gesu Bambina," 7th and 8th grade music classes; "Beautiful Savior," 7th and 8th grade music classes; "Beautiful Dreamer," High School girls; "The Orchestra Song," High School Chorus; "Tramping," High School Chorus; "Lucky Ole Sun," High School Chorus (Jon Sanders and Virginia Tamplen, soloists); "Silent Night," High School Chorus (Jon Sanders, soloist). The band will play "Winter Wonderland," "Jingle Bells," "I Don't See Me in Your Eyes Anymore" and "White Christmas."

## SCHOOL CAFETERIA TO SERVE TRADITIONAL TURKEY DINNER THURSDAY

Thursday at noon, sweet smelling aromas will be drifting from the cafeteria and students will be hurrying to eat the delicious Christmas dinner that Mrs. Simmons and her staff have prepared. The menu consisting of light rolls, choice of milk or orange juice, turkey, dressing, giblet gravy, green beans, lettuce leaf with cranberry sauce, peaches with whip cream topped by a cherry and cookies, will be served at the usual price of twenty-five cents.

Special thanks go to Mrs. Simmons and the other helpers—Mrs. Paul Johnson, Mrs. Inas Taylor, Mrs. Virgil Allen, Mrs. N. A. Nichols, Mrs. Delton Coffey. These capable women make it possible for the students to have whole-

some and appetizing lunches every day, not to mention the specials for holidays.

Let's all show them our appreciation by patronizing our school cafeteria.

## ART ESSAYISTS WIN CASH AWARDS

Four CHS essayists have recently won prizes for their papers on a favorite picture in the Fall Art Exhibit which was sponsored by the Adelphean Club.

All high school students were eligible as entrants in the essay contest. A dollar was awarded by the Adelphean Club to the writer of the best essay from each class. Prizes went to Mary Lou Woods, freshman; Eva Rae Geaslin, sophomore; Violet Rummel, junior and F. L. Ballard, senior.

## TEACHERS TELL HOLIDAY PLANS!

Henry Black—Stay in Crowell, farm a little, fly some (if J. W. is willing) and otherwise lead a pious life.

Mrs. Lena Davis—Stay home.

Mr. Graves—Stay at home, work and loaf.

Mrs. Lola Black—Visit my mother at North Zelah, Texas, and also visit friends in Eastland.

Mrs. Eva Sloan—Visit relatives in Gainesville and friends in Ft. Worth—Stay home about half of the time.

Mrs. Doyle Kenner—Stay in Crowell.

Miss Mary Close—Going to drive to Fort Worth with teachers.

Mrs. Taylor and Miss Turney—visit a friend in Fort Worth.

J. W. Sollis—Stay in Crowell, prepare for a large Christmas dinner, hunt, fly (if Henry is ready).

Mrs. Jennie Davis—Going home to Jonesboro for a reunion.

Miss Turney—I am also going to Dublin and to an ex-roommate's wedding.

Sylvester—Going to East Texas to work on correspondence course.

Mr. Myers—Work and loaf.

## SANTA BARRAGED BY "GIMMIES"

Students of any age, from 6 years old in Mrs. Hulbe's room to sophisticated seniors, are scratching letters to Santa Claus this week, their eyes cocked on Christmas only 2 days away.

But it's the younger set of the Primary Department who are more definite about their wants. Bill Graves, son of Supt. and Mrs. Graves, confided his earnest wish for a red bicycle. Mr. Graves says that he is sure Santa is going to please Bill, too.

Mary Ann Myers, daughter of Marvin Myers, has a long list of "wants." She wants a Toni doll, a Brownie uniform, a doll buggy and something for a boy.

The older high school students were not so specific about what they want. More than one fair-haired damsel, however, confided it would be rather nice to find a

beautiful Ford convertible under the tinsel tree.

Not to be outdone, CHS males thought it would be OK to awake on the "big day" to discover a luscious bit of femininity peeking from their size 12 socks. Among those who expressed this wish was H. L. Ayers who wished this femininity to be Jane Cooper. Charles Wishon's heart desire is to find Betty Barker in one of his gaily wrapped packages.

After much deliberation, Kay Cribbs said that since Santa was nice would he please leave some brown-eyed junior under her tree.

## STUDENTS WILL CAPER FRIDAY AT SOPH—JUNIOR—SENIOR SEASONAL SHINDIG

Sophomores, juniors and seniors are making plans in a big way for their annual Christmas party. The date is set for the twenty-third and the fun begins at 7 p. m. Each student must pay 35 cents for his ticket, or 70 if he wants to invite a guest.

The committee chosen by the classes to make all arrangements for the party is Maurine Youree, Don Brisco, Bobbie Abston, Frankie Mabe, LaVerne Owens, Betty Brock, Betty Barker and the chairman, Joline Lanier.

With this big event to look forward to, the students should be able to go through this last week of studies before the holidays with new zest and renewed enthusiasm.

Dear Editor: We wish to make a complaint regarding the Wildcat Scandal of CHS.

The faults are the following: The scandal editors write too much about themselves and they put comments in that are not true. Sincerely yours, A Student of CHS.

## SENIOR BOY OF THE WEEK

Who else but inimitable Kenneth Adams would say that he likes Christmas because he—then gets out of "prison" for a few days and 8th period study hall is his favorite subject because he goes home at the end of the seventh period.

The ambition of this darkeyed Senior is to be a salesman or a musician. In keeping with the latter ambition, Kenneth has a good deal of knowledge about the popular music field. His favorite song is "You're So Understanding." Ralph Flanagan is Kenneth's favorite band leader because in sticking to the true Miller style, Flanagan is Glenn Miller's former

arranger. The works of Poe are the type of sophisticated literature Kenneth likes, although his favorite book is "The Seven Who Waited."

High on his list of favorites are banana pudding, Doris Day, brown, informal sport clothes, basketball and graduation this spring.

## SENIOR GIRL OF THE WEEK

Known to everyone in CHS for her hilarious giggle, this senior girl could be one of three people—Doris Jones, Josephine Halencak or Peggy Evenson. Her birthday is September 4 (she is 18) and that rules out all possibilities except Peggy.

Peggy is a diminutive brunett number who, liking to sing herself, has definite favorites in the musical field. Her favorite songster is handsome Perry Como and her best-liked song is that melancholy ditty, "You're Breaking My Heart." Xavier Cugat with his South American beat is her favorite band leader.

Peggy likes to wear tailored skirts and blouses. Green is the predominate color of her wardrobe which is suitable for her favorite activities of dancing, movie going, skating, and most favorite of all, swimming. Peggy likes the summertime because then she has more opportunity to indulge in her favorite sport.

After graduation, which she thinks every student should look forward to, Peggy plans to attend Draughon's Business School in Wichita Falls where she will receive training toward becoming a court reporter.

## MR. SPENCER SPEAKS TO INSURANCE CLASS ON INSURANCE

Recently, the Crowell High bookkeeping class had the unusual opportunity of hearing about insurance from a well-qualified speaker. That is, an insurance man, Mr. Leo Spencer. Mr. Spencer spoke on the two kinds of insurance. He explained the necessity for having various types of insurance and illustrated his talk with various examples. After Mr. Spencer's talk, he answered student questions about insurance.

## STUDENTS TO WORK DURING HOLIDAYS

Virginia McKown—Package wrapper at Ben Franklin's.  
 Peggy Weaver—Clerk at Ben Franklin's.  
 Joyzelle Thomson—Clerk at Ben Franklin's.  
 Opal Browder—Baby sitter.  
 Billy Halencak and Lewis Hun-

**HAPPY HOLIDAY**  
to you and yours

**HUNT**  
The Radio Man

ter—Overhaul Model T.  
 Donald and Charlie Reynolds—haul feed.  
 Bobbie Abston and Mary Rader—Package wrappers at Bird's.  
 Allan Hinkle—Pull cotton.  
 Martha Ohr—Work for mother at Coffee Shop.  
 Ruth McRae—Help mother cook.  
 Wanza Spears and Bobbie Jean Spears—Move into a new home.  
 Jean Gamble—Work at Carpenter's Grocery, Thalia.  
 Marion Gobin—Work to keep out of work.  
 Myrtle Bartley—Archer's Variety.  
 Charcia Ketchersid—Archer's Variety.  
 Rozella Antry—Ferguson Drug.  
 Billy Latimer—Mac's Food (Continued on Page Five)

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# SPECIALS FRIDAY and SATURDAY

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**FRESH PASCHAL CELERY 1ge. stalk 14c**

We have a few Christmas Nuts and Christmas Candy Left!

**CRANBERRY SAUCE Sooner No. 1 Can 15c**  
**EGG NOGG MIX Creamy Quart Jar 69c**  
**FRUIT COGKTAIL No. 2 1/2 Can 35c**  
**GREEN LIMAS Colorado No. 300 Can 2 for 39c**  
**CRISCO 3 lb. Carton (Limited) 79c**  
**PURE LARD 3 Pound Carton 42c**

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AMERICA'S ACCIDENT TOLL

America's accident toll since the first Armistice day in 1918 has been 3 million killed. This total, according to Neil H. Dearborn, president of the National Safety Council, is seven times the country's battle losses in two World Wars.

Rabbits can run faster up hill than down because the hind legs are longer than the forelegs.

Story of Refuge for Alcoholics

(Editor's Note: An article by Kenneth Force which appeared in The Dallas Morning News of Sunday, June 26, 1949.)

A mile northwest of Carrollton on the road to Carrollton Dam is a place that appears to be one of the best equipped local fishing spots. It is named Sandy Lake Lodge.

Across a great green lawn shaded by twenty pecan trees is a large, white, attractive 2-story lodge with a great screened-in front porch. That porch is 250 square feet in area, has restful furniture and a floor of dark-green concrete. But two red lines on that green concrete from screen doorway to living room get over the story that while you may fish in the 10-acre lake behind the lodge for bream and bass, the lodge is fishing for men.

Those two red lines are intriguing. One is marked IN. It wanders like a windjammer tacking in the teeth of a gale. The one marked OUT is straight as the compass. All of which means that the institution deals with alcoholics who stagger in and upon leaving, the lodge hopes, will go forever straight and dry.

And not without some reason does the lodge estimate better than 75 per cent success, for each one of the staff has not only been to his own personal hell but has come back via Alcoholics Anonymous and lives and preaches that mysteriously successful program.

The big-featured Irishman, sixty, watering the green grass has been an AA five years. Before that he lost his Missouri family to the bottle.

Smallish Dave, who at thirty-seven turns out meals called superb and has a manner that makes him a magician with a man who had gone a month on regeye and without food, held countless posts in cafes, restaurants and hotel food departments until he became dry two years ago.

Then there is stocky, fiftyish Joe, who once had a good office job with Texas Power & Light Company, who mostly helps around the house and with patients, for staff men at the lodge are likely to wash dishes one minute and be vice president the next.

Lastly but chiefly is Francis, 47, smallish, tanned, athletic, balding owner of the place, who goes about in shorts as do most others, for there are no women on this place of informality.

Francis, whose father in 1911 bought up river bottom jungle to open gravel pits, got an early start on liquor. He took to it in his teens and by high school graduation in 1923 he was a problem drinker. In the following ten years he was fired from many jobs.

In 1933 he moved out to the gravel pit in the jungle where his father, before his death, had built a 5-room house. Then for seven years Francis rented boats and sold bait, but his principal occupation was finding another drink—anything, rubbing alcohol, shaving lotion. In 1940 he joined the National Guard and kept his battery and regiment out of flavoring extract. From camp to camp he went. Four times he was a corporal and in 1943 when he was an overage private guarding prisoners of war he was discharged.

He came back to Dallas where jobs were easy to get and easy to hold. But in eighteen months he had twenty-eight different posts. What was worse, he had the DT's. Not the jitters, nor the shakes. He heard fast music and couldn't stop it, the same old tune. Little men popped out of the wallpaper. He heard people out in the yard talking over how to kill him. They would shoot him. Nope, drown 'im. Naw, cut 'im up in pieces and feed him to the fish. And when he ran out with his gun they were behind the garage, then across the lake. Then there was the time when the stinging scorpions

were all over him, millions of them, all stinging him eeeeeeeeeee! Hell on earth!

By the Grace of God, he figures it, he read—he never had before—the personal column of The News classified section and found an advertisement of Alcoholics Anonymous. He went shakily to a meeting, found bottle kinsmen and for three months he was dry. Then he slipped. But back again he went. Several times more in eleven months he slipped. Then on Nov. 29, 1944, he had his last drink, was in jail the twentieth and last time. Thereafter he kept sober by selling AA in his spare time.

After he had been sober a year his mother gave him the 130 acres of jungle containing the house, lake and twenty valuable acres of gravel.

He could enter the gravel business and at the same time enlarge his lake. But he had a different sort of dream—a place for those who could come out of a personally made hell into a sober peace.

In January, 1946, he took a few new AA's trying to keep dry out to the house which had no windows, no floor in the kitchen and no plumbing. They began remodeling the house and clearing the jungle. One was an artist of no mean ability and painted wild game murals in the living room, highly humorous cartoons of drunks in the kitchen. About Feb. 1, 1946, the first patient came and it was hard to tell the patient from the staff except for the first day when they got him to bed, quieted him down and got some food into him.

By summer of 1946 they had the place livable and four patients. Since that time innerspring mattresses have replaced army cots, many additions have been made, many patients and helpers have come and gone. In the somnolent peace of lake and countryside men who wanted to quit have listened to reason and been taken to AA meetings and followed that mysteriously successful route which rescues many from the disease of alcoholism.

At the present time there are seven patients at Sandy Lake Lodge and for the first time Francis is meeting his bills without worry. Soon he will be able to pay some sort of salaries to key men. He must have, but there is much charity and no gold mine like the gravel business he could easily enter. Why does he stay in a business of grief, of sick drunks, of people with the awful fear of incipient insanity, people who come mostly from Dallas, but have also come from Mexico City, San Francisco, Denver; who have been brought by wives and employers, people who must be handled with tact, patience and tolerance?

"That's easy. Helping others keeps me dry. Man, I've got to stay dry. I'm going to stay dry."

THE PROTEIN ERA

In an article which appeared in the Journal of the American Medical Association, Dr. J. S. McClester, a distinguished authority on diet as it relates to health, said, "Today we are in the protein era."

In late years, great progress has been made in the science of nutrition. One of the major developments is the discovery of the vital role that protein plays in maintaining vitality, stamina and even morale. Dr. McClester, for example, ascribed the individual superiority of the American soldier in the last war to the high protein content of our military diet.

Moreover, the medical men have found that high protein nutrition is of definite value in reducing surgical mortality, by systematically building up the strength of the patient prior to the operation. It is of great service in treating nephritis and nephrosis. In pregnancy cases, protein has strong beneficial effects on mother and child, both before and after birth. There are a number of sources of protein. Of these, meat is particularly outstanding, and its protein content is biologically complete. It is one of the few foods that can be eaten twice or more a day with appetite.

All in all, the American diet is high in protein, and the amount of protein consumed is on the increase. This promises a better level of national health for the future.

ANTHRAX DEADLY

In its most common form, anthrax in animals, caused by a germ, resembles blood poisoning and is characterized by its quick onset and rapidly fatal course. Prompt diagnosis and administration of anti-anthrax serum by a veterinarian will keep losses to a minimum. Anthrax may be spread by contamination of the soil, drinking water or pastures with excreta and discharges of diseased animals. Dogs, coyotes and buzzards are potential carriers, and virulent anthrax organisms are frequently found in flies feeding on the carcasses of diseased animals. Humans may become infected with anthrax through direct contact with diseased animals or their discharges or with the carcasses of diseased animals. Or they may contact the disease by handling hides, furs, hair or other animal by-products.

ESTATE LEFT TO NURSE

An estate valued at \$480,571 was left James Dolphus Cabler by Mrs. Laura Carter Buchman. Cabler was a man nurse to Mr. and Mrs. Buchman. Her estate went to Cabler because he cared for her and her husband when, she said, "We were alone and had no one to care for us."

PURPOSE IN LIFE

An authority on coal mining, Charles Owen, retiring president, National Coal Association, recently made a simple statement which has a great public significance. "The coal industry's purpose in life," he said, "is to provide ample coal, at reasonable and competitive prices. To do this it must have a good, well-trained and satisfied labor force. It must have efficient and competent management. It must have safe mines and safe working conditions. And its mines must be able to make full use of the modern coal-extracting machines in which it has invested so many hundreds of millions of dollars. It has to make use of this modern mechanical equipment to be competitive with other fuels, to pay high wages to the miners and to sustain its other costs."

"This industry seeks arrangements with its employees that will permit uninterrupted operation of the mines, so that users of coal can be provided with all the coal they want, at a reasonable price. These objectives cannot be attained as long as the coercive labor monopoly which has dictated to this industry for so many years remains unchallenged."

Coal, like any other commodity, can price itself out of the market—it must compete with other sources of energy and if it should cost too much consumers will turn to something else. The interest of the miners—who make up the highest-paid labor force in the world—clearly lies in steady, efficient operations that will hold costs down. Mr. Lewis' labor monopoly, with its constant demands, its shut-downs and slow-downs, and its arbitrary work-interruptions, is a menace to labor no less than to the managers and owners. Here is a perfect example of a situation in which labor could actually destroy its own source of livelihood.

SENATOR LEHMAN

Herbert H. Lehman of New York in his defeat of Senator Dulles in the recent election is the first Jew ever elected to the United States Senate by popular vote. Several men of Jewish faith have been appointed to the Senate since 1914 when direct election of Senators began under the Seventeenth Amendment. Prior to that Senators were chosen by state legislatures.

The private branch telephone system in the Pentagon office building in Washington, D. C., is the largest of its kind in the world.

John Adams, who died at 90, lived longer than any other U. S. President.

STUDY ANTIVITAMINS

An antivitamin, one of the substances which work counter to vitamins, that brought death to mice starved for vitamin B1 was reported by Morris Soodak and Dr. Leopold Cerecedo of Fordham University. The experiments were made in a quest for new or better medicines to combat disease. The antivitamin which killed mice lacking B1 is oxythiamine. But mice made ill in this way recovered when they were given large doses of vitamin B1 (thiamine), they

said. This indicates that a true antagonism or competition exists between this vitamin and its antivitamin, and that the action of the oxythiamine is not due to a merely toxic action, they said. Work is being continued to determine whether antivitamin could play an important role in therapeutics if they are used in conjunction with the sulfa drugs and other antibiotics.

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Advertisement for WOMACK'S featuring a cartoon of Santa Claus sitting at a table with an alarm clock, and the text 'WAKE UP SANTA!!' and 'IT'S TIME once more to tell those swell folks, our customers, how much their patronage has meant to us in the past, how their friendliness to us has made serving them worthwhile, and how we wish them the Biggest, Happiest, and Merriest CHRISTMAS ever.'

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### Marines Want Top Men and Women

"The Marine Corps wants top men and women for recruits and would prefer young men and women so that they may give more service to the corps," Sgt. Albert Tidwell, non-commissioned recruit chief of the Wichita Falls area, said in Crowell Tuesday.

Sgt. Tidwell, in summarizing his mission here, said the corps was seeking men and women who wished to make a career of Marine work.

"We are a proud outfit," the recruiter said, "and intend to stay that way and can't if we enlist a bunch of misfits. We can afford to be choosy because of limited recruiting quotas."

The Marines' recruiting quota was cut approximately 40 per cent October 1, Sgt. Tidwell said and requirements for enlistees have been increased and made more rigid.

In order for a man to enlist in the Corps, he must be between the ages of 17 and 28, pass a

thorough physical and mental examination and be accepted by the Dallas headquarters. Women must be between 20 and 30 years of age, unmarried, high school graduates and without dependents.

"The Marine Corps is pretty well handpicked and we intend to keep it that way," the sergeant said.

"We want men and women who want to make a career of the corps. A man can join at 17, retire at 37 after 20 years of service still a young man," the sergeant said.

The service with the Marine Corps offers practically every type of training plus correspondence courses that can be taken with the object being either completion of high school education or accumulation of college degrees.

Sgt. Tidwell's office is located in the Post Office, Wichita Falls, where he keeps office hours from 8 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. weekdays, and from 8 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. Saturdays. The recruiting sergeant plans on visiting Crowell on the first Tuesday of each month from 10:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.

Law schools existed in Rome as early as 200 A. D.

### Congressman Ed Gossett Makes Partial Report on Meeting in Washington on 1950 Cotton Acreage Allotments

The following communication from Congressman Ed Gossett was received by the News the first of the week and was written by way of giving a partial report of his activities in the capitol city in regard to the 1950 cotton acreage allotment program:

On Dec. 5, I met with a group of farm representatives from Baylor, Clay, Cooke, Denton, Jack, Montague, Wichita, Wise and Young counties, in Wichita Falls, to discuss the cotton acreage allotment for 1950.

This meeting was attended by approximately fifty farmers, including administrative officers of the County PMA's of the counties mentioned.

Also attending this meeting at the request of Mr. B. F. Vance, State Director of PMA, was his representative, Mr. R. C. Platt, who was most helpful to us in our discussion of the cotton allotment bill, to-wit: Public Law 272.

In my opinion, Public Law 272 has been badly construed and interpreted by the Department of Agriculture in Washington. One obvious error which the top lawyers of the Department of Agriculture have made in construing this law, is not giving credit to the individual counties for war crops. The Department of Agriculture stands firm on this faulty ruling and refuses to change its construction of Public Law 272.

Realizing the ridiculous situation into which the cotton allotment rules and regulations have thrown us, the above mentioned who were most helpful to us in our discussion of the cotton allotment bill, to-wit: Public Law 272 be amended as follows:

"In order, therefore, to accomplish the end in view, we request that Public Law No. 272 be amended to provide that: Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the farm acreage allotment of cotton for the 1950 and 1951 crop for any farm shall not be less than the smaller of 75 per cent of the acreage of cotton planted in 1947 or 1948, whichever is larger, or 35 per cent of the tilled acreage adjusted."

I promised the above meeting that I would do everything within my power to secure an amendment to the cotton allotment Act in line with their recommendation.

I spent all of yesterday in a meeting here in the city of Washington with the House Committee on Agriculture, to-wit: ten members of such Committee, including Subcommittee No. One handling

cotton allotment legislation. Only five Congressmen, including myself, aside from Committee members, were present at this meeting. Also present at this meeting were Ralph Triagg, National Director of PMA as well as President of the CCC; Frank Wooley, Deputy Director of PMA, John Dean, with the Cotton Branch of PMA, Carroll Hunter, Chief Solicitor of the Department of Agriculture, and John Bagwell, Assistant to Mr. Hunter. The morning session was also attended by Senator Clinton Anderson, of New Mexico, who is a leader in the Senate in agricultural matters.

I was the only one to present a definite recommendation, i. e., the recommendation drawn up by our farm meeting in Wichita Falls. I was most happy to be able to have a definite, practical recommendation to make, with the report that it was unanimously supported by a big and responsible farm meeting in my home district. This report was backed up by data furnished me by various counties.

After a day's debate, the Agricultural Committee unanimously agreed on two propositions:

First, that the Secretary of Agriculture request farmers who will not plant any or all of their allotment to release the same to their local county PMA Committees, and that the Secretary authorize such committees to re-allocate such acreage within the county. (Release of this acreage to be for the year 1950 only and not to effect the cotton history of the particular farm). We would expect this to be done immediately, although the authority for so doing is questionable.

Second, that the Congress early next month upon reconvening, amend the 1949 acreage allotment act to provide that no 1950 crop allotment shall be less than the larger of 70 per cent of the average actually planted to cotton on the farm in 1946, 1947 and 1948, or 50 per cent of the highest acreage planted to cotton in any one of the three years.

In my opinion, the House of Representatives will pass such amendment before the middle of January. However, when the Senate will act is questionable. We hope by emergency appeals to the Senate to get priority consideration of this amendment and to get it through in January in order to help clear up the cotton allotment mess for 1950.

It is my intention to keep working on this matter aggressively until favorable and helpful action is secured. Your advice and suggestions will be appreciated.

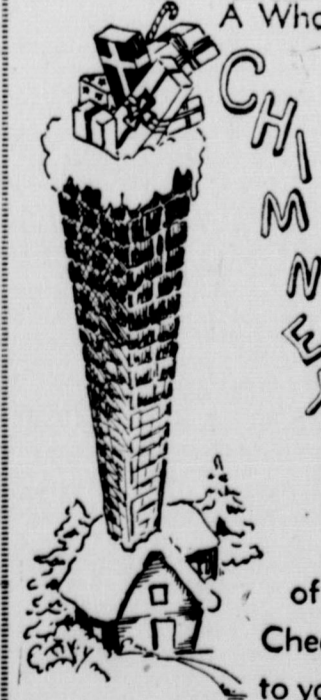
### RAMIE, OLD FIBER CROP, THRIVES IN NEW WORLD

Ramie is not a recent discovery. It was used by the ancients due to its remarkable tensile strength, durability, draping qualities, and rare beauty, being eight times stronger than cotton and several times stronger than either flax or hemp; possessing a lustrous appearance after degumming, and lending itself to dyes perfectly. Due to its many superior attributes it became a royal monopoly and was favored in the fabrication of the coronation robes of kings—hence named "noble fiber." At one time it was extensively used in France, where it was spun the same as flax, in long staple on the "linen system."

The ramie plant flourishes in rich moist soil of tropical and semi-tropical regions. In the orient it grows from three to six feet tall but grown in Florida, it has reached a height of eight feet each quarter. It was described as a perennial, harboring practically no enemy pests, yielding from three to four crops per year in suitable climates, requiring but slight cultivation, and entailing very little care until harvest. The fiber yield was said to be approximately 1500 pounds per acre annually, or several times the annual yield of cotton.

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## THE WILDCAT

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Market.  
Patsy Carroll — Rialto Theater.  
R. C. Sanders — Borchardt Chevrolet.  
Rosemary Moss — Archer's Variety.  
Margaret Thompson — Ferguson's Drug.  
Don Wilkins — Mac's Food Market.  
Bobby Lax — McClain's Food Market.

### CHS HOLIDAY FASHION FLASH!

With the holidays coming closer by the hour, all the girls are naturally beginning to think of what they will wear to the holiday parties.

Petite Jean Gamble has a pale blue jersey blouse with the new overlapping sport shirt neckline. The skirt she will wear with it is a dark blue corduroy made with big patch pockets. It is cut straight across the front with fullness in the back.

Blue is also the color Betty Brock has chosen for her taffeta party dress. It is designed with a full shirt and a high roll collar.

A two-piece outfit consisting of a Nile green satin skirt and a white silk crepe blouse patterned with gold leaves outlined in gold sequins is the selection of Rondyn Self.

Joline Lanier's dress will be of nylon taffeta satin with a double row of self-covered buttons to the waist and unusual split sleeves. Two deep pleats add to the attraction of the flared skirt.

A short taffeta baby blue evening gown is the choice of Mary Chowning for a Christmas party during the holidays. It has short sleeves, with a scalloped neckline and a bustle bow in the back.

Wanza Spears will be seen in a full black gabardine skirt with a black quilted jacket trimmed in chartreuse. Her accessories will also be of green.

Every popular taffeta will be the material used for Norma Jones' navy blue party frock. The dress may be worn with or without a jacket of the same material. This jacket is of the basque type with cape sleeves.

Wine moire taffeta will look good with Doris Jones' olive complexion. It is styled with three-quarter length sleeves, a mandarin style neck opening, a few gathers across the front part is cut straight in the back.

Jean Hughston has selected a forest green taffeta two-piece dress with a circular skirt and a peplum jacket decorated by gold buttons. On her feet she will wear glamorous gold slippers.

Lois Everson will wear a wool plaid with black velvet pockets, a high black velvet collar, and velvet trimmed three-quarter length sleeves. She will also wear black shoes.

Dark haired Marcia Kincaid has chosen a dress of dark red corduroy with which she will wear a light blue satin sash and matching light blue ballerinas.

### HARD-TO-LOCATE INFO ABOUT THE WOLDCAT CAGERS

While meandering through the gym the other night, we came to one conclusion — Coach Thayne Amonett with his assistant, Gordon Erwin, is turning out a fine ball club this season. It does not resemble a team with one or two outstanding stars, but a bunch of lads who are having to work hard for a first-place berth.

One starting forward is captain, F. L. Ballard, who was high scorer of the Seymour tournament with 40 points. This senior has an 11.4 point average for every game, and he made the all-tournament basketball team at Matador.

The second forward for CHS is Clinton Marlow, who hails from Thalia. Although this is Clinton's first year to play on the main string, he has proved to be remarkably good material. Clinton's speciality is retrieving the basketball from the backboard.

Jim Paul Norman, who is a freshman in Crowell High, has made the center position on the main string this year. His ability to jump for that ole ball has helped Crowell to win quite a few games.

Little guard, but mighty is Jon Sanders, who has made the traveling squad for three years, is the outstanding floor man. His ability to "steal" the ball from other players has made him outstanding.

The all-around athlete, Rouse Todd, has made the main squad for the past three years. Rouse is known as the quarterback of the CHS team.

The other members of the squad, who see a great deal of action are Jimmy Tom Cates, Gordon Wood Bell, Bobby Stinebaugh, Arthur Marlow, James McBeath, Haskell Norman and Charles Wishon.

### WILDCATS WIN SECOND TROPHY AT SEYMOUR

For a second consecutive weekend the Crowell Wildcat basketball team journeyed away from home to win a basketball tournament trophy.

On Thursday night the Wildcats along with the Holiday Eagles opened the Seymour invitational tournament. The Crowell team barely squeezed by this team by only two points margin.

Then on Friday night the team returned to trim the Chillicothe Eagles by a comfortable margin. The Crowell team lead by twelve points at the half and increased this to 18 at the end of the game.

Saturday the Wildcats climaxed their trail to the finale by trimming the Iowa Park Hawks. This

victory assured them a place in the finals. Along was Olney, who had the game before beating Monday to enter the finals.

The Wildcats kept pace with a blazing Olney attack during the first five minutes and during the next quarter the Wildcats pulled away to a supposedly comfortable six-point lead. But just before the half, Olney tied it up 11 to 11.

Then in the third quarter Olney hung up a nine point lead only to see it melt away during the closing minutes to just two points. But it seemed the Wildcats could not beat the clock so they had to settle for second place trophy. The final score was 31 to 29.

### WILDCAT PURRS

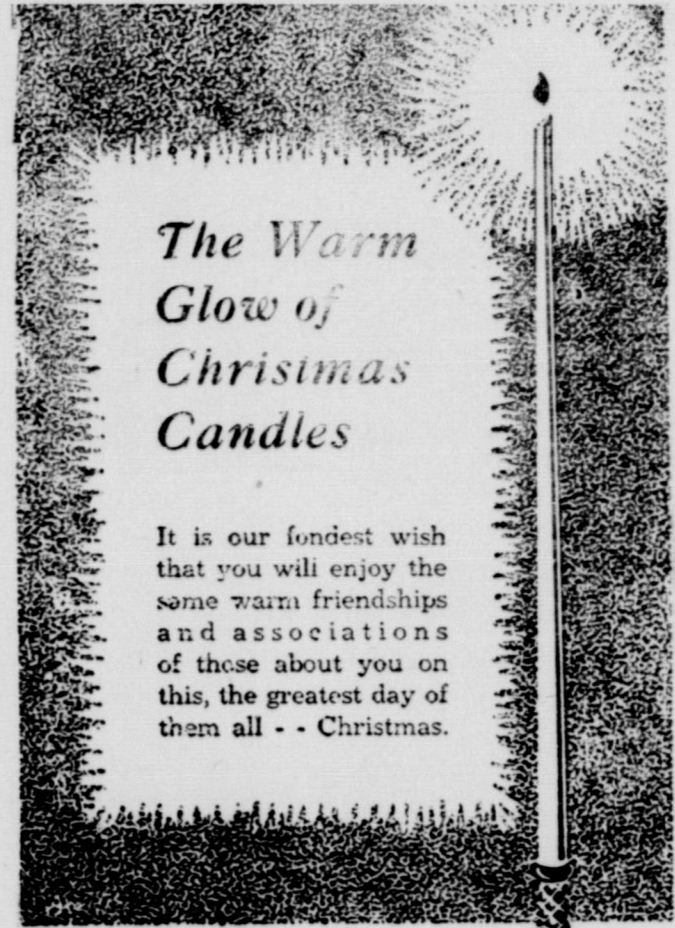
'Twas the night before Christmas and all thru the — Oh, excuse me. The Christmas spirit has got me along with all the rest of the CHS students.

It seems as though Pat Owens enjoyed driving for Norma Jones, Wayne Brown, Elba Caddell and Don Morgan Saturday night.

Rondyn, Vernon, Bobbie and Jerry enjoyed the ball game at Wichita Saturday.

Everybody's looking forward to Clara's party Thursday night.

It seems as though Marcia and Martin have called it quits. Tough luck. He is now spending his time with Faye Black.



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twelve months.

We trust that we may

continue to merit

Your trust and confidence

and that the season

will be one of

many blessings.

Self Motor Co.

### Christmas Meeting of Pioneer Circle of W. S. C. S. Held

The Pioneer Circle of the Crowell W. S. C. S. of the Methodist Church met at 3 o'clock, Dec. 5th, in the home of Mrs. Henry Earl Thomson for a program and a social hour with Mrs. Leotis Roberts, Mrs. Alton Higginbotham and Mrs. J. H. Lanier Jr. serving

as joint hostesses. The meeting was opened by Mrs. T. B. Klepper, softly playing familiar Christmas carols. Mrs. C. W. Thompson read the scripture lesson from Luke 2: 1-20 and directed the thinking of the group on the true meaning of Christmas. Mrs. Claude Brooks beautifully told the story "The Other Wise Man" after which a playlet of the four goals of the Advancement for Christ movement was given

by Mrs. J. W. Bruce, Mrs. T. B. Klepper, Mrs. J. A. Stovall and Mrs. C. W. Thompson. Mrs. T. L. Hughton closed the meeting with a prayer. Exchange of gifts was enjoyed from a beautiful Christmas tree in the corner of the spacious living room. Delicious Yuletide refreshments were served to two guests, Mrs. Lee Ribble of Vernon and Mrs. Harold Thomson and the following members: Miss Dine Mitchell, Mesdames Grover Cole, C. W. Thompson, T. B. Klepper, R. R. Magee, M. J. Girsch, B. F. Ringgold, T. L. Hughton, Jim Shook, Claude Brooks, Hines Clark, Sam Crews, J. A. Stovall, J. W. Bruce, J. J. Brown, Pearl Lovelady, Fred Wehba, W. C. Erwin, G. G. Mills, A. C. Haynes and J. N. Ribble.

### Co-Laborers' Class Holds Christmas Meeting on Dec. 15

Mesdames H. E. Thomson, Alton Higginbotham, Leotis Roberts, Aubrey C. Haynes and Claude Callaway were joint hostesses at the home of Mrs. Thomson on Thursday evening, Dec. 15, for the Christmas meeting of the Co-Laborers' Sunday School Class of the Methodist Church. Decorations of the home were in keeping with the Christmas season and included a beautiful Christmas tree, Christmas carols were sung by the group with Mrs. Paul Shirley as accompanist. Mrs. Moody Bursey, as guest entertainer, told a tender Christmas story. Games were directed by Mrs. Thomson and Mrs. Haynes. Santa Claus made his appearance and helped distribute gifts from the pretty tree in his jovial manner. Following the exit of Santa Claus, the hostesses served a refreshment plate which also reflected the Christmas motif. Thirty guests were present for the enjoyable social.

### Columbian Club Has Christmas Meeting

Christmas was everywhere in the home of Mrs. Crews Cooper on Wednesday, Dec. 14, when she and Mrs. Lee Black entertained the membership of the Columbian Club. Mrs. R. L. Kincaid was responsible for the program which was opened by singing a number of Christmas carols with Mrs. D. R. Magee leading and Mrs. John S. Ray accompanying. Mrs. Kenneth Halbert gave an interesting Christmas story which was followed by Mrs. Kincaid's interpretation of "The Greatest

Miracle." A surprise feature of the program was the presentation of Miss Jean Gamble, who gave an account of the Junior Club members' trip to the State Federation meeting in Austin. At the conclusion of the program, an exchange of gifts created much merriment. A delicious refreshment plate was served. There were two special guests, Misses Tommie Meason and Jean Gamble, Junior Columbian Club members.

Mrs. John Sandlin and Mrs. Lela Ray of Wewoka, Okla., visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sandlin last week. Mrs. Raymon Rasberry visited her mother, Mrs. E. E. Asher, of Paducah Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Fish visited her father, J. W. Klepper, of Crowell Sunday afternoon. Mrs. A. L. Walling and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Walling visited Mrs. Egbert Fish in the Paducah hospital Thursday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Gauldin spent Friday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Gilbert, and family. Miss Maxine Woodard of Crowell attended the Christmas party in the home of Misses Myrtle and Neoma Fish Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Darvin Bell and children, Carl and Carol, were Vernon visitors Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Fish visited their daughter, Mrs. J. M. Denton, and family of Paducah Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Fields and daughter, Melba, of Chalk were visitors in the home of her father, A. T. Fish, and family Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Henderson

### VIVIAN MRS. W. O. FISH

Mrs. S. J. Lewis and son, S. J., of Lockney visited in the Arthur Sandlin home Wednesday of last week. They also visited Mrs. G. J. Benham of Crowell. Mrs. Lora Faye Kainer of Paducah visited Martha Fish Wednesday of last week. Joe Asher of Ardmore, Okla., visited his sister, Mrs. Raymon Rasberry, and family Wednesday of last week. Roy Hayes of Paducah spent Sunday with John and Bill Fish. Fay Denton of Paducah spent Monday night with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Fish. James Sandlin spent from Tuesday until Saturday with his brothers, Herman and Craig Sandlin, and families of Lovington, N. M. Mrs. A. L. Walling visited Mrs. H. H. Fish of Paducah Saturday of last week. Jackie Rasberry spent last week-end with her grandmother, Mrs. Maude Rasberry, of Crowell. Crimm Martin returned to his home in Fort Worth last week after spending the past three months in the home of his sister, Mrs. Henry Fish, and family. Mr. Clyde Bowley visited their son, David, and wife of Charleston, Ark., recently. Mr. and Mrs. Neil Halsey of Seminole, Okla., visited her brother, Arthur Sandlin, and wife recently. Mrs. James Sandlin and daughters, Judy and Sherry, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Owens of Foard City. Misses Myrtle and Neoma Fish and Mrs. C. S. Lewis of Paducah visited J. W. Klepper and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mathews of Crowell Friday of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Don Lewis of Lockney visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sandlin Thursday of last week. Misses Lula and Deulah Bowley of Crowell visited their brother, Clyde Bowley, and wife Sunday of last week. Mrs. Henry Fish visited Mrs. J. B. Harlan of Crowell one day last week. Misses Myrtle and Neoma Fish and Mrs. C. S. Lewis of Paducah visited Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Cooper of Crowell Friday afternoon of last week. Misses Bernita, Myrtle and Neoma Fish, Mrs. I. D. Gilbert and Mrs. W. O. Fish attended the pink and blue shower for Mrs. A. T. Fish Jr. in the home of Mrs. Foy Lewis of Paducah Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Chester Hord, Mrs. Maude Rasberry, Mrs. G. J. Benham, Mrs. T. W. Cooper and Miss Deulah Bowley, all of Crowell and Mrs. Clifton Gauldin of Goodlett attended club in the home of Mrs. Arthur Sandlin Wednesday of last week. Mrs. J. W. Sandlin of Seminole, Okla., visited her son, Arthur Sandlin, and family last week. Miss Bernita Fish and Mrs. R. L. Walling attended the funeral of Claude Price of Five-in-One at the Baptist Church in Vernon Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Egbert Fish, who was taken to the Paducah hospital Wednesday, is much improved at this writing.

### BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Lloyd Whitten entertained her son, Michael Loyd, with a birthday party at the home of her mother, Mrs. Roy Fox, on Dec. 19, the occasion being his seventh birthday. Christmas carols were sung and a picture show of "Buck Jones" and "Santa Claus Coming to Town" was enjoyed. Refreshments of birthday cake, and hot chocolate were served and Santa Claus suckers and balloons were given as souvenirs. Santa Claus gave each of the following guests a present: Jeanette Bolibruch, Marita Taylor, Sandra, Sue and Paula Ruth Sanders, Larue Diggs, Jo Ann Fox, Kay Sanders, Edward White, Noel Wilkins, Bobby Sanders, Donald Roy Fox, Ronny Fox, Randy Whitten and the honoree, Michael Loyd Whitten.

### THE Foard County News

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**HELLO**  
*It's Christmas Again*  
and time for us to express our greetings of the Season and to once more say "Thank You"  
**Nu-Way Laundry**  
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It's been a good year, and a happy one and we're glad that we have the opportunity to extend good wishes.  
**Christmas Greetings**  
**WEISS FARM EQUIPMENT**

# Merry Christmas

**CICERO SMITH LUMBER CO.**

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

May you have a Merry Christmas and a wealth of all the things that the finest season can bring you  
**Meason's Beauty Shop**

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PHILLIPS "66" JOBBER  
Stations Handling Phillips Products—  
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# MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the deeper meaning of the Christmas Season be strengthened by the memories it will recall. May it bring to you a genuine happiness that will add to the pleasure of this glorious time of the year.  
While you are enjoying the pleasant moments the occasion affords, we trust you will pause a moment to accept our kindest wishes and sincere greeting of the Season.  
**STOVALL GROCERY**

# LOCALS

T-Sgt. and Mrs. Fred Priest and small daughter, Carol, of Fort Worth are here to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Johnson of Crowell and Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Priest of Margaret.

## Sing Christmas Carols

To the Thrilling Accompaniment of a Wurlitzer Electronic Organ Models for Homes, Churches, Schools and Chapels as low as \$1095.

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Ed Culbertson and Gene Culbertson of Fort Worth were here Monday and Tuesday.

W. M. Branch of Denton is visiting in the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. G. W. Branch, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gobin have returned from a visit with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stevens, in Colorado City.

Plenty of money to loan on farms and ranches. Liberal prepayment privileges. No charge for inspection. See us.—Roberts-Beverly Abst. Co. 31-tfc

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cates and son, Leo, of Los Angeles, Calif., arrived here Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Frank Cates, and family.

Miss Mary Ragland Thompson of Commerce, accompanied by Mrs. C. W. Thompson Jr. and infant son, Sandy, of Sherman, arrived last Saturday to spend the holidays with relatives.

Miss Lizzie Sloan of Fort Worth is visiting in the home of her brother, A. L. Sloan, and other relatives and friends.

Roy Cates, senior at T. C. U. in Fort Worth, is here visiting his mother, Mrs. Frank Cates, and family. He will graduate in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zak of Kansas City, Kansas, are here to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sparks of Foard City will have as holiday guests, their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Sparks Jr., of Fort Worth and Mrs. Sparks' sister, Mrs. Mattie Walling, of Plainview.

W. M. Hord of Truscott was here Monday attending to business. Mr. and Mrs. Hord, long-time residents of the Truscott community, have bought a farm near Spur and will move to their new home the first of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Allan Beverly of Denver, Colo., visited Tuesday night with Mr. Beverly's two brothers, J. R. and A. Y. Beverly, and their families. They were en route to Beaumont to spend Christmas in the home of their son, Fred Allan Beverly, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Sanders of Fort Worth visited over the week-end in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Sanders, and family and with friends.

Miss Mary Sam Crews of Houston arrived Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Crews.

First Sgt. and Mrs. Bert Curtis of Mountain Home Air Base, Idaho, are here to spend the holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Curtis, and family and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harwell of Lawton, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Todd and little daughter, Nan, of Chillicothe spent Sunday in the home of W. F. Kirkpatrick and daughter, Frankie.

Mr. and Mrs. Tully Henry of Hollywood, Calif., visited from Thursday until Monday in the home of his brother, M. S. Henry, and Mrs. Henry, and other relatives.

Mrs. G. M. Canup returned Friday from Phoenix, Ariz., where she had visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Canup and family and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Canup and family. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Canup are visiting relatives and friends here now.

## Vivian H. D. Club Has Christmas Party Friday, December 16

The Vivian Home Demonstration Club was hostess at a community Christmas tree and party in the home of Misses Myrtle and Neoma Fish on Friday night, Dec. 16th.

Group singing of Christmas carols was led by Mrs. Henry Fish with Miss Neoma Fish accompanying at the piano. "All I Want for Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth" was sung by Martha Fish. Miss Bernita Fish read "The Littlest Angel."

Gifts were exchanged from a beautifully decorated native cedar tree. Many of the decorations were made from native materials as cotton burrs, china berries, mesquite beans and other objects painted in silver and blue.

Funch, with home made cookies, was served by Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Gilbert from an heirloom bowl belonging to Mrs. Bell. The dining table, covered with an ecru lace cloth, was centered with an arrangement of native cedar base, blue and silver decorations and red candles in silver holders.

The guest book, in which the guests registered, was made by Ronnie Gilbert.

## John W. Thompson Entertains with Birthday Party

John W. Thompson was host to a group of men at his home on Tuesday evening, Dec. 21, to celebrate his birthday.

George Mapp and Gilbert Choate furnished fiddle music. Rob Cooper whistled several numbers and Frank Halencak furnished guitar music. Reminiscences were indulged in, also.

The following guests were present: Jim Naron, Frank Halencak, C. W. Thompson, Guy Naron, Grover Nichols, Ed Cates, Fite Crowell, Walter Thomson, Walter Nichols, Rob Cooper, George Mapp, Gilbert Choate, Tom Bursley, L. D. Fox, Jake Roberts, John Earl Roberts and Kinney Reed Roberts.

Refreshments were served to the group.

## Thalia Man Gives Birthday Party for Wife Dec. 13

A surprise birthday party was given Mrs. C. C. Lindsey by her husband at their home in Thalia Tuesday evening of last week. Although he was sick and confined to his bed, he helped to carry out all the plans, even to having the beautiful birthday cake made. He was assisted in the entertaining by Mrs. W. A. Johnson, Mrs. Sim Gamble and Mrs. Oran Ford. Games of 42 were played for diversion.

The cake, Cokes, popcorn and cookies were served to Mr. and Mrs. Mack Gamble, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Banister, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gamble, Mr. and Mrs. Oran Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Sim Gamble, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Adkins of Riverside, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wood, Mrs. H. L. Swan, Mrs. W. G. Chapman, J. M. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Woodson, the host and honoree, Mrs. Tom Wayland and Mrs. Bessie Lindsey of Vernon also attended.

Molokai, the leper colony in the Hawaiian Islands, is supported by the U. S.



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City Cleaners

May the Christmas Season please you with its good cheer and happiness and the friendliness of the Yuletide remain with you

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Santa Claus will be here Saturday afternoon for last minute orders.

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## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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As the years roll by, we realize more and more what it means to have the friendship of folks like you. That's why it is a pleasure to wish you and yours a Merry Christmas.

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# Christmas Greetings

Christmas is a good time, a pleasant time—the one day in the long calendar of the year when people everywhere lay aside the cares of the every day world.

With gay tidings all around us and with the blessings of the Christmas season so greatly in evidence, let us all acclaim the Yuletide and welcome it with a sincere and heartfelt happiness.

May all of us in our own way observe the customs essential to a joyous and successful Christmas Season.

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**THALIA**  
MRS. C. H. WOOD

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Johnson were Wichita Falls visitors Monday.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Box of Quannah and Mrs. E. E. Railsback of Vernon visited the Ed Railsback family Thursday night. Mrs. Railsback remained for a longer visit.  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Long and

children and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bursley visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Long, in Crowell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. S. Mason and Mrs. Isabelle Thompson and daughter, Theresa, of Vernon visited in the home of Mrs. M. L. Self Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doe Roughton and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Roughton of Stamford visited Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Luckie last Friday.

Glen Gable of Odell visited his

mother, Mrs. Ruth Hammonds, Sunday night.  
Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Mints of Quannah visited his father, F. C. Mints, and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gamble visited his sister, Mrs. J. B. Porter, and family and friends in Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Aville Grantham in Mineral Wells last week-end.

T. H. Matthews left Monday for Corpus Christi where he will spend the winter with his daughter, Mrs. Jean Lanham, and family. He visited Monday night in the home of his friends, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shook, in Fort Worth.

Ray Gable from Sheppard Field and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Price of Garland visited Mrs. Ruth Hammonds Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Capps of Monahan, Mrs. H. T. Capps, Havis Capps, Mrs. Fannie Mason and daughter, Larue, of Seminole visited here Sunday and attended the funeral of Claude Price in Vernon Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Ford and his father, J. R. Ford, visited Mr. and Mrs. Tom Worley of Burk Burnett Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ward of Wichita Falls attended services at the Church of Christ here Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Freland Jobe of Paducah and Mrs. Buster Manning of Crowell visited Mr. and Mrs. E. J. McKinley Sunday.

Miss Irene Doty and small niece, Judy Johnson, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Allen of Childress last week.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Estell and son, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Estell and Ronnie of Grapevine visited Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wheeler recently.

Mrs. Maggie Hammonds and Lottie and Max Hammonds, accompanied by Mickey and Jimmie Hammonds of Floydada, were Wichita Falls visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cole from the Waggoner Ranch visited his niece, Mrs. Percy Taylor, and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Railsback visited their daughter, Mrs. Robbie Lee Rodgers, and family in Electra Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Brown attended the rendition of Handel's Messiah at the Baptist Church in Vernon Sunday night.

Wayne Short left Sunday for Norfolk, Va., where he is stationed in the Navy, after spending an 18-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Short, here.

Mrs. H. W. Gray and Mrs. W. G. Chapman spent Sunday night with their sister, Mrs. S. J. Boman, and attend the rendition of Handel's Messiah at the Baptist Church in Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Scales visited their son, Hearrell Scales, in Vernon Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hogan returned home Thursday after a 14-day visit in South Texas. They visited Mr. Hogan's cousin, C. L. Archer, and wife at Lyford.

A number of friends from Thalia attended the funeral services for Claude H. Price in Vernon Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Matthews and children of Littlefield visited his father, J. F. Matthews, and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Matthews Jr., Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Campbell of Crowell visited Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Grimm recently.  
Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Gray and baby visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Crisp of Northside Sunday.

Harrison Price of Garland is spending this week with his aunt, Mrs. Ruth Hammonds.

Mrs. Loyd Fox and daughter, Mrs. Billy Hammonds, visited Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hairston in Wichita Falls last week-end while Loyd and Billy made a business trip to Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Wood of Iowa Park visited his niece, Mrs. Sim Gamble, and husband, Sunday.  
Mrs. Bertie Shipp, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. O. Ferguson, and family here, left Thursday for her home in DeKalb, Texas. She was accompanied by her son of Portales, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Grimm visited Mrs. Leo Kidwell in the Wichita Falls clinic last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gray and daughters left Saturday for Cotulla where they will spend the holidays in the home of Mrs. Gray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Robbins of Whiteface visited Mr. and Mrs. E. J. McKinley Thursday.

J. K. McBeath, who has been ill in the home of his daughter in Fort Worth, was brought to the home of his son, J. L. McBeath, here Saturday.

Mrs. Willie Cato received announcement Saturday of the birth of a daughter, Constance Jane, born to her sister, Mrs. Mamie Grubis, of Salem Depot, N. H.

Mrs. Will Johnson was in the Crowell hospital a few days last week.

Mrs. Mack Edens and son, Gary, went to Dallas last Monday to be with her mother, Mrs. Ira Temple, who is ill in a hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McBeath Jr. of Truscott visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McBeath Sr., also her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Butler, Sunday.

Lew Wisdom, who has been in the Veterans Hospital at Amarillo for several weeks, returned home Sunday night for a two-weeks' stay.

A. B. Wisdom, who has been in the W. O. W. Hospital at San Antonio, is at home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George Petry and children of Chula Vista, Calif., are here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davis, A. E. Irvin and Mr. Gorie of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Swan last Sunday.

**MARGARET**  
MRS. BAX MIDDLEBROOK

Mrs. E. F. Dunn and son, Frank, Jr., left Sunday for Artesia, N. M., where they will spend the Christmas holidays with her children.

H. C. Payne of Waco spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Payne, and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ayers attended the football game in Wichita Falls Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Priest and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Choate and daughters spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shultz in Vernon.

Mrs. Allan Tucker and children of Wichita Falls are here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Wesley.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Connell and son of Lubbock visited relatives here last week. They were accompanied home by his grandmother, Mrs. J. W. Owens, who expects to be gone several weeks.  
Jolene Powers of Vernon is spending this week with her aunt, Mrs. Bob Choate, and children.

Ross Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Elliott and children of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bradford and Mrs. Evelyn Webster and son of Thalia, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Painter and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Jackson and children of Black were Sunday visitors in the Mrs. Sudie Bradford home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Murphy and daughters, Wanda and Patsy, and Mary Beth, were Vernon visitors Monday.

Mrs. Elmer Smallwood of Matador spent several days with her mother, Mrs. Sarah Pruitt, and Mrs. Jack Roden last week. Mr. Smallwood and daughter, Mrs. Laverne Norris, came down Friday and she returned home with them.

Mrs. Dink Russell and Mrs. Belle Blevins were business visitors in Vernon Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Bradford visited in Quannah Friday.

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Haile Selassie claimed descent from Solomon and the Queen of Sheba.

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Thomas Farm Equipment

**T**O WISH you a very Merry Christmas and to express the hope that our present cordial relations may continue for many years to come. It is our desire that you will enjoy the Season of Christmas, its fine friendly associations and its thoughtful tokens of esteem.  
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Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Scales visited their son, Hearrell Scales, in Vernon Saturday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hogan returned home Thursday after a 14-day visit in South Texas. They visited Mr. Hogan's cousin, C. L. Archer, and wife at Lyford.  
A number of friends from Thalia attended the funeral services for Claude H. Price in Vernon Sunday afternoon.  
Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Matthews and children of Littlefield visited his father, J. F. Matthews, and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Matthews Jr., Saturday night.  
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Campbell of Crowell visited Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Grimm recently.  
Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Gray and baby visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Crisp of Northside Sunday.  
Harrison Price of Garland is spending this week with his aunt, Mrs. Ruth Hammonds.  
Mrs. Loyd Fox and daughter, Mrs. Billy Hammonds, visited Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hairston in Wichita Falls last week-end while Loyd and Billy made a business trip to Fort Worth.  
Mr. and Mrs. Rob Wood of Iowa Park visited his niece, Mrs. Sim Gamble, and husband, Sunday.  
Mrs. Bertie Shipp, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. O. Ferguson, and family here, left Thursday for her home in DeKalb, Texas. She was accompanied by her son of Portales, N. M.  
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Grimm visited Mrs. Leo Kidwell in the Wichita Falls clinic last Friday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gray and daughters left Saturday for Cotulla where they will spend the holidays in the home of Mrs. Gray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Ferguson.  
Mr. and Mrs. Robbins of Whiteface visited Mr. and Mrs. E. J. McKinley Thursday.  
J. K. McBeath, who has been ill in the home of his daughter in Fort Worth, was brought to the home of his son, J. L. McBeath, here Saturday.  
Mrs. Willie Cato received announcement Saturday of the birth of a daughter, Constance Jane, born to her sister, Mrs. Mamie Grubis, of Salem Depot, N. H.  
Mrs. Will Johnson was in the Crowell hospital a few days last week.  
Mrs. Mack Edens and son, Gary, went to Dallas last Monday to be with her mother, Mrs. Ira Temple, who is ill in a hospital there.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McBeath Jr. of Truscott visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McBeath Sr., also her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Butler, Sunday.  
Lew Wisdom, who has been in the Veterans Hospital at Amarillo for several weeks, returned home Sunday night for a two-weeks' stay.  
A. B. Wisdom, who has been in the W. O. W. Hospital at San Antonio, is at home for the holidays.  
Mr. and Mrs. George Petry and children of Chula Vista, Calif., are here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Butler.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davis, A. E. Irvin and Mr. Gorie of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Swan last Sunday.

Haile Selassie claimed descent from Solomon and the Queen of Sheba.  
Television sets cost from \$100 to \$4000. A 16-inch table model retails for around \$500.  
Entre nous is French for "between ourselves" or confidentially."

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Christmas carols express better than anything else, probably, the true spirit of Christmas.

The word "carol" itself signifies joy and was originally used to accompany a dance. William Wallace Fyfe concludes that the term carol "signifies a song of joy or exultation."

In England, which gave America most of its carols, they were sometimes gay and sometimes convivial until the time of the Puritans, who tried to suppress the Christmas spirit.

After the Restoration, the religious nature of the day was for a time almost forgotten in the reaction from Puritanism, and the carol was temporarily lost in the songs.

There are many quaint customs associated with the early carolers that might be used today to break the monotony of going from house to house singing Christmas hymns.

It was about the 16th century that caroling became a Christmas custom, and is supposed to have been brought to England from Italy by the traveling clergy. The first real Christmas carol is attributed to St. Francis of Assisi who made a model of the Bethlehem manger to help him tell his people the Christmas story.

The idea of caroling fitted admirably into the English conception of Christmas as a combination of religious celebration

and a great home day with neighborly feeling, so it grew and flourished in that country.

Little bands and groups of singers which sprang up in the towns and villages came to be known as "Waits." A natural explanation of the name seems to be that it refers to watching and waiting, for Christmas Eve is called the Vigil of Christmas.

As early as December 21, which is the day dedicated to St. Thomas, mummers and carolers would begin going from door to door, announcing the great feast at hand. It was natural for the householders to offer hospitality to these Christmas troubadours, and gradually in many places the custom of giving alms and presents of various kinds was established.

This benign custom threatened at one time in England to become a profession and to lose its original simple charm.

For a period beginning just when no one knows and ending in 1820, there were in London and Westminster companies of "Waits" whose leaders held office by public appointment and who obtained an exclusive right to solicit contributions from the public.

The carolers were often accompanied by entertainers who gave a spirit of revelry to the occasions. The mummers often interrupted the singing to give their interpretation of "St. George and the Dragon." Tumblers, dressed in bright red, would perform their arts of skill to entertain the onlookers.

Two Minute Sermon

(By Thomas Hastwell)

Soil Conservation: On a drive through the country the other day, near the town in which I live, I saw several fields separately owned by men who do not believe in soil conservation. Running across the land in several places were deep ditches which had been cut through the years by water. They had reached a size where it would require a great deal of labor and expense to repair the damage and place the land back in cultivation. The land put out of cultivation because of the ditches represented no small loss each year to the land owner. Furthermore the ditches will continue to get bigger and deeper as time goes on unless steps are taken to correct the evil. A few years back and it would have been a small task to have stopped the water and provided a means for it to be carried off—with less destructive results. It occurred to me as I looked at the series of big ditches, that our lives are a lot like that field once was. Wrong habits got started and nothing is done to curb them. They become more deeply entrenched as time goes on. Too late it is discovered, that what once could have been corrected easily, now has become a much greater task.

FIND COMPOUNDS CHECKED CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE

Vitamin E and digitoxin prevented the chemical action which induces congestive heart failure in experiments reported by Dr. William M. Govier of Glenolden, Pa., with the technical assistance of Naomi Yanz and Mary E. Greis. The ultimate cause of congestive heart failure usually can be traced to poor oxygen supply to the heart muscle.

Vitamin E, digitoxin, and similar compounds apparently prevented the breakdown of a vital coenzyme occurring from a chemical action when the heart muscle tissue of a guinea pig lacked oxygen and vitamin E. This vital coenzyme in the tissue, he said, is one responsible for metabolism of lactic acid, "the preferred fuel for heart muscle contraction."

Dr. Govier pointed out that these reactions were noted in finely divided heart tissue under artificial conditions, and their role in the metabolism of the intact heart of the guinea pig or other animals is yet to be determined.

BIG EGG EATERS

Americans ate more than 380 eggs per person in 1947.

CHEAP SHALE OIL

Crude oil can be produced from shale for about 12 cents a gallon, according to the U. S. bureau of mines. This is some three to five times higher than present petroleum prices. Extraction costs bring the price of bulk gasoline produced by this method to the 15-16 cent range. Filling station prices would be considerably higher.



RADIO REPAIR

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EXPERIMENTS WITH CORN

Inbreeding studies with corn were conducted by Darwin as early as 1786. In 1905, inbreeding experiments were begun at the University of Illinois agricultural experiment station.

FOUND ON EASTER DAY

Florida was discovered on Easter Day, 1512, by Juan Ponce de Leon.

MAKING BRIAR PIPES

Briar pipe is made from the root wood of the large heath which grows in the south of Africa.

BONUS FOR HATS

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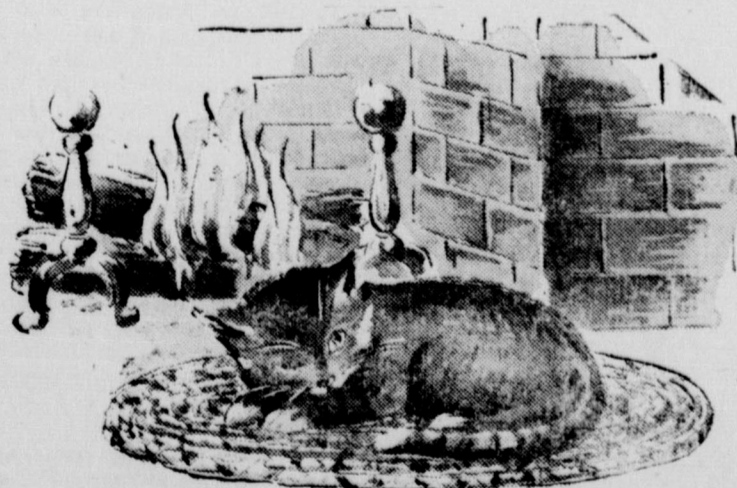
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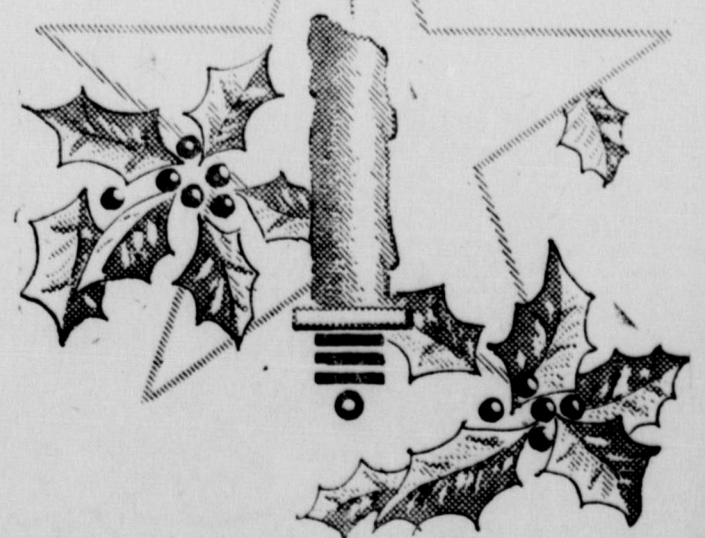
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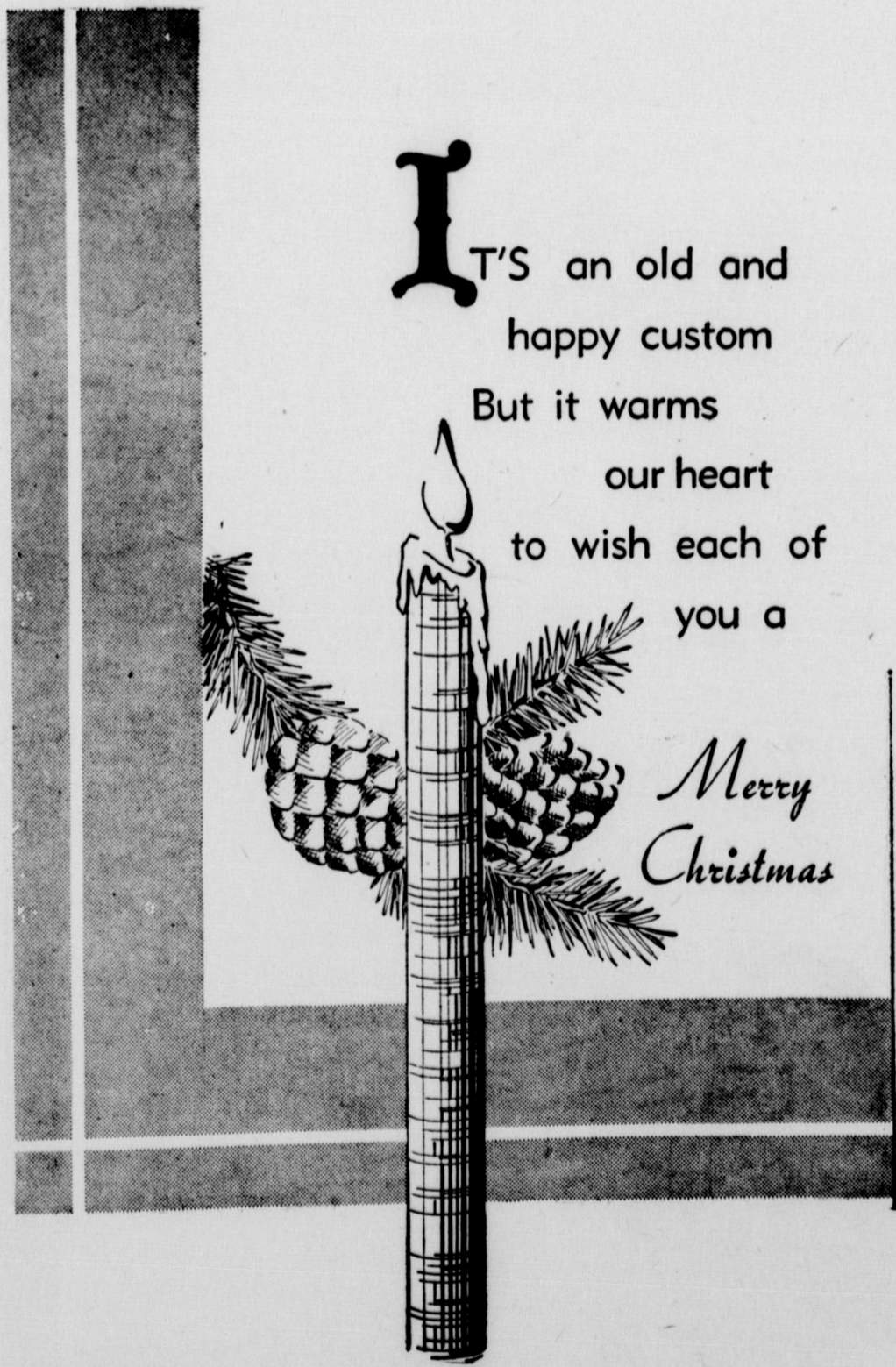
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With the possible exception of Herbert Hoover, George Washington was the United States' wealthiest president.

More states in the United States have names which originated from Indian words than from any other language.

### Mental Hospitals of Texas Greatly Understaffed

Austin, Tex. (Spl.)—Low pay for long hours of hard, distasteful work keeps Texas mental hospitals seriously understaffed.

Texas newspapermen, on their recent tour of the mental institutions, got figures to this effect from hospital officials. They saw the facts for themselves.

The newsmen visited a 913-patient ward in San Antonio, cared for by one attending physician. They saw women attendants doing the work of registered nurses for \$80 a month. The same work, performed in private hospitals, would bring \$175 a month.

The newsmen talked to men attendants who work 72 hours a week for the same \$80 wage.

"How on earth can we attract anyone when other hospitals pay three times as much," exclaimed Dr. A. T. Hanretta, superintendent of the Austin State Hospital.

Most doctors in the State system are paid \$425 a month. Some receive as low as \$325, and the top salary is \$500.

The Austin hospital houses 3,200 patients. According to minimum standards of the American Psychiatric Association, the institution should have 30 doctors and 133 registered nurses. It has 10 doctors and 4 nurses.

The shortage of doctors and nurses was prevalent in every institution the tour covered.

Dr. R. C. Rowell, superintendent of the Abilene hospital for epileptics, says he needs 8 doctors instead of 4, 12 nurses instead of 2.

Dr. A. D. Patillo's 2,000 patients at Terrell have no registered nurses and only 8 doctors. The State allows the hospital 5 more doctors, but no more will agree to work for the salaries the State offers.

Rusk State Hospital's superintendent, Dr. C. L. Jackson, gave the newspapermen a different angle.

"I could hire some more doctors, but I just can't accept most of the ones our kind of salary attracts," he said.

Mental hospital work, he explained, requires active, vigorous physicians with psychiatric training.

"We're losing one of our youngest and best doctors," Dr. Jackson added. "He's going into town and practicing on his own."

The newspapermen learned that maintenance (food and quarters) is the only advantage work in State hospitals offers. This advantage, they found, is blotted out by the type of quarters the institutions have to offer.

Some attendants are living in the wards with their patients, others in "sweat box" rooms above the hospital's bakeries and laundries. For other attendants there are not even these kinds of accommodations, and they are given \$12 monthly to "pay" for room and groceries outside.

Dr. Paul Rease, of the Rusk hospital staff, emphasized that overworked doctors are unable to devote enough time to patients who could be sent back to society.

"The main thing in the rehabilitation of mental cases is to do the right thing at the right time. Unless this is done, a hopeful case may become perpetuated."

This point again will be emphasized when hospital representatives carry their needs before the special January session of the Legislature. The hospitalmen will be asking for "decent" wages and living quarters for hospital employees.

They will point to the San Antonio State Hospital which hired 300 new employees last year and lost 286 of them before the year ended.

As a pretty, middle-aged attendant at San Antonio put it: "There's just some intangible something about helping these people that keeps me working here."



END OF THE RAINBOW . . . The rainbow of at least one human desire had fulfillment at the end when Judy Sue Warschauer found herself face to face with the doll of her dreams—and it was the very one she wanted for Christmas.

### Russian People Are Also Able to Say "Merry Christmas"

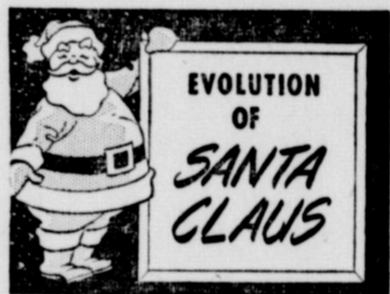
"S Rojdestvom Kristovym." That's what a Russian would say to you if you were in Russia on Christmas day and he wished to extend the season's greetings.

The phrase is the Russian's way of saying: "Merry Christmas."

In the past, the Russian's Christmas was closely associated with his church; but how the day is observed now that the religious life has been subjugated in the Soviet, one would have to be behind the "iron curtain" to know.

But it was not always like that. In other days, the Russian Christmas was much like the Ukrainian. There was a Santa Claus known as "Dedushka Moroz" and there were traditional gifts of red boots for children and golden slippers for young girls.

In certain parts of the country the "baboushka" (grandmother) was the legendary dispenser of gifts. According to one story, she repented of unkindness and ever since has tried to make amends by distributing gifts to children at Christmas.



Christmas has rolled around once again and Santa Claus with round red cheeks, jolly smile and chunky figure looks the same as he did nearly 90 years ago.

His creator was Thomas Nast, one of America's greatest cartoonists. During the early 1860's he was asked to illustrate Clement Clark Moore's poem, A Visit to St. Nicholas, better known to us as "Twas The Night Before Christmas." The result was Santa Claus as we know him.

Santa's creator was born in Bavaria in 1840, son of a musician in a Bavarian army band. When he was a fat little boy of six, Thomas' father left Germany to enlist in the United States navy, and Thomas' mother brought the boy to New York to live.

Along about the time stocky Tommy was 15 he landed his first job as an illustrator for Leslie's Weekly at \$4 a week. By the time he was 20 he was sent to England by the New York Illustrated News to sketch the Heenan-Sayers fight, an outstanding sports event of the day.

In 1862 he joined the staff of Harper's Weekly and began the series of emblematic drawings which continued throughout the Civil War. From those he created certain trademarks that have been the inspiration of cartoonists down to the present—notably the Republican elephant and the Democrat donkey.

Famous as the political symbols are today, Nast's Santa Claus probably holds first place in the hearts of Americans. Before Nast's day, a few artists had drawn Santa on one occasion or another, but could not seem to agree on how the old gentleman should look.

Nast changed all that. He located Santa's home at the North Pole and gave him a sleigh drawn by reindeer. He drew the familiar, fat, merry old fellow with red cheeks and white beard, dressed in red, wearing a cap and boots, carrying a pack of toys and smoking a short pipe.

The artist then gave Santa a spy-glass so that during the year he might pick out the good children from the bad, and also a big book in which to write their names and keep their records.

This conception of Santa Claus first appeared in 1863. Since that time, the pictured Santa has been the same, although the spy-glass and pipe seem to have been dropped by the way.

### HISTORY

Christmas: Scholars do not agree on the exact date of the birth of Christ but December 25 has come to be universally observed as the date. Christmas was not observed by Christian churches until over 200 years after the birth of Christ. The name for the day, Christmas, dates from about 1100 A. D. when the English called it Christes Maesse, in Dutch it was known as Kerst-Misse and in Latin as Dies Natalis Noel, the French name for the day is derived from the Latin word Natalis, meaning birthday. The Italians call the day Il Natale and the Germans Weihnachtsfest. The English call the day Christmas and often speak of it as Yuletide. No satisfactory explanation has been offered for calling the day Yuletide. The first hymn to the Nativity was written in the fourth century. The earliest German Christmas hymns date from the eleventh century. French songs and English carols were first sung in the thirteenth century. Gradually the practice of decorating with evergreens came into being. The use of mistletoe is traced to the Druids who looked upon it with reverence long before the Christian era. The mistletoe was regarded as an emblem of peace. Wherever enemies met under the mistletoe they would throw aside their arms, and, forgetting their enmity would embrace. It is believed that the custom of kissing under the mistletoe grew out of this practice. The Christmas tree is of German origin. The first mention of it was made in 1605. The Christmas tree was not introduced in England until 1840. For a time it was contrary to law to observe Christmas in this country. The general court of Massachusetts passed a law in 1695 making it a penal offense. The use of the lighted candles was originated by the Germans. Santa Claus as a distributor of gifts originated with the Germans. The legend that Santa Claus descended the chimney came from the Norsemen. The idea that Santa travels in a sleigh drawn by reindeer was suggested by Dr. Clement Clarke Moore, a professor in the General Theological Seminary in New York, in the poem, "Twas the Night Before Christmas" published in 1822. Dr. Moore wrote the poem for his children and read it to them on Christmas eve. The poem fell into hands of a newspaper publisher and was published throughout the country.

### SENATOR DULLES' TELEGRAM

Senator Dulles wasted no words in his telegram conceding his defeat by Herbert Lehman of New York. Dulles' wire to President Truman following the tabulation of returns was: "You win."

### ELECTED FOR THIRD TERM

As a result of an election by the 36 production credit associations in Texas, J. B. Pumphrey of Old Glory, Texas, has been re-elected to his third three-year term as a director of the Farm Credit Board of Houston.

As a member of this board, Mr. Pumphrey serves as director for the Federal Land Bank of Houston, the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Houston, the Productive Credit Corporation of Houston and the Houston Bank for Cooperatives.

Mr. Pumphrey is also a director of the Stamford Production Credit Association, Stamford, Texas, and has served several terms as president of the association. He has extensive farm and ranch holdings in Stonewall County and is actively identified with agricultural and civic affairs in that area.

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Our sincere thanks for the association and patronage with which we have been favored.

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We welcome this traditional custom — it gives us an opportunity to express our sentiments — to renew our pledge made years ago that our standard of service would be maintained on the highest level possible.

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### For Sale

FOR SALE—80 lbs. fresh hog lard. —M. S. Henry. 21-tfc

FOR SALE or TRADE—Rooming house. See G. W. Wright. 22-4tp

FOR SALE—Christmas turkeys. —Mrs. Gerald Knox, Ph. 730F4. 22-1tc

FOR SALE—Used piano. Contact Grady Graves, Superintendent of Crowell Schools. 22-1tc

FOR SALE—Several hand-made quilts. —Mrs. J. F. Ewing, Tel. 211-J. 22-1tc

FOR SALE—Nearly new Spinnet piano. —E. R. McGregor, Margaret Methodist parsonage. 21-1tp

FOR SALE—New set gas logs with or without andirons. —M. S. Henry. 21-tfc

FOR SALE—Big white rabbits, 4 does and 1 buck. Apply at Monroe's Grocery. 21-tfc

FOR SALE—Living room suite, one full-size Simmons bed and springs. —Mrs. M. T. Gray. 20-2tc

FOR SALE—150 Grade A white leghorn pullets, 8 weeks old. 12 roosters in bunch. —See Wilson Myers, Truscott, Texas. 22-1tp

FOR SALE—Ray's Rat Killer. 10c package. Harmless to human or pet. Also Liquid in 25c size. Satisfaction Guaranteed or Double your Money Back. —Shirley-Youree Drug. 19-12tp

FOR SALE—New 4-room, 2-bath house, double garage, 3 lots, old orchard, 3 blocks north of square on Main St. Will sell house and one lot or all. Also 1946 Mercury car, 22,000 miles. —Jack McCoy. 19-tfc

FOR SALE—Aberdeen Angus heifers, also Aberdeen Angus bulls, good ones. All kinds of stocker cattle. See Roy Fox or Jeff Todd. 17-tfc

### Wanted

WANTED—Boy not under 12 years of age to deliver Vernon Daily Record. —Willie E. Mitschke. Write or call Vernon Daily Record collect. 20-3tc

### Chiropractors

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### NOTICE

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### For Rent

FOR RENT — Small apartment. —H. E. Thomson. 22-1tc

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FOR RENT — A small business house on the south side of the square, recently vacated by Davis Beauty Shop. See N. J. Roberts.

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### CROWELL I. O. O. F. LODGE

Meets tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 p. m. at the Odd Fellows hall. All members are urged to attend.  
**JOE RADER, Noble Grand**  
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### THALIA LODGE NO. 666

**A. F. & A. M. Stated Meeting**  
Saturday Night, Dec. 31, 8 p. m.  
Members urgently requested to attend. Visitors always welcome.

**IRA TOLE, W. M.**  
**W. M. WISDOM, Sec.**

### CROWELL LODGE NO. 840

**A. F. & A. M. STATED MEETING**  
Second Monday each month.  
Jan. 9, 7:30 p. m.  
Members urged to attend and visitors welcome.

**LESLIE THOMAS, W. M.**  
**J. A. STOVALL, Secretary.**

### GORDON J. FORD POST NO. 130

Meets second Tuesday in each month at American Legion Hall, 7:30 p. m.  
**CLYDE JAMES, Commander.**  
**CLYDE COBB, Adjutant.**

### Trespass Notices

NO TRESPASSING of any kind allowed on F. L. Reed's place, 3 1/2 miles southwest of Thalia. 51-tfc

NO TRESPASSING of any kind or trash dumping on John S. Ray land. —Mrs. John S. Ray. 45-tfc

NO TRESPASSING of any kind on Carrie G. Crawford land, 3 miles southwest of Thalia. No trash dumping.—Mrs. T. N. Bell. 28-23tp

NOTICE—No trespassing of any kind allowed on land belonging to me.—Dr. J. M. Hill. 39-tfc

NO HUNTING, FISHING or trespassing of any kind allowed on any land owned or leased by the Wishon Estate.—Charlie Wishon. 47-52tp

NOTICE—No hunting, fishing or trespassing of any kind allowed on my land.—Furd Halsell. 1f

TRESPASS NOTICE — No hunting or fishing or trespassing of any kind allowed on any land, owned or leased by me.—W. B. Johnson. 11-tfc

NOTICE—No fishing, hunting or trespassing of any kind allowed on my place.—Leslie McAdams. 15-tfc

### NOTICE

A representative of the Hardeman-Foard National Farm Loan Association will spend each Saturday in Crowell for the purpose of taking applications for loans and for the transaction of any other business incident to its operations.  
Office in court house, southwest corner room, in the basement.

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## FOARD CITY

MRS. LUTHER MARLOW

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jacobs of Electra spent Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Autry. Mrs. Minnie McClendon of Corpus Christi is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. V. Halbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ferguson spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ferguson of Crowell. Mrs. Hughston McLain visited her mother, Mrs. J. M. Chilcoat, of Truscott in the Knox City hospital several days last week.

Mrs. A. A. Manning of Crowell, Mrs. Roy Ferguson and Mrs. Howard Ferguson were Vernon visitors Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ozzy Turner and family of Truscott, Joe E. Turner of Amarillo and Miss Betty Johnson of Crowell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Blake McDaniel.

Julian Harlan and J. Frank Davis of Crowell spent Wednesday night with Duane Johnson.

Paulette McBeath of Thalia and Mrs. Luther Jobe spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ferguson.

Mrs. Lee Lefevre accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Denton of Paducah to Wichita Falls Sunday where they visited her sister, Mrs. Ella Lawhon, who submitted to an operation last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wisdom of Hector, Ark., spent Thursday night with her mother, Mrs. Laura Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ferguson of Crowell spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ferguson.

Homer Houston and children, Jackie and Karen, of Ralls spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Hughston McLain and family.

Mrs. Recie Womack and children of Crowell visited Mr. and Mrs. Blake McDaniel Wednesday. Mrs. Luther Marlow returned home Saturday after spending several days in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Delmar McBeath of Thalia, who are the parents of a baby boy, Larry Baxter, born Sunday, Dec. 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Chowning and family of Truscott spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Glen Shook and son, Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ferguson spent Wednesday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Rader of Crowell.

Harry Kong, Tadaaki Rikergawa, Gilbert Gima and Miss Betty Chong, who are students at Hardin Simmons University, Miss Muriel Okamoto, who is attending Wayland College and Alfred Chong, who is attending Howard Payne College, had charge of the morning and evening services at the Foard City Church Sunday. All are from Vahiawa, Oahu, T. H., except Miss Okamoto, whose home is Honolulu, Oahu.

Luther Jobe of the Pitchfork Ranch near Guthrie and Mrs. Luther Jobe spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Luther Marlow.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Barker and her mother, Mrs. S. M. Cudd, of Bethany, Okla., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dock Callaway of Crowell. In the afternoon pictures were made of five generations: Mrs. S. M. Cudd, Mrs. A. W. Barker, Mrs. Dock Callaway and son, Edgar Allan Johnson and son of Vernon.

Mrs. Roy Ferguson and daughter, Linda, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ferguson attended a birthday dinner Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ferguson of Crowell honoring Mr. Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Farris and children of Wichita Falls visited Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Thompson and family last week-end.

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### Truscott-Foard City Methodist Churches

Preaching services will be every fourth Sunday at Foard City at 11 a. m. and 6:30 p. m.  
Church services at Truscott are held the first, second and third Sundays of each month. Sunday School at 10 a. m., preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Young people's meeting at 6:15 p. m.

**J. V. Patterson, Pastor.**

### First Christian Church

**J. Fred Bayless, Minister**  
**John E. Long, Supt. Bible School**  
**SUNDAY SERVICES**  
Bible School ..... 10 a. m.  
Communion-Worship ..... 11 a. m.  
Christian Endeavor ..... 6:30 p. m.  
Evening Service ..... 7:15

**WEDNESDAY**  
Prayer Meeting ..... 7:30 p. m.  
The Christian Church extends a cordial welcome to all services.

## RIVERSIDE

MRS. CAP ADKINS

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ward and children of Wichita Falls spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ward.

Jimmy Hopkins came in Thursday from A. C. C., Abilene, to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hopkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore and children of Thalia visited Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Farrar Monday afternoon.

Rex Kyker of A. C. C., Abilene, was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kuehn, Sunday.

Ben Hopkins and Fletcher Collier attended the football game in Wichita Falls Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Matus and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Anton Kajs and children left Friday for a ten-day visit at Taylor and Corpus Christi and Galveston.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wheeler received a telephone cable from their son, Cpl. Eldon Wayne Wheeler, who has been in Alaska 21 months, saying he would be home for Christmas.

Ounita Gibson of Five-in-One spent the week-end with Evelyn Hopkins.

Mrs. Ewald Schroeder is attending the bedside of her daughter-in-law, who underwent an operation in Austin last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Huntley and Mrs. Gipson Hemphill and son, Mike, of Vernon visited Grannie Huntley Sunday afternoon.

H. B. Miller and wife of Brownfield visited his sister, Mrs. Walter Carr, Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Carr and children of Thalia visited Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Machac Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Shultz and children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Houston Adkins of Thalia Sunday.

Morris Johnson of Hardin Simmons University at Abilene, is here to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Adkins and son, Gary, of Phillips came

Saturday for a ten-day visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cap Adkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bice returned Friday from a visit with her mother, Mrs. Westmoreland, who is ill at Palestine, Texas. They also visited relatives at East-tace.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Payne of Thalia visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Carr Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bradford, Evelyn Hopkins and Audrey Schroeder and Onita Gibson of Five-in-One visited Mr. and Mrs. Ben Henderson of Vernon Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Cribbs and family, H. H. Hopkins and several

others from this community attended funeral services for Claude Price at Vernon Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Farrar have returned from Dallas where he underwent an operation. He will be confined to his bed for several weeks.

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## Richard E. Sparks Jr. Weds Miss Lancaster in Ft. Worth, Dec. 18

In a double ring ceremony read by the pastor of the First Methodist Church of Fort Worth in the Prayer Chapel of the church at 3 p. m. Sunday, Dec. 18, Miss Marie Lancaster and Richard E. Sparks Jr. were married.

Mrs. Mildren Orr Jr. of Dallas was matron of honor and Edmond

Tamplin of Fort Worth was best man.

The bride wore an aqua blue gown with wine accessories. She carried the traditional wearing of "something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue" and also a penny in her shoe. Her bouquet was of white rosebuds centered with a white orchid.

The parents of the bride were hosts at a reception after the marriage ceremony at their home at 924 Lipscomb. A tiered wedding

cake topped by a miniature bridal pair, centered the table and was served with punch to the guests.

After a short bridal trip to points of interest in New Mexico and Old Mexico, including Carlsbad Cavern, the couple will be at home at 1200 Lowe St., Fort Worth.

Mrs. Sparks is a graduate of Wichita Falls High School and she attended Texas Christian University at Fort Worth. Mr. Sparks, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sparks of Foard City, is a graduate of Crowell High School and received both his bachelor's and master's degrees from Texas Technological College in Lubbock. He also did work toward his doctorate at Texas A. & M. College at College Station. He is at present a statistician at the Regional Office of the Soil Conservation Service in Fort Worth.

## Musical Given by Pupils of Mrs. A. R. Sanders Sunday P. M.

Mrs. Moody Bursey, Mrs. Ray Duckworth, Mrs. Leotis Roberts and Mrs. Mason Brown were hostesses at a musicale given by the pupils of Mrs. Allen Sanders for their parents at the Adelphian Club House on Sunday afternoon.

Guests were greeted by Mrs. Brown. The reception rooms were attractive with Christmas decorations and the dining table held as a centerpiece a large Christmas candle surrounded by holly and red carnations and a miniature Santa Claus. Charlsia Ketchersid and Jane Bruce served at the punch bowl. Pink punch was served with Christmas cookies to the guests.

Mrs. Sanders introduced the pupils and Judy Borchardt opened the program by playing "Jingle Bells" and the last number of the program consisted of two carols, "Silent Night" and "O Come All Ye Faithful" played on the accordion by Vance Barker.

Others who entertained during the afternoon were Sandra Campbell, Gerald Bradford, Linda Ferguson, Sandra Sanders, Dorothy White, Kerry Brown, Patty McGinnis, Dorothy Wehba, Laveda Gray, Betty Davis, Noel Wilkins, Betty Sue Bartley, Jane Bruce, Charlsia Ketchersid, Carolyn Bursey, Dana Roberts, Jo Ann Fox, Shirley Fox, Latrelle Duckworth, Jana Black, Judy McGregor, and Jeanie Johnson.

Gifts were exchanged by the pupils before the party came to a close.

## Christmas Party Given at Ray Hysinger Home

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hysinger entertained at their home Thursday evening, Dec. 15, with a turkey dinner and 42 party. Mrs. Hysinger was assisted in duties of hostess by Mrs. Jim Owens and Mrs. Abb Dunn.

The Christmas tree in yuletide adornments provided a festive background for the occasion. Seasonal decorations were featured throughout the entertaining rooms.

The table in the dining room was laid with a beautiful white hand embroidered Madeira cloth and was centered with a round reflector, a large candle encircled with miniature reindeer. Two tall red candles were placed at either end of the table.

Thanks was given by Rev. Marvin Brotherton, a guest. Places were found at quartet tables and the dinner was served buffet style.

Those present were Rev. and Mrs. T. M. Johnston, Rev. R. I. Hart and Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Middlebrook of Vernon; Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Brotherton of Matador; Rev. Aubrey C. Haynes of Crowell; Rev. and Mrs. E. R. McGregor, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Abb Dunn of Margaret and the host and hostess.

## B. & P. W. Club Has Christmas Party

The Business and Professional Women's Club members held their annual Christmas party at the Ho-

tel Premier on Thursday evening, Dec. 15th.

Individual tables were attractively decorated with small Christmas trees as center pieces. Green ribbons encircled the miniature candle holders and candle place cards.

Gifts were exchanged and secret pals were revealed. The remainder of the evening was spent in playing progressive bunco. Jean Reeder won high score prize and Mae Solomon was given the booby prize. Nineteen members were present for the Christmas party.

## Bride-Elect Is Honored by Mrs. D. R. Magee at Brunch

Miss Betty Johnson, bride-elect of Joe B. Turner, was named honoree when Mrs. D. R. Magee entertained at a brunch on Wednesday morning, Dec. 21. The Magee home reflected the Christmas season in its decorations. The refreshment plate, served

from the dining table, held sand tarts, cinnamon toast, creamed chicken pop-overs and coffee. Plate favors were tiny tea-ball sachets and the honoree's gift from the hostess was a pretty tea set.

The guest list for the pretty morning compliment consisted of Miss Johnson, Miss Maxine Johnson, Mrs. Crews Cooper, Miss Winnie Sue Turner, Miss Sharon Haney, Mrs. Marvin Myers, Mrs. Lee Black, Mrs. J. T. Hughston, Mrs. Forest Ryan, Mrs. Hubert Brown, Mrs. Jack Seale, Mrs. Ted Reeder, Mrs. Loraine Carter, Mrs. Crockett Fox and Mrs. Harriett Griffith.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. E. J. McKinley of Thalia entertained the ladies of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Thalia Methodist Church with a Christmas party at her home on Monday afternoon.

Unknown friends revealed their identity with gifts from a lovely Christmas tree. After a short Christmas program and the sing-

ing of Christmas carols, fruit, candy and Cokes were served to sixteen members and two visitors, Mrs. Leotis Roberts of Crowell and Miss Ramona Hammonds of Thalia.

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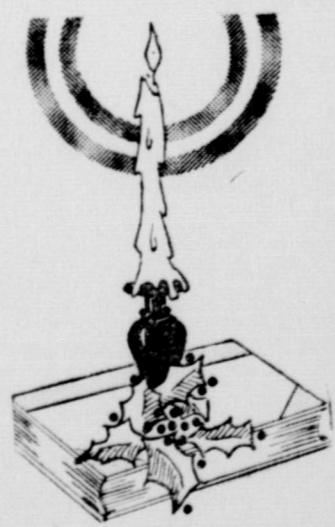
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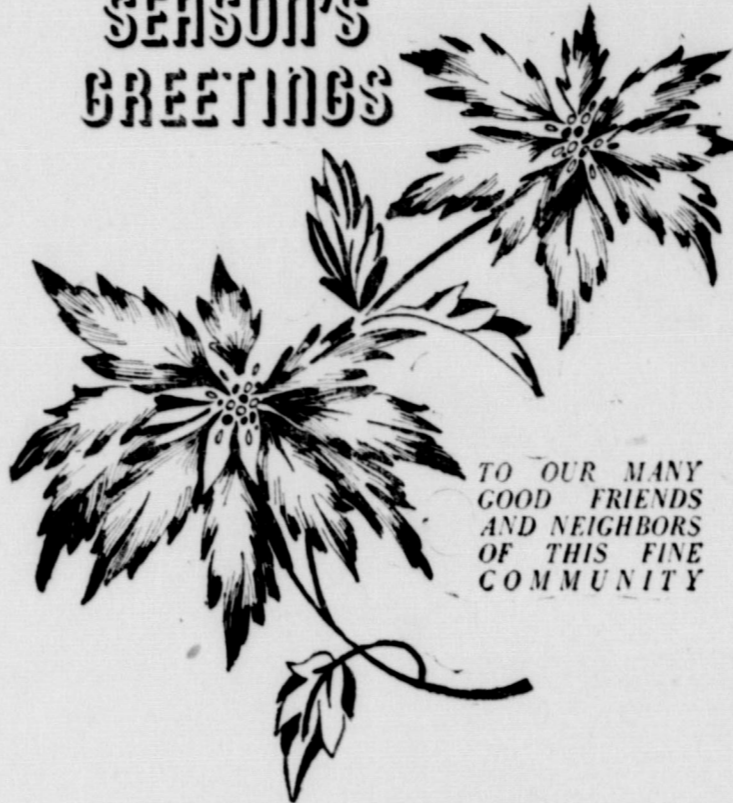
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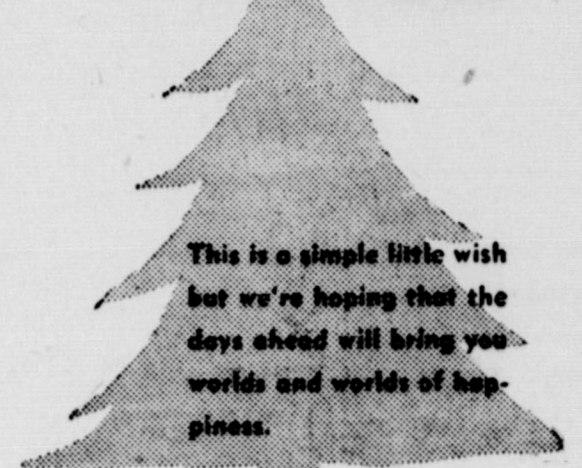
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