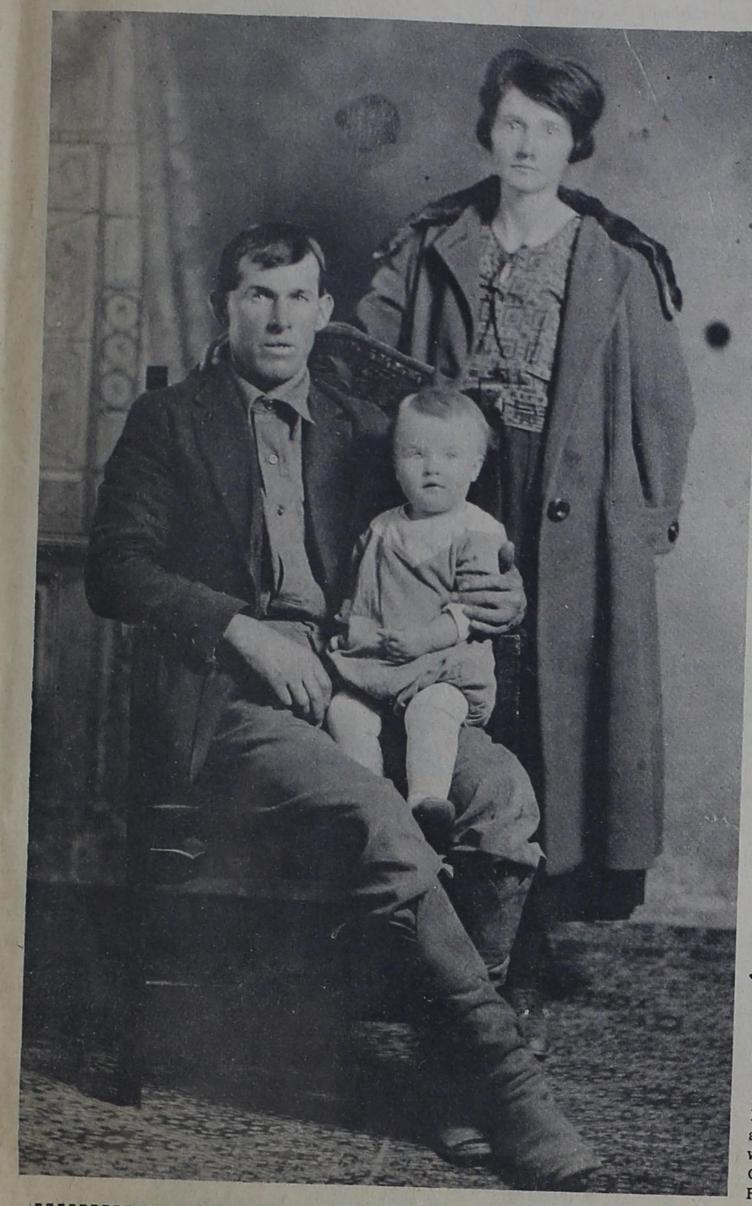
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McClellan Deputy **Grand Master**

Elmo McClellan Sr., of Gruver was appointed as Deputy Grand Master of the 102 District of Texas by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, John R. Ccllard of Spearman.

Other appointments from the panhandle of Texas to join the official Grand Lodge family were Robert H. Huckabee of Lubbock as grand chaplin: 'Roland H. Allen of Borger as grand orator: Charles R. Law of Dalhart as grand marshal: A.E. Faylor of Borger as grand senior deacon and Phillip A. Jenkins of Spearman as grand tiller.

Christian Church Seminar Slated

Brother Walter Fiscus and Barbara Hughes will be with the First Christian-Church December 15-20 to hold Prayer Seminars.

Barbara Hughes who assists Walter Fiscus will be with the group Tuesday through Friday.

The meeting schedule will include a Prayer Breakfast at 6:30 a.m., Morning Service at 10:00 a.m. and Evening Service at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting is nondenominational and everyone is invited to come.

GIRLS WIN SUNRAY TOURNAMENT **GRUVER BOYS WIN THIRD PLACE**

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third period.

Gillispie 9.

Gruver, Texas

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Gruver's girls captured game; dumped strong Stratfirst place and the boys ford 44-34 in the semifinals finished third in the Sunray then edged by Hartley 43-41 Tournament last weekend. in the finals.

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The Gruver Tournament The boys nipped Follett starts Thursday and runs 41-40 in the opener; fell to through Friday and Saturday. Stratford 62-49 in the semi-Gruver's girls stopped finals and came back to beat Follett 56-42 in the first Sunray 48-40 for third place.

Gruver's girls were never Masons To Lay in trouble against Follett. They led 16-7 at the end of the first quarter, 29-15 at the **Corner Stone** half and 43-28 going into the

final period. The Grand Master of Worshipful John R. Collard of netta Blankenship had 19

Gruver had a new line-

Gruver led Stratford 13-6

Gruver started out strong

quarter and 27-22 at the half .

began to hit for the opposition

Leatherman topped the Gruver's boys trailed Gruver scoring with 12 Follett much of the game. points while Gillispie and Follett led 8-4 at the end of Tipton had 11 each. the first quarter and 21-16 Gruver started slow a-

at the half. Gruver took the gainst Sunray and trailed lead, 33-31 at the end of the 11-4 late in the first quarter Sunray led 11-8 at the end of

Sam Tipton led the Gruver the quarter but Gruver pulled scoring with 12 points while ahead 22-15 at halftime and Leatherman hit 10 and Bob led 31-27 going into the final quarter.

Stratford pilled away Gillispie scored 14 for from Gruver with a scoring Gruver while Tipton had 13 Anita States scored 23 burst in the second quarter Sophomores Mack Hoel and Masons in Texas, Most points for Gruver while La- when the winners netted BillyLieb showed scoring-several free tosses. Stratford promise with seven and six led 16-10 at the end of the points respectively and first quarter but Gruver senior Jim Rice tossed in quickly tied the score. Then five.

games while Blankenship final quarter.

Wednesday December 11, 1963

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PAST TO THE PRESENT

Highlights from the Past to the Present turns back the pages of time again as we begin in Ohio at the origination of our feature story for this week. The topic of our attraction is the Henry Ralston Family.

The town of West Union, Ohio was the birth place of Robert Henry Ralston and the birthdate was July 21, 1882. He was the son of Robert James Ralston and Mary Abbot

Henry was the fourth of eight children. At a very early age, Henry accompanied his cousin, J.O. Ralston, west to the Oklahoma territory. His cousin was a medical doctor, and had just finished medical school before making the move west. J.O. Ralston had received a government contract to render medical aid to the Indians tribes of the Oklahoma Territory.

Accompanying Dr. Ralston west to the Indian territory, Henry left home without his parents knowledge or consent. Henry's brother had been a non-commissioned officer in the Union Army and was a strict disciplinarian therefore Henry thought it best not to even tell his brother about the planned trip.

In the fall of 1891 the two arrived at some obscure rail head in Kansas, and took a buggy to the Indian territory. Heary appointed himself as buggy driver for the doctor and guarded his buggy team while the doctor was making calls and treating the Indians for their various ailments. Henry stayed with Dr. Ralston and drove his buggy for about six years.

Upon leaving the Oklahoma territory Henry found a job with the Barton Cattle Company of Higgins Texas. It was while he was at the Barton Ranch, his father obtained the knowledge of Henry's whereabouts and came to Texas, to take Henry home to Ohio. By the time Mr. Ralston had found his son, Henry's love for the Texas Panhandle was strong and he refused to return east with his father. After several days of trying to convince Henry to return home with him, Mr. Ralston went back to his home in Ohio without his son.

After working at several ranches in the Texas Panhandle, Henry Ralston came to Hansford County in about 1903 and began work for Gus Ward. Mr. Henry Ralston bought his first piece of land from Mr. Gus Ward in about 1906. It was located two miles west of Hansford on the Palo

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bakehouse returned home from the south coast where they have been for several months. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Fletcher and Kathy and David returned Sunday from a weekend in Waco where they visited with the Richard Cutters and the Richie Fletchers.

Lillian Ralston's father was a medic in the Confed-

erate Army and went to school after the Civil War to get

his medical degree. He practiced medicine in Rush

In 1919 Lillian Holloman came to Hansford County to

After marriage Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ralston made their

County while his daughter Lillian grew to womanhood.

teach school living with her uncle J.B. Dulin some two

home on the Palo Duro Creek until 1922, when they pur-

chased two sections of land from Mr. Bob Thompson. To

this union were born five sons and one daughter. Robert

Henry Jr, who died in infancy, Jesse, Cecil, Orie, Ray,

Mr. Ralston was engaged in farming and raising cattle.

While leasing a considerable amount of land to run cows,

Mr. Ralston added to their own land holdings from time

with their neighbors the Charlie Thompsons, Ogles and

Becks who were their closest neighbors and many other

The Ralston children attended school at the Gruyer

Fublic school. In World War II the three eldest sons en-

tered the service where Jess the oldest, was lost at sea

After the war the sons returned home to the Gruver

area and entered into the farming and ranching business.

Jean, the only daughter attended Texas Tech at Lubbock

illness. Mr. Ralston continued living in this Hansford

In the early 1950's ten acres of land was donated to

the Gruver Memorial cemetery by Mr. Henry Ralston adding

to the original ten acres donated by Mrs. Ralston's un-

cle, J.B. Dulin. Henry Ralston passed away August 30,

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ralston make their home two and

Mrs. Ralston died October 21, 1949 after many years of

on November 23, 1943. The youngest son Ray entered

Much hard work and many good times were shared with

and one half miles east of where Gruver now is.

and Jean were the children.

service during the Korean War.

where she met and married Bob Cox.

1958, after a strong and useful life.

to time.

County Area.

farming and ranching.

friends of the area.

Spearman will preside over and Kay Gammill 14. Carlita the ceremonies at the corner Knight injured her knee in stone laying for the new the first half of the game and Presbyterian church in Spear- is lost for the next few weeks. man at 3:00 p.m. on Decemember 13.

up against Stratford's girls. Mr. Collard, the first Kay Gammill moved to guard Grand Master of the Grand to join Wanda Hardesty and Lodge of Texas to serve in DeAnn Crawford while Darthat office from the Panhan- lene Odom took her place at dle of Texas, will be assist- forward. ed by: Right Worshipful

Elmo McClellan, District at the end of the first quarter Deputy Grand Master from but fell behind 18-17 at the Gruver; Right Worshipful half. Gruver led 32-27 going Charles R. Law, Grand Mar- into the final quarter. States shall from Dalhart, and Wor- hit 30 points for Gruver while shipful Phillip A. Jenkins, Blankenship added 11. Grand Tiler of spearman.

Hwnsford Lodge No 1040 against Hartley, leading 14-A.F. & A.M. will host the 10 at the end of the first proceedings and Worshipful Master O.C. Holt will open However, Imogene Lasley the Lodge at 1:30 o'clock with a reception of Grand and Hartley tied the game Louge officers.

late in the fourth quarter. The All Master Masons are score was 41-41 when urged to be at the Lodge States hit a field goal in the Hall in Spearman for the final seconds of day. reception.

BOYS

two issues of the Gruver

Hurry, remind Santa

of what you want for

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Christmas.

States led the scoring with 25 points while Blankenship hit 16. Statds hit a total of of 78 points in the three

Weather

Winter arrived on Tuesday as cold blustery winds from the north were accompanied by light snow all day.

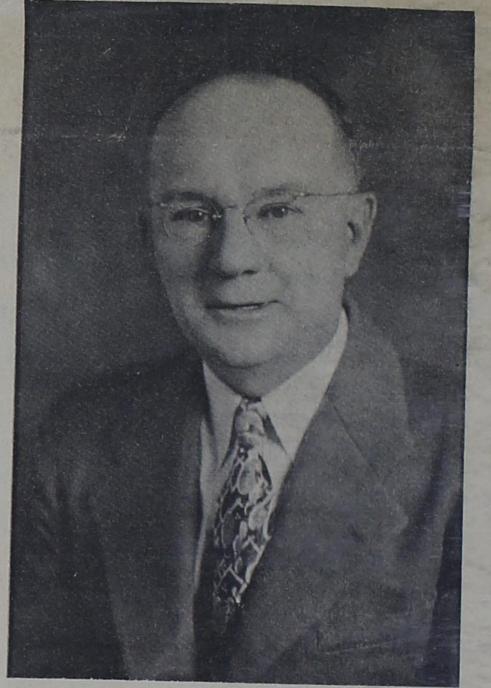
The temperature dropped to the near zero mark on Wednesday morning.

Preceeding this cold blast of air was the most miserable day of Saturday. The wind blew all day with dust cutting the visibility.

The small half inch of snow left a near unmeasurable amount of moisture to the moisture thirsty area.



Stratford pulled away to The Gruver girls now 33-22 lead at halftime. The have a 6-1 record while the Elks led 50- 36 going into the boys stand 5-2.



Charlie Cutter

Services Held for **Charlie Cutter**

Funeral Services were held for Charlie Cutter, a former Gruver resident on December 5, 1963. The

First Baptist Church of Liberal with J.D. Thorn officiating. Mr. Cutter was stricken

with a heart attack on Monday Dec onber 2nd while in a doctors office. He died at 6:15 p.m. that day.

Born in 1896 in Woodward Oklahoma, Mr. Cutter married Mary Lowry in 1929 in Woodward. In later years the couple moved to Liberal where they were in the grocery business. in 1951 Mr. and Mrs. Cutter moved to Gruver where they operated the Cutter Food Market. They remained in Gruver for five years when they' returned to Liberal where they continued in the grocery business. Only shortly bebefore his death had they sold their store in Liberal to retire. Survivors include his wife Mary; two sons, Richard of Waco and Bill of Phoenix and one daughter Charlene Brannon of Tulsa Oklahoma. and four grand children.

AND GIRLS! Santa is busy taking orders for your Christ-

mas deeires. Have your Letter to Santa at the Gruver Independent Office not later than December 20 so Santa will have time to read your letter. The letters will appear in the next

The cattle men found land along the creeks and draws more suitable for livestock than the flat praries, because there was water and shelter from stormsin the breaks.

On one occasion Mr. Ralston was riding with a group of cow boys through the area which is now Borger. One of the riders remarked that at the time he had heard that there was a lot of land for sale in the area which they were riding for 50¢ per acre. After looking at the brushy terrain and scarcity of grass the group of cowboys figured 50¢ per acre was a steepprice for it.

Henry built a house on the land he bought from Gus Ward and began raising livestock of his own. He also raised mules and broke them to work. In connection with raising stock. Henry farmed some and did freighting into Texhoma. During the winter months he carried mail by buggy from Hansford to the other ranchers along the Palo

On November 21, 1921 Henry Ralston was married to Lillian Holloman who was teaching school in Hansford County and living ' with her uncle J.B. Dulin. Lillian Halloman was born in Rusk County Texas on January 25, 1888 to Dr. J.H. Halloman and Lizzie Dulin Halloman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cox make their home in Fort Worth where Mrs. Cox teaches in a public school. Orie Ralston died November 15, 1960 while on a hunting trip in New Mexico.

one half miles east of Gruver where Cecil is engaged in

Outstanding is the Ralston family, for Mr. Ralston was only a very young man when he set out on his own with his cousin to the Indian Territory and later to the Texas Panhandle where he began as a ranch hand and worked hard to become a land owner. Buying small amounts of land as he saw fit, Mr. Ralston struggled as he saw fit to see that his family became a very well known Hansford County Pioneer family.

Morse **Lions Slate Shoot**

The Morse Lions Club gin at 1:00 p.ml and the will hold a Turkey Shoot Turkey Shoot will take--Sunday December 15. A place at 2:00 p.m. turkey will be given away as prize. Practice rounds will be-

Amunition will be available for 12-16-20 guage guns. Everyone is welcome.

Burial was in the Liberal cemetery.



Letters to Santa from Mrs. Blankenship's 2nd Grade Room 112

Dear Santa,

I am eight years old. I would like a blue and gray Army set. Please be nice to my teacher and my friends. Thank you, Jim Taylor

Dear Santa Claus a Nancy Nurse Doll, also the I would like to have a fire clothes to go with her; and I would like a mouse-trap game Big Bruiser and a record I would like a new red coat. player, Tiger Joe American Love,

Dear Santa Claus, I wish you would bring

me a doll. The doll I want is Barbie doll, and clothes with her.

> Love, Debra Langley *********

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie with clothes and I want a nurse kit for Christmas. And don't forget Mommy, Daddy, Jimmy and Benny. Your friend, Terry Lynn Brandvik ******

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a dart gun and a dart bow and arrow

and a bicycle and do not forget my little brother Tommy. I would like a top and a cowboy hat. Iam

Jerry Lynn Ferguson *********

Dear Santa, I would like to have a Will you please bring me bicycle for Christmas. And truck and a football suit and Ericks, and a drum. I would Sherry Lee Crawford like to have all of thesethings

Chris Edword Johnson ********* Dear Santa Claus, I would like to have a

Nancy Nurse and a bicycle for me? This is from

Margarita Mauricio

that he (the Redeemer), is called "Jehovah thy Gdd." This is not the only place where Jesus is called "Jehovah" in the scriptures. In Isa6:5we have Issiah saying, "for mine eyes have seen the King, Jehovah of hosts." John said. "These things

To Whom Shall We Go by Alfred White

Subject: The Pre-eminence

of Jesus

All of the power, wisdom,

ye this: from the beginning I

from the time that it was,

Lord to the glory of God the Fether" (Phil. (2:8-11). We are commanded to "sanctify in your hearts Christas Lord" love and immortality of God (1 Peter 3:15). Jesus himthe Father and Creator and self said, "All authority all the inspiration and revelhath been given unto me in ation of the Holy Spirit are heaven and on earth" (Mt. concentrated in the person of 28:28:18). He is worthy "to Jesus Christ. "In him dwellreceive the power, andriches, eth all the fulness of the and wisdom, and might, and Godhead bodily" (Col. 2:9). honor, and glory, and bless-By the spirit of divine prophing"(Rev. 5:12). He is to ecy Jesus was made to say: have the pre-eminence in all "Come ye near into me, hear

things (Col. 1:.18). Jesus is to be listened to have not spoken in secret; today in preference to Moses and Elijah. When Peter would there am I: and now the Lord have equally honored all Jehovah hath sent me, and three, Moses and Elijah dishis Spirit." Then Issiah appeared, and Jesus was added: Thus saith Jehovah transfigured and Jehovah they God, who teacheth thee said: "This is my beloved to profit, wholeadeth thee by Son, in whom I am well the way that thou shouldst go pleased; hear ye him" (Mt. (Isa. 48:15-16). In this pass-17:5). Jesus is greater than age it is clearly stated that the angels. The Father said, the "Lord Jehovah" and--"And let all the angels of "His Spirit" had sent some-God worship him" (Heb. 1:6) Yet, the words of Moses one. Verse 16 shows that it had authority. "A man that was the "Redeemer" and hath set at nought Moses' law dieth without compassion on the word of two or three witnesses" (Heb. 10:28). "The word spoken through angels proved steadfast and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward'' (Heb. 2:2). Now--if the words said Isaih, because he saw of Moses and angels were his goory; and he spake of

The Gruver Independent the gospel and we advocate will listen to his word. purity in Christian worship Every command of his work as Christ and the ap osand only his commands, will tles command. He who dares be ours to obey. Every promto tamper with the will of ise of his, and only his God by changing it cannot promises, will we claim. believe in the pre-eminence We plead with men to obey of Jesus Christ.



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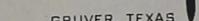
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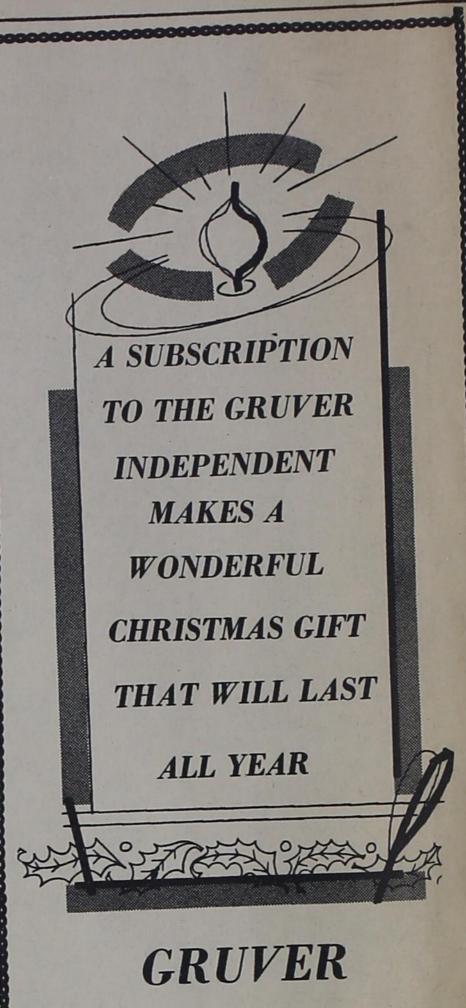
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Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a watch. Please bring Ricky a watch, too. Please bring Mother a dress. Please bring Daddy a coat.

Dear Santa Claus, I love you..

Donna Sue Bockmon ********

Dear Santa Claus I want a bicycle for Christman, and also a baton for Christmas, too. May I have a snow cone machine.

Love, Dianne Elaine Frazier -----

Dear Santa Claus, Please may I have a Nancy Nurse, also the clothes to go with her. Please may I have a Barbie's Dream House. Please may I have a Barbie ballet suit. Please may I have a pink evening gown and for for Barbie. Please bring mother something. Please bring daddy something. Flease bring Dow something tool

> Love, Bonnie Kee ********

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a new duncan top and a new football and a new workshop and some train track.

Love, Johnny Lee Armes ********

Dear Santa Clause

I was a goodgirl. I hope you will bring Ken and Barbie for me. Daddy Joe is staying with us so please remember him. I would like a Candy Cotton machine. I would like a Charm and Charm bracelet.

> Love, Marsha Lyn Wallin *********

Dear Santa Claus I would like a Ken and

Barbie doll. I would like a charm and charm braclet too. Daddy and mother want some



Uncle Sam

still needs

you

Buy U. S. Savings Bonds to protect your country's future and provide for

your own

him'' (Jno 12-41). The context of Jno. 12-41 shows that John was referring to Isa-6:1-5 and that he a.phied this scripture to Jesus. This should make us real ize just how powerful Jesus is, and how much authority

he has.

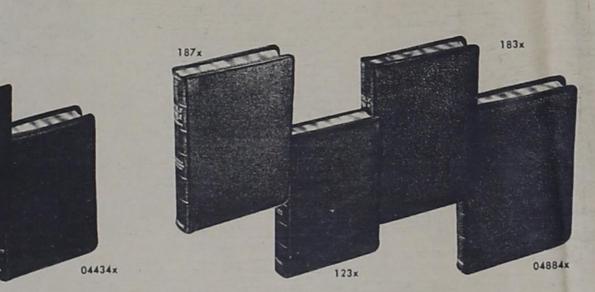
Peter said concerning Jesus, "he is Lord of all" (Acts 10:36). He was given his will. We will not have the "the name that is above every name; that is the name of Jesus every knee the left in search of some should bow, of things in new way to worship and heaven and things on earth serve him. If we recognize and things under the earth, him as Lord we will trust and that every tongue should his wisdom in all things. If

authoritative how much more the words of Jesus who was greater than Moses or the Angels? (See Heb. 2:3 and Heb 10:29). If we really accept Jesus as "Lord of all" we will be

so in love with him and his will that we will find everything that we can possibly do to please him revealed in inclination nor the time to go either to the right hand or to confess that Jesus Christ is we consider him as Lord we



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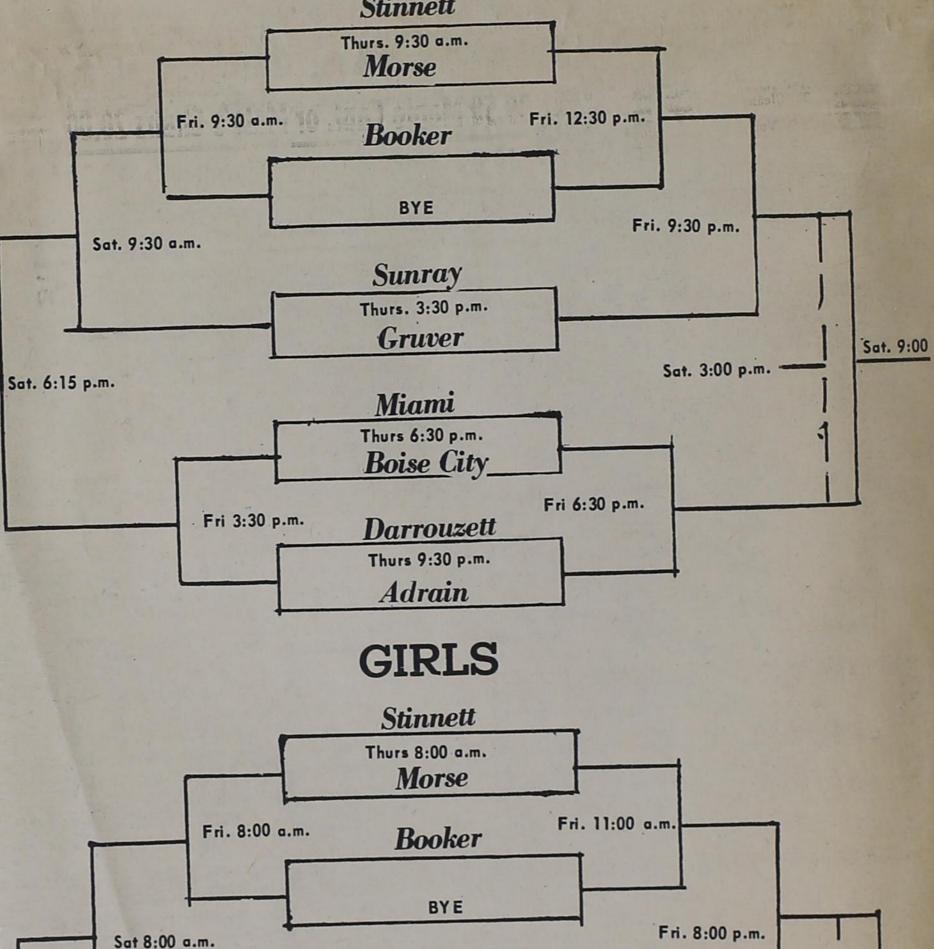


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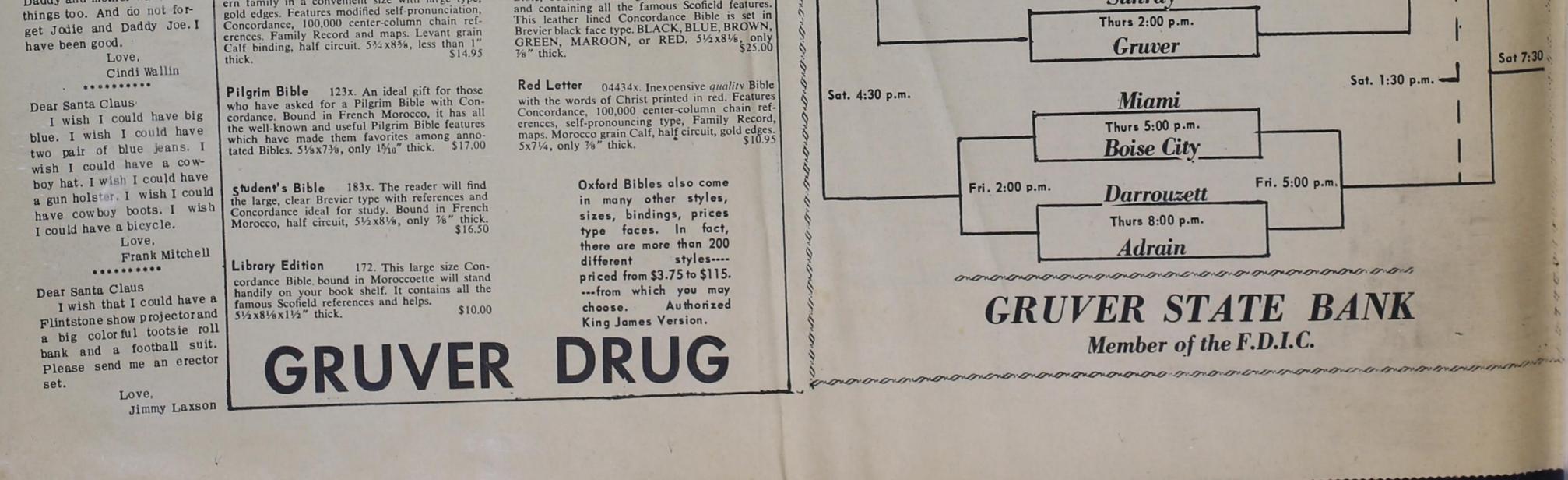
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A scene of the Christmas program held at the Gruver Methodist Church Sunday night.

METHODIST PRESENT CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

"Christmas by Candle- and Geneva Walker. light" was presented by 36 members of the junior choirs of the Gruver Methodist church. The production mas Bells" "when they was presented before the congregation on Sunday Late" "Joy to the World" night.

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The narrator for the evening was Frances Wood

Portraying the part of duet was composed of Frank-Mary was Mindy Murrell, Joseph, Davy Barkley; Three Wise Men, John Irwin, Robert Kirk and Ronnie McClellan; Shepherds, Sherry Bergin and Judy peeves; Children bearing gifts, Glenna Thoreson entire congregation.

The Choir presented se-

lections of "O Little Town of Bethlehem" "Merry Christ-First Saw Jesus" "Watching and "Silent Night".

Soloists were Mark I rwin, Joyce Wood, Patrice McLain, and Steve Kirk while the ie Bergin and Kitty Sanders. The evening was inspirational as well as beautiful. Following the presentation was a church supper in the Fellowship Hall for the

Music Program Held on Sunday

Sunday night following The Truax Music Studio the Childrens Christmas program everyone went to the presented the Largo Music Club in a recital on Sunfellowshiphall for the Church su.per. The beautiful day afternoon December 8th at 3:00 p.m. The recital was decorated Christmas tree held in the Fellowship Hall added a festive touch to the of the First Methodist Church. evening.

Special attraction for the Thursday morning the Dorcas circle met in the afternoon included a violin solo by the guest Jody church chapel to continue a Wallin. Jodie presented Minstudy on "The Christian Family and Its Money". This uet, Ebbtide and Fiddle informative study is being led by Georgia Holt. Mrs.

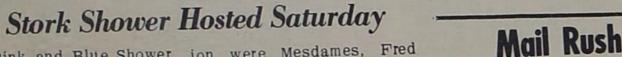
Others on the program were Randy Lowe who presented the selection of Air Lullaby; Glenna Holland,

Tune.

for the Mary Martha Circle on Comin Raoun the Mountain and Home on the Range; Linda Spivey, A Spanish Fiesta and Evening Bells; Paul Westerfield, Song without Words and At the Band Rehersal; Steven Kirk, On Parade Jig; Marla McWhirter, The Surf Riders and In the Toy Shop; Fay Gross, Hop O My Thum Minuet; Dalynn Brummett, Waltz Charale; Mandy Hart, Mosquito and The Breakers, Gail Gable,

Waltz of the Flowers and Happy-Go-Lucky; Connie Trindle, Hymn and Minuet in G; Debbie Bayless, Sonatino Janice Trindle, Hymn and Waltz; Dean Bayless, Waltz and Arkansas Traveler and Toni Hudson, Clair de Lune. The music production was

under the direction of Mrs. Glen Truax.



Thursday afternoon. Older members of the

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Caroling Sunday night follow- in the Erlis Pittman home. ing the Christmas Program.

Church went to Perryton on Monday night to hear the Canyon. McMurry band. The men atprior to the concert in the Perryton High School audi- Borger.

torinm. church. Each year this Dalbart at the lake. scene reminds us of the of the year.

met in the Fellowship Hall to decorate the lovely evergreen tree that was given Foodliner.

"Born a King" will be saving stamps from all over presented Sunday night at 6:00 p.m. The Cantata will be directed by Larry sparks Everyone is invited to hear this beautiful Christmas Music.

Lions and Kiwanis Clubs of Mr. and Mrs. D.C. Hens-Taos have begun to support ley of Elkhart visited in and a Walt Disney movie. the Ed Papay home. Every kind of trading

Mitchell visited over the Bruce Knight, Frankie Berhelp sort and paste the Thanksgiving weekend in St. Jo, Texas with Mr. Holland her sister.

called the Stamps for Toys Mitchell.

CODES FROM MORSE Ø Mrs. Desmond Kelly

Balentine is recovering

weekend with Mary Lou

BASKETBALL NEWS

boys high school teams play-

ed the spearman "B" teams

here. The girls won and the

boys lost. After the game the

entire group enjoyed Teen

Town at the Community

building. The spearman

a tournament a t Pringle over

boys came out with the Con-

teams of Sanford-Fritch here

and the girls again won and

The Morse High School

teams will enter the Gruver

tournament this week. The

first Morse boys game will

be with Sünnett at 9:30 a.m.

Thursday morning, while

the girls will play at 8:00

Second-

On Monday night the

group were guests.

solation prize.

the boys lost.

same morning.

Friday night the girls and

Elaine Kelly spent the

game in Borger on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dortch Mrs. Annie Clifton and Junior Choir went Christmas and girls had sunday dinner Mrs. Desmond Kelly visited with Mrs. Mike Balentine Wayne Board, son of the The methodist men and Lex Boards was home over Thursday morning. Mrs.

youth from Gruver Methodist the week-end from West Texas State College in from surgery.

Mrs. Annie Clifton, Mrs. Cluck. They spent Saturday tended the sub-district meet- Desmond Kelly, Mrs. Roberta ing of the Methodist men, Kelly and Harold Kelly spent in Amarillo. last Wednesday shopping in

Mr and Mrs. John Thomp-Sunday afternoon the son and Mr. and Mrs. Bill youth put up the Manger Wilson and boys of Gruver, Scene of the front lawn of the recently spent Sunday at

Mr. and Mrs. Desmond Christ Child whose birthday Kelly and Evelyn attended we celebrate this season the Explorer Scout Banquet in Gruver on Monday night Friday afternoon members where Evelyn was named of the Wesley Bible Class Sweetheart for the year of the group.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson, Deemond Kelly, Joe to the church by the G & G Reiswig and J.W. Chesser high school played the "B" were some of the Morse resi; dents attending the Dumas

Party Honors

Glenna Holland

Glenna Holland celebrated her ninth birthday with a chicken dinner in Spearman

a.m. against stinnett the Helping Glenna enjoy Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy the afternoon were Fay Gross, games will be played on Friday and finals on Sat. gin, Patti Porterfield, Patti

Charles will take the First

Reverand and Mrs.

Mr. and Mrs. Squire Maup-

Evelyn Kelly, Foods II A Big Princess Birthday Mr. and Mrs. Roy Collins Cake adorned the table in Subject matter leader held

regular Worker's Conference for their District here last Monday night. Supper was served in the Community Building after which the group went to the church services.

GOOD NEWS BIBLE CLUBS

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Mrs. Tom Dortch assisted by Mrs. Mack Dortch and Mrs. Annie Clifton had the beginner Good News Club in her home this past week-

Mrs. Tom Dortch who is the teacher began giving the children the Christmas story. Refreshments were served to Vicki and Teresa Dortch, Ricky and Kim Brumley, Brenda Jones, Karis, Clifford and Sam Fleming, The Grade School entered Peggy Carter, Van Lewis Danny Nye, Lynn Parks, the weekend. The Morse-- David Schick and Gayle

Reiswig. The Junior Bible Club met in the Desmond Kelly home with Mrs. Kelly as teacher and Mrs. John Thompson as assistant. A special service was held in the open around a campfire. A special missionary lesson was observed with a little Indian' play enacted and dedication service held. After the meeting a weiner roast was held and the following attended Danny Edgar and Suellen Womble, Don Kelly, Robert Nye, Karis and Becky Fleming, Carolyn Henderson and Travis Reiswig.

BIBLE CLUB MEETS The Young People's

2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Centering the white linen Rosalie Hughes. table overlayed with net was an arrangement of pink

carnations and roses and white carnations. A white cake decorated with blue was also a center of attraction. Coffee and tea was served from a silver service by Mesdames Leslie Barkley, and Bruce Ayres of Gruver and Mrs. Bart Riley of Spearman.

Mrs. I.W. Ayres and Mrs. Ona McClenagan were pre- afternoon will be Patricia sented corsages of white Massad of Spearman who will carnations while the hon- present a piano solo. oree received a multi colored baby sock corsage from the attend. The program will be hostesses.

Hostesses for the occas- Truax.

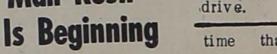
A Pink and Blue Shower ion were Mesdames, Fred honoring Mrs. Dean Mc- Womble, Lee Roy Mitchell, Clenagan was held in the E.G. Garrett, Don Gross, home of Mrs. Fred Womble William Etling, Grover Saturday December 7th from Taylor, Melvin L. Mitchell, Gene Fletcher, Gordon Gross Carrying the traditional Aubrey Rasor, Helen Woods, stork colors of pink, blueand Gay Fletcher, Bill Chandwhite was the table decor. ler, H.B. Johnson and Miss

> TRUAX RECITAL **SLATED DEC. 15**

The Truax Music Studio will present a string student recital in the concert in-the Gruver High School Auditorium at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday afternoon December 15th.

OFFER EXPIRES SATURD

The public is invited to under the direction of Glen



The advent of December marked the start of one of the biggest races in townthe annual race against time at the Gruver Post Office as its Christmas mail rush went into high gear, Post Master Taber noted today.

New reports from Postmaster General John A. Gronouski in Washington to Mrs. Taber indicate an anticipated nationwide record mail volume for this Christmas season of nearly 12 billion pieces during December.

Shopping and mailing The guest artist for the early benefits everyone. Customers who buy early get the pick of the Christmas stocks; the local economy is aided by the business activity thus created, and everyone-including the postal serviceis happy about the additional

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time that early mailing allows.

Lucille Willoughby contin-

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Interesting Fact

from the New Mexican cut

of Santa Fe, New Mexico

was called to the attention

The article featured a

Taos, New Mexico Family

who began collecting

the United States. People

have sent them their stamps

and this family has bought

toys for needy children at

Christmas time. The Rotary

stamps may be used and

many Taos citizens gather to

stamps. The collection is

the project.

of the Gruver Independent.

An interesting feature

Early mailing also gives us time to get gifts and cards in the hands of addresses in good condition with less chance of damage or delay due to human error. Our three employees need

public help to run this race against time--and patrons of the Gruver Post Office can assist us by shopping and mailing right now and by using ZIP Code in both return and destination addresses

and family visited in Wichita spearman as the girls ate. Falls over the Thanksgiving Holidays with his mother. Mr. and Mrs. H.O. Bate- Baptist Church there. man attended a relative's funeral in Paris Thexas the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gay Fletcher for part of Hinton and family spent last week. Richard's father, the Thanksgiving holidays Charlie Cutter of Liberal in Sunray with their larents. passed away last Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bfoadhurst and children in left Monday for Truth or spent two days in the Jim Consequences New Mexico Cator home while they were where they will spend a few moving to hail Center where months.

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Dr. J. Walter Fiscus

her first meeting of the year on Wednesday afternoon in her home. The group made a yellow cake with broiled. icing. Those attending were Richard Cutter and family Cheryl McCloy and Maria of Waco were guests in the Escamilla.

4-H CLUB GROUP MEETS

W.S.C.S. MEETS

The W.S.C.S. of the Methodist Church met for their regular meeting on Wednesday in the home of Mrs. M.W. McCloy.

WORKER'S CONFERENCE The Baptist Church held Bible Club met on Sunday night after church in the Jack Gillispie home wit Harold Fleming and Vanc Zinn teaching.

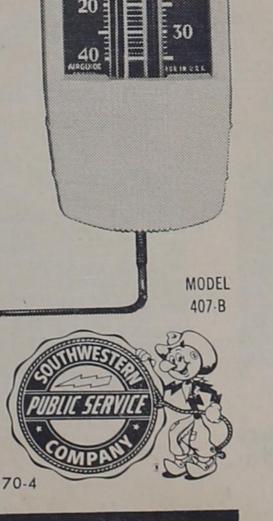
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and Barbara Hughes

A series of sessions on "Prayer" will begin at the First Christian Church in Gruver on Sunday December 15th and will continue through Friday December 20. These sessions will be conducted by Dr. J. Walter Fiscus and Barbara Hughes Following the death of his wife, Dr. Fiscus began studying prayer and now works entirely in the field of prayer guidance. If you have questions about prayer---if you are concerned about prayer---if you would like to talk about prayer---Come.

PRAYER BREAKFAST 6:00 A.M. MORNING SERVICE 10:00 A.M. **EVENING SERVICE 7:30 P.M.**

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in a row by netting 15 points as Gruver led 7-5. for Gruver. Royce Matthews of recognition.

Mart Hart led Gruver to shot and a free throw to tie its second win in three out- the game at 3-3. Mart made ings by dropping the White two field goals and the Deer Bucks 32-22. Mart led Bucks added a field goal to the scoring for the third week end the first quarter scoring, 11-7 in the second quarter.

Mart started the scoring added only 5 points, but with with a long field goal, while out him Gruver would not Ronnie Graham sunk a free have had the ball as many throw. Mart added another times. Royce does a tremen- field goal and a lay up to dous job rebounding for make the score 14-5. There Gruver, and deserves a lot were only 4 minutes left in the half before White Deer

Matthews started the scored with a field goal. scoring with a jump shot Riley and Mart scored on two scored its only two points under the goal for a 2-0 lead. field goals, while the Bucks

By Lynn McClellan before White Deer made a jump a free shot to end the first 7-2 to lead at the end of half scoring. White Deer's the third quarter 25-14. last shot was made with

2 seconds left in the quarter. In the fourth quarter Gruver out scored White Deer Cluck sank a free throw and Mart dumped in a lay up, At the end of the half Gruver before Gruver put in a new team of boys, with four minled 18-12.

In the third quarter Gruver utes left in the game. White built up a 23-12 lead with a Deer didn't score until there field goal by Riley and were 3 minutes left. The Cluck and a free throw by Bucks then scored four field Matthews. There were three goals, and Gruver got two field goals to end the scoring. minutes left in the quarter. White Deer scored 8 points, when White Deer took the while Gruver could only cover off the basket and manage 7 points. Gruver beat 28-24 victory from Gruver, with a long field goal. White Deer 32-22 for its Joe Cluck added a free shot, scored on two field goals and Bruver out scored the Bucks second win in three outings.



by Lyn McClellan

The Sunray girls stole a last Thursday night. Pearl Stewart scored 10 points to spearhead Gruver. Two

scored 8 points and Blanken- Sunray managed only one field goal this quarter for a Silva started scoring with total of 2 points. Silva led a field goal followed by a the scoring for Gruver with free shot to make the score five field goals and two free

The scoring picked up

JR. HIGH BOYS

TRAMPLED SUNRAY

The Gruver Jr. High Gruver and Sunray both scor-

boys scored an impressive ed 5 points in the second

34-14 win over the Sunray quarter, as Gruver led at half

the Gruver boys to their first in the third quarter for Gru-

victory. For Gruver Elkins ver, but not for Sunray.

boys, as Silva ripped the time 11-6.

nets with 21 points to lead

ship scored 5.

shot.

by Lyn McClellan a free throw and a field goal

3-1. Silva scored on a jump throws for 12 points of the shot and Elkins added a free 17 scored by Gruver. Elkins throw. At the end of the first scored the other 5 points. quarter Gruver led 6-1, as Gruver led at the end of the Sunray started and ended third quarter 28-8.

their scoring on the same The scoring slowed down in the final quarter. Elkins Blankenship dominated scored one field goal and thescoring for Gruver in the Silva scored two field goals second quarter, making a to dominate the scoring for field goal only to have Sun- Gruver with 6 points. Sunray match his, as Gruver led ray scored one field goal 8-3. Blankenship scored on a and four free throws to make free throw and a jump shot to 6 points, also. Graver led by to extend the lead 11-3. Sun- twenty points at the end of ray closed the margin, with the game as they led 34-14.

two goals. This gave Gruver

girl to find the basket as

she netted four points, but

Then came the last but not

least quarter. Gruver only

managed one field goal by

McMillan, but got three free

shots, two by Cator and one

by Stewart. While Gruver

scored only 5 points, Sun-

ray made three field goals

and two free throws for 8

points. When the game was

over Gruyer and Sunray were

Then came the over-time

tied 24-24.

Sunray was "red hot" as

Stewart was the only

a 15-7 lead at halftime.

A SEASON UNSEEN

by Dean Lee

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Christmas, the most joyful season of the year, seems to go unnoticed. Of course we all buy gifts send cards to all the relatives, prepare a hugh feast and then spend the next few days in bed drinking alka-seltzers.

No, we do not need to be told the true reason for celebrating Christmas; we only need to be reminded. This is the season for spreading joy and good will.

To some of us, Christmas is a vacation from school. To others, it is a paid vacation, and to some, it is only another burden to add to the load that we are already carrying.

There once was a big Christmas tree on main street. Many also remember the small, green tree that was set in the park. This was a symbol of a new, young, tender life, but the bite of frost struck the tree like a bolt of lightening. The gnarled fingers of the north wind twisted the small limbs of this symbol of life, and the fury of winter was set against the beauty of nature. You all know the end of the tree. The tender leaves turned brown and died. The small limbs fell to the ground, and sifting sands covered our symbol of life.

Must our spirit die because a young tree was crushed by the grip of winter? Must we be the frost that will smite the happiness of others? Must we be the fury of winger and think only of ourselves because we have prosperity?

Yes, we have prosperity. We do not go without food, and we have a place to lay our heads at night. We even have freedom that we take for granted while others live in constant fear of death. Why not uncover the symbol of life that was defeated and replace it with a new seed and a new chance for life. This year enjoy A Season

Reflections In A Well

by Day Williams

One day as I was looking through a Readers Digest, I came across an article that I would like to pass on to

One morning a six-year-old daughter was watching her daddy shave, when she suddenly asked, "Daddy; where does God really live? "

In the Well", he answered absentmindedly.

Presenting The 1964 Seniors

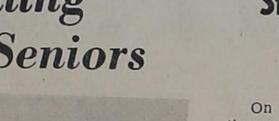


Phyllis Charon by Elaine Kelly

Phyllis was born in Ada, Oklahoma, on August 15, 1946 Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Charon, and she has(3) three sisters, Mrs. Patsy Benson of Canyon, Mrs. Barbara Greeson of Houston and Sue Charon who is a beautician at Guymon, Oklahoma.

In 1947 Phyllis and her family moved to Guymon and lived there for 18 months. They then moved to the Phillips Hansford Plant, 20 miles north of Gruver, where they now live. Her father is employed with the Phillips Petroleum. Plant.

Since the 5th grade Phyllis has been a member of the band and is very talented because of her ability to play cymbols, also clarinet, and the bass clarinet. During her first three years of High School, she was in the Pep Band. She was also in the Girls's Glee Club during her sophomore year and is again a member this year. During all four of her years in Gruver High School, she has been a member of F.H.A. She also belongs to the Sherhan Baptist Church at the Phillips Plant. Because of her charm and beauty, Phyllis was one of the few girls from Gruver who placed in the top ten in the "Miss Hansford County Contest' held in spearman in 1962. We were very proud of her for receiving this honor. When Phyllis was in the first grade, she had polio and she had to spend a great deal of time in the hospital. It was then that she began to to look their best. realize just how wonderful hospitals are. Because of a woman shopper might be: the help that she received "That's too frilly for me; while she was being cured I just couldn't wear it. Do of polio, she wants to be you have anything more able to help other people in casual." "That is a lovely the same way. In order to dress, but the style is just fulfill her dream after grad- wrong for me. What a loveuation she will attend West ly shade, but green just isn't



On December 3rd and 4th the students of Gruver High School took the ITED tests (Iowa Tests of Educational Development). These are tests given once a year by the school to help the students find their strong and weak points in nine different phases of education They also inform the teachers as to what subjects the students need special help.

These tests are graded by an electronic computer at Iowa University. The results are sent back to the school and they are passed on to the students. The scores are computed

by Elaine Kelly John Guy Folley was on a percentile basis. In born in Pampa, Texas, on other words a score of 80% June 23, 1945. His parents on the test would place the are Mr. and Mrs. Guy Folley, person in the top 80% of all and he has one married sis- the students in the nation ter Mrs. Rena Johnson, who that are in the same grade. lives in Waco Texas. Rena These tests, while they works in the library at Baylor are very tiresome, appeal to the students because it tells Since moving from Pampa, them how they compare with

John Guy and his family the rest of the students in have lived in different towns the U.S. and also break the in the Texas Panhandle. monotony of the regular In 1961 they moved to Gruver school day.

where his father works for Our school has ranked in Phillips Petroleum Company the top percent every year. west of Gruver and his This shows the fine quality mother is dietician for the of our students and teachers. We hope the results are as John Guy was a member good this year as they have

of the Greyhound football been in previous years. team last year and has been

If they were they would

If Mary Smith won't wear

But most women don't

should be done away with as

woman to know that she is

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more about ourselves and try

Let's all try to learn

It is much more for a

liabilities.

can't wear green.

more pleasant.

a member of the choir and for me''! has been president for the Isn't it a shame that

past two years. A member of these women aren't just as the First Baptist Church, aware of their personalties? John Guy is active in all the church activities. quickly dc away with some

John Guy Folley

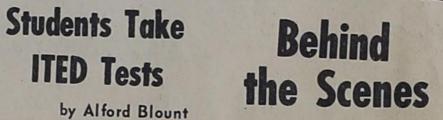
University.

Gruver Schools.

After graduation from Gru- of their attitudes, habits, ver High he plans to enter pretenses, and mannerisms Panhandle A & M College at which "don't do a thing" Goodwell, Oklahoma. for them.

Texas State University at green because it isn't one of Canyon, Texas, where she

will take pre-nursing. From her most becoming colors



by Bonnie Sullins day. To the students, a teacher is far more than a machine which crams information into him. The teacher is a friend who cares whether he learns his lessons and wants to

help him understand them. A teacher's work is never dcne. It lasts from year to year throughout the summer vacation. Our teachers are always seeking new and better ways of learning for us.

Long before 8:30 in the morning and even longer after 4:00 in the afternoon you will find a teacher hard at work grading papers, preparing lessons or even tutoring a needy student.

The teaching career, prob ably the least noticed, is the most rewarding to that teacher. The teacher's pay comes not from the pay check but from the great satisfaction he receives for a job well done.



Monday December 16 Spaghetti and meat, green peas, candied yams, chocolate cake, hot rolls, milk and butter.

Tuesday December 16 Feanut butter sandwiches, Beef vegetable soup, peach halves, cinnamon rolls, and milk.

Wednesday December 18 Fried chicken, gravy, mashed potatoes, tossed salad, ice cream, hot rolls, milk and butter.

Thursday December 19 Turkey and dressing and other girls hit the basket for they netted four field goals and a free throw to score 9 close behind as she scored points. Gruver still held the 9 points. Vicki McMillan added 5 points for the Gruver lead 19-16, at the end of the third quarter.

Gruver had trouble start-This week I wish to sal- ing in the first quarter. ute our great school faculty. Gruyer and Sunray exchanged No one truly realizes the field goals to make the score hard and tedious work they 2-2. McMillan and Stewart are faced with day after added free throws to give Gruver a 4-2 lead. Sunray came back with a field goal and a free shot to give them the lead 5-4 as the quarter ended.

girls.

The scoring picked up in the second quarter for Gruver but did not for Sunray. Sunray managed only one field goal. Cator scored 5 points on two field and a free throw, while McMillan netted a field goal, and

which lasted seven minutes. Sunray scored on one field goal and two free shots for 4 points, while Gruver was unable even to buy a basket. When the over-time was over Sunray led 28-24.

"Oh, Daddy!" She voiced her disgust at such a silly answer.

At breakfast the man's wife asked him what he had, been telling the daughter about God living in a well.

"In a well?" he frowned, "Did I tell her that?" Then the man remembered why he had told his daughter that. While he was a little boy, a band of gypsies stopped at the well in his yard. One gypsey in particular had fascinated him. After the gypsy had finished drinking some water, the gypsy stopped and looked deep into the well. Because he was so curious, the boy tried to look into the well. The gyp sy noticed him and picked him up.

"Do you know who lives down there?" the gypsy asked. The boy shook his head. "God lives there," the gypsy replied. "Look." And the gypsy held the boyover the edge of the well.

There, in the mirror-like water, the little boy saw his own reflection. "But that's me!" the little boy said.

"Ah," said the gypsy."Now you know where God lives."

When I finished reading this article I stopped and started to think. I thought how true this story is because God does live through our lives. Then I thought, how many people can see God through jmy life? I think this is something that we should all ask ourselves and strive to let other people see that God does live through our everyday lives.

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there she will attend Mercy why shouldn't she realize Hospital School of Nursing that being cool to her friends in Oklahoma City, where she plans to receive a Bachelor of Science in Registered nursing.

WHICH IS IMPORTANT know that much about their personalities. They don't

by Marian Jeffries When it comes to clothes, hair styles and make-up most women know what they can wear and what they must avoid Some of the comments of

giblet gravey, green beans, celery sticks, carrot sticks, isn't becoming either?. cranberry salad, pumpkin A mirror is provided for pie, hot rolls, milk and butter. a woman to tell her exactly Friday December 20 what she looks like.

Barbeque on bun, ranch style beans, potato salad, purple plums, and milk.



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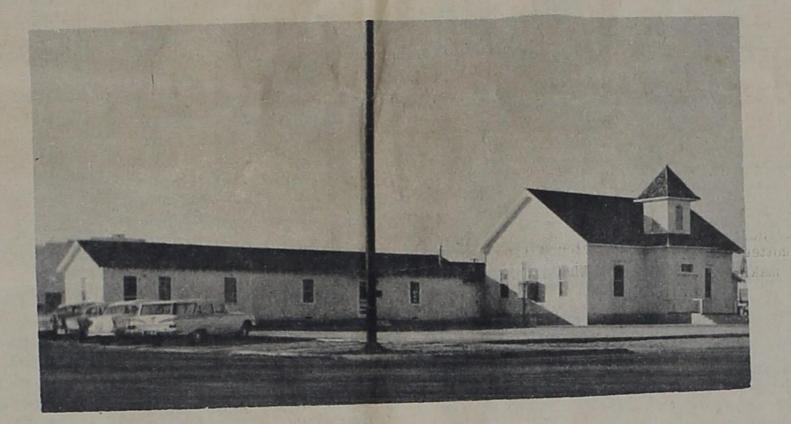
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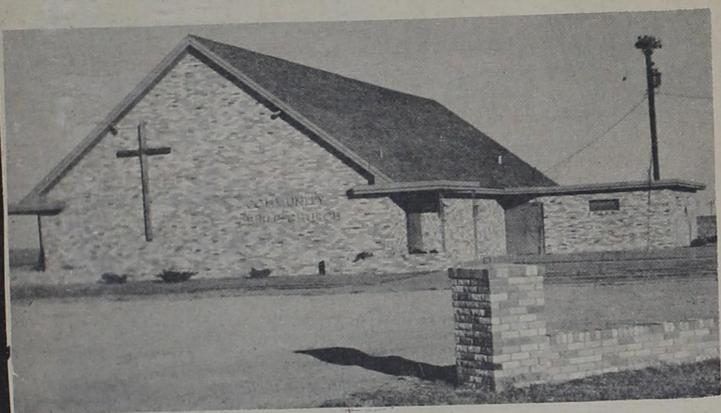


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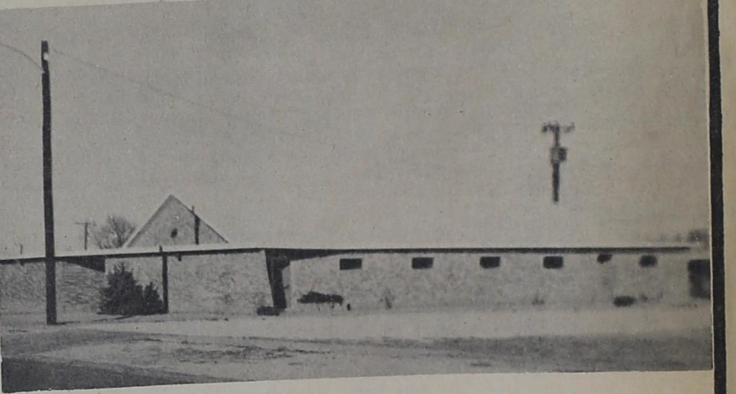
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THE GRUVER METHODIST CHURCH pastor, Reverand R.L. Kirk

Sunday School 9):45
Morning Worship11	:00
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Evening Worship 6	5:00
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00
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THE COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH pastor, W.L. Porterfield

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Sunday School	11:00
Morning worship	6:30
Youth Meeting	7:30
Wednesday-Bible Study	8:00



THE CHURCH OF CHRIST minister, Alfred White

Bible Study	10:00
Morning Worship	11:00
Evening Worship	6:00
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Evelyn Kelly **Evelyn Kelly** Named Sweetheart

The Gruver Explorer family style atop tables couts crowned their Sweet- centered with centerpieces eart Evelyn Kelly at their carrying the Christmas anquet hela at 7:30 p.m. motif. The last sweetheart 1 the Fellowship Hall of the Mary Gail Jackson was 'irst Christian Church. Miss an honored guest. Celly was presented a white 34 embroidered on it. The prayer by John Cotter.

The evening was opened a part of the New life Move-

weater with the Scout by the Pledge' to the Flag mblem and Explorer Scout by the boys and an opening sweater was presented by Special guests included slides of the country and the John Cotter, Scout Advisor. the sweetheart's parents Mr. actual crusade. The Banquet was served and Mrs. Desmond Kelly of The W.M.U. has met several times this week in pray-Morse. Boys attending were Del er groups for the Lottie Moon Baskin, Alford Blount, John Week of Prayer for Foreign Blount, Morris Allen Williams Missions. This week of Pray-Gary and David Leonard, Jim er is an annual affair during the Christmas Season. Also Nobles and paul Cotter. Also present were the carried out during the Yuleadvisor and wife Mr. and Mrs. tide season is the Lottie John Cotter and family, and Moon Christmas Offering and committee members Mr. for Foreign Missions. Which Ted Evans and family and Mr. this year's goal is \$2,450.31. Lynn Holland and family.and The Calendar of Activi-Mr. and Mrs. Don Dillow and ties Committee is in the process of making the Calenbaby.

The Gruver Independent



The R.A.'s had an eventful weekend as they attended the Regional R.A. Rally held at the Frist Baptist Church in Amarillo. Eighteen boys forever. from Gruver with three adults attended. sponsors were Lester Wells, Brother Purvis and R.A.leader Howard Hinton. The group won the

award for the highest attendance since they had the largest percentage from the demonstration of how to set missionary from Argentina (Him)? spoke to the group and sevpresent for the day. The

Bus.

ofrmer pastor of the Gruver Baptist Church, spoke Wednesday night during Prayer meeting. Reverand Burton is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Friona. After being ment in japan last spring Reverand Burton told of the Crusade as well as showed



Christmas Tree Symbolism 1. The Christmas Tree is

usually of evergreen reminding us that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and

The tree reminds us of the Christ child who "bore our sins in His own body on the tree" (1 Peter 2:24). Some like to think of . Adam and Eve eating of the "The Tree of Knowledge fartherest distance. A Swap of Good and Evil" and being Shop was one of the center separated from God, cast out of attractions. Conferences of the Garden of Eden. Then were held for the adults and in the Book of Revelation a Fair for the boys was pre- the second coming of Christ sented by each of the var- will restore to believers the ious R.A. groups. The Gru- "Tree of Life". The Christver representatives gave a mas tree reminds us of this. 2. Often stars are placed up camp as well as to what on the tree. The star led the is required for a camp. The wise men to Christ. So we Maverick Club presented a see the Star of God, His Son tumbling act. Chalk talks Jesus, leading us out of as well as singing was a darkness of sin. The star part of the entertainment can also be a symbol of for the group of boys. A hope. Have you seen it 3. Gifts we share under eral State R.A. Leaders were the tree are because God gave first to us His gift of

group returned home Sat- Love-His Son Jesus. Tco urday evening by the Church often we become involved in giving gifts without realizing Reverand Bill Burton, the purpose of Christmas--God's great gift.

4. Decorations to the tree all sinners.

OSLO NEWS

Sunday School and Church Hull. again at Oslo next Sunday at usual time. The children Knudson and Gordon Stedje are beginning to learn their back to Oklahoma City on

WANT ADS

add beauty. Christmas is not DOLL CLOTHES a bleak time. It is a joyous Contact Mrs. Lynn Holland occasion because the Prince for Doll Clothes for Christof Peace has come to us. mas presents. Specializing 5. Lights are opposite in Barbie and Ken clothes.

FOR SALE

of darkness. Darkness is a symbol of sin, of how satan has blinded the eyes of men

birth into this world to be

our substitute for sin. We

could not work out our own forgiveness. God came in

human form to keep the Law

perfect and thus was our per-

fect sacrifice. Now we are in

Christ again restored to a

saved relationship with God.

Letusremember Hisbirthday.

7. some folks save the

from it on Easter Sunday.

As you decorate your

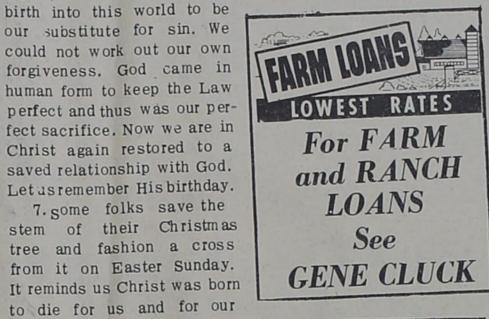
Christmas tree this year,

but be reminded of what

Christmas really means to

to God's image of holiness. Jesus Christ is the Light of '61 Chevrolet, 2 ton; '62 the world. Thus lights are Chevrolet 2 ton, both equiped not mere decorations but with grain bed, hoist, heavy symbolic of Christ offering duty bumpers: 19 ft. camp us hope in the dark world of trailer 1962 model: and Model C, 20 ft, Baldwin Combine. sin.

6. Candles on trees (Now Contact Rex Williams. lights) show our Saviors



pin from North wood, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. James Steddon't just decorate for beauty je and Marilyn were coffee guests at the Joel Stavlo home on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Stedje and family visited over the weekend at the Ted Schwarz home south of Abi-James Stedje took Jodie lene.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence parts for the Christmas pro- Monday for them to have a Johnson and Mr. and Mrs gram and their choir music. check up. We are happy they Joel Stavlo and Mr. and Mrs.

Emil Knutson visited at

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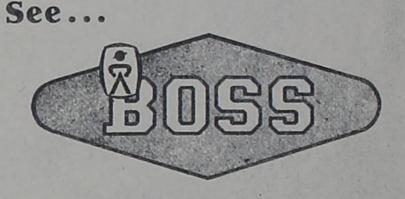
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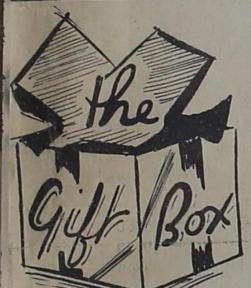
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Parents included the dar for the year of 1964. Ali activity dates should be O.R. Blounts, Ernest Baskturned into the committee. ins and Mr. and Mrs. John

FARMERS TAX MEETING SLATED

A meeting on farmer's in- son. Hansford County Agent. James Murphry, Area come tax and will and estate planning will be held Thurs- Extension Farm Management day December 12, at 7:30 Specialist from Amarillo will p.m. in the Farm Bureau conduct this very informameeting room in spearman, tive and timely meeting. Any new changes pertainaccording to Robert Adam-



Next Sunday will be the first are doing very nicely.

practice. Visiting recently over the weekend and for Thanksgiving at the Dewayne TeBeest home were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klassen and son Kristopher and Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mis. Herman Klassen of Oklahoma City. Also having dinner there were Mr. and Mrs. Reuben TeBeest.

Mr. J.T. Stearns from Perryton visited Sunday at the Elmo Dahl home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson and boys were guests Sunday at Liberal Kansas at the Lutheran Church there. They were dinner guests at the home of their son the Jimmy Johnsons.

Sunday dinner guests at the Reuben TeBeest home were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest

ing to farmer's income tax will be discussed.

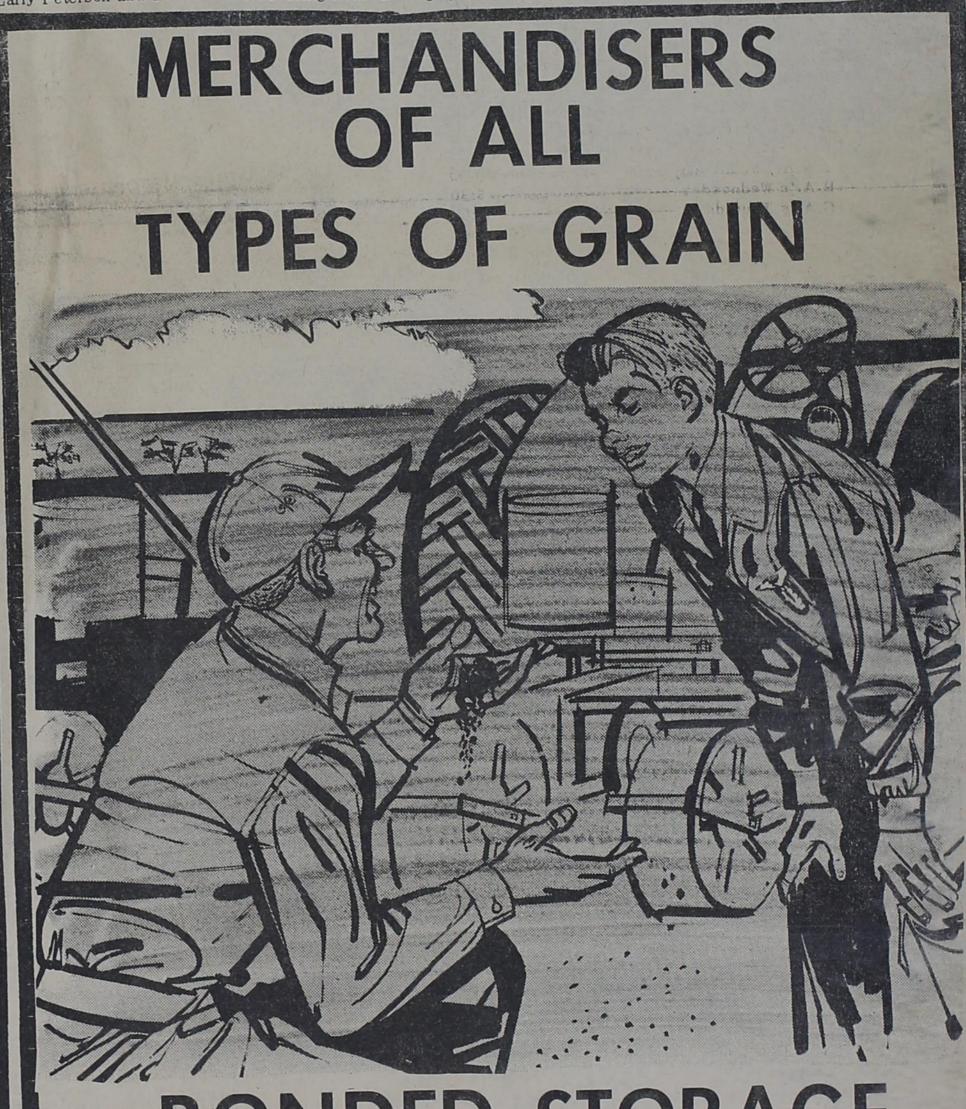
Farmers and ranchers are urged to attend this meeting.

forgiveness.

Visiting in the Collier various times through the home the past few days were day with Gordon Stedje who is Larry Peterson and Tom Gil recovering from ear surgery.

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