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Again we come to that beautiful feast of the Child Whose coming was announced by the angelic chant "Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace to Men of Good Will." And again we have reason to observe that the earth is not at peace. Not a shooting war, for that much we can be grateful. But the same old cold war is still with us, being waged to its full intensity by a gang of international deceivers who only a short time ago made a mockery of good will. Their smiles did not come from the heart but rather from a conniving brain which used them as just another means to an ugly end.

It is not a pretty picture for Christmas. However we can take comfort from the fact that the rough stuff is still being avoided, and may possibly be avoided permanently. If early Christians who were dragged in chains before the lions of Rome's coliseum could praise God with their last breath, we today certainly have no reason to drift into despondency.

There are wonderful prospects that peace, the peace of freedom and good will, will prevail in spite of the bombardment it receives from the forces of evil. Of course, it isn't likely that the present trend can be stopped without some violence, but it is by no means inevitable that the threatened global conflict will take place. World affairs are still profoundly influenced by leaders who apply good will in shaping their policies. Their objective is to relieve current misery, not add to it. And they will, if circumstances permit, use the peaceful way to rid the world of its persecutors.

While hoping that those big problems will be solved to our satisfaction, we should be mindful that Peace is a word which applies to the individual as well as to the world. There is where the real blessing of Christmas is to be found. The heavenly voices chanted the promise of "Peace to men of good will." It was the Divine Infant's advice for attaining the personal peace to which we all aspire. People who live by the standards He taught can enjoy peace of mind and heart regardless of what happens to nations. Like those Christians, some may even endure terrible suffering, but they are still at peace with themselves and with God. Nothing is more important than that.

Besides being mindful of the magnificent recipe for personal happiness announced on the first Christmas, it is well for us to be even more aware of the more profound significance of the feast. Christ was more than a good and great man teaching a practical and happy way of life. He was also the Son of God, the Divine Redeemer Who restored mankind in the favor of His Heavenly Father. His coming has an eternal significance far more important than the temporal. It was by far the biggest event in world history.

In keeping with that thought, let's remember that a feast so great is worthy of a reverent and dignified observance. Let's

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### Interrupted Greeting

Mischief that appears to be a combination of stealing and vandalism eliminated for two nights whatever benefit Muenster might have received from the beautifully decorated tree on the highway at the east city limits. It was discovered Wednesday morning with wires torn and disarranged and fifteen lights missing. It was repaired the same day and is back on the job of extending the town's Yule greeting to passing motorists.

### Driver Training Car Arrives

Driver training students at Muenster High will find their training car waiting when they get ready for their driving instructions. The new unit was delivered last weekend by Endres Motor Company. Driving practice will not begin for several weeks, until students have finished their 30 hours of class instruction.



*" - - for today a Savior has been born to you "*

## Building Permits Issued by City in '55 Total \$311,650

Building in and around Muenster during 1955 approaches, and perhaps reaches, the half million dollar mark.

Supporting that estimate is the record of permits issued in the amount of \$311,650 for building within the city limits. In view of the fact that estimates shown on the permits are usually very conservative the actual values in most cases can be estimated from 25 to 50 per cent higher. Besides there were quite a number of new homes and farm buildings outside the city, which are not shown on the city record. Still more value is represented in smaller repair and remodeling jobs which do not require permit.

According to the records of City Manager Steve Moser, building here in 1955 was the most active in the city's history. Permits ran higher in 1952 when

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## Speaker at Lions Dinner Urges Faith in Christ and Man

A reaffirmation of faith in each other and in Jesus Christ is the one great essential needed to bring about greater peace and harmony in the world. That was the core of the message brought by Judge Jack Gray of Denton to Lions and their guests at their Christmas dinner Tuesday night.

Judge Gray, who has been voted the outstanding Junior Chamber of Commerce member in Denton County and one of the five outstanding Jaycees of the state, said that the need for reaffirming faith applied on both the personal and the global level. Man has to be set right to set the world right.

The dinner was a ladies' night event held as a substitute for the regular bi-monthly luncheon meeting. It was held in the public school lunch room with the homemaking girls under direction of Mrs. Homsley in charge of preparing and serving. The menu featured turkey and the trimmings and tables were brightened by a lavish array of Christmas decorations.

Lion President H. H. Homsley was master of ceremonies. A special guest was Bruce Coats of Denton, Zone chairman, who introduced the speaker.

## SH Pastors Invite Public to Attend Christmas Services

The pastors of Sacred Heart Church this week extended invitations to everybody in the community, whether or not they happen to be members of the parish, to attend services there on Christmas.

The schedule of services will be as follows:  
Midnight: Solemn High Mass.  
5:30 a.m. Low Mass.  
6:00 a.m. Low Mass.  
7:00 a.m. Low Mass.  
7:30 a.m. Low Mass.  
8:00 a.m. Children's High Mass.  
9:00 a.m. Low Mass.

10:00 a.m. Low Mass followed by benediction.  
The customary 7 o'clock evening Mass is not scheduled for Christmas.

## Council Announces Increase in Water and Sewer Rates

Effective on the next billing water and sewer rates in Muenster will be increased. That decision was reached by the City Council Monday night as the most satisfactory way of meeting rising costs in city operation.

Current improvements on both the waterworks and the sewer disposal system are expected to exceed the funds provided by a bond issue. Those costs along with current operating expenses make it necessary for the city to increase its revenue.

The council decided that an increase in service rates is more desirable than an increase in tax rates, because it applies to a larger number of people, hence requires a smaller charge against each individual. It was also mentioned that non-tax paying residents get the benefit of the same services that taxpayers do and should help furnish the additional revenue. Still another factor is a rate comparison with other cities. After the increase charges here are still lower than in many other places.

The new rate increases the charge for sewer service from 75 cents to \$1.00 per month.

The new water rate specifies a minimum charge of \$2.00 per month for 1,000 gallons or less. For those using more than 1,000 gallons the rates are \$2.00 for the first 1,000 gallons, 50 cents per thousand for the next 14,000

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## Pre-School Count To Be Taken With Scholastic Census

A preview of the scholastic census here for the next several years will be revealed in a special survey which will accompany the regular count of school children beginning January 1.

Superintendent H. H. Homsley said the reason for the count of pre-school children is to secure information which will help in formulating plans for the future of Muenster schools. He explained that the special survey is not a part of the official annual scholastic census but a strictly local project.

The additional count will add considerably to the task of taking the scholastic census. Many more homes will have to be visited and more names will be recorded in most other homes.

To help speed the work people are asked to prepare lists in advance showing the names and ages of all children under 18. Invariably such a list saves time, and it is especially useful if parents happen to be away when the census taker calls. An older child can give the information and save an unnecessary trip.

A pre-school count of children can be very useful to the community at this time, especially in relation to future enrollment in the Sacred Heart elementary department. The trend of population increase that it shows will be valuable in planning an expansion program.

## Top Talent Slated For MHS Holiday Tourney Next Week

The brackets are drawn up and trophies are waiting for Muenster's Holiday tournament, which promises to be the hottest of all the local basketball get-togethers. It will get under way at noon on Thursday, Dec. 29.

Included in the brackets are some of the best Class B teams of North Texas, in the opinion of Superintendent H. H. Homsley. Headliners due to show the fans plenty of basketball speed and finesse are Petrolia, Midway, Bellevue and Prairie Valley, in both the boys and the girls divisions.

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## Main Cafe Move To Clear Location for New Variety Store

The second step in preparing for construction of the new Variety Store is due to get under way next Monday, and actual construction will begin about January 15, according to plans revealed this week by Tony Luke.

Fred Hennigan has finished clearing away the former Stelzer building and work will start Monday on moving Main Cafe to the location. Promptly thereafter construction is due to start on the present cafe location. Materials are expected in time to allow uninterrupted work after January 15.

Work on the new Charm Shop is also due to start soon. Both buildings will be built by the Lift Slab process and the plan now is to arrange so that equipment will have to be brought in only once for the two lifting jobs.

In the Lift Slab process the roof is built at the ground level, then raised into position and walls are built later.

## Muenster Boasts Abundance of Yule Displays This Year

Adding to the bright holiday spirit in Muenster are many attractive Christmas displays, both religious and secular, at home and business houses.

Bright reminders of Christmas, lighted wreaths, glowing candles, and decorated trees are visible through windows in scores of homes. Many yards have living Christmas trees brilliant with colored lights. Many homes, too, radiate a warm welcome with glittering lights outlining the porches, arches or doorways. Others have sparkling lights outlining shrubbery.

Probably the most striking display — because it's so massive and so colorful — is the lighted cedar at the east city marker. Sponsored by the Civic League and Garden Club in cooperation with the city, the tree is aglow with 135 colored lights. This living Christmas tree is more than 20 feet tall. A spotlight arranged in lower cedars floods the sign MUENSTER above the native rock marker.

Another large living tree that's brilliant with lights is the tra-

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## Children Present Operetta Based on "Christmas Carol"

"A Christmas Carol" came of life on the stage here Sunday night with a cast of 200 Sacred Heart grade school students performing a difficult TV version of the immortal classic by Charles Dickens in a manner that brought cheers and acclaim from the more than 600 persons in attendance.

The show which premiered here on the stage under the direction of Sister Roberta had a New York script, snow arranged for by Hollywood, and publicity from coast to coast.

Ordinarily such a production with script and music still unpublished might have cost thousands of dollars. It was produced here with the permission of Ralph Levy, director of the CBS-TV production, who furnished the script and Bernard Herrman, composer of the music, who sent the score in manuscript because there had not been time to have it printed.

Acting, singing and dancing of the young performers, students of the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades, was uniformly good. The long cast included a number of exceptionally talented youngsters but all gave their performances with honesty and skill.

Kenny Fette was outstanding as Scrooge. He went through the long speaking role with no weak spots. Lovely Carol Fette as the Ghost of Christmas Past, and

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## KCs Treat Kids at Christmas Party

About 150 children were the favored guests Monday night at a Christmas party given by the Muenster K of C Council for members and their families.

The big event of the affair was the coming of Santa with candy and presents for all the youngsters.

Festivities got under way at 6 o'clock when all were guests of the council at a buffet luncheon.

## SCHEDULE OF COMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, Dec. 29, KC Dance, for members, 8:30.  
THURSDAY, Dec. 29, Holiday Tournament begins, at noon.



We join jolly  
Santa in extending our  
hearty greetings  
to everybody. May your holiday be  
full of joy and good fellowship.

**THE CHARM SHOP**  
Mrs. Ray Evans Muenster

**Parochial Teams  
Win Three, Lose One  
In Week's Games**

Sacred Heart High School's basketball teams took three out of their four encounters during the past week, beating Windthorst in a double header and splitting honors with the Collinsville B teams. The games were played in the Sacred Heart gym.

The parochial girls had a real tussle with their Windthorst guests in the curtain raiser Friday night but eventually hit their stride and romped ahead to a comfortable 37-22 margin. The first quarter was tied at 9-9 and by intermission the visitors led 18-16. The third period saw Sacred Heart nudge ahead 26-22 and the final quarter was completely one sided as Sacred Heart added 15 while holding their opponents scoreless. Derichsweiler led the attack with 22 points.

Another tight contest featured the second game as the Tigers led all the way but were never comfortably ahead. The count by periods was 14-12, 20-15, 28-21 and 36-31. Walter was the hot shot with 21 points.

Monday night, playing Collinsville B, the Sacred Heart girls again ended with a splurge after a tight contest at the start. They led all the way with counts of 9-8, 17-14, 29-20 and 37-26. Hess earned scoring honors with 15.

Collinsville B boys avenged the former defeat in a big way in the second session of the double header. After jumping to a big lead they allowed reserves to take over and Sacred Heart trimmed down the margin considerably. Progress by quarters was 18-4, 30-8, 33-20 and 44-32. Herr was top Tiger scorer with 40.

**Bellevue Cagers  
Win Double Header**

Muenster High teams went down in double defeat before the boys and girls of Bellevue in the local gym last Thursday night.

Starting the twin bill the visiting girls took an early lead and held it all the way for the final score of 49-44. The first three periods ended with counts of 11-4, 26-17 and 39-29. Pick with 15 and Haverkamp with 14 led the way for Muenster.

The second game was more of the same as Bellevue boys gradually spread their lead to 14 points. The tally was 34-26 at intermission and 56-42 at the end. Dougherty connected for 17 and Richey for 12.

Soeur Therese is a lovely yellow rose; fragrant and lasting.

**Increased Rates - -**

gallons and 30 cents per thousand for all over 15,000 gallons. Former charges were \$1.50, 40 cents and 25 cents in the respective categories.

The rate for sales at water racks increases from 60 to 75 cents per 1,000 gallons.

Service to connections outside the city limits are still twice the regular rates, which amounts to a double increase in each of the above rate brackets.

**MHS Girls Receive  
Runner-up Trophy  
At Saint Jo Meet**

Muenster High School's girls brought home a trophy from the Saint Jo invitation tournament during the past weekend. They went to the champ, finals and came out with the runner-up title after losing to Forestburg.

They edged their way into the champ bracket by a thrilling fourth quarter rally to move ahead of Saint Jo 29-28. In the first three quarters the host team led by scores of 9-4, 15-12, and 26-24. Homsley led the way for Muenster with 9 and Klemenc and Pick shared second place with 8 each.

Playing Callisburg in the semi final the girls had to hustle for their 43-30 win. They barely kept ahead in the first two periods, by scores of 10-7 and 20-17, then extended their margin slightly for an 8 point lead at the third quarter and the 13 point final lead. Haverkamp was the big scorer with 21.

The final game with the sizzling Forestburg sextette was a hopeless affair for Muenster and finally ended on a count of 60-28. Homsley led Muenster's efforts with 12 points.

Goldburg was the winner in the boys' division of the tournament.

On the Statue of Liberty's book is the date, July 4, 1776.

The snail builds its own trailer home and manufactures its own materials.

By an overwhelming voice vote the 37th annual convention of The American Legion adopted a resolution urging US withdrawal from the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and a Congressional investigation into UNESCO interference with education in the US by distributing "subversive educational materials" and "propounding world citizenship and adherence to a nebulous world government."

We think the applause of the rest of us will be equally overwhelming.

**OLD-FASHIONED  
CHRISTMAS  
Wishes**



To all our friends,  
we extend warm  
wishes for a Holiday  
that is full of  
love and joy.  
A Merry  
Christmas to all!

**Nick and  
Adelina Miller**

**Merry Christmas**

To all the "Good Skates" we know we wish smooth gliding throughout the happiest, heartiest holiday season ever!

**Jimmy's Service Station**  
Jimmy, Jimmy, Claude, Dee, Harold

**Greetings  
OF THE  
Season  
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS**

**METZLER BROS.  
DRIVE-IN**  
Gerald, Bill, Lee  
Across the River

**Season's  
Greetings**

May the chiming of the joyous Christmas bells, the voices of the choir boys, bring to you again all the warmth of spirit and peace of heart of this glorious season.

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year to all!

**THE  
MANHATTAN  
CLOTHIERS**  
Leo M. Kuehn  
Gainesville

**Season's Greetings**

As brightly as the star of Bethlehem, that Silent Night, may the spirit of the first Christmas shine forever in your heart. May its message of Peace and Good Will become an abiding source of hope to you and yours.

The Management and Employees of  
**Endres Motor Company**



**Brewer's Laundry**  
Paul and Louise Brewer, Muenster

**Pauline Myrick and Cpl. Pat Stelzer to Marry December 27**

Miss Pauline Ann Myrick, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. T. S. Myrick, will become the bride of Cpl. Patrick Stelzer, son of Mrs. Henry Huchton and the late A. C. Stelzer, next Tuesday, December 27, during a nuptial mass in Sacred Heart church at 4 p.m.

Attendants for the bride will be Mrs. John Myrick of Austin, matron of honor; Miss Janie Hellman of Commerce, maid of honor; and Miss Margaret Myrick, bridesmaid. Little Carol Ann Myrick of Austin will be flower girl.

The groom's attendants will be John Myrick, Ray Tempel of Gainesville and Burt Hamric of El Paso.

The bride-to-be is a senior student at the University of Texas School of Nursing in Galveston and will complete her training. Cpl. Stelzer, in the Marine Corps since March 1954, trained at San Diego, Calif., and served overseas in Japan. He is now stationed in Hawaii and is on 30-day leave.

**Talk on Christmas Decorations Heard By Club Members**

A demonstrated talk on "Christmas Decorations" was presented as the program feature at the Civic League and Garden Club's regular meeting Thursday night in the home of Mrs. J. M. Weinzapfel with Mrs. Joe Swirczynski as co-hostess.

Mrs. Walter Rawley gave the talk, demonstrating as she spoke, and also displayed an assortment of previously made decorations. Her angels made from pipe cleaners were especially attractive and were the group's favorite among many lovely and novel ornaments that can be made inexpensively at home.

During the business session Mrs. Tony Gremminger, president, presided and committee chairmen gave reports.

The organization is still selling house markers and hopes to see all city homes numbered in the near future. Orders may be left with Mrs. Gremminger. The club is saving, and soliciting, Folger coffee stars and coupons to get a coffee urn. A report was given on the float entered in the Christmas parade and it was announced that the organization will show an educational film on fertilizer in March.

Mrs. Weinzapfel and her committee said they would erect the Nativity scene on the bank grounds for Christmas week and three members, Mmes. Weinzapfel, Joe Luke and Lee Toothaker volunteered to act as judges at the State School for Girls in Gainesville where the girls decorated their cottages in the Yule motif in a contest.

After adjournment those present exchanged their favorite cookie recipes. They had brought with them samples of the cookies which were served with date bread and butter and sliced peaches and coffee by the hostesses.

Fifteen members and one guest, Mrs. C. F. Gobble were present.

Before the meeting the group watched the TV presentation of "A Christmas Carol."

**Neu-Bayer Nuptial Set for January 7**

Mr. and Mrs. Joe J. Neu of Lindsay have announced the approaching marriage of their daughter, Antoinette, to James Bayer of Muenster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bayer.

The couple has selected Saturday, January 7, as the wedding date. The service will take place in St. Peter's church at 9 a.m.

Miss Cecilia Neu will be her sister's maid of honor and Randolph Bayer will attend his brother as best man.



**THE VARIETY STORE**  
Anthony and Leona Luke Muenster

**Santa Visits Tots' Yule Party Tuesday**

Members of the VFW Auxiliary and their pre-school age children gathered Tuesday morning for a Christmas party and gift exchange. Highlight of the annual affair is Santa's visit and his distribution of gifts to each of the youngsters.

This year he also distributed members' gifts and chatted with the children, listening to their long lists of Christmas wants. Activity took place around a decorated and lighted tree.

Refreshments of cookies and soda pop were served to 50 youngsters and 21 adults.

The party was held in the VFW club from 10 to 11:30.

Wilfred Herr stopped here Friday evening for a visit with his grandmother, Mrs. Fred Herr Sr., and had supper with his uncle and aunt, the Joe Luke. He was enroute to Hereford to visit his parents, the Emil Herrs, before going to Andrews, Texas, where he is a geologist for an oil company. He had just finished a course of specialized training at Norman, Okla.



We'll go along with Santa in wishing a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All.

**Lone Star Cleaners**  
Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Goslin  
Gainesville



**Season's Greetings**

May this Holiday Season bless your heart with love, your mind with peace, and your life with happiness.

**H & H Oil Co.**  
Fred Hennigan, Muenster

**Merry Christmas**



It is our sincerest wish that this Christmas brings a great abundance of warm and lasting pleasures to everyone.

**C. D. Shamburger Lumber Co.**  
Dick Trachta, Mgr. Muenster



**Joy... Peace... at Christmas**

Once more we pause to welcome to our hearts the spirit of this blessed season.

May it renew the great warmth of reverent love in the hearts of all men, and may this Christmas Day herald the fulfillment of all our prayers for joy and peace to all our brothers throughout the world.

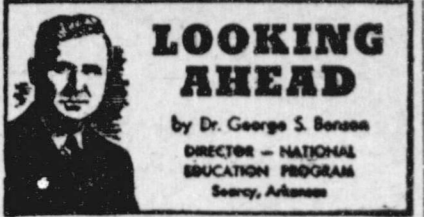
**R & W Grewing Brothers**  
Richard and Walter Muenster

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him should not perish but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

### His Words

"If you continue in my word (Jesus said) you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." (John 8:31-32)

"Truly, truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." (John 13:21)

"When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father the hour has come; glorify thy Son that thy Son may glorify thee, since thou hast given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom thou hast given him. And this is eternal life, that they know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. I glorified thee on earth, having accomplished the work which thou gavest me to do; and now, Father, glorify thou me in thy own presence with the glory which I had with thee before the world was made." (John 17:1-5)

### Life Everlasting

"Then Jesus, knowing all that was to befall him, came forward and said to them, "Whom do you seek?" They answered him, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said to them, "I am he." (John 18:4,5)

"Pilate said to them, "Take him yourself and crucify him, for I find no crime in him." (John 19:6)

"So they took Jesus, and He went out, bearing His own cross . . . There they crucified Him . . ." (John 19:17,18)

"They took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths . . . as the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there." (John 19:40, 42)

"Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early . . . and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb." (John 20:1)

"While they beheld, He was taken up, and a cloud received him out of their sight." (Acts 1:9)

"Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?"

### THE GREATEST TRUTH

The poet said, "Truth crushed to earth shall rise again!" Mankind has seen this happen through the ages. One of the fatal weaknesses of man is that he frequently compromises his knowledge of truth for selfish reasons — and yet no man has ever gained by so doing. The great quest of the institution of education is for Truth. The primary responsibility is that of teaching it. As the intelligence of man has advanced and spread through education, basic truths have emerged; the foremost of these truths are:

"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last." (Rev. 22:13)

"There are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one." (I John 5:7)

"Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit; she will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." (Matthew 1)

### Son of God

"When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took his wife, but knew her not until she had born a son; and he called his name Jesus." (Matthew 1:24-25)

"And lo, the star which they had seen in the East went before them (the Wise Men), till it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy; and going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshipped him." (Matthew 2:9-11)

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in

## A Christmas Message

Dear Friends and Fellow Parishioners,

Christmas means joy, peace, love, forgiveness, and all the good things that go with this sort of spiritual well being. To those not "in the know" it must be a recurring annual enigma, why people act as they do at Christmas time. To those who understand what the glad season is about, there is no puzzle involved.

Christ, the God-Man came down to us on the first "Silent Night . . . Holy Night." He brought things along with Him from Heaven. Things that do not wear out with the passing of time. Things like "Glory to God in the highest . . . on earth, peace to men of good will." Things like, "Behold I bring you tidings of great joy; for to thee is born today a Saviour, whose name shall be called Jesus." And things like, "Come to me all ye that labor and are burdened . . . and I will refresh you." Also: "Peace be with you . . . my peace I leave you. Fear not, for I have overcome the world. And behold I am with you all days even to the consummation of the world . . . and the gates of hell shall not prevail against you."

The secret of Christmas is simply the secret of Christ. And that is no longer a secret to such as wish to be in the know. It is the "new commandment" he gave us to solve all the ills of the world for all time: Love of God, our Creator, our Heavenly Father, for his own lovable sake; and love of our fellow man, without exception, for God's sake.

The children's Christmas play, Sunday night, should have taught us all the one lesson we need know at this time.

Flint-hearted Scrooge, unforgettable character in the Charles Dickens classic, was the only unhappy man in his part of London on Christmas eve. He was unhappy because the font of human kindness had dried up in him. His heart was with his nickles and dimes, not with his fellow man. But angels, elves, and the spirits of former associates finally taught him a new wisdom. And when he finally catches the spirit of Christmas, what does Scrooge say? "Merry Christmas, everybody. I'm rejoicing the human race!"

At this glad season, let us be sure to cast out of our hearts all hatred, anger, fear, jealousy, envy, all resentment whatever against any fellow member of our planet. Let us open wide our hearts and our minds to each other, as did Christ to us when he came down from Heaven to reopen its closed gates unto every one of us.

Do this without stint or reservation, and you will have the happiest Christmas ever.

Rev. Louis Deuster, O.S.B.

## Use Santa Claus, Don't Abuse Him

By John J. Kane, University of Notre Dame

SANTA CLAUS can be a real danger. True, he is a symbol of the joy and happiness of the holiday season. But we can become "fixed" at the Santa Claus level and never get to the higher meaning of Christmas: the birth of Christ.

No child can entirely appreciate what the Nativity means. So we tie up the joys of Christmas with ordinary pleasant events such as giving presents and the like. The young child first learns that Christmas is a joyous season. He understands the real reason why when he moves from Santa Claus to the mystery of Bethlehem.



BUT THE CHILD, and grown-ups too, can forget to associate Santa Claus and the joys of Christmas with the birth of our Saviour—the real cause of Christmas joy. Instead the tendency is to disassociate Christ from Christmas.

In some communities every year, objections are raised to Nativity plays in public schools. The symbol of Christmas, the Infant Jesus, is obscured by scotty dogs and blizzards that would terrify viewers if they were not on cards. "Oh, Come All Ye Faithful" gives way to "I Saw Mama Kissing Santa Claus."

NOW SANTA CLAUS, mistle-

toe, holly, even scotty dogs and inane songs, have their place in Christmas, if they would stay in it. They should add to, not supplant the theme of Christmas: the birth of Christ.

Protesting against Santa Claus won't bring Christ to Christmas. But through Santa Claus we can get to the real meaning of the holiday. My own child told me how to do it.

ONE CHRISTMAS EVE we were putting the manger under the tree. My little girl was "helping," talking to the statue of Mary and the Infant Jesus. Suddenly she blurted out, "Daddy, did the Infant Jesus hang up a stocking and did He get toys?"

At first this seemed like blasphemy, linking Santa Claus with the Infant. Now I regard it as almost genius. I told her that without Christ, the Infant Jesus, there would have been no Christmas, and without Christmas there would be no Santa Claus. It wasn't a very good explanation, but my little girl's last words as she fell asleep were, "Jesus, He came first didn't He, Daddy?"

OF COURSE it isn't always as easy as this and we don't often get our children's help in such matters. But we do have a challenge: to take the customs that surround Christmas in America and make them add to, not detract from, the Nativity. Jesus does come first; all other Christmas observances should take us to Him.

† Paulist Feature Service, Washington 25, D. C.

**Noel**

For now... for always...  
 Joy to our friends and neighbors, Peace to our nation, Good Will to all.

**JOHNNIE WILSON**  
 Gainesville

**Season's Greetings**

As shepherds watched their flocks...  
 a Star shone brightly in the hush of a  
 Holy Night... a Babe was born  
 in a manger... and a new spirit of  
 Peace and Good Will came into the world.  
 May that spirit abide  
 with you and your  
 family now and always.

**Felderhoff Bros. Drilling Company**  
 Vince and Al Felderhoff Muenster

**The Season's Greetings**

We extend to our many  
 good friends a sincere wish for a Yuletide  
 laden with a wealth of the good  
 things in life. May every day be filled with the  
 blessings of good health, happiness  
 and warm friendships.

**Leo J. Haverkamp**  
 Well Service  
 Muenster

Sometimes a simple question can have the same paralyzing effect as a punch on the jaw or the dash of a bucket of ice water. A certain prominent woman was reminiscing. "I was about 20, and very romantic," she declared. "We were walking home on a date. He was not proposing, but he did ask me what I would expect to find in the man I would marry. "It was all the prompting I needed," she continued. "Doug-las Fairbanks was then the top screen Romeo, but my specifi-

cations made even Doug seem like a dime store diamond. He must have family, poise, money, looks, ambition, a good job. I went on like that for about three blocks. Sir Galahad himself would have flunked my specifications. "The young man never said a word all that time. When at last I finished, he said just one short sentence, but it flattened me out like a steam roller: "And what, may I ask," he said, "do you have to offer in return?"

### St. Francis Originated Christmas Crib

Did you ever wonder about the origin of the custom of displaying the Christ Child in the crib at Christmas time? These displays have become increasingly popular, so that this Christmas we find manger scenes in churches, store windows, even in outdoor locations.

Credited with the idea of the first display is St. Francis of Assisi, who is reported to have said to one of his followers: "I wish to celebrate Holy Christmas night with you. In the woods near the cloister you will find a cave where we shall arrange a manger filled with hay. We shall have an ox and an ass just as at Bethlehem. I wish to see how poor and miserable the Infant Saviour became for us."

This was in the small village of Garcia, in Italy, in the year 1200. St. Francis and his followers celebrated mass at the cave and sang hymns in honor of the Christ Child.

### Local News BRIEFS

Visiting Sister Roberta Sunday, and among those attending the school operetta, were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Jones of Jonesboro, Ark., and her sister, Mrs. Robert Peterson and daughters Patricia and Roberta of Fort Worth.

San Antonio students home for the holidays are Joseph Felderhoff, Jerry Reiter, Mary McGannon and Larry Hofbauer. They're holidaying with their parents the Tony Felderhoffs, Alfons Reiters, Edd McGannons and Andy Hofbauers.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Koelzer, Miss Veronica Koelzer and Mrs. Joe Hermes drove to Madill, Okla., Sunday for a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Koelzer.

Cpl. and Mrs. Eddie Fette are here for a Christmas visit with members of his family. He visited in Wink during the week and brought his wife back with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kuhn of Fort Worth were weekend visitors here and at Lindsay with their parents, the Ben Lukes and Jake Kuhns.

Jerry Fette, employed with the Highway Patrol in its Fort Worth office spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents, the Henry Fettes.

Mrs. Clarence Hellman and son C. J. were in Sherman Friday for dental care for C. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hawthorne and three sons of Gregton were here for a weekend visit with her parents, the Frank Kathmans.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fletcher and daughters Patricia and Sara Dianne of Mineral Wells were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fletcher.

Miss Floradell Endres of Fort Worth was a weekend guest in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Endres, and was among those attending the Christmas operetta Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Scoggins were in Wichita Falls Sunday to visit their daughter and family, the Kenneth Barriers. Joining them there were another daughter and her family, the Monroe Rogers from Pampa, and Mr. Scoggins' sister and her husband, the Gordon Bowlins of Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Bergman and family of Pryor, Okla., were weekend visitors with his mother, Mrs. William Bergman.

Mmes. J. C. Trachta, Norbert Koesler and Andy Wimmer were among guests Saturday night at a banquet and gift exchange at the Curtwood for employees and former employees of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Curtis in their places of business.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Belleville and daughter visited friends here Saturday. Formerly of Muenster, they now live at Sulpher Springs where he is manager of a new NTPA plant.

Charles McGannon arrived Friday from St. Edward's University, Austin, to spend the holidays with his family, the Edd McGannons. Also at home from the same college are Jerry Henschel and Jimmy Fisher who are visiting their parents, the Leo Henschels and J. W. Fishers.

Misses Pauline and Margaret Myrick, students at the University of Texas School of Nursing in Galveston are on two-week vacations. They arrived Sunday. John Myrick and his family of Austin will come home the latter part of this week for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rawley and children will spend Christmas in Coolidge with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Searcy and Tana of Eagle Lake will be in the city on Dec. 26 to visit friends.

#### JUDGE YULE DISPLAYS

Rev. Christopher Paladino, Chaplain at the State School for Girls and Mmes. Joe Luke, J.M. Weinzapfel and Lee Toothaker, members of the Muenster Civic League and Garden Club, were judges Saturday at the school for the girls' annual decorations in their cottages. After their judging three outstanding cottages received awards for first, second and third place and there was one honorable mention. Judging was based on originality. "There was much talent there. It was an inspiration to us," Mrs. Luke said.

#### HOW FAST?

Research has revealed the following interesting information regarding various rates of speed:  
A snail crawls at the rate of about 12 feet, or 1/400 mile per hour.  
A tortoise travels about 2 1/2 miles per hour.  
A man swims 1 1/2 to 3 1/2 miles per hour, and walks from 4 to 9 miles per hour. He skates 25 miles per hour.  
A jack rabbit runs 18 miles per hour.  
A fish swims 15 to 35 miles per hour.  
A greyhound runs 35 miles per hour.  
A thoroughbred horse runs 38 miles per hour.  
A bird flies 25 to 120 miles per hour.



Joyous Christmas Greetings

Our sincerest wishes for a Christmas rich in the blessings of love and friendship.

**MAIN CAFE**  
Muenster



Joyous Christmas Wishes

May the Christmas spirit of Peace and Good Fellowship shine in your heart now and always.

**Angie's Beauty Shop**  
Angeline Shumaker, Muenster

Merry Christmas

May all the joys of the season dwell in your heart and in your home on Christmas and throughout the year.



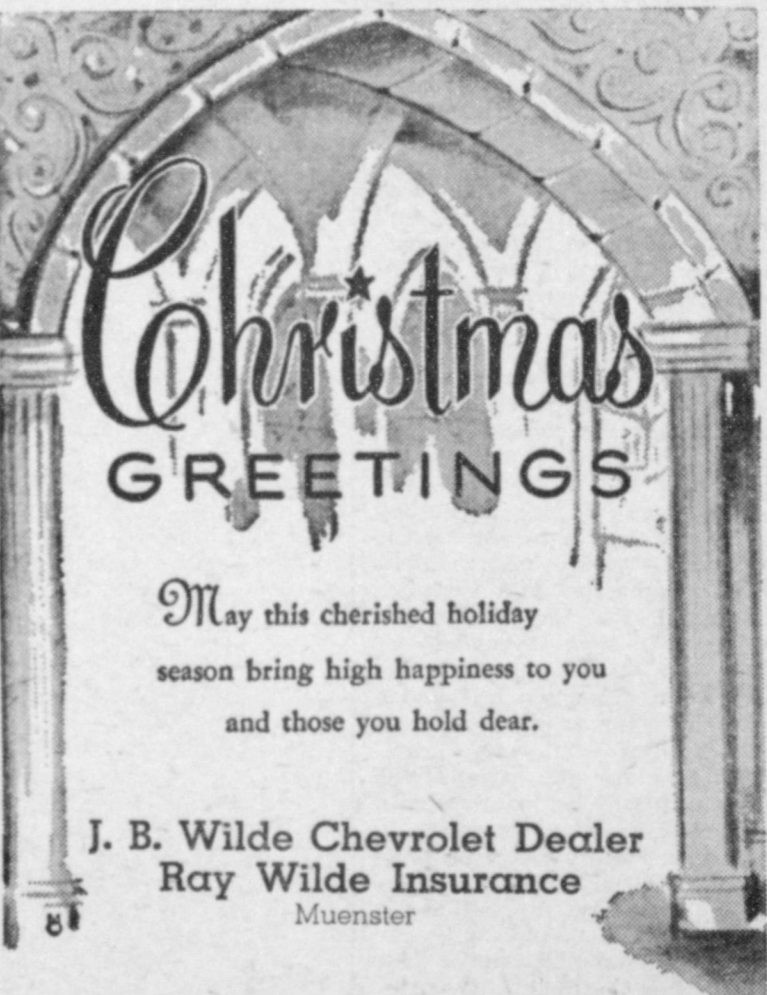
**CHICKEN'S BAR**  
Frank and Red Loerwald  
Across the River

Star-Bright Christmas Wishes



To all of our wonderful friends and neighbors, we want to extend our warmest Season's Greetings.

**Eddie's Texaco Station**  
Eddie Krahl Muenster



Christmas GREETINGS

May this cherished holiday season bring high happiness to you and those you hold dear.

**J. B. Wilde Chevrolet Dealer**  
**Ray Wilde Insurance**  
Muenster

A JOYOUS SEASON



With its message of hope and peace, the Christmas star shines again. May the joy in its radiant light be reflected in your heart throughout the New Year.

**Otto Brothers Contractors**  
Ray and Earle Otto, Muenster

MERRY CHRISTMAS



We hope this glorious season is filled with joy and good health for our many friends.

**MUESTER HATCHERY**

Very Merry Christmas

We think you're angels, all of you, our friends and neighbors, tried and true. We wish you plenty of Christmas Cheer... and fortune's nod through the coming year!

**Stockmen's Feed Store**  
Albert "Buster" Herr, Tim Stormer  
Muenster

## Mr. and Mrs. Lyons Celebrate Golden Wedding Saturday

A surprise celebration on their golden wedding anniversary greeted Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Lyons Saturday when about one hundred relatives and friends gathered at the Community Center building in Gainesville for an open house party in observance of the happy occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyons had been told they were going to Gainesville to hear their daughter, Mrs. R. K. Maupin, of San Antonio, state president, VFW Auxiliary, make a talk. She was there as a hostess for the party, along with the couple's two other daughters, Mrs. W. C. Stiles of Gainesville and Mrs. W. O. Grant of Alta Loma.

The party room was decorated with arrangements of yellow mums, a number of which were gifts to the honorees. A nephew, Hugh Holcombe of Compton, Calif. and a niece Mrs. B. L. Brake of Newark, Calif., wired flowers and congratulations and a friend in El Paso wired flowers.

The serving table was covered with lace and held the large ring cake decorated in gold. Crystal candelabra with gold candles flanked the cake and table appointments were of crystal.

Granddaughters took turns pouring punch and serving the cake. They were Dolores Grant of Alta Loma, Mrs. R. H. Moore of Houston and Miss Shirley Stiles of Gainesville. Miss Vellora Stiles, another granddaughter, registered the guests. At noon luncheon was served to all out of town guests.

Many gifts were presented the honorees. Most unusual among them were 50 dimes dating from 1905 to the present year. These were taped in order and were from cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pierce of Laredo.

Nellie Sapp and B. G. Lyons were married in Marysville on Dec. 17, 1905, and have made their home there since. The town was named in the home of Stratford Sapp, Mrs. Lyons' grandfather. It was in this house that she was born. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Sapp.

Mr. Lyons was born near Rome, Ga., on July 5, 1884, and came to Texas in 1890. His parents were Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lyons. He is a retired farmer.

The couple are members of the Church of Christ and he was a Sunday School teacher while Marysville had a church. During the last war the community lost its church when that part of Marysville was taken over as a part of Camp House. Since then the couple travel to Gainesville for church services. Mrs. Lyons served as correspondent from her community for the Gainesville Register for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyons lost two children in infancy a boy and a girl. Their three daughters, six grandchildren and one great-granddaughter who attend the celebration will be together with them again for a reunion on Christmas. Family members from out of town either remained or will be back for the holiday.

Nylons should never be rubbed, just swished.



**ALMOST PRICELESS—** That's the word for this, luxurious Christmas card, displayed by designer Alice Daly, in San Francisco, Calif. Tree fashioned of snow-white mink is studded and bordered with pearls and precious stones. It's valued at \$25,000. Photo reproductions of her luxury cards are sold as greeting items for folks with modest pocketbooks.

**Citation by Publication**  
**THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
 To: J. E. McKanna, if living, and if dead his unknown heirs and legal representatives, S. A. Cochran, if living, and if dead his unknown heirs and legal representatives, Eileen McKanna, if living, and if dead her unknown heirs and legal representatives, the unknown spouse of Eileen McKanna, if any and if living, Edwin A. McKanna, if living, and if dead his unknown heirs and legal representatives, Wm. M. Nicholls, Huylar W. Lee, Jas. E. McKanna and M. A. Rutis, if living, and if dead their unknown heirs and legal representa-

tives, Wm. M. Nicholls, as Trustee for Edwin A. McKanna, Jas. E. McKanna, Wm. M. Nicholls, Huylar W. Lee and M. A. Rutis, if living, and if dead his successor in Trust, and all persons claiming any interest or title in land under deed heretofore given to J. E. McKanna (of no residence recited in deed) as grantee, defendants.  
**GREETING:**  
 You and each of you are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court of Cooke County, Texas, to be held at the Courthouse thereof, in the City of Gainesville, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10:00 o'clock

a.m. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 23rd day of January, 1956, to Plaintiffs Petition filed in said court, on the 6th day of December, 1955, in this cause, numbered 16332 on the docket of said court and styled Albert J. Hess et al vs. J. E. McKanna et al, Defendants.  
 A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit:  
 This is a suit to partition the mineral leasehold estate in 45 acres of land out of the J. DeGuire survey, Abstract No. 341 in Cooke County, Texas, and in which it is alleged that

the defendants own a one-fourth (1/4) undivided interest in the minerals in the North 35 acres thereof; that plaintiffs are the owners of the mineral leasehold in the remainder of said 45 acres by virtue of two mineral leases heretofore made and covering same, and in the event that it be determined that said leasehold estate is incapable of partition in kind, that a Receiver be appointed to sell said two mineral leases covering all of the South 10 acres and an undivided 3/4 interest of the North 35 acres of said 45 acres of land, and to lease for mineral purposes the unleased part of the minerals under said lands at

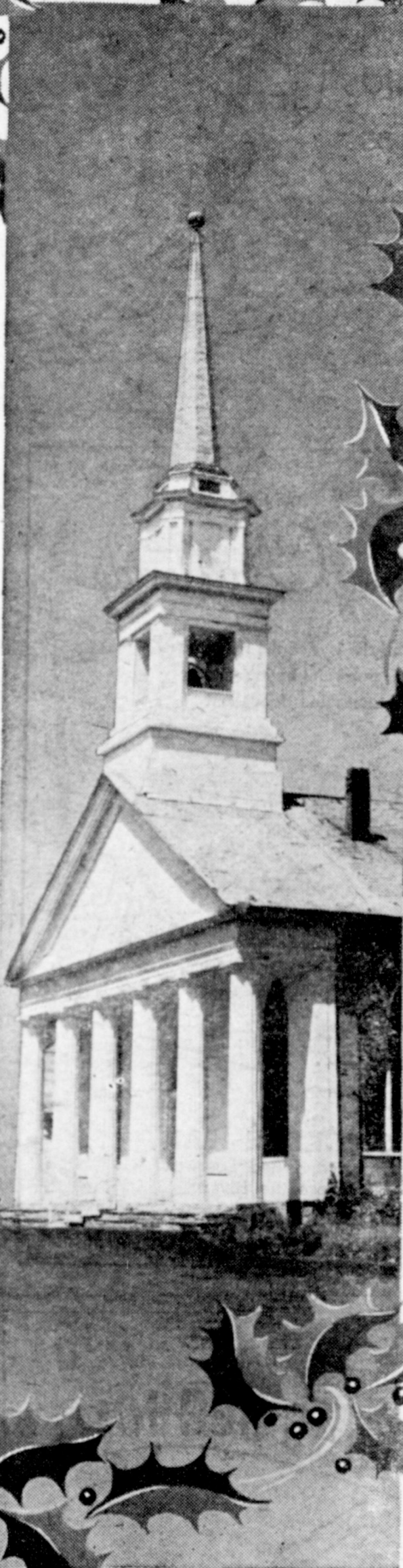
private sale, for cash, as is more fully shown by Plaintiffs Petition on file in this suit.  
 The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.  
 Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Gainesville, Texas, this 6th day of December, A.D. 1955.  
 (Seal) Woodrow U. Clegg  
 Clerk of the District Court of Cooke County, Texas.  
 (3-4-5-6)

A facet is a window.

# Greetings OF THE SEASON

What greater gift has been bestowed upon mankind than the capacity to revere anew the blessed spirit of this joyous season. In turn, the most precious gift we can extend our brothers is the bright example of Christian living enjoyed by those who cherish the spirit of Christmas in their hearts throughout the year...

*A Joyous Christmas and A Happy Year to All*



## YOUR COUNTY OFFICIALS

**Shelby Fletcher**  
County Judge

**W. E. Chalmers**  
County Superintendent

**J. H. Riley**  
County Clerk

**John B. Klement**  
Commissioner, Precinct 4

**J. E. 'Earl' Taylor**  
Commissioner, Precinct 3

**Ruby Davis**  
County Treasurer

**O. E. Whisnand**  
County Sheriff

**L. V. Henry**  
County Attorney

**Ray Winder**  
District Judge  
Cooke & Denton Counties

**Yule Think So!**

I love to think of Christmas, the mistletoe and holly, the shopping crowds and drifted snow, and gifts—all seem so jolly.

I love to think of Christmas, that time of joy and laughter, but what makes me weak is to think of the bills that follow af-

tér.

After a tour of the United States, a European was being interviewed on his impressions. The man had seen our skyscrapers, inspected our factories, and visited our natural wonders. But when the reporters asked what had impressed him most, he replied simply, "The size of the American garbage can!"

**Soil Conservation Notes**

The land is the Lord's . . . That was the message brought to the people of Muenster by the Muenster Civic League and

Garden Club's beautiful float in the recent Christmas parade.

As we rejoice during the Christmas season in remembrance of the Lord's greatest gift to mankind, we should also remember that the soil from which we obtain food, clothing and shelter is also a very precious gift to mankind and should be properly cared for and pro-

tected at all time or it will be lost forever.

The Upper Elm-Red Soil Conservation District was organized to help halt soil and water loss. It is governed by farmers and ranchers for farmers and ranchers. The district must have the cooperation of every landowner within its boundaries if it is to succeed in holding and improving land.

Landowners cooperating with the district have been installing soil conserving practices even in the midst of these busy days before Christmas. New earthen tanks for livestock water have recently been completed on the J. M. Shiflet farm at Marysville. At Saint Jo, tanks have been completed on the C. W. Varney farm and on the Claude Baker farm. These ponds will provide water for livestock and make better pasture management possible. Pasture rotations can now be set up to benefit and improve the grasses.

Near Myra, Emmett Sicking is building 3000 feet of channel type terraces with his tractor and plow. These terraces will be wide and easy to farm and will outlet onto a Bermuda grass waterway that was sodded for a safe terrace outlet.

Near Leo, W. W. Hickerson has just completed 1100 feet of terraces to protect his cropland from excess run-off water.

Supervisors of the district and personnel of the Muenster work unit extend to each and everyone the best of wishes for a most enjoyable Christmas season.

The inscription on the Christopher Medallion quotes a Chinese philosopher, "Better to light one candle than to curse the darkness."

**Blessed Events**

A five pound boy arrived to join the Meinrad Hesse family for Christmas. He was born at the Muenster Clinic at 12:45 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20. Others welcoming him are his three brothers and three sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed King announce the birth of a son Dec. 14 at Gainesville Sanitarium. He weighed seven pounds one ounce and has been named John Fredrick. He has one brother and one sister and is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Prescher of Scotland. Great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Prescher live at Lindsay and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John King live at Piqua, Kansas.

A daughter was born at the Muenster Clinic Sunday morning at 5:45 to Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Fletcher of Dallas. The nine pound one ounce girl is the granddaughter of Mrs. Ben Fletcher of Rosston.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Bengfort of Lindsay are the parents of a son born at 4 a.m. December 18 at Gainesville Sanitarium. The baby weighed eight pounds nine ounces. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Bengfort.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Walterscheid of Gainesville are the parents of a son, weight nine pounds 11 ounces born at the Sanitarium on Dec. 17 at 10:45 a.m. They have two other boys and one girl. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. August Walterscheid of Muenster.

**Marysville News**

By Mrs. Herman Richey

MARYSVILLE, Dec. 20 — Alan Davidson of Big Spring spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Jap Shaw.

Students spending the holidays at home include Ralph Cole of College Station, James Cole of Dallas, Donny Whitt of Arlington, Billy Whitt of Decatur and Ronnie Hallmark of Arlington.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hickman of Dallas spent the weekend with the J. T. Coles.

Dixie Young of Hereford and Jerry Murphy of Gainesville spent Monday as guests of the Jess Davisons.

Mmes. John Richey, Earl Robison and Charles Davidson attended the county home demonstration club council's Christmas party in Gainesville Tuesday.

E. J. Doughty and Buck Martin of Glen Rose were visitors in the community Monday.

Delores, Larry and Tim Grant of Alta Loma are spending the holidays here with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Lyons and with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Stiles at Gainesville. The children's mother, Mrs. W. O. Grant, was here during the weekend and they were among guests at the Lyons' golden wedding celebration. Other guests in the Lyons home during the weekend were Mrs. R. H. Moore and daughter Vivian Jeanette of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Maupin of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Holcombe and son Kenneth of Stanton, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bone of Odessa and Mrs. Queenie Bone of Gainesville.

**Your Own Story**

Has anybody told you that every thought you think makes lines just like the little lines you write with pen and ink?

And thoughts of anger, fear, or hate will spoil the prettiest face. By making ugly little lines which nothing can erase. But thoughts of love and kindness, and joyousness and cheer Make very pretty lines, all fine and firm and clear.

And by and by your face becomes an open story book, which everyone can see and read each time they chance to look. So if you want your face to tell a story sweet and fair, You must see that only good thoughts do any writing there.

—Author Unknown

One morning the old-time judge in a western mining camp opened court with the announcement: "Gents, I have in hand a check—a bribe you might call it—from the plaintiff for \$10,000 and another from the defendant for \$15,000. I propose to return \$5,000 to the defendant, and decide the case strictly on its merits."



**A Merry Christmas**

Our Yuletide best to all our friends . . . for a season packed with all the wonderful things that Christmas means!

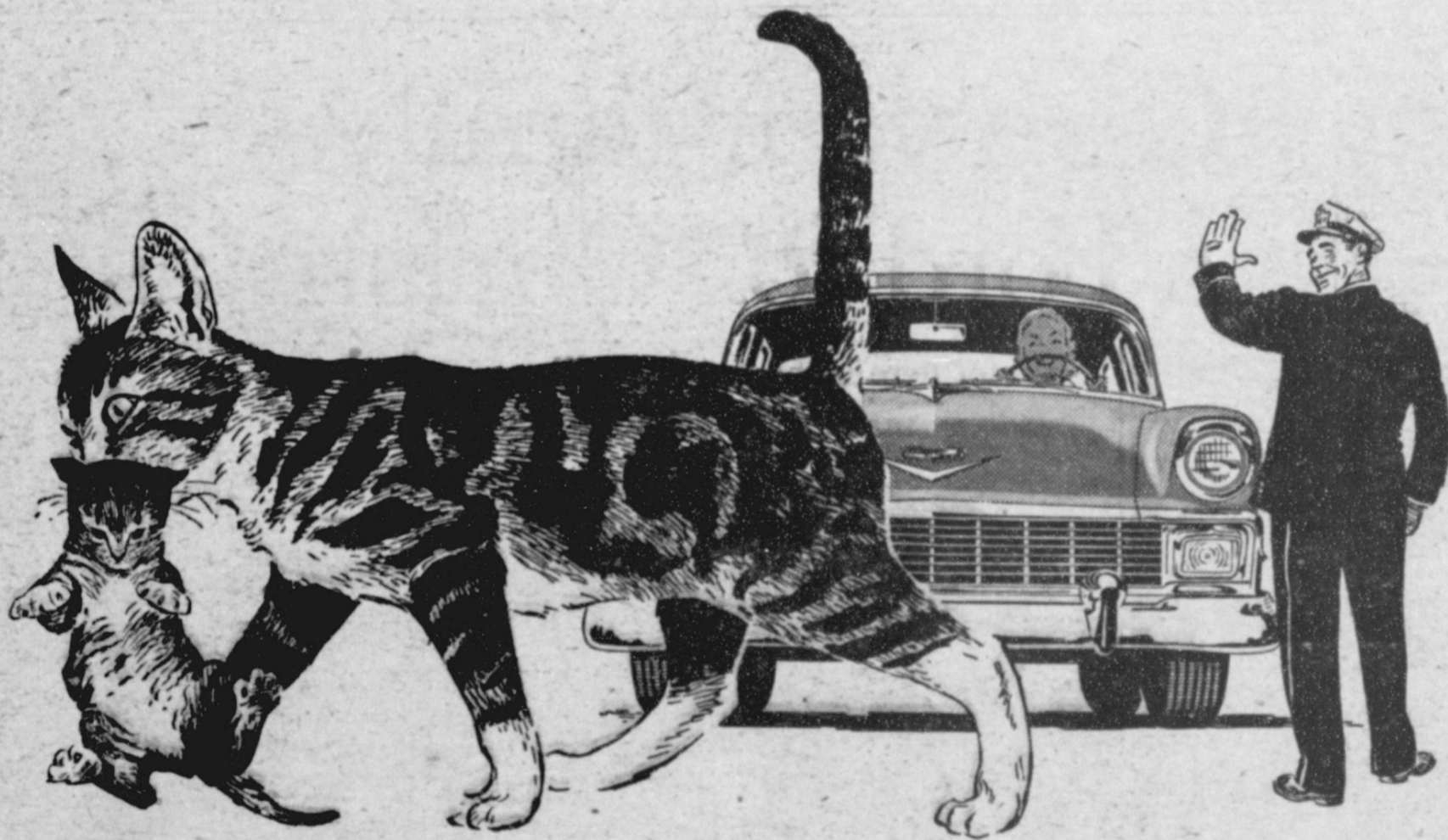
**Ray's Trucking Service**

Ray Swirczynski Muenster

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

That very special time o' year is here again . . . so, to all our friends and patrons—we want to say: may Santa shower you with everything your hearts desire.

**BRUNO ZIMMERER**  
Your Farm Bureau Insurance Agent



**Two things that make for SAFER driving!**

The first and most important thing is you—the driver. As the highway safety organizations and law enforcement agencies point out, the courtesy, care, and common sense you show count more than anything else. You can drive any car safely — or foolishly.

The second thing is the car itself. All cars are safer today. That's shown by the number of accidents in relation to the number of miles passenger cars are driven. The figure's been going down steadily and sharply.

Chevrolet engineers and designers have always made your safety a major consideration, introducing many such features as the all-steel top, safety plate glass all around, and windshield-wide defrosters into the low-price field. And this '56 Chevrolet is the safest one ever built.

Its lively new power means safer passing. Its special Ball-Race steering—the oversize brakes with Anti-Dive control—the Unisteel construction and safety door latches of its Fisher Body—the nailed-to-the-road stability that comes from outrigger rear springs, an advanced suspension system and better balance—the sweeping panoramic windshield — all these things add to your safety.

Seat belts with or without shoulder harness? Instrument panel padding? Of course, they're available at extra cost on your new Chevrolet. But the best protection of all is to keep out of accidents in the first place. And that depends mostly on you and the built-in safety of your car.

As your Chevrolet dealer, we'll be glad to show you the many safety features of the '56 Chevrolet.



**J. B. Wilde, Chevrolet Dealer**  
Muenster

## Christmas Time

By Claron B. Hamlet

It's Christmas time, a joyous time, a time for song and prayer, for everywhere, the world around, there's laughter in the air; A laughter born of happiness, a happiness so gay  
It lifts all grief from burdened man and eases care away.  
And little children, starry-eyed, are up before the dawn;  
Awaiting them are Christmas trees, with candle lights turned on.  
They stare in breathless wonderment for fear they cannot find  
The cherished gifts that old Saint Nick was asked to leave behind.  
But when they see their dollies there; some bats, some gloves,  
some guns,  
And Johnny finds a railroad train, a train which really runs,  
Their childish screams of wild delight add to the merriment;  
Their faces glow with eagerness; their little hearts content.  
Then high up in the vaulted blue a flaming light is born;  
It is the star of Bethlehem which brightens Christmas morn  
And lights the way to happiness within the hearts of men.  
There is a God, the God of love, the Christ Child lives again!

### Building And Improvement Notes

Norbert Mages has a good start on the framework of his new house on Highway 82 west of the Gainesville municipal golf course. It will have three bedrooms, attached garage and central heating.

Bayer Brothers started this week on a combined warehouse and garage at their ready-mix concrete plant near the southeast city limits. It will be built with tile, measures 20x50.

Several new homes which have been under construction in recent weeks have reached the advanced stage. Painters have finished at Rody Klement's and moved to Marty Klement's. Some time next week the carpenters at C. B. Fowler's will turn the job over to painters. Painters finished last week at the J. C. Trachta house. Francis Wiese moved into his new house during the past weekend.

A good deal of remodeling activity is also in progress. Arnold Hess is adding two rooms and also building a separate 2-car garage. Jack Fletcher is adding one room. Leroy Yosten is putting on a new roof. Frank Solomon is adding a room to his ranch house north of town. Herbert Meurer, Al Wiesman and C. J. Kaiser are on interior remodeling jobs. Steve Mosler has finished an exterior paint job.

Tony Trubenbach has just finished a fair sized remodeling program in connection with the seed cleaning service he is setting up next to Stockmen's Feed Store. He has built bins and also added a superstructure to accommodate installation of the cleaning equipment.

#### Obviously

The professor of chemistry was giving a demonstration of the properties of various acids.

"Now," he said, "I am going to drop this silver dollar into this glass of acid. Will it dissolve?"

"No, sir," replied one of the students.

"No?" said the professor. "Perhaps you will explain why."

"Because if it would you wouldn't drop it in," was the answer.

### Mrs. Albert Herr Is Club Hostess

Mrs. Albert Herr entertained members of the Tripoli Club in her home last Wednesday evening. Mrs. Paul Arendt Sr. of Lindsay was the birthday honoree and received a gift from members.

Decorations in the party room, tally cards and refreshments carried out the Christmas theme.

After the games the hostess served pineapple upside down cake with green tinted whipped cream and ornamented with a red cherry, and hot coffee and divinity candy.

### Christmas Events Slated at Schools

Students of both local schools will have their annual Christmas parties and gift exchanges Friday at the schools. The elementary grades will have their parties in their individual class rooms where they'll have a Christmas tree, caroling, and refreshments.

Muenster High students will get together for their social in one classroom, as will students of Sacred Heart High. All parties with the exception of the parochial high schools and the 7th and 8th grades will be held Friday before classes dismiss for the holidays. Sacred Heart High students will gather for their party after their caroling tour on Thursday night.

Seventh and eighth graders had their party Tuesday night in the school auditorium. Their teachers Sisters Gregory, Roberta and Rose were present as were class roommothers. Folk dancing furnished entertainment and refreshments consisted of homemade cookies and candy, cold drinks and salted nuts.

Boy Scouts of the local troop held their Yule party Monday night. They exchanged gifts in the parish hall, then went to Gainesville for skating. Scoutmaster Father Patrick Hannon took the group to Gainesville in a school bus.

Members of the local chapters of Future Homemakers and Future Farmers had a joint Christmas social Monday night in the school study hall following chapter meetings. They sang songs, played games, listened to records and had refreshments.

### WITH THE MEN IN SERVICE

#### On Holiday Leave

Marine Cpls. Murlin Joe Evans and Richard A. Epperly arrived Sunday from Camp Pendleton, Calif., to spend the holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Evans. Cpl. David Meurer, also from Camp Pendleton, arrived Monday night on holiday leave. He has ten days

to visit his parents, the Herbert Meurers.

#### Home On Leave

Floyd Lehnertz of the navy is at home on leave to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lehnertz and family. He is stationed in the Philippines.

#### Ends First Leave

Pvt. Gerald Walterscheid left last Thursday to return to Fort Ord, Calif., after completing his first leave at home with his parents, the Tony Waltersheids. He made the trip back by plane

from Fort Worth. Since finishing basic, Gerald is enrolled in a mechanic's class. His new address is: Class 131, Btry. A, 51st F.A. Bn., Fort Ord, Calif.

#### Holiday Visitor

Cpl. Maynard Williams is a holiday visitor here with his

brother and sisters before going to Bonita to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Williams. He is stationed at the Marine Corps Institute, Wash., D.C., and has a ten day leave.

The Sahara Desert is larger than the United States.

**PALACE DRUG**  
J. C. Trachta Muenster

**Biffle Brothers Supply**  
Gainesville

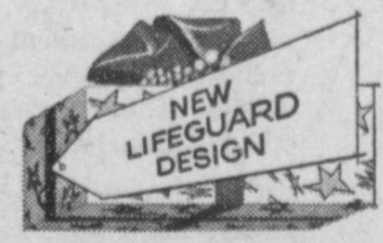
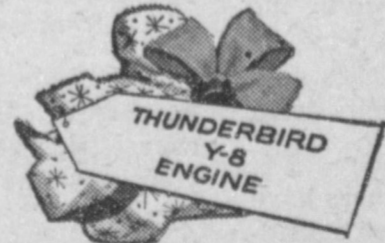
# Give your family a Ford for Christmas

...for here is the car that will make your holiday really festive!



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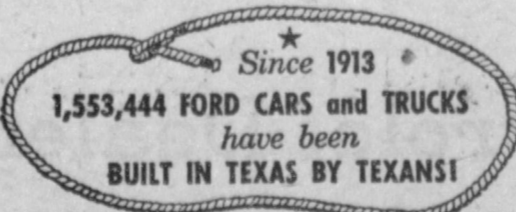
You'll know there's a Santa Claus when you get a **FORD** The fine car at half the fine-car price!



Nothing could be finer. That Thunderbird look gift-wraps all the many wonderful advances in all 18 of the beautiful, new '56 Fords. It makes your Ford distinctive beyond any car at, or even near Ford's price.

The engine that made the Thunderbird famous—the Thunderbird Y-8—is the standard eight at no extra cost in Fairlane and Station Wagon Fords. In all other Fords you can have the famous Ford Y-8, or the I-6 in every model.

To give you new protection against accident injuries, Ford has Lifeguard Design. It includes a new deep-center steering wheel, new double-grip door latches, new optional instrument panel and sun visor padding and seat belts.



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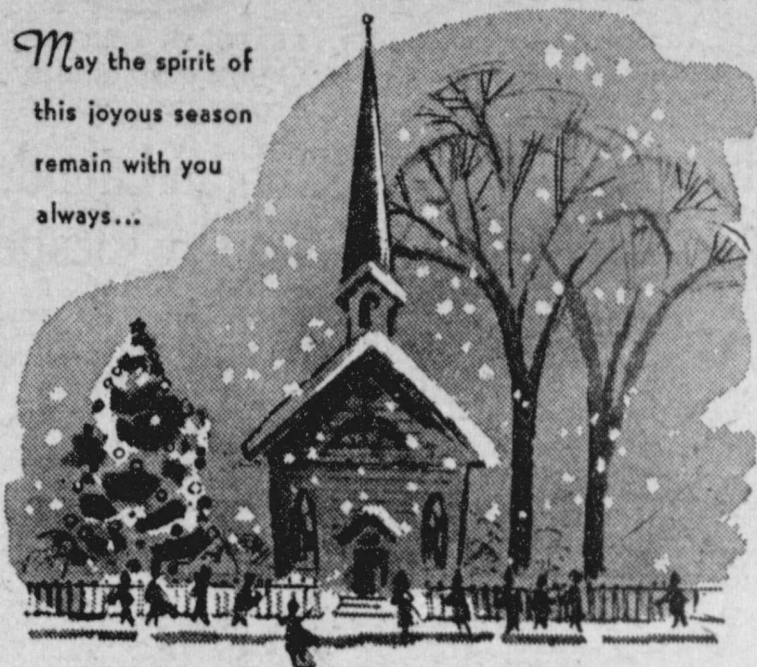
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Dec. 20, 1940

Heavy deposit of ice causes slight damage; scattered power lines, telephone lines and tree limbs snap under weight. City urges quite, safe observance of holiday season. Local plant ships 12 cars of 1940 turkeys. Christmas packing volume sets new record, almost seven carloads. Local voters favor soil program; over-all results not yet known. Civic League sponsors Christmas lighting contest. St. Anne's Mission Circle ships 200 pounds clothing to missions. The Ben Roewe family moves to Tioga. Al Kleiss is recovering from appendicitis operation. Hugo Hellman is appointed head of the speech department at Marquette University, effective Feb. 1. Mrs. Barney Voth is back at home after having an operation at Sherman. Telephone company re-elects officers and directors. Leasing activity here during the past week gives promise of oil development in two areas — northwest and east of town.

Gift party compliments Margie Eberhart, bride-elect of Eddie Krahl. High school sodality schedules New Year Eve watch party in Sacred Heart church. 450 4-H clubbers and parents attend county's annual 4-H Christmas party. Mrs. J. C. Schmidkofer is recovering from surgery. Parish Mothers Society at Lindsay sponsors pantry and kitchen shower for Sisters. Alvin Fuhrman, Gussie Felderhoff and Robert Bayer who were drafted into the army on Dec. 15, are at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, awaiting assignment. Burglars break in at Ben Seyler Garage and Jimmy's Service Station. Mr. and Mrs. Jud Boyles announce the arrival of Gwen.

### Bulcher News

By Mrs. R. J. Samples

BULCHER, Dec. 20 — Miss Clea Sue Cannon is at home until Jan. 3 to spend the holidays with her parents, the Calip Cannons. She is a student in Denton.

Milton Crabtree who has been a guest in the C. V. Crabtree home has returned to Las Vegas, Nev., where he lives.

Miss Belva Jean Samples attended the Saint Jo High school Christmas party at the school gym Monday night.

Guests of the Gid Prathers the past week were their daughter and son-in-law, the H. J. Terrys Jr. and two sons of Seminole, Okla.

The C. V. Crabtrees and Corby were shoppers in Wichita Falls Saturday. Sunday they took her mother, Mrs. Willie Leaf Adams, back to her home in Ardmore following a visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Newby were in Dallas Friday for Mrs. Newby's regular health checkup.

### Bulcher Club Has Christmas Program

The Bulcher Home Demonstration Club held its annual Christmas party on Dec. 14 in the home of Mrs. August Hyman with Mrs. Gid Prather and Mrs. R. J. Samples as co-hostesses.

Everyone brought a gift and these were exchanged under a lighted tree. Mrs. Bill Harrel had charge of the program and asked Mrs. R. H. Sharp to read from St. Luke in the Bible the story of the birth of Christ. The singing of carols followed. Members presented a gift to Mrs. C. V. Crabtree, retiring president, for loyal service.

In a brief business session, members voted to send a ten dollar donation to help with Christmas cheer for patients at Abilene State hospital.

Attractive refreshment plates with Christmas favors were served to 11 members and three guests.

### 10 YEARS AGO

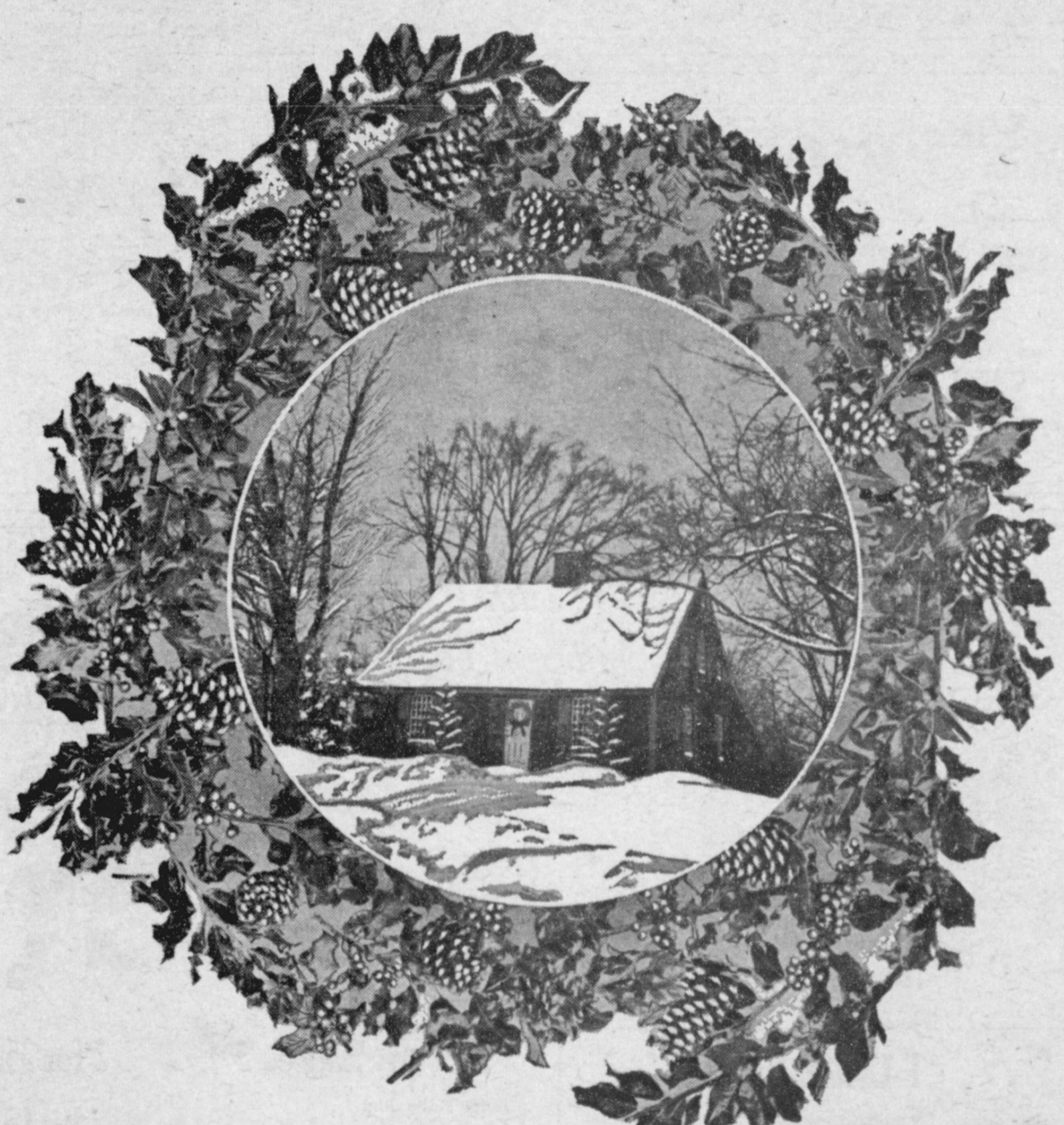
Dec. 21, 1945

Rev. Thomas Weinzapfel's first solemn mass on Dec. 27 will be banner event in Sacred Heart parish. Mid-night mass is on Christmas schedule here. Keen interest is shown in general hospital meeting; membership applications are taken now. Cold wave runs thermometers down to 8. Funeral services are held for J. H. Schmitz, former local resident, who died in Valley View of heart attack. The Al Walters announce the birth of Sandra. 1,504 cans of food are donated here in food campaign conducted by War Relief Services, National Catholic Welfare Council, and will be shipped by that organization to the war destitute, especially children in Europe and the Far East. Sugar Stamp 39 to be good Jan. 1 Pat Hennigan has discharge from Navy Seabees. Frank Hennigan is here on overseas leave. Louise Schmitz has discharge from the WAC. Enroute home from foreign countries with service discharges are Arthur Felderhoff, Europe; Marty Klement, Looney McGowan and Johnny Rohmer, the Pacific; Rody Klement, Germany.

### 5 YEARS AGO

Dec. 22, 1950

Sacred Heart pupils appear in cantata and Nativity play. Public school pupils present Nativity play and carols. Prairie Valley and Savoy teams win in basketball tourney. 1950 is the driest — and the wettest — of five-year record here. Mrs. Ray Hess and Mrs. Clem Reiter are back at home after undergoing surgery.



# Greetings for Christmas

The most cherished of gifts bestowed upon us by the outgoing year is the confidence of those we have been privileged to serve. Ever appreciative of this pleasant relationship, we want to express to our many good friends our sincerest wishes for a joyous Christmas season and a very happy New Year.

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## Season's Greetings

May the spirit of brotherhood that is the meaning of our Christmas spread its teachings of Peace and Good Will around the world.

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### 500 Attend Annual Four-H Yule Party

Five hundred 4-H clubbers, their parents, and adult leaders attended the annual Christmas

party for club members last Thursday night in the junior high school auditorium at Gainesville. The party was sponsored by the Cooke County Farm Bureau.

Highlights of the evening were a share in the fun contest and the presentation of awards to the county's Gold Star boy and girl.

A square dance team from the Lindsay club was named first place winner in the entertainment contest and will represent the county next spring in the annual district contest.

Other blue ribbon winners in the event were Callisburg boys who did a comic pantomime on a record, and Downard-Fairplains boys who presented a skit on confusion in the average household at Christmas time.

Red ribbon winners in the entertainment program were Muenster, Myra, St. Mary's, Walnut Bend and Downard-Fairplains.

The young people worked up their own acts for the program and gave them on the stage.

Lindsay's winning dance team consisted of Henry Fleitman, Joe Bezner, Frank Sandmann, Melvin Kuhn, Mary Jane Block, Marlene Bezner, Alice Voth and Irene Block.

Ben Davis, president of the county Farm Bureau, presented leadership awards to Cyril Hermes of Lindsay and Margaret Elkins of Downard-Fairplains, county Gold Star boy and girl.

Leroy Hay was master of ceremonies and Mrs. Jay Pybas led group singing. Rev. W. O. Rucher of Era Methodist church presented a devotional.

Each 4-H clubber received a bag of fruit and candy at the close of the program.

Assisting with arrangements were Neil Tibbitts, Gene Sears and Mrs. Bernice Thurman of the county extension office.

### Yule Party Held by Gay Matrons Club

Members of the Gay Matrons Club, with their husbands as special guests, enjoyed their annual Christmas dinner party Thursday night in the Blue Room of the Main Cafe.

The dinner, featuring baked chicken and country ham and all the accessories, was served buffet style, and guests found their places at the long table where individual place mats were inscribed with their names in gold glitter dust. Glittering candles in hurricane lamps further adorned the board.

After the meal the group enjoyed a progressive 42 series in which Mrs. Ray Otto took top scoring honors.

Present were Messrs. and Mmes. B. J. Swirczynski, Val Fuhrman, Arthur, Urban, Gilbert and Paul Endres, Ray Wilde, Pat Hennigan, Herman Stoffels, Arthur Felderhoff and Ray Otto, and Mmes. Ray Stewart and M. H. King.

A pilot on one of the major airlines, when the going gets bumpy, strolls through the cabin with a book under his arm. The title, which he keeps prominently displayed, is "How to Fly in Twenty Lessons."

### Mary Jo Walter is Gift Party Honoree

Complimenting Miss Mary Jo Walter, bride-elect of William R. Graham, women employees of the Gainesville Register and wives of the male employees gathered Thursday evening in the home of Mrs. Esther Leonard and Miss Elizabeth Graham for a party and presented a shower of wedding gifts to the honoree.

As Miss Walter and her mother, Mrs. Joe B. Walter, arrived the hostesses presented them with corsages of bronze and yellow mums. The colors of bronze and yellow were used in floral arrangements in the party rooms carrying out a decorative theme in the bride-elect's chosen colors.

The dining table held an arrangement of yellow rose buds and four crystal candle holders with yellow tapers. Yellow rose buds were plate favors. The guest list included 18.

### Birthday Club Has Christmas Social

The Birthday Club held its annual Christmas party Friday night with Mrs. Hank Walterscheid as hostess in her home. Eleven of the 13 members were present and Mrs. Dick Trachta was the birthday honoree. She received a gift from the members.

The evening opened with an exchange of Christmas gifts around a large lighted tree. Games of Hearts followed, and a buffet supper concluded the party.

Present were Mmes. F. A. Kathman, Ray Swirczynski, Charley Hellman, Ray Stewart, L. J. Roberg, M. H. King, J. C. Trachta, Leonard Yosten and Ray Evans. Mmes. Maurice Pagel and David Trachta were unable to attend.

The blue whale is the world's largest animal; the baby often weigh as much as eight tons.

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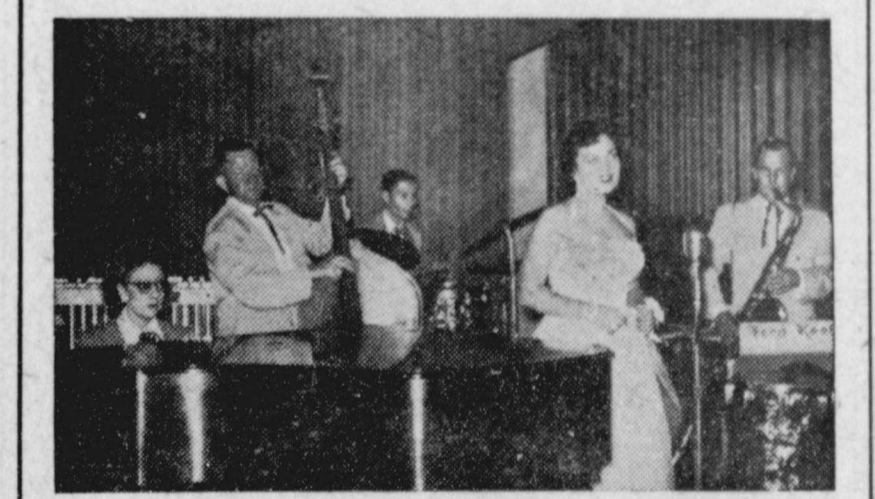
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**Yule Displays - - -**

ditional cedar at the C. J. Kaiser's. It is lighted for its 15th year. It has grown along with the Kaiser children and now reaches a lofty height.

Among outstanding displays at homes many with clever accessories, some with Nativity scenes, some striking in their simplicity through use of only one color of lights are those at the homes of Alfons Felderhoff, Arnold Rohmer, Steve Moser, Vincent Felderhoff Ed Hess, Joe Luke, Jimmy Lehnertz, L. A. Bernauer, Gene Gieb, J. M. Weinzapfel, Richard Grewing, David and Dick Trachta, M. H. King, Lou Wolf, Clarence Hellman, J. W. Fisher, Joe Swingler, Ray Wilde, J. B. Klement and Rudy Hellman, Albert Herr and Miss Mary Klein.

For the first time in Muenster's 66 year history its Main Street is illuminated with strings of colored Christmas lights. They also brighten one block of the highway.

At the parochial grade school's front entrance a life-size manger scene, with spotlight, is arranged. Another manger scene is set up on the lawn at the bank.

Many business houses have outstanding displays; all have gay reminders of the season.

**Holiday Tourney - - -**

Eight teams are entered in each division and the tourney will be played in five sessions . . . Thursday afternoon, Thursday night, Friday afternoon, Friday night, and Saturday night. Admission charges for each session will be 25 cents for students and 50 cents for adults.

Eight trophies will be awarded at the end of the tournament. The champ, the runner-up and the consolation winner of each division will receive a team trophy, and one boy and one girl will receive sportsman ship trophies.

The schedule of preliminary games is as follows.

Thursday afternoon:  
Noon, Goldburg-Midway girls.  
1:15, Goldburg-Midway boys.  
2:30, Nocona-P.Valley girls.  
3:45, Jacksboro-P.Valley boys.

Thursday night:  
6:00, Bellevue-S.Heart girls.  
7:00, Bellevue-S.Heart boys.  
8:00, Muenster-Petrolia girls.  
9:00, Muenster-Petrolia boys.

Friday afternoon's games will match the winners and losers of Nocona-Prairie Valley, Jacksboro-Prairie Valley and Sacred Heart-Bellevue games to complete half of the semifinal contests. The order of playing is: girls consolation at noon, boys consolation at 1:15, girls champ at 2:30, boys champ at 3:45.

Friday night's games will complete the semi-finals, matching winners and losers of the Goldburg-Midway and Muenster-Petrolia tussles. Games will be played in the same order as the afternoon games and the time for each is 6, 7, 8 and 9.

Saturday night's program presents finals in the champ and consolation brackets of both divisions. The schedule is: girls consolation at 5:30, boys consolation at 6:45, girls championship at 8:00, boys championship at 9:15.

Mrs. Monte Hellman had dental surgery at Gainesville Sanitarium Friday and was a patient until Saturday afternoon. She had four embedded wisdom teeth extracted.

**Confetti - - -**

honor the Christ Child in the spirit He taught rather than in the pagan way of celebration which He discouraged.

During the past several weeks Muenster has shown a wonderful Christmas spirit. Sentiment has been expressed in a colorful

parade and dozens of beautiful displays. So far this has been our most enthusiastic spirit ever. Let's also make it the most reverent, observing it as Silent Night, Holy Night.

To each and everyone the column extends its sincere wish for a happy and blessed Christmas.

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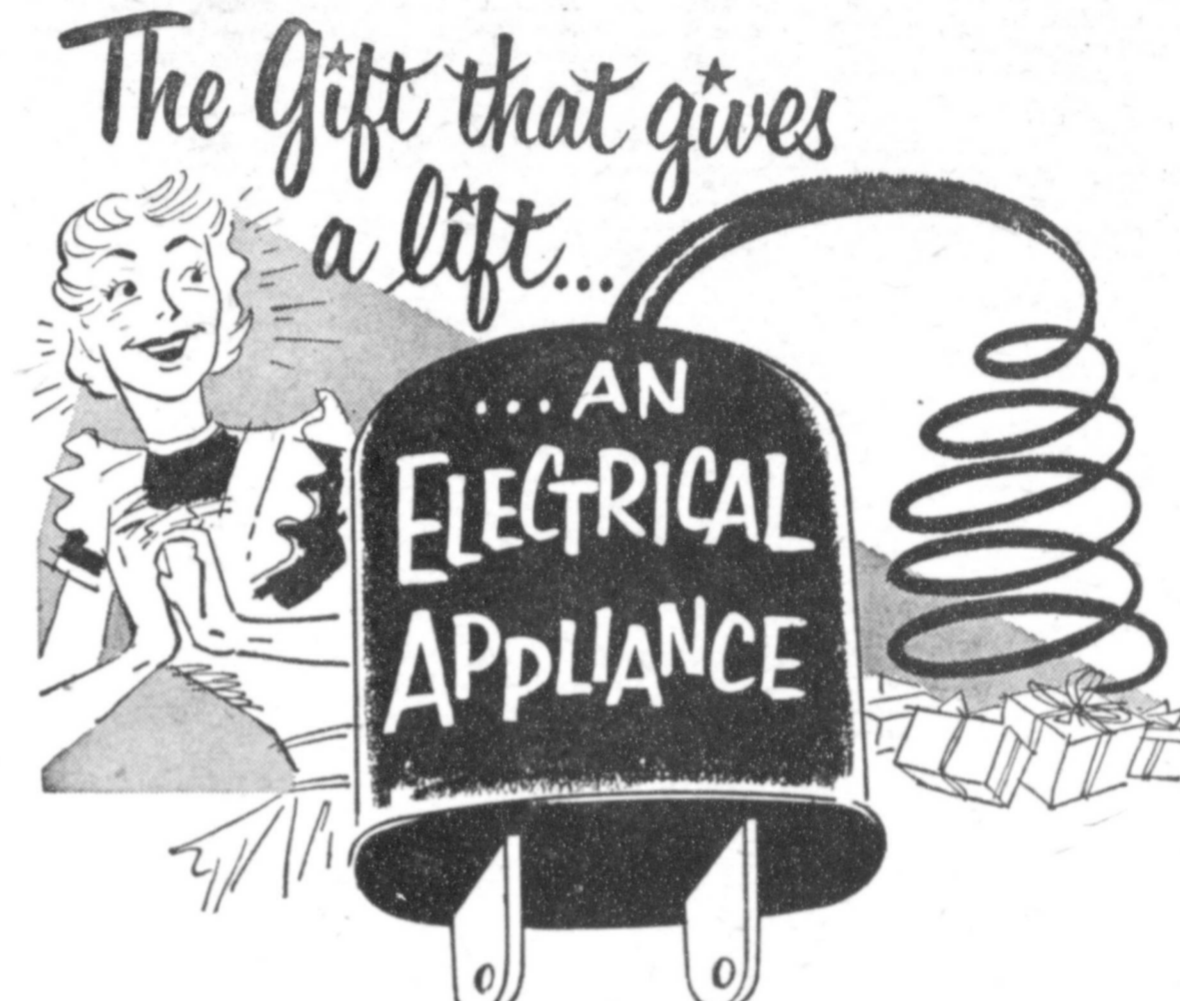
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## At Christmas

A man is at his finest towards the finish of the year; He is almost what he should be when the Christmas season's here; Then he's thinking more of others than he's thought the months before, And the laughter of his children is a joy worth toiling for.

He is less a selfish creature than at any other time; When the Christmas spirit rules him he comes close to the sublime. When it's Christmas man is bigger and is better in his part; He is keener for the service that is prompted by the heart.

All the petty thoughts and narrow seem to vanish for awhile And the true reward he's seeking is the glory of a smile. Then for others he is toiling and somehow it seems to me That at Christmas he is almost what God wanted him to be.

If I had to paint a picture of a man I think I'd wait 'Til he'd fought his selfish battles and had put aside his hate. I'd not catch him at his labors when his thoughts are all of self, On the long days and the dreary when he's striving for himself. I'd not take him when he's sneering, when he's scornful or depressed, But I'd look for him at Christmas when he's shining at his best. Man is ever in a struggle and he's oft misunderstood: There are days the worst that's in him is the master of the good.

But at Christmas kindness rules him and he puts himself aside And his petty hates are vanquished and his heart is opened wide. Oh, I don't know how to say it, but somehow it seems to me That at Christmas man is almost what God sent him here to be.

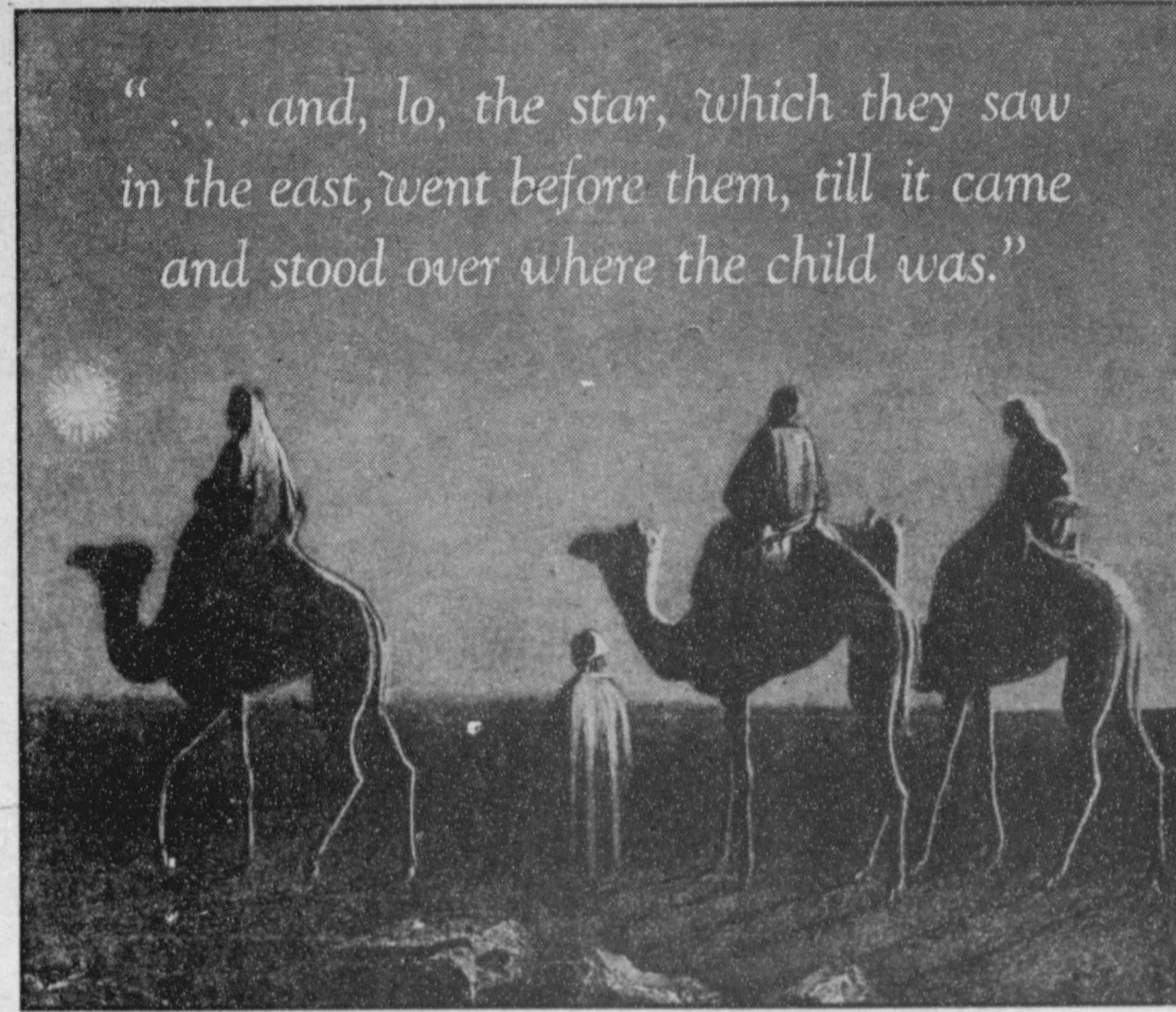
—Edgar A. Guest

## In Conference

This is a true incident, concerning the manager of one of the greatest manufacturing plants in the United States. He is known as a rather reserved, quiet, but most efficient executive:

One day a factory superintendent sought the manager in his office, and was told by the manager's secretary, who sat in an outer office, that the manager was "in conference," and was not to be disturbed.

"But how can he be in conference? There's nobody in the of-



"... and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the child was."

ice but himself," expostulated the superintendent, an impetuous sort of man. He had seen the manager enter the office alone. "I must see him on a matter of great importance," insisted the superintendent.

"You may come back in fifteen minutes, if you wish," said the secretary, "or you may leave your message with me and I'll give it to him as soon as he is at liberty. At present he is not to be disturbed."

The irate superintendent pushed by the secretary and quickly opened the door to the manager's private office. Then, after a quick glance within, he just as quickly and quietly closed the door, and stared, red faced, at the secretary. "Why, he is on his knees!" he exclaimed, astounded.

"Yes, in conference, as I told you," said the secretary.

"I—I'm sorry. I didn't know he was that sort of a man!" apologized the superintendent; "guess there was One in there with him—of greater importance than I." And he went away, still with an amazed look on his face.

## A Joy No Earthly Wealth Can Give

There is an old tale which becomes apropos chiefly at the Christmas time.

An agnostic—a disbeliever in God—made this offer to a nine-year old:

"I will give you an orange if you will tell me where God is." The youngster was equal to the challenge. "I will give you two oranges," he said, "if you will tell me where He is not."

Many great men have always felt the spirituality of Christmas, and some have managed to put it into words. For instance, when Woodrow Wilson was asked to prove the greatness of Christianity, whose founder was the Christ-child, he said simply, "Try it."

Cardinal Spellman had a Christmas gift for the mind when he said:

"The joy of Christmas is a joy that war cannot kill, for it is a joy of the soul, and the soul cannot die. Poverty cannot prevent the joy of Christmas, for it is a joy no earthly wealth can give. Time cannot wither Christmas, for it belongs to eternity. The world cannot shatter it, for it is a union with Him who has overcome the world."

The late Franklin D. Roosevelt once illustrated the spirit of Christmas with this story:

"A thief broke into the home of a priest and stole his purse. That night the priest wrote in his diary: 'Let me be thankful. First because I was never robbed before. Second because although he took my purse, he never took my life. Third because although he took all I had it was not much. And fourth because it was he who stole, and not I.'"

## Extensive Building Program, Swim Pool, Christmas Parade Feature 1955 News Review

In keeping with its traditional custom the Enterprise is proud to present again a review of outstanding events in and around Muenster as the principal feature of its Christmas edition.

As usual the list of news notes makes up an inspiring story of the continued growth and prosperity of the community. Muenster continued to move forward in spite of a mediocre grain harvest and drought during the latter part of the year.

Many new homes have been built, both in town and in the rural area. In addition there have been many home improvements as well as a full quota of farm investments such as dairy barns, poultry houses and machine sheds.

Business building has been well above average. The new Sinclair service station is complete. Work is well advanced on the Electric Co-op's office-warehouse and on the new Farmers Store. Besides, the site is clear for another new building and a location is being cleared now for still another new building.

These improvements are accompanied by another kind of improvement. A new city ordinance requires that temporary buildings within the restricted area be removed within a year. In months to come that action will result in a welcome change in the appearance of the business district.

Keeping pace with its residents, the city too has made notable gains. Current extensions and expansions in the sewer and waterworks systems will enable Muenster to accommodate a population of 2500. A long felt need has been met in the construction of the municipal swimming pool, and plans are now under way for extensive work in the park area surrounding the pool. This project is the first of several that were outlined in a community development clinic conducted last summer to determine what improvements are most wanted by people of the community.

Here, in a series of notes taken from the 1955 Enterprise file, are the principal happenings of the past year.

Dec. 24, 1954 — Building permits issued by city in 1954 total \$139,400. Nineteen teams are entered here in holiday basketball tourney at MHS. Muenster firemen re-elect Joe Sicking. Homsley's address sparks FHA Mother-Daughter Banquet. Muenster girls win runner-up trophy at Sanger tourney. Local group attends dedication of Windthorst's new school. Christmas decorations in city homes and yards add to gayety of holiday season. Local firemen and bucket gang save Joe N. Morris home at Marysville. Muenster donates \$257 in TB drive. Christmas parties hold social spotlight.

Dec. 31, 1954 — Blanket of snow supplements rain in boosting crops. . . year's total moisture to date is 26.10 inches. Muenster shares in traffic snarl caused by

snow; a bus load of passengers going west is held up here overnight. Social security begins for farmers. Mrs. Nannie Morris, 84, loses home at Marysville in fire, suffers burns in night blaze. Eight county officials begin Saturday on four-year terms. Damian Hellman and Bernice Henscheid marry. Blessed Virgin Sodality to have New Year's watch service in Sacred Heart church. Jeanette Zimmerer and Henry Popp marry at Gainesville.

Jan. 7, 1955 — Dial telephones to be installed at Forestburg. Scholastic census begins this week. VFW Auxiliary is geared for annual March of Dimes. City bonds are ready for approval of Attorney General. Muenster awaits first 1955 baby. Mrs. J. B. (Continued on Page 2)

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# WISHES YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

As an expression of our thanks and good will, we are extending to all our friends and neighbors our very best wishes for a joyous and memorable Yuletide season.



# Silent Night... Holy Night



Angelic voices ring out in carols of praise and thanksgiving in this Joyous Season, and with them soar all our renewed hopes and prayers for peace and brotherhood among all men. At this time we would like to extend to all our friends our sincerest wishes for a Christmas unmatched in true happiness and well-being.

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### News Review

Klement is recovering from major surgery. Mrs. Joe Hirschy is a patient in a Dallas hospital. Sacred Heart class of 1944 has reunion. Mrs. Nannie Morris is recovering from burns. Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Pappas (Florentine Trubenbach) of Jacksonville, Fla., are honeymooning here. Postal receipts gain \$247 in 1954.

Jan. 14 — Muenster Mutual Insurance shows continued progress during 1954 as yearly report is read at annual meeting. Near nine inch snow does wonders for condition of soil. Larry Kathman and Rita Cain win VFW safe driving awards. Mrs. Nannie Morris is back in hospital. Mrs. Herman Fette's grandmother dies. Emmett Walterscheid, Johnny Fisher, Jim Her-

mes and Sid Ramsey get army discharges; James Knabe has navy discharge. Wilson Kaden of Gainesville is guest speaker at Garden Club meeting. The Eugene Klements are honored on their eighth wedding anniversary. Mrs. Mike Kleiss observes 80th birthday with party. Rita Dianne Dennis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Dennis is first Bulcher baby born this year. Mrs. Callie Baumhardt has gone to Devol, Okla., to make her home. Mary Ann Hellinger and Lee Louis Tischler marry at Lindsay. Phillip Metzler has eye surgery in Dallas. City officials are treated to annual holiday dinner party.

Jan. 21 — City hires engineer for waterworks and sewer jobs. Mrs. E. E. Ballinger of Marysville dies. Polio drive off to good start. Brother Elmo of Austin is principal speaker here for deanery CYC meeting attended by about 300 young people and parents. District governor of Lions addresses local club at dinner meeting. James Robert Wylie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Wylie, is first baby born in Muenster, arrives after 1955 is 13 days old. Leonard Walterscheid of Hereford marries Miss Opal Raef there; local relatives attend wedding. Bulcher Progress Club plans polio fund drive. The Earl Swingler family moves to Jackson. Miss. Celebration honors Mr. and Mrs. Nick Block on silver wedding anniversary. Paul Hacker has army discharge. S.Sgt. Ernest Sicking has major back surgery at Lackland AFB hospital.

Jan. 28 — Ten minutes a day added to class periods at both local schools. Polio fund reaches \$100; more being raised. New tank doubles capacity of NTPA liquid storage. Dave Greeson, former resident, dies at Palestine. Scout Mothers plan observance of National Boy Scout Week. Bill Searcy announces beginners' class for band players. Donny Whitt's football picture is judged best sports shot by Texas Associated Press Managing Editors Association. Plans progress for Third Order's annual triduum. Jim Cook one of six area men to get service pins from pipe line company. Mary Simmel and Charles Neu marry at Pilot Point. Mrs. Mary Staldman, 89, observes birthday at Bulcher. Mrs. Raymond Zimmerer is recovering from major surgery. Mrs. Anna Wiese of Lindsay is honored with party on 85th birthday. Local Lions nudge Gainesville in comedy cage and volley ball games.

Feb. 4 — Worst highway crash in community history kills Albert and Gilbert Knabe and Ernest Bayer; injuries William Walterscheid and Jerry Henscheid. Polio fund reaches \$382 as weekend raises over \$250. About 300 students and guests attend annual Hornet football banquet. R. R. Endres is a pa-

tient at McKinney VA hospital. Agnes Frances Hermes and Emil Rohmer marry at Lindsay. Public school will host 16 elementary teams at tourney. Parochial seniors to present "Jane Eyre" as class play. Adult homemaking class is being organized. Mike Driever graduates from Seventh Army Non-Commissioned Officer Academy in Munich, Germany.

Feb. 11 — Mrs. Nannie Morris, 84, Bulcher resident 72 years, dies. Local Polio drive nears \$500 goal. 14 Scouts receive awards of honor. Group to consider United Fund drive. April 5 set for city election. Improvement bonds here; work on swimming pool due to begin soon. 50 CDA and guests attend court social. VFW Auxiliary to collect for Heart Fund. Father Louis talks on Rural Life at St. Anne's meet- (Continued on Page 3)

### On Using Time

Those who realize the value of time, comprehend the importance of employing it to best advantage. Recently a magazine writer wisely appropriated time in the following manner:

"Take time to live, for that is what time is for; killing time is suicide. Take time to work; it is the price of success. Take time to think, it is the source of power. Take time to play; it is the fountain of wisdom. Take time to be friendly; it is the road to happiness.

Take time to dream; it is hitching your wagon to a star. Take time to look around; it is too short a day to be selfish. Take time to laugh; it is the music of the soul. Take time to play with children; it is the joy of joys. Take time to be courteous; it is the mark of a gentleman.

### VIEWPOINTS

A German allegory tells of two little girls. They had been playing together in a strange garden, and soon one ran to her mother full of disappointment.

"The garden's a bad place, Mother," she complained.

"Why, child?" asked the mother.

"I've been all around, and every rose tree has sharp, long thorns on it, and they scratch me." Soon the second little girl came in breathless.

"O Mother, the garden's such a delightful place!" she ex-

claimed.

"How so, my child?" inquired the mother.

"Why, I've been all around, and every thorn bush has lovely roses growing on it, and they smell so nice."

And the mother wondered at the difference in the two children.

### Business is Good

"How is your doctor son getting on in his practice?"

"Excellent—he is now occasionally able to tell a patient there is nothing wrong with him."



There's a lot of satisfaction in the business that we do; But the greatest pleasure of all comes from serving folks like you.

LOU WOLF  
Muenster

The Christmas greetings we send to you, hold every good wish for a Joyous Holiday Season.

KIRKPATRICK'S  
Gainesville

May the blessings of the first Christmas abide with you for all time.

May the spirit of good will to all men be your guiding faith forever.

Muenster Butane Company  
J. J. Wieler Paul Walterscheid

Wherever the spirit of Christmas remains, there we find that peace and brotherly love can never be forced from the hearts of men.

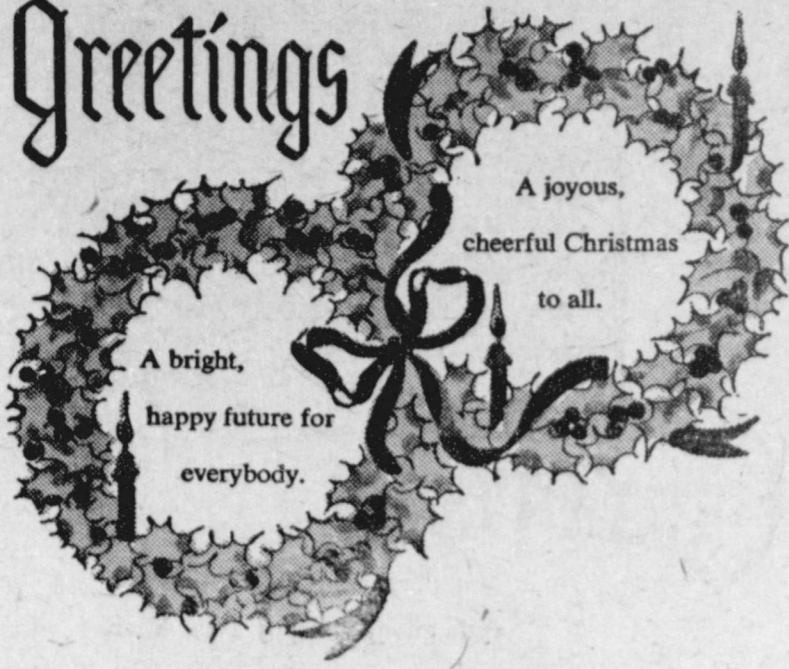
A joyous Christmas and a bountiful New Year to all!

Yosten Sand & Gravel Co.  
DRAG LINE AND BACK HOE SERVICE  
N. J. Yosten & Sons, Muenster

In extending our sincerest greetings to our friends at this time we find an ever deeper meaning in the spirit of Christmas. For it is the furthering of friendship and brotherhood with others that brings to us the true joy of living... A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Gainesville National Bank

# Greetings



**Tony Rohmer Well Service**  
Muenster

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ing. Douglas Robison gets BS degree at A&M graduation. Joe Fisher buys first 1955 car license tags. Local NCCW group re-elects Mrs. Paul Fisher president. Housewarming party honors the Bill Bezner family. Lindsay will have variety show as March of Dimes benefit. Cooke county issues 4,178 poll tax receipts.

Feb. 18 — Engineer is named, site selected for municipal swimming pool. Muenster is selected for state meeting of Catholic League. District gains 16 in school census; 1955 count is 643. Five-day mission for Sacred Heart parish will start Sunday. North Muenster gains as commissioners close six county poll boxes. Organization of United Fund unit begins in county. Plans are started for city sewer extensions. Local Polio Drive reaches \$500 goal. Pagel's store is burglarized. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cunningham dies at birth. Garden Club re-elects Mrs. Tony Gremminger president. Three Scouts receive Ad Altare Dei medals. Wilmer Luke and Eileen Cunningham marry in Tulsa. Bulcher starts on improvement program at Community Center building. Marysville Progress club elects Charles Davidson as chairman. Mages family has reunion on 57th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mages Sr. of Lindsay. Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Flusche of Denison celebrate golden wedding anniversary at Lindsay. Remodeled State Theatre re-opens.

Feb. 25 — Telephone line to Forestburg gets first connection. Ideals and methods of FFA praised at Father-Son Banquet. Sacred Heart girls win championship at basketball tourney. MHS girls receive runner-up trophy in district basketball. Local CYC group goes to Dallas convention. Don Muller has army discharge after serving in Germany. Raymond Hesse is back at home as a civilian after being on duty in England. Fire in storage building at Hank Walterscheid's nipped early by local firemen. Earline Walterscheid

and Frank Mages III marry here. Henrietta Mages and Nick Dieter say wedding vows here. Mrs. Ada Walker, 86, observes birthday. Glenn Hellman and Betty Rose Zimmerer are united at Lindsay.

Mar. 4 — Ground plans are here and work will start on swimming pool soon. Maximum credit on insurance rate continues in city. Local Third Order holds three days of special services and conferences. H. H. Homsley named local Red Cross chairman. Frank Morris is charter president of county's United Fund. MHS basketball ends at Callisburg; girls win trophy. February's moisture of 1.40 inches was mostly snow. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lyle and three children are new residents here. Mrs. Sallie Kidd, 90, of Bulcher observes birthday. Junior 4-H clubs are formed at Lindsay. Rev. Thomas Buegler, formerly of Muenster, is recovering from surgery in Corpus Christi.

Mar. 11 — Mrs. Joe Hirsch, 69, dies at Dallas; funeral is held here. Park improvement work accompanies pool excavation. Engineers have map ready for sewer installation. Local Third Order re-elects J. W. Hess prefect. Joe Moster and Bernard Luke have navy discharges. City ballot to list four names for four jobs, those of mayor and three aldermen. Adolph Walterscheid is recovering from eye surgery. S.H. school seventh and eighth graders are practicing operetta "Pinafore." St. Anne's Society starts plans for State League convention. Variety program observes 4-H Week. Mark Hermes of Lindsay wins top award in litter contest sponsored by Sears Foundation in connection with its pig program. Marion Ray Hott and Gladys Smith marry at Gainesville.

Mar. 18 — Lions Club will install lights on church steeple. Crusade lecture urges unity on eternal truths; Father Louis speaks as first of Crusade for Souls conferences is held. Open house is held in observance of Public School Week. \$289 is collected to date in local Red Cross drive. Parish to observe St. Joseph's day in traditional manner. Team is organized to play in county softball league. Juanita Wieler is elected area FHA treasurer. Joe Noggler places in Graham track meet. Several new home owners are having curbs built. Georgia Ann Hartman and Juanita Wieler are named Queen candidates in Cooke Roundup. Dr. T. S. Myrick attends medical convention in Dallas. Bulcher Progress Club elects E. Newby president. Marcy Cler, rheumatic fever patient, is

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## Peace and Happiness for Christmas

May this Holy Season bring to our many friends all the rich blessings that will make for happiness and joy throughout the year.



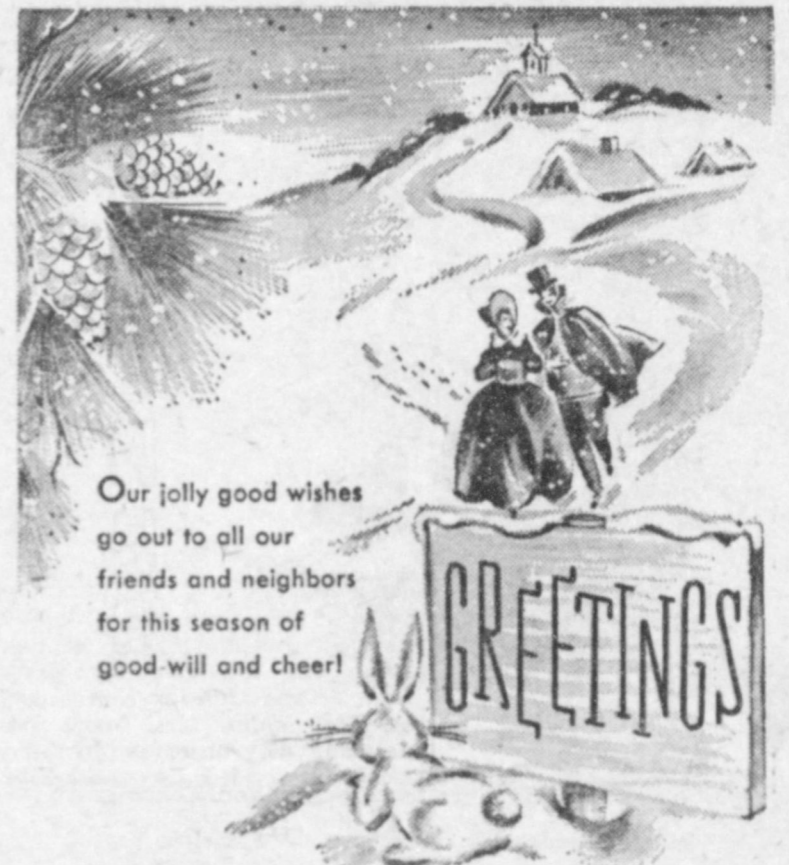
**Cliff Gardner Service Station**  
Gainesville



## A Merry Christmas

May the joyful hours of Christmas overflow with good fellowship and good cheer for all our friends.

**PAGEL'S STORE**  
Jacob Pagel Muepster



Our jolly good wishes go out to all our friends and neighbors for this season of good-will and cheer!

**Weinzapfel Insurance Agency**  
J. M. Weinzapfel, Herbert Meurer, Earl Fisher Muenster



# Greetings

May you find good cheer, peace and happiness at Christmas time. These are our sincere wishes for all our friends who have made this Christmas such a wonderful one for us.

**F. E. Schmitz Motor Co.**

Gainesville



May the old fashioned Christmas spirit of peace and joy embrace your home this glorious holiday season. And may the richest gifts—health, happiness and good will come to you and your dear ones.

# Greetings of the SEASON

**Commerce Street Store**  
Pete Briscoe, Gainesville



**Orr's Auto Store**  
Gainesville

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dismissed from Gainesville Sanitarium.

Mar. 25 — John Eberhart, 87, dies, was Muenster's oldest resident. Long awaited rain improves prospects for 1955 crops; total measure of moisture was 1.51 inches. Jerome Pagel and Steve Mosler are named to supervise swimming pool construction. Several buildings are blown down Sunday at Lindsay when storm hits south of the community. Noggler runs fourth at Fort Worth meet. MHS is second in 40-B spring meet standing to date. Jean Wieler substitutes for her sister as Round-up Queen candidate. Mrs. Richard Grewing is elected VFW Auxiliary president. Large audience acclaims nautical operetta with all-boy cast directed by Sister Carmelita. Housewarming party greets the Leo Lawsons. Juanita Weiler is elected president of local FHA chapter. St. Joseph's Society elects George Bayer president. Muenster Third Order group attends ceremonies for Gainesville order.

April 1 — Community hopes for crop recovery after hard freeze. Blaze at Homsley home quickly squelched by fire department. Bank declines to close Saturdays; loses eight holidays. Noggler leads MHS trackmen to win in District 4-B meet. Saint Jo is all-over winner in Interscholastic League Meet, Valley View edges Muenster for second. More than 100 attend KC's day of recollection here. Theresa Fisher wins first in CDA sponsored poetry contest. Joe Mosler completes two-week Waterworks School and goes to work for the city. Johnnie Morris gets discharge from army after serving in Germany. Charlie Meurer of Windthorst loses toe to infection caused by diabetes. Basil Reiter's essay wins county contest on private medicine. Lindsay donates \$118 to Red Cross. Only contest in school election is on county ticket.

April 8 — Damage here is relatively small as North Texas storms spread havoc over wide area. Nick Stoffels, 72, Muenster pioneer, dies. Muenster will be host for conservation awards banquet. City proclamation asks observance of Good Friday. Salk polio vaccine is available here. Lights installed; church steeple shows as community beacon. 24-page pamphlet features merits of school and community. Two route delivery of rural mail will begin April 16; Ben Luke and J. W. Fletcher will be carriers. Donna Hofbauer, Florentine Vogel and Rita Cain are winners in essay contest sponsored by VFW Auxiliary on Civil Defense. May-

or Endres and Aldermen Rudy Hellman, Herbert Meurer and John Fisher are re-elected. 21 Muenster girls model in Easter 4-H dress parade. Louise Butler and Paul Brewer marry.

April 15 — Primary pupils will get polio vaccine shots next week. Muenster Band gives spring concert. Alois Wiesman and Joe Bengfort are re-elected to REA board of directors. The J. P. Janicki family returns from Japan. Justin Dennis of Bulcher and Elaine Wear of Dallas marry. Sam Richey is honored on 84th birthday. The Joe Russell family moves to Portales, N.M. Cooke county DHIA leads state associations in both milk and butterfat production for February. County will vote May 7 on special ten cent tax for roads. MHS junior class ready to present play "The Brain Storm." New regulations show lower rates on car insurance.

April 22 — Swimming pool materials arrive; construction starts. Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus honor J. M. Weinzapfel at formal dinner. Final services for Mitchell Moon, 80, held at Marysville. PTA members re-elect Mrs. Ervin Hamric president; hear Lewis Rigler as guest speaker. H. H. Homsley is elected Lion Club president. Dick Hesse shows grand champion lamb in 4-H county stock show. Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hartman dies. Martin Klement is elected VFW Post commander. Jimmy Lehnertz and Al Yosten are building new homes; three others are nearing completion — those of Alphonse Luke, Donald Walterscheid and R. M. Zipper. Mrs. Anthony Klement has appendicitis operation. Theresa Fisher and Kenny Fette win first in diocesan poster contest. Reunion observes golden jubilee of Sister Rita Walter, here on visit. Eddie Fette and Maximina Gonzales marry at Kermit. The Henry Grewings Jr. move here from Gainesville. Clarence Metzler and Lois McGowan of Dallas marry. Fred Kuhn, 88, Lindsay's oldest resident, breaks hip in fall.

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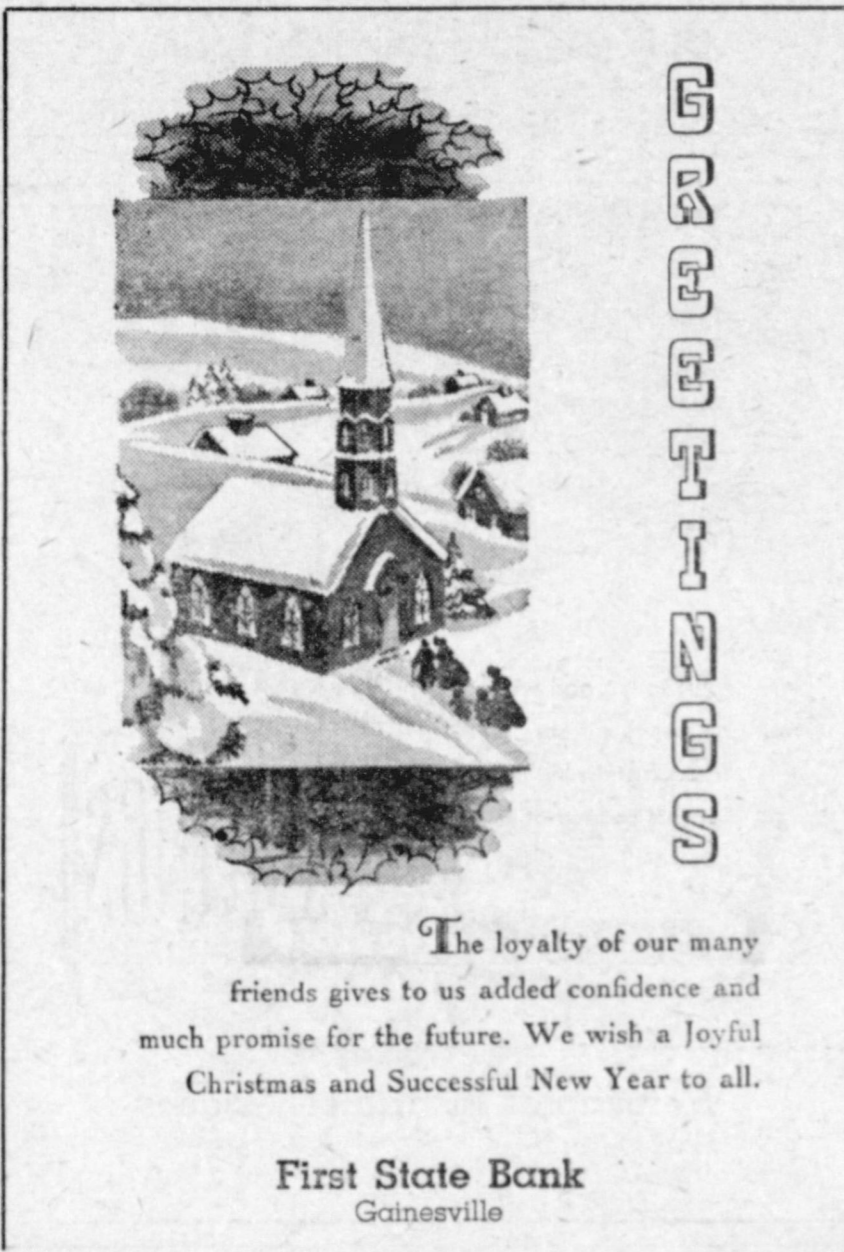
May the season's joys follow you throughout a happy New Year.

**Hassenpflug Tractors & Implements**  
Gainesville



**Season's Greetings**  
AND ALL GOOD WISHES FOR THE New Year

**H. E. Myers & Sons**  
Gainesville



**GREETINGS**

The loyalty of our many friends gives to us added confidence and much promise for the future. We wish a Joyful Christmas and Successful New Year to all.

**First State Bank**  
Gainesville



**GOOD WISHES**  
*for everyone*

To each one of you, we wish the greater happiness that comes with sharing Christmas with friends and neighbors ... and with sharing the Holiday with Him, in His house. And to this wish we add the hope that the New Year brings to you a full measure of good health and prosperity.

**Muenster Telephone Company**



**Merry Christmas!**

We sincerely hope that you and your loved ones will share in every Christmas pleasure.

And may the New Year be one of good health and contentment for all our many friends.

**SCOTT BROS.**  
Muenster  
Saint Jo, Nocona



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April 29 — 120 children get Salk polio vaccine shots here. Grain looks good, overcomes most of freeze damage. Sacred Heart school tiny tots will present nursery operetta. North Texas unit of Catholic League meets at Lindsay. Milk receipts at NTPA slip after one-half million pound peak. Noggler wins two firsts, one second at regional meet. Sodality plans elaborate May Queen service. MHS junior-senior banquet is held. Athletic banquet honors Sacred Heart teams and coaches. MHS juniors present class play. Local softball teams holds league lead.

May 6 — Over 500 shots are given to 274 persons here on first of annual immunization days. County will vote Saturday on 10 per cent tax hike for roads. Ruby Wimmer and Clifford Swirczynski get safe driving awards in contest sponsored by VFW. Soil Conservation Service invites bids on Dams 6 and 7 on Elm watershed. Parish flocks in to attend impressive May Queen service. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Weinzapfel are invested in Order of Holy Sepulchre. Mathew Bernauer, Muenster native, dies in car crash in west Texas. Frank Klement is recovering from a gall stone operation. Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Flusche are honored on 27th wedding anniversary. Rita Hermes and Harold Corcoran marry at Lindsay. Junior-senior prom given at Lindsay. Sunday is Solemn Communion day for 51 children. Forty-eight children receive First Communion on May 1. Annual homecoming program Sunday brings large crowd to Marysville. CYC has May Day ceremony at Lindsay. Tigers will play Lanier High Friday for district title.

May 13 — Soil champions of Upper Elm-Red District will be honored here at sixth annual awards banquet. Soaking showers give final push to crop prospect. Ten cent road tax okayed by county voters; vote is 634 to 436. Lions will treat wives and install officers Wednesday. Local school band gets high rating

in regional meet. Noggler runs first in 100, third in 220 in State "B" meet at Austin. Large audience acclaims Mother Goose operetta. Tigers lose district title on loss of game and the flip of a coin. Seniors and parents of SH High are honored at banquet. Eighty are in confirmation service here Monday. Muenster district is declared owner of Freemound school. Tommy Herr fractures left leg in baseball game. New home is started for Gene Hoedebecks. Golden wedding day observed by Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Steen of Forestburg. Open house marks anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Epps of Myra. Peggy Hudspeth and James Hammer marry. Shiloh homecoming draws large crowd Sunday. Paul Zimmerer and Ann Clancy marry at Lindsay. Henrietta Fuhrmann and William Eugene Dankesreiter marry at Lindsay.

May 20 — Earl J. Rudder, Texas Land Commissioner is principal speaker at banquet for soil champions. J. W. Fleitman is champ in Zone 3, Ben Perryman, in Zone 2. "A Good Year" says 1954 report. Awards program speaker praises Elm-Red progress. An all-night rain measuring 2.35 inches puts corn and grasses in fine condition but delays work on swimming pool. Garden Club will collect at church doors for cemetery fund. Surplus food given to public school lunch room in 54-55 is worth \$3,965. Charles Pagel gets army discharge. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Searcy resign from public school faculty, will teach at Eagle Lake next year. Bombers continue tie with Era for lead in softball. Soil Awards program will appear on TV. MHS seniors are on class trip to Colorado. Mrs. Herman Fette is re-elected grand regent of local CDA court. Donald Walterscheid and Evelyn Pelzel marry at Pilot Point. Sodality installs new officers; Carol Voth is president. Mrs. Frances Binz observes 78th birthday. Mrs. Mollie Montgomery has 96th birthday celebration Sunday. Third Order holds reception ceremony for 13 novices; two make professions. NCCW deanery officers are installed at Lindsay.

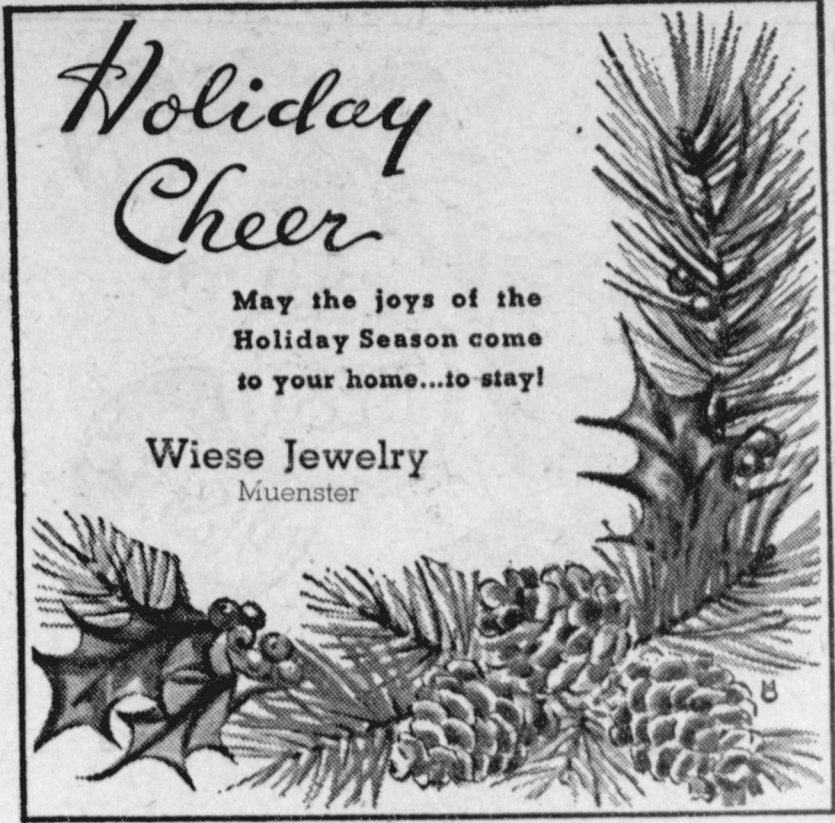
May 27 — Harvesting begins in Muenster area. Collection adds \$286 to cemetery fund. Mrs. J. H. Cooke, 88, resident here 43 years, dies in Illinois. Urban Endres will build new Sinclair service station. Father Patrick delivers baccalaureate address at MHS. Sacred Heart music pupils appear in recital. Parochial High school seniors spend two and a half days at Dallas and Fort Worth on senior trip. Gene Reiter and Shirley Tiller marry at

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**Holiday Cheer**

May the joys of the Holiday Season come to your home...to stay!

**Wiese Jewelry**  
Muenster



**Joyous Greetings**

May every heart at your house be filled with good cheer and happiness this Christmas.

**Enderby Butane Gas**  
Gainesville



**CHRISTMAS Greetings**

We hope you and yours enjoy a hearty Holiday... brimful of the love and joy that make Christmas.



**Ed's Automotive Shop**  
Ed Pels Muenster

**Season's Greetings AND BEST WISHES TO ALL**



**GILBERT STUDIO**  
Gainesville

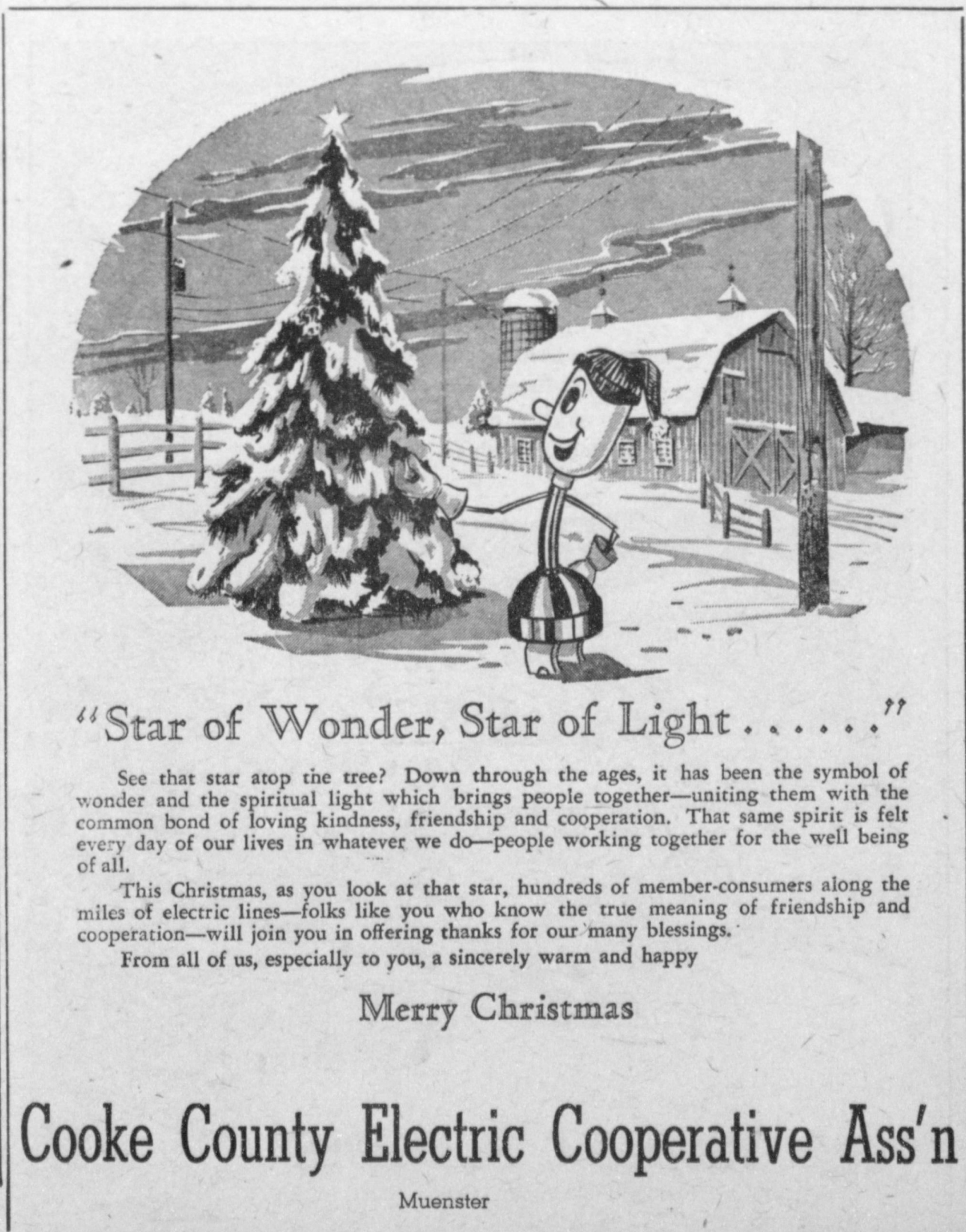


"Hark! the herald angels sing..."

THIS CHRISTMAS, as we rejoice in the commemoration of the birth of our Lord, let us remember the good his teachings have brought to all mankind.

MAY OUR HEARTS be open this Christmastide to His message that by the power of God's love alone can we be inspired to great deeds and wise action.

**Fisher's Market & Grocery**  
Muenster



"Star of Wonder, Star of Light . . . . ."

See that star atop the tree? Down through the ages, it has been the symbol of wonder and the spiritual light which brings people together—uniting them with the common bond of loving kindness, friendship and cooperation. That same spirit is felt every day of our lives in whatever we do—people working together for the well being of all.

This Christmas, as you look at that star, hundreds of member-consumers along the miles of electric lines—folks like you who know the true meaning of friendship and cooperation—will join you in offering thanks for our many blessings.

From all of us, especially to you, a sincerely warm and happy

Merry Christmas

**Cooke County Electric Cooperative Ass'n**  
Muenster

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Gainesville. Lindsay high school graduates and parents honored at banquet. Bombers take top spot in League as Chicks upset Era. Father Christopher is baccalaureate speaker at SHH.

June 3 — Arnold Bezner of Lindsay loses life in car crash. Fourteen Sacred Heart High seniors and 39 eighth graders receive diplomas. Twenty-one MHS seniors and nine eighth graders receive diplomas. Memorial service Sunday honors deceased veterans. O. G. Reed delivers community's first load of 1955 wheat. Sisters, Regina and Alma Henschel, marry Henry J. Pels and Ronnie Herr in double wedding service here. Benedictine Sisters leave for the summer; first time in more than 60 years that Sacred Heart parish is without nuns. Albina Mages and Johnny Schmitz marry here. Garden Club women of county are conducted on soil conservation tour through Upper Elm-Red District and Elm Fork Watershed. Rev. Patrick Hannon speaks at Lindsay school graduation. Monte Hellman receives M.D. degree from Marquette University.

June 10 — Dark clouds turn on street lights; dump 1.75 inches rain Wednesday afternoon. Community Clinic will be held to shape up plans for city improvement. Charles McGannon leaves on 3-month European tour. Floor is finished, walls started on swimming pool. Cougar challenges Harold Lutkenhaus in harvest field. Area wheat crop averages near 15 bushels an acre. John A. Klement is elected grand knight of local KC council. Billy Owens kills bobcat. Baptist WMU hears book review. Rev. Bonaventure Koelzer is named vicar general at Graymoor, N.Y. Bombers win two, continue lead in softball league. Dallas initiation receives 63 into Fourth Degree K of C.

June 17 — Community nears end of 1955 harvest. Swimming course urged for training local instructors. Cement is problem in completion of local pool. Fourteen local boys are attending camp at Subiaco, Ark. Thursday shower measures 92 inch. Series of meetings in July will shape progress plans here. Vacation Bible School opens at Baptist church. Parish crusaders organize and elect officers; Mrs. Gary Hess is president. John Hosea family leaves for summer tour with rodeo circuit. Melvin Kuhn of Lindsay wins first in state 4-H competition at A&M on soil and water conservation demonstration. Building activity has been slow while most of the carpenters helped with

harvesting.

June 24 — Excellent moisture condition prevails; corn looks good. George Bayer joins Fred Hemmigan in Oil-Butane agency. Burglars strike at Texaco station. Lions will sponsor four-session course in public relations. Community Clinic schedule is reduced to three meetings. Rain causes grief on sewer project. Dan Haverkamp has army discharge. Bombers continue loop lead. Best Bible school to date closes at Baptist church. Rosebell Haverkamp and Willard Zimmerer marry. The Wesley Hester family moves here from Oklahoma.

July 1 — County farmers favor controls in wheat referendum. Sister Geraldine's father dies at Rhineland. Freddie Joe Hennigan receives facial cuts when sunglasses break in fall from building. Mary and Judy Trubenbach return from pilgrimage to Canada. Sister Benedict Knabe, visiting here before leaving for Belgium, is honored at family reunion. Ruby Arant and Weldon Lyons marry. Three local VFW members attend state convention in Corpus Christi. Cyril Hermes wins first on swine in area contest.

July 8 — Pool is finished but surroundings need lots of work. Mayor's proclamation asks full cooperation in Development Clinic; area's want list will be drawn up at series of meetings. Faulty parachute jump was almost fatal to Billy Eberhart at Fort Bragg, N.C., word reaches here that he has recovered from a broken back that kept him in the hospital five months. Richard Knabe ends army service. Value of Muenster plant emphasized at NTPA meeting at Commerce. Mrs. William Bergman and her nine children and their families are together for the first all-family reunion in their lives. John Fette family has reunion honoring Mrs. Tom Gallery and two daughters of New York. Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Huggins observe golden wedding anniversary at Bulcher. Parish CYC elects Clara Streng president.

July 15 — Small groups list community's needs at three meetings. 140 pounds clothing shipped to needy missions. Andy Hofbauer reveals site and plan for new Farmers Store. Four represent city in Red Cross water safety class at Gainesville. (Continued on Page 7)



**Merry Christmas**

Muenster Machine Shop



**BEST WISHES**

Bell Real Estate and Insurance  
Lucille K. Bell, L. P. Beck  
Gainesville



**Christmas**

May the ancient gleam of the Eastern Star brighten your heart on Christmas Day.

Ferd's Sinclair Station  
Ferd Luttmner Muenster



**Greetings**

It is our pleasure once again to say Merry Christmas to all our friends and neighbors.

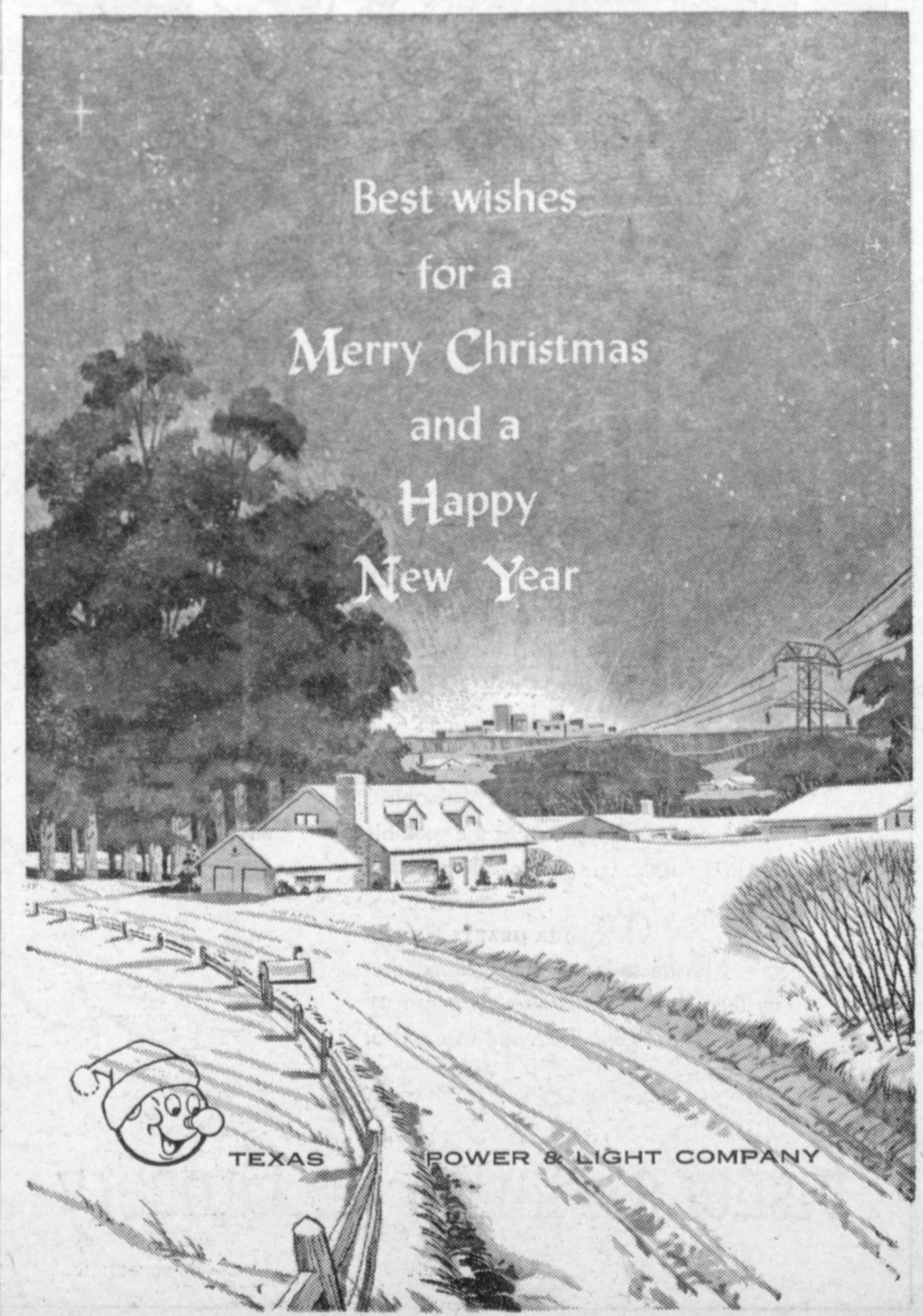
Albert Plumbing and Heating  
Gainesville



**Greetings**

May the joys of the Season and all its friendly cheer brighten your home at Christmas and abide with you all through the year... This is our warm Holiday wish for you and yours.

**THOMAS C. SCHNEIDER**  
Humble-Bulk Agent, Gainesville



Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

TEXAS POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

Ten pounds of fissionable material burned in a new atomic power plant will produce as much power as Hoover Dam.

News Review

Texas University man will conduct public relations class here next week. National Supply company of Gainesville invites the public to its open house. Band twirlers attend two-week school in Wichita Falls. William

Fisher wins on 4-H club pigs at district show. Bombers go extra innings for 1-run wins in two games. C. F. Gobble enters McKinney hospital. Joe Bergman is out and around after an illness that confined him to his home for eight months.

July 22 — Public relations

class welcomed by strong attendance. Second Salk polio shots for local children will be postponed. Ground Observer post to be set up in Muenster. FFA boys attend state convention. Stroke is fatal to Edward Merzbacher, VA service officer for Cooke county. Henry Pagel breaks leg in mistep. Weinzapfel wildcat opens new field of oil production. Parish is set for Catholic State League convention. Bomber-Chicks win trophy and qualify for state tourney. Eighteen local 4-H clubbers and Mrs. Paul Fisher attend 4-H camp. Bids invited for three more reservoirs on Elm watershed. Showers add inch of moisture and drop temperature.

July 29 — Muenster Telephone company buys Myra system, plans dial service. Four local swimmers, L. B. Bruns, George Letson, Mrs. H. L. Jackson and Mrs. Kyle Waggoner get certificates in Water Safety class. Stroke after car crash a week earlier is fatal to August Schmidtkofer, 84, of Lindsay. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schad of Lindsay announce the birth of twin daughters. Eight charter members of St. Peter's parish Christian Mothers' Society are honored on golden jubilee of organization. Bombers and Chicks compete for title in county league.

Aug. 5 — Mrs. Mary Knauf, 85, dies after long illness. September 1 set as opening date for both local schools. City council sets one-year limit for "temporary" buildings in city limits. Nocona will open new pool Saturday. Charm Shop building is moved to await new home. Joan Klement is Muenster's candidate for Farm Bureau Queen. Local VFW Auxiliary is listed on state honor roll for charity and civic work.

Aug. 12 — R. E. Aldridge, 81, area resident 60 years, dies. Dentist, industry and hospital top local want list, meetings reveal. Bids are invited for Electric Cop's new office-warehouse. J. B. Klement, hurt in car accident, is improving. Donald Wilson, run over by load of hay, is recovering. Water consumption in city reaches new high mark with 355,000 gallons Monday. Football training at both schools to begin Aug. 22. English teacher, Al Greco, joins MHS faculty to complete staff. Olive Haverkamp and David Forgey marry at Dallas. Dolores Henzler and Daniel Luke marry at Pilot Point. Patsy Horn and Maria Fuhrman leave to attend Catholic Central Verein meeting in New York. Anselma Kathman and Jeanette Walter from here and T. Mae Spaeth of Lindsay graduate from St. Paul's Nursing school in Dallas.

Aug. 19 — Next Sunday set as opening date for new swimming pool. Mrs. Henry Wolf, 80, dies after long illness. Highway engineer helps with plans for improving Muenster Park. Margaret Elkins wins title of Cooke

County Farm Bureau Queen. Locals lose at Wichita Falls softball tourney when Ablene team wins 7-4. City issues ordinance to ban hogs in city limits. Eighteen Sisters are arriving to staff Sacred Heart school. Frankie Owen and Jim Hermes marry. Bernice Walterscheid and James Mollenkopf say wedding vows. Four nuns, former local girls, take vows at OLV Convent in Fort Worth. Baptists organize five youth groups. Annual pantry shower will honor local Benedictine Sisters Sunday night.

Aug. 26 — Good attendance hails opening of city's swimming pool. Catholic State League convention opens Monday. Next Thursday is registration day at local schools. St. Mary's church in Fort Worth buys old S.H.

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Now is the time for all Good Holiday Wishes... may we wish to all our friends the best of health and joy for Christmas and the New Year.

THE B-29 CLUB  
Johnny Schmitz, Across the River



May the light of the Christmas Spirit shine on you and yours. May your holiday cheer remain long in your heart.

HAMRIC'S  
Muenster



CHAPMAN'S  
SHOES  
Gainesville



# Greetings

We hope the magic of this glorious season extends throughout the year for you and yours...bringing with it the blessing of happiness, the joy of good health and the pleasure of warm friendships.

Community Lumber Company

JEROME PAGEL

MUENSTER

RODY KLEMENT



## Greetings

No Christmas would be complete for us without an expression of the warm feeling that we have for our many loyal and appreciative friends. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.



GOLIGHTLY ELECTRIC  
Gainesville

**News Review**

church bells. Joe Noggler gets Texas University scholarship. Keith Tompkins receives BS degree at Denton college. Maurice Rohmer is back from England with army discharge. Three new homes started in town, one in the country. Evelyn Noggler and Martin Fritz marry Monday. Dolores Haverkamp and Leroy Wiesmann say vows Wednesday. Celine Felderhoff and Urban Schrage are united in Dallas.

Sept. 2 — Sacred Heart parish hosts 400 visitors for 56th annual convention of Catholic State League. Denison firm gets

contract to build Co-op's new home. Glass of milk for two cents available to school children. New pavement job will join FM road south of Muenster. Patsy Vogel, 15, is sweepstakes winner in 4-H girls' division at Cooke County Fair. M.D. Kaderil is re-elected director of Texas Electric Co-ops. Wally Luttmmer is recovering from injuries received in an oil field accident. Rohmer-Hesse reunion has over 100 in attendance. Allen Hoffman and Doris Schroeder marry at Windthorst. Baptists announce one-week revival. The Al Horns move back to Muenster. Carol Ann Neu, 15, of Gainesville dies of heart disease.

Richard Mosman and Carolyn Adams marry at Gainesville. Sept. 9 — Muenster schools have combined enrollment of 683, opening day figures show. Swimming is PE course for group of school children. City water department had its biggest business ever in August; customers used 5 million gallons. Capt. and Mrs. Hal Falck return from three years in Europe. Tim Stormer buys Tony Trubenbach's interest in feed store. Margie Baumhardt receives nurse's diploma in Waco. Paul Brewer buys Huchton laundry. Hornets

awarded All-Sports trophy by Wichita Falls Record-News. Shirley Ann Bowen and Irven Derichsweiler marry here. Enterprise installs new automatic Heidelberg press. Silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Neu is observed at Lindsay. O. A. Huggins, 69, of Bulcher dies after extended illness. Football season opens Friday.

Sept. 16 — A&M man starts five-session course for local firemen. 1.22 shower falls Saturday as storm hits here briefly. Gerald York quits county agent job for

Asia has more people than any other continent.

There are forty million refugees in the world.

**A Letter to Santa Claus**

NOTE: This letter was first published in the San Antonio Express during the Christmas Season of 1952. The writer was Miss Lois Weekes, then Society Editor, and now an Odessa housewife. It has a universal appeal and is especially fitting in these days when we sometimes tend to forget the real meaning of Christmas.

Mr. Santa Claus, C/O Childhood Hearts, North Pole  
Dear Mr. Claus:

I hope you will remember me, Santa. It's been a long time. You'd have to blow the dust away to look up my name in your files.

The last time I wrote you, I spelled Bicycle with a "k" — and I've been singing "Jingle Bells" an octave lower for several seasons now. My stocking size and my Christmas lists have changed considerably — and I now recognize the value of a little mistletoe in the decor.

It isn't that I've underestimated you through the years, Mr. C., or forgotten our relationship. I've been giving your letters to my father to mail and its worked out beautifully since the Christmas he inquired as to my knowledge of your identity. My affirmative answer brought a "Well, start being a little nicer to ME, then," from him. And we laughed and my mother cried.

I still believe in you, you see. I've followed your activity each Yuletide in the nation's press. I know you don't have time to read all the papers, but December's headlines — lots of them — belong to you. Annually, you crowd out the day-by-day boys who fade from year to year.

Although this is more a delayed "thank you" for other Christmases than a suggested shopping list, there are a few things I'd like when you rein in the reindeer at my house this year.

Could you put the light from the children's faces, pressed against countless frosted window panes, into the hearts of the world? Could you transplant a little of the feeling of holly, the glistening tinsel, the angels atop the Christmas trees, the off-key Noels and the hushed hymns, to those who are spending their first Christmas away from all that? And especially, to those who never noticed it before?

Could you remind us all that it is a Birthday we are celebrating, not just an expense respite from the rest of the year? Could you put in our Christmas Cards and our packages, the messages and the warmth we really mean instead of the shop-worn sentiment and the same old gifts?

Most of all, Mr. Claus, could you make sure that we'll never outgrow you — that Christmas will always be a way of life and that you'll be staging it always?

I think you will because, though you've seen central heating replace the chimney you've learned that America's front door is left unlocked each Christmas Eve. There is still room for the manger and the sleighbells in this age of automobiles and atoms. So don't ever go mechanized, Mr. Claus.

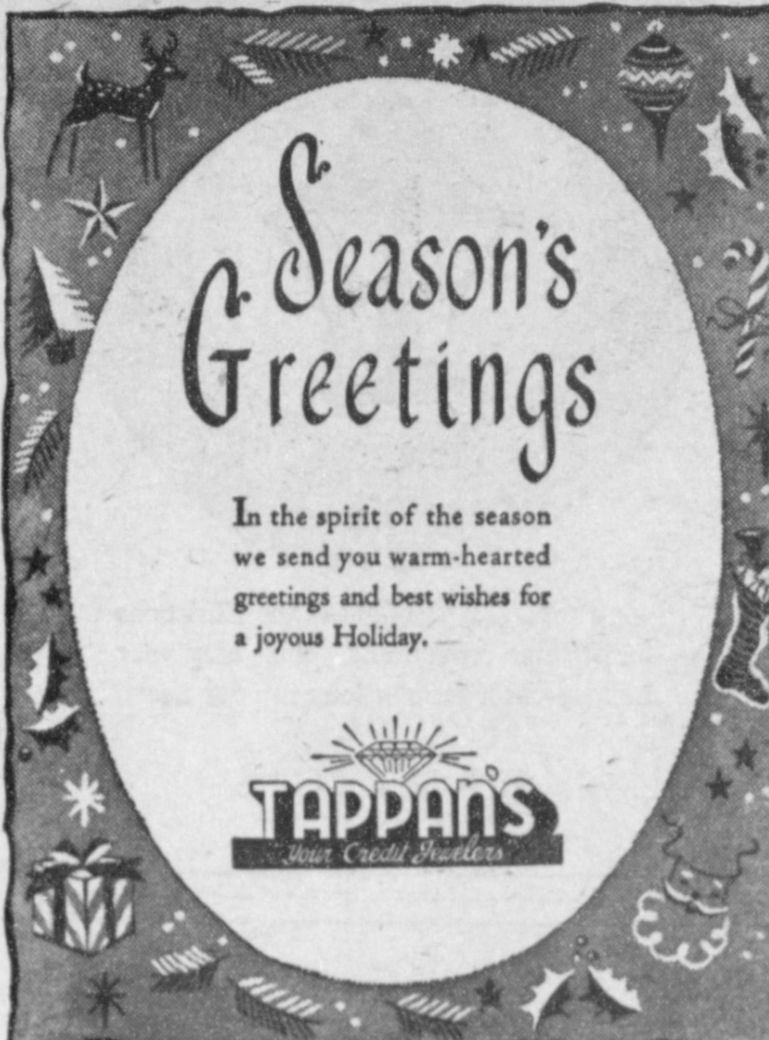
Sincerely your, Lois Weekes



**SEASON'S GREETINGS**

Here they are!  
The season's best wishes to all our wonderful friends.  
May you enjoy to the fullest every minute of this glorious holiday.

**Magnolia Service Station**  
Otto Walterscheid Muenster



**Season's Greetings**

In the spirit of the season we send you warm-hearted greetings and best wishes for a joyous Holiday.

**TAPPAN'S**  
Your Credit Builders



*O, come all ye faithful...*

May the peace and happiness symbolized by the Star of Christmas remain with you throughout the Holiday Season.

**SCHAD & PULTE**  
Hardware & Light Fixtures  
110 S. DIXON • Gainesville • HO 5-4326



**Season's Greetings**

May the "Peace that passeth all understanding" enter into your heart at Christmas. In the spirit of Him, whose Natal Day we celebrate, may you find the hope, faith and courage to hold steadfast to the bright promise of a world in which peace and good will shall reign forevermore.

**Sacred Heart Church and School**

FATHER LOUIS, O.S.B., Pastor  
FATHER CHRISTOPHER O.S.B., and FATHER PATRICK, O.S.B., Assistants  
AND OUR STAFF OF EIGHTEEN BENEDICTINE SISTERS



## Greetings

From all of us  
to all of you—  
a Merry Holiday  
Season, filled to the  
brim with joys of  
the Yuletide.

**MILLER'S CLEANERS**  
Gainesville

## THE CHRIST CHILD

(A Christmas Sermonette of Father Page, C.S.C.)

My Dear Friends:

Despite the shortness of time between Masses this blessed morning, I do not wish to let Christmas pass without a word on the true Christmas spirit.

We are here this morning because more than nineteen hundred years ago in the humblest of surroundings, a hillside cave, a little Child was born; a little Child, Who as God's Eternal Son had existed from all Eternity, but Who for love of us became Mary's Son as well, that thus He might make us all God's happy and blessed children.

Worldings may seek in Christmas other things, but the real Christian seeks in Christmas One Thing above all else, as the shepherds of old hastened over the hills to find their Little Saviour and new-born King amid the golden straw of a manger, so we have hastened this morning under the paling stars to find the selfsame Christ-Child in the humble surroundings of our little parish Church. The same love, the same Eternal love that brought Him to the cave of Bethlehem has brought Him to our humble wooden altar this morning, the same love that filled the shepherds' hearts as a little Child smiled upon them floods our souls as we kneel here in His smiling presence. By Bethlehem God has revealed to us that He cares nothing for human pomp or earthly grandeur; He cares only for love, your love and mine. If we love the little Christ-Child, then we possess the only wealth that has Eternal Value, the only jewel that the hands of death will not snatch from us. As the little Christ-Child comes to your lips and your hearts this morning, hold Him tightly and ask Him as He gave of old, warmth and brightness to a cave, so now, He may bring to our poor cold hearts fresh warmth of Faith, and Hope, and Love. The Christ-Child is still God's greatest Gift to mankind, and the greatest gift we can give to the Christ-Child is the love He came to claim through His Mother and His Church.

## News Review - - -

state 4-H post. Kyle Waggoner family moves to Saint Jo. Tigers start grid season with 25-0 win over Windthorst. Hornets look good despite 19-0 loss to stout Pilot Point team. Waterworks group meets here. Wylie Lewis Corbin is elected FFA chapter president. Public report on Community Clinic set for Wednesday. New year books for Civic League and Garden Club are presented. Bulcher Progress Club works for black top road into Saint Jo. Fleitman and Fisher herds among high producers in DHIA. Jerry Talley joins Schad & Pulte staff.

Sept. 22 — Construction starts on new building for Electric Coop. Sale of blind-made items to be sponsored by Lions. Neal Tibbets of Dallas is named county agent to succeed Gerald York. 75 local students continue studies away from home. Tigers outscore St. Mark's 26-20. Hornets triumph 13-0 over Whitesboro. Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Walterscheid dies shortly after birth. League-Garden Club wins fourth place and \$75 in Community Club Awards contest. Maurine Kavanaugh and Dr. Gene Watts marry at Gainesville. The Bill Haverkamp are honored to observe 25th wedding anniversary, the Joe Fettes share honors in observance of their 23th wedding anniversary.

Sept. 30 — Moisture is ideal after 3.72 inches of soaking rains. Three more local students continue studies away from home. Lions will peddle brooms for blind people. Lecture in KC hall explains aims and ideals of Knights of Columbus; John O'Brien of Dallas is speaker. Sherman B falls 36-0 before sharp Tiger performance. Hornets run wild over Windthorst 30-0 on rain soaked field. Byron Sears enters Veterans Hospital in McKinney. Wichita paper's All-Sports trophy is presented to MHS. Leo J. Haverkamp installs two-way short wave radio. Ernest Wolf gets army discharge. Joe Moster and two other drivers escape injury in car-truck crash. County meeting explains program of Observer Corps. Marceline Wimmer and Rody Klement marry. Frances Knabe and Arthur Bayer say vows. Sacred Heart roommothers elect Mrs. Ray Stewart president. MHS students choose school paper staff. Marysville WMU re-elects Mrs. Rafe McElreath president. Tom Pryor, 80, has birthday celebration at Myra. Mrs. I. A. Zimmerman of Lindsay is recovering from serious illness.

Oct. 7 — Ground observer posts are organized here and at Bulcher. Mrs. Rilla Wyatt, 57 year resident of Marysville, dies. Luncheon meeting will start Muenster's first United Fund drive. Lions gross \$779 in broom selling spree for the blind. B&H Oil Company changed back to H&H Oil Co. B&H Butane Co. is bought by Muenster Butane Co. SH High football queen contest is under way. Rev. Howard Bigham is new pastor at Marysville. Lindsay Mothers' Club elects Mrs. Tony Voth president. Texarkana Eagles blast Tigers 20-0 in first SAL tilt.

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## Will Rogers Gems

"It's great to be great, but it's greater to be human."

"Never was a country in the throes of more capital letters than the old U.S.A., but we still haven't sent out the SOS."

"Every invention during our lifetime has been just to save time, and time is the only commodity that every American, both rich and poor, has plenty of. Half our life is spent trying to find something to do with the time we have rushed through life trying to save."

"Our foreign dealings are an open book, generally a check-book."

"There is nothing as stupid as an educated man if you get off the thing that he was educated in."

"Don't gamble. Take all your savings and buy some good stock and hold it till it goes up, then sell it. If it don't go up, don't buy it."

"The United States never lost a war or won a conference."

"I am not a member of any organized party—I am a Democrat."

"This thing of being a hero, about the main thing to do is to know when to die."

"I never met a man I didn't like."



GREETINGS OF THE  
*Season*  
AND BEST WISHES FOR  
THE *New Year*  
Watts Bros. Pharmacy  
Gainesville



## Greetings

As "it came upon  
a midnight clear,"  
may the message of  
Peace and Good Will  
dwell in your heart  
at Christmas.

### BROWNING'S

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Browning  
Mrs. Sarah Davenport, Robert G. Smith  
Gainesville



### ACE CAFE

Emil Rohmer  
Muenster



## HAPPY CHRISTMAS

As old as our faith, as young as our hopes, is the spirit of Christmas. May it once more lift your heart, lighten your cares and brighten every corner of your life. May its infinite joy and glorious promise abide with you and your loved ones . . . now and always.

Muenster State Bank



## SEASON'S Greetings

Joyfully we  
join the merry carolers  
to warmly wish  
our wonderful friends  
and patrons a  
Happy Holiday Season.

DIXIE DRUG  
Muenster

### The Wishbone And the Backbone

Once a little Wishbone met a Backbone, big and strong. Said the Wishbone to the Backbone, "Won't you carry me along? I get so tired wishing; it's harder everyday. While things you ask for always seem to come your way. I think and think of all the things I want, and never get. But nothing ever slips by you. . . you never miss a bet. Won't you tell me how you do it, for your method works so well; Is it higher mathematics, or do you cast a spell?"

Said the Backbone to the Wishbone, "Friend, you have me wrong. For my method's very simple . . . just determination strong. Mixed with a lot of courage, some tears, and troubles, too. A great big bit of common grit, refusing to get blue. No matter how much things go wrong, and all my plans astray, I start right in and build them up in a better, stronger way. You see, it's very simple, if you only make it work. But I never knew a Wishbone yet, who wasn't just a shirk!"



### Joy and Peace at CHRISTMAS

To all our Friends . . .  
May the Holy Season  
abound with Peace  
and Good Will and all  
other Blessings that  
combine to make life  
Joyously Beautiful.



Mr. & Mrs.  
I. A. Kubis  
Lindsay

### News Review

Oct. 14 — Cooke County School Trustee Association meets here with Dr. Sam McAlister of Denton as speaker. KC council observes Columbus Day with religious service and communion breakfast featuring Dr. C. A. Trimbo of Dallas as speaker. MHS plans Homecoming party for ex-students. Hornets open 10-B season with 13-0 win over Valley View. Wilfred Sicking's herd leads county DHIA in milk production. C. J. Meurers observe 50th wedding anniversary at Windthorst. Jeanette Walter and William Karr marry here. LaVerna Starke to marry Leonard Pfoff in Colorado. SH grade school roommothers plan annual carnival. Bulcher delegation and commissioners discuss pavement. Sodality forms two groups, elects two sets officers; Carol Voth and Basil Reiter are prefects. S. H. journalism class visits Enterprise to observe National Newspaper Week. Marcella Hermes and William Zimmerer marry at Lindsay. Sister Padua, former teacher at Lindsay, dies of heart attack in Fredericksburg. Adolph Fuhrmann is recovering from serious illness and surgery.

October 21 — Al S. Greco, 24, MHS English teacher dies in car accident. Congressman Frank Ikard is guest speaker at Lions meeting. Nellie Burchfiel returns to MHS as temporary English teacher. William Thorton, retired Valley Creek farmer, dies. General drive for United Fund will begin next week. Laneri beats Tigers 25-6. Hornets take lead in loop race with win at Callisburg. City appropriates \$300 for Christmas street lights. Diocesan convention of NCCW is held in Dallas this week. Benedictine Sisters attend diocesan Institute. Polly Magee and Gene Pelzel marry. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fisher observe silver wedding anniversary. Father Cyril Lange's mother dies at Nazareth. Muenster school kids attend Dallas Fair on Rural Youth Day. Bulcher HD club elects Mrs. Bill Harrel president. Lions hear talk on Observer Corps. Mrs. Jim Cook and Mrs. Alfred Bayer have operations.

Oct. 28 — Work begins on new modern home for Farmers Store; is located at intersection of Highway 82 and Pecan St. Fire ripped early at Machine Shop does little damage. Parochial

### SO SORRY!

John K. Williamson, American author, has received the prize rejection slip of his writing career from a firm of Chinese publishers.

"We read your manuscripts with boundless delight," wrote the Chinese firm. "By the sacred ashes of our ancestors we swear that we have never dipped into a book of such overwhelming mastery. If we were to publish this book it would be impossible in the future to issue any book of a lower standard. As it is unthinkable that within the next ten thousand years we shall find its equal, we are, to our great regret, compelled to return this too-divine work and beg you a thousand times to forgive our action."

teachers have 400 meetings with parents of students in first parent-teacher consultations conducted at the school. Ferd Luttmer is owner-manager of new Sinclair station. Special church services will observe feast of Christ the King at Sacred Heart church. Lawrence Saye is new

English teacher at Muenster High. Tigers run wild for 52-0 win over Greenhill. Hornets crush Valley View 14-7. Funeral services are held at Pilot Point for Mrs. Margaret Zipper, 93. Cubs and Pee Wees tie in junior classic. Stage program and car-

One out of every twenty persons lives in New York City.

Nimbus clouds are the rain clouds.

### Greetings



May the season  
bring life's brightest  
ornaments—the Joy of  
Loving, the Fun of Giving.

### PALACE CAFE

Catherine, Katie, Kate, Hilda, Bernice, Carol, Dukie



Come let us  
adore Him...the Christ  
Child...who brought  
into this world a new  
spirit of Peace on  
Earth, Good Will  
toward Men...a spirit  
that shines brightly  
in our hearts today.

### GILBERT ENDRES

Earth Moving Contractor  
Muenster



### Holiday Wishes

The blessings of friendship and loyalty  
are the very essence of the Spirit of Christmas . . .  
and so, at this joyous and heartwarming season  
we want to wish all of our many friends the richest of life's  
treasures—peace, good health and happiness.

### Gainesville Sanitarium

Mrs. Mae Morris, Administrator

Best  
wishes  
for  
Christmas  
and  
the  
New Year



Waples Painter Company  
Gainesville

### What Do You Mean ... "Hard Work"?

Let's hope that none of the honey dealers read this, or the price of honey may go up. It seems that an English investigator has been learning how the busy little bee does its work,

and springs some startling statistics. A pound of honey contains 7,000 grains of sugar, which, he says, represent the concentrated sweetness of 62,000 clover blossoms, each of which comprises 60 florets. To obtain this amount of honey, the bee is obliged to make 2,700,000 visits to and from the flowers, covering a dis-

tance of approximately 5,000,000 miles. In the process of extracting the honey, he inserts his tiny proboscis into each separate floret, which means that he performs the operation 3,720,000 times to get enough nectar to make a pound of honey — and then he doesn't always get to

eat the honey! To Solomon's injunction, "Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise," may well be added this: "Observe the bee, thou whiner; compare thy labors with his, and cease complaining." Hard work! Most of us haven't learned what work is.

### News Review - - -

nival planned for MHS Halloween. Dorothy Wimmer and Joseph Elpers marry in Colorado. Celebration marks 50th anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. Lee Morris. Felderhoff brothers exhibit reserve champions at Hereford Show in Fort Worth. Mrs. J. M. Weinzapfel joins diocesan Third Order group on trip to Chicago to attend national convention of Franciscans. Marysville is without store first time since town started in 1869. Margaret Myrick and Rita Cain get nurses caps in Galveston. Full program will observe FHA week here.

double celebration. Albert Bezner, 83, Lindsay pioneer, dies. Herman Schmitz of Gainesville, formerly of Muenster, dies after long illness. Sanger Indians tie MHS Hornets 27-27. Tigers settle for 13-13 tie at Ryan. Tim Stormer loses big barn and contents in afternoon fire. Some 500 persons attend MHS Homecoming program; Glenn Hellman is elected first alumni president; Gretchen Hellman reigns as Homecoming Queen. F. E. Schmitz gets minor injuries in private plane crash at Dallas. West Texas soil engineers inspect local waterways.


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Nov. 4 — Community gives \$260 for cemetery fund in All Saints' Day collection. Contributions to United Fund are \$1,039 to date. Joaline Mollenkopf wins title of Tiger Queen; will reign at Sacred Heart High Homecoming. Hornets score 20-7 over Saint Jo; get permanent possession of golden horseshoe. Frank Klement has delicate eye surgery. Willard Zimmerer and Lawrence Dankesreiter end army service. Funeral is held here for infant daughter of Leo Hoedebecks. Four local 4-H clubbers win prizes on poultry at Dallas Fair. Ginger Wolf reigns as grid sweetheart at MHS. Mrs. Katie Reinart of Lindsay dies. SH Halloween carnival is successful benefit for school library. Joe Trachta is building new house on North Main location where he recently tore down a 50-year landmark.

Nov. 11 — Thomas Jetzelsberger and Charles Moster seriously hurt in car accident near Bowie; also hurt but less seriously are Dorothy and Joyce Duckworth of Gainesville. Gala Homecoming program awaits MHS ex-students. Hornet-Sanger game will feature homecoming. Local 4-H Clubs present Achievement Day program and displays. Teddy Gremminger is elected Sacred Heart Alumni president. Era takes lead in 10-B district race by defeating Hornets. Tigers beat Buckner. J. J. Haverkamp enters VA hospital at McKinney. Therese Hennigan to marry Nov. 26 in Albuquerque. St. Anne's Society ships hospital items to needy Hereford mission. Sacred Heart High melodrama gets cheers Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swingler observe 40th wedding anniversary. Miss Mary Klein, two nieces and one nephew, move here from New Jersey. Theresa Mae Spaeth and Mark Kuta marry at Lindsay.

Nov. 18 — Plans are shaping up for Christmas parade here Dec. 2. Messrs. and Mmes. Henry Fette and Gus Hellman observe golden wedding anniversaries at

## Christmas Greetings



**R & M  
Auto Service**  
Albert Rohmer  
Muenster

# Holiday Greetings

It is our sincere wish that your Holiday Season be enriched with all the blessings that belong to Christmas... that you find every happiness in the New Year ahead.

**MODE O' DAY**  
105 B E. Calif., Gainesville

## BEST WISHES FOR Christmas

Holiday happiness is our sincere wish for all. May your hopes be fulfilled... may your joy be deep and lasting.

**Hennigan Motor Company**  
Pat Hennigan, Muenster



# Greetings



For all our friends we wish this to be a season of significance. A holiday when peace mingles with merriment, love with good fellowship, good works with good will. And may the spirit of Christmas abide with you and those dear to you, now and always.

**North Texas Producers Association**  
MILK PRODUCTS PLANT MUESTER



*Best wishes for Christmas*

May this joyous Yuletide season bring to you and your loved ones an abundance of health, happiness and good fortune.

**Tractor Sales and Service**  
Your Home Town Ford Tractor Dealer

## News Review

Memorial service is conducted at S.H. cemetery by VFW Auxiliary to honor local war dead on Veterans Day. Alice Koelzer and Joseph Hermes are married here. Alfons Koeslers observe 45th wedding anniversary. Clubs, schools, business houses plan to enter decorated floats in first Christmas parade here. Congressman Ikard speaks at annual county 4-H awards program in Gainesville. Hornets and Tigers will end season at Alford and Windthorst. Emmet Fettes, visiting here from Arizona, are honored on 15th wedding anniversary.

Nov. 25 — Main Street gets Christmas look with 456 colored lights. Four bands and 40 floats

entered in Christmas parade. Thomas Jetzelsberger dies of injuries received in auto accident. Heart attack ends extended illness of Al Schad, 46. Free chest x-rays are available in Gainesville next week. Hornets close season with 41-7 win over Alford. Windthorst Trojans surprise Tigers with rally for 27-27 draw. Jim McCulley and Charles Felderhoff win Relax Sportsmanship trophies. Four Hornets named on district teams. Donald Endres and C. B. Fowler have new homes started. O. G. Rennels buys old Seyler Garage building and moves it to Myra. Christmas operetta with cast of 200 parochial grade students is slated for Dec. 18. Third Order of St. Francis holds reception ceremonies. 4-H Fair features Achievement Day at Lindsay.

Dec. 2 — City invites bid for construction of sewage plant. 50 units are expected in parade opening Christmas season. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hogan, married 50 years, honored at open house here in Richard Cain home. Mercury plunges to season low as norther blows in. Father Christopher and five young people go to Saint Louis for Youth Convention. Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kuhn buried at Lindsay. Banquet-program will honor K of C 25 year members. Mrs. Denis Walterscheid has major surgery. Marian Berend and Gilbert Yosten marry here. Helen Corcoran and Raymond Metzler say vows in Gainesville. Rachel Voth and Herbert Schmidkofer are united at Lindsay. Local kin attend funeral of Mrs. August Sprengel at Pilot Point. Post office urges early and proper Christmas mailing.

Dec. 9 — Big crowd sees big Christmas parade with Santa Claus, clowns, floats, bands. Hollywood lends a hand in Sacred Heart's Christmas operetta. Muenster donates ton of clothing in annual drive for world's needy. The former Stelzer Estate building is being torn down to make room for new Variety Store. New telephone directory lists numbers for Muenster, Myra and Forestburg. Bank directors okay annual dividend. Moves put six families in six different homes. Henry Grewing family moves to Valley View, Victor Engle family moves here from Myra. Saye takes over as MHS girls' basketball coach. Father Christopher is coach for SH Tigerettes this year. Saint Nick is here for annual visits and treats Tuesday. Father Louis Deuster is principal speaker at quarterly deanery meeting of NCCW in Denton. VFW Auxiliary members sign up as sky-watchers. Mrs. Victor Hartman is re-elected president of St. Anne's Society. Jeanette Fisher and Joe Galloway will marry here Dec. 26. Dinner party honors city workers. FFA names Wylie Lewis Corbin chapter sweetheart; FHA chooses Jean Wieler as chapter sweetheart. Bulcher

residents go to Austin to petition for pavement; promised more consideration on FM road next summer. District basketball schedule begins at MHS Jan. 3.

Dec. 16 — Parish sends 50 delegates to conference on Christian Doctrine in Fort Worth; Father Louis is one of the speakers. KC council honors 25-year members. Ed Endres is elected fire chief. Henry Jones of Forestburg dies in car crash near Odessa. M. S. Ramsey of Valley Creek dies. Cage season opens at both schools. Band to

give Christmas concert Dec. 22. Eight teams in both boys and girls division are entered in MHS holiday basketball tournament. Charles Moster enters Gainesville Sanitarium for skin graft surgery. John Haverkamp is dismissed from McKinney hospital. Mrs. Frank Seyler is honored on 76th birthday. CDA will give awards in poetry contest. Weldon Cowan is elected mayor of Nocona. Cooke County DHIA leads state in both butterfat and milk production. Local clubs have Christmas parties. Lindsay school presents Christmas play.

Labor to keep alive within celestial fire we know as con- your breast that little spark of science. —Washington.



**PEACE ON EARTH**

*May the infinite blessings of the first Christmas be yours to cherish now and always.*



**Bayer Brothers**

Arthur, Robert  
Ready Mix Concrete  
Muenster



Our heartfelt good wishes for this joyous season to all of our wonderful friends

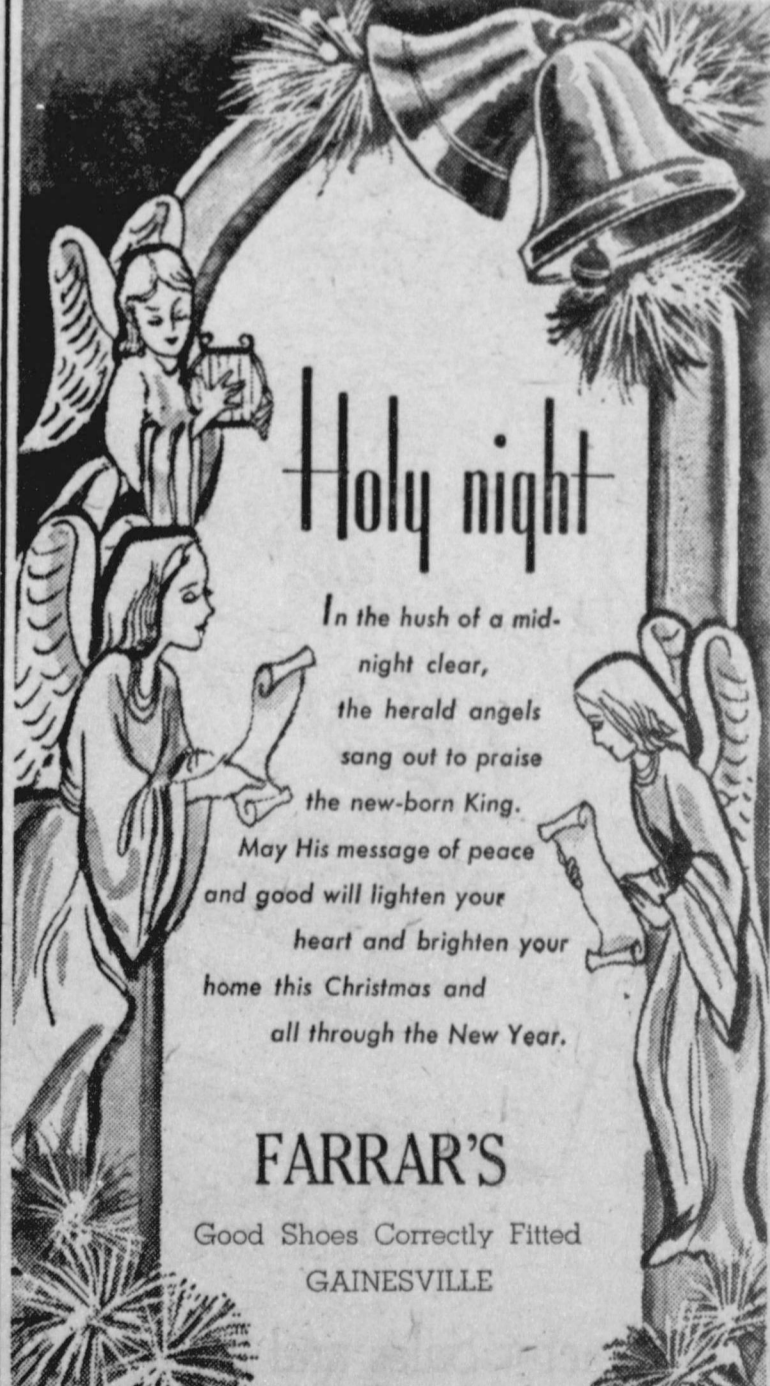
**RELAX THEATRE**  
George Letson Muenster



*Christmas Greetings*

*May the true spirit of Christmas dwell in your home and in your heart throughout the year.*

**Joe Walter Lumber Co., Inc.**  
Gainesville



**Holy night**

*In the hush of a mid-night clear, the herald angels sang out to praise the new-born King. May His message of peace and good will lighten your heart and brighten your home this Christmas and all through the New Year.*

**FARRAR'S**  
Good Shoes Correctly Fitted  
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**O, Holy Night**



**As you celebrate the Birthday of Him, who was born in Bethlehem upon the Holy Night of long ago, may the true spirit of Christmas surround you and your loved ones, lifting your hearts anew with its glorious promise of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."**

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