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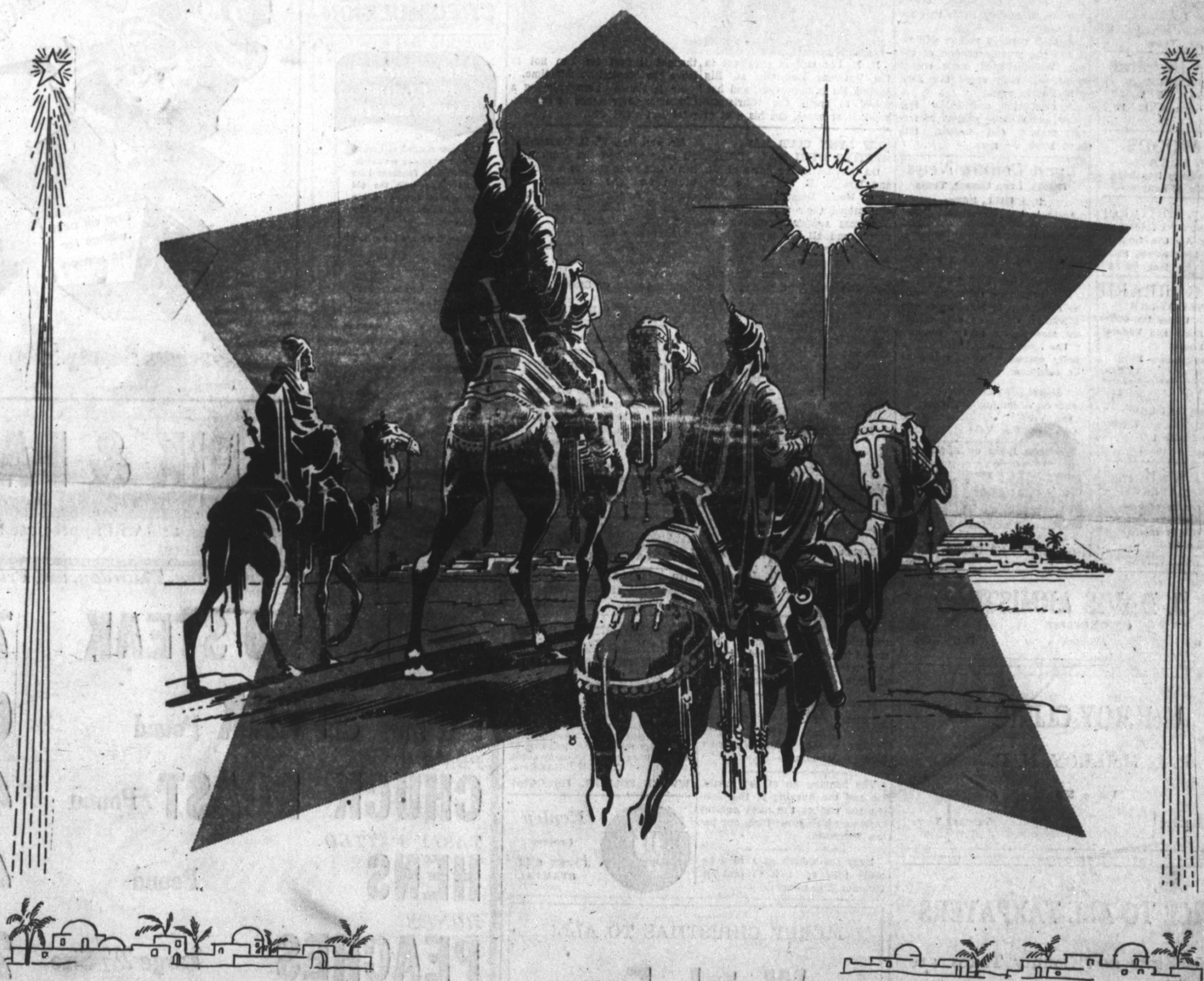
"I wholly disapprove of what you say but will defend to the death your right to say it." —Voltaire.

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CHRISTMAS



As the Wise Men followed the Star to the scene of the Savior's birth, may all of us be guided by the light of His spirit through all the days of our years. Let us, on Christmas, sing His praises in joyous carols and bow our heads humbly in a prayer of thanks for the eternal glory of His message.

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Tax Assessor-Collector,
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Soil Hard-Pan Top Problem

College Station, Dec. 22.—Soil compaction may rank with erosion as a factor limiting crop production someday, says Jack H. Barton, extension soil and water conservationist.

Land used for intensive cultivation and grazing is in greatest danger.

Compaction of the soil, says Barton, begins to limit crop production when the soil particles are pushed together so closely the movement of air and water through the soil is restricted. Plant roots upon reaching the compacted layer—or hard pan—begin to grow in a lateral direction.

Soil compaction is often associated with clay and clay loam soils. The conservationist says they also form in sandy and medium organic type soils.

"Best remedy for this condition is to work with nature and not against her," says Barton. He urges farmers to simplify tillage operations to decrease the number of trips over a field with heavy equipment. Avoid working or grazing fields that are too wet.

A good rotation system will increase the organic content of the soil. Well-fertilized, deep rooted crops will help crack the hard pan, Barton says.

A compacted soil holds less water and is more subject to erosion than a soil without this hard layer, he says.

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R. E. Lee still is a patient in the Veterans Hospital at Big Spring. He is improving, and had hoped to spend the Christmas holidays at home, but his doctors thought it best for him not to leave the hospital at this time. He is shown above enjoying a Christmas party staged at the hospital last week end.

NEW LYNN CLUB HAS MEETING WITH MRS. TERRY

On Dec. 20, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Terry, the New Lynn Home Demonstration Club entertained their families with a Christmas supper consisting of turkey and all the trimmings. Gifts were exchanged, and a party was enjoyed by all.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Newman Bartley and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Vaughn and Betty, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Stone and boys, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Mason and children, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Cawthron and Margaret, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Tilley, Mrs. James Smith and son, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Mueller and girls.

The next regular meeting will be Jan. 6 in the home of Mrs. C. O. McCleskey.

Congratulations:

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Allsup on the birth of a daughter weighing 7 pounds 3 ounces at 10:30 a. m. Monday in a Lubbock hospital.

Clayton (Icky) Carter, who is stationed at Alameda, Calif., is here visiting his wife, Lou Ann, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Carter.

In various central European countries the Christmas Crib, staged in a box, is carried through the streets by groups of singing children during Christmas time.

It is reputed that the first Christmas card, as we know it, was dispatched in 1845 by W. C. Dobson, one of Queen Victoria's favorite painters.

The hanging up of the mistletoe and the burning of the Yule log are two of the most ancient customs which come from our pagan ancestors.

Eggs are valued as a food because they are rich in proteins, vitamins and minerals.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Warren had all their children and families at home last week end for a reunion, except for one daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert (Alma Fay) Hale and children of Fort Collins, Colo. The other children are: Mrs. Lennie (Verdie Mae) Baker, Robert, and Billy Jack, all of Lubbock, Wayne of Knox City, and Mrs. Sid (Vasti) Pipkin of Clovis, N. M.

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Mrs. J. D. Noble, 78, formerly of the Dixie community, died at her home in Carrollton Thursday afternoon after an illness of about two years. She was the mother-in-law of J. L. Rumbo of Dixie.

Funeral services held at Carrollton Saturday were attended by her two local grandchildren, Dr. Noble Rumbo and Miss Sara Lou Rumbo.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble moved to Lynn county in 1928 from Carrollton, and lived on the farm at Dixie until 1941, when they moved back to Carrollton.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, Henry, Ralph, and Clifton, all of Carrollton; 11 grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren. Ralph and Clifton Noble lived with them when they were Lynn county residents.

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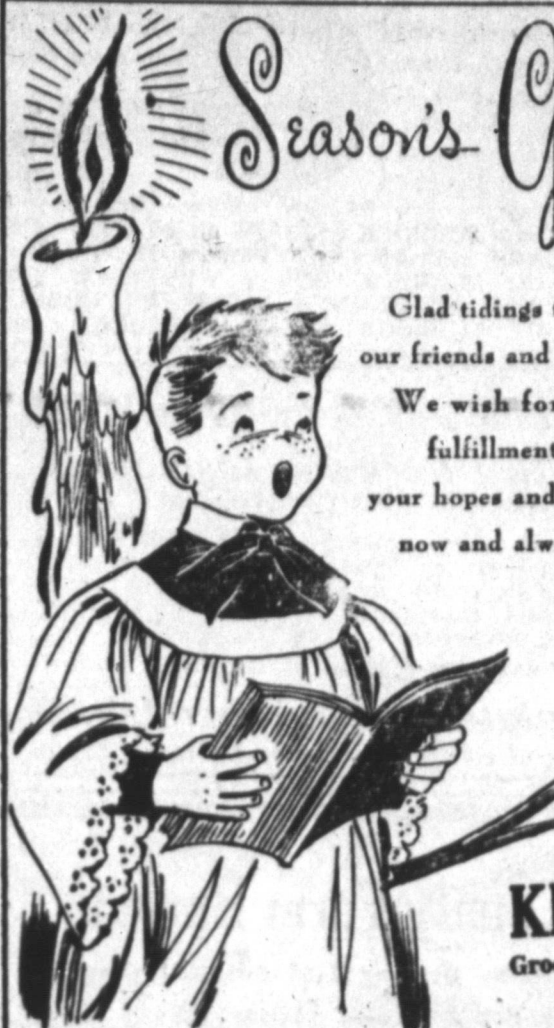
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A strange Christmas custom in Finland is the annual Christmas Eve steam bath taken by the entire family. After the bath every one is supposed to roll in the snow.

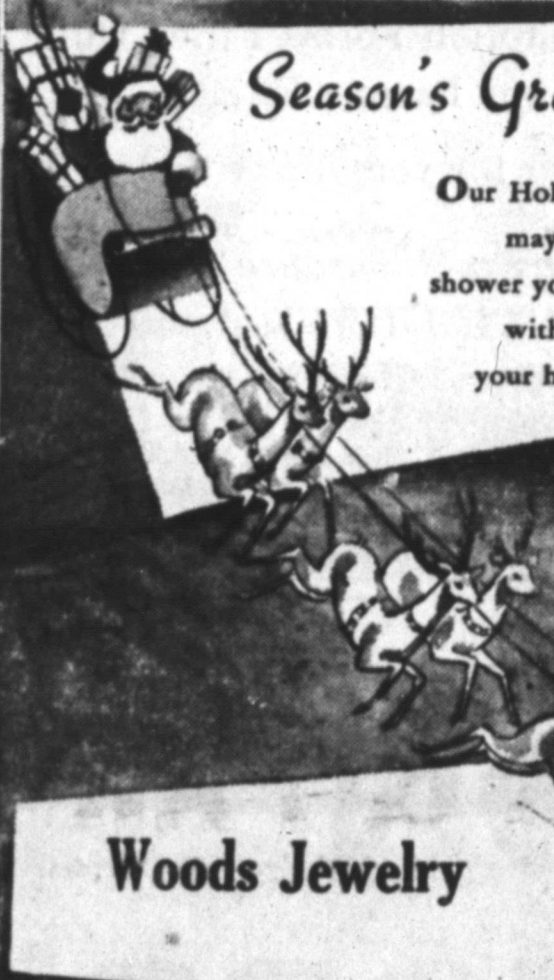
The street festivals of Italy and Spain had fire works at Christmastime. America now has illuminated community trees. In some places, fireworks still persist.



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HOPE FOR CHILDREN — Screen actress Greer Garson and 6-year-old Polly O'Neal of Post, Texas, will appear on motion picture screens in 600 Texas theatres during Christmas Week, December 25-31, in "Victory Springs." The film, designed to give hope and courage to the crippled children of Texas, is a feature of the 1954 Texas Theatres Crippled Children's Fund for Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation. Produced by Warner Bros. on the set of Miss Garson's forthcoming "Strange Lady in Town," the film is a joint effort of all phases of the motion picture industry for the Texas non-profit specialty hospital treating neuromuscular diseases and musculo skeletal disorders.

Post Girl Featured In Film At Rose Running All During Christmas Week

More than 550 Texas motion picture theatres will observe Christmas Week, December 25-31, by showing a special film designed to give hope and courage to crippled children of Texas. The Rose Theatre of Tahoka is among those theatres planning to participate in the fifth annual Texas Theatres Crippled Children's Fund for Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation.

The picture is "Victory Springs," starring beautiful Greer Garson. Directed by Mervyn Le Roy. It was produced at Warner Bros. on the set of Miss Garson's forthcoming "Strange Lady in Town."

Appearing in the film with the motion picture star is Polly O'Neal, 6-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar O'Neal of Post, Polly, stricken by polio in 1951, received treatment at Gonzales Warm Springs. Other of the physical medicine hospital's patients appearing in the film are 4-year-old Tommy Levitt, polio patient from Allison; Lucille Hada, 11-year-old cerebral palsy victim of San Marcos; Bill Mims, 18-year-old Midland youth under treatment for a paralyzing injury.

Scenes of the non-profit Texas institution and some of its treatment programs are included in the film in which Miss Garson reveals that more than 2,000 Texans have received treatment at Gonzales.

Opening and closing sound tracks feature the voices of the Denton Civic Boys Choir, under the direction of George Bragg. Then a capella choir, comprised of North Texas lads between 9 and 15 years of age, sing "Texas, Our Texas," official state song composed by William J. Marsh of Fort Worth. Several of the boys are, themselves, recovered victims of poliomyelitis.

Sponsored by the Texas Council of Motion Picture Organizations, the annual campaigns are joint efforts of every phase of the motion picture industry. William O'Donnell, vice president and

Basketball Schedule

Jan. 4. Levelland A and B boys here, 7:00 p. m.
Jan. 7. Girls at Sundown Tournament. A and B team boys at Denver City.

Jan. 14-15. Boys at Seagraves Tournament.

Jan. 18. Slaton at Tahoka, B boys, A girls, A boys, 6:00 p. m.

*Jan. 21. Tahoka at Abernathy, B boys, A girls, A boys, 6:00 p. m.

*Jan. 25. Post here, B boys, A girls, A boys, 6:00 p. m.

*Jan. 28. Tahoka at Spur, A Girls and A boys, 7:00 p. m.

Feb. 1. Tahoka at Levelland, A and B boys, 6:30 p. m.

*Feb. 4. Tahoka at Slaton, B boys, A girls, A boys, 6:00 p. m.

*Feb. 8. Abernathy at Tahoka, B boys, A girls, A boys, 6:00 p. m.

*Feb. 11. Tahoka at Post, B boys, A girls, A boys, 6:00 p. m.

*Feb. 15. Spur at Tahoka, A girls and A boys, 7:00 p. m.

* Conference 5-AA games.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Nordyke spent several days last week in Dallas and Fort Worth. In the former city Mrs. Nordyke underwent a medical check-up, and in Fort Worth they visited their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Faye) Kennedy, and little granddaughter, Connie.

Mrs. W. B. Slaton is reported improving steadily from a broken heel bone she received Sunday before last when she fell down a creek bank at the Donaldson ranch near Snyder. She is able to be up on crutches.

general manager of Trans Texas Theatres, and Lynn Smith, Gonzales Theatre operator, are co-chairmen of the 1954 drive.

Films of previous years, drive have starred Spencer Tracy, Joan Crawford and Gov. Allan Shivers.

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Miss Marietta Montgomery, who teaches in the Monahans schools is home to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Montgomery. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kiser of Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Travis Mason of Deering, Mo. are expected home this week end.

Mrs. Maxine Raindl and two children of San Antonio are coming up to spend Christmas here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Oliver.



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Sue Beth Cowan And Don Caraway Take Wedding Vows At New Home

Before an arch of holly and greenery, flanked by candleabra, Miss Sue Beth Cowan and Don Everett Caraway exchanged wedding vows at 7:00 o'clock Thursday night in the New Home Baptist Church.

Candles also marked the aisles to complete the church decorations.

The Rev. Robert Clements read the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Winston Davies of New Home. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Caraway of Tahoka.

Wedding music was provided by Miss Sylvia Edwards, organist, and soloists Boswell Edwards and Miss Peggy Hemmeline. Edwards sang "Because" and "The Wedding Prayer." Miss Hemmeline sang "Through the Years."

Given in marriage by her brother, Don Dee Cowan of Lubbock, the bride wore a waltz length dress of white moire faille, which was designed with stand-up neckline with a double inner-



bias forming a low v-neck with tiny self-covered buttons to the waist line, pushup sleeves in arm holes with drop shoulder curves, and a full skirt. Her headpiece was a jeweled hat with tiny veil. She carried a silver satin poinsettia with white stephanotis center-

BUY PIK AND PAK

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Autry are the new operators of Pik & Pak grocery, formerly operated by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Botkin. They took over the business Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Sharp of San Antonio will be here this week end to visit his mother, Mrs. Zella McCoy.

mounted on a white Bible.

Mrs. Charles Freeman of Crosbyton, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. She wore a princess style dress of red faille with a stand-up neckline, with three-quarter length sleeves. The skirt had eight self-pleats forming at fitted waist. Her bouquet was satin poinsettia with pom-pom center.

Mrs. Wayland Walton of Morton, sister of the bride, and Miss El Vayne Johnson of Lubbock, cousin of the bridegroom, were bridesmaids. Their costumes of Christmas-tree green were identical to that of the matron of honor, and they carried red satin poinsettias centered with white pom-poms.

Candlelighters were Mrs. Don Dee Cowan of Lubbock and Mrs. Jerry McNeely of New Home. Their dresses also were identical to that of the other attendants. Silver brocade slippers were worn over head bands with sprays of holly completed their costumes. Best man was J. W. Phillips of Tahoka, cousin of the bridegroom. Wayland Walton of Morton and Don Paris of Lubbock were ushers.

The Church parlor was the scene of the reception which followed the wedding. The bride's table was laid with a lace cloth over green and was centered with a white tiered cake. Green candles completed the setting.

In the house party were Miss Nita Fortenberry, Mrs. Carlton Davies, and Mrs. John Edwards all of New Home, and Miss Villa Jo Phillips of Tahoka.

The couple are at home in Tahoka after a brief wedding trip. For the trip, the bride wore a rust red and grey three-piece suit with grey and black accessories.

The bride is a graduate of New Home High School, and attended Baylor University this last semester.

The bridegroom, now engaged in farming, is a graduate of Tahoka High School.

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Mid-Week Service 8:00 p. m.
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Preaching Each Lord's Day 11 a. m. & 7 p. m.
Bible Study every Lord's Day 10:00 a. m.
Communion 11:00 a. m.
Ladies Bible Study Thursday 2:00 p. m.

Bulldogs Play In Tournament

Tahoka Bulldogs lost out in the second round of the Andrews basketball tournament last week end, but made a fine showing in a large field of top West Texas teams, and placed one boy on the all-tournament team.

Friday afternoon, Tahoka defeated Iraan 40 to 37. The Bulldogs played fine ball most of the way, and were ahead 40 to 28 at end of the third period. They went into a "freeze" during the fourth, at the same time got cold on their shots, and Iraan almost caught up.

In the second round, the Bulldogs met Alpine Saturday at 10 a. m., and lost 51 to 42 in a game that was much tighter than the score indicates. In fact, the game was tied 40-40 with four minutes to go, and Alpine led by only three points, 45 to 42 with a minute and a half to go. Huddleston fouled off when Alpine went into a freeze, and as Tahoka started pressing other fouls were committed in a desperate attempt to get possession of the ball, and Alpine went on to win 51 to 42.

Alpine was one of the better teams in the tournament, pushing a fine Andrews team very closely all the way before losing 61 to 51 for third place honors in the tournament. Odessa had eliminated Alpine 62 to 43 in a game that was also very close until the fourth quarter. Odessa then went on to win the tournament by defeating Lamesa 55 to 51.

Tahoka's Junior Pitts was named to the mythical all-tournament team along with boys from Alpine, Andrews, Odessa, Lamesa, Midland, and Pecos.

Coch Jake Jacobs was very well pleased with the performance of his boys in the tournament.

Tahoka boys and girls were meeting O'Donnell here Tuesday night as the News went to press with its Christmas edition.

Carl Williams and son, Fred Warren "Slick", went to Stephenville Tuesday for the funeral of Warren Williams, who died there Carl's sister-in-law, Mrs. Fred Sunday afternoon.



CHRISTMAS

Blessings of the season upon you and yours. May the Christmas Spirit bring you great joy.

Lemon Grocery

Christmas Show Free To Kiddies

Rose Theatre and Tahoka merchants are cooperating in the presentation of a free show at the theatre Friday, Dec. 24.

The show being presented is Randolph Scott in "Bounty Hunter."

Free tickets are available to any local business house listed in the show advertisement this week.

Mrs. J. A. South and daughter, Miss Mary Squires, are expecting Mr. and Mrs. Temple Brashear of Spur and son Billy of Abilene and "Lefty" Squires and daughter of Angleton home for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude James and Wayland Lee of New Home visited with her mother, Mrs. M. A. Inman, and her sister, Mrs. M. M. Shearer, at Ackerly Sunday.

Home Decorations Are Colorful

Although there was no home decoration contest this year, many Tahoka residences have up beautiful Christmas decorations.

Many citizens have been enjoying driving around town at night to view the decorated homes.

Some of the outstanding decorations are at the following homes: Reble Thomas, Perry Walker, Herman Heck, Lester Strech, Geno Jones, F. E. Redwine, A. M. Bray, Ivan McWhirter, Lewis Allsup, Ronald Sherrill, Irving Stewart, John Witt, Dr.

Skiles Thomas, Louis Botkin, Terry Noble, Clifton Hamilton, Ed Park, Dr. K. R. Durham, Garland Pehnington, and possibly many others.

The manger scene at the Methodist Church, and the large Christmas tree at the Fred McGinty's have been attracting special comment.

MIMEOGRAPH PAPER for sale at The News.



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NIBLETS, 12 OZ. CAN	
MEXICORN	19c

Libby Crushed
No 2 Can

25c

LIBBY'S NO. 2 CAN	
SLICED PINEAPPLE	32c
LIBBY, NO. 1/4 FLAT CAN	
SLICED PINEAPPLE	17c
DEL MONTE, NO. 303 CAN	
FRUIT COCKTAIL	25c
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SPICED PEACHES	45c
CAN	
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CAKE MIX	54c

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MARGARINE	29c
SUNSHINE HI-HO LB. BOX	
CRACKERS	38c

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46 Oz. CAN

25c

HUNT'S NEW WHOLE, NO. 300 CAN	
POTATOES	10c
LIBBY GARDEN, NO. 303 CAN	
VEGETABLES	19c
MARSHALL, NO. 2 CAN	
HCMINY	12c

LIBBY CUT, NO. 303 CAN	
GREEN BEANS	23c
PINT BOTTLE	
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DATES	19c

SNOWDRIFT

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3 Lb. Seald Can

77c

CURED HAMs

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Pound

59c

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PORK CHOPS	49c
KRAFT 2 LB. BOX	
VELVEETA	89c

PHILADELPHIA, 3 OZ. PKG.	
CREAM CHEESE	17c
PINT	
FRESH OYSTERS	98c

SLICED BACON

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59c

PINT BOTTLE	
WHITE KARO	23c
CURTISS, 10 OZ. PKG.	
MARSHMALLOWS	19c

HIPOLITE, PINT JAR	
MARSHMALLOW CREAM	25c
BAKER'S 4 OZ. BOX	
COCONUT	18c

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MINCEMEAT PIE	69c

Libby Frozen Green, 8 Oz.

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NORTHERN, 3 ROLLS	
TOILET TISSUE	27c
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PAPER NAPKINS	12 1/2c
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PAPER PLATES	49c

CRANBERRY
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No. 300 Can

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PAPER SHELL PECANS Pound 49c

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CALIF. NAVAL, POUND	
ORANGES	12 1/2c
TEXAS, POUND	
ORANGES	7 1/2c

CALIF. EACH	
AVACADOS	12 1/2c
FRESH, LARGE BUNCH	
GREEN ONIONS	7 1/2c

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schulz of Houston expect to spend the Christmas week end here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Kidwell, and Mrs. Charley Schulz.

Kenneth Reed, student in home for the Christmas holidays North Texas State at Denton, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Lillie Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd McCormick of New Home returned home Saturday from Ruidoso, N.M., to spend the Christmas holidays. Mr. McCormick has been at Ruidoso for his health and is much improved.

Bobby Paris underwent a tonsillectomy in a Lamesa hospital Friday of last week.



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Garden Club Has Pilgrimage

The month of December has been a busy time for the Garden Club. First the Christmas Bazaar made the club a nice sum of \$67.00.

The Christmas Tea on December 7, was in the pretty new Home Ec. Cottage. Ninety guests called to see the Christmas decorations on display. The house party was composed of the Flower Show Committee, Mmes. Ivan Cathcart, Luther Thomas, Emil Prohl, H. W. Carter, Roy Edwards and Beulah Applewhite. Sue Smith, Sue Sargent, Ann Reasonover and Martha Prohl presided at the tea table. Mrs. Ivan Cathcart registered the guests.

More than 70 members and guests attended the annual Christmas Pilgrimage Saturday night, December 18. They called at the John Witt home first, where they were greeted by Mr. and Mrs. Witt. Mrs. Calloway Huffaker registered the guests and gave them a guide book. Eight other homes were open—The homes of Irving Stewart, Perry Walker, Rebekah Thomas, Louie Weathers, Garland Pennington, Rev. Stewart, Home Ec. Cottage and Beulah Applewhite, where spiced tea was served.

The homes were all so different. Some of the decorations outstanding were the Witts' white tree with red poinsettia and silver pixies, the children's room at the Irving Stewarts', Perry Walker's green tree, the open fire and tree at Rebekah Thomas', carolers at the Weathers', the mantle at Penningtons', the red-nose reindeer and young girl at the Home Ec. Cottage, Rev. Stewart's Christmas card tree, and the tea table at Beulah Applewhite's. The table was covered with a green cloth. Red candles burned in a brass candelabra garlanded with ivy and holly. Small white cups with red letters to spell "Merry Xmas" were used as part of the arrangement. Susan Thomas, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Skiles Thomas, Jill Walker, Sharon Applewhite, and Linda Applewhite, grand daughters of Mrs. Beulah Applewhite, presided at the tea table.

The Garden Club will meet with Mrs. K. R. Durham Jan. 18, 1955. The program will be on soil conservation and daylilies.

Wilson News

MISS JUANITA MURRAY
Correspondent

Mrs. Nettie Richards of O'Donnell visited in the home of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Murray and daughter, and Mrs. W. J. Hancock.

The T. E. L. Class of the Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Pat Swann Thursday. There were about 13 members present. The members brought toys for the Baptist Nursery. Tommie Swann recited the Christmas Story and he and his sister Karen Sue sang Away in the Manger. The party was finished with refreshments.

The Wilson High School Girls' Basketball team played the Slaton girls Tuesday night at the Slaton High School Gym.

The Slaton team won by a margin of 2 points. The score at the end of the first quarter was Wilson 6, Slaton 11, at the end of the second, Wilson 17, Slaton 19, and in the third quarter Slaton led with 29-26. The fourth quarter was very close. Both teams were on. The game ended with 38 for Wilson and 40 for Slaton.

Thursday night the FHA girls had their annual Christmas Party in the Home Ec. Cottage.

Each class alternated in decorating and preparing the refreshments that were served.

All of the girls and Chapter Mothers that attended enjoyed the party very much.

A P. T. A. Banquet was held Friday night in the School Lunchroom. There were about 150 people present for the dinner. The proceeds from the dinner will go for equipment for the lunchroom.

Marvin Hagens left Wednesday to join Cordell, his brother, who is stationed at an air force base in Yuma, Ariz., and Marvin and Cordell arrived home Thursday. Cordell has a fifteen day leave.

Mr. and Mrs. Lavaughn "Seabiscuit" Caraway and daughter, Patricia, of Iredell, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Caraway, at Redwine. He is teaching at Iredell.

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Christmas Program At New Home

New Home Methodist and Baptist churches joined in presenting a beautiful candle-light Christmas service entitled "The Great Light," Sunday night.

The cast was composed of the following:

Organist Mrs. Raymond Daugherty; reader, Wanda Gill; child, Charlene Edwards; Young Woman, Rebecca Morrow; young man, Tommy Williams; mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Phifer; businessman, Carlton Davies; teacher, Mrs. Benny Pryor; Minister, R. L. Clements; Mary, Sarah Clements; Joseph, R. E. Overstreet; Wise Men, Larry Edwards, Gayland James, and Joe H. Raper; Shep-

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New Tax Forms Now Available

Quantities of income tax forms will be available at all offices of the Internal Revenue Service in the Dallas District early in December, District Director Ellis Campbell, Jr. said today. They countants, lawyers, and any others who may need their forms early. It was announced recently by the National Office in Washington that direct mailing of forms would not take place until after Christmas and might not be completed until mid-January.

The late mailing move was planned to avoid the loss which has been very heavy in past years when the forms were dis-

SENDS FIRST CHRISTMAS USO HAM-GRAM TO GI



During Christmas holidays "ham" radio operators are cooperating with USO, whose services are financed by United Defense Fund through Community Chest and United Fund drives, to enable parents to send greetings to GIs abroad. Here a mother visits New York's Times Square USO center and sends first USO Ham-gram to her son in Okinawa. GI watches USO hostess Ann Baker (TV's Corliss Archer) accept message for relay to distant "ham" operators.

patched at an early date to the nation's millions of taxpayers.

Mr. Campbell reminded taxpayers of the Dallas District that the forms for the calendar year 1954 are different from those of past years, as are the accompanying instruction booklets, new material having been added to each to clarify changes in the tax laws as well as questions which arose concerning various types of deductions and allowances. Persons desiring the new forms prior to their mail release may call for them beginning about December 8 at Internal Revenue Service Office at V. A. Bldg., 1600 Block on 19th Street, Lubbock, Texas.

SECOND SECTION

The Lynn County News

Tahoka, Texas, December 24, 1954

Practically Everyone Included In Social Security Starting January 1

(Editor's note: This is the first in a series of articles prepared for farm families by the Lubbock, Texas, District Office of the Social Security Administration.)

Farmers, farm workers, ranchers, ranch hands, cotton ginners and their employees, and most other folks who make their living from what might be termed agricultural enterprise, make up the largest single group added to the Social Security family by the 1954 Amendments.

Because of the size of this group, and because the weekly newspaper is an excellent source of information, this series of short articles on how the farm family is affected by the 1954 Amendments to the Social Security Act, has been prepared. Those who save this and following articles will have a ready reference source for most questions that may arise as to what actions are necessary by the self-employed farmer and his employees to comply with this compulsory coverage under the old-age and survivors insurance provisions of the Social Security Act. Accurate ac-

tions now can mean accurate and complete benefits within the framework of the law later; incorrect or incomplete actions at this time might mean loss of benefits otherwise due an individual and his family.

Mention will be made in later articles of the desire of your Social Security representatives that everyone know fully both his rights and his responsibilities under this Federal family insurance system, from which some 7 million persons are now receiving regular monthly checks based on the record of a retired or deceased individual who was insured by reason of his earnings record. This series, thanks to the cooperation of this newspaper, is one means of informing persons in this area. Writing or visiting your Social Security office is another. Asking for a free booklet on the subject or question that most directly affects you is still another. Following articles will deal with coverage provisions for the farmer and his employees, definitions of farm earnings, benefit provisions, things that

O'DONNELL C. of C. MINISTER RESIGNS

Raymond Copening, minister of the local Church of Christ for the past several years, recently resigned, moving to Lamesa last week with his family. A new minister has been called by the church from Bryson and will be on the field in the near future.

Mr. Copening and his family were well liked in the community and have many friends here.—O'Donnell Index Press.

Christmas giving in England dates from the reign of Henry VII when Christmas boxes and New Year gifts were a common enactment of royalty from their subjects.

Sometimes Christmas is written Xmas because "X" is the Greek equivalent of "ch" and stands for the word "Christ."

need to be done now, seasonal employees, the sharecropper and his standing as self-employed or employee, and eligibility for receiving monthly checks.

Although directed primarily to farm families, much of the information in this series as to eligibility for benefits, amounts of benefits, reporting requirements for the self-employed farmer, etc., will also be of interest to architects, engineers, and accountants. Readers with questions are urged to send them to the Social Security Administration, Room 202, Vet. Adm. Bldg., Lubbock, Texas.

MIMEOGRAPH PAPER for sale The News.

JOYOUS WISHES

May your home be bright and
your heart be light
with the Holiday spirit...
may you enjoy the fullest measure of
health and happiness
throughout the New Year!

CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY

Herman Renfro



Jean's Beauty Shop

Christmas Cheer



At this time we
extend warm wishes
to all our friends
and neighbors.
May your Holiday
be a merry one,
your joy complete.

Marshall-Brown Dept. Store



A sleigh-ful of
hearty good wishes to all
our neighbors! May
good health, good cheer
and good fellowship
be yours always!

Joe Sherrard Texaco Service
2300 Main Tahoka



SEASON'S GREETINGS

Good friends . . . gifts given and received . . . gay voices ringing
out — bells caroling "Merry Christmas" — These are the many
things that add up to the true and rich spirit of the holy day
— To all our friends, we say "The best of cheer for the holidays."



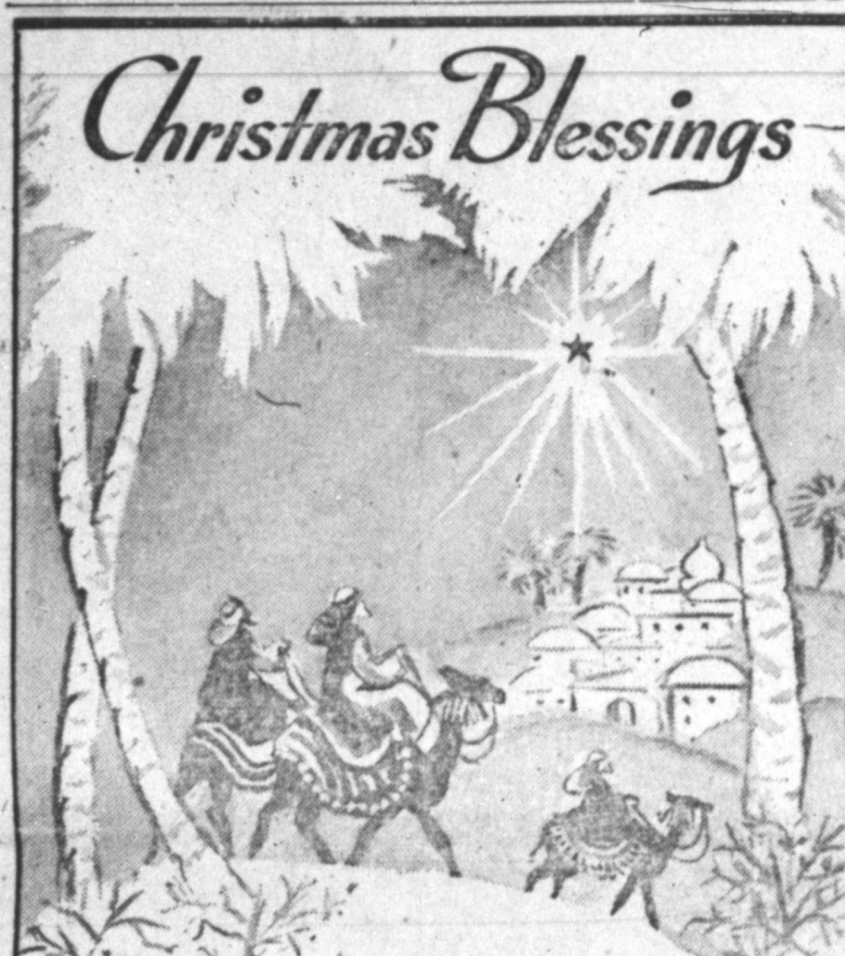
SOUTHWESTERN
PUBLIC SERVICE
COMPANY



Season's Greetings

May the light of the Holiday Season shine bright and long upon you and yours; and may its cheerful glow remain with you forever...

J. B. OLIVER and FAMILY



Christmas Blessings

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!

J. F. Toler Oil Co.



Greetings

May these be the gifts that Christmas will bring to you...

- the joy of happy memories
- the peace of real contentment
- and the happiness of a bright New Year

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WASHINGTON AND
"SMALL BUSINESS"
By C. WILSON HARDER

Hottest action in new Congress convening in January is expected to center in House Ways and Means Committee where all tax legislation must originate.

Due to recent elections Rep. Jere Cooper (D., Tenn.) is expected to place doubtful Rep. Daniel Reed (R., N. Y.) as chairman. However, Dan Reed, an aggressive, intrepid champion of individual freedom who was often a thorn in administration's side on tax C.W. Harder matters and with his successful battle to postpone opening doors to flood of cheap tariff free foreign goods, is expected to remain on committee.

But Rep. Dingell (D., Mich.) ranking democrat on committee announces he will introduce bill on first day of Congress to cut individual income taxes, and repeal tax cut on dividends passed in last session.

To be sure, a general tax cut for everyone has wide emotional appeal that could be reflected in next election.

But, far deeper issue is involved than political expediency.

In several nationwide membership polls National Federation of Independent Business voted overwhelmingly in favor of tax relief on dividends in belief risk capital must be encouraged to provide expanding employment. It was also realized that small, medium and huge corporations would all benefit, but independent business was opposed to any discrimination in this matter.

However, by same token Federation membership also voted

overwhelmingly for tax relief for millions of individually, or partnership owned enterprises which provide substantial employment, so that they, too, could expand. The goose that lays the golden eggs of employment should be encouraged whether goose is owned by stockholders or an individual.

But for some obscure reason, perhaps backgrounds of cabinet members, administration chose to almost entirely support measures applicable to corporate enterprises, largely ignoring fact same philosophy should apply to non-corporate enterprises.

Thus administration's "half-a-loaf" approach to a basic economic concept has made it possible for cry poor are being soaked while rich benefit. This is but a half truth, but history's course has often been altered by half truths whelped by uncorrected "half-a-loaf" measures.

But in present situation, administration has opportunity rarely offered, during deliberations of Ways and Means committee, to correct great injustice done to non-corporate businesses comprising about 90% of nation's 4,000,000 independent enterprises that supply majority of American jobs. But just as it is a guess whether this injustice against small business and the American economy was perpetrated by oversight, or intent, so stand administration will take is likewise matter of conjecture.

Of course, in meantime, events could occur to make possible sweeping tax cuts for all.

That would be success of Gov. J. Bracken Lee of Utah in getting declared illegal foreign give-away programs which have sapped, continue to sap, American economic vitality during this generation and for generations to come.

Jessie Fisher Is At Lackland Air Base

Lackland, situated near San Antonio, is the site of Air Force basic military training for men and women, headquarters of the Human Resource Research Center, and home of the USAF Officer Military School.

His basic military training is preparing him for entrance into Air Force technical training and for assignment in specialized work. The course includes a scientific evaluation of his aptitude and inclination for following a particular vocation and career.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Wilson, Texas
"The Church of the Lutheran Hour"

Sunday School and Bible Class 9:30 a. m.
Divine Service 10:15 a. m.
Walter League, second and fourth Sundays

See The Classified Ads

\$2,000 Received For Aid of Local Polio Patients

A check for \$2,000.00 from March of Dimes headquarters in New York was received here today by the Lynn County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Clint Walker, chairman of the chapter, said the check would help pay the costs of care already provided for polio patients at home or in our local hospitals. "Our community," he added, "is deeply grateful to everyone whose contribution to the Emergency March of Dimes last August now makes it possible for us to pay our most pressing bills."

For several months only token or partial advances were made to chapters requesting March of Dimes emergency aid. This was because headquarters funds were exhausted in paying the heavy costs of patient care while undertaking the new costs of initiating a polio prevention program, Mr. Walker explained.

As a result of last summer's emergency drive some communities are now able to finance their own patient aid programs, and national headquarters resources have been replenished sufficiently to provide short-term assistance to hard-pressed communities.

A driver's willingness to take care of others separates the men from the boys.

Slow down at sundown unless you want to lie down in a marble carchard.

Give death a holiday on your next trip.

There he goes! Driving his family to the hospital.



Greetings

Wharton Motor Co.

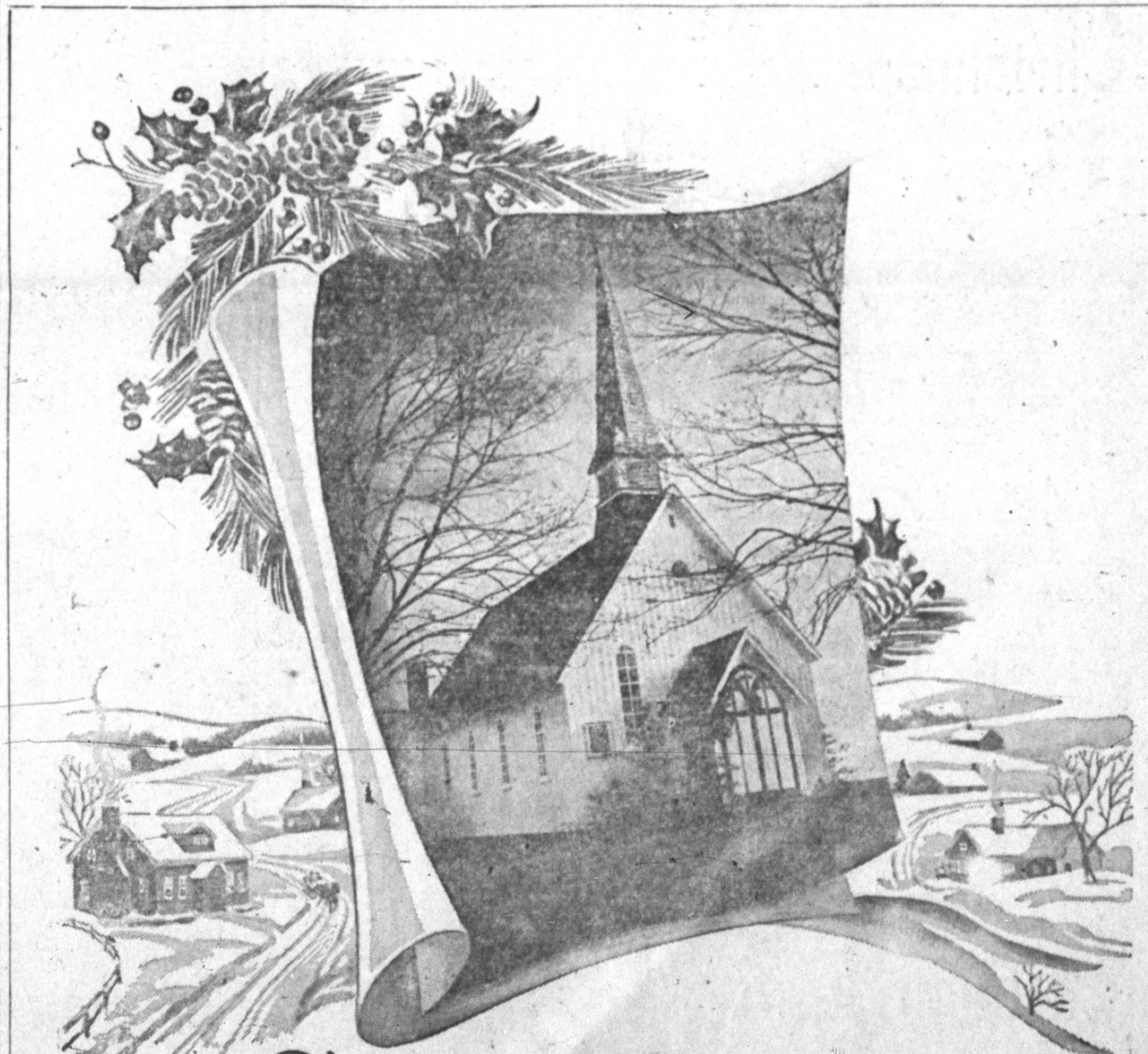


VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

May your rosiest dreams of Christmas all come true and may you and yours enjoy the happiest New Year ever.

C. C. DONALDSON
COTTON INSURANCE

It's cheaper to hold out your hand than stick out your neck.



Season's Greetings

As we approach the season that symbolizes peace and good will, we recall with gratitude the friendships we have made in the years that have passed. May this greeting serve to carry the wish that your Christmas be joyous and the New Year hold all that you desire.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK
of Tahoka, Texas

"Those who labor in the earth are the chosen people of God, if ever He had a chosen people, whose breasts He has made His peculiar deposit for substantial and genuine virtue."—Thomas Jefferson.

Let's stop kidding ourselves—Speed is the common denominator of all traffic accidents.

We need one more State Institution—An asylum for high-speed artists.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

As you journey through the coming year, we wish you and your loved ones a full measure of all the very best things in life. Merry Christmas!

White Auto Store



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.

Tahoka-Post National Farm Loan Association
Ross Smith

Soil And Water Expenditures May Now Be Charged off on Tax

College Station, Dec. 22.—Cash outlays for soil and water conservation can be charged as farm expense—rather than farm capital—under recent changes in the Internal Revenue Code, making them income tax deductible.

A host of land and water improvements are included in the change, says C. H. Bates, extension farm management specialist, who urges farmers to check further into the new ruling. Costs of soil and water improvements are not deductible in excess of 25 percent of the gross farm income during the taxable year.

The remaining cost may be taken from the income in succeeding years at the rate of no more than 25 percent of gross earnings for each year. Amounts carried forward may go without limit until used up, Bates explains.

The specialist points to the phrase in the code "on land used in farming". He explains the ruling covers only land used by a taxpayer or his tenant, either before or at the time of the improvement for the production of crops, fruits or other agricultural products or for the raising of livestock.

The ruling covers costs of treatment or moving of earth, including leveling, grading and terracing, and contour farming; the construction, control and protection and diversion of channels, drainage ditches, earthen dams, water courses, outlets and ponds; the eradication of brush; and the planting of windbreaks.

Cost for purchase, construction, installation or improvement of structures, appliances or facilities, however, which are subject to regular depreciation may not be taken as ordinary expense.

Farmers may use this "deduct" system in their 1954 returns (or in the first taxable year in which such work is done) without special permission.

He says farmers interested in the ruling can obtain further information from the nearest office of the Internal Revenue Service.

Take it easy, Bud, Heaven ain't crowded.

TAHOKA CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Invites you to come worship in the friendly, spiritual Church on the corner of North First and Sanders.

Services
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
N. Y. P. S. 7:00 p. m.
Evening Services 7:45 p. m.
Prayer and Praise,
Wednesday 7:00 p. m.

You will receive a hearty welcome that will make you feel at home.

RAY SMITH, Pastor

Jerry Aldridge Will Marry Joe Brooks

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Aldridge announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jerry, to Joe Brooks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neely Brooks.

The wedding ceremony will take place in the First Baptist Church of Tahoka on January 23 at 4:00 p. m. The Rev. Glen Jackson, uncle of the groom, will officiate at the double ring ceremony.

All relatives and friends of both families have a cordial invitation to the wedding.

"At the awful day of judgment, the discrimination of the good from the wicked, is not made by the criterion of sects or of dogmas, but by one which constitutes the daily employment and the greatest end of Agriculture. The judge upon this occasion has by anticipation pronounced, that to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and give drink to the thirsty are the passports to future happiness; and the divine intelligence which selected an Agricultural state as a paradise for its first favorites, has here again prescribed the Agricultural virtues as the means for the admission of their posterity into heaven."—John Taylor, 1813.

"When our fore-fathers settled here, they entered a Land which probably never had been ploughed since the Creation; the Land being new they depended upon the natural Fertility of the Ground, which served their purpose very well, and when they had worn out one piece they cleared another, without any concern to amend their Land, except a little helped by the Fold and Cart-dung, whereas in England they would think a Man a bad Husband, if he should pretend to sow Wheat without any Dressing."—Jared Elliot, in a letter written in the Eighteenth Century.

"Of all pursuits from which it accrues, nothing is superior to agriculture, nothing more productive, nothing more enjoyable, nothing more worthy of a free Man."—Cicero.

The Spirit of Christmas

In all the hustle-bustle of our happy Holiday preparations, let us never forget the true spirit of Christmas, so beautifully

expressed in those carols of beloved memory.

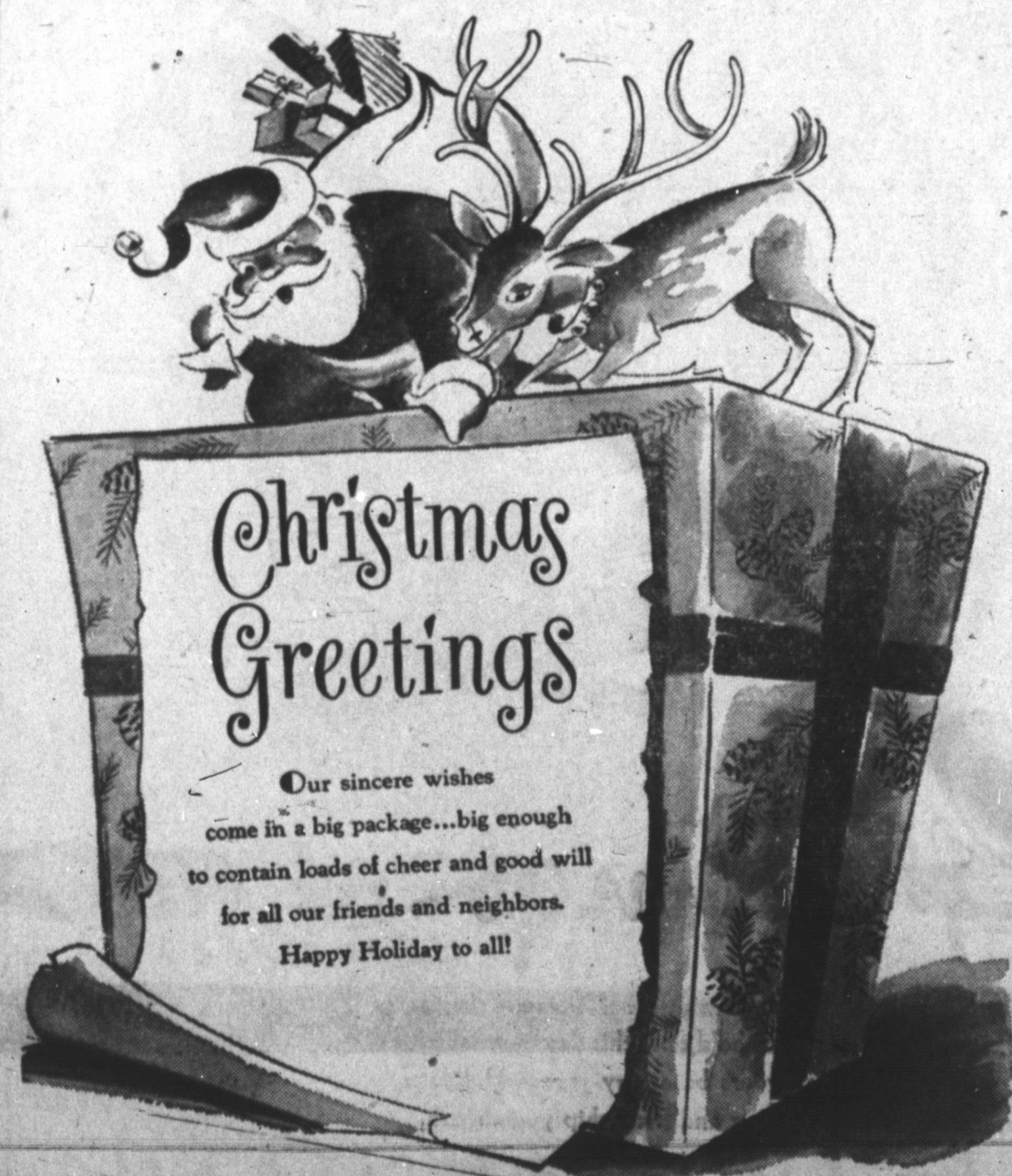
Let us dedicate ourselves to the ideal of which the Angel sang: "Peace on Earth, Good Will toward Men."

FARMERS CO-OP. ASSN. NO. 1
Gin and Service Station

With best wishes for the Holiday Season

May this Christmas be one of resounding joy and good cheer for you and all those dear to you... and may your Holiday happiness continue through every day of the New Year.

J. K. Applewhite Co.



Christmas Greetings

Our sincere wishes come in a big package...big enough to contain loads of cheer and good will for all our friends and neighbors.

Happy Holiday to all!

Wheatley Buick Co.

ODDS AND ENDS

(BY E. I. THE ELDER)

While this column is being prepared considerably in advance of the day on which it will appear in print, which is scheduled to be December 22 when only three days will remain until the dawn of Christmas morning. I am therefore making this Column for this week as appropriate for the Christmas season as possible.

I have in one of my book cases the finest and most enjoyable little book on the Holy Land and contiguous countries and lands further east that I have ever read. It is entitled "Living Where Jesus Lived" and it was written by a Dallas Woman, Emma Jewell Ross, and was published in 1941 by the MacMillan Company of New York, copyrighted, but newspaper men and other reviewers are given the privilege of quoting from it and commenting on its contents. I am informed that it is now out of print. I do not know why, for a splendid little book like that, written with so much clarity and charm, ought to have a place in every Church or Sunday School library.

In her preface to the book, Miss Ross says: I used Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick's book, A Pilgrimage

to Palestine, with my Bible all the time I was in the Holy Land. Since Dr. Fosdick has never been popular with Southern Baptists and since Miss Ross's book was published in New York, and never by any Southern Baptist Publishing House so far as I know, that may account for the fact that the book has had so little publicity in the South. It contains nothing, however, that could justly be regarded as offensive to any Southerner, and I wish therefore it were in every church library in the South as well as in the North, for as I said, I regard it a very instructive and charming little book for children and young people and older folks alike.

One of the chapters in this book is entitled: A Walk To Bethlehem—The City of Bread. Since we would not have room for more than half this chapter in the Column in any one week, I am going to use the last half of the chapter this week as being the most appropriate for Christmas and I may be compelled to condense that a little. So now I quote Miss Ross.

David and Jesus were both born

in Bethlehem, one thousand years apart, and were of the same tribe and family. Bethlehem has become sacred to all the world because it was the birth-place of Jesus. The best authorities say that the Church of the Nativity stands on or near the place where Jesus was born. It was built A. D. 330 by the Emperor Constantine and became, in the fifth century, the home of Saint Jerome, who here translated the Old Testament from the Hebrew. The "Stable" or grotto is under the church, and is reached by a winding staircase going down into a cave about forty-five feet long, twelve feet wide, and ten feet high, with marble walls and floor, over which is the inscription, "Here was born Jesus of the Virgin Mary."

It was a quiet peaceful starlight night on one of those rocky hillsides near Bethlehem more than nineteen hundred years ago, that there were "shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone around about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, 'Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, good will toward men.'" (Luke 2:8-14).

There is not a word said in the Scripture connecting the birth of Jesus with a barn or stable. That legend has grown up in our western world, for we have imagined a barn or stable when we read the babe was laid in a manger. One must know how the homes of Palestine are built to understand the story of the Nativity. The idea that Mary and Joseph, when they found that the inn was full, found refuge in a stable is unthinkable to one who knows the East and the hospitality of the people. The people do just as we do in small towns in America when we are having a convention or meeting: many people are brought to the town and the town people open their homes to these guests. It is easy to believe that Mary and Joseph, when they found the inn was full, were invited into a home. It too may have been crowded with other guests. Of the Three Wise Men, the Gospel relates that when they came to the house, they saw the young child with Mary, his Mother. (Matt. 2:11.)

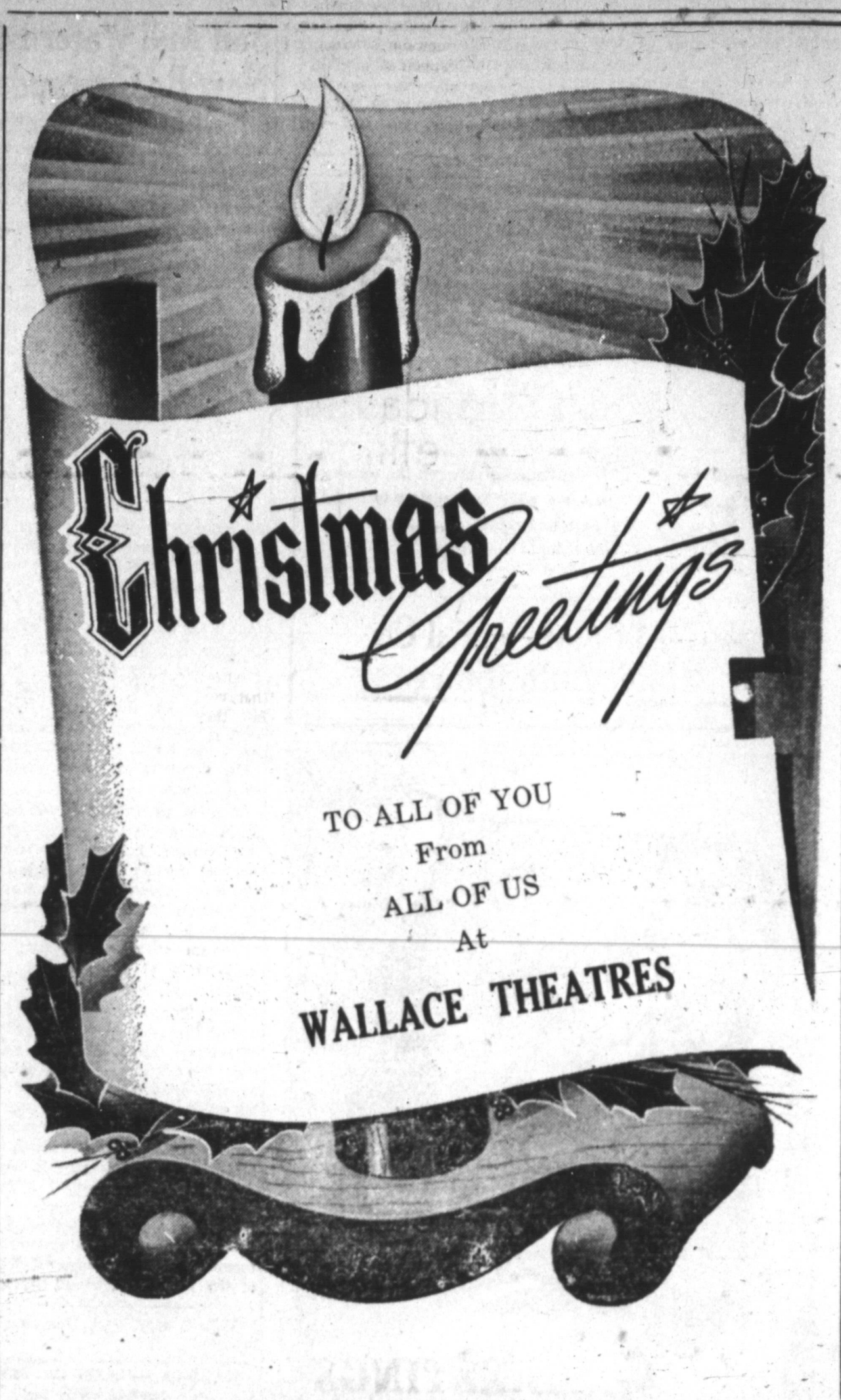
Many village homes in Palestine have one large square room made of square stones, the walls of which are from three to four

feet thick; the room is from nine to fourteen yards square, and generally the same height. About half of the space is devoted to a raised platform called a "Lewan," a sort of mezzanine floor, which is from five to eight feet above the ground, and is reached by a flight of steep narrow steps. The upper part is occupied by the family while the lower part is used for the cattle and flocks of sheep, and the space underneath the platform is used for the fowls and for the grass, hay, fuel, and other things.

The stable portion of the house has stone mangers, arranged along the wall, to which people tie the plough oxen, milch cow, donkey, or camel. The mangers are often white-washed and are kept very clean. The entire stable is kept much cleaner than the average stable in America and it is cleaned at least once each day if not oftener.

The family usually sit around the door of the stable to do their work, so it is not an exception but an every-day occurrence for the stable and mangers to be used by the family and their friends. It is cooler in the summer and the light is better in the winter for the upper apartment has, as a rule, only a couple of small windows with iron bars high up from the ground. On one side is an open fireplace, which sometimes has a chimney; along the side of the wall are the bins or large jars, which contain the wheat, barley, dried figs, grape molasses, and other foods, while in the corner is the cupboard where the bedding is kept during the day. Many of these dwelling places are built on the side of a hill over a cave, and the cave is used for part of the stable. Such a cave is shown as the birthplace of Jesus in the Church of the Nativity.

Now I believe that Miss Ross, or perhaps I should say Mrs. Ross—for I think that I noted something in her book somewhere that would indicate that she is a married woman—I think Mrs. Ross has been led into a few minor errors herself respecting the Wise Men and their visit to Jerusalem and Bethlehem. Most of the alleged information which scholars have gathered about them is mere tradition, which is interesting but not authoritative. I hope to be able to include something more about them in this Column some time soon but I am not going to (Cont'd. On Next Page.)



Christmas Greetings

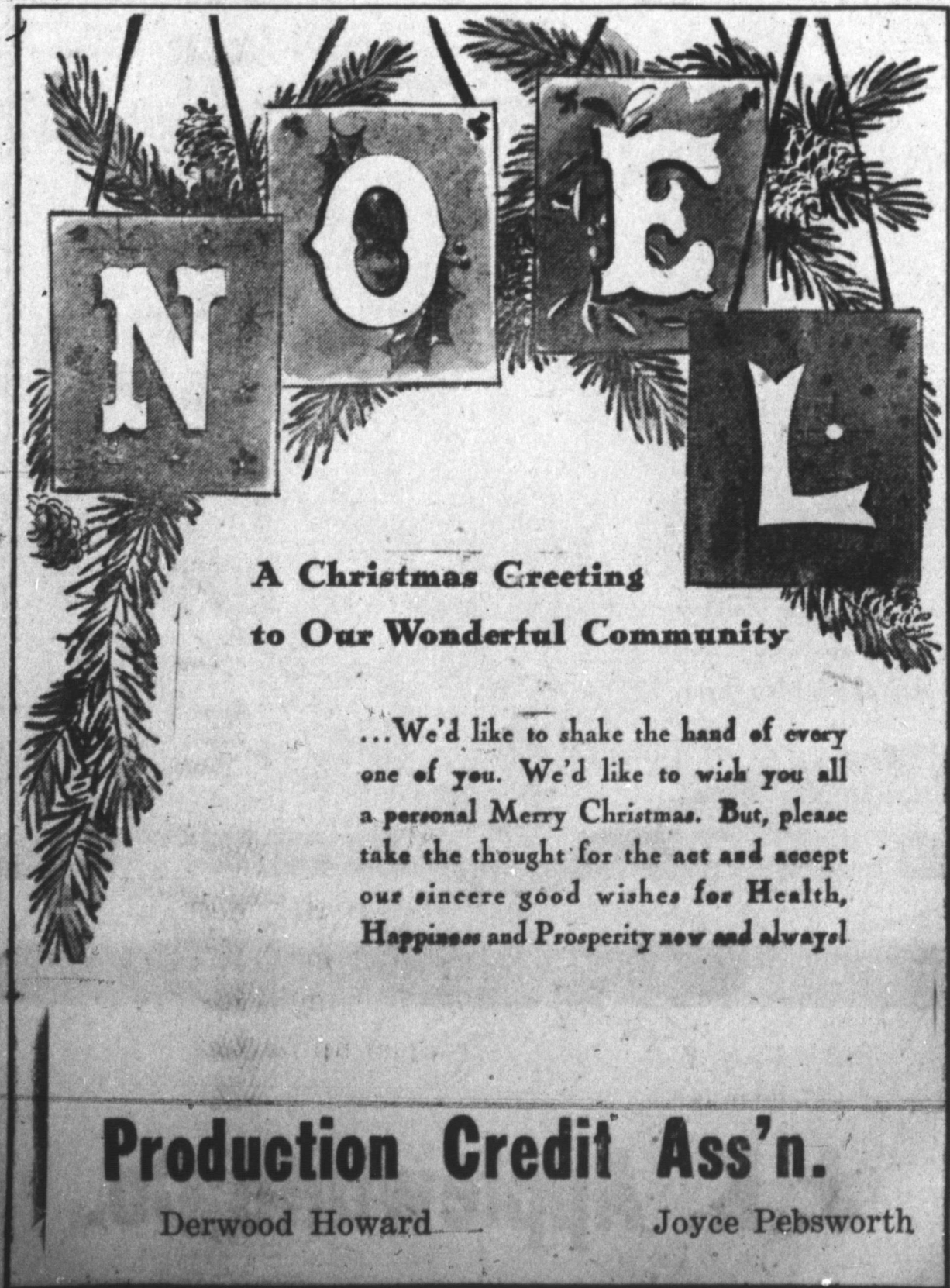
TO ALL OF YOU
From
ALL OF US
At
WALLACE THEATRES



Merry Christmas

and
good
wishes
for
a
happy
holiday
season

QUALITY CLEANERS
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**A Christmas Greeting
to Our Wonderful Community**

...We'd like to shake the hand of every one of you. We'd like to wish you all a personal Merry Christmas. But, please take the thought for the act and accept our sincere good wishes for Health, Happiness and Prosperity now and always!

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Greetings

Whatever else might be lost among the years, let us keep Christmas. Let us hold close this day, remembering family and friends. May yours be a very joyous Holiday, surrounded by all whose love and friendship you cherish.

Tahoka Cooperative Gin

Odds & Ends

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hem now. So, again we quote. Today the new-born babe—in Pale tine is wrapped in swaddling clothes, just as was the baby ter now. I prefer to let Mrs. Ross J sus. A small shirt is the only proceed with her story of Bethle- real garment put on. Then strips



McCord Butane & Oil Co.
TAHOKA, TEXAS



GREETINGS

At this joyous Christmas season... we extend to everybody our heartfelt wishes for a happy holiday, a prosperous New Year.

Higgintotham Bartlett Co.



Merry Christmas

May the joyous spirit of Christmas come to dwell in your home during this glorious season and remain to brighten your life throughout the New Year...

Robinson Ready To Wear

The Lynn County News, Tahoka, Texas

December 24, 1954

of cloth, three or four inches wide, and several feet long, are wound around the child. The little arms are carefully placed down by the side, the little legs are straightened out and the whole body is wrapped from toe to neck. Babies are kept swaddled from four to six months. This is also the custom of some American Indians.

The shepherds will watch their flocks on those rocky hill-sides, (this Christmas season) just as they did on that starry night centuries ago. It matters not in what direction you go, you see flocks of sheep and goats. I can understand why Christ mentioned the sheep and shepherd so much in his teachings. The twenty-third Psalm is simply the picture of a day in the life of a Judean shepherd. Sheep are mentioned in the Bible more than three hundred times.

Many of the sheep are the flat-tailed variety, with tails of fat hanging down like aprons behind them. Often the tail is eight inches wide and weighs fifteen pounds. It is said that this variety of sheep is especially good for that country, for if the pastures fail, these sheep can go for days without food, living on the fat that is stored in their tails.

The sheep-fold is a circular stone wall with thorn bushes on top. These bushes are kept in position by stones laid upon them. A shepherd, when asked how he closed the opening at night which let the sheep into the circular stone-fold, answered quite simply, "I am the door," meaning that he wrapped himself in his cloak and lay all night across the entrance.

Jesus said unto them... "I am the door; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. (John 10:9).

Often several shepherds will have their flocks all together in a fold for the night; while each shepherd takes his turn at watching. When morning comes and they start for the pastures, one wonders how they will separate their flocks. It is no trouble at all, each shepherd starts off calling his sheep, and they follow. Jess said, "When he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him; for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow but will flee from him; for they know not the voice of strangers. . . . I am the good shepherd and know my sheep and am known of mine." (John 10:4, 5-14.)

A good shepherd never drives his sheep. He either follows them or leads them, usually playing a little reed flute.

Amos the prophet said, "I was no prophet, neither was I a prophet's son; . . . And the Lord took me as I followed the flock, and the Lord said unto me,

Go, Prophesy unto my people Israel." Amos 7:14, 15.

I knew a shepherd lad in Jerusalem, Hasan by name, who would often come in with his sheep through St. Stephen's Gate as I was returning home at evening just at sunset. He always followed his flock, for each one knew where it belonged.

Many families in Jerusalem keep one or two sheep, and the shepherd boy whom I knew had charge of a flock of twenty of these sheep. He charged the owner a small fee for taking them to pasture and bringing them back at sunset.

Goats as well as sheep are kept within the city, and taken to pasture each day. Some of the goats produce excellent milk, some as much as three quarts a day. The milkman of Jerusalem drives his herd of goats up the street, stops, and milks the goat while the customer waits. If one goat does not give enough milk to fill the order, he catches another, and the customer's bucket is filled. Do not think this is not sanitary for many of the milg goats wear cloth sacks over their milk bags, held in place by a strap across their backs.

And now, folks, let's hurry back to Bethlehem, for Joseph and Mary have already come up from Nazareth and gone, on out to Bethlehem, and we have heard from the lips of that consecrated mother in Israel, Elizabeth, cousin of Mary, how that Mary is soon to become the mother of Christ the Savior of our people, and the days have now been fulfilled when the Christ should be born. Let's hurry back out to Bethlehem immediately.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, unto Judea, unto the city of David; which is called Bethlehem. (Because he was of the house and lineage of David) to be taxed with Mary, his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was that while they were (Cont'd. On Back Page)

Good fortune in '55

As the New Year scenes unfold, we hope they picture the "tops" in good fortune and good health for you and your family. May each coming season be laden with joy and delight... each day be filled with peace and contentment. We wish to extend our very best wishes for the New Year to all of our friends and patrons.

John Witt Butane Gas Co.



Merry Christmas

As the sandman sends tousle-headed tikes off to Dreamland, Santa takes over! Softly and swiftly he moves through the night, working his magic in every home, in every heart... bringing joy and laughter! May our best wishes go along all wrapped up in the Wonder of Christmas!

R. W. FENTON, JR., INSURANCE AGENCY



Greetings

from
all of us
here...to all of
you everywhere...
our best wishes for
a wonderful Christmas.

BENNETT'S VARIETY

Letters to Santa:

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a cooking set, candy, and a tiny tears doll. Please don't forget the other boys and girls, and don't forget my mother, daddy, and sister. My sister is 13. I am seven. I want a toy typewriter. With love,
Cherri Lee Norman, Grassland.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a can-can slip and some candy. Don't forget the other boys and girls. Please don't forget my brother, mother and daddy. I am, with love,
Karen Law, Grassland.

Dear Santa:
Please bring my little brother a tractor and car. Bring me a BB gun, bicycle, and some candy, apples and nuts. Don't forget the other boys and girls. Don't forget mother and daddy. With love,
Emery Wall, Grassland.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a bicycle and some candy. Don't forget the other boys and girls. Please don't forget my little sister and little brother. With love,
Turman Walters, Grassland.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a BB gun and a football suit, candy, apples, oranges and nuts. Don't forget the other boys and girls. Please don't forget Jill and Joy and mother and daddy. I am 6 years old. With love,
Jack Edwards, Grassland.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll, a can-can slip, and doll set. Please don't forget my little brother and sister. Don't forget the other boys and girls. Please bring us some candy, apples, oranges, and nuts. With love,
Glenda Richey, Grassland.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a can-can slip, and bring me some oranges, apples, candy and nuts. Don't forget the other boys and girls. Don't forget my mother and my daddy, my brother and sister, too. Goodbye, Goodbye, and Merry Christmas! I am ten years old. With love,
Mary Arizola, Grassland.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a bicycle and some candy, apples, oranges, and nuts. Don't forget the other boys and girls. Please don't forget my little sister and my grandfather and my mother and grandmother. I love you, Santa Claus. I wish you could bring me a bicycle and don't forget and bring my little sister a doll set. I am 11 years old. Goodbye, Santa Claus. With love,
Jimmy Arizola, Grassland.

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Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a BB gun and a football suit. Do you love Christmas? Please bring my little brother a teddy bear. I hope you have a good time on Christmas. Santa Claus. Don't forget the other boys and girls. I am eight years old. With love,
Dana Keese, Grassland.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a bicycle, some candy, apples, oranges and nuts. Please bring me a BB gun. Don't forget my sister and brother. Don't forget my mother and father. Don't forget the other boys and girls. With love,
Archie Arizola, Grassland.

Dear Santa:
I am in the third grade. Please bring me a sending and receiving set, football suit, cowboy suit, Roy Rogers guns, and a cow town. Lone Ranger rifle, candy, apples, oranges, nuts. Don't forget the boys and girls. I am 9 years old. With love,
Wade—Grassland.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a BB gun and a tractor. Please bring my sister a teddy bear. Don't forget the other boy, my brother, my daddy, my mother. Please bring me a football, bicycle, airplane and candy, apples, oranges, nuts. I am 9 years old. Goodbye. Love,
Sammy Arizola, Grassland.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a bicycle, BB gun, candy, apples, oranges and nuts. I'll be good to you. Please give my brother a tractor, and my little sister wants a big doll, and don't forget my mother and daddy. Please and please give my little baby a tractor. Goodbye, Santa Claus. With love,
Domingo—Grassland.

"Whatever may be said to the contrary, all soils certainly suffer some degree of deterioration by long, unremitting tillage. When divested of that clothing with which nature always defends it if undisturbed, and when turned up naked to abide the forces of the blast, the happy medium of consistence is deranged, its best particles carried away in torrents, and it is left a feeble skeleton, possessing only the faint semblance of departed fertility."—Solomon Drom, 1824.

Next Time Try The Classifieds.



Greetings

Once again it's the time of the year for Joy and Merriment, and we wish to take a moment to extend to all our friends our very best wishes for a Holiday Season full of good cheer and happy times.

CARMACK GIN



Greetings

Warmer than ever
And Merrier too
Are these sincere wishes
We're sending to you
A Joyous Christmas A Happy New Year.

W. S. (Skip) TAYLOR
Lynn County Abstract Co.



Blessings at Christmas

The spirit of that first Christmas is the most precious gift of all. May it abide with you and yours now and always.

TAHOKA IMPLEMENT CO.
J. D. (Doug) Finley



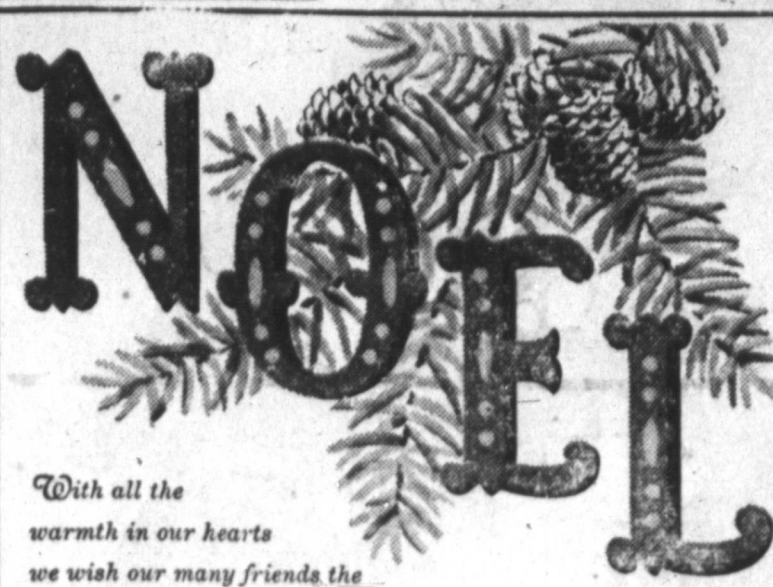
The Season's Best Wishes

Stanley-Jones Funeral Home

Entomologists of the USDA have developed new, effective insecticidal baits for controlling insect-resistant flies as well as the urban-type houseflies and blowflies.

Cash outlets for soil and water conservation can be charged as farm expenses—rather than farm capital—under recent changes in the Internal Revenue Code, making them income tax deductible. Information on the changes may be obtained from Internal Revenue representatives.

Speed up your mind and slow down your car.



With all the warmth in our hearts we wish our many friends the very happiest of Holiday Seasons.

The House of Flowers

ANITA JOE BOB



Greetings

The Christmas Season is with us again and we wish to take the opportunity it offers us to greet our many friends, and convey to them our sincere message of "Merry Christmas—Happy New Year!"

Paul Pittman
Call Service Station

Texas 4-H'ers Win High Honors

FOUR Texas 4-H Club members have been awarded State honors in the National 4-H Achievement, Frozen Foods and Field Crops award programs.



Obie Bradford, Elvera Duerksen, Dorothy Borchardt, Pat Shepard

The 4-H Achievement award for the State of Texas has been received by Obie Dee Bradford, 18, of Winters, and Elvera Duerksen, 17, of Plainview, for superior records.

Obie Dee and Elvera each received from the Ford Motor Co., a set of two miniature statues symbolizing achievement.

Selection is based on over-all project accomplishment, production records, and club and community activity. The 4-H achievement award is one of the highest honors bestowed on club boys and girls.

Obie has been in 4-H work for 10 years, and has carried six different types of projects. He made 355 exhibits and 12 demonstrations and gave 16 talks. He has been president of local and county clubs and junior leader for four years. He has won 267 ribbons, 21 medals, the Santa Fe trip to Chicago, and four trophies.

Elvera has completed 50 projects in her eight years of 4-H work. She has been president four times of the club led by Mrs. Elma Ellis, also president, secretary and treasurer of the County Council and a committee member in district and state groups. She has given 85 exhibits, 39 demonstrations and 25 4-H talks.

A \$50 U. S. Savings Bond was presented to Dorothy Nell Borchardt, 18, Orange Grove, when she was singled out for State honors in the 4-H Frozen Foods program for club boys and girls. The bond was provided by the International Harvester Co.

In qualifying for State honors, she learned skills in preparing and packaging foods, how to use freezing equipment economically and the types of goods best adapted to freezing. Through frozen foods project, she brought about a considerable savings in

All these programs are conducted under the direction of the Cooperative Extension Service.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlise Edwards of New Home expected to leave during the Christmas holidays to visit relatives in California. Among others, they will visit her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. McCord, in Sacramento. The M. E. McCords are old time Lynn county citizens who formerly lived near Central Church.

Livestock feeds and hays in 1953 are expected to cost Texas farmers about the same as this year. Hay supplies for the nation are above last year but hay is scarce in the Southwest.

The Texas Farm and Ranch Committee urges rural Texans to make the holiday season a safe one. Drive as if your life depends on your road manners... it

COURT HOUSE CLOSED

Lynn county court house offices will be closed both Christmas Eve and Christmas day, Dec. 24 and 25, Judge W. M. Mathis states. Business will be taken up as usual Monday morning.

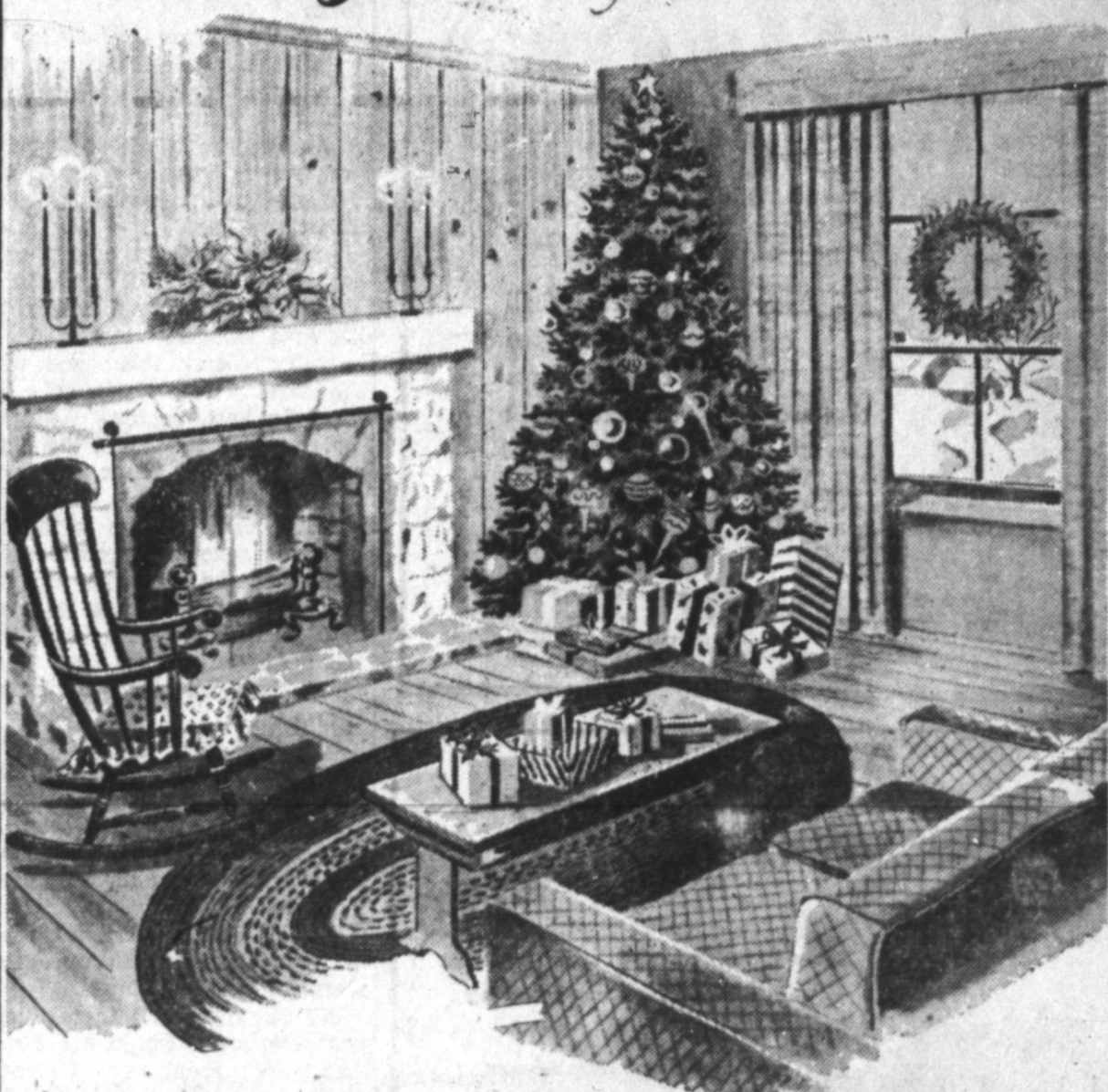
The Lynn County News, Tahoka, Texas

December 24, 1954

In the story about the Aubrey Smith farm last week, the News said Mrs. Essie Ashcraft was one of those identifying the place. This should have been Mrs. S. C. Ashcraft, of course. Essie and S. C. sound something alike over the telephone, and our reporter, without thinking too much, was responsible for the error.

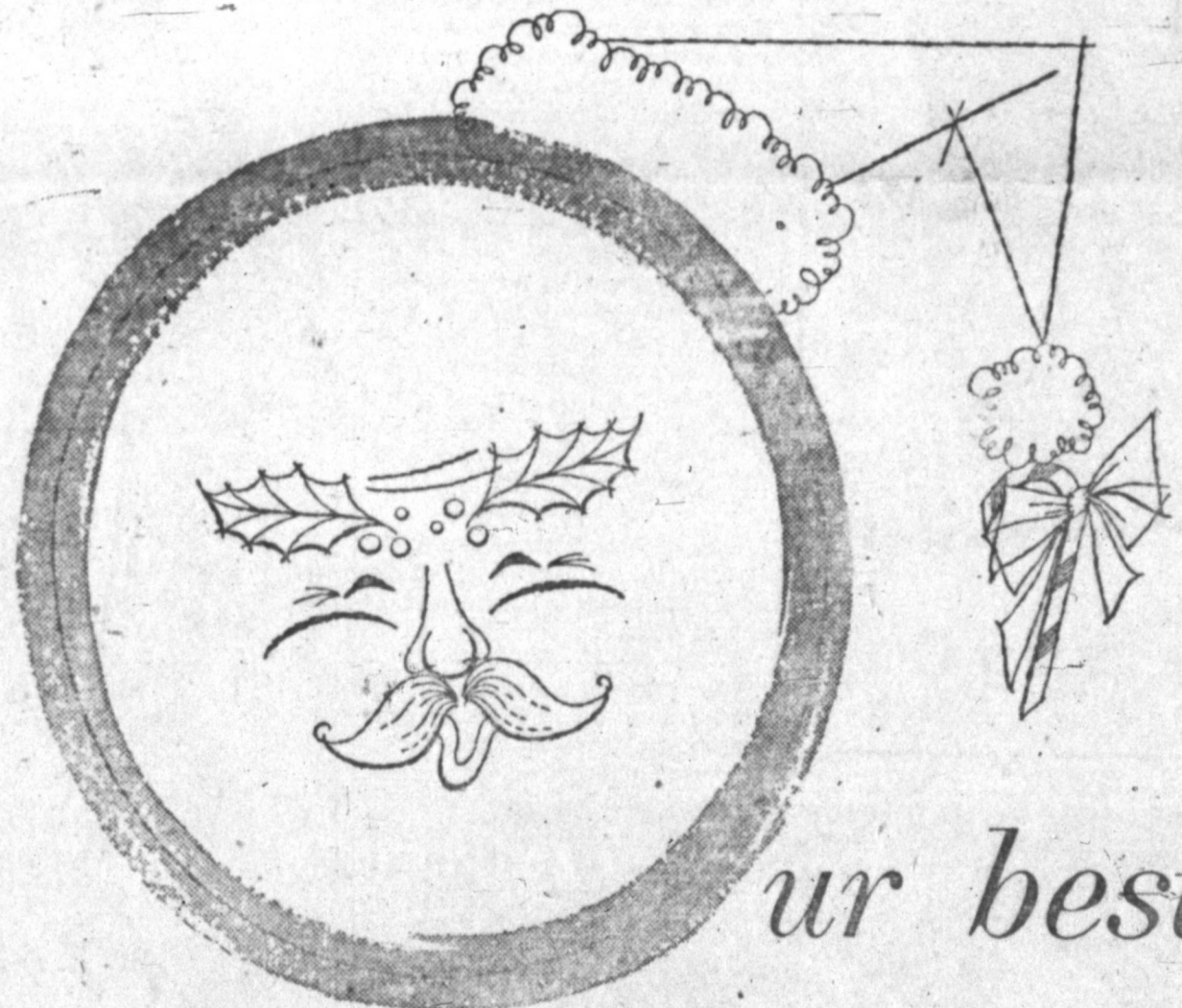
Season's Greetings

...including our warmest greetings to all our friends!



D. W. GAIGNAT

WAREHOUSE FURNITURE IMPLEMENTS



our best wishes to all of you...

for a happy Holiday Season with many, many thanks for your friendship and patronage.

BRA Y CHEVROLET CO.



CLUB CAFE

Cleedia, Cleo, and Wanda

May the spirit of Peace and Good Will that came into the world with Him on that first Christmas, abide with you and those dear to you, now and always...

GREETINGS



Odds & Ends

(Continued)

there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; for there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds, abiding in the field, and keeping watch over their flocks by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them; and the glory of the Lord shone round about them;

And they were sore afraid; And the angel said unto them: Fear not; for Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people; for, unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you: You shall find the babe, wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord has made known unto us.

And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And all that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them."

Note: Mrs. Ross did not quote from this second chapter of Luke as fully as I have. I quoted from it so fully because it is so appropriate for the approaching Christmas season—and certainly one of the most beautiful stories in all the Bible, not only at Christmas but also on any day of the year.

TOO BUSY

There is no time in the year when newspaper people are busier than they are just before Christmas. I have not found the time to send out Christmas cards, not even to my kinfolks. So here is wishing all my friends and relatives a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.—E. I. Hill, the Senior Editor.

Legend has it that before the Crucifixion the berries of Christmas Holly were white instead of red as now.

The Christmas wreath represents the crown of thorns and the berries the drops of blood.

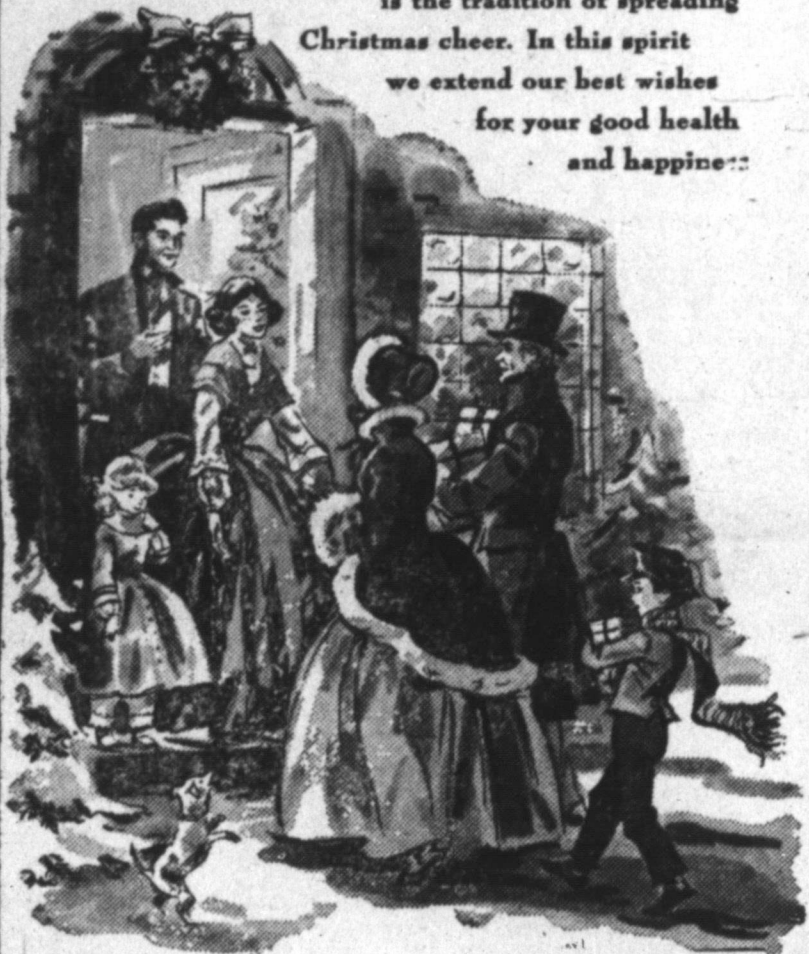


May every glittering ball on your Christmas tree reflect the happiness that we wish you throughout the Holiday Season.

Modern Beauty Shop
DOROTHY and SUE

Joyous Christmas Wishes

Age-old yet ever-new is the tradition of spreading Christmas cheer. In this spirit we extend our best wishes for your good health and happiness.



Shamburger-Gee Lumber Co.
Herman Daryl



Hark in your heart to the message proclaimed by the Herald Angels of the First Christmas. The promise of Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men was then... and still remains... the one best hope of all mankind. May it guide and sustain you... now and always.

UNION COMPRESS & WAREHOUSE CO.

MERRY Christmas

The Yuletide Season

brings with it so many happy things... glad hearted greetings, good fellowship, family reunions and a deep feeling of contentment. May all of these joys be yours this Christmas.



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Season's GREETINGS

*** May time turn backward in its flight... and make you a child again just for a night... as Santa bows in with a sack full of gifts and a wealth of good wishes from all of us to all of you.

Lyntegar Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.

"Owned and Operated by Those We Serve"

Floydada Man Rotary Speaker

Dr. Earl Allen, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Floydada, was the guest speaker at Tahoka Rotary Club Thursday noon of last week using the subject "Rotary Fellowship in a World A-fraid."

He was introduced by Rev. Clifford Harris, local First Baptist pastor.

President A. M. Bray announced that the Tahoka Club now is 100 percent in the Rotary Foundation, which means the club has contributed \$10.00 per member to the organization.

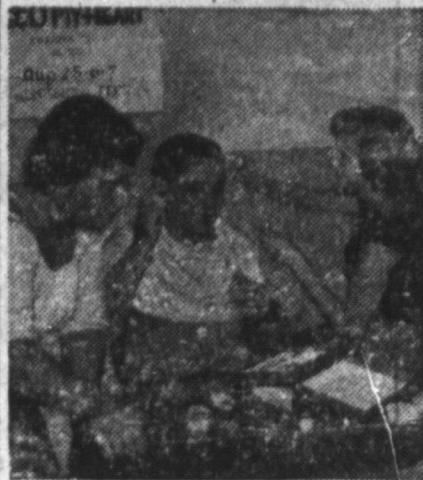
Rotary Foundation, sponsored by Rotary International, was established for the purpose of promoting exchange students and thereby better international understanding among the countries of the world. Each year, one outstanding young person from every district in the 80 nations in which Rotary operates is sent to some other country to attend a leading university, to become better acquainted with that country, and to promote better relations with his home country.

Last year, this district sent Miss Flozelle Jones of Sweetwater to England for a year's graduate study. She reported to the Tahoka club a few weeks ago on her experiences in that country.

There are Scandinavian, French and ancient Egyptian legends which claim to have given the Christmas tree to the world. The first authentic mention of a Christmas tree is of one in Strasburg, Germany, 1605.

Christmas south of the equator falls in midsummer. The decorations are fresh flowers and the goodies often are fruit taken direct from the trees.

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This serviceman is working with community drama group. Morale of GIs is helped by participation in local leisure-time programs in arts, crafts, and other activities, sponsored by defense services of National Recreation Association. NRA is financed by United Defense Fund through Community Chest and United Fund drives.

Capacity Crowd For Pageant

The school auditorium was filled to capacity Friday night for the musical pageant, "Christmas Around The World," presented by the Elementary School Choir and the North Elementary School. Nearly two hundred children took part in the affair.

While the choir sang songs representative of various nations of the world, other students portrayed dress and customs of each nation.

The pageant was written and produced by Mrs. Harold Green.

Laying hens need plenty of fresh air but chilling drafts can cause trouble. Ventilate the laying house to prevent cross-ventilation.

Crowd Welcomes Old Santa Here

A large crowd was in town Saturday afternoon to welcome Santa Claus and hear a short Christmas concert by the Tahoka High School band.

Santa distributed free candy to the kiddies, who seemed to get a big kick out of the occasion.

The band concert was cut a little short because of disagreeable weather and because of the fact that a number of band members could not participate in the concert.

The event was arranged by the Chamber of Commerce.

Carl Henry McMillan Home From Navy

Carl Henry McMillan arrived home Friday from Norfolk, Va., having received his discharge from the U. S. Navy after serving three years and 10 months. His wife, Joyce, had come here about three weeks ago from Norfolk. Joyce is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Andrews, of California, formerly of Tahoka.

During his service, Carl Henry spent much of the time on the ocean and aboard a cruiser in the Atlantic, Mediterranean, and Indian oceans.

Before entering the service, Carl Henry was employed by The News.

He and his wife expect to make their home in Tahoka, and again he will be associated with The News.

The smartest thing in new suits this year is a courteous driver.

Try The News Classified Ads.

Colorado Blue Spruce, the Black Hill Spruce are the most perfect trees for use as Christmas trees.

In rural Norway the women bake a year's supply of bread at Christmas time and store it in mouse-proof rooms.

"The throwing out of balance of the resources of nature throws out of balance also the lives of men."—Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Get wise, youse guys! Nobody cares how fast you made the trip. He was just dying to see how fast he could drive.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

At this cheery time of year...we wish everybody

a good, old-fashioned Merry Christmas, replete with

all the joy and contentment of a Happy Holiday.

Wynne Collier - Druggist

The REXALL Store



Peace on earth

Joy to the world through a new spirit of Peace and Good Will...this was the message of the first Christmas. May that spirit be rekindled in your heart today...and brighten your life with a deep and abiding happiness.

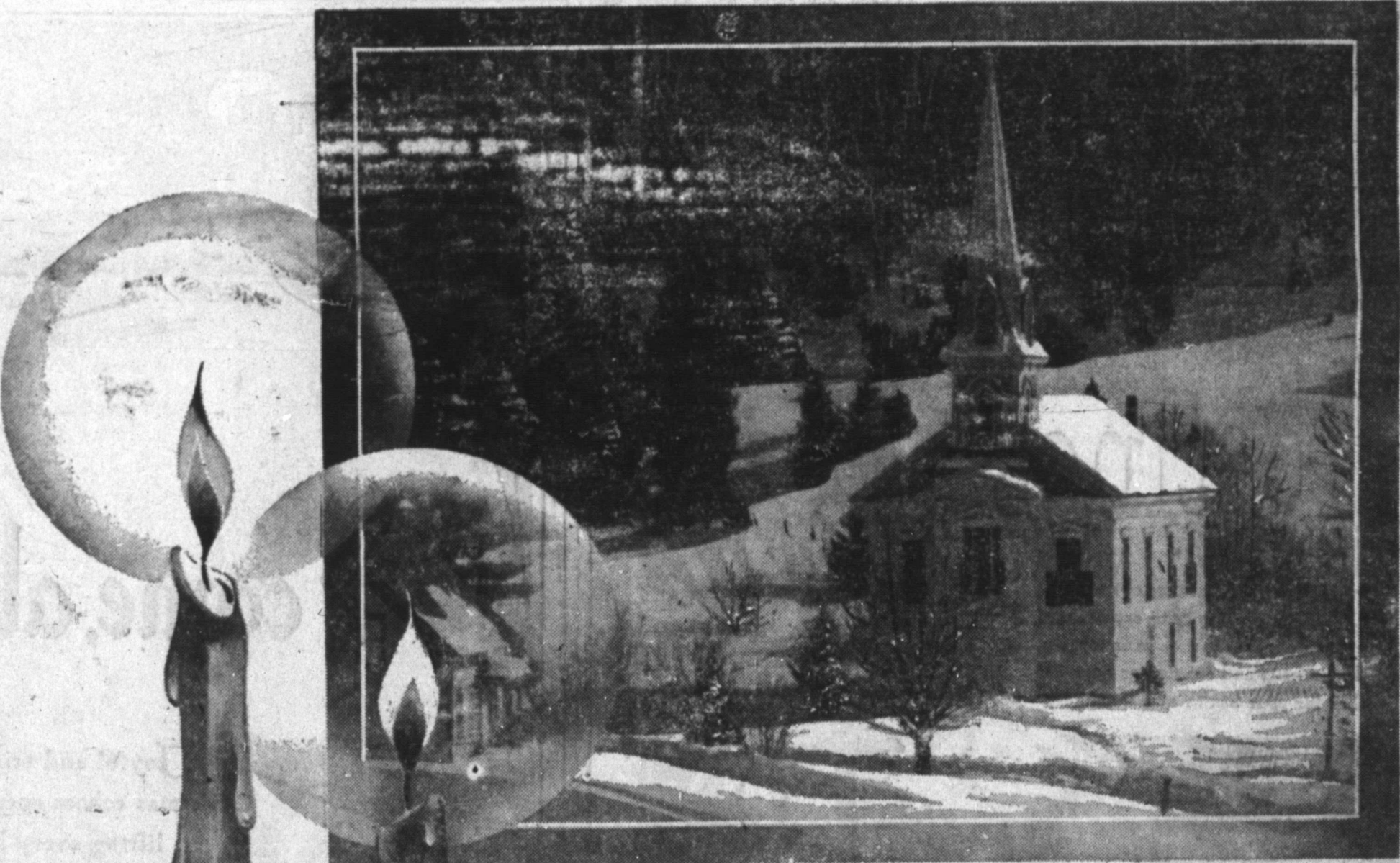
Gibson Motor Freight

GREETINGS



What! What! It's Christmas-time again, and all of us here wish you the merriest, happiest Holiday ever!

The Clint Walker Agency
COMPLETE INSURANCE COVERAGE



Season's Greetings

We Wish Everyone A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year!

W. M. MATHIS
County Judge

J. E. (Red) BROWN
Tax Collector

TOM REID
Treasurer

C. A. CLEM
Justice of the Peace

W. S. (Skip) TAYLOR
District Clerk

BEULAH PRIDMORE
County Clerk

MITCHELL WILIAMS
County Attorney

NORVEL REDWINE
Sheriff

BILL GRIFFIN
County Agent

WANDA ROACH
Home Demonstration Agent

Tunnell Tells Early Wildlife In County

(As told by Howard Tunnell to Ben Moore.)

In the year 1906 when my folks moved to Lynn County, there were but few farmers but we considered all who lived within fifteen or twenty miles of us to be our neighbors.

Our quarter section of land was some years entirely surrounded by pasture lands. Coyotes, cotton tails and jackrabbits, antelope, prairie dogs, dog-owls were abundantly present. Rattlesnakes were so numerous we hardly mentioned the killing of them. With prairie dog dens every-

where, bullsnakes did real well feasting upon the young, and sometimes the full grown dogs. But the bullsnakes soon learned that hen's eggs were also fine for food so they gave us much trouble.

One day I was held spellbound for a time as I saw much of a large bullsnake entwined about a small post which was set in the ground, while it's head was hidden under a setting hen as she sat on her nest. I soon saw why it was wound about the post since every few minutes an egg passed along it's body which was so

pressed against the post and crushed just before it entered the snake's stomach. Several eggs were swallowed and treated in this manner before I broke for my mother with the exciting news.

My elder brother and I spent many, many hours out on the open prairie, where we were in constant communication with Nature, not having a great deal to do between crop growing seasons. We always kept a dog or so, but contrary to general belief, dogs are not always the most valuable animals for catching cottontails. We had an old cat which we called Pussanna, who followed us about over the prairie from day to day. Our surest method for getting rabbits from small holes was to use a piece of barbed wire which we ran down into the holes, twisting it about the rabbit's skin.

Without any effort upon our part the old cat soon learned to go down into any hole large enough to permit, and brought out our rabbit. We got a great many rabbits in this manner. Certainly, this cat would not have performed such valuable and interesting feat in the presence of strangers but being associated with us boys from day to day, she was not at all afraid to perform for her own good and our great satisfaction.

Our parents were pretty punctual when Sunday came around, always attending Sunday School or church, which was held at a school house seven miles from our home. On one occasion, I managed to feel ill, but not quite ill enough to require our parents to miss going to church.

Now, in those days, buggy whips were just about as essential as any household article, not always being used for urging buggy horses along. Sometimes they came in handy for encouraging wayward children to travel the straight and narrow path. We wondered whether it might be worthwhile to try our new buggy whip on one of our cats. So, after our folks had gotten well out of sight, we closed our doors and commenced working on the cat which happened to be in. A few keen cuts put old Tom under the bed, then across the bed and after a few rounds of the room right up the wall and across a highly prized heirloom, a black-framed looking glass. The glass was broken into many pieces which seemed to speed up the cat's mad pace. He was so crazed



In many small towns, swamped by defense industries, children have no adequate play facilities. Some, like these, play in railroad yards. United Community Defense Services helps towns plan such facilities. UCDS is supported by United Defense Fund through Community Chest and United Fund drives.

that, although we were ready to stop the performance, Tom wasn't. He leaped upon my head with a y-e-o-w and a couple of s-p-i-t-s before my brother could reach and open the front door. Of course Old Tom was not the last of the family to come in contact with the buggy whip on that day. Buggywhips are no longer in use but it is well to remember that a cat, be it over so docile, can quickly turn into a maniac when it realizes that it is unable to escape while being punished; while a dog, under similar circumstances, would cower at it's master's feet.

There has been much discussion as to which Texas wild animal is the fleetest of foot. Well, it depends greatly upon which is the most scared.

Sitting out on the prairie one day while our dog lay resting from a rabbit chase, we were startled by a very sudden s-w-i-s-h. A coyote had passed us at almost lightning speed, every hair on it seemingly standing straight up and distended tail very stiff.

Then just as suddenly there was a s-w-o-s-h as a mother antelope passed us in very, very hot pursuit of the flying coyote. Both passed over a catclaw ridge without us being able to know whether the coyote was overtaken by her. Coyotes do not kill many young antelope.

While yet a young married man, I removed with my wife and two small children to the section about 18 miles northwest of Datil, New Mexico, where I filed on 640 acres of land on which we remained for three years. At that time there were a good many mountain lions in the area, but most of the trapping which I did was for coyotes. My land was pretty well covered with pine and cedar, but occasional open glades were in evidence.

One day as I rode out to look after my trapline and emerged into one of these glades in which was a small cedar to which I had fastened one of my sets, I noted what I at first took to be a lion sitting dismally in the open. There was no cedar bush. Cautiously riding nearer to the scene, I discovered that my catch was the largest lion that I have ever seen. The fellow was so vicious and strong, he had in his mad struggle for freedom, completely demolished the small tree, small branches of which were scattered some twenty paces from the stump to which the trap's chain remained secured. I was not in the habit of carrying a gun, so secured a strong club, I ventured near enough to get in a deadly lick over the big cat's head, knocking him out.

I have not yet been able to understand just why the branches of the small tree were thrown so far, but since panthers have been known to kill sheep in lots of half a dozen or more and rolling them off high precipices for no apparent reason this cat perhaps just had to be doing something to pass away the time after realizing that escape was impossible.

Season's Greetings

May your enjoyment of the Holidays be young in spirit and gay in heart. And may you have A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

O. C. Elliott Oil Co.

Christmas Joy

May yours be a Holiday Season of fireside warmth and old-fashioned good cheer.

Carter Insurance Agency
H. W. CARTER

HAVE A WONDERFUL Christmas

We wish you and yours a Merry Christmas, full of wonderful surprises!

LANKFORD VARIETY

Greetings

Now, at the happiest time of the year, we take the opportunity to express our deepest appreciation of your loyalty and friendship and extend our warmest wishes for your health and happiness.

TAHOKA DRUG

Come, all ye faithful...

Joyful and triumphant, the message of Christmas echoes once more throughout the world, lifting every heart with its glorious promise. May the infinite blessings of the Day surround you and your family and abide with you throughout the years to come.

Shambeck Motor Co.



Draw Paymaster Gin
BURL and ELLA

Merry Christmas

The time has come to say again
the things we feel all year...
to wish you Health and Happiness
and lots of Good Old Cheer!



Forrester Insurance Agency
TAHOKA, TEXAS

Letters to Santa:

Dearest Santa:
I am a little boy who will be three years old March 5. I have been pretty good and will try to be better next year if you will please bring me a ball, gun, truck and log set. My big brother Wayland wants a jigsaw and please bring us some fruit, nuts, and candy and don't forget my Ma and Pa McCrary will be at home this Christmas. And, please Santa, bring me a little sister this time. I love you very much.
Wayne Giles, 5067 Trueland Dr. Fort Worth 5, Texas.

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like to have a football, a ranch set, and maybe some little women dolls. Your friend,
Judy Thomas.

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like to have a baby doll, a baby buggy, and some clothes for my doll. Your friend,
Joy Thomas.

Dear Santa:
We have been good girls and could we please have wetsy betsy dolls for Christmas. We would like lots of toys but most of all we would like our Daddy home from Japan.
Love,
Glenda and Pat Smith.

MISS DULIN TO WED DEC. 22
Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dulin, formerly of Draw, and now of Denver City are announcing the approaching marriage of their daughter Miss Ella Mae Dulin to Kenneth L. Vanderpool. The wedding will be Dec. 22, at 6 p. m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Denver City. A reception will follow at the home. Miss Dulin formerly attended the local school.—O'Donnell Index Press.

T. J. Bovell was able to be down town Saturday for the first time in about two weeks. A break in the skin on his leg became infected, blood-poisoning developed, and he had a pretty rough time for a while. He spent several days in a Lamesa hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollin McCord and Mary and Sue Williams left Monday for San Diego, Calif., to spend Christmas with Rollin Jr., who is preparing to go overseas after Christmas. They will also visit Mrs. McCord's sister.

Although Christmas is the celebration of the birth of Jesus, the roots of the observance go deeply into the folklore of the Druids, Scandinavians, Romans, and Egyptians.

Christmas cakes, iced cookies and other goodies are survivals of the old custom of giving confectionery gifts to the Senators of Rome.

Name Texas 4-H Youth for Awards

HIGH RATINGS in the 1954 National 4-H programs were reported by four teen-agers in Citizenship and Public Speaking programs. Statewide recognition was based on their club records.



Two club members, **Elwyn Ellis**, 17, of Plainview, and **Shirley Whitworth**, 16, of Roby, have received certificates of honor in recognition of their outstanding records in the 4-H Citizenship program, which is in honor of Thos. E. Wilson. This program is designed to encourage 4-H Club members in those attitudes, qualities and acts which reflect a good citizen's concern for others. During his eight years in 4-H, Elwyn has participated in citizenship, leadership, swine, home grounds and other projects, for which he won 23 awards. He was president of his 4-H club and a school citizenship club. He has participated in school, community and county activities, and flag ceremonies at 4-H camps.

He entered grass, dairy and livestock judging and taught swine showmanship at county meetings. He took part in the placing of a 4-H welcome sign at the county line on seven highways leading into Plainview, worked on community soil conservation programs, and served on achievement program committees. His 4-H club collected money to buy a pig, which was sent to a 4-H boy in San Salvador.

Shirley has participated in citizenship, clothing, home improvement, beef cattle, food preparation, and junior leadership, during her three years as a 4-H'er. Her leader is Mrs. Cullen Terry. Shirley has been active in numerous programs.

Both programs are conducted under the direction of the Cooperative Extension Service.

Cpl. David Hammonds arrived home Saturday night from Fort Benning, Ga. to spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hammonds. He entered the army Sept. 10, 1953.

The Christmas seal has become an annual institution and offers at the Christmas season an opportunity for rich and poor alike to help in the fight against an ancient enemy—Tuberculosis.

Moore's Story In Farm Magazine

Ben Moore of O'Donnell has a very interesting article in the current issue of Southwestern Crop and Stock magazine.

The article deals with prairie dogs and underground water conservation, and contains some interesting information and food for thought.

Mr. Moore tells The News that he recently got a good photograph of Ross Simpson of Lamesa with a rug made from a lobo wolf hide. Mr. Simpson is the cowboy who roped the big lobo wolf, an animal now extinct in this country, out on the T-Bar ranch in the year 1906.

A "me-first" driver wears his halo cocked over one eye.



At this festive time of year
we want to pause for a moment
to say: Thank You for your
patronage—and may you have
a merry, happy Holiday!

Cicero Smith Lumber Co.

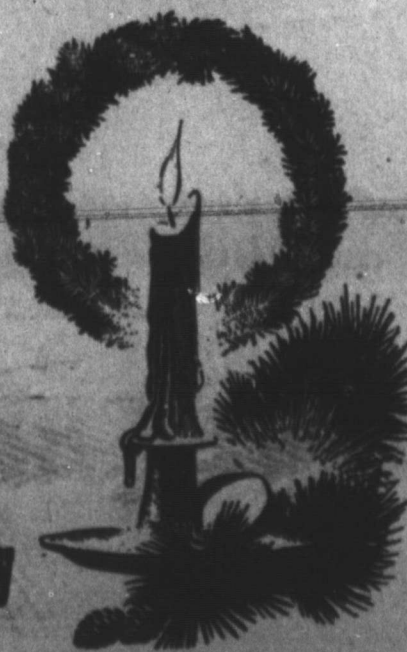
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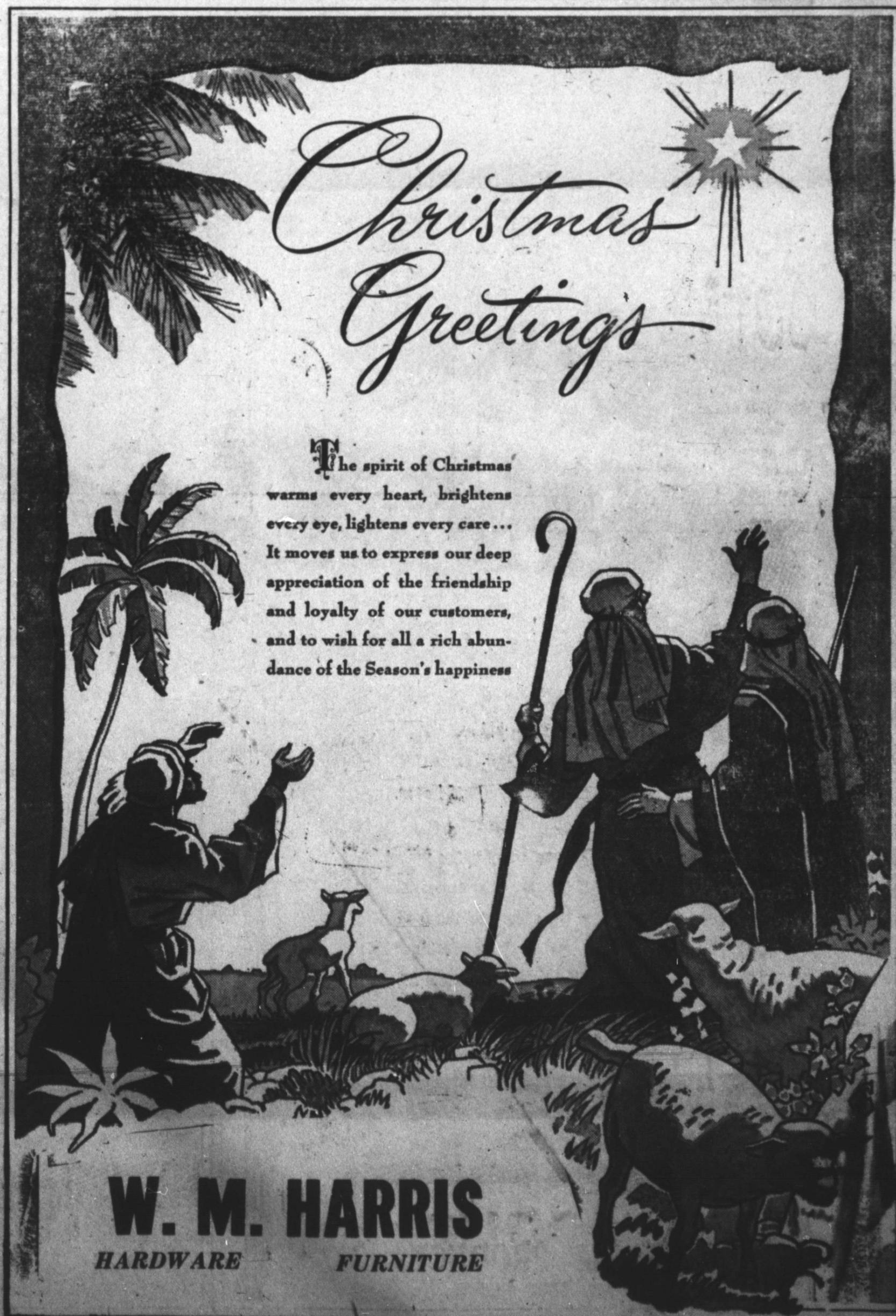
To YOU!

From the
Employees of

Pioneer Natural Gas Company



The spirit of Christmas
warms every heart, brightens
every eye, lightens every care...
It moves us to express our deep
appreciation of the friendship
and loyalty of our customers,
and to wish for all a rich abundance
of the Season's happiness



W. M. HARRIS
HARDWARE FURNITURE

Miss Yvonne Beard Is Married In Church Ceremony To Lowell Jay Petty

Miss Yvonne Beard became the bride of Lowell Jay Petty Saturday night as they repeated vows beneath an arch of silver spruce and pink and turquoise tinsel balls. The Rev. Clifford Harris officiated in a double-ring ceremony held in the First Baptist Church.

A large wedding bell hung from the center of the arch and baskets of white glittered chrysanthemums decorated the altar.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Beard, 1428 North 3rd Street. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Petty of Phillipsburg, N. J. are the bridegroom's parents.

Mrs. W. P. Hutchison accompanied Miss Carolyn Duckett as she sang "Indian Love Call" and "Because." She played a medley of musical selections including "Traumerei," "I Love You Truly," "Ah Sweet Mystery of Life," and "Sweetest Story Ever Told."

Miss Jimmie Ruth Gayden served the bride as maid of honor. She wore a cinnamon nylon net dress over taffeta fashioned with a strapless bodice complemented with a net stole. The skirt was waltz length and featured tiered ruffles.

Misses Dixie Moon and Leta Ann Altman, bridesmaids, wore dresses of identical style in colors of turquoise carried crescent-shaped bouquets of pink sweet-heart roses with small white glittered bells with pink clappers hanging from satin streamers.

Candlelighters were Joseph Roones and Jerome Patner. Karan Jan Haley and Brenda Gail Haley were flower girls.

Wilson T. Davis attended the bridegroom as best man. Ushers were Pete Grover and Paul Jepson, all of Reese Air Force Base.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white chantilly lace dress over satin fashioned with a scoop-neckline outlined by two rows of pearls and rhinestones. The skirt featured a panel of tiered tulle ruffles joined to a silk illusion finger-tip veil joined to a tiara of iridescent sequins and seed pearls. She carried a bouquet of red roses centered with glittered gardenias.

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the Church Reception Room. The table was covered with an Irish linen cloth centered with a tiered wedding cake and bouquets of roses. Two large glittered wedding bells completed the table decorations. The bride is a graduate of Tahoka High School and Texas Tech.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Wilson, Texas
Rev. John A. Martin, Pastor
Sunday Services
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Worship Service 11:00 a. m.
Baptist Training
Union 6:30 p. m.
Worship 7:30 p. m.
Monday
W. M. S. 2:30 p. m.
R. A. S. G. A. S. and Sunbeams 4:00 p. m.
B. W. C. 7:00 p. m.
Wednesday Services
Prayer Meeting 7:30 p. m.

where she was a member of Phi Gamma Nu and Tech Accounting Society. She has been employed by Wharton Motor Co. for the past five years.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Phillipsburg High School in New Jersey. He was employed by Pequest Knitting Mills, Belvidere, N. J. before enlisting in the Air Force.

The couple will live in Lubbock where the bridegroom is stationed at Reese Air Force Base.

"And he gave it for his opinion, that whoever could make two ears of corn, or two blades of grass, to grow upon a spot of ground where only one grew before, would deserve better of mankind, and do more essential service to his country, than the whole race of politicians put together."—Swift.

LOCAL YOUTH IS IN NATIONAL FRATERNITY

Don Brice of Tahoka and Roger Line of O'Donnell were among the 60 members of Kemas, men's social fraternity at Texas Tech, who were initiated into Phi Gamma Delta, national society fraternity, last week.

All the national officers were present for the installation of the chapter, the 82nd, and activities included a banquet, open house, luncheon, and initiation of members. Kemas was the last of eight men's social clubs to affiliate with national fraternity at Tech.

"We are founded as a nation of farmers and in spite of the great growth of our industrial life, it still remains true that our whole system rests upon the farm; that the welfare of the whole community depends upon the welfare of the farmer; the strengthening of country life is the strengthening of the Nation."—Theodore Roosevelt.



Hamilton Auto & Appliance

CHRISTMAS Wishes



May the joyous tidings of the first Christmas re-echo in your heart today and lift your spirit with that glorious promise of peace and good will for all.

Calloway Huffaker

Joy to the World...

The beauty of Christmas has gladdened the heart of mankind for centuries and its glorious story has inspired men of good will, the world over.

Our wish today is that you enjoy to the fullest, the blessedness, the good cheer and the fond memories of this radiant Holiday Season.



GULF OIL PRODUCTS

W. E. and LANNIE SHAWN



Poka-Lambro Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

At Christmas

Our wishes go out to all our friends and patrons for a bright and cheerful Holiday Season.

McCord Motor Co.
TAHOKA, TEXAS

In the spirit of the first Noel... a very merry Christmas to our wonderful friends and neighbors!

Minnie's Beauty Shop



Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season

Comes Christmas... and warmly we welcome another opportunity to extend best wishes to all our friends and neighbors for a very happy Holiday Season, filled to overflowing with all of the best things in life.

GAIGNAT MOTOR CO.

DODGE

Sales and Service

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