

Mayor O'Dwyer Marries Fashion Model In Florida

STUART, Fla., Dec. 20 (UP)—Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York and fashion model Sloan Simpson were married today before an assembly of 500 spectators packed into a white-painted Catholic church.

Nature fashioned an idyllic setting for the marriage of the mayor of the nation's biggest city. The sun shone through an early morning shower to paint a sweeping rainbow over the church just before the ceremonies started promptly at 8:30 a. m.

A crowd estimated at more than 500 stood outside to catch a glimpse of O'Dwyer and his bride as

they emerged from the church. The couple went through their part of the wedding without a bobble, but their voices were barely audible as they repeated their vows and said "I will."

O'Dwyer arrived at small St. Joseph's Church at 8:25 a. m. and entered through a side door, going immediately to the rooms of the local parish priest, Rev. Timothy Geary, who united them.

The bride-elect, beaming and excited, showed up two minutes later and entered the front door. The chapel was jammed with spectators made up of New York friends and associates of the mayor

and Florida winter resort tourists. O'Dwyer and his bride knelt before an altar festooned with lilies, gladioli, chrysanthemums, poinsettias and palm fronds as the last strains of Gounod's "Ave Maria" echoed through the church.

The wedding, at O'Dwyer's request, was simple and brief. Just 30 minutes after they entered the church they were aboard a waiting yacht and off for a honeymoon cruise.

The bride wore a velvet-trimmed navy blue suit, a navy velvet beret, plain navy suede pumps, a simple strand of pearls and pearl earrings. The suit was designed by New York dressmaker Hattie Carnegie, who also made the wedding costume for Mrs. Carleton Hadley when she married Vice-President Alben Barkley last November 18 in another famous December-June wedding.

Model Calls It Romance, But It's An Extortion Plot, Family Man Says

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20 (UP)—Model Helen Keller testifies today about intimate moments in what she calls her two-year romance with talent school head Ben Klekner—and what he calls an extortion plot.

Miss Keller, 26, took the stand in her own defense yesterday after Superior Judge Clement D. Nye dismissed four of 11 counts of extortion against her and her crumetite roommate, Toni Hughes, also 26.

For more than two hours, the blushing redhead reviewed her torrid relationship with the portly, middle-aged president of a Hollywood radio school.

She said the affair started after a week-long telephone flirtation. "He complimented me on my voice and said I should be on the radio," Miss Keller said.

Then he offered to help her find a better apartment, she said, and showered her with lunch and dinner dates and gifts of candy and flowers.

"One evening, he came over to the apartment, and I cooked dinner for him," she said. "Then we had our first affair."

"He told me that he loved me even more than I realized, and at that time I thought I loved him, too."

The state accuses the two defendants of squeezing more than \$9000 and trying to get \$10,000 more from the 49-year-old educator by threatening to reveal the relationship and to harm his family. But Miss Keller said he offered money voluntarily.

Town Hall Puts Macbeth Tickets On Sale Today

Tickets to the Town Hall presentation of Shakespeare's "Macbeth" went on sale today.

James Hilburn, son of Postmaster and Mrs. J. A. Hilburn, takes the starring role in the Town Hall "extra" to be given January 3 in Childress High School auditorium.

The touring group of ten or 12 persons is expected to remain in Childress over the holidays and possibly go in rehearsal. Part of the group, including young Hilburn, is expected here tonight from Tyler.

Town Hall members may attend the performance with their membership cards. Other tickets, selling for \$1.20, may be purchased at The Index, The Reporter, or at drug stores.

The show is an "extra" in that it is the sixth program brought by Town Hall in its usual five-program season.

Post Office Hits All-Time High In Handling Mail

All-time record high of handling mail was reached in the Childress post office yesterday, Postmaster J. A. Hilburn reported, when 25,000 letters and cards were handled.

This tops last year by 8000, Hilburn said, when on December 18, a total of 17,000 pieces of mail were handled.

Such a factor as the pieces of mail handled more truly indicates an increase over last year than does the postal receipts, Hilburn said, due to the approximate 8 per cent increase in postal rates this year.

"The dollars and cents don't give a true picture," he said, "but we can readily see growth in the actual pieces of mail handled. The same increase will be seen in the other departments."

Already, over \$50,000 in postal receipts have passed over the post office window, a jump of about \$2000 over last year, Hilburn said.

Bobcats Invited To Coyote Tilt

The Childress High football team has received an invitation from Wichita Falls and Austin, the state finalists, to attend the Friday-afternoon clash in Fort Worth.

Superintendent Joe Gibson said today every effort would be made to provide transportation for Childress gridgers to the game.

Persons who plan to attend the game and can carry extra passengers are urged to contact Gibson. Present plans are to leave around 7 Friday morning and return shortly after the game.

PYTHIAN SISTERS TO HOLD MEETING

Pythian Sisters have invited their families to a Christmas party for 7:30 Wednesday at the KP Hall.

Beautiful Viennese Singer To Give Up "Man I Love" So He Can Get Throne

PARIS, Dec. 20 (UP)—The blonde and beautiful Viennese opera singer who married the eldest son of the late King Alfonso offered today to divorce him because she wants to aid his efforts to become king of Spain.

"Love," said the Duchess of Segovia, "must be ready to make the greatest sacrifices."

The duchess called a press conference to announce her willingness to give up "the man I love."

The duchess, who was born Charlotte Tiedman, is married to Don Jaime, 41, who gave up his rights of accession to the Spanish throne 16 years ago when he was deaf and dumb, making his assumption of the crown impossible.

But Don Jaime now has been cured of his deafness and wants to get in line for the throne again

a move that is hampered by the fact that the duchess was born a commoner.

So the duchess plans to do in reverse what England's King Edward VIII did for the "woman I love."

Don Jaime disclosed recently to the United Press that he was seeking a way to reach an agreement with Generalissimo Francisco Franco for his return to the throne.

Last night the duchess, whom Don Jaime affectionately calls Carlotta, disclosed that she planned to announce at a press conference today her intentions of stepping aside because she would not be acceptable to Spanish monarchists. She is credited with helping Don Jaime's cure from deafness.

Water Project Gets 'Go Ahead'



BRIDE—Sloan Simpson, right, bride of Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York, and her matron of honor, Mrs. Edward Bernecker pose for photographers at West Palm Beach, Fla. Mrs. Bernecker is the wife of the mayor's personal physician. (NEA Telephoto.)

By Dave Lewis

Green light was given city engineers to draw up detailed plans on two water works projects, totaling an estimated \$88,000 at the City Council's regular meeting last night.

The two projects, an elevated 500,000 gallon tank and two 2-million-gallon pumps for Baylor Creek Dam, were given top priority by the Council over five new projects proposed by Dan Davis and Joe Ward, consulting engineers.

Davis presented to the Council highlights of the detailed brochure which would call for an estimated \$308,750 in water improvements during coming years.

The elevated tank would be erected on a lot in the extreme northwest section of town and would tend to equalize the water pressure in town.

Erection of a water-treatment

plant, improvement of the water distribution system and placing covers over the brick reservoirs west of town were also included in the proposed improvements. The heavy drain on the water works improvement fund after financing the two approved projects would prevent further improvements for the time being, councilmen agreed.

Need for the improvements was based on past and present water consumption and population figures—and probable future growth between 1950 and 1980.

In other action, six new Board of City Development directors were appointed to serve two-year terms: Will S. Carter, Russell Jones, Steve Cowan, Wayne Butler, Clarence Blackburn and E. J. Huddleston. Carter and Jones were re-appointed, having filled unexpired terms during the past two months.

Councilmen were notified that a conditional release had been granted from the Civil Aeronautics Administration to place on sale the seats at Childress Air field theater.

CAA stipulated that the city must advertise the sale publicly and place all funds derived from the sale in the airport fund.

The Council discussed the city's need for a sub fire station, and recommended as a site for the new station a vacant block of tax suit property in the 1300 block of Avenue L Northwest. The proposed water tower is to be in the same area.

Although not mandatory, the new sub station must be built if the city is to comply with State Fire Insurance Commission's desire that no area should be over one mile in distance from a fire station.

Three bids for stucco improvements on the 42 airfield housing units were heard by the Council. Action on the bids was deferred until the next meeting.

Six "No-U-Turn" signs—black lettering on white background—were put on display. The new signs were scheduled to be placed on all downtown traffic lights sometime today.

A list of delinquent payers in the city's paving program presented to the Council showed \$8433.79 due.

A request from some Southeast residents to complete 100 feet of "leave out" pavement at Third Street and Avenue G was denied by the Council, since many similar areas in the city require improvement.

Rita Tells Reporter To Go Home Because Her Baby Isn't Coming Early

LAUSANNE, Switzerland, Dec. 20 (UP)—Rita Hayworth looked a reporter straight in the eye today and said, "I don't expect to have a baby until February, and why everybody seems to think it's going to happen earlier beats me."

Miss Hayworth, who was married last May 27, has maintained all along that the birth would come in February, contrary to reports for the last two weeks that her confinement was "imminent."

The actress wife of Prince Aly Khan sat in her cream colored Cadillac convertible outside the Chateau Dorigny while her temperamental husband poured buckets of champagne for the newsmen he usually greets with dark scowls.

While toasts to her future son

or daughter were filling the air, Miss Hayworth wrapped herself snugly in a dark mink coat and kidded the United Press correspondent about his vigil in the lobby of the Lausanne-Palace Hotel, where the Khans live.

"Go home—and see your family for Christmas," she suggested. "Nothing is going to happen."

The movie star, who a few weeks ago was drawn and shaky to the extent that a miscarriage was feared, looked well enough today to go right before the Hollywood cameras again.

She smiled at a score of photographers who were given permission to take shots of her seated in the car beside Prince Aly, on condition that they would take no unauthorized photos.

The prince's stepmother, Princess Andree, third wife of the (Continued on page three)

Congressman Claims Representatives Keep Non-Working Men On Payrolls

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (UP)—Rep. Usher L. Burdick, R., N. D., said today that for many years congressmen "quite generally" have kept on their payrolls persons who do no work for them or the government.

He said he does not know whether any accept salary kickbacks from such "non-working" employees.

Burdick told a reporter he could not say whether payroll padding is "illegal," but that he is sure of one thing—"The people don't like it."

"They've come to think we're all crooks," he said.

A 70-year-old veteran of 11 years in Congress, Burdick believed the time has come for members of Congress to examine their own conduct to make sure it is "above reproach."

He emphasized that he personally follows a policy of hiring only as many workers as he actually needs. At times, he said, he has turned back part of the \$12,500-a-year each House member is allowed for office help.

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Humble Station Has A Change Of Personnel

A change in the personnel of the Humble Pipe Line Company has brought three new families to Childress, and three families who have been living here will leave Childress.

Charlie Pence, engineer of the local plant said that E. M. Mason had been transferred to Pampa, L. T. Clyburn to Cisco and W. E. McCracken to Truscott.

The new men replacing those three are Jesse L. Byers from Ballinger, Bill Priest from San Angelo and E. L. Baily from Ballinger.

Byers and Baily will bring their families here. Priest is a single man.

Negro Is Held On Suspicion

Childress police picked up a young Negro on suspicion this morning because he was sleeping in his car and had:

One .16 gauge single barrel shot gun.

One gun belt, with 16 rounds of ammunition.

One Bowie knife.

One milk bottle with \$10 in dimes inside.

One milk bottle with \$2.08 in pennies inside.

He said he was going to Estelina to pull bolls, and so far police haven't disproved his story.

Children's Xmas Party

Sponsored by the American Legion, VFW, DOKK, Knights of Pythias, Disabled Vets, 40 and 8, and Elks Club.

Previously received\$311
Mrs. S. E. May\$ 2

Snow-Laden Norther Due For Panhandle Area

By United Press

A snow-laden norther with sub-freezing weather will blow into the Texas Panhandle tonight and by Wednesday the expected snow should spread into the upper South Plains.

The Dallas Weather Bureau said today temperatures of 10 to 20 degrees were expected in the Panhandle by tomorrow morning. However, it will continue mild throughout the state during the day.

Forecaster John Zimmerman said the expected cold weather was right in season. He pointed out that tomorrow—December 21—is the first day of winter.

The Upper Red River Valley of East Texas was due for much colder weather late tonight and tomorrow with snow flurries likely. The cold front will not reach the Fort Worth-Dallas area before tomorrow night and may have spent its force by then, the weatherman said.

The weather was unseasonably warm today. It was cloudy over most of the state this morning, except only partly cloudy in the El Paso and Big Bend Country in Southwest Texas.

There was some fog along the upper coast this morning but practically none compared with yesterday when planes were grounded and ship traffic brought to a halt.

Yesterday's temperatures ranged (Continued on page three)

Contest Editor Is Getting Reaction From Readers

The contest editor is getting a reaction. Index readers, interested in making up a list of the ten persons who have carried the greatest impact during the first half of the twentieth century, have been submitting their nominees.

Friday night at midnight is the deadline for entries. Only one entry can be sent in by one person. That list which more closely approximates the list released by the United Press sometime between Christmas and New Years will win The Index \$10 prize.

Madame Curie has been rather popular in the lists already received, with Hitler and Lenin perhaps coming in next.

Entries should be legibly written or typewritten and addressed to the contest editor. The winner will be announced soon after receipt of the United Press releases its list.

A partial list of great names may be found in last Sunday's Index, page one.

Ruth Fite Is Feted By Lions

Ruth Fite was the honored guest at the Lions Club luncheon today and many presents were stacked around and on a Christmas tree from the individual members.

A turkey dinner was served by the hotel and carols were sung before and after the program.

Three Junior High School girls each sang a solo and then combined their voices in a trio "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Betty Jean Short sang "Ava Maria," Barbara Williams rendered "O Holy Night" and Dorthylene Dekle "White Christmas."

Jack Barry, a guest sang "The Road To Mandalay." All soloists were accompanied by pianist Joan Dakil.

The club presented a fitted case to the Lions Sweetheart Joan Dakil. Miss Dakil will leave Childress shortly to enter college. The presentation was made by Lion President Cecil Pryor.

Frank Hatt arranged the program.

Texas Cotton Growers To Put Off Court Action On Acreage Allotments

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (UP)—Ten Texas cotton growers today agreed to put off till January 13 arguments on their federal court action to block imposition of 1950 acreage allotments.

The Texans had planned to ask today for a temporary restraining order pending trial of their suit for a permanent injunction against Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan.

The Texas cotton growers contend that the 1950 allotments are unfair to their state. The Agriculture Department has ordered Texas planting cut from about 27 million to 21 million acres next year.

Lawyers representing the Texans and the Agriculture Department appeared in court today for the scheduled argument or a temporary order.

E. Fontaine Broun, counsel for the farmers, said that if the government would file its answer early next month, the preliminary injunction phase of the case could be dispensed with.

Louis Sigler, Agriculture Department attorney, at first said he could not answer the suit before January 20. Brown urged an earlier date. He said Texas farmers must know as soon as possible whether they must shift from cotton to some other crop, such as flax. Flax must be sown early if it is to be harvested before hot weather, he said.

The lawyers finally agreed on January 13 as the answer date with trial of the case to start a few days later.

Indictment Of Ex-Congressman Due For Ruling

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (UP)—Federal Judge Henry A. Schweinhaut said today that he will rule in January on motions to dismiss the 14-month-old "lobbying" indictment against Roger C. Slaughter of Kansas City.

Slaughter is a former democratic congressman from Missouri whose primary election defeat was urged by President Truman in 1946.

He was indicted by a federal grand jury in October, 1948, on charges of failing to register as a lobbyist for several Midwest grain exchanges. He insists he was not a lobbyist, but an attorney for the Kansas City and Chicago boards of trade, and for the Minneapolis grain exchange.

His attorneys completed arguments last March 21 on a motion for dismissal. They contended the lobbyist registration act was unconstitutional; that its provisions would not apply to lawyers, even if it were and that the indictment itself was faulty in that it did not specify the occasions or dates on which Slaughter allegedly violated the act.

Schweinhaut said he has not ruled on the motion yet because he is a member of a three-judge statutory court hearing a National Association of Manufacturer's challenge to the constitutionality of the lobbying law.

Slaughter was marked for defeat by Mr. Truman in the 1946 campaign because he refused to go along with much of administration's legislative program. He was defeated in the primary by Enos Axtell, who was backed by the President, but his seat was won by Albert L. Reeves, Republican.

VETERANS AND AUXILIARIES TO HOLD PARTY TONIGHT

The Childress posts of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion, and their auxiliaries, will meet at 7:30 tonight at the Veterans Building for their annual Christmas party.

Santa Claus will appear to meet the children, and gifts will be exchanged by the adults. Coffee, candy, fruits and nuts will be served.

DAILY DAWDLE SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

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I'M JUST LOOKING

Daily Dawdle goes downtown (She is only "looking"). She'd better buy a gift or two Or else there's trouble cooking.

LOCAL NEWS

WEATHER FORECASTS
By United Press
CHILDRESS — Considerable cloudiness this afternoon, tonight and Wednesday, showers tonight changing to freezing rain or snow Wednesday, mild today turning much colder early Wednesday, lowest tonight near 28.

WEST TEXAS — Partly cloudy and mild this afternoon, becoming much colder in the Panhandle with snow tonight. Lowest temperatures tonight in Panhandle 10 to 20 degrees. Cloudy and colder with showers elsewhere tonight and Wednesday, except snow, continuing in the Panhandle and spreading into upper South Plains Wednesday.

HERE AND THERE

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Chambers and Jimmy, Mrs. J. J. Loter and Miss Ruby Loter were in Dallas Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stegall of Dallas visited here with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pope, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Dyke Wright of Amarillo, formerly of Childress, are visiting here with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Day, Sr., Mrs. Lela Lester, and Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Holman and family, and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Holland and Sid, Jr., and Harry spent the past two days in Abilene visiting with Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Sprinkle and family.

Wayne Cudd of Wellington visited here last night with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bain visited Sunday in Clarendon with his mother, Mrs. R. L. Bain, who is ill at her home.

Nelson Biddy of Paducah visited here with friends last night.

Gordon Walker of Corpus Christi is expected to arrive here tonight for a holiday visit with relatives.

Mrs. Mollie Barrow and son, F. B. Golden, of Dallas will be here this week to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Jeter, and her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mitchell, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Collins spent the past week end with relatives in Oklahoma City.

Mrs. J. F. Cooper and grandsons Mike and Steve Spraggins are leaving Thursday for Fort Worth where they will spend the holidays with relatives.

Mrs. A. G. Strop of Memphis shopped and visited here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Egerton and (Continued on Page Three)

As celebrated as Santa—and Betty Rose Coats have been Santa's favorite for many moons—next year's colors to put pep in your wardrobe. Nothing would please her more than to find a shortie coat under the Christmas tree— Sizes 8 to 16—

Price \$22.95 Up



Plan to attend Xmas Eve Dance — Sponsored by Beta Sigma Phi

Wellington Girl Is Married In Baptist Church

Mrs. Armela Ingram, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ingram, and Pfc. Benny Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Moore, of Randolph Field, were married at the First Baptist Church Sunday afternoon by Rev. Howard Jones. The bride is a resident of Wellington. The bride wore a pink gabardine suit with brown accessories and carried red rose buds on a white prayer book. Walter Johnson of John Tarleton was best man and Miss Ina James was bridesmaid. The couple will make their home in San Antonio.

RECEPTION FETES CHOIR SUNDAY NIGHT

To honor members of the choir, an informal reception at the First Baptist Church was held following the Christmas Cantata Sunday evening.

The large crowd of church members and their guests were served at a long table covered with a red cloth and centered with an arrangement of white leaves and red berries on a reflector. Mmes. W. H. Colson and Joe King presided over the silver services. Hot chocolate and coffee was served with sandwiches and other refreshments.

Mrs. Clyde Martin was general chairman, assisted by Mmes. Eldridge, Turner, George Spear, Leo Inman, Claude Dudley, Chester Hufstetler, Homer Bennett, D. O. Nash, Clarence Hill and Claude Byrd.

Ann Blyth To Reign At Houston Festival

HOUSTON, Dec. 20 (UP)—Ann Blyth, diminutive and demure screen star, will reign here as honorary queen February 17 for the Houston Mardi Gras, sponsored by the University of St. Thomas. The Rev. R. G. Miller, directing mardi gras festivities, said Miss Blyth would share the honor with a queen selected from the student body.

The university has extended an invitation to Bob Hope to be honorary king at the event.

This Santa Thinks Taking Is Better Than Receiving

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 20 (UP)—A jolly, 325-pound Santa Claus, hired for a touch of Christmas in photographer Harold M. Field's shop, dipped into a cash register and waddled off with \$50, police reported today.

Officers said the larcenous Kris Kringle didn't even stop to take off Field's \$135 fur-trimmed red suit yesterday.

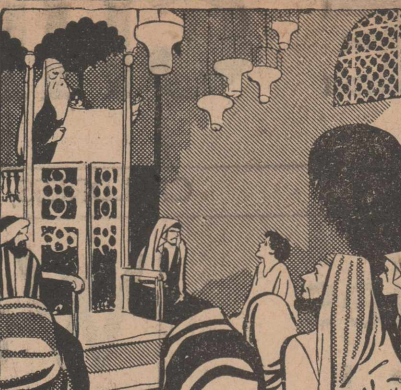
Milk taken from a cow in the evening is better than that taken in the morning.



When Joseph and Mary found Jesus in the Temple, Mary said, "Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us?" Jesus answered, "How is it that ye sought me? Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" Jesus knew what his mission on earth was, but they did not understand his meaning. (Luke 2: 48-50.)



The youth grew and "waxed strong in spirit . . . and increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." (Luke 2: 40, 52.)



He attended the synagogue regularly. "As his custom was, he went into the Synagogue on the Sabbath Day." (Luke 4:16.)



Now there came word to Jesus of the preachings of a man named John in the country about Jordan. This was John the Baptist, cousin of Jesus.

A Gift CERTIFICATE!

... for the merchandise or services of her choice from the Powder Puff Women's Shop or the Powder Puff Beauty Shop... what could be a more appropriate gift for the sweet young thing in your life... if you can't decide what to give her for Christmas?

Come in to see us, we'll handle all the details, and let's make this a Christmas for her to remember!

Powder Puff Women's Shop
"Exclusive In Childress"

Day Mechanics Class Enjoys A Chicken Supper

The day auto mechanics class of they county vocational school and their families and special guests enjoyed a chicken supper last night at the Community House.

Afterwards, the adults enjoyed dancing to music provided by an orchestra which included Dub and Buss James, Wright Neal, Ed Conway, and Gressett. Gressett also recorded party conversation and games.

Informal talks about the progress of the students were given during the evening by Donald Davis, T. L. Sparkman, the instructor, and L. T. Nancy.

Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Fred H. Brownlee, Mr. and Mrs. Nance of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fuller and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Veezy, Mrs. Louise Johnson, Nat Hill, Kenneth King, Weldon Bennett, and Mr. and Mrs. Dub James.

Students and their families attending were Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brewer and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lester, Mr. and Mrs. Weiringer Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Liles, Mr. and Mrs. Bus James, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rippey, Mr. and Mrs. W. Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. Gressett, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Ralston, Mr. and Mrs. Noble Ralston, Mr. and Mrs. Valedores, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Mahan, Mr. and Mrs. Shaffords, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bohannon, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Conway, Ted Hudlow, Earline Tosh and Betty Lou Jones. The latter two were guests.

Mrs. Kimbrough Observes 77th Birthday Sunday

Mrs. Laura Kimbrough, 704 Avenue C, Northeast, celebrated her 77th birthday Sunday with a family reunion at her home. All of Mrs. Kimbrough's children were in Childress for the occasion, as well as several grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Those present for the cutting of the four-tiered cake were Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Taylor and son Max Earl of Childress; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. James Gambol and daughter Brenda Lynn, all of Childress; Edwin Lyle of High Point; and those from Clovis, N. M., were Mr. and Mrs. Wade Kimbrough, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Kimbrough and children Leroy and Almeda, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kimbrough and daughter Marcia Ann, and Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Kimbrough and son Terry.

In addition to those present for the celebration, Mrs. Kimbrough, who has been a resident of Childress for many years, has five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren who were unable to attend.

Throughout the day, the honoree received a host of good wishes and gifts.

Brownwood Safe-crackers Escape With \$75 In Cash

BROWNWOOD, Dec. 20 (UP)—Safe-crackers opened the vault at the Ball & Ball Motor Company last night and escaped with about \$75 in cash. Sheriff Otis Shaw was a little

"The Story Of Christmas" Is Told By Choir

"The Story of Christmas," by H. Alexander Matthews, was the Christmas cantata presented Sunday evening by the First Baptist choir in the decorated church auditorium.

Part one was the prophecy; part two, the vision; part three, the quest of the magi; and part four, the fulfillment of the prophecy. Each part featured one or more soloists.

Rev. W. H. Colson pronounced the benediction.

Soloists were Mrs. Richard Freeby, soprano; Mrs. P. L. Gill, contralto; Gene Smith and Wayne Webb, tenors; and Raymond Hopper, baritone. Mrs. J. B. Johnson played the organ, and Mrs. Joe Gibson provided piano accompaniment. About 34 people make up the regular choir.

Department At Baptist Church Holds Gala Party

About 35 young people in the senior department received gifts from the lighted tree during the yuletide party held last night in the First Baptist Church parlors. All teachers and officers assisted with the party, serving sandwiches, cherry pudding and punch, and directing the group in holiday games.

Rev. W. H. Colson was narrator for the Christmas Story illustrated with colored slides. Recorded carols were played as the group assembled, and Raymond Hopper entertained by singing several popular Christmas songs.

Mrs. Leo Inman, superintendent of the department, was another special guest.

embarrassed by the event. It occurred across a street from his quarters in the jail—about 50 feet away from where the sheriff was spending the night.



Our 'Timely' Greetings

It is again the time of the year to wish you the compliments of the Yuletide season and we take pleasure in doing so. May you have a very Merry Christmas and a joyous, prosperous New Year.

WRITER TIME SERVICE
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300 N. MAIN

TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS



May your every wish for the Holiday Season be realized — that's our wish for you.

LITTLE AGES SHOP

Truman Returns To Washington After Vacation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (UP)—President Truman today returned from a three-week vacation at Key West, Fla. His plane landed at National Airport at 12:27 p. m. EST.

On hand to welcome the President as he stepped smiling from his plane were Secretary of State Dean Acheson, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson, Secretary of Commerce Charles W. Sawyer and a large number of other officials.

The President wore a gray suit, gray hat and blue top coat. He carried a walking stick. He stood at the head of the steps and waved his hat to the crowd.

Mr. Truman talked briefly with members of his official family at the airport and then left for luncheon at his Blair House residence.

Everybody had a grand time in Florida, he said.

A reporter asked if Mr. Truman "had anything to say now that you're back at the scene of the battles."

The President said he would hold a news conference Thursday afternoon and tell the reporters then what he has on his mind.

Confessed 'Killer' Lands In Jail

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 20 (UP)—An itinerant horseshoer, Paul Ernest Lovey, was in the Jackson County jail today on a charge of assault with intent to kill, a crime committed 36-years ago.

Lovey, 54, was arraigned yesterday in connection with the shooting of police officer John B. Ferritt. He made a technical plea of innocent to the crime as required in the case of a felony and prepared to appear for preliminary hearing January 12.

It wasn't until yesterday that Lovey learned the patrolman had recovered from the head wound he inflicted.

Christmas Tree Lights Are Again Plentiful

BLOOMFIELD, N. J., (UP)—Christmas tree light bulbs will glow their gayest greeting ever this year, the first Yuletide that the bulbs have been plentiful since pre-war.

A Westinghouse estimate indicated that American manufacturers have ready a mountain of 400 million of the colored miniature bulbs, enough to supply 11 to

each of this nation's 36½ million electrified homes.

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1. Please give the operator the out-of-town number you are calling, if you know it.
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JUST THINKING

BY FRANK HATT

With so much activity going on it's hard to find time to write a column. But we'll attempt to squeeze one in today. Thanks for the many nice things you have said about it. We surely appreciate it.

It's easy to write a column if you just write anything whether it makes good reading or not, but to put something in it that makes interesting copy is another thing.

I think the most acceptable reading is about people and I'm going to try to learn more about the interesting people around here and tell you about them.

Your will probably remember Mr. Evans who managed the Schulz Hotel a couple of years ago. He was quite a hand at poetry and published some of it in The

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Index. He was in town the other day and says he is now a citizen of Dallas.

We received a Christmas card from Bob Copeland who for many years was a painter here, in partnership with Eb Crady. Bob is back in the painting business in Amarillo. He tried the real estate business in Oklahoma for a while, but the smell of paint was in his blood.

When Bob and Eb were partners a good deal of stories circulated about them. I can't vouch for the truth of all of them but they both swear to this one. They say it actually happened:

Bob and Eb were painting a house one day and were eating lunch on the back porch when a hen jumped up on the back porch and Ed said to Bob, or Bob said to Eb, I don't remember which, "Get an egg for lunch."

So Bob or Eb (the other one) put out his hand and the hen laid an egg in it. Whether you believe it or not they say it really happened. I don't recall their saying whether they tried the egg for dinner or not.

Eb never did marry. It's said he never had time, always had too much painting ahead of him and hasn't caught up yet. I guess Eb has slapped on enough paint to cover all the buildings of New York, Chicago and half of St. Louis in his day.

Eb's quite a baseball fan. He

never misses a game. He used to be quite a player in his day. Sometime I'll get him to talk about his diamond days and we may get another story.

The way you folks are helping these underprivileged kids is swell. I know several needy youngsters are going to have a real Christmas because of you.

Beta Sigma Phi Sels Dance Here Christmas Eve



A portion of the proceeds from the Beta Sigma Phi Officers' Club dance Christmas eve at Childress Airfield will go to the Heart Association, sorority officers said today.

Tickets for the dance, bringing the music of Eddie Camden and his orchestra, may be bought from any sorority members or from J. F. Scanlon. Price is \$2 per person.

Camden, according to press releases, has become famous throughout the Midwest as the most genial and personable of bandleaders. He takes the spotlight as singing star, ace trumpeter and facile master of ceremonies.

Before forming his own band, he had starred on a number of national network radio shows — including the Jack Benny show, where he preceded Frank Parker, Kenny Baker, and Dennis Day as featured vocalist, the releases say.

He also has been a trumpeter and vocalist with Rudy Vallee, Don Bestor, and a number of other name bands, his press relations department reports.

Lynne Baker, the songstress of Camden's group, is billed as a young lady who looks just as nice as she sounds.

Train Hits Van Hauling Furniture For Weddings

Valuable antiques, a baby grand piano, and other furniture belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weddington, was destroyed when "a streamliner (The Rocket) near Amarillo last week" hit the rear of the van taking the furniture to the Weddings' new residence in Las Vegas, N. M., it was learned today.

The trailer of the van was sheared in half and furniture was scattered when the accident occurred, according to Fred Sherwood, but the cab of the van remained upright. The driver was not seriously injured, he added.

Sherwood was among Childress people attending the formal opening of the new First National Bank in Las Vegas, of which Weddington will be vice-president and cashier.

Weddington and Charles Crews, former vice-president and cashier, respectively, of the local First National Bank, resigned recently to take the same positions in the Las Vegas bank.

Other local people attending the opening were Mmes. Crews and Weddington, Mrs. Fred Sherwood, Mr. and Mrs. Bill H. Newberry, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Pryor, J. M. Crews, Dick Whaley, and Howard Harrison.

Rita Tells-

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Aga Khan, sat on the terrace of the mansion watching the scene with considerable amusement. She wore some of the fabulous jewels given her by the Aga, including a 30-carat square cut diamond ring.

She called cheerfully to Miss Hayworth in French to bear up under the ordeal of the interview.

The prospective mother answered back in a reasonably good accent.

"I've been taking lessons, and I speak French pretty well now," she said. "But I still manage to butcher it every now and then." The princess said she was anxious to get back to Hollywood and resume her movie career, that she was reading a script, and that regardless of any current reports her health was excellent.

The prince then bounced out of the chateau. He wore black riding breeches and a sweater. A scarf was knotted around his throat. He badly needed a haircut.

He swore in a melange of French and English that he loathed having his picture taken.

"Take me sitting down, too," he said, hiding his midriff behind the door of the Cadillac. Everybody laughed.

FORT WORTH LIVESTOCK

FORT WORTH, Dec. 20 (UP)—(USDA)—Livestock:

Cattle 1800. Slow. Most classes weak, spots lower. Medium slaughter steers and yearlings 17.00-23.00, cutter and common 14.00-16.50, few good yearlings 23.50-25.25. Beef cows mostly 14.50-16.00. Few good 16.50, canners and cutters 10.00-14.00, shelly canners down to 8.00. Cutter to good sausage bulls 13.50-17.00. Medium and good stocker and feeder steers and yearlings 17.00-21.50, three loads 1030 lb steers 21.00. Few medium and good stocker cows 15.00-17.50.

Calves 1100. Slow. Weak, spots lower. Good and choice slaughter calves 21.00-24.00, common and medium 16.00-20.00, culls 13.00-15.50. Medium and good stocker steer calves 19.00-23.00.

Hogs 1000. Butcher hogs steady to mostly 25 higher, sows strong, pigs steady. Good and choice 200-270 lbs 16.00 and 16.25, good and choice 160-190 lbs 14.25-15.75, good and choice 290-350 lbs 14.50-15.50. Sows mostly 13.00-50. Feeder pigs 10.00-13.00.

Sheep 1300. Slaughter lambs weak to 50 lower, slaughter yearlings and feeder lambs steady.



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LOCAL NEWS

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sons of Wichita Falls, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Egerton of Fort Worth plan to spend the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Price.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard R. Kaye of Stillwater, Okla., plan to spend the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Holman.

Of interest to friends in Childress is the report that Mrs. L. W. Timmons of Cee Vee underwent a minor operation yesterday in the Quannah Memorial Hospital.

M. A. Tate and Fate Russell were in Happy yesterday on business.

Mrs. Homer Biddy of High Point was a business visitor here this morning.

Bob Rushing and Hal Courtney of Northfield were visiting here with friends last night.

W. D. Jones was a visitor in Amarillo during the week end.

Paralyzed Woman Abducted In Car

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 (UP)—A partially paralyzed woman, hardly able to walk or talk, was recovering today after sitting in fear for eight hours in an automobile stolen by a thief who did not realize she was in the back seat.

Police said the thief apparently abandoned the car a few minutes after he noticed Mrs. Esther Silverman, 42, huddled behind a pile of household goods.

The auto was found last night only a few blocks from where it was stolen at 11:30 a. m. Mrs. Silverman was hysterical and unable to move or shout for help because of her affliction.

Snow-

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ed from 83 degrees at Alice to 57 at Dalhart and lows this morning from 28 at Salt Flat and 29 at Dalhart to 70 at Brownsville. Generally, temperatures were in the 60's this morning, except the 50's in Northwest Texas. Childress ranged from 68 to 55.

Mrs. B. M.-

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comprised of Miss Aubrey Hankins, Miss Nell Rogers, Miss Grace Powell, Miss Alyce Ater, Miss Martha Kite, Mrs. George Robertson, Mrs. Ruby Bush, Mrs. Jesse Schuk of Quannah, and Mrs. Belves Bailey.

Maragon Probe Gets Underway

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (UP)

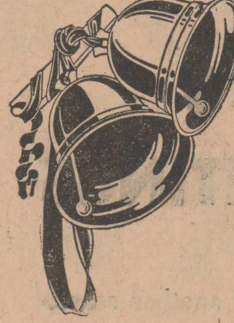
A federal grand jury today received a report on secret testimony by John Maragon in which Senate investigators charge that the mysterious man of many businesses committed perjury.

A shorthand reporter, Gilbert Halasz, was the first witness as the government began presenting evidence in its perjury action against the one-time close friend of Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan, President Truman's military aide.

Maragon is accused of lying under oath when he testified secretly before the Senate investigating committee in connection with last summer's inquiry into Washington's "influence salesmen" — the so-called five per centers.

ST. LOUIS (UP)—"Santa Claus" appeared out of season to give blood to a seven-year-old girl suffering from burns. Edward Moran, 32, who acted as a volunteer Santa Claus to underprivileged children for the past four years, heard of the appeal and gave his 33rd blood donation.

Greetings.



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A Thought On Christmas

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."

In the little town of Bethlehem nearly two thousand years ago Christ was born. That was the first Christmas.

But since that time, the meaning of Christmas has almost been lost in some places. Sometimes here in America the legend of Santa Claus seems to have almost replaced the true story of the Christ in the minds of many. Christ has even been omitted in the teachings of some children about Christmas.

It is important that we should remember that the yuletide season originated to commemorate the birthday of our Lord and Savior. The many customs and practices of the holiday are often pretty and in keeping with the spirit of Christmas, but we should remember "Christ comes first."

The custom of giving gifts, as we all know, began with the Wise Men taking their treasures to the Christ Child. It is a beautiful practice.

Real snowfalls are common in Switzerland, where Christmas is also celebrated. The evergreens nestle among the snow-capped mountains, and reindeer-drawn

Junior Class Presents Play On Annual Christmas Assembly

"A By-line For Saint Luke," one-act play, was presented by the Junior Class last Thursday in the CHS auditorium for the class' annual Christmas program.

The play emphasized the power of the story on Christ's birth to influence people even today.

Characters in the play were LaNelle Caldwell, Myrtle Shanks; Jimmy Fred Price, Joe Brannon; Vern Rucker, Clive Duncan; Jarvis Michie, Luke Cameron; Shirley Perkins, Carol Prescott; Wanda Rosamond, Louisa Hargrave; Dorothy Wilcox, Hattie, the office girl.

Nancy Massey and Wayne Webb were in charge of makeup, and Bill Woods was stage manager.

Immediately after the play, the Junior Girl's Ensemble sang three songs, "White Christmas," "Gloria in Excelsis" and "Following Yonder Star."

Girls who sang in the Ensemble were Joan Black, Edna Earle Yarbrough, Creta Lott, Barbara Brummett, Betty Campbell, Ruth Ann Pratt, Jane Witcher and Ruth Smith.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Charles Preslar, and the announcer was David Evans.

LOS SUENADORES CELEBRARON LA NAVIDAD

Los Suenadores reunieron a la casa de Wayland Mitchell el doce de diciembre. Hicieron los dulces de "taffy," "fudge," "divinity," y "date nut roll" para la tertulia el trece de diciembre.

Senora Aubrey Rogers sirvió "Cakes" por refrescos.

El trece de diciembre Los Suenadores comieron una comida majicana al Wagon Wheel a las seis. Despues de la comida el grupo cantaron las canciones de Navidad. Comieron los dulces que hicieron el noche de lunes.

Despues de cantar el grupo fueron al cine.

sleighs jingle gally as they deliver trees already trimmed.

The Christmas fiesta in Mexico is called the Pasado. There the children look forward not to Santa Claus but to the breaking of the pinata. The pinata is a large jar hung in the patio, and on Christmas Day the children break the jar with sticks and scramble for its contents. Huge quantities of candy, nuts, limes, small cakes, and little gifts are their rewards.

There are many other customs of many different kinds celebrated all over the world. But most of them are all celebrated for the same reason, the birth of Christ. So this Christmas as we go about our many activities, let us not forget the true meaning of Christmas, and on this Christmas Day let us go to our churches to worship the Christ child, who was born in Bethlehem so long ago.

Annual Christmas Concert Given By CHS Band

The CHS band, under the direction of Ralph Smith, presented a Christmas Concert Thursday, December 15.

The program was opened with "Manhattan Beach," "Let Every Tongue Adore Thee," "I'll See You In My Dreams" and "The Lord's Prayer" were next.

"Christmas Songs," "The Booster," "The Rosary," featuring Wayne Webb in a cornet solo, "White Christmas," and "Beautiful Savior" were played next on the program.

The "Hall of Fame Concert March" closed the program.

Betty Elam, secretary, presented Mr. Smith a gift of shirt, tie clasp and cuff links, in appreciation of his excellent work with the band.

She also presented a gift, a white blouse, to the charming wife of the director, Avis Smith, who has accompanied the band as chaperon on many trips.

Future Farmers Present Program At Lion's Club

The Childress High School FFA group demonstrated their opening and closing ceremonies and parliamentary procedure for the Lions Club meeting last Tuesday December 13.

The boys who took part in the program are Freddy Hall, president; Jimmy Stowe, vice-president; Clyde Smith, secretary; Jerry Stowe, et al. NU on NonN James Jones, treasurer; Joe Crain, parliamentarian; Donald Larned, sentinel; Jerry Conn, historian; and A. B. Shaw, sponsor.

CHRISTMAS GIFT PRESENTED TO FHA SPONSOR

FHA members wished their sponsor, Miss Frances Long, a merry Christmas last Tuesday at the noon meeting with a lovely centerpiece.

The pink pottery was shaped into a medium sized bowl in whose center two flamingoes served as the frog.

Miss Long has filled the capacity of club sponsor in CHS for nine years, serving as co-sponsor until the last four years. She instructs homemaking classes throughout the year and works with the girls who launch summer projects.

A Late Christmas Shopper's Perils By Joyce Lowe

By Joyce Lowe
Christmas shopping! Don't mention it! Since it's already mentioned, though, I'll go ahead and list the perils a Christmas shopper of today goes through.

You get up in the morning with the thought of the ordeal you're to go through, and everything looks bleak.

You drive up and down the street looking for a parking place and what do you find? Nothing!

There's a lady here in town who has a system everyone should try.

She simply gets out of the car in front of the store and does her shopping; then catches her car as it comes back around.

With the parking problem solved, the next one is attracting the salesgirl's attention. I know of a lady who goes to the stores with an umbrella. No, it's not raining; wait until I explain. She goes upstairs to the second floor, directly above the counter she wants, opens her umbrella, shouts "Geronimo," and jumps.

She has been very successful and now she won't speak to you unless you've had at least 50 missions.

I also know of a man who, though he isn't afraid of lady—or should I say women—shoppers, has hired an iron lung and four men to carry it through the crowd; but how many of us can afford that?

Remember though, in conclusion be careful how you wrap your gift. Last year my girl friend wrapped her gift for her boy friend so tightly she couldn't breathe.

Moral: Do your Christmas shopping early.

Sale Of Red Crosses Nets \$18.97 In CHS

The sale of red double barred crosses which went on last week netted \$18.97.

The money obtained during this drive will be turned over to the National Tuberculosis Association.

Christmas seals were mailed out to the homes this year and were replaced by crosses in the schools.

Raising money for the Tuberculosis Association by means of selling Christmas seals was begun in 1907 by Emiley Bissell.

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Kids' Night Celebrated At Senior Class Party Tuesday

Last Tuesday night was "Kid's Night" at the City Auditorium where approximately 50 seniors presented themselves all dolled up in kid's costumes.

"Cutest Kids" elected were Little Miss Billye Purcell, dressed as a typical tomboy, and Little Mister Gail Long, sailorman. Billye's attracting feature was her unusual cardboard glasses and eyes. "Swabbie" Long, clad in a white sailor suit with knee pants, captured all the little girls' hearts.

Runners-up to the title were Bobby Holland, Bruce Cook and Little Laverne Childers. Their respective prizes were a windmill, french harp and a bottle of castor oil. Winners won a squeaky mouse and a sling shot.

Entertainment for the "children" consisted of simple games, a tape recording of songs and poems by famous kids and Billy Don Hall as "master of ceremonies."

Faculty "Kids," Roe Smith, Ralph Smith with his girl friend, and Nellie Agnes Kennedy attended. The E. A. Sanders visited for a few minutes. The Ralph Smiths received a late model airplane for judging the contest.

Refreshments of sandwiches, olives, pickles, potato chips, soft drinks, and a variety of pies were served. Candy suckers and chewing gum were distributed during the party.

BOBCAT CLUB TREAT CAGERS WITH PARTY

The Childress Bobcat basketball team was treated with a party Monday night, December 12, by the Bobcat Mothers in the gymnasium.

The party went over in a big way since the boys had just finished practice and were pretty hungry, according to appreciative team members.

Food was furnished by the Bobcat Mothers and consisted of sandwiches, potato chips, olives, cake and milk.

JUNIORS TOP QUOTA IN MAGAZINE DRIVE

The Junior Class topped its quota of \$600 by \$2.85 in the annual magazine drive with Wayne Webb's Blue team's \$315.75 winning over Ruth Smith's Red team's \$287.10.

The class netted \$210.18 for its fund for the Junior-Senior Banquet and the class party.

The first place winner of \$25 was Wayne Webb with his total sales of \$77.40. Jimmy Gill won second with \$66.65 and Ray Ann Green came third with \$36.50.

WITH THE CLASSES

Plane geometry students have been taking tests on propositions, theorems, all types of problems much to their dissatisfaction.

You may think this is a broken record from week to week, but second year algebra students are still working on fractions. They are to be pitied though, for we remember that same toilsome road.

The freshman algebra classes are finding time to learn the cross-multiplication of binomials.

The Physics Class has been discussing humidity and dew point. An experiment was taken on the amount of heat given off by the condensation of steam.

In Chemistry Class the other day Earl Allen told of an incident that happened during some of his recent travels. Some of the cannibals down in South Africa had captured him and tied him at the stake to be burned (and eaten).

He said, "Chief, I'm really not good meat at all."

He cut a chunk of flesh from his leg for the chief to sample and, doing so, the chief let him go free.

Of course that's fiction, and the class is really worrying about their grades on the recent test on percentage and molecular weights.

Some of the things that just "happen to happen" in Vernon Johnson's General Science Class are quite amusing. The girls are getting briefed on some game rules besides the current subject of heating being discussed.

Miss Lulu Caudell is conducting an interesting experiment in regulation. She tied a piece of copper wire around a block of ice and tied the wire to a board, leaving the ice suspended in the air.

Gradually the wire will penetrate the ice because the pressure causes the ice to melt above the wire. One would think that at the end of the experiment the ice would be in two pieces but this is not true.

Instead it is in the same one block, the wire having passed through it and leaving only a path of refrozen ice. The release of pressure of the wire causes it to refreeze. Iron wire and copper wire will make an interesting race for those of you who are interested in applied physics.

The Homemaking III girls surely know how to serve, cook, and eat formal dinners. That's what they did last week.

All the homemaking cooking classes made candy for Christmas.

Choral Club Presents Annual Broadcast

The Choral Club, under the direction of Mrs. Joe A. Gibson, broadcast a program of beautiful Christmas carols at an assembly Tuesday, December 13.

The group opened and closed the program singing "White Christmas."

Other songs presented were "O Come, All Ye Faithful," "God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen," "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day," "The First Noel," "It Came Upon A Midnight Clear," "Angels We Have Heard On High," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "Hark, The Herald Angels Sing," "We, Three Kings of Orient Are."

They also sang "Silent Night" with the second choir, seated at the front of the auditorium, as an echo choir.

Johnny Baker, student director, announced each number and commented on the origin or significance of each song.

The choir was accompanied by Pat Sherwood.

SPEECH CLASS ENJOYS PARTY

The Speech Class enjoyed a Christmas party last Monday night, December 12, in the home of Beth Hull.

Games, under the direction of Barbara Brummett, proved a huge success.

The highlight of the evening was Miss Nellie Agnes Kennedy's realistic impersonation of Katherine Hepburn.

Besides the impersonation, Billy Don Hall, the "Romeo" of CHS, proposed to (Mrs.) Betty Lou Harris, because he felt he was safe there.

Sarah Smith gave three reasons men are superior to women and Roy Lee Sparkman gave three reasons women are superior to men, stating that he was quoting from a book and these opinions were the author's and definitely not his own.

Refreshments of sandwiches and "Cokes" were served.

The majority of the Speech Class was present.

Sixteen Scouts Receive Awards In Court Of Honor

A chuck wagon feed was held Friday night, December 16, for the Boy Scouts who took part in the Court of Honor. Sixteen boys, six from high school, received awards.

Terry Petty received Second Class award and cement work, carpentry, and masonry merit badges. Fred Herren received a First Class pin and swimming and cooking merit badges.

The Star Award and merit badges in reading, cooking, cement work, carpentry and masonry went to James Edmondson. Doyle Stamps received merit badges in rabbit raising, cooking and personal health.

Gene Murray received swimming, wood carving, painting, cooking, animal husbandry and first aid merit badges. A First Class award and merit badges in cooking, swimming and life saving went to Lowell Landrum.

Mabel Hare Club Has Meeting For Adopting Projects

The Mabel Hare Club, the local FTA organization, held a short meeting last Thursday at noon for the purpose of adopting projects for the club and determining the amount to be charged for dues.

A committee presented through Mary Williams, chairman, suggestions for dues, projects and meetings. All suggestions were approved.

Dues have been set at 50 cents per year. Projects to be carried out by the club are the construction of a student handbook and the helping of teachers.

Meetings are to be held once a month at night, but the time has not been set.

Members on the committee were Johnny Baker, president, Mary Williams, chairman, Shirley Adams, Billie Pennell, Delores Wright and Jane Ann Lambert.

Little Theater Presents 'Who's Who In The Home'

The Little Theater gave another "hit," "Who's Who In The Home," Monday, December 12.

This comedy had a very able cast with Billy Don Hall as Owen Ogden and Frances Hodges as Thelma Ogden. Mack Barron played Bob Falley and Jackie Foust portrayed Etta Falley.

The play was a mixed-up affair in which "Pearl," the most talked about actress, was a race horse, on which the husbands bet and which the wives thought was another woman.



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Three New Powers Added To 1950 Cat Grid Schedule

Nine opponents — including newcomers Amarillo, Sweetwater and Pampa — have been lined up for the 1950 Bobcats. Head Coach Don Ezell announced yesterday, and negotiations are still underway to get a tenth team on next year's football schedule.

Lubbock, Electra, Graham and Memphis have been dropped from the new schedule.

Tentatively, three of the games will be played here and four away, while sites for the Sweetwater and Pampa games have not been determined.

Sweetwater, the latest addition to the schedule, signed a two-year contract yesterday on a home-and-home basis, Ezell said.

The dropping of Electra and Graham from District 2-AA delayed booking some this year. With only four conference games

on tap, some difficulty was met in filling open dates on October 13 and 20, when most clubs in larger loops are busy with district warfare.

Childress' three district games will come near the season's end, starting with Vernon here November 3. Then the Bobcats will take a week off before going to Wichita Falls and Quanah on successive week ends.

Abilene and Plainview have been hinted as possibilities to fill the tenth spot on the Bobcat schedule, but conflicting schedule dates may eliminate both.

Ezell said it was highly probable the Pampa game would be played in Childress. He added the North Side (Fort Worth) game, scheduled September 29, may be played later on in the year to balance the schedule.

1950 Childress High School Football Schedule

Date	Opponent
Sept. 15	Amarillo
22	Borger
29	North Side*
Oct. 6	Phillips*
13	Open
20	Sweetwater**
27	Pampa**
Nov. 3	Vernon*
10	Open
17	Wichita Falls
30	Quanah
	*Home Games
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Applicants Needed For Golden Gloves

With only three weeks left before the District Golden Gloves meet here January 11, 12 and 13, many applicants are needed in all weights of the open and high-school divisions.

Childress team manager Bill Adams has requested all boxers who intend to enter the tournament to turn out for training as soon as possible.

Workouts are being held nightly in steam-heated Childress Airfield gym. Trainees are asked to assemble at Prather-Williams Drug at 7 every evening. Transportation will be provided if desired.

Applicants for the Gloves are asked to fill out the application blank, which will appear in The Index, and return it to this paper.

Ralph Kiner Gets Slugging Honors In National Loop

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 (UP)—Ralph Kiner of Pittsburgh, amassing the maximum mileage out of his base hits, paced the National League with a slugging percentage of .658 during the 1949 season, according to official averages released today.

Slugging percentages, compiled on the basis of a batter's total bases divided by his total times at bat, showed that Kiner and Stan Musial of the St. Louis Cardinals swept the field by a wide margin.

Kiner hit for 361 total bases in 549 times at bat, beating Musial by 34 points. The Cardinal outfielder registered 382 total bases in 612 trips to the plate for a .624 percentage.

Kiner, who also paced the league in runs batted in with 127, drew the most bases on balls, 117.

Placing a distant third to Kiner and Musial in slugging was league's leading hitter, Jackie Robinson of Brooklyn, who racked up a .528 mark. He was followed by Del Ennis of the Phillies with .525 and Bobby Thomson of the Giants with .518.

Colorado Trims SMU In Rough Cage Tilt

BOULDER, Colo., Dec. 20 (UP)—Colorado's Buffaloes scored a 56-50 basketball victory over Southern Methodist last night. At times, the contest resembled football more than basketball.

The clash started out as a high scoring affair and Colorado led, 35-32 at the intermission.

As the second half opened, players started moving slower and the game got rougher. Jai Haynes of SMU had to be carried off the hardwoods after he was knocked out on a fast break.

Colorado's Kendall Hills, who had hooped 11 points, fouled out with 174 minutes left to play.

1950 GOLDEN GLOVES THE CHILDRESS INDEX DISTRICT TOURNAMENT January 11, 12, and 13 ENTRY BLANK

The following classes will be contested:

Flyweight	112 lbs.	Welterweight	147 lbs.
Bantamweight	118 lbs.	Middleweight	160 lbs.
Featherweight	126 lbs.	Light-Heavy	175 lbs.
Lightweight	135 lbs.	Heavyweight	Over 175 lbs.

(Open to all boxers 16 years of age or over who have never fought for money.)

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Enter me in the Golden Gloves (High School) (Open) Division.

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All boxers will be examined thoroughly and all precautions will be taken to insure their welfare. IF THE ENTRANT IS UNDER 21 years of age, the following blank must be signed:

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Father (Mother or Guardian) _____

ADDRESS _____

Joe Louis Again Finds Easy Bout

OAKLAND, Calif., Dec. 20 (UP)—Joe Louis may be serious about his current tour being an "exhibition," but his easy fifth-

Low Jenkins Gets Easy TKO

BOSTON, Dec. 20 (UP)—Former world lightweight champion Low Jenkins has moved another step forward on the comeback trail.

The Sweetwater, Tex., puncher scored a rousing technical knockout of Iggy Vaccari of Boston last night in two minutes and 26 seconds of the eighth round of a scheduled 10-rounder.

Jenkins, an old-timer of 33, looked fresher than his 19-year-old opponent, who was broadcasting every punch. The Texan methodically open up bad cuts below both of Vaccari's eyes with sharp jabs.

The referee stopped the fight after Jenkins had put Vaccari on the canvas twice for an eight-count.

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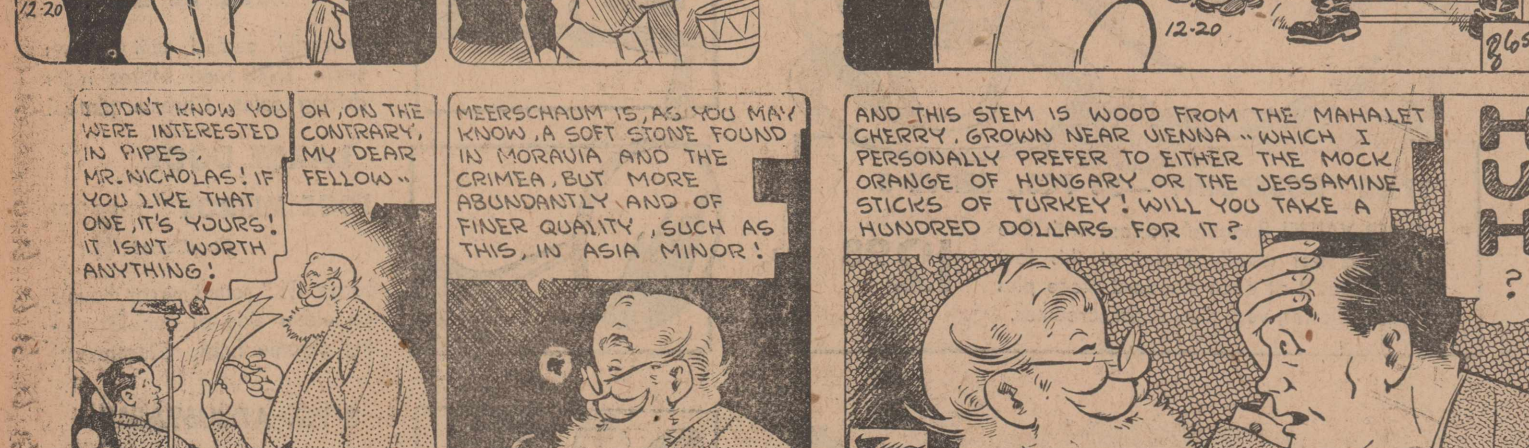
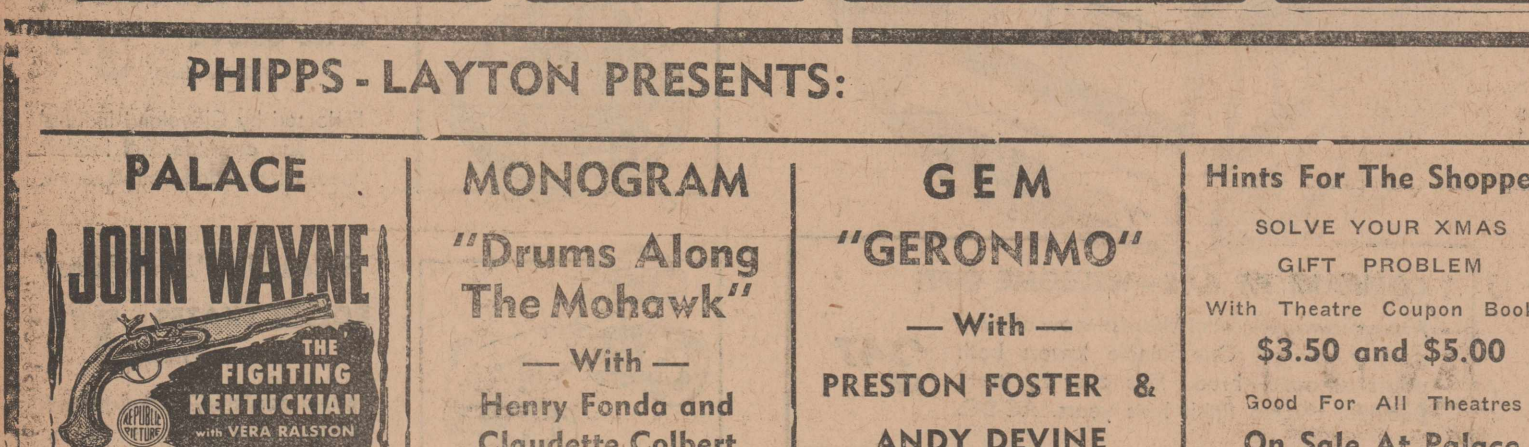
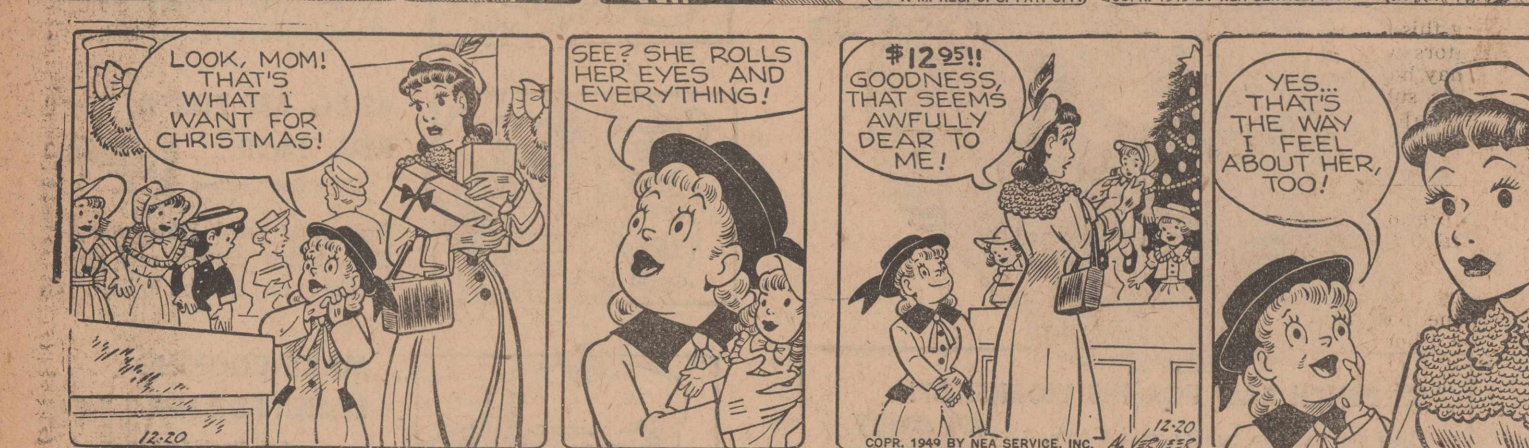
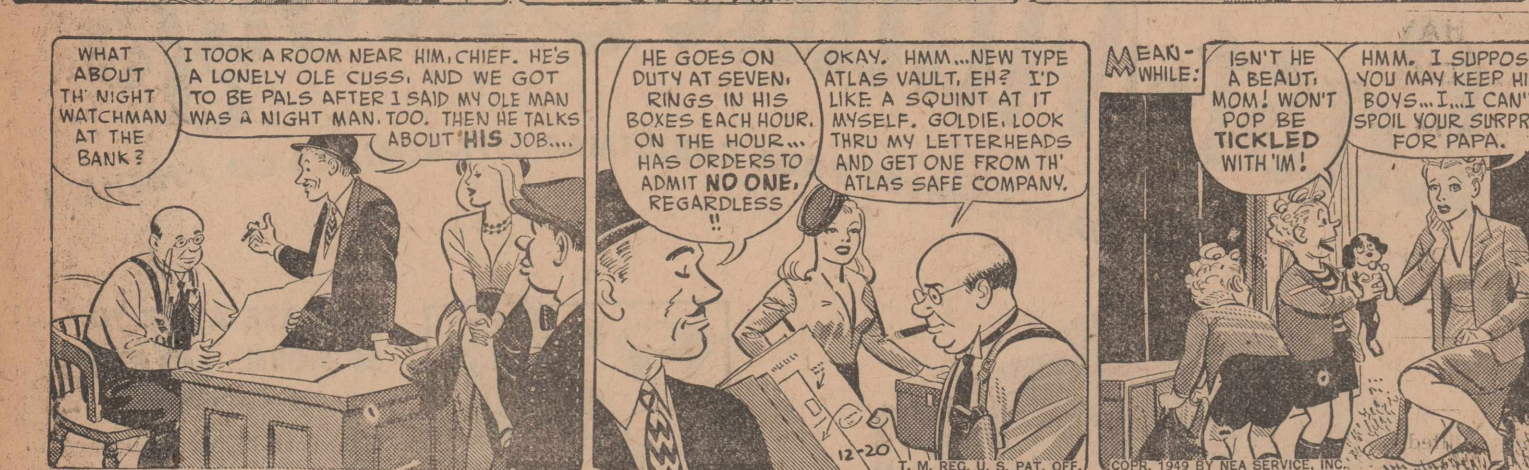
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Annual James E. Sullivan Trophy To Be Bestowed On Some Athlete

By Oscar Fraley
NEW YORK, Dec. 20 (UP)—

The James E. Sullivan memorial trophy awarded annually to the nation's outstanding amateur athlete is up for grabs today and it looks like a toss-up between Jim Fuchs, Yale's world record shot putter, and Dick Button, Harvard figure skater.

These would seem to be the two front runners as the balloting is conducted to pick one of seven candidates — five men and two women — but there is an outside possibility that any of the others might make it, notably Fred Wilt, the former Indiana distance runner and Allen Stack, Yale's basketball ace.

The other candidates are Doris Hart of Miami, runner-up in the national women's singles; Barbara Jensen, San Francisco swimmer, and Joe Verdeur, Philadelphia basketball player.

Fuchs, the Yale football and track star from Chicago, looks like a good bet. He boosted the world 16-pound shot standard to 55 feet, four and 27/64 inches at Oslo, Norway, last summer. A member of the 1948 Olympic team, he also is NCAA and AAU champ and record holder.

Button, the New Jersey youngster, during the 1947-48 season won every available major skating championship in the world, including the Olympic title. The world's foremost amateur figure skater, he has won four national championships, two North American titles, on European crown and three world awards.

Stack in a tank phenomenon who holds every existing world basketball record except for 100 yards. He also has set three American short course records and seven American 20-yard course marks in winning the intercollegiate, NCAA, AAU and Olympic crowns.

Another tank man is Verdeur, holder of two world basketball records and an Olympic winner in unequalled time. The former LaSalle College star won 18 na-

tional titles, including the NCAA belt and more than 50 middle Atlantic AAU championships.

Northfield News

By Mrs. Bill Bethany
Mrs. James Duke and daughter Regina of Merkel are here on a visit with her sister, Mrs. Charlie Lane and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Payne of Childress visited here Sunday also attended church service here.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Thomas were Childress shoppers Wednesday.

Mrs. Homer McCoy and daughter Fay Nell and her father, Ira Berry recently were here from Waco. They were at the bedside of Mr. Berry's brother, who is seriously ill. He was reported slightly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Whitt left Wednesday for Clarksville. They were accompanied by Lee Powell and son Ivy and Fulton Pace. Mr. and Mrs. Whitt will establish residence in Clarksville.

The home demonstration club met Thursday at the school building. The members exchanged Christmas gifts and held a social hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Casey are spending a few days in Clarksville with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Ebb Thomas and son John spent Wednesday with Mrs. Bill Bethany.

Mrs. Tom Moore visited in Matador Thursday with relatives.

Gene Barley and Billy Paul Simpson of Matador spent Thursday night in Northfield with their parents.

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The highest temperature for the past 24 hours was 68 degrees at 3 p. m. yesterday. The lowest, 55 degrees, occurred at 8 this morning.

Temperatures follow:

Noon	Midnight
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2 64	2 59
3 68	3 59
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6 61	6 56
7 57	7 56
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Truthful Answer Must Be Given To Census Taker

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (UP)—When the census taker comes knocking at your door next year, you had better answer his questions. Truthfully, too.

The census bureau has the authority to prosecute anyone who refuses to answer the questions, or who gives willful false answers.

The penalty for refusal could result in a fine of \$100 or 60 days imprisonment, or both. If found guilty of giving false answers, the penalty is stiffer—\$500 fine or one year in jail, or both.

A big furor is being kicked up

in Congress now, mainly by Republicans, over the census taker's right to ask every fifth person his income for 1949.

The objectors claim it is an invasion of privacy and discriminates against the low income groups. If you earn more than \$10,000, you don't have to give your precise income—merely answer "more than \$10,000."

The census bureau, despite criticism, has not retreated from its intention to ask the income question.

However, it amended its position slightly. If you are one of the persons asked your income, you may request the enumerator to give you another form.

On this form you will list your income and mail it directly to the census bureau here in Washington. In that way, if the census taker happens to be your neighbor, he won't know what you earn, but the bureau still will

get the information.

Robert H. Holley of the census bureau's legal division said that the bureau's power to prosecute for refusal to answer questions or not answering them correctly has never been used in a population survey—such as will be held next year.

He said that only about three prosecutions have ever been filed as a result of census law violations—all as the result of business and agricultural counts.

Couple Attempt Suicide To Give Kids An Income

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 20. The two young children of a prominent doctor and his wife were in the custody of their grandparents today after their parents entered into a "suicide pact," apparently to "provide the children with an income."

The double suicide was not quite completed. The mother, Mrs. Mildred Minderman Crawford, died of a lethal dose of morphine, but the father, Dr. Joseph B. Crawford, was still alive.

Crawford, 34, had also taken a dose of morphine and today he was in critical condition at a hospital here from the effects of the drug. Attendants would not comment on his chances of living.

In suicide notes written by the 28-year-old mother, a former New Orleans socialite, she said that she and her husband "felt that I could provide you all with an income of sorts this way."

The children, Linda Mary, 7, and Douglas Bruce, 15 months, were placed in the custody of their grandmother, Mrs. Henry Minderman of New Orleans.

Mrs. Minderman, wife of a New Orleans industrialist, was visiting the Crawford family for Christmas. She found the stricken couple in their bedroom Sunday.

Police at suburban Lookout Mountain, where the Crawford's lived in a fashionable home, yesterday revealed the contents of two apparent suicide notes written by Mrs. Crawford.

Farm Surpluses May Take More Than \$3 Billion

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (UP)—Farm surpluses from the two biggest crop years in history—1948 and 1949—threatened today to drain more than \$3 billion from the federal treasury.

The government had \$2 billion 600 million invested in farm price supports in the most recent tabulation.

Department officials said on the basis of yesterday's final summary of 1949 production that the total is certain to climb well above the \$3 billion mark during the next six months as farmers put more of their crops under the price support umbrella.

"It may even approach \$4 billion," one official said.

The government hopes to hold down price support outlays on the 1950 harvest. It gets its first clue today to the effectiveness of its production control program in accomplishing that goal.

The department's crop reporting board will publish at 3 p. m. (EST) its first 1950 crop production forecast. The report will show fall plantings and indicated production of winter wheat and acreage seeded for rye.

Wheat farmers have been put under acreage allotments. This is a mild form of production control aimed at curbing possible surpluses next year. Under the program, wheat farmers are asked to cut back plantings by an average of 14 per cent.

Stiffer production controls and marketing quotas—carrying heavy penalties for noncompliance—will be used to curb plantings of cotton, peanuts and major types of tobacco.

Acreage allotments will be announced soon for corn and rice and possibly for soybeans and dry beans.

The department reported yesterday that this year's total crop volume was second only to last year's record production. It said planted acreage was the largest in 16 years and the harvested acreage the largest in 17 years.

Christmas Card Of 42 Years Ago Renews Romance

LONG BEACH, Calif., Dec. 20 (UP)—A 42-year-old Christmas card from an old beau spelled renewed romance for retired policeman Ethel W. Thompson, 63.

Mrs. Thompson, widow of Los Angeles and Long Beach newspaperman Fred Thompson, said she forgot about Ben. F. Corley for more than 40 years until she was browsing through old cards and came across one from him dated 1907.

On it, the former Kansas City man wrote, "I hope to hear from you soon."

Memories stirred by the card led Mrs. Thompson to write Corley. Then they arranged a Kansas City reunion in October, their first meeting since 1903.

It didn't take the patient sweetheart, now 67 and a St. Joseph, Mo., cafe operator, long to propose. They'll be married Christmas day.

Coyne Lauds New Dodges After His Oklahoma Visit

The new Dodge cars which will be introduced January 4 will have a fresh styling appeal, new low body lines and many refinements in design, according to Mart Coyne, who has returned from a dealer preview meeting in Oklahoma City.

Coyne said that pictures of the new Dodge cars, specifications and full details will be on display in his showroom on January 4.

"Dodge's production and retail deliveries this year have been the highest in Dodge history," he said. "We're confident of doing even better next year with the new improved models. They're beautiful cars. I personally believe they are the finest values we've ever had."

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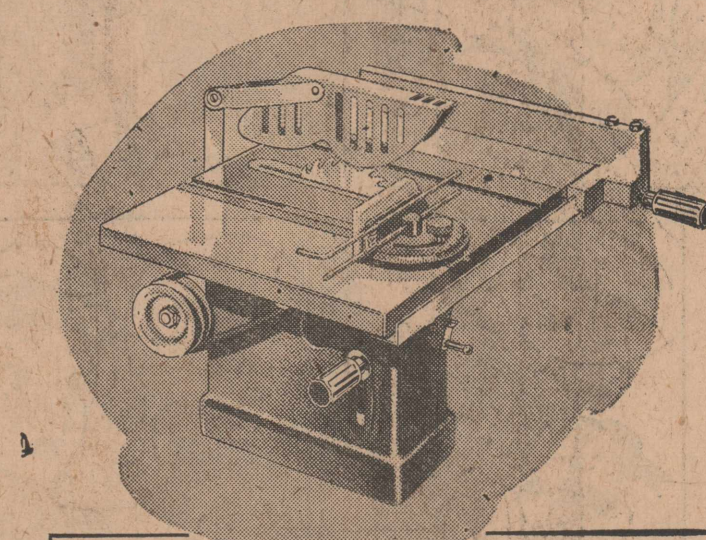
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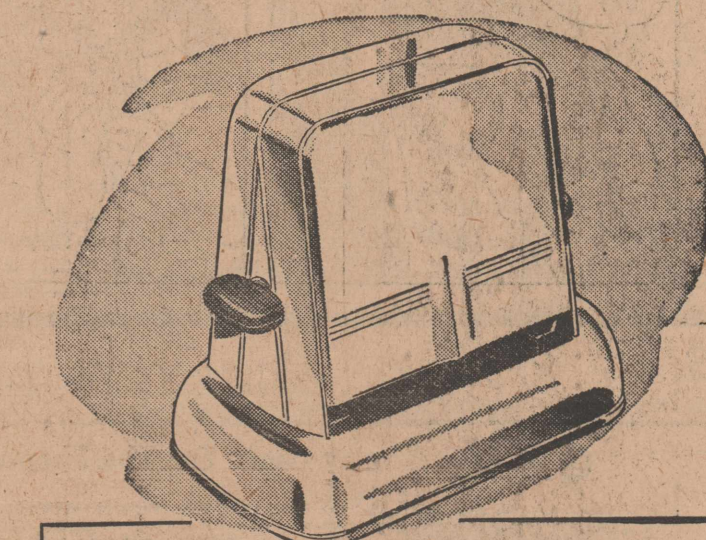


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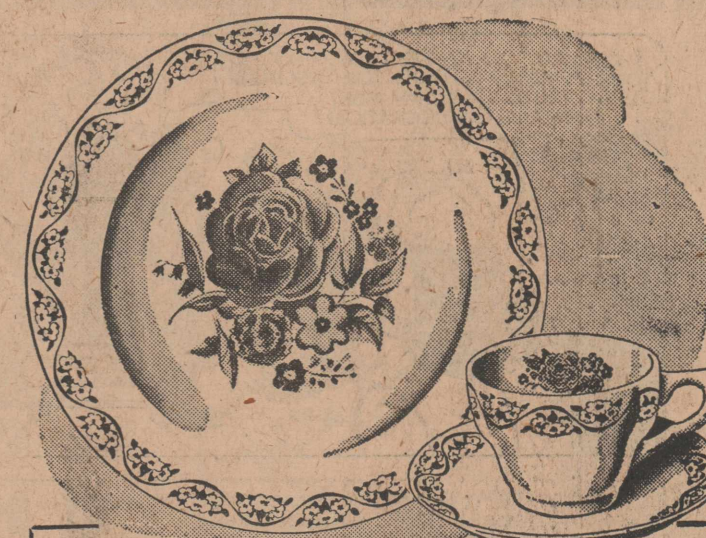
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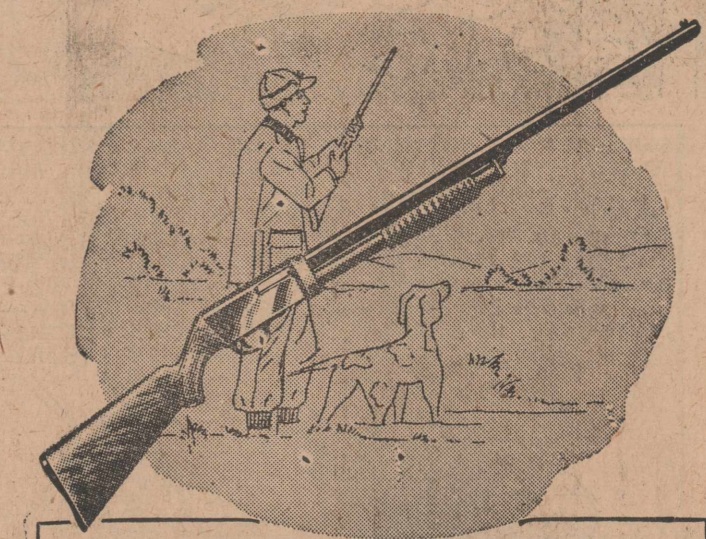
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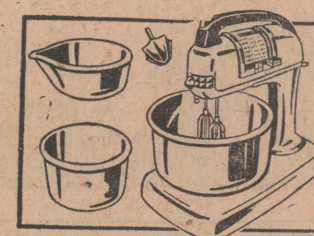


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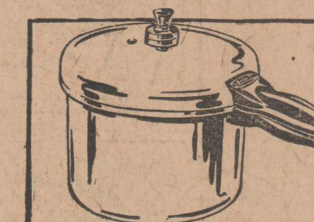
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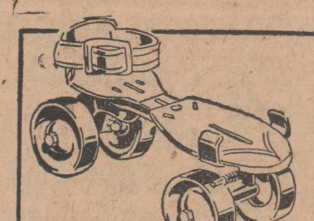


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Full size Model

Endorsed by Cleveland Indians! Stail Tan cowhide, full leather lined, felt pad and welted seams.



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Ball Bearing Wheels

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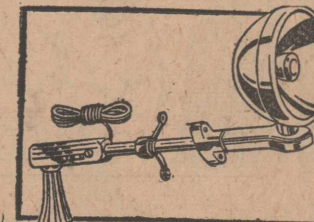


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Official Size

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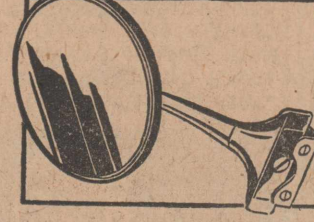


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Fits either side

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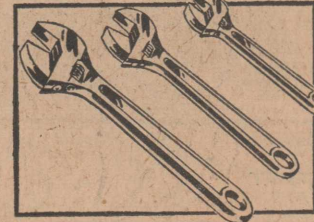


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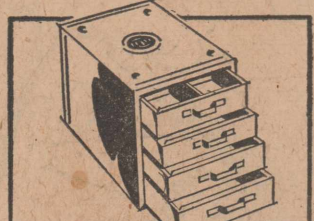


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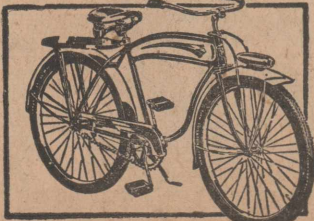


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Compact! Stack 4 or 5 high! Sectioned drawers for storing nuts, screws, sewing needs, etc.



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