

For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, 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 peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the guests 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 hath 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 they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

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Christmas Revives Age-Old Hopes For Peace, Good Will



KIWANIS PLAYS SANTA CLAUS—Members of the Snyder Kiwanis Club distributed food, toys, and food certificates to many needy families in Snyder Thursday and Friday. They are shown above making a gift stop in north Snyder. Gift certificates good for food purchases were given to 58 families by the club. (Lee Watson photograph)

SNYDER SPOTLIGHT

By WACIL McNAIR

As some of you may have discovered a few weeks ago, this column usually is written a few days in advance of the publication date. This one is not only being written, but also is being published (we hope) several hours ahead of the date shown on each page.

The reason for early publication at this time is twofold: to give our "little merchants" (the newsboys) an opportunity to cover their routes before old Santa Claus pays his annual visit, and give the staff members a longer holiday.

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Nevertheless, we can foretell the future to a certain extent. At our house this morning (if you're reading this on Sunday, Christmas Day) everybody was out of bed at least a couple of hours earlier than usual.

The excitement of the youngsters, as they surveyed their array of gifts, was contagious enough to "rub off" on the adults, up to a point that is.

But it was difficult for the older heads to keep pace after the initial surge of activity, and a certain member of the family quietly withdrew from the center of attraction and put the coffee pot to its intended use.

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By that time, wrappings from gifts littered the livingroom floor, and that colorfully decorated tree which stood regally in its niche yesterday had lost much of its original splendor.

Then there was a brief attempt to restore some order to the house. It was difficult to understand why the hastily removed gift wrappings could fill every available garbage can to overflowing——we were economizing this year, just a few little things for the kids, and a practical gift or two for the adults in the family.

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But there it was. Those garbage cans just weren't big enough, and it was downright dangerous to walk casually through the livingroom; if there was not some mandestroying rolling toy ready to send you sprawling, then there was another that was sure to bring a howl of anguish from one of the small fry when it crunched under your foot.

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By that time, fatigue was beginning to show on the faces of the adults, despite the fact that the sun was just beginning to cast its first rays over the horizon (or is it cloudy today?). Everyone, except the children, was happy to partake of breakfast, and then lounge around for a while as the children and new toys would permit.

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Well, we must have dozed off sometime after breakfast. The sun is up there above the rooftops now, and it's time for Sunday school. Let's see, now. If we can knot our necktie and lace our shoes at the same time, we'll be only five minutes late.

Floodwaters Smash Levee

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The rampaging Feather River smashed through a levee early today, forcing an estimated 8,000 persons to flee from the central California community of Yuba City with water lapping at their heels.

Rapidly rising water trapped countless others in their Yuba City homes as one of the mightiest floods in West Coast history showed signs of receding after surging over parts of three states.

Across the Sierra Nevada, a sudden cold front in the mountains and snow storm appeared to be saving the gambling and divorce center of Reno, Nev., from a major flooding by the Truckee River. The Truckee was back in its channel today after torrents of melting snow in the mountains sent it over its banks, flooding parts of Reno.

At Stockton, an inland port city some 70 miles east of San Francisco, an estimated 3,000 persons were ordered evacuated early today when a covered slough draining into the stock ship channel flooded and sent water over a several-block area. Work crews ripped up parts of six streets to divert the water to the channel.

The rain that has drenched and beleaguered northern California for nine straight days tapered off in northern and central sectors today — bringing hope the unprecedented floods have passed their peak. Army Engineers estimated today the floods have brought destruction to 10,000 to 15,000 square miles of northern California alone.

All of northern California was proclaimed by President Eisenhower yesterday a major disaster area, giving federal agencies a "blank check" to cope with the immense relief and reconstruction job.

In southern Oregon, coastal rivers were reported to be dropping rapidly after causing five deaths and untold damage.

Seventeen persons are reported dead in the California floods. There were no reports of any flood-caused deaths in Nevada.

Federal Civil Defense officials say the number of persons evacuated from the floods is well over 20,000 in California, some 1,500 in Oregon and more than 600 in Nevada.

At Yuba City, center of a rich agricultural section that calls itself the peach capital of the world, flood waters swept into town after a levee gave way about three miles to the south shortly after midnight.

Yugoslavia Seen As Chief Mediator

By TOM HOGE

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — Speculation mounted today that Yugoslavia, compromise choice for a U.N. Security Council seat, might be drafted as behind-scenes mediator in the Middle East dispute now before the council.

Observers believe this was one of the reasons for the council's reported decision to hold up action on Syria's charges of aggression against Israel until after Jan. 1, when Yugoslavia takes her seat along with Cuba and Australia. The council heard Syria's charges Thursday, then adjourned indefinitely.

Faced with a warning from Palestine truce chief Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns that further Israeli reprisals could touch off full scale war, the council finds itself in a ticklish position. It must take action that will not inflame an already dangerous situation.

The council's position was rendered more difficult by Syria's demands that Israel be expelled from the U.N. and subjected to economic penalties as punishment for a Dec. 11 attack on Syrian posts.

Most delegates agree that some middle course is needed between the Syrian proposal and the council's usual course—a rebuke and appeal for peaceful negotiations.

As the situation now stands, the big western powers reportedly favor limiting action to an expression of censure and call for talks. The Russians, on the other hand, appear intent on seeking stronger measures, but it is considered doubtful they would support Syria's demands.

U.N. circles feel that in such a situation, Yugoslavia, a Communist state on cordial terms with the West and friendly with both the Arabs and Israelis, could serve as an important link.

Diplomats here noted with interest yesterday's government statement from Belgrade that Yugoslavia had accepted the compromise council arrangement in order "to render service in the case of unity of the United Nations."

Observers also recalled a recent policy statement by Yugoslav Foreign Minister Koca Popovic calling for efforts to eliminate Israeli-Arab antagonisms.

Sources close to the Yugoslavs said they do not relish entering the council in the midst of such an explosive situation. But many believed they could be prevailed upon to use their good offices.

Traffic Death Count Mounts Rapidly In U.S.

By The Associated Press

Traffic deaths mounted steadily during the first hours of the long Christmas weekend holiday.

First reports showed at least 58 persons had lost their lives in motor mishaps. Nine other violent deaths were reported, six in fires and three in accidents from miscellaneous causes.

A rash of traffic accidents in the Chicago area — more than 500 in five hours last night — resulted in 10 deaths. Police said the accident rate was the highest ever for a Christmas holiday season.

The National Safety Council has estimated that 560 persons will be killed in traffic mishaps during the 78-hour holiday period — from 6 p.m. yesterday to midnight Monday (local time).

Of the six killed in fires, three were Dominican nuns who perished in a fire which destroyed Our Lady of Grace monastery in North Guilford, Conn. About 50 other nuns escaped.

The council's estimate of 560 traffic deaths would be a record toll for any holiday period. The all-time mark is 556 set in the four-day Christmas holiday in 1952.

An Associated Press survey during a non-holiday period, from 6 p.m. Friday Dec. 9 to midnight Monday Dec. 12, disclosed a total of 364 traffic fatalities. In the first 10 months this year traffic deaths averaged 102 per day.

Driving conditions were hazardous in many areas hit by rain, snow and fog. Fog extended over sections of the upper Mississippi Valley, the Ohio Valley and parts of Illinois and lower Michigan. Snow covered wide areas in most of the northern border states, New England and parts of New York and Pennsylvania. Rain continued in the far west.

Deaths in traffic, fires and miscellaneous causes by states:

Connecticut 1 3 0; Illinois 11 0 1; Indiana 1 0 0; Kentucky 1 0 0; Massachusetts 2 0 0; Michigan 4 0 0; Missouri 4 0 0; New York 2 0 0; New Hampshire 0 1 0; North Carolina 1 0 0; Ohio 1 0 1; Pennsylvania 3 0 0; South Carolina 0 1 0; Texas 3 0 0; Virginia 2 0 0.

State Jaycee Head Due Here

Ed Stumpf of Houston, state Junior Chamber of Commerce president, will be a guest of the local Jaycees Friday in their regular meeting.

Jaycee members said tentative plans call for their meeting to be a joint meeting of all service clubs here. They started this weekend to contact club presidents to extend invitations.

Stumpf will discuss the Five Outstanding Young Texans awards, which will be officially made at the state organization's annual FOYT banquet here Jan. 21.

Service clubs will be asked by the Jaycees to aid as hosts for the state banquet.

Balmy Weather To Stay For Christmas

By The Associated Press

Texas will have balmy Christmas weather.

Texas went in shirt sleeves as the mercury climbed to the high 80's Friday and the Weather Bureau said more of the same can be expected Saturday and Christmas Day.

Laredo had 88, Kerrville 87, Abilene 86, San Angelo 83 and Fort Worth 80 Friday. Dallas' 79 was the highest ever recorded on Dec. 23.

Temperatures ranged from 34 Saturday morning at Presidio to 68 at Childress in the Panhandle, usually one of the colder spots in the state.



TEARS OF JOY—Mrs. Patricia Samples weeps and snuggles her 14-month-old daughter, Ruth, following the child's rescue from a fire at a housing project in Erie, Pa. Behind Mrs. Samples is 8-year-old Walter Myers whose mother was badly burned saving him and two other brothers from the flames. Mrs. Samples and her sister Mrs. Myers live with their families in the same unit.

Phone Service For Fluvanna Is Near

Residents of the Fluvanna area and others of the northwest part of Scurry County will probably be using telephones by the end of January, according to Truman Black, Snyder district manager for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.

Black said pre-installation of some of the telephones in that part of the county is already underway awaiting cable from the Lamesa highway to Fluvanna and north of there. The cable will be installed during a two to three week period after it arrives here within a few days.

The telephones will be on the Snyder exchange, and residents will be able to dial without toll charges to any other phones on the Snyder exchange. There will be about 90 new telephones in that part of the county, 75 of which will be in the job to be completed in January and the rest included in carrier equipment installation, which will be slightly later.

Just completed was a project which included 18 telephones in the Ennis Creek area. After completion of the Fluvanna and the northwest Scurry projects, the entire county will be served by telephone, with exception of a few small and scattered areas. The southeast part of the county is served by a private exchange.

Black said that by the end of November, Southwestern had a net gain of 540 telephones this year.

The manager said a new directory will be issued by the company Feb. 16. That directory will have listings of about 700 new phones since the last directory was published last February, in addition to several hundred changes.

Odessa Man Slightly Hurt In Accident

William Stevenson, about 35, of Odessa, was slightly injured at about 1:10 a.m. Saturday when his car struck a post nine miles west of here on U. S. Highway 180. Stevenson's 1956 Ford slipped off the pavement and struck a post at Randal's Corner. The car was badly damaged.

The driver was taken by Bell ambulance to Cogdell Memorial Hospital, where he was treated for a cut on his mouth and lacerations on his face. He was kept at the hospital for the remainder of the night.

Vaughn Rites Are Held Here

Last rites for David Layfatte Vaughn, 2703 Avenue J, were held Saturday at 3 p.m. in the Bolger Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Jack Dean, pastor of the Northside Baptist Church, officiating. Mr. Vaughn died at 2 p.m. Friday in the Battenfield-Jones Hospital. He was born June 1, 1877 in Tennessee and was 78 years old.

He married Darthula Kite in Morriston, Tenn., on Sept. 1, 1898. They moved to Texas in 1900 and settled in Princeton, in Collin County, until 1920 when they moved to Scurry County where he was engaged in farming until his retirement.

His survivors are his wife, two daughters, Mrs. Dollie Nolan of Snyder and Mrs. Livie Wylie of Sweetwater; two sons, Luther of Dublin and Willie Vaughn of Snyder; seven grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Burial was in the Snyder Cemetery under the direction of Bolger Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Harry Allen, W. W. Ainsworth, Ed Hataway, D. L. Winburne, Alvis Lockhart and Ira Nolan.

'Bad' Girl Forgiven In Shoplifting Spree

PINEVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Juvenile Judge Maurice Tribell forgave the 11-year-old girl who did a little Christmas shoplifting.

He filed away the shoplifting charge yesterday after the girl told him she had been "bad" and that her father had threatened not to give her any Christmas presents.

Pilgrimage Set In Bethlehem

By The Associated Press

Christians, wherever they are in a troubled world, turned their thoughts today to the little town of Bethlehem as Christmas observances again emphasized age-old hopes for peace and good will.

In Arab-held Bethlehem, within sight of the closely guarded Jordan-Israeli demarcation line, everything was ready for the traditional Christmas Eve pilgrimage and midnight church services. Despite the lifting of a curfew after five days of political rioting in Jordan, the atmosphere continued more nervous than usual.

Fewer visitors were expected this year for the ancient ritual of midnight mass in St. Catherine's Church adjoining the Church of the Nativity.

From the winter-darkened top of the world where Americans and Canadians are building the Distant Early Warning radar line beneath the Aurora Borealis, to the Byrd expedition on Antarctica, it was the same story. Christians were together, in thought, if not in fact.

Chiefs of state and ordinary folk planned their celebrations in their own way.

A special treat was in store for President Eisenhower, celebrating the Yule season quietly at the White House. Tonight the Eisenhower grandchildren — David, 7; Barbara Anne, 6; and Susan, 4— will sing Christmas carols they have been practicing earnestly.

The children's mother, Mrs. John Eisenhower, and the newest member of the family, Mary Jean, will not be on hand. They will be at Walter Reed Hospital, where the baby was born Wednesday. But the mother planned to have Christmas dinner with the family Sunday.

Across the Atlantic, Queen Elizabeth II was with her family at Sandringham, the 7,000-acre estate in Norfolk where the British royal family has been gathering for Christmas since the days of the Queen's great-grandfather, Edward VII. The queen will make her customary broadcast to the Commonwealth and Empire Christmas Day.

Pope Pius II makes his 17th consecutive Christmas Eve appeal today for peace and good will among men. His message will be carried in 28 languages during the next five days.

The annual Christmas midnight mass also will be broadcast from the Vatican (at 6 p.m. EST).

The Pope has a brightly lighted Christmas tree, a gift from Germany, in his apartment. He receives the tree each year from a friend of the days when the pontiff was apostolic nuncio in Berlin and Munich during World War I.

Two American church leaders—one Protestant and the other Roman Catholic—took the Christmas message to American military forces far from home. Francis Cardinal Spellman, archbishop of New York, was in South Korea with U.S. Navy Secretary Charles Thomas. Dr. Eugene Carson Blake of Philadelphia, president of the National Council of Churches, was spending the Christmas weekend at Air Force Base at Thule, Greenland, on the edge of the polar icecap.

On the European continent, almost every U.S. military unit gave holiday parties or help to thousands of orphans, needy children, and refugees. The Army estimated 70,000 children were entertained at pre-Christmas festivities in Germany alone.

Similar parties were planned by Americans in France, Italy, and elsewhere.

Radio Free Europe broadcast Christmas messages to the Iron Curtain countries. One from President Eisenhower told those forced to live in the satellite countries he wanted them to know "that the American people recognize the trials under which you are suffering; join you in your concern for the restoration of individual freedoms and political liberty; and share your faith that right in the end will prevail to bring you once again among the free nations of the world."

WEATHER

SNYDER TEMPERATURES: Friday's high 86; Low 51; Saturday's 7:30 a. m. reading 54.

North Central and West Texas: Partly cloudy, warm and windy through Sunday. East and South Central Texas: Partly cloudy and warm through Sunday. Fresh to locally strong southerly winds on the coast.

White House Plans Cheerful Christmas

By RUTH COWAN

WASHINGTON (AP) — Christmas carols, as sung by their grandchildren, will start President and Mrs. Eisenhower on their way tonight to a cheerful, old-fashioned family celebration at the White House.

The three children of Maj. John Eisenhower, the President's son, have been practicing for days the carols they will sing for their grandparents, their father and their great-grandmother, Mrs. John Sheldon Doud of Denver, who arrived this week.

Their mother, Mrs. Barbara Eisenhower, is in Walter Reed Hospital where she gave birth to a fourth grandchild, Mary Jean, last Wednesday. But they will have a chance to see her tomorrow when she leaves the hospital briefly for the family dinner with turkey and all the trimmings at 6 p.m.

The Eisenhowers have invited 16 guests—all family—and four generations of the Eisenhower-Doud families will be together on Christmas Day.

Three grandchildren—David, 7, Barbara Anne, 6, and Susan, who will be 4 next week—will hang their stockings at the mantle in Mrs. Doud's sitting room on the second floor in the presidential living quarters.

They will find the White House a wonderland of Christmas trees.

In the East Room stands an 18-foot spruce trimmed in silver and glowing with 300 white lights. In the Blue Room there is a tree bedecked in silver and blue. There's one with multi-colored decorations in the state dining room.

Beside the door on the north portico are two trees gleaming with lights. From windows on the south side the children can see a row of lighted trees lining the pathway to the towering and sparkling tree of the Pageant of Peace.

The youngsters will have their own Christmas tree on the third floor where the guest rooms are, and another, around which the presents will be placed, is on the second floor in the Eisenhowers' section. The President will hand out the presents.

The President and Mrs. Eisenhower will attend 11 a.m. services at the National Presbyterian Church, for the first time since his heart attack.

Coming in for dinner will be Mrs. Eisenhower's sister, Mrs. G. Gordon Moore, and members of her family, including two grandchildren.

Present too will be Barbara Eisenhower's sister, Miss Mary Thompson, who has been helping Maj. Eisenhower take care of the three small Eisenhowers while their mother is in the hospital.

GI's Help Spread Yule Celebrations

By ROBERT TUCKMAN

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP)—"A smile on a kid's face is the same in any language."

One GI summed it up that way today as American servicemen from the Atlantic to the Iron Curtain took time out from their Christmas celebrations to brighten the holiday for thousands of orphans, needy children and refugees. Virtually every U.S. unit stationed in Europe gave a party for children or help of some kind to the poor.

In Germany, where the bulk of the 300,000 U.S. servicemen on the continent are stationed, the Army estimated 70,000 German children were entertained at pre-Christmas festivities.

One of the warmest gestures was "Operation Candy Drop." The 14th Armored Regiment sent out motorized Santa Claus patrols to tour West German villages bordering the Communist frontier and deliver candy to children. As the patrols entered each village, the GI Santa called the kids to him by loudspeaker.

Elsewhere, Santa arrived by jeep, by "sleds" built over jeeps and by helicopter. One outfit in Germany dropped toys to children by small parachutes.

Among typical Christmas undertakings were these:

At Orleans, France, American service personnel raised $4,000 to buy flannel pajamas for 1,300 orphans.

At Wurzburg, Germany, the 10th U.S. Infantry Division collected $14,200 to aid nearly 3,700 orphans, refugee children and physically handicapped youngsters.

The 4th Infantry Division in Frankfurt bought toys, clothing and food for 1,500 children and aged needy persons.

For many overseas GIs, Christmas would be observed much the same as back home — attending Christmas Eve parties, church services and a Christmas Day turkey dinner. The Army promised nearly a pound of turkey per man on a dinner that starts with shrimp cocktail and finishes with mince pie.

The army also arranged to get hot turkey dinners to troops in the field or units manning isolated radar and communications stations.

From American military leaders in Europe came message of greetings to their commands.

These included one from Adm. William M. Fechteler in Naples, Southern NATO commander-in-chief, who told his forces:

"I am deeply grateful for your important contribution in the past year toward the NATO mission of preserving peace and freedom in the world."

Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe, commander of the U.S. Army in Europe, said in a message to his troops:

"During this season we are far from our homes. This is but one of the many sacrifices we must make as we stand on the frontiers of democracy. It is here that we defend and maintain peace for our country and for men of good will."

French Pay No Heed To World Status

By HARVEY HUDSON

PARIS (AP) —France's relations with the rest of the world are getting scant attention in the campaign for election of a new parliament nine days off. The issue of German rearmament, which provoked bitter divisions in the last National Assembly, is now accepted as a fact and is hardly mentioned.

Governmental stability, election law reform, North African policies, moves against the private distilling of alcohol, tax reform—those issues are getting the most attention in the thousands of small meetings being held every day up and down the nation. Many candidates for Assembly seats simply don't know enough about foreign policy to discuss it at length; those that do find that it has little voter appeal.

When foreign affairs do come in for discussion, these are some of the principal points which leading figures have made:

Foreign minister Antoine Pinay mentioned as a possibility for premier when the new Assembly is organized, has come out with a stout defense of NATO and charged that "Russia's diplomatic action for the past several years has been inspired by a fixed idea: The destruction of the Atlantic Pact and the departure of Americans from Europe."

Former Premier Pierre Mendes-France criticized Pinay for subscribing to a NATO communique which attacked Russian infiltration into the Middle East and Asia and outlined new military measures.

Premier Edgar Faure is telling the voters in the Jura District where he is up for reelection, that France has an important role to play in reconciling East and West.

"The United States thinks of us as the France of LaFayette," he says. "Russia remembers us as the France of 1789 and the revolution. We have a moral credit with both nations and we should use it to assure the peace."

Daniel Mayer, a Socialist who headed the Foreign Affairs Committee of the outgoing National Assembly, calls for recognition of Communist China. He accuses Pinay of "encyclopedic ignorance" about foreign affairs and asks when France will stop sending arms to Egypt, a nation he depicts as fomenting trouble in North Africa.

Library Planned As Memorial To Chavez

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP)—Sen. Dennis Chavez (D-NM) apparently wants to join former President Truman and build a memorial library of his own.

Philip Ludi, Belen school superintendent, is handling a project to build a memorial library at Los Caves, in Valencia County, in honor of New Mexico's senior Senator.

Ludi said Chavez asked him to obtain land for the project and that an acre is now available adjoining the Los Chaves school. The Senator was born in the tiny community.

Ludi said private donations may possibly be sought but that he thought "the Senator might do something about the financing on the Washington level."

HOSPITAL NOTES

The following admissions and dismissals at the two Snyder hospitals are only those whose names have been released by the hospitals.

BATTENFIELD-JONES

ADMISSIONS: T. W. Herrington, Snyder; Vickie Sue Barker, 2505 Avenue M.

DISMISSALS: Mrs. Martha Davis, 1208 Twenty-first Street; Mrs. W. J. Breedlove, 2910 Avenue S; Mrs. E. L. Belyeu and baby, 3204 Avenue K; Mrs. Bently Baize, 3101 Cherry; Mrs. S. C. Cumbie, 603 Twenty-fourth Street; Naymond Fontenot, 1707½ Avenue S.

COGDELL MEMORIAL

ADMISSIONS: Wayne Hollabaugh, Box 1511; Paul W. Rucker, Box 1166; William Stevenson, Odessa.

DISMISSALS: Gary Kemp, 114 Milburn; Mrs. Delbert C. Jones, Box 294; Mrs. J. W. Shroyer and baby, 124 Thirty-third Street; Mrs. Kenneth Wheeler and baby, 310 Thirty-fifth Street.

Legless Veteran Has Pension Back

By FRED S. HOFFMAN

WASHINGTON (AP) — James Kutcher, who lost his legs fighting the Germans in World War II, has his government pension back—at least until the question of his loyalty is resolved.

The Veterans Administration announced late yesterday it was restoring Kutcher's $329 a month veterans compensation—his sole income—pending a hearing on officially undisclosed charges against him. The VA said it was acting out of a "sense of fair play and to prevent hardship. . . ."

The VA move followed disclosure by the New York Post that Kutcher's compensation payments had been suspended by a regional VA office, effective Nov. 30.

Kutcher said in New York he was happy to get his pension back. But, he added, "the question is how long will this order . . . be in effect."

The Newark, N.J., veteran has been beset by job and housing troubles growing out of doubts cast on his loyalty. A bachelor, he will be 44 years old Monday.

For seven years, he has been fighting to regain a job as file clerk for the VA. The matter now is in the courts. He lost that job because of membership in the Socialist Workers party, which is on the Attorney General's subversive list.

The Socialist Workers party has been described as a part of the Communist movement aligned with the followers of Leon Trotsky and bitterly feuding with the Stalinists who dominate the American Communist party and the Soviet Russian government.

Just last Monday, the New Jersey State Supreme Court stayed the eviction of Kutcher and his parents from their apartment in a Newark public housing project. The eviction had been ordered on grounds they refused to sign an affidavit, required by law, that they were not members of an organization on the Attorney General's list. The Newark Housing Authority plans to confer with federal officials on whether to press eviction efforts.

Kutcher said he expects to be in Washington next week for a hearing on loyalty charges against him. He told the Newark Star Ledger his lawyers "will insist on my right to confront my accusers," adding: "I think I will win."

Tht veteran asserted "The only thing I've ever said is that I prefer a socialist system of government to capitalism and that it should be accomplished by constitutional means." He contended "there certainly is nothing illegal about that."

Fear 2 Dead In Explosion

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)— A two-story brick building housing a produce company was demolished by an explosion today, injuring a dozen persons and trapping several others in the ruins.

Police said that at least one or two persons were believed dead in the explosion, which occurred shortly before 8 a.m. and rocked the east side of the Oklahoma City business district.

Ambulances were rushed to the scene and at least a half dozen persons were taken immediately to hospitals. Several others were lying in the streets awaiting aid.

A small fire blazed in the back end of the building, which housed the Janger Produce Co.

First reports said about 15 girls and several office employes were in the building.

The front of the building was blown out and the top caved in.

An adjourning cafe's roof collapsed.

J. C. Hawk, operator of a filling station on the other side of the building, was in the cafe at the time.

He said that about nine persons were in the cafe and only the heavy wooden counter saved them from injury or death.

Ex-Gambler Is Now Religious Worker

By REX THOMAS

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP)—Red Cook used to spend his Sundays gambling in his honky-tonk at Phenix City.

Now he devotes the Sabbath, and each weekday as well, spreading the gospel of Christ among fellow inmates at Kilby Prison. The one-time racketeer is assistant to the prison chaplain and a devout religious worker.

Cook was the first of the Phenix City gamblers sent to prison during the vice cleanup that followed the murder of crime fighter A. L. Patterson in 1954.

He was sentenced to life imprisonment for a nightclub killing that had gone unprosecuted four years until National Guard troops took over law enforcement in the vice-ridden city after Patterson's death.

Cook had killed a taxicab driver, John Mancil, in the gambler's notorious 601 Club on a Sunday night in August 1950 but a grand jury refused to indict him.

National Guardsmen four years later reopened the investigation and Cook was the first defendant called to trial after another grand jury returned more than 700 indictments in the vice purge.

"We never even thought about gambling being wrong at Phenix City," the 42-year-old convict recalled in his office at the Kilby chapel.

"It was just an accepted thing there."

Since he turned to religion in prison, Cook said he has "found more happiness and contentment than I ever had in my life."

He had belonged to a church once and, at Kilby, with time to think, his thoughts went back to religion. It stuck with him, says Dr. Donald MacQuire, director of religious education for Alabama's prison system.

"I would come as near guaranteeing Red's sincerity as any living man I know," the retired Presbyterian minister commented. "Red lives the good life in his daily actions. His is a working brand of Christianity."

Since Cook became an assistant to the Rev. Fred Pearson, the Kilby chaplain, Sunday School and church attendance has shown a remarkable increase.

"The first Sunday I was here there were only three at church, including myself," the ex-gambler recalled. "I went into the cell blocks and started talking with the men. The next Sunday we had 11. Last Sunday we had 289."

371 Oil Wells Are Completed In State

AUSTIN, Dec. 24 (AP) — Texas completed 371 oil wells this week, boosting the year's total to a record 15,076. The old record, set last year was 12,031.

There were 31 gas well completions this week. The year's total is 1,196 compared to 1,119. Operators reported 139 dry holes.

Wildcats drilled 8 of the 371 new oil wells, 1 gas well, and 86 dry holes.

The Railroad Commission said the average daily crude oil allowable as of today was 3,309,059, a gain of 17,579 barrels over last week.

Postal Workers Good Detectives

SHAWNEE, Okla. (AP)—A shawnee woman was thankful today for the detective work of postal officials in San Francisco. A Christmas package was mailed from the California city but the address was so mutilated that only two words were legible—"Dovie" and "Shawnee." The postal workers made a few calls and the package finally arrived at its destination for Mrs. Dovie Wise of Shawnee, Okla.

Platinum was known to the Colombian Indians of South America long before Columbus discovered the New World.

Stock Market Holds Spirit

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP) — The stock market approached the end of the year this week with considerable spirit and gave high hopes to the bulls that 1955 would bow out with a vigorous rally.

The Associated Press average this week gained $1.10 and closed at $179.70. The average reached its record high mark Sept. 23 and then plunged severely after President Eisenhower's illness. On Dec 5 and 6 the average again was at that old record high figure marking the completion of the Eisenhower heart reaction.

The bulls said the market could get up enough steam next week to make a decisive penetration of the old highs.

Aircraft stocks were among the most favored equities this week because of expanded defense spending estimates.

The move by the railroads to get a half billion dollars a year in higher freight charges helped the carriers generally, but they were under selling pressure as the week closed.

The steel industry was encouraged by expansion plans of U.S. Steel to add 2½ million tons of capacity. This helped to offset reports that auto makers were cutting back on their need for steel because of slowed production. The motor makers will fall just short of producing eight million cars this year.

The five most active issues this week were General Motors up ⅜, Sperry Rand up 1½, Northrop Aircraft up 3, Benguet Mining up ⅛ and Westinghouse up 1.

Virginia Is Visiting Her Grandchildren

NORTH CHATHAM, N.Y. (AP) — Virginia, the girl who asked the editor of her favorite newspaper whether there was a Santa Claus, is spending a quiet Christmas with her six grandchildren.

And though she now is 66 and principal of a New York City school, Mrs. Virginia O'Hanlan Douglas still feels a rosy glow when she thinks of the answer the New York Sun editorial writer gave her so long ago.

"Yes, Virginia," he wrote, "there is a Santa Claus . . . he lives as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist . . ."

Her grandson, James Harris Temple, now is 16. The five granddaughters range in age from 8 to 14. All six love to hear her tell the story at Christmastide.

Mrs. Douglas has spent the holidays for many years with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Temple, in this community near Albany. Their daughters are Katherine, 14; Mary 13; Virginia, 11; Laura, 9; and Susan, 8.

In an interview, Mrs. Douglas said that in all the years she had been teaching children she never had brought up the letter she wrote to The Sun when she was eight years old.

"I always feel a little shy," she confessed. "But the children have talked to me about it and I tell them, of course."

Some of her pupils have heard her on the radio or seen her on television in recent years.

"My friends tell me I'm getting as famous as Davy Crockett," she remarked.

Michigan Trappers Making Good Money

LANSING, Mich. (AP)—Fur trapping, through less glamorous than in the days of the voyageurs, still takes nearly a million dollars a year from the backs of the mink, muskrat, raccoon and beaver in Michigan.

Many of the trappers are farmers and their sons, who tend their traps after school.

The usual muskrat take each year is about a half million, the State Conservation Department reports. Muskrat pelts last year brought about $1 each.

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COMING OUT OF THE HILLS for her first movie in about a dozen years is Cosin Emmy, Cynthia May Carver, of radio and barn dance fame, a one-woman band in "The Second Greatest Sex," a Universal-International Cinemascope musical. With her is George Nader and Jimmy Boyd, who share star billing with Jeanne Crain, Bert Lahr, Kitty Kallen, and others in the movie.

Reporter Hides In Santa's Suit, Gets Scoop On Stars

By JAMES BACON

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Hollywood's face is as red as Santa's suit today.

That fellow behind the whiskers last night in the lobby of the Four Star Theater wasn't really Santa Claus. It was this hefty reporter who fits Santa's suit without the help of pillows.

The occasion was the premiere of "I'll Cry Tomorrow," the story of singer Lillian Roth and her battle with the bottle.

It was a glittering premiere with most of the big stars in attendance.

None suspected that Santa was something more than a prop for photographers. Else, George Jessel wouldn't have whispered in Santa's ear: "I want Darryl Zanuck fired so I can get his job." Jessel is a former Zanuck producer and probably will remain so.

And Joan Bennett, who told Santa: "I'm ready for anything that Santa can give me."

Starlet Judi Jordan, a real doll, was the only one who said she wanted a doll for Christmas.

"Preferably 6 feet 2 with blue eyes," she added.

Taina Elg, the Finnish ballerina under contract to MGM, said she wanted a baby boy.

Bobby sox idol Russ Tamblyn and his pretty, blonde fiancee, model Venetia Stevenson, want a house. They're getting married in February.

Dana Andrews wants a Mercedes-Benz, the model that retails for around $13,000.

Debbie Reynolds clutched Eddie Fisher's hand and said: "You've already delivered my present, Santa." The two recently were wed.

Miss Roth says she wants an Academy Award for Susan Hayward, who portrays her in the picture, and producer Arthur Freed said he wanted "a hit."

U-I Acquires 22 Best-Selling Books

HOLLYWOOD — A total of 22 best-selling books, national magazine stories and hit stage productions have been acquired by Universal-International Studio and will play an important part in the studio's imposing production program for 1956, it has been announced by Edward Muhl, vice-president in charge of production.

Actress, Baseball Player Adjust Careers To Marriage

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Can a big league baseball player and a movie actress adjust their careers for a happy marriage?

Lucy Marlow and Andy Carey are convinced they can.

Lucy is the shapely, sweet-faced young beauty who scored as the starlet in "A Star Is Born." She is now being groomed for stardom by Columbia and is doing her first musical role opposite Franklie Laine in "He Died Laughing." Andy is a New York Yankee infielder.

"We're certain we can work out our schedules to be together most of the time," said Lucy between takes. "Right now I'm working while Andy is hunting and fishing. We see each other at dinner.

"In March, Andy will have to go to St.Petersburg for spring training, and I plan to go with him. Then he'll be living in New York until October, and I'll be there too. I'll come out to Hollywood whenever the studio wants me for a picture.

"I probably won't go with him when the team goes on the road. It doesn't seem to be the custom for the wives to go along, since the players are so busy traveling and playing. So when he's traveling, I'll call up Harry Cohn (her boss) and say, 'I'm ready to go to work.' Then he'll say — I hope — 'All right, come on out for the remake of "Camille." ' Well, she can dream, can't she?

Lucy said she and Andy considered all the hazards before entering into their marriage. They met last year when he was visiting the Pasadena Playhouse as guest of Victor Jory, an avid Yankee fan. Andy asked about the pretty girl who was acting in a play with Mrs. Jory, and the actor introduced them. Andy asked if he could write Lucy, and she said yes.

During the seven months of the baseball season, their romance was carried on largely via letters, phone calls and gifts of coconuts, salt water taffy, etc., from Andy. They were married Oct. 6, two days after the Yankees lost the World Series to Brooklyn.

ENTERTAINMENT

Stanwyck Gets 75th Movie Assignment

HOLLYWOOD — Barbara Stanwyck's co-starring role with Fred MacMurray and Joan Bennett in Universal-International's "There's Always Tomorrow" marks Miss Stanwyck's 75th assignment before a movie camera. Miss Stanwyck's entertainment career got underway when she was 15 years of age and danced in the Ziegfeld chorus line.

Successful Burt Lancaster Gets To Have Last Laugh

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Some folks were inclined to laugh at Burt Lancaster during his early years in Hollywood.

"The guy's a former circus acrobat," they scoffed. "After a picture or two he was directing his directors and talking about producing his own pictures. Haw!"

Seated behind a desk in his tastefully decorated office, Burt today can have the last laugh. He and partner Harold Hecht now have the most vigorous independent producing company in the film industry.

Their first few films, including one directed by Lancaster, have made millions. Their "Marty" is high in the Oscar contention. And they recently completed the promising "Trapeze" in Paris, starring Burt, Gina Lollabrigida and Tony Curtis, with Carol Reed as director.

Not a bad record for the ex-acrobat.

What's more, he has reached the point where he will work only when the project excites him. He reasoned:

"People work hard in pictures for two reasons: 1. To establish themselves as a personality on the screen. 2. To make money. Fortunately, I have achieved the former and money is no longer a great concern. We have been very lucky with our company and have it established on a basis whereby the money will be coming to me over a period of years.

"So I'm going to cut down on my film schedule. For one thing, I want to work more into the production end of the business. We have six pictures set for the future and I want to take an active part in their planning. I may take producer's credit on one of them.

"There's another reason I want to slow down on film acting: I want to get acquainted with my family. They're at the stage now when they think their father is pretty hot stuff, and I feel I should spend more time with them. They were in Paris two and a half months, but I was also there three months without them. I don't want to have any such absences again."

Burt, who is getting plaudits for his role with Anna Magnani in "The Rose Tattoo," said he probably won't act in another picture until the fall of 1956. It will be an ambitious undertaking — George Bernard Shaw's "The Devil's Deciple."

Rupert's Reckoning

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP)—A Billings pet shop owner says he believes his mischievous Rupert the raccoon after Rupert got loose and ate: One parakeet, two canaries, a pink eyed white rat and 12 small but tender alligators.

Jennifer Is Surprised At Top Award

HOLLYWOOD (AP) —The actress who was selected for the most popular performance of the year was just as surprised by the honor as was some of Hollywood.

Some 15 million moviegoers voted in the Audience Award poll and Jennifer Jones came out on top for her role in "Love Is a Many Splendored Thing."

"It was a real surprise," she says, "and a very nice one. It was a big thrill for me."

In some ways, the Audie made more of an impression on her than the Oscar she won in 1944 for "Song of Bernadette."

"I was just starting in the business then," she explained. "When you're young and ambitious, you don't fully realize some of the wonderful things that happen to you. You take them a little for granted. Now I realize the value of such things and appreciate them more."

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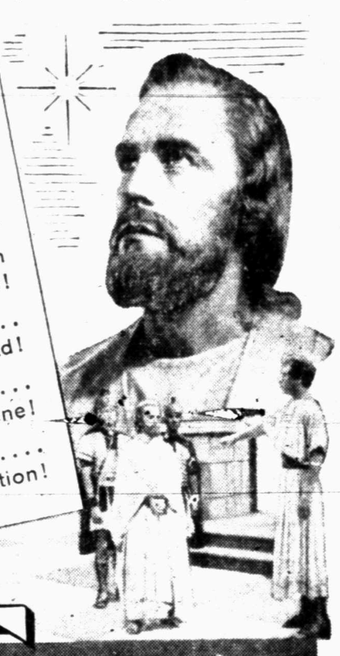
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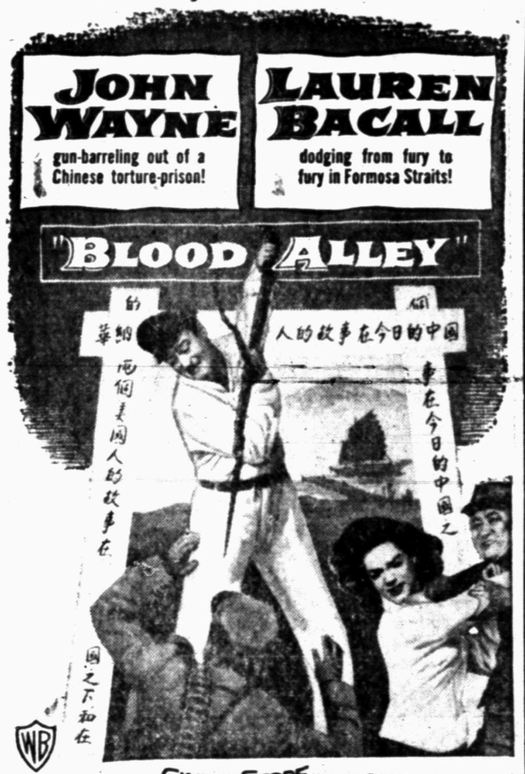
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EDITORIALS

Spirit Of Christmas

Just what is the true spirit of Christmas?

Well, it isn't whoopla and firecrackers; it isn't overindulgence in food and drink; it isn't a throwing aside of all restraints and letting joy be unconfined—though these seem to be the most familiar manifestation among a great many people.

Nor is it pulling a long face, looking down your nose at other people whose idea of a good time may differ from yours, and refusing to crack a smile lest someone think you are lacking in dignity and seriousness.

The herald angel gave us the proper key for Christmas. "Behold," he said, "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 the Scripture goes on to say: "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."

The spirit of Christmas is therefore several notches higher than one would think to see the way some Christians celebrate the occasion.

The spirit of Christmas is a good feeling toward all men. It is a time for forgetting past enmities and forgiving those who have, in your estimation, done you a wrong. For the injunction to turn the other cheek meant just that.

It is a spirit of tolerance of the shortcoming of others. Your friends and relatives are not perfect, and neither are you. So at Christmas time put on the mantle of charity and humility, and remember that we are all, as the saying goes, in the same boat—in need of understanding, sympathy and love.

And remember that one mustardseed-sized speck of genuine love and sympathy and understanding and forgiveness is more powerful than all the atomic bombs ever constructed in influencing the thoughts and actions of mankind. The spirit of Christmas is that which makes the whole world akin.

Pre-Christmas Headlines

A few of those lively pre-Christmas incidents that sprinkle the heavy stuff you see in the newspapers:

In Stafford, Ariz., Leland Branch never has any trouble separating the good children from the bad during the time he plays Santa Claus in local stores. His regular year-round job is county juvenile probation officer . . .

Traffic officers checking the time stamped on Diego Villa's Ohio turnpike ticket from the moment he entered the pike until they stopped him. It read 36 minutes elapse time—68 miles from the starting point. They calculated his speed at 113 mph and fined him $50 and costs . . .

An elk hunter, Ted Tracy, of Butte, Mont., was wounded while sitting between two brothers on the way to the hunting grounds. A rifle cartridge exploded in the side pocket of his jacket and tore its way through his left arm and into his chest, inflicting serious injuries on the way . . .

And in Denver firemen who put out a blaze in an auto did not know until later that the popping sound they attributed to breaking glass in reality came from exploding .25 caliber cartridges which had been part of the car's cargo . . .

In Tokyo a movie company finished shooting pictures of a burning 18th Century Japanese village as part of a new epic. The director cried "Cut," and called it a day, but it took three trucks and seventy firemen to put out the blaze, which had gone on enthusistically burning after the director stopped the cameras . . .

In Spokane George Locher's two-horse, 60-year-old open sleigh disappeared just as he got ready to give it a winter try-out. A neighbor spotted it only a block away, tilted on one side but otherwise undamaged. The finder and her family will get a free ride. . .

The coldest weather of the season in Chicago did not dismay William Wohl, a 47-year-old railroad conductor. He went out to Lake Michigan and took his customary daily swim with the water 9 degrees above zero.

Wrong Suit

BALTIMORE (AP)—Police are keeping a grey suit in storage, tagged with a note: "Awaiting an owner."

James A. Barnes told the officers he found the suit, complete with white shirt and tie, in a box behind his house.

He doesn't want it. Presumably, no one in the police station wants it, either.

It's the kind used by undertakers for burial purposes.

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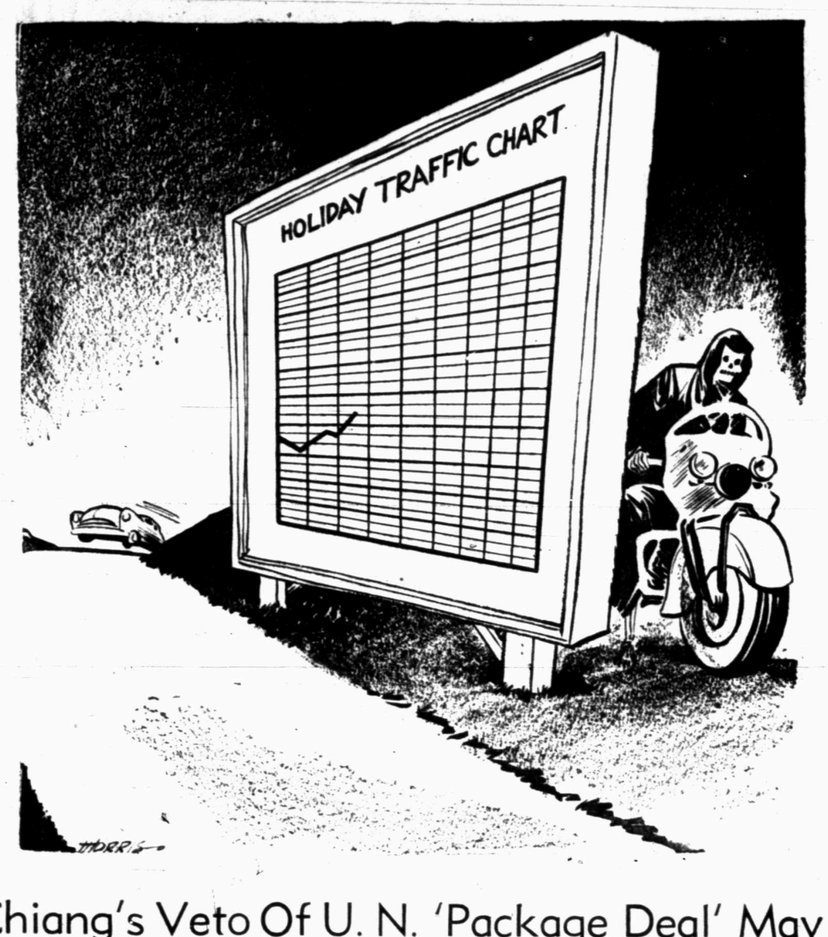
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Don't Get Picked Up



Chiang's Veto Of U. N. 'Package Deal' May Be His Manner Of Making Spectacular Exit

By WALTER LIPPMANN

The Chinese Nationalist veto, which blocked the admission to the U. N. of the eighteen states, was on its face bold to the point of foolhardiness. Chiang's government in Formosa has a very precarious and dubious title to represent China. It still sits in China's seat on the Security Council only because the United States has used its utmost influence with its allies and neighbors. They have permitted Chiang to remain in that seat in order to spare the United States government embarrassment in American domestic politics. There is a majority in the United Nations which believes that since Chiang's government is not in fact the government of China, it should not continue to speak for China.

The Chinese Nationalists know this. Yet on a matter which has the support of an overwhelming majority of the United Nations, Chiang has chosen to thwart the will of this overwhelming majority.

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If we ask ourselves what Chiang thought he was doing when he ordered the veto, it is a reasonable guess, I would suppose, that he was saying a spectacular farewell to the United Nations. There is not much doubt that is only a matter of time, and a short time at that, when his credentials will be rejected. We have managed to save him for the calendar year 1955. It has looked very unlikely that we could save him once our own elections are over in November, 1956.

Facing the prospect of being ousted on the ground that he does not genuinely speak for China, he has preferred to pick a quarrel with the majority of the United Nations. He has chosen as his issue one in which he could claim to represent morality while the rest of the United Nations, who are preparing to oust him, stand for expediency and immorality. He has chosen to end his participation in the U. N. not with a whimper but with a bang. On this calculation, he has lost nothing that he is able to keep, and he has acquired in many eyes a heroic posture.

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Is the package deal immoral, and is it true that in all the world there are only two governments—the one in Formosa and the other in Cuba—which are the unsullied defenders of righteous principles? Who will say that we have come to that: A decent respect for the opinion of mankind should cause us to realize that if this package deal is immoral, then virtually all the governments on earth have conspired to do an immoral deed.

Why is it not immoral to admit Outer Mongolia, which is a Soviet satellite state, to membership in the U.N.? Because there is no other way of bringing about the admission of a large number of highly eligible and desirable states? Would the presence of Outer Mongolia be such an evil thing that it should be refused even at the expense of Italy, Ireland, Austria, Portual, Spain, Japan, and Finwe look too closely at the realities behind governments, we could find certain states already admitted where many evil things prevail, for example in one case where human slavery still prevails. We have put up with such governments for years and nobody has been injured or contaminated by them.

There is, in other words, a feeling in the great majority of the nations that in a universal society like the U. N. the ruling principle is not the virtue of each state but the universality of membership.

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There is one way in which Chiang's veto may prove to have serious practical consequences. While there is not much doubt that his days as the representative of China in the Security Council were numbered anyway, his disregard of the feelings of the whole United Nations may make it most difficult to save out of the wreck a membership for Formosa in the General Assembly. Many of us have hoped that in the final settlement Formosa would be recognized as an independent state within the United Nations.

That is the utmost that can possibly be hoped for, now that the United States has abandoned completely any idea of letting, much less helping, Chiang to fight his way back to the mainland. There is a good case to be made for the independence of Formosa, and are replaced by native Formosans, the case for independence will become stronger. Chiang's veto has probably done much to spoil that case by making virtually all of the United Nations, as well as the eighteen who have now been excluded but will eventually be admitted, feel that he is a troublemaker.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

Congressmen Besieged By Many Odd Requests

By JANE EADS

WASHINGTON — Congressmen get all sorts of requests from the folks back home. These may cover anything from requests for a bid to a Washington cocktail party to legislation outlawing nagging wives.

Rep. Olin Teague (D-Tex) reports he received the following from an apprehensive wife in his district: "Dear Sir: Please get the companies not to have Christmas parties for employes if the husband and wife can't come together. Wish you a Merry Xmas."

A law like that would get support from wives the county over!

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Beautiful Hungarian-born film star Ilona Massey, who has come to Washington as Mrs. Donald Dawson, will preside over a charming new home here between TV and movie engagements. The recent bride of former President Truman's aide says she has kept her Hollywood home and brought with her only her Meissen china, some paintings and other personal things. The new home is a decorator's dream, with an elegant drawing room done in tones of cafe-au-lait, a lovely all-pink bedroom suite, and a guest room in blue.

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Mrs. W. Chapin Huntinton, socialite wife of a retired diplomat better known to small fry as Frances Carpenter. She has written a new book, "Wonder Tales of Dog and Cats," dedicated to "Timmy" a wire-haired terrier, 15 years in the family.

Daughter of the late Frank O. Carpenter, writer of geography books, Mrs. Huntington is a world traveler. Her daughters, Joanna and Edith, were born in Paris while their father was commercial attache at the American Embassy.

She has deadlines to meet for two more books. One is due for publication in 1956, the other for 1957.

Among her numerous children's books already published are "Tales of a Basque Grandmother," "Tales of a Korean Grandmother," and "Tales of a Russian Grandmother."

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The British Sadler's Wells Ballet members who appeared in the capital said Washington theater audiences are more reserved and stuffy than anywhere else in the country..."so many diplomats and officials and protocol, you know."

Youngster To Have Wide Awake Toes

OMAHA (AP)—Mrs. A. W. Havelka says her 3½ year old niece, Nancy, was staying with her and, while dressing herself, donned a pair of old slippers.

"Don't wear those. They're full holes and your toes are sticking out," Mrs. Havelka told the child.

"Oh, that's all right. This way my toes can see where they are going," said Nancy.

BUCKLEY



1 YEAR AGO

Europe's vicious winter gales abated after killing at least 74 persons and causing tremendous damage.

Christmas weather was pleasant, with a cool front coming in being only a light one.

5 YEARS AGO

President Truman and other government officials cut their holidays short to get back to Washington for top-level conferences.

Sale Of Ford Stock Dramatizes How Firm Has Changed Since Days Of Henry Ford I

By SAM DAWSON

NEW YORK (AP)—The Ford stock registration dramatizes today how the motor company has almost completely changed its personality since the days of Henry Ford the first.

In 10 years Henry Ford II has scrapped many of the business practices that made his grandfather a symbol of an earlier business era.

Inviting the public to come and buy 60 per cent of the voting stock in the company which Grandpa had spent huge sums to make a strictly one-family show is just the last in a long list of breaks with the past.

Henry I startled businessmen of his day by offering to pay his workers $5 a day. But he also stubbornly resisted unionization of his plants as long as he could.

His grandson startled today's elder generation of industrial executives by becoming the first head of a corporate giant to take preliminary steps toward a guaranteed annual wage.

The first Ford scoffed at publicity. He made the tin lizzy as cheap as possible and said that the jokes about it would sell the car. At any rate, the cars did sell.

The present management uses every trick of the trade to ballyhoo its models.

Henry I preferred his cars to stay a dignified black. Henry II has borrowed every color of the rainbow and made up a few more of his own.

But it was in the field of business management that the youngster made the biggest break with the precepts of his grandfather.

The founder ran a one-man show. He hired good brains just as he hired good workmen. But the vital decisions were his own and often they seemed arbitrary. There was little or no delegation of responsibility and authority.

Henry II changed all that, and quick. In 1946 he brought in three men who had great respect for modern methods of scientific business administration. They were E. R. Breech, now chairman, L.D. Crusoe, now executive vice president in charge of the car and truck divisions, and D.S. Harder, now executive vice president in charge of the basic manufacturing divisions.

They revamped Ford management from top to bottom. They installed an accounting system, a cost system, and a system of controls. And they established a line of responsibility and authority throughout the vast Ford empire.

The company under Henry II has an eye out for new products and for methods of automation that might well have startled the founder.

The old man had to have partners to help him get started in 1903 on a capital outlay of $28,000. But he hated the thought of having anyone tell him how to run the company — specifically to try to stop him from plowing back most of the earnings into growth rather than handing them out as dividends to his partners. So he bought the partners out in 1919 for 106 million dollars and went it alone.

Now Henry II is inviting what could turn out to be several hundred thousand partners to join him, as buyers of the 10,200,000 shares the Ford Foundation is selling next month.

He indicates, however, that one of Grandpa's precepts is still his own — pay-as-you-go.

The company has put 1½ billion dollars of earnings into expansion since the war. Its future plans come to almost one billion more.

But the company, which has no debts now, says it doesn't plan to borrow any money to meet that billion-dollar bill. And it proposes to pay a modest $2.40-a-year dividend to the public purchasers of its stock.

True Christmas Spirit Is Seen In Oregon Farm House

BY INEZ ROBB

If Santa Claus would grant me the privilege of sliding down just one chimney in his stead my choice would be a rambling old farm house near Criswell, Ore. I would love to have a peak in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Holt.

Other would-be Santas can have the White House chimney, or the one at Windsor Castle, if I can have divvies on the Holts'. For if the Christmas spirit, pressed down and running over, swells anywhere in the world today, it is in this Oregon farmhouse where eight small Korean-American children, orphans no more, will get their first taste of an American Christmas on American soil.

Surely if love abides in any home, it is in that of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Holt, a middle-aged couple with grown children who 10 weeks ago, adopted out of love and pity and a sense of Christian responsibility, eight unwanted victims of a far-off war.

The Holts' own children range in age from Linda, nine to Stewart, 22; their adopted sons and daughters from Betty, 11 months, to Joe, who is going on four. If it takes a heap o' livin' to make a house a home, then the Holts' 13-room house qualifies, and if it takes a heap o' lovin' for a middle-aged couple to start in rearing a family all over again—and in wholesale lots'—then the Holts pass the test with flying colors.

It is almost impossible to realize what this Christmas will mean to these children of American fathers, children who knew only life in a Korean orphanage, hard-pressed by poverty and shortages, until a fairy story—managed by the Holts—actually happened to them.

It was a glimpse, through a motion picture, of the plight of such orphans in a Korean orphanage that started the Holts a year ago on their uphill fight to adopt just such a family.

Nor is this all. In addition to the eight children adopted by the Holts, the plight of Korea's child victims of war has so touched the eight original Holts that they support 33 orphans in Korean institutions.

The senior Holts send $200 each month to the war-ravaged country, a sum sufficient to buy food and clothing for 20 orphans. The six Holt children, including nine-year-old Linda, pool their funds and raise another $130 every month, to care for an additional 13 hapless children in a land they have never seen.

Ever since I first heard of the Holt family, it has given me a world of food for thought. Its good deeds in a naughty world shine forth not so much as a reproach to the rest of us, who sometimes forget that we are indeed our brother's keeper, but as an illumination of man's fundamental decency.

If I were Santa, I couldn't wait to get to this farmhouse in Oregon, not so much to empty my pack (although I would do that), as to be warmed and comforted and encouraged by the love that radiates through this home on Christmas Day and every day.

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U. N. Would Do Well To Curb Its Cocktail Parties

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—Cutting down the number of wars in the world has been a pesky problem to the United Nations for 10 troubled years.

Now it faces a new crisis — how to cut down on the number of its own cocktail parties.

Here really bold action is called for. Why doesn't the U. N. forget about abolishing war for one session and put down as the main task on its agenda the problem of outlawing all cocktail parties everywhere?

This could turn out to be a real positive step toward peace, universal brotherhood and the long-term improvement of human welfare.

The growing nuisance of too many cocktail parties at the U.N. was pointed out by Jose Maza of Chile. As president of the 10th General Assembly, he had to attend as many as three or four in a day. Every fresh international tension seems to produce a torrent of cocktail parties, which in diplomatic parlance are known as "receptions."

"You have to drink the same scotch or the same manhattans and eat the same shrimps and talk to the self-same people," said Maza. His description of this type of social function may well go down as the greatest understatement in the history of diplomacy.

The average cocktail party isn't a party at all. It is an exercise in group self-punishment. It is a social battlefield, where men and women drink from a poisoned well while they build verbal towers of babble in a wilderness fog of smoke that would strangle a clean-living Eskimo in 20 minutes.

The cocktail party isn't a feature of modern living. It is a factor in modern dying. Anyone who has ever stood upright at a cocktail party (and who ever gets to sit down at one?) can never forget the sinking feeling in his arches, the popping out of new varicose veins, the slow numbness as of death creeping over him.

25 YEARS AGO

(Taken from the files of the Scurry County Times-Signal, Dec. 25, 1930)

Postmaster B. F. Womack, honored and respected citizen of the City of Snyder and Scurry County will be retiring from active government service as quickly as the Civil Service Commission announces his successor. With the retirement of Mr. Womack, he may well feel proud that the idea of city delivery has been initiated while he was in office.

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County Judge Horace Holley was reminded last Friday that another milestone of his career was passing, when officers of the courthouse gave him a birthday dinner at the Manhattan Hotel. Testimony to the career of Judge Holley was given, of the long time friendly friendships that had always been enjoyed.

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The heaviest snow in years blanketed all of Scurry County Sunday morning when folks awoke to the labors of the day. According to weather forecaster Merrill, five inches was the total precipitation up to 10 o'clock Sunday morning, although most of the day showed flurries at intervals. According to the daily press, most of West Texas was covered with the heaviest snow since 1924.

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Decision of the City Council to place trial paving on two blocks early in 1931 was recently made. The first block to be tried out will be between the Christian Church and the bridge west of the church.

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Members of the Senior Altrurian Club were handed a lovely surprise when they met at the home of Mrs. Joe Stinson on Friday evening December 19th, when they were greeted by the Altrurian Daughters as joint hostesses. Mrs. Joe Stinson of the Senior Club and Miss Eloise Scott of the Altrurian Daughters were official hostesses for the occasion.

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Some folks "say it with flowers" but Joe Byrd "does it with buttermilk," for when he came to town Monday, he remembered the Times-Signal editor with a half gallon and we know from now on out for the holidays we can have the kind of corn bread we enjoy and we thank you, Joe, and will sure save the bottle.

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The Christmas program to have been rendered last Sunday night at the First Mehodsit Church was postponed until tonight (Wednesday) owing to the excessive snows of that day.

Cure For Yaws

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) — About 25 million Africans suffer from yaws, a deforming tropical disease which the Pan American Sanitary Bureau says now can be cured by penicillin.

Hollywood Today

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Don DeFore's four kids will have a special gift this Christmas — an ole swimming hole just like their daddy used to know.

This will look like the old one, but it'll be brand-new, right in the DeFore back yard in Mandeville Canyon. If luck holds out, it will be finished and filled by Christmas Day.

Don is from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and you know the old saying — you can take the boy out of the country, but you can't take the country out of the boy. That seems to hold true of Don. Despite some 15 years in Hollywood, he appears unaffected by the sophistication of the movie town. He still looks back on his Iowa youth with great fondness.

I dropped by the DeFore house to see how his unique project was progressing. Their place is located in the exclusive Mandeville area which houses Esther Williams, Gregory Peck, June Allyson and Dick Powell among others. But the DeFore house stands apart from the others. It's a big red replica of an Iowa barn — even has wisps of hay sticking out the door of the loft.

Mrs. DeFore, a small, attractive brunette, answered the door and explained that Don had been called for some filming on the Ozzie and Harriet ABC television show. She introduced Ronnie, 5 and suspected of the mumps, then showed the way to the Christmas project.

"Don's been wanting to do this for eight years," she explained. "I wasn't so sure about it at first. I'm from Chicago, so I had to be educated to the country living. Now I like it."

Workmen were placing rocks around the rim of a large cemented excavation which was to be the pool. It was 9½ feet deep at one end, 55 feet long and 22 feet at the widest part of its irregular shape. There was a large, rock-covered mound at the back of the pool and rocks were scattered around the edges.

"There will be no tile showing or chromium ladders," Mrs. DeFore explained. "The rock will extend right to the edge of the pool and there will be plants all around to make it seem as natural as possible."

South of the pool other workers were pouring foundations for a small barn and a silo which would carry out the rural motif. They will double as a guest house, Mrs. DeFore said, and they have considered making the second floor of the silo into an observatory for the children.

LITERARY GUIDEPOST

OFF THE BOOK BEAT - This is the story of a novelist who couldn't say no to Santa Claus:

He is one of our most successful and most highly regarded popular writers of fiction and nonfiction, a man accustomed to earning a lot of money with his books - so much money in fact you can't quite see how he'd have the time to spend it after all the time he must use up writing in order to earn it. Recently he finished his first novel in several seasons and turned the manuscript over to his big, and happy, New York publisher. Publication date was set by mutual agreement.

The the author had the offer of a windfall. He was promised $50,000 for permission to issue an abridgment of his book. It meant changing the publication date, but it almost meant pocketing as much money as a run-of-the mill novelist collects in a lifetime. And it was all velvet.

The novelist staunchly rejected the offer, and gave two reasons for it in proud words that went something like this:

"It's almost impossible to condense a novel without destroying its quality," he said to begin with; and as to the publication date on which he and his publisher had decided, "That was a promise and promises ought to be kept."

He kept that promise, too; the publisher expected no less of him. But after he'd had a week or two or three to weigh the gain of a very tangible fortune in cash against the intangible "destruction," as he himself branded it, of some of the quality of his book, he took the money and agreed to the condensation.

W. G. Rogers

Drought Continues, Now Hurting Cover

Drought conditions are prevalent again in Scurry County and the surrounding area, and the possibility of increased blowing of soil from lack of cover is becoming more evident every day, according to Guy Moore, work unit conservationist for the Soil Conservation Service here.

Small isolated spots are those which are now blowing, Moore said, but he added that more areas will begin to blow if the rains hold off much longer.

The spots which are losing topsoil now are those which have conditions brought on by lack of cover. The blowing is heavier in the course-textured soils of the area.

The south part of Scurry County is much drier than the rest. Although that part of the county had about a two-inch rain in midfall, as did the rest of this area, it had not had as much rain during the early part of the summer as other parts of the area had.

Cover crops of wheat, rye, and oats, planted in early October, right after the fall rains, are already dying from lack of moisture, which they need right away to be revived. An estimated 7,000 to 8,000 acres of small grain cover crops were planted here.

Moore said a considerable amount of snow or a slow rain would help the situation now.

Terracing is still active in parts of the county, but some farmers would be performing maintenance work on their terraces with their equipment if they had more moisture. They hesitate, Moore said, to do any maintenance work with certain types of equipment because the course-textured soil would blow.

Moisture conditions are somewhat better in the north part of Scurry County becuase of good summer rains. Moisture is still stored in the soil four to five inches below the surface.

In addition to needing rains to protect the winter cover crops, farms here need winter moisture as bottom season for next spring. If rains do not fall soon, farmers will not have enough moisture to carry on emergency tillage practices early in 1956 to keep down blowing.

Soil conservationists do not encourage early listing, but they do urge leaving crop residue on the land, which has been done by many famers here, most of whom have used a flat sweep to uproot grain sorghum and leave it on the surface. This has been done especially in the tighter soils of the Hermleigh area.

Stockmen are also needing cover crops for supplemental grazing, and their rangelands are needing rain badly. Grassland in a large part of this area are again being cut back by drought after having good prospects in the spring to make seed and get growth. Some grass in the north parts of Scurry and Borden County did get some good growth, some of it making seed, but that was far from true in the south part.

Buffet Style Thieves

BRISTOL, Conn. (AP) — Thieves must have had a buffet supper in mind when they looted the Blue Lantern restaurant. They took a 10-pound precooked ham, two loaves of bread and about 30 bottles of whiskey.

Pardons Given Out By Ike

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower granted Yuletide pardons Friday to 41 convicted criminals and commuted one death sentence.

The White House said the list would be available later today at the Justice Department.

Eisenhower acted in an hour's conference with Atty. Gen. Brownell.

The pardons and commutation were in keeping with the pattern of a year ago.

Presidential Press Secretary James C. Hagerty announced that the President and Mrs. Eisenhower will attend 11 a.m. services Sunday at National Presbyterian Church. It will be the President's first church attendance since his Sept. 24 heart attack.

Santa Fe President Named Man Of Month

LONGVIEW, Dec. 24 (AP)—The president of Santa Fe Railway lines, Fred Gurley of Winetka, Ill., has been named man of the month for January by the East Texas Chamber of Commerce.

It marked the first time the 72-county regional chamber has awarded the honor to anyone other than a Texan.

Chamber President Charles Hawn of Athens said the award was for Gurley's "varied and consistent contributions to the progress of the region."

Merchandise Mart

DETROIT (AP)—Richard Colien and his father, Sam have announced plans to convert a seven - story downtown warehouse into a million-dollar merchandise mart, making Detroit the third city in the country to have such a mart. New York and Chicago also have such marts.

CONTEST SET UP FOR FARM PROGRAM IDEAS

Farmers in this area and others interested in agriculture now have a chance to sound off about the farm program and possibly make money in doing so.

The Chamber of Commerce agriculture committee has started a contest to encourage farmers and others here to give their ideas on improving the federal farm program.

The committee, headed by Max West, will accept entries in the contest from now until Jan. 10. Three prizes of $25, $15, and $10 have been set up for the contests by Von Roeder Seed Farms.

There are few rules in the contest. All a person must do is write, in 500 words or less, how he believes the federal farm program could be improved. The committee explained that, while the rules say "500 words or less," they do not mean they encourage the writing of 500 words in the entry. If the person can say in a dozen words what he wants to say, his entry is just as good as another.

As suggestions to those who might enter, the committee said that some might wish to write on rising costs to the farmer in relation to farm income; allotment programs or other methods of surplus contral which would be fair to all farmers and all areas; federal aid in agricultural conservation programs; and parity programs.

These entries may be handwritten or typewritten. They will be judged on what they say only, not on penmanship, spelling, or grammar. They can be be mailed or taken to the chamber office at 1802 Twenty-sixth Street.

The entries will be judged by persons in agriculture. Copies of those judges the best three will be sent to U. S. Representative George Mahon, U. S. Senator Lyndon B. Johnson, and Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson.

Locally, the ideas presented will be presented to the public through regular news media.

Police Solve Mystery Of Disappearing Wheat

DALLAS (AP)—Police said today they have learned what happened to the half a freight car of wheat. They said five children of the same family had hauled it away in paper sacks.

Held in jail were four boys, age 7 to 13, and their sister, 11, awaiting action by juvenile authorities.

Also arrested was their father, a cafe owner, who police said, charged his children a fee for helping them fence their loot.

The officers said the children found the box car open and, making many trips, carried away 3,340 pounds of wheat. The father then hauled them, charging each child $1 per trip, to a store, where the children sold the wheat for three cents a pound.

Long Trial Spin Mixup With Auto

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (AP)—On the "Things to do" list of the Springfield, Mo., police department recently was the task of running down the fellow who took a used car out for a trial spin.

A year later, he apparently was still testing.

Surplus Problem Worsens In Cotton Trade During 1955

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—A steadily worsening surplus problem kept the cotton market on the defensive virtually throughout 1955.

As the surplus mounted, prices sagged, trading fell alarmingly and "uncertainty" became a daily byword in the trade.

Traders found it exceedingly difficult to see their way clear to establishing any extensive positions in the market while trying to separate politics and economics in relation to cotton. This made for a thin market susceptible to highly erratic movements.

Indecision in politics as to what to do about the surplus and contributory problems seemed to be as great, if not greater, than that within the trade itself. This uncertainty reached out to grip the Liverpool market where prices went into a slide when this country made a step in the direction of moving surplus cotton abroad at "competitive prices."

This step also rudely jolted a philosophy in this country that the government loan price set up an inviolate floor under the market. Futures contracts on deliveries into 1956 and 1957 fell to deep "discounts" under the current price—as much as 5 cents a pound, or about $25 per bale.

Nearer futures, representing the current crop, slipped below the average loan level for a time, but stiffened as the year neared its end due to the heavy movement of staple into the government loan. Possibly five million bales of this crop may go under loan.

Sentiment grew in the marketplace that lower prices are ahead for cotton if any real effort is made to rid this country of its surplus and attack the basic reasons for the surplus buildup.

These reasons are held to be large production of cottons for which there is no ready market here or abroad, and the high loan by the government which makes production of such cotton attractive to the farmer.

From an indicated production of 12,728,000 bales at the start of the season (considered large then in view of an acreage reduction), cotton crop prospects improved with million bales. The total supply has risen to 25,900,000 bales, a record high and enough to supply domestic and export needs for two years or longer.

High for the year for any future contract on the New Orleans Cotton Exchange was 35.72 cents a pound Feb. 8. The lowest price was 28.30 Nov. 2. The high for the 10-market southern spot average price was 34.37 Jan. 28. The low was 32.28 Oct. 3.

Quiet A Complaint

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. (AP)—Inmates of the Cabell County Jail, with all the dignity they could muster, formaly registered a complaint with city police: trucks loading in a nearby alley were disturbing their rest.

New Guinea matrons along the Sepik River sometimes use lime and ashes for makeup.

Borden ACP Plans Complete For 1956

The Borden County Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation committee has adopted its practices for 1956 under the abriculture conservation program.

The list includes 17 practices, all of which provide for federal cost-sharing in projects carried on according to specifications.

The program was mapped out last week by the committee, composed of John Stephens, chairman; Harold Ludecke, vice-chariman; and Burl Belew, regular member, with the aid of Dick Cantrell, secretary-treasurer, and George Sealy, Borden County agricultural agent and ex-officio member of the committee.

Practices adopted by the committee include contour listing, contour chiseling, cross-slope chiseling, pit cultivation, or listing or chiseling not on the contour for wind erosion control;

Establishing legumes for summer protection from erosion;

Establishing winter legumes in the fall of 1956 for winter protection from erosion;

Establishing permanent vegetative cover for soil protection or as needed land use adjustment;

Establishing additional acreage of vegetative cover in crop rotation to retard erosion and improve soil structure, permeability, or water-holding capacity;

Initial improvement of an established vegetative cover for soil and watershed protection;

Controlling competitive shrubs necessary to permit growth of adequate desirable vegetative cover for soil protection on pasture or rangelands;

Pitting, chiseling noncrop grazing land to prevent soil loss, retard runoff, and improve water penetration;

Constructing wells for livestock water as a means of protecting established vegetative cover;

Constructing or sealing dams, pits, or ponds for livestock water as a means of protecting established vegetative cover;

Constructing terraces to detain or control the flow of water and check soil erosion;

Constructing diversion terraces to intercept runoff and divert excess water to protected outlets;

Constructing spreader terraces to divert and spread water to prevent erosion and to permit beneficial use of runoff;

Initiation of stubble mulching to imporve soil permeability and to protect soil from wind and water erosion;

Bringing adequate amounts of clod-forming subsoil to the surface on sandy cropland subject to wind erosion to protect the soil from blowing.

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Deer Park Class A Champs

BORGER (AP)—Deer Park, winningest football team in Texas, had its second consecutive Class A schoolboy championship today.

The Deer surged 70 yards for a touchdown in the third period of a tight defensive battle with Stinnett last night and won 7-0 to go through their 30th straight game without defeat.

Deer Park in four years has won 54 games, lost 3, tied 2, been in the finals three times and the semi-finals once.

Three of four state championships now have been determined. The final will be decided Monday when Hillsboro meets Stamford at Abilene for the Class AA crown.

Abilene won Class AAAA last week, beating Tyler 33-13. Port Neches downed Garland 20-14 for the Class AAA crown.

Bubba McLean and Penny O'Neal led the wild drive of the Deer that paid off with the touchdown. O'Neal made it with a 1-yard smash then ran for the extra point.

Stinnett couldn't handle the ponderous 190-pound Deer line and Larry Dawson couldn't connect with his passes.

Stinnett almost scored in the second period, advancing to the one. A fourth down pass from Dawson to Tony Atherton was dropped in the end zone.

Stinnett was playing its first season in Class A.

Deer Park smashed to 286 yards on the ground. Stinnett managed 156 and 21 yards passing.

Travis Hughes has been coaching Deer Park three years. He has lost only one game, to Luling in the 1953 semi-finals. Don Seymour is in his first year as head coach of Stinnett.

Pro Playoff Starts Holiday Grid Feast

By WILL GRIMSLEY
The Associated Press

A holiday football feast is in store for the nation's armchair quarterbacks, beginning with the pro championship game Monday in Los Angeles and ending with the college bowl jousts Jan. 2.

The spacing of the attractions due to the extended weekend makes tempting television fare for the inveterate knob-turner, who can gorge himself as never before.

While an estimated 716,500 will view the far-flung program in the flesh, added millions will enjoy the conflicts on their screens.

The National Football League playoff game between the Los Angeles Rams, Western Conference title winners, and the Cleveland Browns, kingpins of the East, will be televised by NBC, starting at 4 p.m. (EST).

The Browns rule a 5-point choice over the Rams in the game which will attract some 90,000.

The North and South Shrine game at Miami, Fla., untelevised but broadcast by Mutual, won't conflict, starting at 8:15 p.m. (EST).

Because Christmas and New Year's Day fall on the Sabbath, most of the bowl games have been sandwiched around Sunday, falling on Saturday and Monday. The big day, of course, is Monday, Jan. 2.

Next Saturday, the Gator Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla., pitting Auburn against Vanderbilt, will be televised by CBS, starting at 2 p.m. It also will be possible to get the Blue-Gray game at Montgomery, Ala., starting at 2:30 p.m., and the East-West Shrine game at San Francisco, kickoff at 5 p.m., both put on the screens by NBC.

The Salad Bowl at Phoenix, Ariz. sending the Skyline Conference All-Stars against the Border Conference All-Stars, also is set for Saturday, but without TV or radio. The time is 4 p.m. (EST).

Only on Jan. 2 will the television viewer be confronted with the quandary of which channel to seize since three of the major bowls are in direct conflict. But even so he can have four or five hours of solid viewing, with the nation's top-ranking teams at his finger tips.

The Orange, Sugar and Cotton Bowls all have a 2 p.m. (EST) kickoff while the Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif., with a turnout of 100,000 in the offing, gets going at 5 p.m.

The Orange Bowl at Miami pits the mythical national champion, Oklahoma, winner of 29 straight games, against third-ranked Maryland with a crowd of 76,062 expected and CBS doing TV honors. The Sooners have been made a 6-point favorite over the rival they whipped 7-0 in the same bowl two years ago.

The Sugar Bowl at New Orleans, with Georgia Tech a 13-point choice over Pittsburgh, will be televised by ABC. NBC will carry the Cotton Bowl at Dallas, sending Texas Christian against Mississippi in a battle of Southwest-Southeastern champions. TCU, with All-America Jim Swink in the backfield, is a 7-point favorite.

The Rose Bowl attraction brings together Michigan State, No. 2 nationally and UCLA, No. 4, with the versatile, quick-hitting Mid-Westerners favored by 7 points to maintain Big 10 supremacy over the Pacific Coast. NBC is televising.

There are three bowls Jan. 2 of lesser stature, but of no less interest in their particular areas. Texas Tech will play Wyoming in the Sun Bowl at El Paso, Tex.; Juniata (Pa.) will meet Missouri Valley in the Tangerine Bowl at Orlando, Fla., and Prairie View will face Tennessee A&I in the Prairie View Bowl at Houston, Tex. None will be televised.

The football season drags on through the North-South Senior Bowl game at Los Angeles Jan. 15 when the All-Stars of the NFL's rival conferences tangle. This game is expected to lure 50,000.



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H. Zetzman, R. S. & P.	181-165-169—515
E. Tipping, Goss Car Lot	173-168-163—504
Slaughter, Holder Const.	165-170-165—500
R. Howser, Pinnell Ins.	146-175-170—491
R. Weber, Weber Ins.	146-192-146—484

CAGE SCORES

COLLEGE BASKETBALL FRIDAY
By The Associated Press

Elon 100, Pfeiffer 77
Parris Island Marines 78, Georgetown 75
San Francisco 61, Loyola, New Orleans 43
Iowa State 87, Vanderbilt 76
Illinois 82, Oklahoma 58
Michigan State 72, Wyoming 62
Oklahoma A&M 70, Baylor 51
Washington (St. Louis) 55, Cornell 50
Oklahoma City 64, Texas Christian 54
St. Francis (Brk) 87, Queens (NY) 63

Binghamton, N.Y., led the Eastern League baseball teams in attendance during 1955 with 89,529 home fans. It was an increase of 40,308 over 1954.

SPORTS

BUCKIN' THE LINE

By BUCK FRANCIS
News Sports Editor

What else is there to say today except to say:
A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS to all you good sports fans everywhere.

BOWL LINEUP

Lineup of post-season football games, showing name of bowl, site, teams, won-lost-tied records, starting time, expected attendance and radio and television arrangements:

(Times are Eastern Standard)

MONDAY, DEC. 26

Shrine game, Miami, Fla.—North vs. South, 8:15 p.m., 40,000, MBS radio.

National Football League championship, Los Angeles — Los Angeles Rams, Western Conference champions (8-3-1) vs. Cleveland Browns, Eastern Conference champions (8-3-17, 4 p.m., 90,000, NBC television and radio.

SATURDAY, DEC. 31

Shrine game, San Francisco—East vs. West, 4:28 p.m, 61,000, MBS radio, NBC television.

Gator Bowl, Jacksonville, Fla.—Auburn (8-1-1) vs. Vanderbilt (7-3-0), 1:45 p.m., 36,000, CBS radio and television.

Salad Bowl, Phoenix, Ariz. — Skyline Conference All-Stars vs. Border Conference All-Stars, 4 p.m., 12,000. No national television or radio.

Blue-Gray, Montgomery, Ala.—North vs. South, 2:30 p.m., 20,000, MBS radio, NBC television.

MONDAY, JAN. 2

Rose Bowl, Pasadena, Calif.—UCLA (9-1-0) vs. Michigan State (8-1-0), 5 p.m., 100,000, NBC radio and television.

Orange Bowl, Miami, Fla.—Oklahoma (10-0-0) vs. Maryland (10-0-0), 2:00 p.m., 76,062, CBS radio and television.

Sugar Bowl, New Orleans — Georgia Tech (8-1-1) vs. Pittsburgh (7-3-0), 2 p.m., 82,985, ABC radio and television.

Cotton Bowl, Dallas, Tex.—Texas Christian (9-1-0) vs. Mississippi (9-1-0), 2 p.m., 75,504, NBC radio and television.

Sun Bowl, El Paso, Tex.—Texas Tech (7-2-1) vs. Wyoming (7-2-0), 4:30 p.m., 15,000, regional radio, no television.

Tangerine Bowl, Orlando, Fla. — Juniata (Pa) (8-0-0) vs. Missouri Valley (8-1-0), 8 p.m., 12,000, no radio, no television.

Prairie View Bowl, Houston, Tex. — Prairie View (7-2-1) vs. Tennessee A&I (7-3-0), 3 p.m., 19,000, local radio, no television.

SATURDAY, JAN. 7

Senior Bowl, Mobile, Ala. — North vs. South, 2:30 p.m., 36,000, no radio no television.

SUNDAY, JAN. 15

Pro Bowl, Los Angeles — Western Conference All-Stars of National Football League, vs. Eastern Conference All-Stars, 4:45 p.m., 50,000.

Tiger 5 Preps For HPC Meet

BROWNWOOD (Spl.)....Howard Payne College will host its 13th annual High School Basketball Tournament Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 29, 30, 31. Sixteen teams are entered in the three day affair, with a new champion assured as last year's winner, Abilene, will not return to defend it's title.

Getting the tournament under way will be the Port Arthur-Angleton clash at 9:30 Thursday Morning; and Brady-Snyder at 11:00. Lipan and Lampasas will open the afternoon session at 1:00; Stamford-Longview at 2:15; Carter Riverside-Burkett at 3:30.

The night session will begin with Big Spring-Ballinger at 6:00; Coleman - Brooksmith at 7:15; and Brownwood-Comanche at 8:30 to wind up the first round of play.

Quarter finals in both losers and winners brackets will be held Friday, with the semi-finals and finals set for Saturday.

Only three previous tournament winners are entered this year. Brownwood, tournament winner in 1943, 1944, and 1945, Port Athur, 1950, and the 1953 winner Coleman.

From all indications the tournament shapes up as a very evenly matched field with any team capable of taking the championship. Action may be even faster than last year when Abilene took a 64-63 overtime victory over Odessa in the Championship clash.

Trophies will be presented to the winners, runner-up, and consolation winner. Gold basketballs will be given to members of the winner and runner-up teams, and wrist watches to the coaches of the three winning teams. Ten boys on the All-Tournament Team will also receive gold basketballs.

TCU, Baylor 5s Suffer Defeats

Two alarming losing streaks were lengthened Friday as the Southwest Conference ended basketball play for the Christmas holidays.

TCU suffered its eighth straight reversal, losing to Oklahoma City 64-54. Baylor took its fifth consecutive loss, tumbling to Oklahoma A&M 70-51.

Baylor and TCU will enter the southwest conference tournament at Houston next week with 1-7 and 1-8 records. The only team with a worse record is Arkansas, which hasn't won a game in five.

Rice is undefeated in 8 games, MU has won 7 and lost 2 and Texas has a 4-3 record.

TCU had a fine chance to win one with the score tied 52-52 with less than four minutes to play. Hubert Reed, towering center for Oklahoma City, batted in a rebound and Cecil Magana slipped in two goals and TCU faded.



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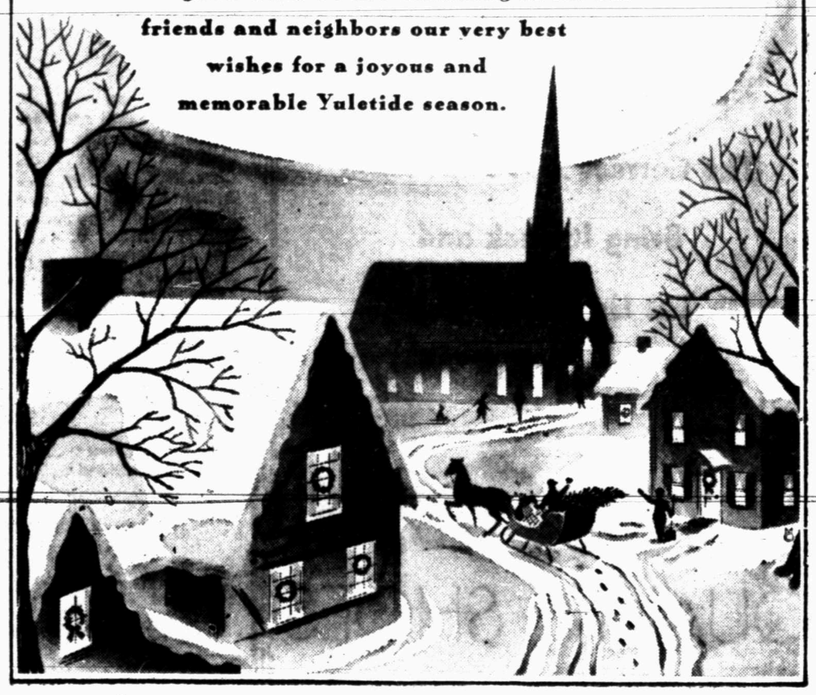
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Offensive Battle Due In 20th Cotton Bowl Tilt



SHOEMAKER UP ON MICHIGAN STATE — Jockey Willie Shoemaker provides a laugh for the Michigan State football camp by sitting astride the back of Norman Masters, the Spartains' 227-pound tackle. Shoemaker who was a spectator at the workouts in Pasadena, Calif., weighs 103. Looking on and amazed by the proceedings is Bobby Arcars, 11, son of Eddie, another famed jackey. The Spartans meet UCLA in the Rose Bowl Jan. 2.

Cotton 11s Have Combined 54.4 Point Average

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF

DALLAS, Dec. 24 (AP)—The savage ground power of Texas Christian and the aerial might of Mississippi should add up to a pleasing offensive show here Jan. 2 in the twentieth Cotton Bowl football game.

These two teams, boasting top records of 9-1, have a reputation for scoring plentifully on everybody. Their combined average is 54.4 points per game.

Offensively Texas Christian has swirled to 353.1 yards per outing while Mississippi has done 337.7.

"I don't see how there could be anything but a scoring game," said Coach Abe Martin, who will be taking his first Texas Christian team into a bowl.

Promises To Pass

Coach Johnny Vaught of Mississippi has promised to throw the ball often in an effort to combat the prospective touchdown runs of TCU's great Jim Swink, a lad whose twisting sprints have sent him goalward all the way up to 80 yards. Swink, who gained 1,283 yards during the season, averaged 8.2 per carry—almost a first down every time the gifted halfback carried the pigskin.

Mississippi has the aerial guns to accomplish its objective, too. The Rebels have stormed to 1,102 yards, 724 of which was rolled up by Eagle Day, key man in all of Mississippi's offensive plans. Passing accounted for 13 of the 34 Rebel touchdowns.

Third For Rebels

Mississippi will be playing in its third major bowl game under Vaught, who probably is a little touchy about it—he hasn't yet won one. Martin hasn't either, for that matter. "Of course, I haven't lost one," said Martin, "since this is the first one for me to play."

The teams enter the game without having scouted each other except through the exchange of films. Martin got pretty serious about it after he looked over a couple of the Mississippi victories. "They have so much speed its frightening," he commented.

TCU isn't a slow team by any means—it's just the way Jim Swink runs. The Horned Frog scoring ace—he rolled up 125 points during the season—is one of the most adept players at using blockers ever seen in the Southwest.

Uses Openings

He never turns on the speed until his advance men have piled up the defenders. But once he sees an opening he's quick as a cat, to quote Martin. "You never saw anybody who could change directions as quickly as Jim," Martin says.

The game matches scoring champions of two conferences—Swink in the Southwest and Paige Cothren, hammering 195-pound fullback of Mississippi, who topped the Southeastern Conference with 74 points.

Cothren slammed out 530 yards rushing to get 6 touchdowns, then he kicked 6 field goals—which tied the national record for a season—and he put 20 boots between the bars for extra points.

"Score Any Way"

"Those guys can score any way," observed Martin.

The only mutual opponent of the two teams was Arkansas. Texas Christian beat the Razorbacks 26-0 while Mississippi laced them 17-7. Mississippi played Arkansas, however, after it had started clicking with a new offense and was a much better team than when it met TCU.

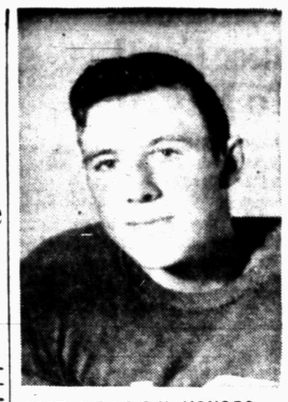
The two squads took out for the Christmas holidays but will return to practice Tuesday. They'll move into Dallas Friday, the Rebels flying in at 12:50 p.m. and TCU coming in by bus at 2 p.m. TCU is only 30 miles from Dallas.

Good weather is promised for the game. The weather bureau, in its long range forecast, said fair and cold was indicated. There was no sign of precipitation. The Cotton Bowl has had rain only twice in its 20-year history.

Cotton Bowl Teams To Attend Luncheon

DALLAS, Dec. 24 (AP)—The TCU and University of Mississippi football squads that play in the Cotton Bowl Jan. 2 will attend the Texas Sports Hall of Fame luncheon here Dec. 31.

They will see Rogers Hornsby of baseball and Byron Nelson of golf inducted into the hall. The late Paul Tyson, famous high school football coach, will be enshrined posthumously.



POST SEASON HONORS — Billy Mac Davidson, Hermleigh back, has been chosen on the Abilene Reporter-News "All Area" team for the 1955 season. Davidson, who scored 110 points the past season, also was named on the "All District 6-B" team as selected by the coaches. Davidson, a junior, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Davidson.

Mantle Easy Winner Of Slugging Title

NEW YORK (AP)—Mickey Mantle of the New York Yankees, the American League home run king last season, also won the circuit's slugging title, the official averages showed today.

Mantle was an easy winner. He pounded out 316 total bases in 517 times at bat for a slugging mark of .611. Detroit's Al Kaline, who finished on top in the batting competition, was runner-up to Mantle with a .546 average.

Slugging averages are computed by dividing the total bases on all hits by the number of official trips to the plate.

Ted Williams of the Boston Red Sox also distinguished himself in the slugging records. He wound up with a sizzling .703 mark, but was ineligible for the crown since he batted only 320 times.

Mantle, who walloped 37 homers, struck out 97 times in 1955. Norm Zauchin of the Red Sox fanned the most times, 105.

Little Nellie Fox of the Chicago White Sox was hit most often by pitched balls, 17 times while Detroit's Bill Tuttle grounded into the most double plays, 25.

Behind Mantle and Kaline in the slugging derby came Gus Zernial of Kansas City with 508, Vic Power of Kansas City and Larry Doby of Cleveland (now with Chicago) with .505 each, Roy Sievers of Washington with .489 and Jackie Jensen of Boston with .479.

Twelve major league records were broken in American League competition. Among tthem was Herb Score's strikeout total for a first-year pitcher. The Cleveland lefty fanned 245 batters. The pennant-winning Yankees extended three of their own marks—most years leading in home runs, 30; most years, 100 or more home runs, 32 and most pennants won, 21.

Loyola Fans Cheer Russell

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—Segregation boundaries were all but forgotten as a mixed crowd of 5,500 heaped applause on All-America center Bill Russell and his other Negro teammates who sparkled in San Francisco's 61-43 victory over Loyola.

The 6-10 Russell drew repeated raves from the big crowd last night as he scored 20 points and almost claimed the backboards as his own. K. C. Jones and Warren Baxter, the Dons' Negro guards, teamed with Russell to form the backbone of a steady offense and stingy defense.

There was some apprehension before the game since a minor racial incident popped up at the Bradley-Loyola game last Tuesday. Shellie McMillon, Bradley's ace Negro forward, attracted jeers from the crowd when he stuck out his tongue as he fouled out. Sportswriters termed McMillon's conduct "unsportsman-like", and criticized several of his fouls as "unnecessary."

About one-quarter of last night's crowd was Negro. The crowd was seated on a non-segregated basis.

Kentucky Team Puts 'Castoffs' To Good Use

By KYLE VANCE

OWENSBORO, Ky. (AP)—Kentucky Wesleyan college is winning basketball games with the worst formula in the world.

It is picking up its players from castoffs from other schools.

But the Wesleyan express pulled into holiday season today with a Christmas stocking bulging with eight straight wins.

Five of the victims are "major" in status. Six wins were registered on opponents' floors.

Wesleyan is averaging 80 points a game and holding the foe to 63.

Not bad for a little school with just 500 students—especially when you consider that three starters were "given" to Wesleyan by other schools.

The University of Kentucky has been a real Santa Claus. Two starters—and another who would be starting except for an injury—left the big state university for one reason or another.

When Linville Puckett and Logan Gipe transferred to Wesleyan, Coach Robert (Bullet) Wilson slowed down his fast break attack. Because of their ball handling tactics, he now uses many set plays.

Billy Bibb, the other transfer from Kentucky, suffered a knee injury that may keep him out all season.

The pride of the castoff kids is Mason Cope, who was named "Mr. Basketball" after the 1949 North-South game at Murray State College. That game brings together some of the finest high school seniors in the nation.

Cope attended Murray two years and then went into service. He chose Wesleyan when his hitch was up, and now he's averaging 21.5 points per game. Gipe and Puckett are averaging 17 and 16 points, respectively.

Of course Wesleyan has a good collection of stars recruited in the normal manner. They include the two biggest boys on a comparatively small squad—6 foot 5 Lewis Snowden and 6-4½ Joe Roop.

With victories in the bag over Tennessee, Texas Christian, Centre, Hardin-Simmons, Berea, New Mexico, New Mexico A&M and Midwestern, Wesleyan figures a pretty strong favorite for its own tournament opening next Wednesday.

The castoff kids will be host to Florida, Pittsburgh, Utah State, Washington & Lee, Evansville, Hardin-Simmons and College of Pacific.

Two Rebels Wed But Will Play In Game

UNIVERSITY, Miss. (AP) — Two University of Mississippi football players, due to play Texas Christian University in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas Jan. 2, are honeymooning today.

Ole Miss guard Johnny Williams married his high school sweetheart, Miss Lettye Ruth Allen, at Canton, Miss., yesterday.

Starting halfback Billy Kinard married the university cheerleader, Kay Horton, at Jackson, Tenn., yesterday.

Both players are to report back for practice Monday in preparation for the TCU game.

Trabert Bounces Back

DENVER (AP)—Tony Trabert used his powerful service and a strong net game to defeat Pancho Gonzales, 6-4, 6-3, last night for his third victory against five losses in their cross-country professional tennis tour.

Dons Head For New York After Manhandling Loyola, 61-43

By BEN OLAN

The San Francisco Dons headed for New York today with their 33 game victory streak intact and designs on the college basketball record for consecutive triumphs.

San Francisco, the nation's top ranked team, rolled easily over Loyola of New Orleans 61-43 last night to make it seven straight this season and 33 over a two-year span. The all-time mark is 39 straight.

Next stop for the well-balanced Dons is Madison Square Garden where they tangle with LaSalle Monday afternoon in the second game of the E.C.A.C. Holiday Festival Tournament.

Holy Cross faces Syracuse in the opener while UCLA meets St. John's of Brooklyn and Duquesne goes up against Fordham in a night doubleheader. UCLA was the last team to defeat the Dons—in December 1954.

The mark for consecutive victories was set by Long Island University from 1935 to 1937 and later was equaled by Seton Hall of South Orange, N. J., 1939-1941.

Off last night's performance there'll be no stopping the Dons.

They drew off to a 24-8 lead in the 15th minute of the game with Bill Russell, K. C. Jones and Mike Preseau spearheading the attack. Russell, the brilliant 6-10 Negro All-America, scored 20 points and left the game with eight minutes left to play.

Vanderbilt was the only other team among the first 10 to see action and the eighth-ranked Commodores were knocked off by Iowa State 87-76 in the upset of the night. It was Vandy's first setback after six triumphs.

Gary Thompson scored 40 points for State, which shot into a 47-39 halftime lead. Bobby Thym was high for the losers with 28.

Illinois, No. 17, built up a 21-1 lead against Oklahoma and breezed in 82-58. The Sooners did not register their first field goal until 10:38 of the first half.

Julius McCoy popped in 16 straight points in the last 10 minutes as Michigan State whipped Wyoming 72-62. McCoy wound up with 32 points, but he had to give up scoring honors to Wyoming's Joe Capua, who netted 34.

Oklahoma A&M jumped off to a 19 point lead on the shooting of Mack Carter and Mel Wright and coasted to an easy 70-51 victory over Baylor.

Oklahoma City pulled away from Texas Christian in the final four minutes to win 64-54 and hand TCU its eighth straight defeat.

Washington of St. Louis, trailing by 2 points at halftime, rallied behind the shooting of Bud Cristal in the second half to nip Cornell 55-50.

In other games, Spring Hill (Ala.) tripped Washington State 63-60, St. Francis of Brooklyn beat Queens 87-63 and Elon College defeated Pfeiffer 100-77 to win the first annual Parris Island, S. C., Christmas invitation tourney.

Browns Favored In Pro Title Game

By BOB MYERS

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24 (AP)—The defending champion Cleveland Browns arrive on the battle scene today, very definitely set on defeating the Los Angeles Rams and capturing the National Football League crown for the third time for their coach, Paul (The Master) Brown.

The experts say the Browns will succeed in the nationally televised game in Memorial Coliseum Monday. The feat, if achieved, will serve as a handsome Christmas present for the coach and a fitting going-away gift for the top field general in professional football, quarterback Otto Graham.

Ram fans could look back to 1951, however, when this same Graham, who will be playing his last game, and such grid gladiators as Lou Groza, the kicking specialist; Dante Lavelli, Len Ford Abe Gibron and other Cleveland veterans, came here favored to lasso the Rams for the championship.

They failed. The Ram field marshal, Norman Van Brocklin, and his left end, Tommy Fears, crushed their hopes with a 73-yard touchdown pass play that won the game in the final quarter, 24-17.

This was a joy to the Rams, who the bitter winter before at Cleveland saw their title hopes blasted in the final 28 seconds on a Groza field goal.

Offensively and defensively, this renewal of hostilities could well be another exciting contest.

The Rams will field such explosive backs as rookie Ron Waller, Skeet Quinlan and Dan Towler, and the passing game features Van Brocklin, Fears, Elroy Hirsch and Bob Boyd.

Cleveland has Ray Renfro, Curley Morrison, Ed Modzelewski and Graham, among its running threats, and Lavelli, Darrell Brewster and others for aerial fireworks.

Defensively, the game offers some of the greatest in pro ball—Ford and Carleton Massey, Abe Gibron, Frank Gatski, Bob Gain and Don Colo of the Browns; and Les Richter, Bud Mc Fadin, Andy Robustelli and Larry Morris for Los Angeles.

Fair weather was forecast for Monday, and if it is, 60,000 or more will attend. NBC will televise the affair, with Los Angeles excluded.

Ryff Unimpressive In Vasquez Win

By JACK HAND

NEW YORK (AP)—Frankie Ryff did little to help himself as a top flight lightweight contender by his victory over Baby Vasquez and he knows it.

"I'd rather lose and give the fans a show," he said last night, apologizing in his dressing room at Madison Square Garden. The 23-year-old New Yorker knew his unanimous decision over the squat Mexican in a 10-round nationally televised bout hadn't been a crowd pleaser.

"He was sloppy and he made me sloppy, too," Ryff added. "I wanted to give the fans a fight so I upset my style. He was a slow cautious, counter puncher so I decided to slug when I could.

"When I got down (into a half crouch) we were having a wing ding until I got this." He pointed to a deep cut around his right eye that will sideline him for six weeks. "We banged heads and this happened. Then I switched back again."

After Ryff was cut in the fourth round, he became cautious for a couple of rounds. Then he reverted to form and rushed in with both fists flying to earn a substantial edge. Ryff was wild and ineffective much of the time, but Vasquez didn't hit hard enough to offset his persistent drive.

Charlie Black, Ryff's manager, said he wanted matches with Light-weight Champion Bud Smith, ex-Champ Jimmy Carter or any other good fighter. Ryff weighed 138 last night, Vasquez 136.

Judge Artie Schwartz scored it 8-1-1, Judge Artie Aidala 6-4 and referee Ruby Goldstein 5-3-2 all for Ryff. The AP card found for Ryff 7-2-1. The crowd of no more than 1,500 (no figures were announced) took the decision in stride.

As for the loser, his manager, George Parnassus, had an alibi. "He froze up because this was his first time in the Garden," said George. The boxer, through an interpreter, mumbled something about "couldn't get off."

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OIL NEWS

Wildcats Are Quit In Four Counties

Wilcats have been abandoned in four counties of West Texas.

In Stonewall County, Ray Smith Drilling Co. of Dallas has quite No. 1 Winters at total depth of 5,919 feet in barren conglomerate. It was 3,312.94 feet from west and 1,214.83 feet from south lines of Manuella Cordova survey, A-63 and one and three-quarter miles southwest of the Katz pool.

Sid Katz No. 3 Tom Morrison, et al, wildcat in the Westbrook, West (Clear Fork) field of West Mitchell County, was plugged at plugged back depth of 2,545 feet. Total depth was 2,750 feet. Locaand 1,650 feet from east lines of section 34, block 29, T-1-N, T&P survey.

In Northeast Andrews County, B. L. McFarland, Inc., has abandoned No. 1-3-C University at total depth of 4,777 feet in sand and anhydrite. It was 990 feet from north and 660 feet from west lines of section 3, block 5, University Lands survey.

Liedtke & Liedtke of Midland, and others No. 1 Texas American Syndicate is a dry wildcat in Southwest Crane County. It was drilled to 5,975 feet. It was 1,980 feet from northeast and 660 feet from northwest lines of section 23, block 4, H&TC survey.

Snow Covers Some States In North U.S.

By The Associated Press

Snow covers wide areas of the northern states but chances of a white Christmas in other areas appeared dim today.

The blanket of white extends in sections of New England, New York, Pennsylvania and westward through the Great Lakes region, the northern Plains and most of the Rockies into the interior and northern areas of Washington and Oregon.

More snow fell in some of these regions during the night. Snow was in prospect for northern midwest areas during the day.

Mild weather for late December prevailed in wide areas in the eastern half of the nation. Temperatures were up as much as 30 degrees in most of the southwestern Plains and southern Rockies.

Fog was reported in the Great Lakes region to western and central Pennsylvania.

Heavy rain continued in sections of the flood-stricken far West, with heaviest amounts in central California. The death toll in the flooded areas of northern California was 17, while five have died in Oregon.

Winds, with gusts up to 85 miles per hour, hit the Colorado Springs, Colo., area last night. Roofs were ripped off, windows blown out and telephone lines knocked down.

A new surge of cold air from Canada moved into Montana and readings were below zero in some areas. One of the lowest marks was -8 at Cut Bank.

Yesterday's temperatures ranged from 18 at Havre, Mont., to 89 at Laredo, Tex. Early this morning readings in the central states ranged from around zero in northwestern North Dakota to the 60s in Texas. It was 67 and clear in Brownsville, Tex. Other reports: New York (LaGuardia Field) 28 and cloudy; Chicago 41 and drizzle; Denver 67 and partly cloudy; Miami 63 and partly cloudy; Los Angeles 57 and cloudy; South Bend Ind., 40 and fog.

Three Nuns Die In Fire

NORTH GUILFORD, Conn. (AP)—Three Dominican nuns died last night when fire destroyed Our Lady of Grace monastery in an isolated section of this town.

A fourth among the nearly 50 cloistered nuns was injured and hospitalized with a possible fractured leg. The others escaped unharmed and were sheltered at Albertus Magnus College, New Haven.

Brother Paul Gilbert, in attendance at the monastery, which was founded in 1947, said the blaze was believed to have started in the main building, a converted frame farmhouse, from a short circuit in the electrical wiring. Firemen were thwarted by the lack of water.

Brother Paul said that firemen, long after the blaze had burned itself out, found the body of three nuns huddled in a portion of the main structure near a chapel where a constant vigil was kept by nuns who recited a perpetual rosary and said prayers for the benefit of mankind.

He said he could not identify them.

The chapel was a converted stable, inspired, Brother Gilbert said, by the stable at Bethlehem where Jesus Christ was born.

The monastery, one of 20 similarly cloistered communities in the United States, was founded by 1947 by the Rev. Mother Mary of Jesus Crucified, was granted enclosure in February, 1951.

The nuns were of an order which devote their lives to prayers for the benefit of mankind.

Nolan Well Recompleted

C. L. Norsworthy, Jr., Dallas, No. 1 L. C. Howard, depleted discovery of the Estaban (Ellenburger) field of North Nolan County, has been recompleted as a ¼-mile west extension to the East Estaban (Canyon reef lime) field.

On recompletion, it gauged 156.91 barrels of 40 gravity oil daily through 18-64-inch choke and perforations from 6,195 to 6,225 feet after 500 gallons of acid. Gas-oil ratio was 975-1.

Location is 660 feet from south and east lines of section 56, block 22, T&P survey.

Half a mile north, Norsworthy will drill No. 3 Howard, 1,980 feet from north and 660 feet from east lines of section 66, block 22, T&P survey.

Half a mile north, Norsworthy will drill No. 3 Howard, 1,980 feet from north and 660 feet from east lines of section 66, block 22, T&P survey, a 7,000 - foot test.

Wildcat Drills After Testing

L. H. Armer of Fort Worth, No. 1 Edith Anson, Southwest Tom Green County wildcat, is making hole below 4,938 feet in lime, after recovering salt water in a drillstem test of the Palo Pinto.

The prospector is contracted to 6,300 feet to test the Ellenburger. The location is four miles southwest of Christoval and two miles southeast of the Mount Susan, South (5,250 Strawn) field. It is 580 feet from north and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 21, block 24, H&TC survey, Abstract 1235.

The Palo Pinto test was at 4,877-4,902 feet. Length of the test was not reported. Recovery was 30 feet of salt water cut drilling mud and 120 feet of salt water.

Top of the Palo Pinto is at 4,878 feet, which is on a datum of minus 2,649 feet.

Increase In Crude Demand Is Expected

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Consumption of oil in this country is expected to average around 9,850,000 barrels a day in the December-February period.

This prediction is made by the Independent Petroleum Assn. of America (IPAA). The figure is 3.6 per cent higher than demands in the corresponding 3-month period last winter.

The association says increased production allowables during December will hike crude production to near seven million barrels a day. Assuming normal winter weather, the market demand for U.S. crude output for the next three months should continue at about that level, it forecast.

Crude oil imports are expected to continue at about 830,000 barrels a day for three months. The forecast was based on schedules filed by oil companies with the Texas Railroad Commission.

A seasonal increase in refined products, especially heating oils, is expected, with an average of about 600,000 barrels a day.

S. C. Barlett, vice president of the Texas Co., has told a Senate Small Business subcommittee that supplying companies can help gasoline dealers solve price wars by aiding them in developing better business and selling methods.

Bartlett said if there was any single helpful suggestion he could make, it was that the supplying companies "greatly intensify and give new direction to supporting dealers in their efforts to become better businessmen, so none will be simply sellers of gasoline on a low-price basis."

Completion In Stonewall Due

J. J. Lynn Estate of Abilene will run casing to total depth of 6,120 feet, to try for completion at its No. 1-A Ella Pumphrey, possible new pay opener in the Ashmore (Bend Conglomerate) field of East Stonewall County.

The project tested in the Bend at 6,013-33 feet with the tool open one hour. Gas surfaced in 10 minutes. Recovery was 120 feet of oil and 80 feet of heavily oil cut mud.

The final test was at 6,067-6,103 feet. Length of the test was not reported.

Recovery was 1,250 feet of free gas and 60 feet of heavily oil and gas cut drilling mud. Apparently the hole then deepened to 6,120 feet and the bottom 17 feet was not tested.

This project indicated production in the Strawn between 5,192 and 5,231 feet. Two tests were run on that zone. The second logged a show of water, along with possible oil and gas production.

The well is one and one-half miles north of Old Glory and 1,980 feet from north and west lines of the Ben McCulloch survey.

West Scurry Well Shows

Intex Oil Co. and Sun Oil Co. No. 1-301 J. W. Nichols, West Scurry County operation, nine miles northwest of Snyder, logged good shows of oil and gas in three cores between 2,650 and 2,755 feet in dolmite and sand.

At last report it was drilling shead below 2,950 feet on a contract to go to 3,500 feet. The location is 467 feet from south and east lines of the southwest quarter of section 301, block 97, H&TC survey.

It is three-quarters of a mile west of the Revilo (Glorieta) field and one and one-half miles northeast of the Brantex (Glorieta) field.

Two Failures In Fisher Abandoned

Armour Properties and H. M. Goble have each quit wildcat failures in Fisher Cunty.

Armour Properties, Wichita Falls, No. 1 Will Hargrove, was abandoned at total depth of 7,150 feet. Location was 660 feet from west and 1,980 feet from south lines of section 130, block 2, H&TC survey and three and three-quarters miles northwest of the Bennett (Ellenburger) field.

In the central part of the county, H. M. Gobel plugged No. 1 J. P. Mayberry at 3,310 feet. It was 330 feet from most northerly north line and 330 feet from east line of A. A. Spring survey.

Reason To Celebrate

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Ethel Hammett, an employe in the state supreme court clerk's office, has four reasons to celebrate tomorrow. Not only is it Christmas, but it's her birthday, her mother's birthday, and her parent's wedding anniversary.

Accidental Shot Fatal To Boy, 6

NEW YORK (AP)—Authorities say an aunt of six-year-old Felipe Rivera accidentally killed the youngster, thought to have been a victim of a sniper's bullet.

The boy died last Wednesday with a bullet in his heart as he ate lunch with his aunt, Mrs. Georgina P. Diaz, 23. Three other children were at the table in the Brooklyn apartment.

Mrs. Diaz and other relatives told police Felipe had been struck by a bullet that came through a window.

While the search went on for a possible sniper, fragments of the shattered window were taken to the police laboratory. A technician reported that microscopic examination showed the window was broken from the inside.

After further quizzing of Mrs. Diaz, police said, she admitted waving a .22-caliber revolver as a joke to make the children eat instead of dawdling over their food.

"I thought the gun wasn't loaded," Mrs. Diaz said yesterday. "I pointed the gun first at my own girl, Judith, 7, and pulled the trigger.

"Then I pointed the gun at Felipe and pulled the trigger again. It fired. I didn't know it was loaded — oh, I didn't know that!"

Police gave this further account: Mrs. Diaz' husband, Juan, 33, used a knife to shatter the window as though a bullet had entered from the outside. Another relative, Sylvester Santiago, took the death gun on the Staten Island ferry and dropped it into the bay.

Mrs. Diaz was booked on a homicide charge. Her husband was charged with illegal possession of a weapon; and Santiago was charged with acting in concert with Diaz and destroying evidence.

Stevenson's Son Due To Have Surgery

CHICAGO (AP)—John Fell Stevenson, 19, youngest son of Adlai E Stevenson, will undergo surgery next week for removal of his right kneecap, which was shattered in an automobile crash Wednesday.

Dr. James K. Stack, bone specialist treating young Stevenson at Passavant Hospital, said yesterday the youth is "doing fine," and after the operation will be able to pursue normal activities.

Dr. Stack, assistant professor of orthopedic surgery at Northwestern University and chief of staff at the hospital, said surgery will be performed Monday or Wednesday. If all goes well, Stack said, Stevenson will be released from the hospital 10 days after the operation.

Stevenson, whose father is a former governor of Illinois and a Democratic candidate for the 1956 presidential nomination, was injured when his car and a truck collided near Goshen, Ind. Two Chicago area youths were killed in the crash. They were en route home from Harvard University for the Christmas holidays.

Officer Skeptical Of Office Accident

SEVEN OAKS, England (AP) — "Oops, sorry," said Donald Henry Overall as his leg made contact with the chair beneath Police Inspector B. R. Powell and sent the inspector tumbling.

But Powell didn't think it was an accident and didn't accept the apology. He had just brought motorcyclist Overall into court on charges of speeding.

Powell picked himself up and added a charge of assault.

Magistrate G. F. Rogers fined the cyclist $8.40 for speeding and $28 on the assault count.

Lubbock Panhandler Flashes A Big Roll

LUBBOCK, Tex (AP)—A sidewalk panhandler would be $100 richer today if he had just kept smiling at the public.

After several complaints had been received yesterday that he insulted shoppers who failed to give him a handout, he was arrested and fined $100 for using abusive language.

The panhandler, who identified himself as George Washington Keon of Lindale, Tex., pulled out a $270 roll of large bills and peeled off five twenties.

Officers then searched him, found $12.17 in small change and $1,775 in U.S. savings bonds, all purchased this month.

Boy's Plea For Rescue Of Brother Is In Vain

ROCKVILLE CENTRE, N.Y. (AP)—"Save my little brother, never mind me," cried 12-year-old Robert Piamondon, but his plea was in vain.

Robert and his brother, Edward 11, crashed through thin ice on a pond yesterday. A passerby and police rescued Robert but Edward drowned before they could get to him.

In Dallas Hospital

Mrs. Margaret Cherry, 505 North Bullitt, Holdenville, Okla., was transferred from the Battenfield-Jones Hospital Clinic to the Medical Arts Clinic in Dallas by Bolger Ambulance Friday.



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"MOM! DAD! WAKE UP! HE'S BEEN HERE!"

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SUNDAY MORNING

7:00 Sign on
7:00 Musical Clock
8:00 According To The Record
8:05 Home Edition Of The News
8:15 Coffee Time
9:00 Music
9:15 Colored Church of God in Christ
9:30 Music
9:45 Singing School of the Air
10:00 Frank & Earnest (MBS)
10:15 First Church of Christ, Scientists (MBS)
10:30 Music
11:00 Church Service

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

12:00 Less Paul-Mary Ford
12:05 Recorded Music
12:30 Musical Movie Card
12:40 Interlude
12:45 Assembly Of God Church
1:00 Freedom Story
1:15 Bill Cunningham (MBS)
1:30 Chevron Time
2:00 Sunday Hits
4:00 Rin Tin Tin
4:30 Wild Bill Hickock
4:55 News
5:00 Walter Winchell
5:15 Front Page Headlines
5:30 On The Line (MBS)
5:45 Les Paul & Mary Ford
5:50 Here's Hollywood

SUNDAY EVENING

6:00 Music
6:30 Lutheran Hour (MBS)
7:00 U. S. Military Academy Band
7:30 Northside Baptist Church
8:30 Marlom Forum
8:45 Keep Healthy
9:00 Proudly We Hail
9:30 Recorded Music
9:45 News
10:00 Hour of Decision, Billy Graham (MBS)
10:30 Night Watch
10:55 News and Weather
11:00 Sign Off

MONDAY MORNING

6:00 Sign on
6:00 Musical Clock
6:55 News
7:00 Musical Clock
7:10 Musical Clock
7:30 News
7:45 Les Paul and Mary Ford
7:50 Time, Tunes & Temp.
8:00 According To The Record
8:05 Home Edition Of The News
8:15 Musical Banquet
8:25 Coffee Time
8:35 Meet The Artist
8:45 Designs For Listening
9:00 Cecil Brown And News (MBS)
9:15 Morning Devotion
9:30 News (MBS)
9:35 Time Out
9:45 Morning Melodies
10:00 News
10:05 Story Time
11:00 News (MBS)
11:30 Queen For A Day (MBS)
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[illegible] and Magic
[illegible] Stamp Jack Pot

MONDAY AFTERNOON

12:00 Cedric Foster And News (MBS)
12:15 Luncheon Melodies
12:30 News
12:45 Variy Time
1:00 News
1:05 KSNY Hit Parade
1:20 Americas Front Door
2:00 Mutual News
2:05 Ruby Mercer
2:30 Here and there in Music
3:00 Frontier Bonanza
3:15 Texas News
3:30 Red Ball Express
4:00 Americas Quiz
4:05 Red Ball Express
4:30 Tea Tunes
4:45 News
4:48 Red Ball Expreess
5:00 Bob and Mary
5:15 Dr. Q's Quiz
5:45 Red Ball Express
5:47 Les Paul and Mary Ford
5:50 Sports Time
6:05 News

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TELEVISION LOG
SUNDAY PROGRAMS

KDUB-TV Channel 13 – Lubbock

Sunday
10:30 Protest Previews
10:35 Song for Santa
10:50 Methodist Church
12:00 Xmas Carols
12:15 Lamp in the Manger
12:30—The Christophers
1:00—This Is The Life
1:30 Xmas Story
1:45 Xmas Fairy Tale
2:00 Dickens Xmas Carol
2:30 Spirit of Xmas
3:00 Wash. Xmas Pageant
4:00—Plains Talk
4:30—Eddy Arnold
5:00—Wild Bill Hickok
5:30—You Are There
6:00—Plainsman Parade
6:30 Private Secretary
7:00—Ed Sullivan
8:00—G. E. Theatre
8:30—Alfred Hitchcock
9:00—Adventure
9:30—Annie Oakley
10:00—Confidential File
10:30—Final Edition
10:45 News Blues
11:45—Sign Off

Monday
6:45 Weathercast
7:00—Morning Show
7:25—Local News
7:30—Morning Show
7:55—Weather
8:00—Captain Kangaroo
8:55—Sing Song
9:00—Garry Moore
9:30—Morning Movie
10:45—TV Sermonette
11:00—Valiant Lady
11:15—Love of Life
11:30—Search for Tomorrow
11:45—News
12:00—Jack Parr
12:30—Love Story
1:00—Robert Q. Lewis
1:15—Swap Shop
1:45—Hospitality
2:00—Roy of Round-up
2:45—Farmland
3:00—Big Day
3:30—Farm
3:45—Account
4:00—Movie
[illegible]Game
[illegible]y Crossroad
[illegible]Withr.
[illegible]Awards
[illegible]Bandstand
[illegible]and Allen
[illegible]Fairbanks
8:00—I Love Lucy
8:30—December Bride
9:00—Studio One
10:00 Talent Scouts
10:30—News, Spts, Withr.
11:00—Wrestling
12:00—Sign off

KCBD-TV Channel 11 – Lubbock

Sunday
12:25—Sign On
12:30—Frontier of Faith
1:00—News
1:15—Norman Vincent Peal
1:30—Family Bible Quiz
2:00—Lawrence Welk
3:00 No Room In Inn
3:30 Xmas Program
4:30—Faith For Living
5:00—Captain Gallant
5:30—Hopalong Cassidy
6:00—It's A Great Life
6:30—Frontier
7:00—Variety Hour
8:00—Highway Patrol
8:30—District Attorney
9:00—Loretta Young
9:30 Pride of the Family
10:00—Cavalcade Theatre
10:30—New. Withr. Spts.
11:00—Star Showcase

Monday
6:55—Program Preview
7:00—Today
8:00—Ding Dong School
8:30—TV Theaters
9:30—Ernie Novac
10:00—Home
11:00—Tennessee Ernie
11:30—Feather Your Nest
12:00—Norma Raine
12:15—News & Markets
12:30—Serenaders
1:00—Matinee
2:15 Cook Book
2:45 Rams vs. Browns
5:00—Western
5:30—Bunny Theater
6:00—Hospitality Time
6:15—News
6:20—Weather
6:25—Sports
6:30—Tony Martin
6:45—Here's Howell
7:00—Lone Wolf
7:30—Corliss Archer
8:00—Star Showcase
8:30—Robert Montgomery
9:30—Serenaders
10:00—Dee Weaver
10:30—News, Spts. Withr.
11:00—Ellery Queen.

KRBC-TV Channel 9 – Abilene
(Schedule subject to change without notice)

Sunday
1:15—Trans-Atlantic Tele
2:00—Health for You
2:45—Take A Stand
3:30—Daily Devotions
3:15—Ind. on Parade
4:00—Meet the Press
4:30—TBA
5:00—People are Funny
5:30—Abbott & Costello
6:00—TBA
6:30—Private Secretary
7:00—Break the Bank
7:30—Gunsmoke
8:00—Loretta Young
8:30—Top Drama
9:00—Camera Four
9:30—Toast of the Town
10:30—Late Report
10:45—Confidential File

Monday
7:00—Today
8:00—Ding Dong School
8:30—Search for Beauty
9:00—Home
10:00—OFF AIR
1:00—Mat. Movietime
2:15—Daily Devotions
2:30—Mr. Sweeney
2:45—Brighter Day
3:00—Pinky Lee
3:30—Howdy Doody
4:00—Homemakers Fiesta
4:30—On Your Account
5:00—Space Ranger
5:30—Kalvin Keewee
5:45—News Caravan
6:00—Music Mart
6:30—Evening Report
6:45—Inside TV
7:00—Dr. Hudson
7:30—Robt. Montgomery
8:30—Texas in Review
9:00—Ethel & Albert
9:30—4-Star Playhouse
10:00—Late Report
10:15—City Detective

Westinghouse Negotiations End Abruptly

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A surprise resumption of negotiations in the nine-week-old Westinghouse Electric Corp. strike ended just as abruptly last night with no progress reported, leaving the deadlock unbroken at least until after Christmas.

Federal mediator John R. Murray had brought together top bargainers of the company and the AFL-CIO International Union of Electrical workers after peace talks collapsed Wednesday.

But there were no reports that anything was accomplished, and negotiations were recessed until Tuesday morning.

James B. Carey, union president, presented what he said was a revised proposal for settlement of the strike. But company officials said there was nothing new in it, and therefore no need to discuss it further.

The proposal, as outlined by Carey:

1. No job studies affecting wages shall be made without the union's consent unless there are safeguards agreed upon.

2. No wage cuts or changes in wage payment plans shall be made during the life of the agreement without the union's consent or arbitration at the consent of the union.

3. A wage increase be made under the reopening clause of the current two-year contract expiring next year.

The IUE called 44,000 members out on strike at 30 Westinghouse plants Oct. 17 to enforce demands for a 15-cent hourly wage increase, limitations on company time studies and a one-year agreement.

Westinghouse countered with a five-year contract which it said provided raises totaling 23½ cents an hour in that period. Workers had been averaging $2.10 an hour.

The IUE rejected the proposal, as did the independent United Electrical workers. Some 10,500 UE members at 10 plants struck Oct. 26 in support of pay demands similar to those of the IUE.

Contract negotiations between Westinghouse and the UE also are slated to resume early next week.

Westinghouse announced yesterday it had signed five-year contracts with seven small unions representing a total of 3,100 employes. This brought to 24 the number of unions which accepted pacts similar to those rejected by the two big striking unions, the company said.

13,000 Volts Give Man A Minor Shock

YONKERS, N.Y. (AP) — A workman accidentally slammed his pick into a 13,000-volt electric cable yesterday and apparently suffered only minor shock.

James Walsh, 55, was thrown off his feet by the jolt but refused hospital treatment. What probably saved his life was his rubber overshoes and thick gloves plus the fact the pick handle was of wood.

The blow left 32,000 utility customers without power for seven minutes.

Rapid Turnover

LINCOLN, Ill. (AP)—Julius A. Wood suffered only cuts when his car:

Went out of control, struck a sign, shot across Route 66, went down a steep embankment, flipped over and landed on its wheels in Brainerd's branch.

U. S. Bonds Disappear From Teller's Cage

NEW YORK (AP)—Twenty - five thousand dollars in negotiable U.S. treasury bonds disappeared yesterday from the ledge of a teller's cage in a Wall St. district bank.

A stop order went out immediately on the missing securities—two $10,000 bonds and five for $1,000.

Harold Davis, 55, a messenger for the brokerage firm of C. F. Childs and Co. said he placed the bonds on the ledge for a moment while he checked his briefcase for other possible deposits in the Marine Midland Trust Co., 120 Broadway.

Davis said there was one man back of him when he went up to the teller's cage.

LEGAL NOTICE

NO. 1349
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF J. J. DYER, JR., DECEASED
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS
PROBATE DOCKET
THE STATE OF TEXAS.
TO ALL HEIRS AND ALL PERSONS INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF J. J. DYER, JR., DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that on January 3rd, 1956 at 10:00 o'clock A.M. in the County Court of Scurry County, Texas, there will be a hearing of the Application of John F. Blum, Administrator of the Estate of J. J. Dyer, Jr., deceased, for a partition and distribution of the estate of J. J. Dyer, Jr., for determination of heirship for full and final accounting and settlement of said estate and for discharge of said administrator.

Witness Dan Cotton, Clerk of the County Court of Scurry County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court at office in the City of Snyder, Texas, this the 1st day of December, 1955.

DAN COTTON
Clerk of the County Court of Scurry County, Texas
By: (S) Dell Smith DEPUTY

(SEAL)
ISSUED this the 1st day of December, A. D. 1955.
DAN COTTON
Clerk of the County Court of Scurry County, Texas
BY: (S) Dell Smith, DEPUTY

Japanese Buffalo

TOKYO (AP)—Buffalo bones, never before found in Japan, have been unearthed at Hanaizumi, in northern Honshu, Japan's main island. Japanese scientists estimated the bones were from 10,000 to 50,000 years old.

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: ROSE ARMSTRONG
GREETING:

You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Cross Plaintiff's Petition at or before 10 o'clock, A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation the same being Monday the 16th Day of January, A.D. 1956, at or before 10 o'clock, A.M. before the Honorable District Court of Scurry County, at the Court House in the City of Snyder, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed on the 6th Day of October, 1955.

The file number of the said suit being No. 6786.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Garland Armstrong, as Cross Plaintiff, and Rose Armstrong, as Cross Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: A Cross Action by Garland Armstrong, Cross Plaintiff, alleging that the Cross Defendant Rose Armstrong herein did not bring this suit in good faith but perpetrated a Fraud on this Court of Equity, and merely used same as a means, and manner, to harass, threaten, and intemidate your Defendant and Cross Plaintiff because he did not yield to her unreasonable and unconstionable demands that he contribute to the maintenance and support of her son by a prior marriage Tommy Armstrong, formerly Thomas Palumbo, who is a notorious spendthrift.

That the Cross Defendant Rose Armstrong herein has for the last six or seven weeks made vile, vulgar, slanderous, libelous, vicious, malicious, and untruthful statements, and accusations to the Defendant and Cross Plaintiffs many friends, and clients. All of which were untrue and without justification, and that this fact was well known to the said Rose Armstrong.

If this citation is not served within 90 days after the date of issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 1st Day of December A.D. 1955.

Given under my hand and seal of office of said Court at office in Texas, this the 1st Day of December A.D. 1955.

(S) Eunice Weathersbee
Eunice Weathersbee, Clerk
District Court Scurry County, Texas.
By Deputy.

Santa Claus Letter Will Get An Answer

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP)—The woman addressed the letter to Santa Claus but put her faith in God.

The letter, sent by the mother of two boys, one 4 and one 6, asked for a Christmas gift of "just one toy apiece & some oranges" for the children.

The woman said her husband is unable to work and that the family is on state relief. She ended the letter by writing:

"This is more of a prayer to God than a letter to the postoffice dead-letter box."

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Out On A Limb

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP)—Judith Ann Conley's luck seems to be all bad. The 13-year-old suffered a broken left leg in an accident. Nine weeks later, she fell off a restaurant stool and broke the same leg.

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SPECIAL NOTICES A-2

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LOST & FOUND A-4

LOST—Four and one-half month old female pug near sub fire station. Answers to "Dusty." Dial 3-6563.

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POSITION WANTED F E-4

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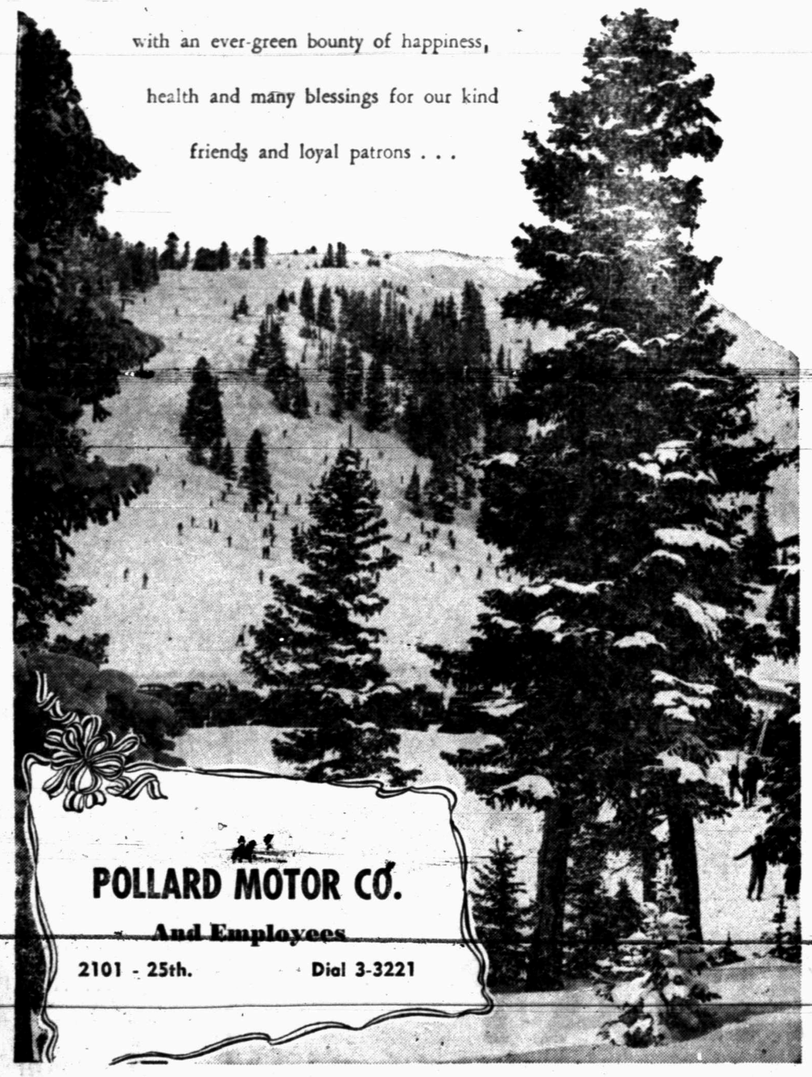


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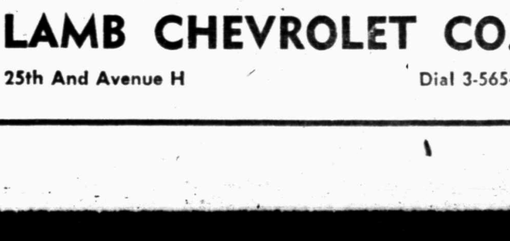
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Texas' Top 10 Stories To Be Headlined Again

By The Associated Press

Here's the way managing editors of Associated Press member newspapers in Texas rank their 10 top state stories of 1955:

1. Veterans land scandals.
2. Desegregation.
3. Lyndon Johnson illness.
4. Harry Washburn murder case.
5. State Democrats fuss over Wright Morrow.
6. Duval County investigation and trials.
7. Legislature with biggest tax and spending bills.
8. Insurance scandals, reform laws.
9. Texas Aggies football comeback.
10. David Hagler murder case.

By GARTH JONES
Associated Press Staff

Two top Texas stories were outstanding among important news breaks during 1955.

The state veterans land program scandals and desegregation moves led the 10 top Texas stories of the year, a survey of managing editors of Associated Press member newspapers in Texas shows.

The veterans land story, involving former State Land Commissioner Bascom Giles, was first by a narrow margin.

Some stories picked by managing editors—the newspaper officials directly responsible for gathering and editing news—reflected regional interests but the final 10 were played statewide.

Not all were on the front page, however.

Without too much trouble the surprising football comeback of the Texas A&M football team managed ninth place in the rankings.

The ten stories in the order voted by the editors throughout the state were:

Veterans land scandals, desegregation, Sen. Lyndon Johnson's heart attack, Harry Washburn murder case, state Democrats fuss over Wright Morrow, Duval County investigation and trials, Legislature with its largest-ever taxing and spending bills, insurance scandals and reform laws, Texas Aggie grid comeback, and the David Hagler murder case.

Without exception, the 10 top stories of 1955 will be headlines in Texas newspapers in 1956.

Bascom Giles was convicted three times on criminal charges in his administration of the veterans land program but he faces other indictments and numerous other defendants have not been tried.

Desegregation advanced faster in Texas public schools, in parks and recreational facilities, and in public transportation during 1955 than ever before. Sentiments of a state that has usually sided with the Deep South are divided. Some West Texas schools with fewer Negro pupils have desegregated while some East Texas schools with large Negro populations are hesitating.

The heart attack of Sen. Lyndon and subsequent political conferences on his Pedernales River ranch while recuperating probably will be reflected in the tussle to choose a national Democratic presidential candidate.

Harry Washburn was convicted at Waco of the auto bomb slaying of his former mother-in-law, Mrs. Harry Weaver at San Angelo, and given a life sentence. His attorneys say they are convinced the decision from the trial, first to be televised live from the courtroom, will be reversed.

The switch of the state Democratic party machinery, at the recommendation of Gov. Shivers, from Wright Morrow to Lt. Gov. Ben Ramsey will be fought over in primaries in 1956.

The statewide investigation of Duval County operations was given big space. The conviction at Bryan of R. L. Adame, school superintendent accused of mishandling funds, was overturned. D. C. Chapa was acquitted of charges that he stole school funds. Many other indictments remain.

The Legislature made big news with its investigation of alleged irregularities in the insurance business and the passage of a series of so-called reform laws.

The lawmakers also wrote the biggest tax and spending bills in Texas history.

The David Hagler murder case made the top 10 without a trial. Neither has the victim been identified—a charred corpse found in Hagler's burning station wagon near Davis, Okla., more than a year ago. Hagler's trial is scheduled in January at Sulphur, Okla.

Children-Warning

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb. (AP)—A big sign on the highway entering Plattsmouth warns motorists: "SLOW LIVE CHILDREN AHEAD."

Grocer Slain In Illinois

HARVARD, Ill. (AP)—A gunman, thwarted in his attempt to force a grocery manager to open his store, abducted the grocer, fatally shot him and dumped his body in a field Thursday night.

A man, carrying a blood-stained revolver and whose clothes were spotted with blood, later was seized by police and they said he admitted the slaying.

He was identified as Robert Phillips, about 28, of Rockford, Ill., father of two children. He was held in jail on a charge of murder.

About 50 state policemen and sheriff's officers had joined in the search for the slayer. Roadblocks had been set up. Harvard is about 55 miles northwest of Chicago.

Sheriff Harry C. Herendeen said Phillips was captured about 1½ hours after he had forced the store manager, Lyle Larson, 45, into his panel truck.

The gunman was balked in his attempt to have Larson reopen the store when an unidentified man walked by and asked Larson "What's going on" The witness, who said the gunman warned him not to interfere and drove away with Larson, notified the sheriff's office.

State Policemen Don James and Val Mihalic seized Phillips as he left his truck and started to enter a tavern about 10 miles west of Elgin, Ill. They said Phillips offered no resistance. They quoted him as saying:

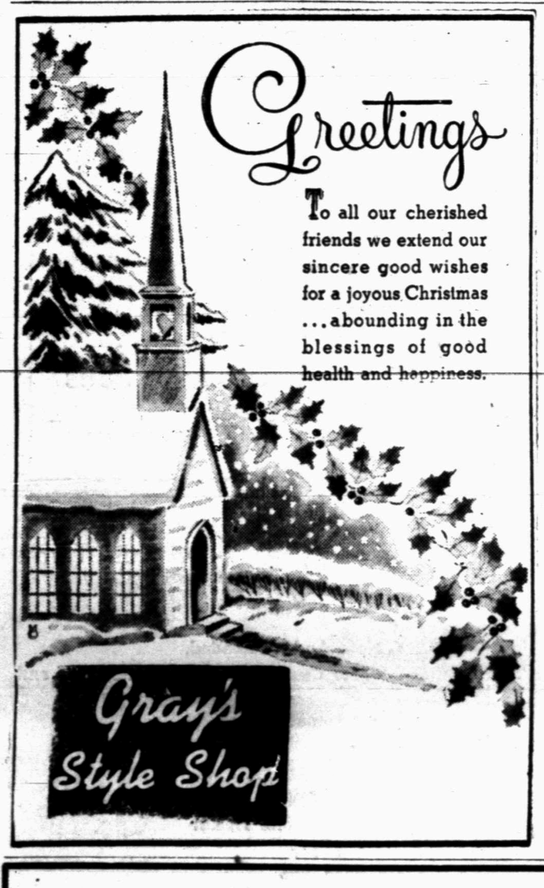
"I'm dying of cancer. Im going to the chair, anyway. I can solve two murders in Rockford."

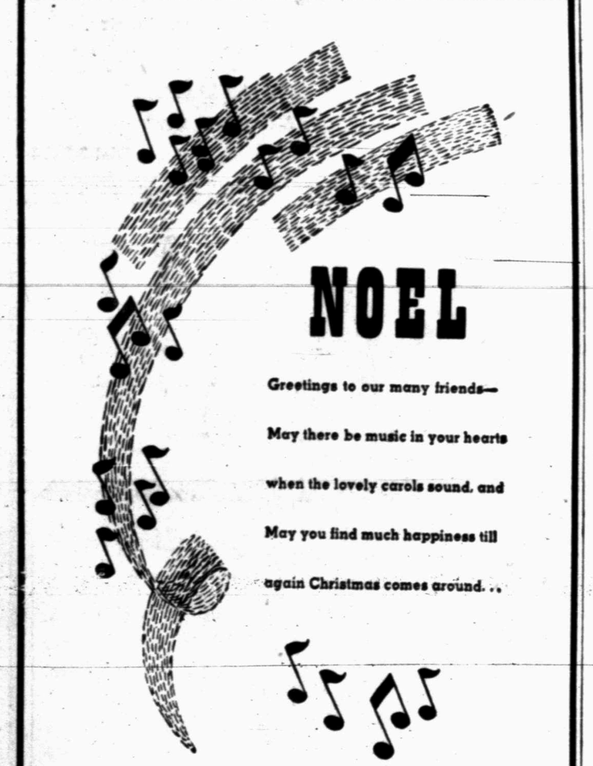
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Soil Fertility Bank Plan Gains Support

By OVID A. MARTIN
Associated Press Farm Reporter

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Sentiment appears to be strong among farm leaders in and out of government for a "soil fertility bank" addition to federal farm programs. But this does not mean that the proposal will have an easy time in Congress.

In general, a soil bank plan is designed to take some of the nation's cropland out of production until farm surpluses can be reduced and markets expanded.

Farmers have been planting upwards of 355 million acres to various crops — or around 40 million more than have been needed to supply present markets. The result has been the accumulation of crop surpluses which help depress farm prices and income.

Under the soil bank plan, farmers would get government aid of one sort or another for taking surplus acres out of production of cash crops and putting it to grass, trees or other uses which would build fertility or forests for the future.

A number of the major farm organizations have endorsed the idea of the soil bank and so has Secretary of Agriculture Benson. A number of bills are pending in Congress to authorize such a program. They are sponsored by both Democrats and Republicans.

So it can be seen that there is strong support for the idea. But when it comes to details, the area of agreement diminishes greatly. Therein lies the prospect of sharp congressional debates.

Differences relate to type and extent of aid which would be given to farmers who cooperated with the program and to the question whether participation should be put on a voluntary or compulsory basis.

Many advocates contend that the program should be used largely to boost farm income, which has dropped nearly 25 per cent from the postwar peak while nonefarm returns have climbed to record peaks.

But some others object and would offer little in the way of income beyond what farmers could earn if the soil bank plan were not in effect.

Some of those who want to use it to pump additional income into farmers' pockets say that at least one billion dollars should be offered in incentives for participation. They would offer payments to farmers which would be sufficient to cover taxes on the idled land, the cost of putting it to soil-building uses and in addition a sum which would be more than the farmer could hope to make from crops if he kept the land in cultivation.

These leaders contend that if the payment is not large enough, the plan would fail to accomplish the desired diversion of land to non-crop production. The result, they add, would be the continuation of overproduction and further pile-up of surpluses in government stocks, now exceeding seven billion dollars.

At the other extreme is the American Farm Bureau Federation. At its recent convention in Chicago, this group opposed what it calls the pumping of additional income into agriculture through a cash payment method.

It argues that much of the money might be used to further expand the productive capacity of an already over-sized farm plant. A lot of the money would be used, it says, for more farm tractors and other equipment which enables users to increase production on a given farm unit.

The bureau would seek to gain compliance with the soil bank's acreage reduction program by two major means.

First, it would require farmers who grow price supported crops to take a part of their tillable land out of cash production in order to become eligible for price support aid. There would be no supplemental cash payment for idled land in such cases.

Second, it would encourage producers of crops like cotton, wheat, corn, rice and tobacco — which are grown under acreage planting allotments — to plant less than their allotments. For doing this, the producers would be eligible to buy from government surplus stocks the equivalent amount of these crops that would normally be grown on their idled acres. The price for such products would be just what it would have cost them to produce the crops.

Recipients of these government stocks could then sell them in the market and get, as their profit, the same amount that they would have gotten had they gone ahead and produced on the idled land.

Advocates say this plan would have a dual advantage of cutting down government surpluses and of providing aid to farmers without the spending of additional government funds. They take the viewpoint that the seven billion dollars tied up in the farm surpluses should be considered spent money because there is little likelihood that the government will ever be able to get much back from the surpluses.

On the question of whether participation in the soil bank should be voluntary or compulsory, some farm leaders argue that it will accomplish little in the way of curtailing production unless all farmers cut out acres.

They say that if put on a voluntary basis, many farmers will hesitate to take part because of a fear that they might be hurt in any future assignment of crop planting shares based on historical plantings. Many wheat farmers ran into this when the government put this grain crop under rigid controls in 1954. Farmers who had been following recommended soil rotation and conservation practices took a sharper reduction in wheat allotments than did neighbors who had not followed such practices.

Those who advocate a voluntary program — and they include Benson — say this objection could be overcome by terms of a soil bank contract which would offer protection against possible future acreage allotment discrimination.

Moro Pirates Decked Out In New Deck Garb

MANILA (AP)—The southern Philippines' notorious Moro pirates have turned up in new garb.

Reports say a band which struck twice from the sea in the Sulu archipelago and made off with $15,000 in booty — valuables and livestock — wore Philippine Navy marine uniforms.



TAGGING ALONG— Shopping is fun for Luigi, 10-week-old Chihuahua, weighing 12 ounces, as it rides in plastic handbag of owner, Mrs. Hazel Nowicki, of Milwaukee, Wis.

Texas Driver Hits Top In Road Racing

By WHITEY SAWYER

DALLAS, Dec. 24 (AP) — Carrol Shelby, a big man in a big hurry, thinks driving the world's fastest road racing cars up to nearly 200 miles an hour "teaches moderation."

"Maybe that sounds kind of funny," the tall, lean Texan added with a grin, "but I mean it teaches you not to try to go too fast or you'll wind up skinning your head."

At 32, Shelby is one of the very top sports car drivers in this country and the only American offered a factory contract to drive Grand Prix racing cars on Europe's road racing circuit—a feat about equal to a European playing second base with the New York Yankees.

European events for Grand Prix cars—out and out single seat racers—are big business, with many drawing larger crowds than Indianapolis.

In the 1955 season, Shelby took second place in the 12-hour race at Sebring, Fla. He was first named the winner, but later the judges said an error had been made and Mike Hawthorn, a top British driver, was first.

Shelby then won the feature race, the Guardsman Trophy, at Fort Worth and went on to win the feature sports car event at the Seafair races at Seattle, beating Phil Hil and Ken Miles, two of the best in this country. At Torrey Pines in California, Shelby again won, beating Hill for the victory.

From there, Shelby went to Europe and drove for the German Porche factory in the tourist trophy race in Ireland, winning his class in the tiny sports car.

Then he went to Modena, Italy, to try out for the Maserati factory team. Shelby broke the course record in the two-liter sports car class, tied it in the one and one-half liter class and the three-liter class (sports cars are classed according to engine displacement). In a Grand Prix car he tied the unofficial course record.

Shelby knows all about going fast, and he also knows about going too fast. In the 1954 Pan-American Road Race, Shelby was third overal in an Austin-Healy when he tried a corner and ran out of road. His right elbow was shattered when a heavy hammer broke loose from its rack and slammed into the arm. Shelby still can't straighten his arm, but has its full strength back.

Shelby said the crash doesn't bother him, though.

Plain Kitchen Table Treasured Possession

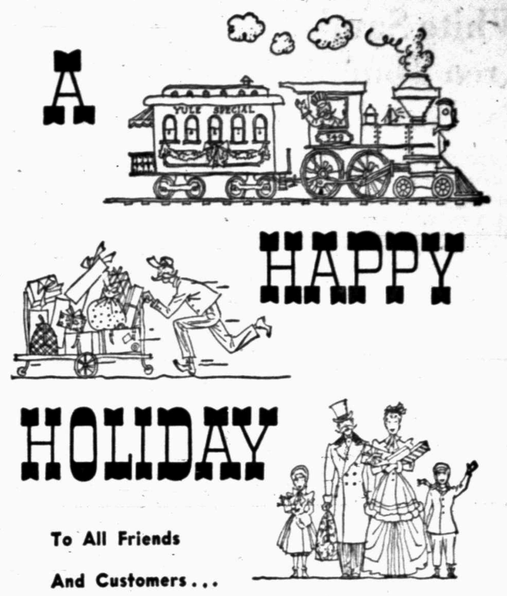
MIAMI, Okla. (AP)—One of the most treasured possession of Mrs. Emma Schubert is a plain, wooden kitchen table.

The 60-year-old table served as an altar for Oklahoma's first Catholic bishop, Theophile Meerschaert, when he made a missionary visit to the Quapaw Indian tribe in 1892. It was later used by many ministers.



HEAD OF SHRINE MADE TEXAS ADMIRAL—Gov. Allan Shivers, left, presents a certificate to Walter C. Guy, of Little Rock, Ark., Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America, making him an honorary admiral in the Texas Navy. Potentate Guy visited the Governor at the capitol in Austin.

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White Sands Area Toured By Tech Man

LUBBOCK, Dec. 24 --"I thought I knew what a rocket takeoff was like from watching television and films--but I didn't."

That's the reaction of Dr. J. H. Rush, Texas Tech physics professor who accompanied 32 science and engineering students and faculty members on a tour this week of Armed Forces research facilities near White Sands and Alamogordo, N.M.

The Tech group witnessed three rocket firings at White Sands--one Nike and two Honest Johns.

"It's like a combination earthquake and thunderstorm when one of those things takes off," Dr. Rush declared, "it's like nothing you can imagine or describe, really."

The Tech party watched the takeoffs about one-half mile from the launching site.

There was complete silence as a missile left the launching platform, quickly surging past the sound barrier, Dr. Rush said.

"It was farther away from the launching site than we were when the sound hit," he continued. "We suddenly were engulfed by a trememdous roar and buffeted by shock waves of the sound."

Contrasting with that violent display of power was the quiet, super efficiency of the automatic electronic insturments in the Air Force's Upper Air Research Observatory atop Sacramento Peak, southeast of Alamogordo, Dr. Rush stated.

He said officials at the observatory told the Tech group that the sun affects conditions in the upper atmosphere much more than scientists have realized.

The sun isn't a steady souce of light, the officials explained. Its emmissions include bursts and explosions of ultraviolet light and electrified particles in the earth's upper atmosphere.

According to the observatory scientists, there are indications that sunlight exericses very fundamental controls over the earth's atmosphere, Dr. Rush said.

"Within 20 years, solar data may provide far more accurate weather predictions than are available today," Dr. Rush declared in an evaluation of the briefing received by the Tech party at the observatory.

The Tech student chapter of the sponsored the tour. Dr. Rush, P. F. Gott and B. J. Sandlin of the physics departmet accompanied physics, matematics, chemistry and engineering students on the tour.

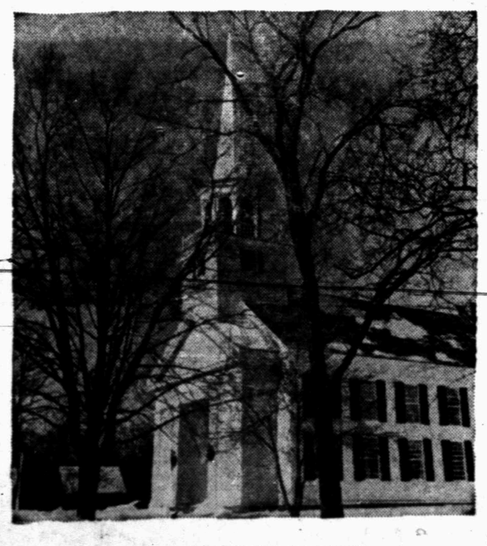
Man Learns Dangers

EL DORADO, Ark. (AP)—A 92-year-old grocery store owner is finding out that his vocation is dangerous.

Twice within four months, bandits have beaten N.N. Frisby. The first time a pair of robbers escaped with $100. Frisby stood up under the fistic attack of a lone bandit the second time and the would-be robber fled empty-handed.



REUNITED WITH DOG—Elbert Spencer, 34, hugs his guide dog, Punch, after they were reunited in a Houston hospital. Hospital authorities "admitted" the dog when he became ill and refused to eat after Spencer had gone to the hospital for treatment of his eyes.



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615 Children Celebrate At Orphanage

DALLAS (AP)—Take 615 cavorting youngsters, stuff with turkey and dressing, mix well with Christmas cheer and you have a good recipe for Christmas at the Buckner Orphans Home here.

It promises to be a big celebration in more ways than one.

"Like families over the nation, we like for all of our children to be home on Christmas Day," G. G. Dickey, superintendent for the home, said.

"That's why we insist on their being present for the big Christmas dinner."

The children have been having little parties in their various school rooms and on one or two floors of their dormitories for the past week.

But the big event of the season starts Christmas Eve when the children, with their supervisors, house mothers and other Buckner personnel, gather in the main auditorium for their annual visit from Santa Claus, an enormous tree, bushels of fruit and candy, a Christmas story and carols.

"We like to keep that occasion, particularly a 'Christian' Christmas that the children will long remember," Dickey said.

"We have the big tree Christmas Eve and then on Christmas morning the kids all find a boxful of toys, clothing, costume jewelry, belts, sport shirts or other presents at the foot of their beds, depending on each youngster's age and sex."

With all the racket and hilarity of opening presents, visiting and scampering around to see what everybody else got, the children snack on fruits and candy Christmas morning and have an early lunch—the big one—and then eat supper in the evening.

Dickey said it usually takes about 1,000 or 1,500 presents for the home each year.

Buckner Orphans Home is the oldest and the largest of the four children's homes owned and supported by Texas Baptists.

Student Puts Meaning In Gift To His Father

LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP)—Dean Ives had a birthday and received a package from his son, Doug, a university student.

Opening the box, Dean found a set of inexpensive cuff links and matching tie clasp. And this note:

"Dear Dad. This isn't much. But it's all you can afford."

It is common in Spain to present women with a bottle of Sherry wine after childbirth.

Report Given On Vegetables

AUSTIN (AP)—Texas farmers produced slightly fewer commercial vegetables on a smaller total acreage but made more money this year than in 1954.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture said combined production was 1,058,400 tons valued at $63,852,000.

Acreage harvested was estimated at 424,400 acres or 7 per cent under the 455,350 acres harvested last year.

Crops for fresh market, excluding potatoes and strawberries, were valued at $60,867,000 compared with $57,359,000 last year, an increase in value of about 6 per cent.

The late spring tomato crop in East Texas, Yoakum and Avery sections was a "wipe out" requiring all acreage to be replanted, the board said. "Replanting of watermelons was also necessary.

Exceptionally good yields from the Panhandle potato acreage were reported but market demand was "very poor."

Treacherous Diamond Shoals, a few miles off Cape Hatteras, is known as the "Graveyard of the Atlantic."



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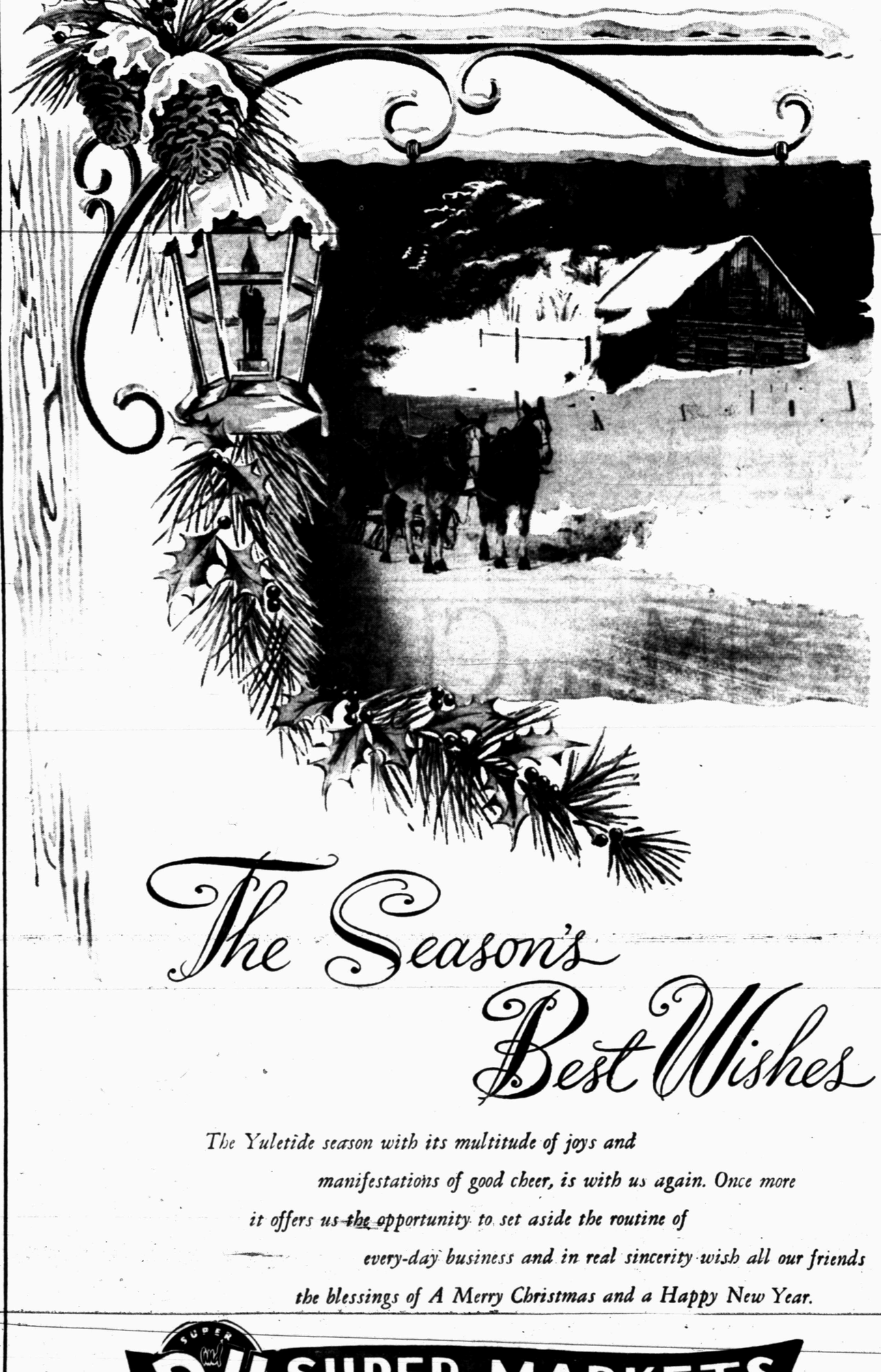


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OPPONENTS—Ahmed Shukairy, top left, Syrian delegate to the UN, huddles with Aouney Dejany, of Saudi Arabia, and Abdel Refail, right of Jorden in New York. In bottom photo members of Israeli delegation, Abba Ebban, Mordecai Kidron and Arthur Liveran, left to right, assemble for a conference. Syria demanded that Israel be thrown out of the United Nations.

Rugged Hobby

EAST MOLINE, Ill. (AP)—Back in 1897 Albert J. Beckenberg fractured a leg and took up a hobby of making rag rugs. His leg mended but the hobby lingered on. In retirement since 1953, he spends many hours at it. He recently completed 42 rugs for the Peace Lutheran Church.

All Roads Leading From North Pole Cleared For Santa Claus

Editors note: "Will Santa Claus really come to our house?" That is the most anxious question in America today. It is answered in the following column, written for parents to read aloud to their children. Since its first appearance in 1948, it has become a scrapbook favorite in many homes.

By HAL BOYLE

NORTH POLE (AP)—He's off!

Santa Claus is on his way at last!

The jolly old Saint and his famous reindeer are zooming through the arctic skies right now heading for the American border. He'll reach it tonight.

The northern lights switched on to a clear steady green — the "go ahead" signal. And the Royal Canadian Mounted Police sent Santa this message:

"We are clearing all air lanes in your path, old boy. There is no speed limit for you tonight. The sky is yours. Go as fast as you like. Good luck!"

And Santa needed that wide clear road in the sky. For his big red sled was piled so high with gifts it overflowed. It looked like a flying hayrack as it raced through the crisp cold air.

"Oh, dear, oh dear," worried Santa, just before the takeoff, "I do hope none of these presents fall out and bean some poor innocent rabbit down below. I believe this must be the heaviest load I've had in twenty years."

"What is he fretting about?" Donder to Vixen. "He's only riding in that sled. We have to pull it."

Vixen laughed so hard the bells on his harness tinkled in merry music. And all the other reindeer laughed, too.

As Santa Claus climbed up into the seat of the sled, puffing a little because he has gained some weight this winter, three black and white penguins waddled across the snow in front of the reindeer.

"Here, here, get out of the way, please," said Santa Claus importantly. Then he said, surprised:

"Why what are you penguins doing up at the North Pole anyway? You're supposed to be at the South Pole."

"We're on a vacation," said one of the penguins. "We're looking for Florida. Have you seen it anywhere?"

"Climb aboard, climb aboard," boomed Santa. "I'll drop you off there. But I must say this is the first time I ever picked up three hitchhikers wearing tuxedoes."

Just then Mrs. Santa Claus came running out waving a long piece of paper.

"You almost forgot your list of good children," she said.

"Never mind," said Santa, "I don't need it. This year I am going to give a present to every little boy and girl, good or bad. The bad ones will feel sorry then, because they know they don't deserve a nice present. It'll make 'em try harder to be good next year."

"That isn't according to Hoyle," said Mrs. Claus, who likes to play bridge. "But it does make sense, you old softie."

Santa stood up to crack his whip in the air—the signal to be off. But then he heard a small voice crying:

"Wait, please wait."

It was Cluny, Santa's favorite little elf. The other elves gossiped about Cluny and said she was clumsy at making toys. But Santa knew it was only because she was so young. He liked her because she had a good heart.

"Here," said the tiny elf, holding up a small shiny figure.

"What's this? What's this?" grumbled Santa. "You're too late. My pack is already loaded."

"It is only my present to the world," said Cluny. "I made it at night in my room — all by myself."

Santa took the little figure from her hands. It was a beautiful angel with butterfly wings and a robe of purest white. In her hand the angel held a small magic wand.

"It is the Angel of Peace," explained Cluny.

"Why, Cluny!" said Santa. "This is better than all the other gifts put together. I'll see that your angel waves her wand for one day at least over every home in the land."

And he picked up Cluny and gave her a big whisker-tickly kiss on her cheek. Then he picked up his long whip again and cracked it sharply in the foosty air.

"Ho, ho, ho. Here we go!" he roared. "Ho, ho, no! Here we go!"

The eight reindeer leaped forward and the big sled began sliding through the snow. Faster, faster, faster, faster — and then they were off the ground and into the air.

Santa was on his way. And tonight, if you go to bed, he will come to your house, wherever you are.

Development of a new strain of cotton—Acala 4-42—has made California the second cotton-growing state in the Union.

Veterans Get Modern Hospital In Manila

MANILA (AP)—A $9,000,000 veterans hospital, built with U.S. funds, has been opened here. It is considered the most modern and best equipped in the Far East.

The Veterans Memorial hospital occupies a 135-acre site in Manila's suburb of of Quezon City. There are 336 beds for tuberculous patients, 336 for general medical cases and 50 beds for mental patients.

Work on the hospital, financed by the U.S. Veterans Administration, was begun in August of 1953.

Capital Report Not Checked

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—Mrs. Betty Buckner, a Silsbee telephone operator, reported giving a customer the number of a cab company — CA 7-6329.

"How," said the customer after a pause, "do you make a capital ..."



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Once more may the Christmas Star send its blessing down with the same glad meaning it brought to Bethlehem. And as we yield our hearts to the spirit of tenderness which pervades the Christmas air, may we remember the heavenly love which came into this world the night Christ was born.

Let us remember, too, that we keep Christmas truly, only when we permit the love of the Christ to enter our hearts and lives. May you enjoy a truly Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



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Texas Tech Beauty Tours Cotton Area



REVIS JORDAN

LUBBOCK, Dec. 24--Revis Jordan, Texas Tech's gift to the Maid of Cotton national finals at Memphis, Tenn., may have her eye on the star of national fame--but her feet are still in the cotton country of West Texas.

In fact, she's learning all about cotton. Since winning the regional Maid of Cotton title November 14, Miss Jordan has receive a thorough indoctrination tour of the South Plains cotton industry. She has watched the cotton harvest out in the fields, and then followed the fluffy white money crop into the gins, compresses, and even a cotton oil mill.

Now she knows how thse attractive cotton dresses get started toward the fashion parade.

The 19-year-old Tech sophomore will compete with 22 other beauties from 13 southern and southwestern cotton states at the national Maid of Cotton judging in Memphis December 27 and 28. Five of the entrants are from Texas.

She will leave Lubbock by plane December 26, arriving in Memphis that afternoon. She will be accompanied by her mother, Mrs. C. Doyle Jordan, and Charles Signor, co-chairman of the South Plains Maid of Cotton contest.

Miss Jordan is the sixth South Plains Maid of Cotton to enter the national finals. The hazel eyed brunette beauty who stands 5 feet 4½ inches won over 25 other regional entrants to compete in the national finals at Memphis.

Her $1,000 wardrobe is now being assembled.

Miss Jordan made her modelling debut in the 1953 Dunlap Spring Style Show while still a senior at Lubbock High School. Since then she has appeared in every major Lubbock fashion preview including the 1954 and 1955 Texas Tech style shows.

A former Lubbock High school cheerleader and student council member, Miss Jordan has continued her all-around activities since entering Tech. She is a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority, the Student Union special events committee, and the Town Girls club. During her first semester at Tech, she was elected freshman cheerleader and Sweetheart of the Air Force ROTC. She is studying for a degree in business education.

The Maid of Cotton finalists will begin the national contest whirl with a "meet the press" session at the Peabody Hotel in Memphis on December 27. An afternoon telecast and a dinner dance will round out the first day.

Interveiws with the judges will open the second day to be climaxed by the final judging that night. Each contestant will be asked to give a three-minute talk during the final judging session. The ultimate decision will be based on the four Maid of Cotton "musts" — beauty, poise, personality and intelligence.

The national winner will be the cotton industry's main ambassador for 1956. She will wear a $5,000 all-cotton wardrobe on a six-months tour of the U.S., Canada and Europe. The wardrobe will be created by leading fashion designers of the United States and Europe.

Prowler Carries Brand After Visit To House

TEMPLE, Tex. (AP)—A woman told cops answering a prowler call they'd know for sure how to identify any suspect.

He had his nose pressed against the window screen and she popped it with a camera tripod.

Cigar Store Flooded

NEW LONDON, Conn. (AP)—On a day when New London went 12 hours without water, because of a break in the main, a cigar store had a lot of its merchandise damaged by water.

A tenant in an apartment above the store forgot to close a faucet.

People in the United States will eat four more pounds of meat per person in 1955 than they did in 1954.

Judge Decides Woman Is Too Resourceful

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP)—Judge William J. Thompson of Intermediate Court figured the 31-year-old divorcee had been a bit too resourceful and placed her on three years' probation.

She pleaded guilty to forging the circuit clerk's name to an order boosting her alimony payments from $40 to $100 a month.

Writer Tells Young Men To Go To Texas

"If I were a young man with my way to make in the world, I would pack my bag and hurry off to Texas. I wouldn't even take my girl with me. I'd wait and get me a Texas girl."

This is the considered opinion of Paul Gallico, well-known author, writing in the January Reader's Digest after his first visit to Texas in 15 years. "What I saw and felt as I toured the Lone Star State convinced me it is the boomingest, wealthiest, most vital, expanding and exciting state in the Union. If Texans brag, they have something to brag about."

Not only are Texans rich, tall, handsome and humorous, but they are "among the most culturally eager people in the United States," Gallico says. The people of Houston, he reports, were more excited about having just engaged Leopold Stokowski to conduct their symphony orchestra than they were about the city's fabulous cotton, rice, oil and cattle markets.

The Republic National Bank in Dallas is "the only bank with sex appeal" Gallico has ever seen. "Nobody who catches a glimpse of the lady guides, in blouse or sweater and tight skirt, can ever again fix his attention wholly on debentures ...Lady tellers (safe behind grilles) are so beautiful that clients walk away after cashing a check without counting their money."

Galveston is different. While Texas as a whole "is ruled by a Baptist code of morality, laws against drinking, gambling and other alluring forms of sin do not cross the two-mile sound between Galveston and the mainland."

"Yes," the author sums up, "if I were a young man I'd go to Texas and find me a way of life...A young man might be assured that, with work, brains and American ingenuity, some Texas wealth might rub off on him."

Five U. S. Presidents married twice—Tyler, Fillmore, Benjamin Harrison, Theodore Roosevelt and Wilson.

Little Rock Whistle Is Causing Confusion

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP)—The Osceola Fire Department complained to the state attorney general that a new factory on the outskirts of town is causing confusion.

It has a whistle which sounds exactly like the one used to muster the volunteer fire department.

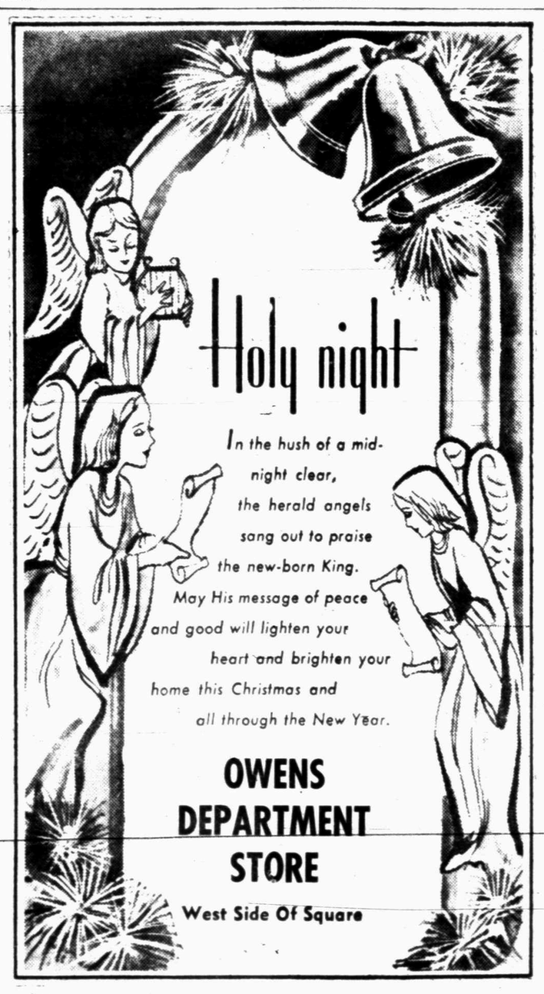
Michigan produces nearly half the timber marketed in the Great Lakes states.

It Looks Like Texan Walked Into This One

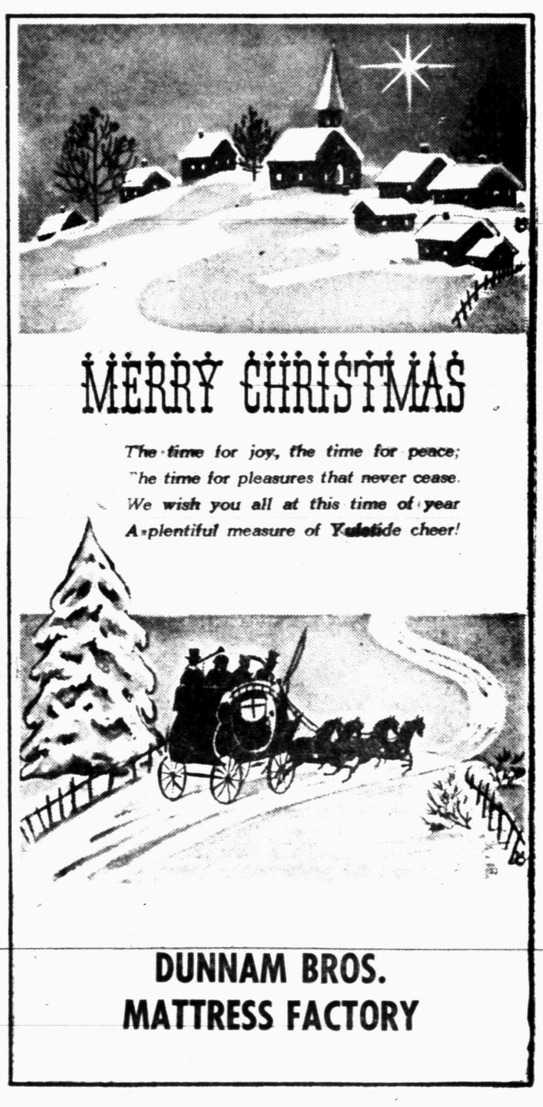
SWEETWATER, Tex. (AP)—Fellow arrested in a pasture near here told police he'd consumed a half gallon of wine while walking from Odessa, 126 miles to the west.

For walking while intoxicated, he was fined $19.50.

Bald and golden eagles are about the same size and except for the California Condor are the largest birds of prey in North America.



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Texas Inmates Take Part In Yule Program

HUNTSVILLE (AP)—For 9,000 inmates of the vast Texas prison system the Christmas holidays mean much more than receiving prison-approved gifts from home and a big turkey dinner.

By custom since 1948, General Manager O. B. Ellis asked department heads to give each inmate a chance to have a part in the Yule program. Ellis said this goes a long way to support the prison's rehabilitation plan.

Inmates gifted in art, carpentry and painting have spent hours building Christmas scenes—from Santa Claus figures to Nativity scenes, holly wreaths, singing choirs, herald angels and many others.

A few appear inside of the 13 prison units—others are placed on the outside of buildings and are lighted for the "free world."

This phase of the Christmas program seems to instill the spirit of the season in those who are less fortunate.

Many inmates, especially those at Huntsville, which has a large craft shop, are spending off-time making objects of metal, wood and leather which find their way back home as gifts for kinfolk.

"We cannot overemphasize our craft shop," Ellis declared. "Using their own tools and materials, the men create items that help to build morale and give them a sense of pride and responsibility that is hard to equal."

Chaplains hold special church services at all units over the holiday weekend. At the Huntsville Chapel of Hope, a new $60,000 inmate chapel built from Prison Rodeo funds, there will be an all-inmate choir.

In addition to the regular weekly movie, there will be a special movie shown during the holidays, said Eli Rushing, director of rehabilitation.

"In keeping with the religious theme of the prison's full Christmas program," Rushing added, "we plan to show either "The Man Called Peter," or "The Silver Chalice."

At the Harlem Prison Farm near Sugar Land, which houses Latin-American inmates, there will be a movie in Spanish, along with a Christmas play presented by inmates in Spanish.

Several prison musical organizations will "hit the road" so that each unit may hear a varied musical program Dec. 24-25.

The Christmas breakfast will include fried eggs, pork sausage, rice, corn flakes, coffee, milk. The dinner menu lists roast turkey with all the trimmings, a host of side dishes, mince meat pie, cake, candy and fruit.

Inmates still hungry at dusk will get turkey and celery soup, sliced cheese, the leftovers from dinner, and hot chocolate.

Ellis summed up the Christmas plan by sending this message to inmates:

"The Texas Prison System in 1955 had the best year in its history. This could not have happened without the wholehearted cooperation of employees and inmates.

"Christmas decorations, religious exercises, musical programs and special meals are being planned as a token of appreciation and to make the holiday season as enjoyable as possible for everyone.

"May Christmas have real significance to all of you and may the New Year be the best of your life."



EXPERT ADVICE — Mrs. Blanche Stuart Scott, early woman aviator, talks flying with James Stewart, on location for Lindbergh story movie at Santa Maria Cal.

Judge Has Bid Docket But Lack Of Jurors

CHICAGO (AP)—Judge Julius J. Hoffman of Federal Court had a full docket of cases to be settled and few jurors to hear them.

He ordered marshals to buttonhole passersby when only 80 veniremen reported for duty. One recruit taken before the judge said he was a French horn player and was urgently needed at a theater. The judge let him go.

The problem was solved when attorneys agreed in all cases to juries of only 8 members instead of 12.

Railroad Switch Trabert Wins

DETROIT (AP)—A plan has been worked out by which most railroads now will use the Detroit River tunnel into Windsor, Ont., discontinuing use of railroad car ferry service across the river.

Purchase Of Old Auto Starts Trading Career

FORK UNION, Va. (AP)—Back in 1933 Walter Melton bought an old car for $5 just to help a friend. He sold parts and peddled the body as junk and wound up with a profit of $20. He has been trading ever since.

At last count Melton had 450 automobiles of one sort or another strewn over five acres. They surrounded his general store.

"If you've got something you can't sell," say residents here, "take it to Walt Melton. He'll buy anything."

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Many Executives Sick And Don't Realize It

CHICAGO (AP)—If you're an executive, you may be sick and not know it.

A study conducted by the University of Michigan's Medical School and Institute of Industrial Health among 500 business executives who submitted to physical examinations, revealed 41 per cent showed symptoms of ill-health, says a report in Science Digest.

Gastro - intestinal disturbances showed up in 45 per cent of the individuals and cardio-vascular disease in 24 per cent. Nose and throat ailments were evident in 18 per cent.

Four cases of previously unknown cancer were found, with 27 cases of high blood pressure, 16 peptic ulcers, 12 gallstones, 8 organic heart conditions and 3 diabetics.



OLYMPIC STYLES — Skeeter Werner, 21, and brother, Buddy, 19, of Steamboat Springs, Colo., members of U. S. Olympic team, show Winter Games uniforms during visit to New York.



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Ceremony Has Long History

By WILTON WYNN

BETHLEHEM, Jordan, Dec. 24 (AP)—In the early hours of Christmas morning, an old man with a full gray beard places the figure of an infant in a manger on the exact spot where the baby Jesus lay in swaddling clothes nearly 2,000 years ago.

The old man is Alberto Gori, Latin patriarch of Jerusalem. When he puts the statue of the Christchild in the manger, he completes a Christmas ritual which has been observed every year without interruption for 609 years. Except for a brief break in the 14th century, the Christmas Mass has been celebrated in Bethlehem since the time of the Emperor Constantine in the 4th century.

The 68-year-old patriarch is the central figure of ceremonies which traditionally begin at noon the day before Christmas. At that hour, Alberto Gori leaves his patriarchate inside the old walled city of Jerusalem to travel to Bethlehem.

Before 1948, patriarchs left Jerusalem through the Jaffa Gate and took a direct route to Bethlehem, a drive of not more than 10 minutes. But the gate has been closed since the Arab-Israeli war broke out.

The military frontier between Arab Palestine and the new state of Israel almost touches the old city wall near the gate. Since the two countries still are at war, the gate must remain barred.

Instead, the patriarch takes an alternative route, from the heights of Jerusalem down into the Valley of Jehoshophat and up again into the Hills of Bethlehem. Looking up from this longer road, he can see Israeli guardposts scarcely 100 yards away, a reminder that Palestine today is anything but a land of peace.

The mayor and other dignitaries of Bethlehem await the patriarch at Rachel's Tomb, on the outskirts of the town. There is a welcoming ceremony, then he is escorted by brilliantly uniformed lancers on white horses through the streets of old Bethlehem to Manger Square, in front of the Church of the Nativity. Here a choir in vestments precedes the patriarch in a procession into the church.

At 10:30 on Christmas Eve, he takes his place at the altar of the Church of St. Catherine, adjoining the Church of the Nativity. The consuls of Jerusalem, attired in full uniform, arrive as honored guests.

The patriarch celebrates the pontifical high mass at midnight. At the moment of consecration, a huge star blazes over the altar, a children's choir breaks into "Gloria in Excelsis Deo," and bells ring all over the city.

The mass completed, the patriarch leads a procession into the Grotto of the Nativity, carrying the statue of the infant Jesus. He places the baby first on the silver star marking the spot where Christ was born. Then he places the statue in the manger, where it will remain till Epiphany.

Enthroned in 1949, Patriarch Alberto Gori has been in Jerusalem since 1938, when he became Latin custodian of the Holy Land. He first came to Palestine as a chaplain with the Allied forces which took Jerusalem from the Turks in World War I. From 1918 to 1938, he was principal of Terra Sanctj College in Aleppo, Syria

As patriarch of Jerusalem, Alberto Gori occupies a throne created by the Council of Chalcedon in 451 A.D. Since then there has been an unbroken line of patriarchs of Jerusalem, although for more than 500 years the patriarch never saw the Holy Land. This was after the collapse of the Crusades, when the Moslem rulers of Palestine banished the patriarch. During this period, a bishop, usually in Rome, was designated patriarch.

While the patriarchs were thus exiled, the annual Christmas Mass was celebrated by the Latin custodian of the Holy Land. In 1847, the patriarch was allowed to return. Since that time, he usually has been the celebrant of the Christmas Mass, the biggest single attraction for Christmas visitors to the Holy Land.

The fact that the Mass is a tourist attraction as well as a religious service creates a problem. With thousands of tourists from all over the world clamoring to get in and watch the service, it is almost impossible to maintain an atmosphere of religious dignity.

There are only 400 seats in St. Catherine's Church, and yet 1,500 persons are given admission tickets for the Christmas Mass. Sometimes as many as 10,000 gather around the church, most of them trying to get inside. In 1943, 12,000 Allied troops arrived to attend the Mass. The result was a hopeless traffic tangle.

Tickets are parceled out for the Mass through travel agencies, religious organizations, and other groups which have pilgrim and tourist parties arriving for Christmas. Letters requesting tickets pour in months ahead, but none are given out before Dec. 23, and then only to persons on the scene.

In an effort to eliminate congestion, nonCatholics are being urged to attend their own services in Bethlehem, instead of the Latin Mass. On Christmas Eve the Lutherans and Y.M.C.A. have a special service in Shepherd's Field, where the angels announced the birth of Christ. Anglicans conduct a carol service just outside the Church of the Nativity.

Many Catholics this year are expected to attend a Christmas Mass in a newly completed Latin chapel in Shepherd's Field, within sight of Bethlehem.

Such services may attract many persons away from the crowded Church of the Nativity. But nothing can match the sight of the bearded patriarch tenderly placing the infant Jesus in the manger as the climax of Christmas in the Holy Land.

Grain Surplus Causes Large Scale Dispute

CHICAGO (AP) — Grain supplies piled up during 1955 and so did the political commotion they created.

We have wheat, we have corn. We have oats. And if we could ask for anything more, it would be for some way to get rid of them—without instigating international ill will.

With a presidential election year coming, the political commotion inspired by the farm problem promises to become more intense. New farm programs will pop out when Congress reconvenes.

Acreage allotments were in effect in 1955 for some grains. These restrictions cut down production but not enough. The country produced more than it could either eat or export.

Wheat production totaled 916 million bushels, down 6 per cent from 1954 and off 21 per cent from the 1944-53 average. Carryover from previous crops totaled 1,021 million bushels.

As the Agriculture Department sees it, the supply of wheat at the end of the current marketing year (June 30, 1956) will set a new record.

In corn, many farmers overplanted their acreage allotments. A crop of 3,183 million bushels was producted despite a summer drought in the Midwest. Total supply — which includes corn from previous crops — set a record Oct. 1 of 4,208 million bushels.

Oats production set a record. As land was taken out of cotton and wheat by acreage allotments, farmers put it in other cereals. One result was an enormous grain sorghum crop. Feed grains and concentrates are at record levels.

With the flexible price support program in operation for the first year, the support on wheat was dropped to 82 per cent of parity and on corn to 87 per cent of parity. Prices in the free market fell far below the support level and the government accumulated huge supplies.

Speculative activity in grain futures was at a low ebb.

In the cash market at Chicago, all grains made their highs in January — $2.39½ for wheat, $1.59 for corn and 88 cents for oats. Wheat was at a low of $1.91½ in August, corn $1.11 in November and oats 57 cents in August.



YOUNG AND FEROCIOUS — Snarls and growls are what these lion cubs offer the photographer who interrupted their frolic. They were born Sept. 20 in Vincennes Zoo, Paris.

It's Not Fan Mail

SIDNEY, Neb. (AP)—Chief of Police Sol Willis got a fan letter of a sort. It was a postcard, mailed from Grand Island, Neb., with this unsigned cryptic message: Drop Dead."

Phone Operator Finds Alarming Situation

SHELBYVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Two would-be burglars obligingly—but accidentally — called the police when they entered a lumber firm in the wee hours.

One of them knocked a telephone off the hook. The operator relayed word to officers that something strange was going on. So the police rushed out and nabbed the pair.



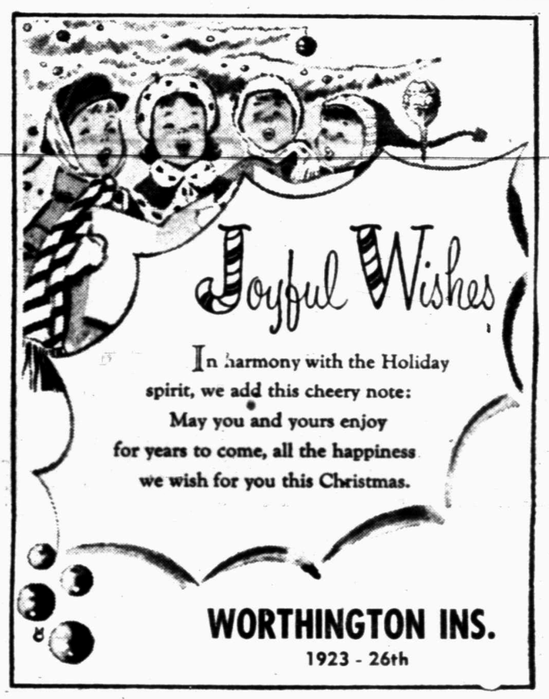
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Nuernberg Trial Psychologist Leading Quiet Academic Life

By ROBERT E. VOGES

EAST LANSING, Mich., Dec. 24 (AP)—Ten years ago, a mild-mannered U. S. college professor had just begun a unique and intimate association with a group of men society has since judged as among the most despicable criminals of our era.

Dr. G. M. Gilbert, now a professor at Michigan State University, was the prison psychologist at the Nuernberg trials of the top Nazi war criminals.

Daily, he visited, talked with and ate with the top Nazi bosses until most of them walked to death on the gallows. He made psychological studies of such names from the seamy side of history as German Air Force chief Herman Goering, Jew-baiter Julius Streicher and Field Marshal Keitel, chief of the Nazi high command.

He wrote two books based on the experience, the nonfiction best seller "Nuernberg Diary" and "The Psychology of Dictatorship," which won an award as the best book in its field of social studies of the year.

Today Dr. Gilbert leads a quiet academic life, training clinical psychologists for industry, prisons and social agencies.

But his memory often is haunted by scenes from the grim fortress at Nuernberg, where, as an Army intelligence officer speaking fluent German, he had the assignment of studying the Nazi war lords.

With the retrospect 10 years can bring, he says of Goering: "Utterly unscrupulous, a selfish egotist. A psychopath who knew how to ingratiate himself with people."

He saw Goering the day before he took poison to cheat the hangman.

"He was checking over his valuables and was extremely nervous. He maintained a pose of bravado and loyalty to Hitler to the end. But his main concern was how he would be treated in the history books."

Julius Streicher, who led the hatred campaign against Jews, had the lowest IQ in the group tested by Dr. Gilbert.

"He was practically a simpleton—a cheap character with a vile mind. He was so despicable that the others wouldn't eat with him," Dr. Gilbert said.

Field Marshal Kietel, he said, was externally the classic type of arrogant Prussian officer.

"His explanation for the military war crimes was that soldiers were duty-bound to follow the orders of Hitler. But he was weak and pathetic in his cell and begged for a firing squad instead of hanging."

Foreign Minister Joachin von Ribbentrop, Dr. Gilbert said, "didn't have the foggiest notion of what he was doing in foreign policy. He just did as Hitler ordered."

"It makes you shudder to think that a reckless opportunist could get into international diplomacy without the slightest knowledge or concern of the consequences of his acts."

Dr. Gilbert is convinced that Rudolf Hess, Hitler's chief deputy, was not faking the loss of memory that caused a sensation during the trials.

"His memory came back once but then faded again. I gave him a series of tests on it. It was caused by his unstable, hysterical personality."

Grand Adm. Doenitz, head of the German navy, who drew only a 10-year sentence, "blamed everything on the politicians," Dr. Gilbert said.

"The military men," the psychologist recalls, "felt superior to the politicians and termed them bigots, murderers and thieves who had disgraced Germany. They felt they were taking the rap for the politicians. And they had no use for Goering."

The highest mark in the IQ tests given by Dr. Gilbert was scored by Artur Seyss-Inquart, Austrian chancellor and later high commissioner for the occupied Netherlands.

"He was coolly fatalistic and admitted he deserved to hang although he claimed he didn't know the thousands he sent to concentration camps were going to be exterminated."

One of the Nazi leaders Dr. Gilbert believes was sincerely repentant was Hans Frank, Hitler's lawyer and later governor general of occupied Poland.

"He was an emotional man who saw Hitler as the personification of the Devil. He admitted his guilt and seemed to be truly repentant."

Summing up the personalities, Dr. Gilbert said all the men who surrounded Hitler were pretty sorry specimens as human beings.

"They all showed weakness or lack of conviction or were cheap, selfish opportunists without principal. I believe it's a rule of dictatorships that they always are weaker on the inside than they look on the outside."

"I was surprised," he said, "that some Americans were cynical about our motives and looked upon the trials with misgivings, thinking we were exploiting our power and exacting vengeance."

Dr. Gilbert thinks the important thing to consider 10 years afterwards is what has been learned from the trials.

"We wanted to prevent crimes against humanity," he said, "as typified by the millions slaughtered in Nazi concentration camps."

Dr. Gilbert is convinced the best way to do this is to practice what we preach in racial tolerance. A threatening sign today, he said, is the intensification of old prejudices and suspicions in some parts of the world.

The bald eagle was selected as a national emblem by an act of Congress, June 20, 1782.



WINNING DOLLS— Judy Fosher, center, of Creve Coeur, Mo., shows in Munich, Germany, her dolls which won 1955 U. S. Christmas Doll contest. Judy, 16, is a freshman at Fontbonne College, St. Louis. With her are Isa, left, and Jutta Guether, German twins and film starlets.



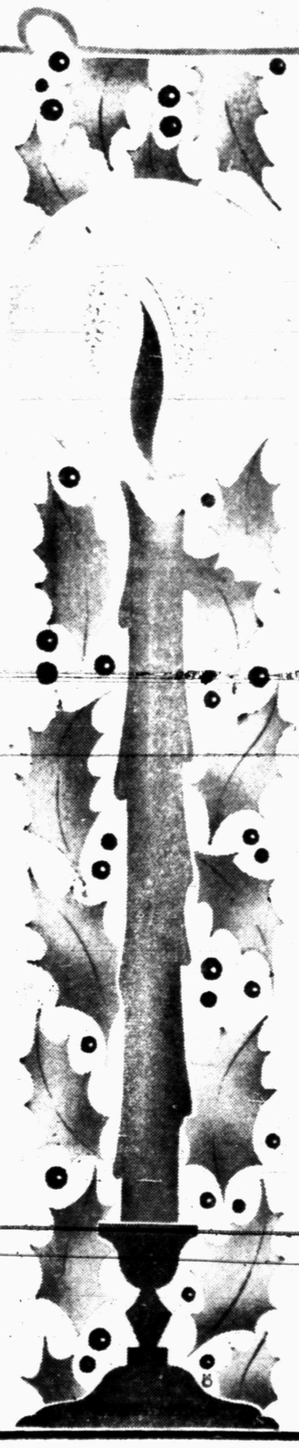




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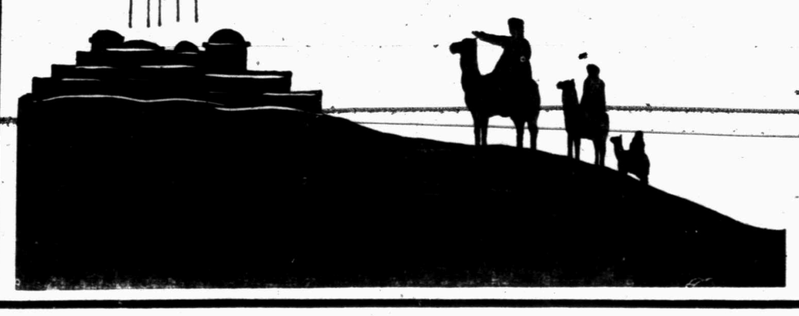


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EYE-CATCHERS— These fur masks adorned with jewels were hit of a fashion show in Paris. At left is Persian lamb with jewelled clips and bracelets; center, white mink with turquoise, emeralds, diamonds and rubies; and right, white kaloan with emeralds, sapphires and diamonds.

1955 Is Big Year For Travel By Reds

By STANLEY JOHNSON

MOSCOW (AP)—However else Moscow may classify 1955, it goes into Soviet records as the year of the big travel.

A recapitualtion today shows how far the Soviet Union has moved this year toward exploiting the intense curiosity that exists abroad about this country. Even India's Prime Minister Nehru and Canada's Foreign Secretary Lester B. Pearson admitted that sheer curiosity was a powerful motive in prompting their visits to Moscow.

It worked in reverse too.

For stay-at-homes who wanted to see a real live Russian, personalities ranging from Prime Minister Bulganin and Communist party boss Nikita S. Khrushchev to coal miners and athletes put themselves on display abroad.

Official Soviet figures say over 40,000 foreigners visited the Soviet Union this year. Most of these were from Communist countries, however.

Basically the increase in visiting had political aims—either immediate, such as Bulganin's and Khrushchevs Belgrade reconciliation with Marshal Tito, or long-range through international sporting events.

The policy so far seems to have paid off.

This program got underway tentatively while Georgi Malenkov was premier in 1954 but its biggest impetus came Feb. 8, 1955, the day Bulganin took over. The Supreme Soviet that day invited every national legislative body in the world to send a delegation to visit Moscow.

The trickle of visitors soon turned into a flood. Parliamentary delegations came from France, Belgium, Japan, Albania, Yugoslavia, Finland and numerous other countries. Several members of the U.S. Congress flew in. Trade unions from all over the world sent delegations; so did cultural groups, business associations and learned societies.

They invited Soviet groups to return the calls and there was an unprecedented movement of Russians abroad. The Ministry of Culture says 2,500 foreigners came here on cultural missions this year and 2,000 Russians went abroad on similar errands.

The prime public purpose of the high-level visits appeared to be to emphasize agreements between the Soviet Union and another country while minimizing differences. The visit of Chancellor Julius Raab ended in a blaze of publicity with Soviet agreement to the long-delayed Austrian independence treaty. West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's visit brought an announced agreement to establish diplomatic relations. In negotiations here with Finland's President Juho Paasikivi, the Soviet Union agreed to return the military base of Porkkala.

The most publicized exchange of nongovernmental visits was that between American and Soviet farm delegations.

Hog Prices Crashed In '55 Markets

CHICAGO (AP)—Hogs prices crashed. That was the big news in the livestock industry during 1955.

The crash resounded throughout the midwest farm belt, a politically potent territory, and echoed in Congress. It impelled the government to undertake a price support program.

Prices fell to the lowest level since 1942. They went below the OPA price ceiling maintained during the war. Lows came after the government started buying pork and lard to bolster hog prices.

The top price on hogs for the year at Chicago was $22.75 June 21, that compared with a top of $28.75 the year before. The all time peak was $31.85 in 1948.

By Nov. 30, no hogs brought more than $12.25. The lowest top quotation in 1954 was $18.85. The former OPA ceiling was $14.85.

Behind the big price drop was an enormous supply of hogs. The spring pig crop was up 9 per cent at 60,453,000 head and the fall crop was up about 10 per cent at an estimated 40,500,000 head.

Cattle numbers and slaughter were at a record high during the year. Cattle and calves on farms last Jan. 1 totaled 95,433,000. These big numbers, plus the strong competition from pork, held down prices.

The high for the year on prime steers at Chicago was $36.50 in early February. By Nov. 30, the same kind of cattle were selling for aout $25.00.

Experts said cattle numbers have passed their peak. They expect a declining cycle to start in 1956 with prices making a gradual recovery.

The hog price outlook is more obscure. This year's big fall crop is expected to be augmented by a 1956 spring pig crop equal to that of 1955. The autumn 1956 crop may be down, however.

"The two-year decline in prices of hogs is expected to end during the year, and the year's average is likely to be close to that of 1955," the department predicts.

Sheep and lamb slaughter in 1955 was about 2 per cent above 1954. Slaughter is expected to be slightly lower next year with prices a bit higher than in 1955.

And one further point: Americans are likely to eat as much meat in 1956 as 1955, when consumption equalled 161 pounds per person, a 47-year high.

Free Medical School Training Recommended

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP)—Medical schools should charge no fee at all in the opinion of Alexander G. Ruthven, president emeritus of of the University of Michigan.

Ruthvan, writing in the Journal of the Michigan State Medical Society, said: "There are brains on both sides of the tracks, and they should be fully utilized in medicine. Ability and ambition to achieve success are not related to the economic status of the parents."

Point Of No Return Reached By Arizonian

PAYSON, Ariz. (AP)—After spending a day looking for Indian arrowheads C.H. Kelly felt mightly low because he couldn't find any.

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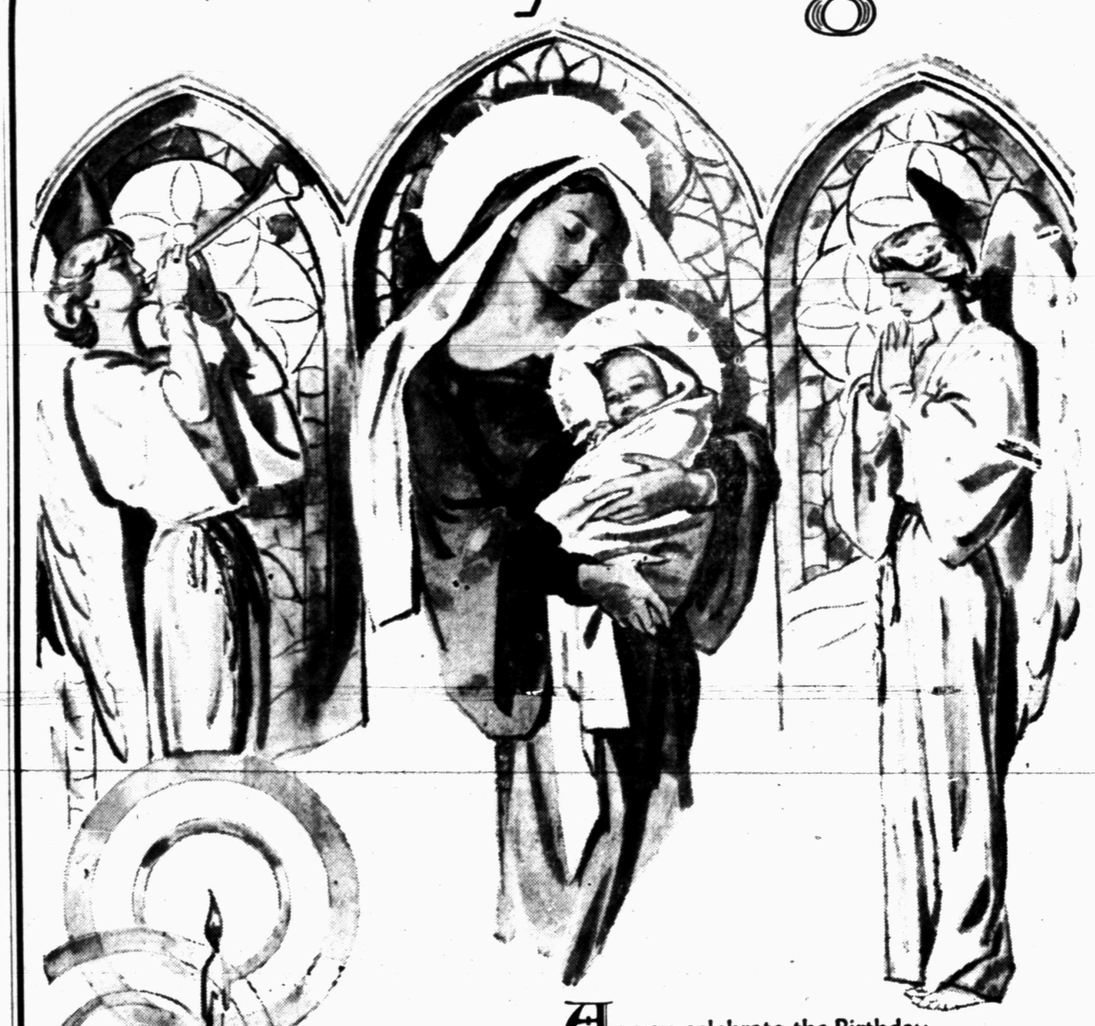
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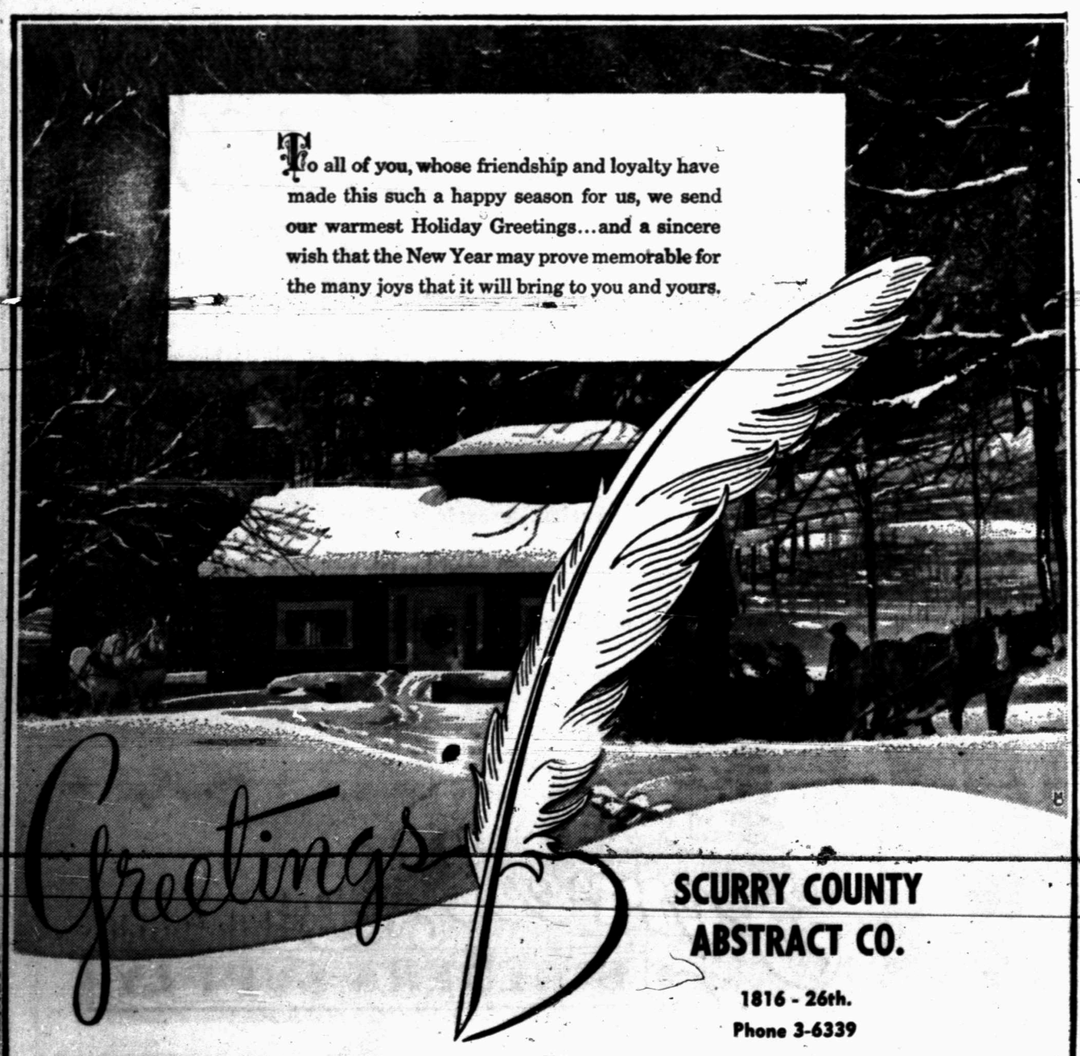


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Texas Tales Of Ancient Vintage Retold In Book By Boyce House

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF

FORT WORTH, Dec. 24 (AP) — Boyce House, an angular, sober-faced man who looks more like an undertaker than a humorist, has brought out his 14th book—and like 12 others, it's about Texas.

This one is "You Can Always Tell a Texan (But You Can't Tell Him Very Much)" and it's full of stories, most of an ancient vintage, about the state.

House decided long ago that people like to read the stories they already have heard more than those that are new. His view has been given substance by the sale of more than 300,000 books containing the tales Texans have been hearing from birth.

It is the provocative nature of is writings that has caused his books to sell all over the world—and for House to become known as braggingest Texan of them all.

"Texans at heart are really modest," he says. "But when we tell the plain, unadorned, unretouched truth about our incomparable state, we are accused of exaggerating."

Question that and he will set out to prove it:

"It is an actual fact that the King Ranch sprawls over a million acres and is so huge that there's a month's difference in the growing season of the northern and southern edges.

"The Texas Capitol is higher than the national Capitol.

"Texas produces more oil than all the rest of the nation combined.

"Brewster County is bigger than two New England states put together, with the District of Columbia thrown in.

"Texas A&M College furnished more officers to the Army in World War II than West Point did—and Eisenhower, in command of the Allied Armies in Europe; MacArthur, in command of the Pacific armies; Nimitz, in command of the Navy, and Oveta Culp Hobby, in command of the Wacs, were all from Texas.

"The last battle of the Civil War was fought in Texas, weeks after Lee's surrender—and naturally the Texans won it..."

"But Texans," House thinks, "are going to put more and more emphasis on the unfavorable type of story about their state and tell fewer like the one about the Texas billionaire who has three swimming pools: One with cold water for his rugged friends, one with warm water for his less hardy friends, and one with no water at all, for his friends who can't swim."

The reason Texans are going to tell more unfavorable stories about their state, House says, is because "The truthful stories which really depict the genuine glories of Texas are making so many people dissatisfied with a fate which condemns them to live in places so much less favorable than wonderful Texas."

House has written more books about Texas than any other person, yet he was born in Arkansas. But so what? He wrote three books on the Ranger oil boom and wasn't even there when there was a boom.

House started writing in 1935, but it was 1943 before he stirred up any ripple in the publishing world. He did it with "I Give You Texas," full of stories. It sold 130,000 copies, many of which went overseas to Texans fighting the war. Then came "Tall Talk From Texas" and "Texas Proud and Loud." His only books not devoted to Texas are "Cub Reporter," about his newspaper days on the Memphis Commercial-Appeal, and a collection of funny stories from all over the United States, called "Laugh Parade Of States."

Carl Sandburg has described House's writing as ". . . That peculiar blend of valor and swagger which is Texas." John Gunther has said: "It's impossible to describe Texas without borrowing some of House's stories."

House never went to college but found that no handicap in turning out books that the people would want to read. He was born in Piggott, Ark., where his father was a printer and editor of a weekly newspaper; spent his early boyhood in Texas, then grew up in Memphis where he got his journalistic experience, and came back to Texas in 1920.

In 1921 he went to Eastland as editor of the daily newspaper. There he broke the story of Old Rip, the horned frog that lived in a cornerstone 31 years.

The courthouse at Eastland was being torn down when he heard from Ernest Wood about the frog—of how Wood, while county clerk 31 years before, had put it in the cornerstone. Wood said he believed the frog would be alive. House was dubious, but saw the possibilities. To newspapers of the nation went the tale of the horned toad that soon would show whether it could exist buried in concrete for three decades.

Thousands were there when they opened the cornerstone—but not House. He had sneaked away and into the office of a lawyer friend, fearful of a hoax. He heard a shout from the courthouse. The frog was alive.

So they named it Old Rip and it was taken on a national tour by Will Wood, son of the man who had buried it in the cornerstone. The frog even reached the White House where Sen. Earle Mayfield of Tyler arranged for President Calvin Coolege to see it. Wood went to the wrong office and kept the President waiting 10 minutes. That was probably the only time in history the President of the United States was stood up by a frog.

Old Rip lived nearly a year. He caught pneumonia one chilly night, as he reposed in a gold fish bowl on the back porch, and died. There was mourning in Eastland and sadness in the heart of Boyce House.

House tries out his stories in a Fort Worth barber shop and if the barbers laugh he puts them in a book. The shop is going out of business, however, and House fears it may put a crimp in his book-writing.

In his latest book, two famous Texans are named. One House story says the fabulously wealthy Sir Richardson was in Washington and received a phone call:

"This is the White House and you are invited to lunch."

"What're you having for lunch?" asked Richardson.

There's this one on Hugh Roy Cullen, Houston Multimillionaire who had just given 5 million dollars to the University of Houston. The Houston Chronicle reported he had given 15 million dollars. Cullen called up Jesse Jones, the publisher, and said:

"O. K. Jesse, I'll make it 15 million since you said so—but don't let it happen again."

Economist Says Iowa Lags In Road Finances

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP)—Iowa is out of step in highway financing, Robert H. Johnson, a University of Iowa economist says.

Johnson says road costs now take 3.3 per cent of Iowans' personal income, compared with the national average of 1.8 per cent. He points out that though Iowa ranks fifth in the nation in mileage of secondary roads and seventh in total street and highway mileage, the state is 16th in number of vehicles, 21st in the income of its people and 22nd both in size of population and land area.

Like Mother Like Son

RICHMOND, Va. (AP)—Mrs. Helen M. Jeffries and her son, John L. Jeffries, III, qualified to practice before the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals on the same day. The mother has been an attorney for some time. The son was recently admitted to the Bar.

Cuba Has Two Gift Holidays

HAVANA, Cuba (AP)—Cuban parents face two present-giving holidays during the Christmas season. Children receive gifts from Santa Claus on Christmas and from the Three Wise Men Jan. 6.

Until recent years most Cubans followed only the Latin-American custom of showering toys on their children Jan. 6, the feast which commemorates the Three Wise Men's presenting gifts to the Christ Child.

Traditionally, Christmas in Cuba is a religious and family celebration. Members of the family gather late Christmas Eve, known as "Noche Buena" or the Good Night, for a feast of young roast pig, black beans and rice and fried bananas.

Then off they go at midnight to an old cathedral or to a modern air-conditioned church to attend the Misa del Gallo or the Mass of the Rooster.

Before the last war only the more wealthy among Cubans had adopted the United States-type Christmas. Now it has spread to others. As early as mid-November Christmas decorations go up in stores, and shop windows are filled with a gift suggestions. Imported evergreens are sold from sidewalk stands.

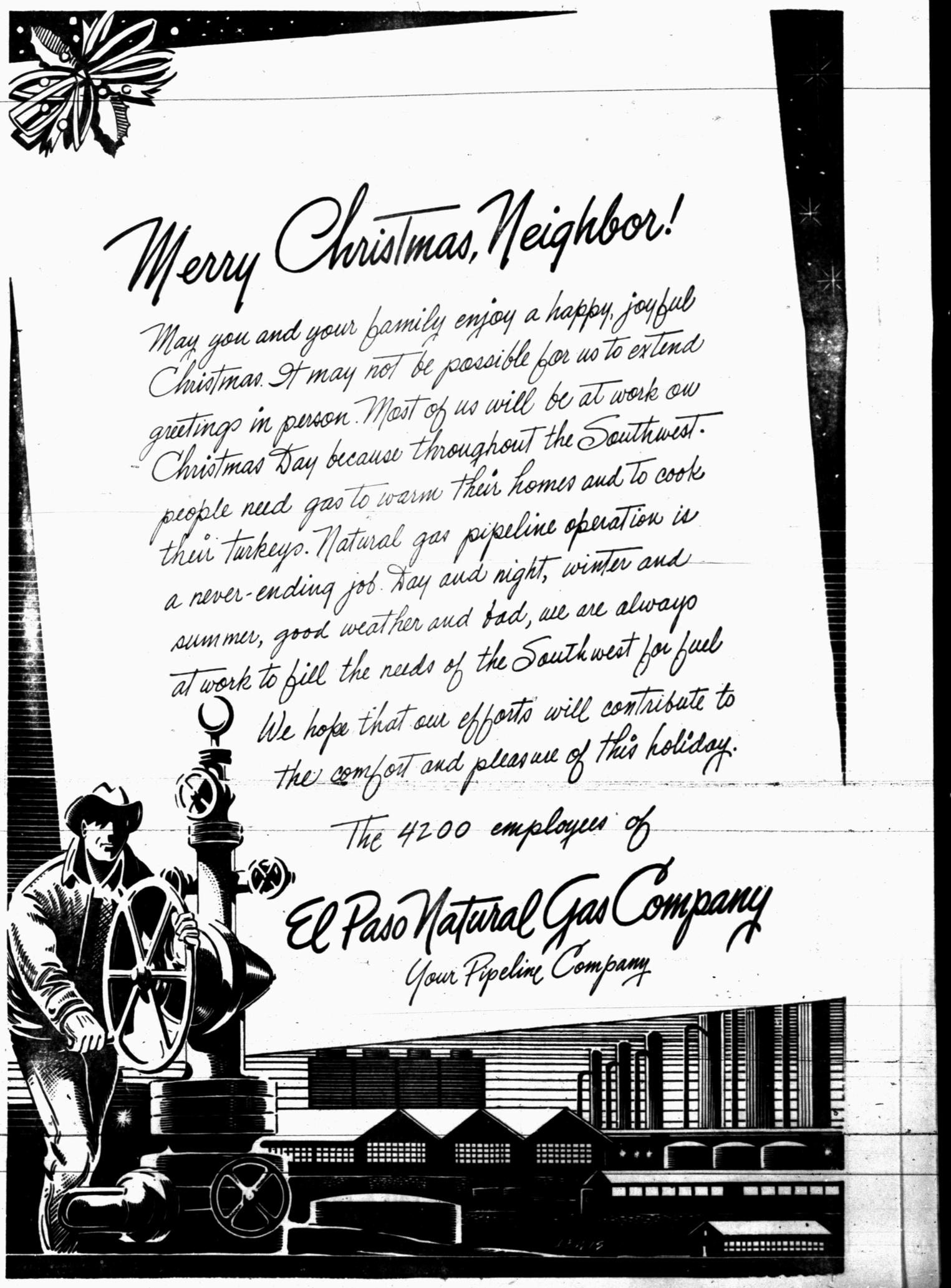
The Cuban government this year will distribute 200,000 food packages — each of which will include $1 — so the poor can hold their family dinners on Christmas Eve. The dollar will be used to buy a young tender pig for roasting.

On Jan. 6 the government will distribute truckloads of toys to poor children.









Stock Market Has Biggest Boom Year

NEW YORK (AP)—The stock market raced through the greatest boom in its history this year.

Nothing seemed to stand in its path. The old bug-a-boo about 1929 high prices was swept aside with little concern. One record after another fell. The market met and passed its most severe test since the panic days of 1929.

Profits made during the year were an estimated 35 to 38 billion dollars. Those were to an extent on paper, of course, but dollar bills also are printed on paper.

Looking into the future, there was little the experts could see to cause concern.

Wall Street readily acknowledged booms don't last forever. A bust was expected as a shaking climax to the boom, however.

The year started with a rush of trading that hadn't been matched for more than two decades. On 15 of the 20 trading days in January, volume was between three and five million shares a day. The average session this year accounted for a little more than two and a half million shares. For the entire year of 1955, it is estimated that more shares will change hands than for any full year since 1933, making it the fifth busiest year the stock exchange ever had.

Major price trends were sharply higher with five distinct reactions. In every case, the market recovered completely and swiftly.

The first dip came after Jan. 1 as margins were boosted to 60 per cent from 50. The setback lasted a matter of days, and the market started upward again. On the way it broke through a barrier that had stood for more than 25 years—the old historic peak of 1929 from which the stock market began its chilling plunge that ended in a numb depression.

On Sept. 3, 1929, The Associated Press average touched $157.70. On Feb. 9, 1955, the average surged ahead $2.30 to $158.10 and established a new high mark.

The rise continued on into March. Sen. Fulbright (D-Ark) then began an investigation of the stock market. Prices tumbled more than at any time since Germany invaded France in 1940. When the hearings ended, prices went up again to new record highs.

April brought the first of four increases in the discount rate, the amount the Federal Reserve charges for lending money to its commercial bank members. Harder money tend to choke off inflation. Margins again were raised, to 70 per cent.

It was then that the market ran into its third reaction of the year. A big boost was given to the decline by Washington moves to confer with Red China. That dip didn't last long, either, and the market started on its way again.

Second quarter profits were up 26 per cent from the previous year, and the second quarter gross national product was at a record high. Both now are headed for a record for the full year.

There was July-August reaction of minor extend during which the discount rate was raised again to brake inflation, but the market continued higher.

On Friday, Sept. 23, the AP average stood at $181.50, its highest level. Then came the confidence-shaking news of President Eisenhower's heart attack.

The market dropped like a plummet Monday. The fall that day was exceeded only by the very worst day suffered in the crash of 1929. The question was what would happen to the nation and to business without Eisenhower.

The whole thing was over in two and a half weeks and the reaction hit bottom. The recovery paced that of the President, and by Dec. 5, the AP average was back up again to $181.50.

In the final weeks of the year, dividends hit a record rate, profits were at top levels, the rage for price-boosting stock splits had cut up 85 issues on the New York Stock Exchange (another record), and there were almost uncounted mergers of small companies into bigger companies or companies of equal rank combining forces to boost their profits.

All these were basic factors in the rise of the stock market.

As the year closed, a man's hand could easily cover all the clouds in the economic sky.

Three U. S. Presidents have been assassinated — Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley.

Special Diet Aids Disease

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 24 (AP)—University of Utah research scientists have discovered that some children with a rare mental disease can be helped greatly by a special diet.

The disease is phenylketonuria or phenylpyruvico oligophrenia. The scientists call it PKU for short.

It is caused by an inherited inability on the part of the body to handle phenylalanine, a substance which in the normal body is converted to tyrosine and burned for energy. In a person with PKU, the phenylalanine is not changed into tyrosine but is diverted into large amounts of abnormal products which accumulate in the blood and body tissues and are eliminated in the urine. One of these is phenylpyruvic acid.

The Utah researchers have concluded these products poison the nervous system and in some way lead to the development of the mental deficiency.

So they have devised a special diet that must be prepared in a laboratory to make it free of phenylalanine, which is one of the constituents of all protein food.

They can't eliminate all protein in treating the children, because it is essential in building body tissue. So they use special protein substances from which only the phenylalanine has been removed and combine them with other necessary nutrients.

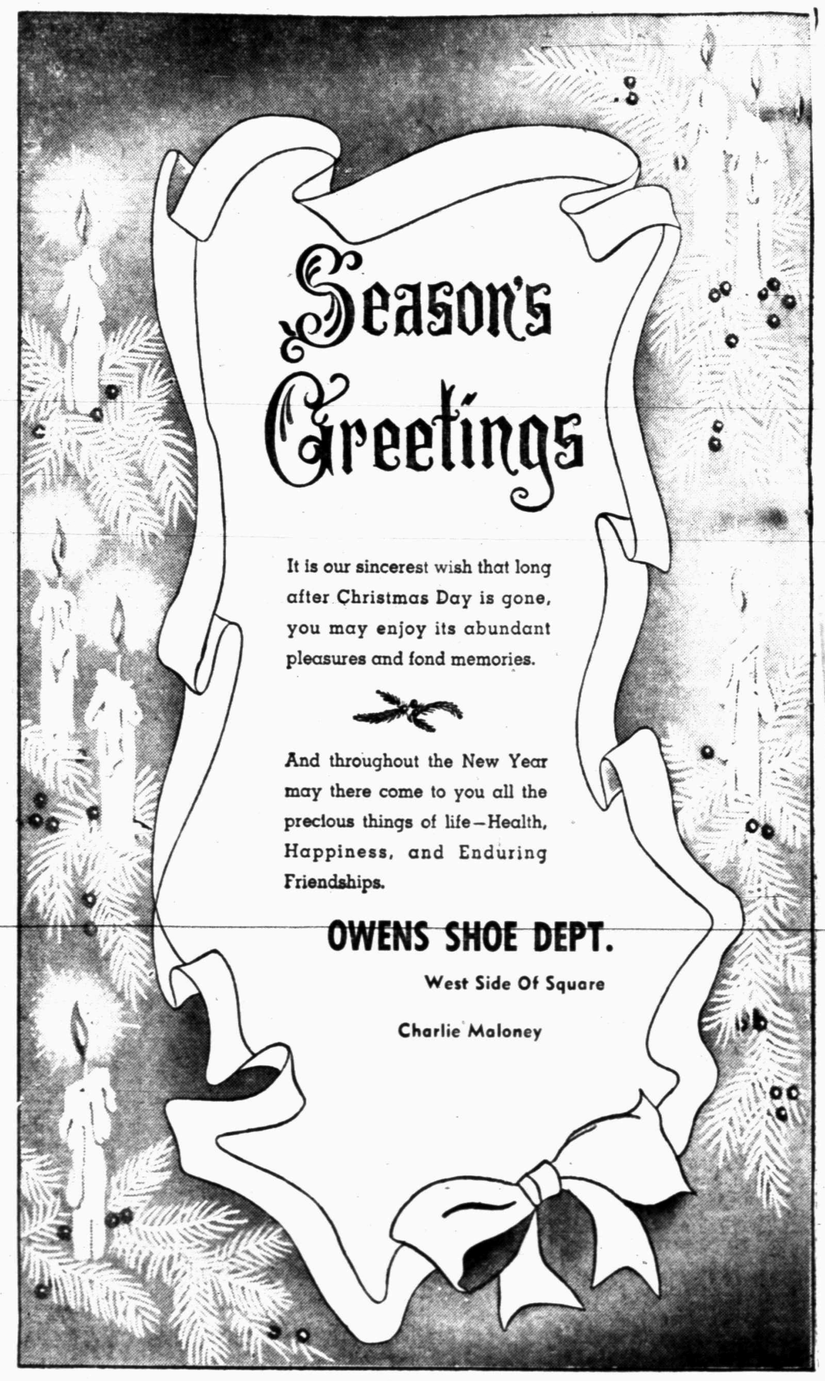


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EARLY START — Recruit Larry Roucka, 17, of Omaha, Neb., who barely exceeded weight, height and age requirements, gets rifle instruction at San Diego, Cal., Naval Center.

Outlook For Oil Industry Bright

By MAX B. SKELTON

HOUSTON (AP)—Motorists may be paying higher gasoline prices in 1956 but a healthy supply and demand outlook for the oil industry may erase the possibility.

Oil operators had a record-breaking 1955 and expect an even brighter 1956.

Spiraling labor and equipment costs have caused discussion of crude price increases which normally are passed on to the consumer. Increased income from production hikes, may cause thought of a price boost to be dropped.

Total domestic and export demand for oil products is expected to increase three to four per cent in 1956 and may exceed nine million barrels a day.

Domestic crude output is expected to reach a record seven million barrels a day.

Two major Washington problems cloud the outlook. a Bitter showdown is coming between consumer and producer areas over control of natural gas. The outcome of the government's authority to limit imports will affect domestic crude output levels.

Industry spokesmen will concentrate on Washington, particularly in early 1956 when the House-approved Natural Gas Bill goes before the Senate.

Final industry statistics on 1955 will be impressive:

Total demand for oil products exceeded 1954 by about seven per cent. An increase of three to four per cent had been expected.

Crude production was expected to erase 1953's record 2,359,000,000 barrels with a daily average of about 6,700,000.

Over 55,000 wells were drilled in 1955, compared to a record 52-815 in 1954. Over 57,000 have been forecast for the new year.

The consumer-producer battle over gas developed in 1954 when the Supreme Court held that the Federal Power Commission has authority to regulate gas prices in the field. Producer states last summer pushed through the House, 209-203, a bill exempting gas production and gathering from federal control.

State and local officials in many Eastern and Midwestern consumer areas contend gas prices will increase sharply without control. Producers contend they received very low prices for gas, that the bulk of consumer payments goes to transmission and distributing companies.

Labor and a new 35-member council of local gas companies are backing the consumer areas. The producers have concentrated on winning individual senators. Some industry spokesmen say they have received pledges from 51 senators.

The battle is a repeat performance of 1953, when a similar bill squeezed through the House after Senate changes, and was vetoed by President Truman.

Independent oil operators won a major victory last summer when the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act was amended to authorize President Eisenhower to limit oil imports if they endanger national security.

Importers have been warned voluntarily to cut Middle East crude receipts seven per cent or face a possible presidential order.

Independent operators contend imports increased 17 per cent in 1955 while domestic crude output increased 6 per cent. They predict the 1955 trend will continue and limit any 1956 domestic crude production increase to less than 20,000 barrels a day.

More than 5,000 different kinds of sulfa drugs have been manufactured.

Symphony Conductor Is Legitimate Phony

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (AP)—Geoffrey Hobday, conductor of the Charleston Symphony Orchestra, was making his dramatic debut in a community players production of "Dial M for Murder."

Hobday's wife and daughter anxious to get the audience reaction at intermission time, heard one woman say:

"The play is going along fine, but that fellow who plays Captain Lesgate has the phoniest English accent I ever heard."

Hobday was born in Birmingham, England, and has been in America only about three years.

Los Angeles Husband Keeps His Spirits Up

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A distraught woman poured out her troubles to Dr. Frank Nolan about her alcoholic husbnad.

"Has he tried A.A." the sympathetic doctor asked her.

"He must have," she said, "He has drunk everything else."

Woman Says Children Cheaper By The Dozen

ROANOKE, Va. (AP)—Six children of the James Beckners had their tonsil and adenoids removed here the same day.

"It's cheaper by the dozen, only we didn't have but half a dozen," said Mrs. Ruby Beckner.

Midland Has Tallest Tree

MIDLAND, Dec. 24 (AP)—Out in West Texas where the land is flat, people judge the size of anything by how far it can be seen.

Poking 150 feet up above the western outskirts of this oil town and sporting 175 100-watt yellow, red and blue bulbs on 2,500 feet of electric wire, is a Christmas tree that is "about the top of the world for Christmas trees."

In oil field terminolgoty, a Christmas tree is an arrangement of valves to keep the lid on pressure from the bowels of the earth.

But this season, the oil workers decided to let the world enjoy one of the decoration jobs done by the Parker Drilling Co. crew at Husky Oil Co.'s 1 Fasken wildcat. Bob Parker, president of the Parker Drilling Co., told his crew chief to "fix her up so she'll shine for everybody."

Hubert Whitfield, crew chief, said, "I've been on oil rigs 20 years and this is the first time I ever saw a derrick really light up like a Christmas tree."

Four strands of lights outline the four corners of the rig and five strands are wrapped around the derrick every 30 feet. To top off the "Midas tree," an eight-foot star with 30 lights was placed on top of the derrick.

At the bottom of the giant-size decoration, a concrete walk circles the derrick enabling visitors to get a full view of the structure.

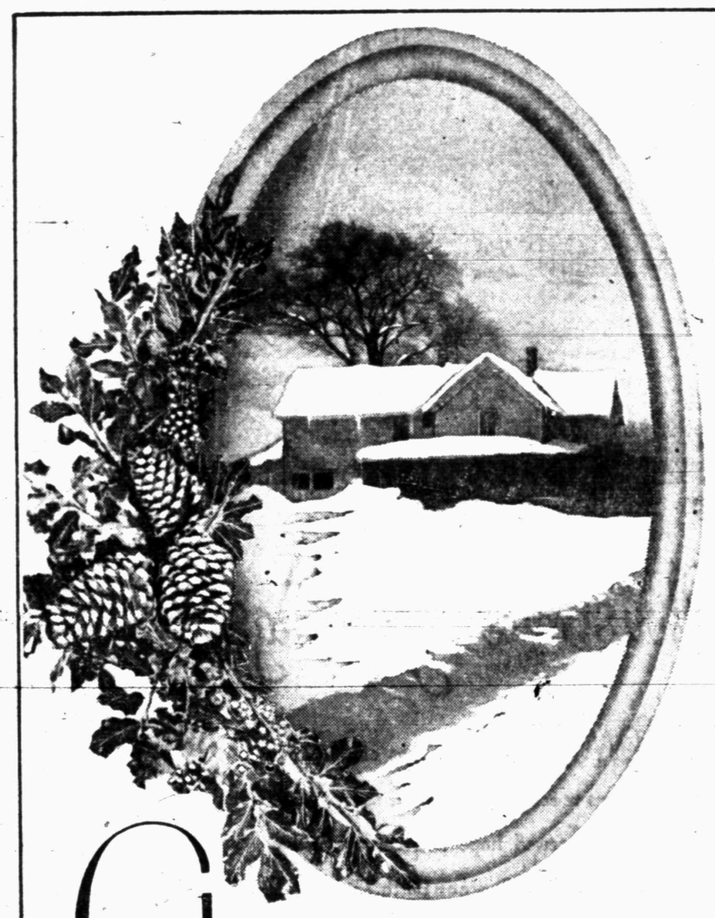
Rivaling tall buildings in Midland, the Texas-size tree can be seen for miles and miles.

Card Is Behind Times

BUTTE, Mont. (AP)—Albert Jones received a Christmas card postmarked Athens, Ohio, Dec. 15, 1927! The card was intended for Jones' mother, Mrs. Velinda Jones, who died in 1953 at the age of 101.



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Benson Makes '55 Headlines

By OVID A. MARTIN

WASHINGTON (AP) — American Agriculture made headlines in 1955 with its problems of mounting surpluses, record production and declining prices and incomes.

The economic situation of farmers reached a point by the end of the year that made it likely farm problems would be a major domestic issue in next year's elections.

Democrats were making the most of the farm income situation in their criticism of Eisenhower administration farm programs and of Secretary of Agriculture Benson.

Government figures indicated farm prices in 1955 averaged about 5 per cent below those of the previous year and about 28 per cent below the postwar peak reached in 1951. Measured in another way, the prices averaged 85 per cent of parity compared with 89 in 1954 and the record of 123 set in 1946. Parity is the price goal of federal farm programs.

This further downturn in prices was reflected in an additional decline in farm income. The Agriculture Department has estimated income left farmers after deduction of production costs totaled about $10,600,000,000 compared with $11,- in 1953 and the record high of $16774,00,000 in 1947.

In analyzing prospects for 1956, the department said a further decline in income appeared likely.

The drop in total farm income has been greater in recent years than has the average return netted by persons living on farms. This difference reflects the fact that there has been a rather rapid reduction in farms and farm population.

The continuing decline in prices and income in 1955 was attributed largely to record surpluses and to an even larger production than in previous years.

Surpluses stored under government price support programs approached a record high level of eight billion dollars by the end of the year, an increase of more than three-quarters of a billion dollars. This increase would have been larger had not the government unloaded nearly a billion dollars' worth at cut-rate prices or donated for welfare uses.

Farm leaders in and out of government agreed that there was little prospect for material improvement in farm prices as long as these surpluses hung over markets.

Despite production control measures for some major crops, farmers produced more crops and livestock products in 1955 than in any previous year. Total production was 112 per cent of the 1947-49 base average compared with 108 per cent in 1954.

This big increase reflected agriculture's growing efficiency of production—gained through use of more and better machinery and equipment, more fertilizers, more and better insecticides, improved livestock feeding practices, and improved strains of crops.

As the year closed, demands were being made by some farm leaders and some political leaders for a drastic change in the GOP farm programs. These programs feature a flexible farm price support system as distinguished from rigid, high-level supports of the preceding democratic administration.

Some Democratic leaders, including Adlai Stevenson, were urging a return to the high, rigid price floors. Benson made it plain that he would fight such a change.

Criticism of the flexible system was not limited to Democrats. Some farm-state Republican members of Congress also were urging readoption of high supports as a means of boosting farmer returns.

In a nationwide tour of farming areas, the Senate Agriculture committee found strong farmer feeling that the farmers' economic plight reflected the existence of surpluses and continuing overproduction.

The committee also found strong support among farmers for a program which would require all farmers to take from 10 to 20 per cent of their tillable land out of production until surpluses can be reduced and markets require farm products.

Most farmers favored a so-called "soil bank" plan under which farmers would get payments from the government for idling a part of their land and putting it to soil-building uses.

Chairman Ellender (D-La) said the committee would make the soil bank plan a basis for new farm legislation. Administration leaders indicated President Eisenhower would go along with such a plan if it did not involve "excessive payments."

The question of whether Benson would continue long as head of the agriculture department arose. There was pressure for his removal as long as the President wanted that he would remain at his post from Democrats and some farm-state Republicans

The government stressed programs designed to move more farm products into export markets in 1955. Shipments did increase 7 per cent in value over 1954. Foreign countries in general were in an improved financial position.

An important factor which tended to help limit foreign demand for U.S. farm products was an expansion in production and supplies in other countries.

Domestic demand for food and other farm products continued at a very high level. Costs of processing and distributing made further increases to pull the farm share of the consumer food dollar down to a postwar low of 40 cents.

There are 3.3 persons per passenger auto registered in the United States.

About 54,000 white babies are born out of wedlock each year in the United States.



MEDITATIVE—The famed Finnish composer Jean Sibelius poses in this rare and recent portrait from Helsinki. He celebrated his 90th birthday on December 8.

There are about 1,600,000 mentally deficient children in the United States.

Some types of insanity in a child can be mistaken for mental deficiency.

About 14 million tons of U. S. hay, one-eighth of the crop, was sold in 1954.



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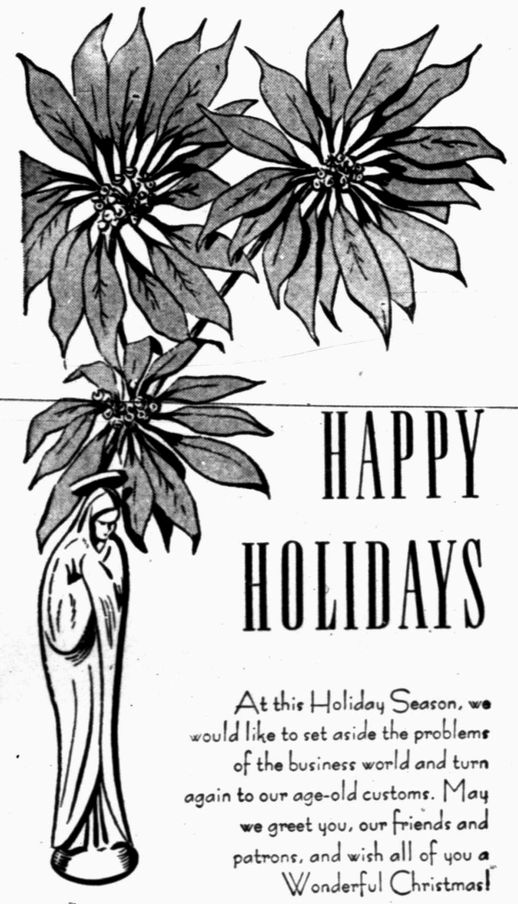
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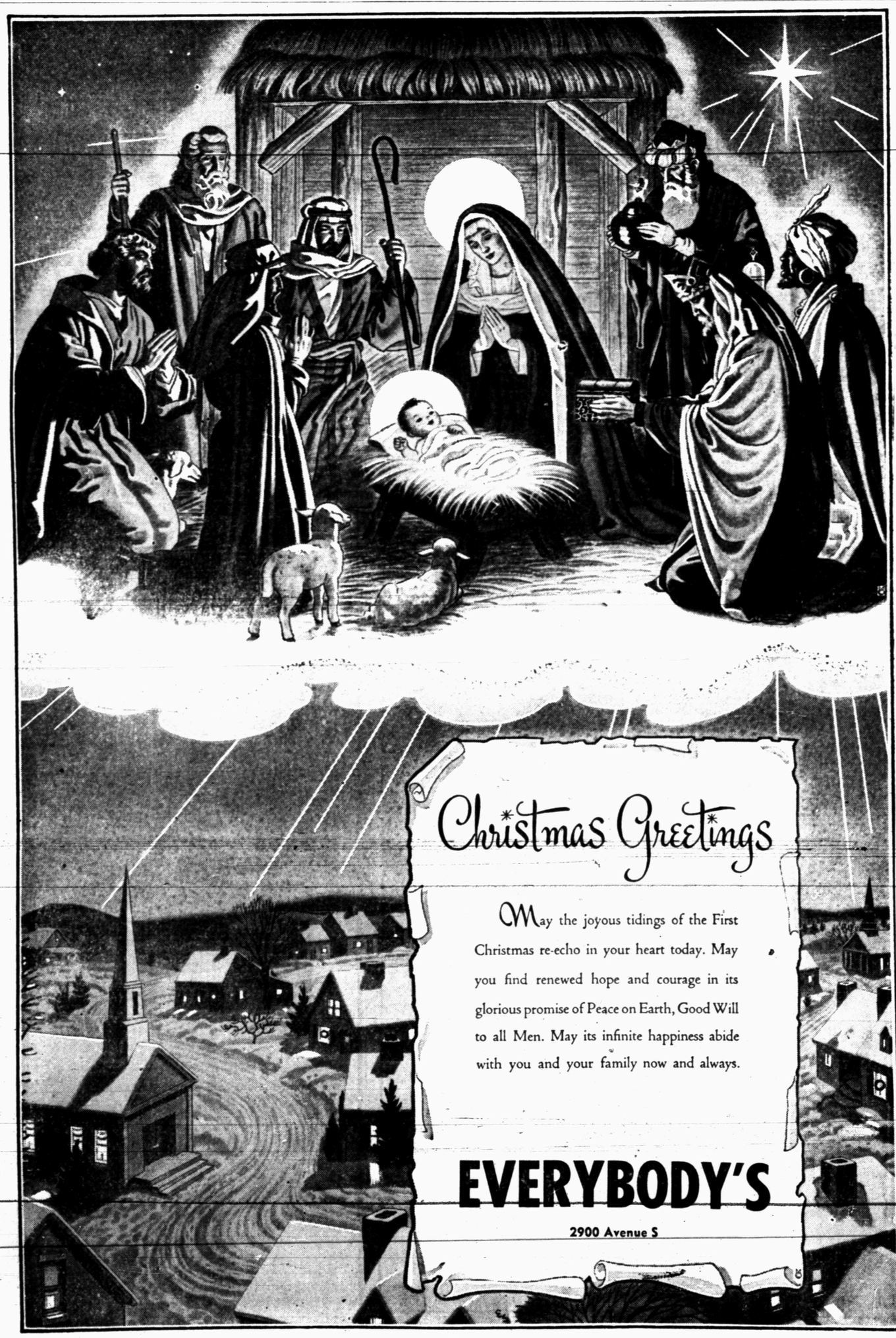


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MALTA PROTECTOR — British, French and American warships ride out storm at Malta under Angel of Peace statue with arms raised in protective blessing. Picture was taken from belfry of Church of the Sacred Heart. Storm is called "gregale," a stiff northeast wind.

Great Lakes Workers Dig Large Seaway

By BEM PRICE
The Associated Press

For the grimy, dust-covered men on the bulldozers, the draglines and the giant earth movers, it is just another job.

In Massena, N. Y., it is crowded stores, crammed schools, trailer camps and high rents.

But for 2,687 miles from Duluth to the Atlantic Ocean this vast concentration of heavy construction equipment along the international rapids of the St. Lawrence River is a mighty dream coming true.

The dream. The job. Harness the river. Add 8,300 miles of deep water coastline to the United States. Cut a wider door into the industrial heartland of America and Canada.

Both the dream and the job embrace two separate projects—seaway and power. The seaway is a joint U. S.-Canadian venture. The power development is being carried out by the province of Ontario and New York state. Both will cost in excess of a billion dolars.

By the time the whole job is completed, perhaps by 1962, the electric power capacity of the two nations along the St. Lawrence will have been boosted by 13 billion kilowatt-hours and three quarters of the world's shipping will be able to sail into the heart of the Middle West.

To reach the far end of Lake Superior, oceangoing ships will be able to travel a 27-foot channel rising progressively through 15 locks, instead of the present 30, to more than 600 feet above sea level.

Once a ship is afloat on the 95,000 square miles of Great Lakes, the riches of 17 states in the great inland basin will be available for transport. These states produce 31 per cent of the nation's industrial goods ad 34 per cent of its agricultural products.

Moreover, certain cities along the St. Lawrence and Great Lakes will be closer to Europe than are some Atlantic ports.

Montreal, for example, will be 300 miles closer to Liverpool than New York. And even as far up river as Rochester, the distance to Europe still will be 31 miles less than it is from New York.

But the big factor, according to seaway supporters, is the fact that shipment by water direct to Europe from Great Lakes ports will be cheaper than the present system of shipping by rail to the East Coast, then by freighter across the Atlantic.

The St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corp., the federal agency charged with developing the American end of the project, estimates that by 1970 the new seaway will be approaching its capacity of 55 million tons of cargo.

The impact upon the nation's economy may well be incalculable, as old patterns of commerce are changed.

From one end of the Great Lakes to the other, cities and towns are busy with plans for the day when they will be true international ports.

Among some remote New Guinea tribes, a man was formerly required to give two human heads as well as dog-tooth money for his bride.

Safety Not Assured By New Traffic Sign

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP)—To ease traffic hazard at the junction of U.S. 441-State Road 20, safety engineers erected a new stop sign.

Thirty minutes later a truck driver saw the sign and applied the brakes. The brakes jammed and the truck overturned. He wasn't hurt.



PRETTY 'QUEEN' — Genevieve Jolly was voted "Queen of the Catherinettes" in Paris on Saint Catherine's Day, named for patron saint of unmarried girls 25 and over.

Headlights To Reflect Changing Speed Limit

LANSING, Mich. (AP)—Michigan will have chameleon-like signs to warn motorists of new state wide speed limits.

The signs are treated with reflectorized paint so that the warning of the 65 mile limit during the day will change to 55 miles at night under the glare of car headlights.

About 3,000 of the signs will be posted over the state's trunkline system.

Convincing Figures Are Given For Women

ST. LOUIS (AP)—Take it from a student of curves, the way American women are put together gives them a longer life expectancy than men.

Louis I. Dublin, an actuary and longtime student of life expectancy curves, told an insurance group one reason for the longer lives of women is their basic bone structure and physiology.

Between 10 and 15 per cent of children are nearsighted.

Temperature Of Bank Is Read At Glance

ABILENE, Tex. (AP)—James Vanderveer, building engineer in Abilene's new Citizens National Bank, can tell the temperature at any of 13 points in the bank from his office.

By pressing a switch on an electrically - operated thermometer he can find out the outside temperature, the temperatures in the president's office, the board room, the lobby, and other rooms as well as in various ducts and pipes which carry hot and cold air and water.



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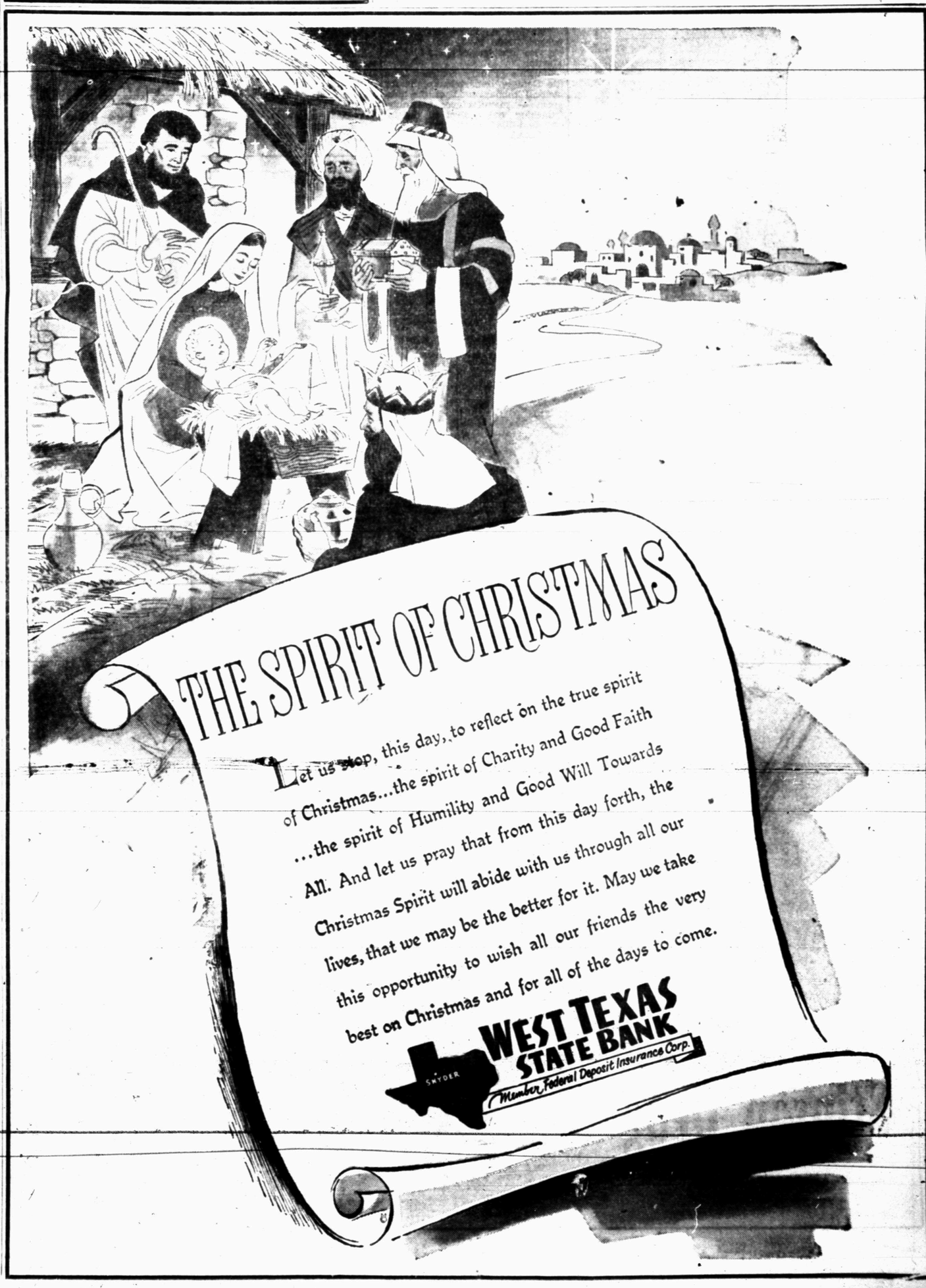
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Season Greetings Is Sent By H-SU

ABILENE Dec. 24—Dr. Lindell O. Harris, Hardin-Simmons University Professor of Bible, has written this Christmas message as the University's seasonal greeting from one of its Christian institutions to the people of Texas.

The Christmas story centers in the Christ-child of Behlehem. However, this fascinating story had its beginning in ancient Mesopotamia, the cradle of the race and the probable site of Eden.

The "twelve days" of Christmas, exchanging of gifts, brightly decorated floats, merrymaking, singing from house to house, feastings, and religious processions were all found in Mesopotamia more than 4,000 years ago.

The New Year's festival lasted 12 days, as the Christmas season is supposed to do. It was a time of crisis for the people as the old year died and the New Year born.

Many masqueraded in gay costumes. Friends exchanged gifts with one another.

Such was the festival spirit of this ancient land.

These ancient festivals found their way westward to Greece and Rome. It was in Rome that the festival of the Saturnalia was conducted with such boisterious rejoicing.

It began around the middle of December and lasted until January 1. In the midst was December 25, the day when the sun was at its lowest ebb but soon ready to increase again and send its rays of warmth and growth to the earth.

They exchanged gifts and wished one another good luck. Moreover, the Romans decorated their houses this time with boughs of laurel and green trees and with lighted candle and lamps.

Slaves and masters ate together, often exchanging places, the masters waiting on the slaves.

After a battle of centures the thoughts of the people were turned from the pagan gods to the worship of the Lord.

The festival spirit of pagan merrymaking became the glad rejoicing over the birth of a Saviour.

When was Jesus born? No one knows the exact historical date of His birth. The observance of December 25 as the birthday of Christ was chosen several centuries after His death.

In fact, the early Christians were not interested in the date of His birth. The important thing to them was His death and ressurrection.

Jesus was finally given a birthday. The Christmas story, after a long voyage of many centuries through many lands, has centered its message in the birth of the Christ-child.

Today it is a story that has become sacred to untold millions, not because of its ancient pagan background but because of its meaning to every Christian.

It means that more than 1,900 years ago the supra - temporal Christ broke into the stream of human history by taking unto Himself a human nature and being born of a human mother.

It means that God has revealed Himself to man.

It means that God has come near man.

It means that God has become man, the divine and human God-man.

It means that the song of the angels was true.

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



UNDER REPAIR — Rome's famous Fountain of Three Streets, built in 1762 and famous for legend that tourists who toss a penny into it will return, undergoes repairs.

Contract Given For Satellite

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17 (AP)—What happens inside an aircraft company when it gets the contract to build and launch the earth satellite the United States plans to send into outer space?

Does the company go into a tailspin of reorganization, expansion and personnel change?

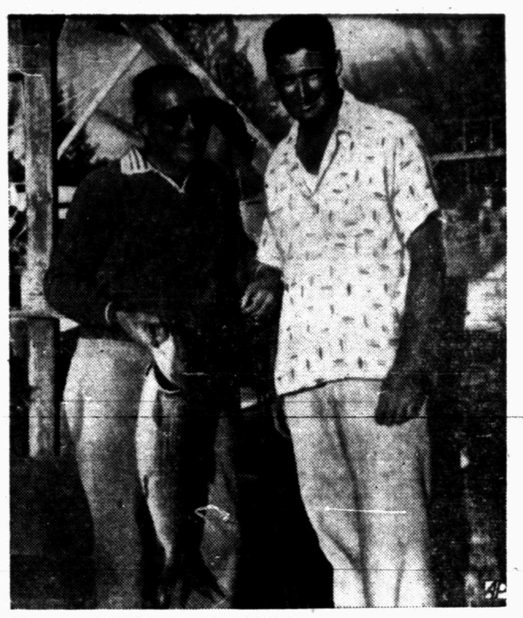
So far as the top brass at the Glenn L. Martin Co is concerned, it's all in a day's work.

"We look on it as just another project," said E. J. Uhl, 37-year-old vice president of operations for Martin.

Martin's primary contract from the Defense Department calls for over-all management of the program — manufacture, assembly, launching and control of the instrument-filled satellite.

Selection of Martin for the supervisory contract, which will include manufacture of much of the hardware involved, is not surprising. The pioneer aircraft firm has long been building warplanes for the military and currently is engaged in production of rocket missiles and highly heralded warplanes for both the Navy and Air Force.

Project Vanguard actually will entail a smaller personnel force and less production floor space than will the P6M SeaMaster, the world's first multijet attack seaplane which Martin soon will build for the Navy.



B. G. HITS A HOMER — Benny Goodman looks pleased as he shows 8½ lb. bonefish he caught on a fishing trip with baseball slugger Ted Williams in Florida waters.

Not So Sweet Ban Sought In Oregon

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—The Oregon Dental Assn. wants the sale of candy and sweetened soft drinks banned in public schools.

The move is aimed at curtailing tooth decay among children, said Dr. Harold Kramer, president of the association.

If the program is adopted, it would be the first time such a ban has been statewide. Two major cities, Long Beach, Calif., and Chicago, have adopted he plan, Kramer said.

Stork Trip Continues Despite Dead Battery

RICHMOND, Va., (AP) — Leonard Hubbard jumped into his car. He jumped out again when he found the battery was dead and he couldn't start the car. He ran for the nearest phone three-quarters of a mile away. The Tuckahoe Volunteer Rescue Squad arrived just in time with an ambulance for Hubbard's wife Betty. A six pound, four ounce boy arrived on the way to the hospital.

Mother and baby were reported doing fine. So was Hubbard's car — with a new battery.



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U.S. Builds Its First Atom Bomb Proof Base On Okinawa

By JIM BECKER

NAHA, Okinawa, Dec. 24 (AP) — A decade ago Okinawa was engraved indelibly on the minds of Americans. U.S. troops fought the last bloody battles of World War II here in a campaign that spelled final disaster for Japan.

With V-J Day, the strategic island and the sacrifice that won it were forgotten by all but a few. But today Okinawa is once more of prime concern to all Americans.

The United States has built its first atom-bomb proof base on this island only 500 miles from Red China. But it is a fortress with a headache for the present and a possible Achilles heel for the future.

Top military leaders say this eel-shaped volcanic and coral rock could now survive an atomic attack and fight on "with its military potential unimpaired."

But only time can tell whether in the long run the American base will be able to survive pressure from:

1. Demands by all Japanese political parties for the island to be returned to Japan, its technical owner.

2. Hundreds of thousands of Okinawan farmers, many of whom say they are near starvation and all of whom are upset by the military's inroads into the island's precious farmland. They want the land back for farming.

The American government and military, however, have made clear that the U.S. base here will be maintained "for many, many years."

These spokesmen point out that all American troops eventually will be withdrawn from Japan and most have already been pulled out of Korea. This makes Okinawa America's principal bastion in the Far East. There are no important groups of U.S. troops anywhere else in Asia.

Certainly the sprawling, ultra-modern base looks permanent.

The heart of the fortress is shielded in great, underground bunkers. From the air, well-traveled roads that suddenly disappear—apparently into deep concrete caves—can be spotted all over the 67 mile long outcropping.

It is taken for granted here that some of the giant caves house an atomics weapons stockpile. The 280 m.m. atomic cannon are here. Planes to carry the big bomb are only hours away. The Nike anti-aircraft rocket is on the way.

One regiment of Marines is already here, and an entire Marine Division, about 16,000 men, soon will be stationed on Okinawa.

The Navy has an undisclosed number of land based planes, and its big carriers are nearby. The Air Force has two wings of Sabre Jets, about 150 planes, plus some aircraft of other types.

A 400-million-dollar construction program, begun in 1951 after a typhoon flattened earlier temporary installations, is bearing fruit. Modern concrete barracks, headquarters buildings, warehouses and thousands of family homes have blossomed on the southern end of the island.

But while this vast construction program pushes ahead, Japan's political parties and Okinawan farmers are pressing their own demands on the island's limited acres. Both of these pressures are growing. In a few years they could drive a twin wedge between the military and the Okinawans on one hand and the United States and its Japanese ally on the other.

Communists and left wing agitators are having a field day on both fronts.

American military and congressional leaders, shuddering at the possibility of American forces having to fight from an island base where the civilian population is hostile, have made many searching studies of the problem. But no solution has been found.

At the root of the difficulty is the ancient Oriental shortage of land: Okinawa just isn't big enough to meet the demands on its space.

For centuries, some 600,000 Okinawans have barely scraped an existence from the rocky soil, beset by periodic famines. Now some 45,000 Americans, including service men, civilian employes and their families, have moved in.

As the military importance of the island has increased, the demands of the defense installation have expanded. Already the military has taken over about 40,000 acres—about 17 per cent of the island's farm land. It wants at least another 13,000 acres.

Okinawans, who say some 50,000 families have been displaced, are not only opposing the military's demands for still more land; they want as much land back as possible. And they want 10 times the rent they now get for what is kept against their wishes.

That's Powerful Stuff

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — A man arrested for drunkenness turned out to have all his wits about him.

As the police wagon sped toward headquarters, officers said the man picked the lock on its rear doors, jumped out and fled down an alley.

Good Reasons Against Dish Washing Given

By HAINES COLBERT
Miami Daily News

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 24 (AP)—Husbands who decline to help with the dishes after a big Christmas dinner aren't lazy.

They're protecting the future of the family.

Doctors, who mainly have to look to wives to collect their bills, don't say this in so many words. But it's the obvious conclusion to be drawn from a check with a stomach specialist, the assistant director of a big general hospital and a professor in the University of Miami's medical school.

Your wife naturally will want you to be well fed.

So, suppose she whips up a little something like salad, radishes, olives, celery, soup, fruit cocktail, turkey, cranberry sauce, potatoes, green vegetable, pumpkin pie with whipped cream, coffee and a French pastry.

You don't want to be a pig, but you do want to know it's Christmas.

So you put away the dinner, and after a while you don't feel as spry as you did.

That is the time when some wives, flying blindly in the face of medical opinion, will say:

"Come on, let's wash the dishes. It'll be good for you—work off that loggy feeling."

Work!

Does she want you to commit suicide?

When you eat a big meal, the doctors say, blood flows to the gastro-intestinal tract to help in digestion. That's what makes you feel sleepy.

You're blood-shy in the head, to put it as far from Latin as possible.

The blood also drains from your muscles.

You really are in lousy shape, so far as blood distribution is concerned.

Wash dishes? Do you want to have cramps?

Those depleted muscles are in no condition for strain.

Speak softly. Lie down. Go to sleep. Take care of yourself.

In three or four hours, the doctors say, the worst danger will be over. The muscles, with their normal blood supply back, no longer are so susceptible to strain.

By that time, in any well-ordered house, the dishes should be washed and put away.

Your wife, of course, could get a cramp from exercising after her dinner—but there's no use being alarmed about it.



The Holiday Season affords us the opportunity to express our appreciation to our many friends for their good will and thoughtfulness during the past year.

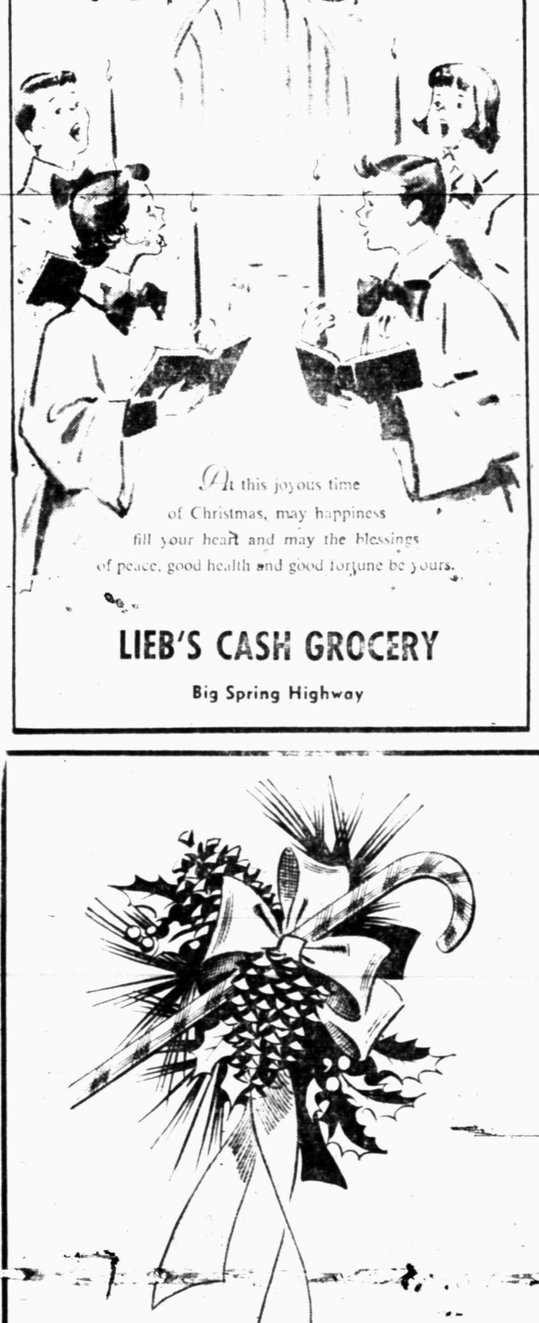
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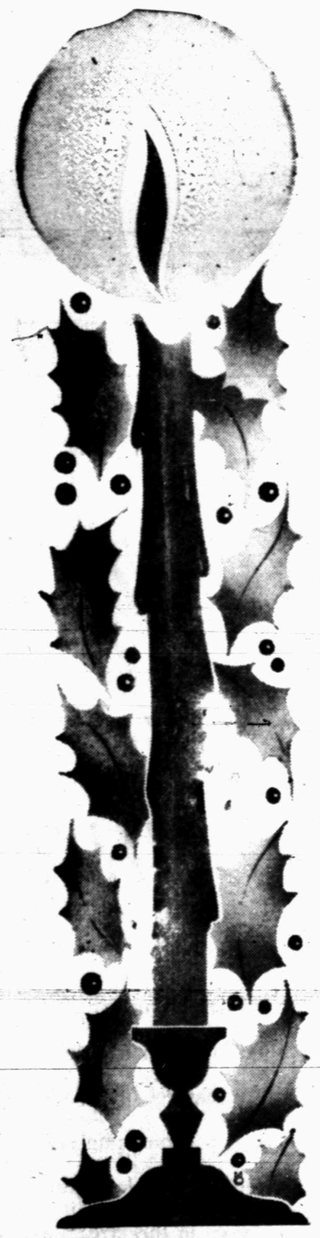


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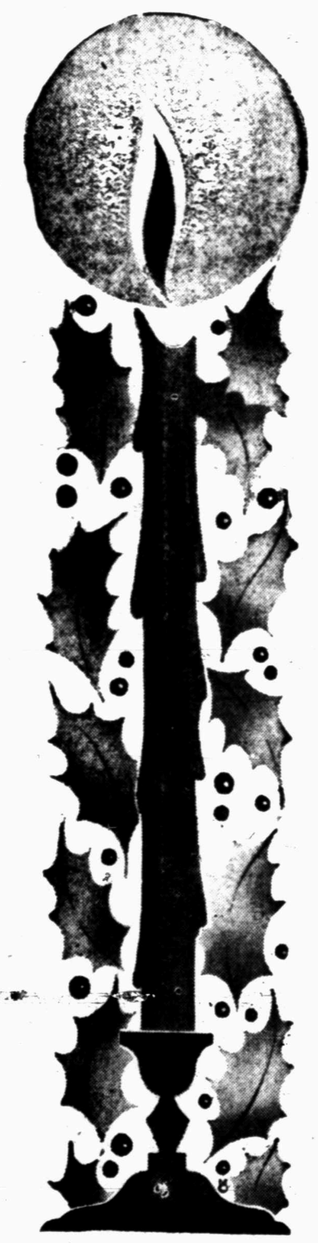
May your holiday be merry, your tree laden with good things and your happiness unending. Simple pleasures of the old-fashioned, homespun variety are still the most enjoyable at Christmas time, even in this streamlined age! So in the modern manner, with old-fashioned sincerity, we say, "Merry, Merry Christmas."

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The Freshmen Girls Chorus of Snyder High School was the only singing group in the Christmas Choral Festival which was not clothed in robes, but instead wore formals. They are shown above accepting the applause of the appreciative audience which filled the high school auditorium Monday night. Mrs. Landis Lee is the director of the group in the foreground.

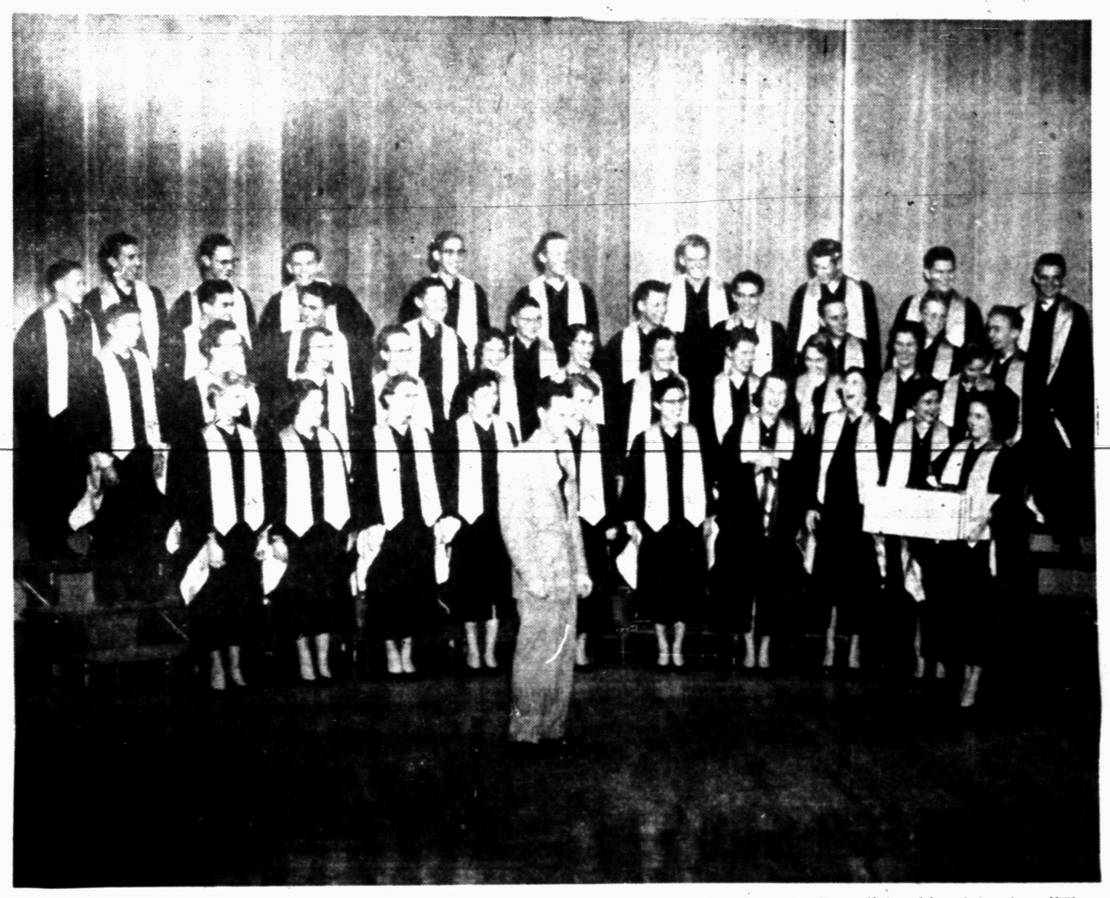


BLESSINGS at CHRISTMAS

May this Holiday Season mark a blessed beginning of joy and contentment — not just at this Christmas time, but for always!

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Bob Clinton, music director for the Snyder school system, is shown above receiving a Christmas present from members of the A Cappela Choir of the high school. The presentation was made during a special assembly program Monday morning which doubled as a dress rehearsal for the program for the public that night. In the night program the A Cappella Choir sang "Ave Verum Corpus," by Mozart, "In Heavenly Love," by Mendelssohn, "The Beatitudes," by Glarum, "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones," arranged by Olaf Christiansen, and "Beautiful Savior," arranged by F. Melius Christiansen. The A Cappella Choir also joined with the High School girls chorus to form a singing combination which extended beyond the confines of the large stage and onto the wing steps.

Christmas Choral Festival



The combined elementary school choirs consisting of choral students from the three Snyder elementary schools opened the Christmas Choral Festival held last Monday night at the Snyder High School auditorium. Mrs. Tim Dennis, choral director of East Elementary School, is shown above directing the concluding number of the group. The 80-voice choir sang "The Angels In Our Fields," a French carol, "Christmas Lullaby," a Polish carol, "On Christmas Day in the Morning," by Wanda Cook, and "Hark Ye What Angel Voices," a Polish carol. (Lee Watson photographs)



That Snyder can boast one of the singingest school systems in the nation was ably demonstrated Monday night when the Christmas Choral Festival was held. Pictured above, under direction of Mrs. Landis Lee is the junior high school choir which sang "The First Noel," "Angels and Shepherds," a Bohemian carol, "While By My Sheep," a seventeenth century melody, "O Holy Night," and "When the Star Shine." Although the singing of the hundreds of young voices which have been trained by music directors in Snyder schools was the highlight of the festival, the Nativity scene at the conclusion of the program was a thing of beauty, and was accompanied by background singing.



The girls chorus of high school is shown above under the direction of Bob Clinton in the assembly presentation held Monday morning. The singing of the six groups Monday night highlighted activities of the music department of the school system for the school year so far. The Girls Chorus sang "God is the Light of the World," "Lift Thine Eyes," from "Elijah," by Mendelssohn, "Cherubin Song No. 7," and "O Lord Most Holy," by Franck. The Nativity scene was produced by the Junior High Dramatics Club, with lighting by Clinton and Joe Craft, and sets for the scene were made by Norman Neundorf, and Craft. Between choral presentations the Madrigal Singers and the Teen Agers presented numbers.



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Princess Margaret's Nomination Proves World Still Has Regard For Love Story

By DOROTHY ROE
Associated Press Women's Editor

Proving that all the world loves a love story, Princess Margaret Rose of Britain was named Woman of the Year by the annual vote of women's editors of Associated Press newspapers throughout the country.

From the standpoint of news value, there was no doubt that the royal romance of the young princess and the dashing but divorced Group Captain Peter Townsend fired the imagination of the whole world for several weeks this fall, while true love was weighed against royal tradition.

And when duty to church, state and family won over personal happiness, headlines around the world were just as big and black as they were on that other occasion almost a generation ago when Margaret's uncle, King Edward VII, made a different decision and renounced his throne for "the woman I love."

Voting on women news personalities outstanding in their various fields in 1955, the women's poll named the following:

Grace Kelly, the young actress from Philadelphia who won filmland's highest award early in the year, was named tops in entertainment for 1955 by vote of AP managing editors as well as women's editors. So great has been her impact on the American public that she has started a whole new trend in the standard of film beauty and has influence many of this year's fashion collections, all of which stress the fresh young American look. Grace Kelly, a nice girl from a nice family, has made good taste glamorous.

Runner-up in the vote for actress of the year was Helen Hayes, often called first lady of the American state, whose 50th anniversary on Broadway was honored by having a theater named after her.

Almost unanimously, Clare Boothe Luce was voted woman of the year in politics. The charming and controversial U.S. Ambassador to Italy returned to her post in Rome after a successful summer visit to Washington.

In the field of public service, 78-year-old Helen Keller was voted the outstanding woman. Blind and deaf since birth, she took a five-month 40,000-mile trip around the world on behalf of the blind, returned to receive a special citation from President Eisenhower's the Physically Handicapped, which read, in part: "For a lifetime of service to humanity and for her example of courage, faith and triumph over physical obstacles."

Also by almost unanimous vote, the incomparable Babe Zaharias again was named women of the year in sports. Although this year, for almost the first time in her star-studded career, she won no major golf tournaments, she was the most talked-of and read-about figure in the feminine world of sports because of her gallant battle against cancer and her best-selling autobiography, "This Life I've Led."

Ann Morrow Lindbergh received the title of woman of the year in literature by overwhelming vote, for her sensitive and thoughtful book, "Gift from the Sea," written during a vacation on a tropical island, in which she viewed the tensions and complexities of the life of a modern woman at middle age, weaving her personal philosophy around the allegory of a sea shell.

Although she retired to private life on Aug. 1, Oveta Culp Hobby, former secretary of health, welfare and education, was voted the outstanding woman of 1955 in the field of education. During her brief term as the only woman member of the Eisenhower cabinet she guided her department through two of the greatest controversial climaxes in the nation—the issue of racial integration in the schools, and the early confusion over the Salk polio vaccine.

Bernice Fitz-Gibbon, probably America's best-known advertising woman, was voted woman of the year in the field of business, after she resigned her post as advertising manager of one of New York's biggest department stores to open her own firm. In 1955 nobody but nobody but NOBODY topped Bernice Fitz-Gibbon in headline value in her field.

If your family eats lots of celery you may find yourself throwing away some of the tops you can't use to season soups or gravies. Instead of wasting them, try drying them like herbs. Then you can crumble them and store the bits in a tightly covered jar to use as needed.

WOMEN'S CALENDAR

MONDAY

The Christian Women's Fellowship of the First Christian Church meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Church.

TUESDAY

Women's Missionary Council of the Assembly of God Church meets at 10 a.m. at the church.

Atheneum Study Club meets at 3 p.m. for a Christmas party.

WEDNESDAY

Newcomers Club of St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church meets at the church.

FRIDAY

Ladies Golf Association meets at the Country Club. Tee-off time 9 o'clock.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Mrs. Myrtie Shawver of Seymour is spending the Christmas holidays with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hurst, southwest of the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Dennis, 507 Thirty-second Street, are spending several days in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Scott in Fairfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Crabtree of Brownsville recently spent the day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Everts, 125 Browning.

Nat Rushing of Lenora arrived Thursday night to spend Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Feagan, 603 Thirty-fifth Street. Mrs. Feagan is the daughter of Mr. Rushing.

Mr. and Mrs. Paris McPherson, Lamesa Highway, are having home for the holidays their daughter, Bata, who is a student at McMurry in Abilene.

Paul Nelson and Phillip Houston are among the students home from Tech for the holidays. Paul is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Nelson, 1906 Thirtieth Street, and Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Houston, Lamesa Highway.

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Carter, Carolyn Sue, and Michael David, of Abilene, are spending the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Good, 2205 Twenty-first Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Graves and Mr. and Mrs. R. Ward, 103 Thirty-third Street are spending Christmas Day in the home of Mrs. Graves' sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice in Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. John Conley and Johnny, 3725 Avondale, are having as their guests her brother and his family, Dr. and Mrs. Rodney Bohrer, Susan, and Steve of Douglas, Kan.; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Bohrer and her grandmother, Mrs. W. D. Hall all of Eldorado, Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Stewart of Denver City spent a day and night in the home of their son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Stewart, 3002 Avenue H. The Stewarts were returning home from a vacation in Oklahoma and Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis M. Fowler, Christine, and Junior of Presidio arrived yesterday to spend the holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fowler, Lamesa Highway.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Foster, Diana, Paula, and Melba, Merrill avenue, are spending today in Post visiting with relatives.

Elichia Wolfe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Wolfe, 112 Twenty-sixth Street, is visitng this week with Lou Davis in Ft. Worth. Miss Davis is a former resident of Snyder.

Nelda and Elwanda Allen are home for the holidays visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Allen, East Twenty-fifth Street.

Christmas Party Is Held In Home

Dr. and Mrs. John Y. Battenfield entertained Wednesday evening in their home at 2906 Thirty-second Street, with a Christmas party.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the house with a large silver tree in the living room decorated with red Christmas balls.

Mrs. Battenfield received her guests in a beige decollete cocktail dress.

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FHA SWEETHEART—Nelda Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Smith, Hermleigh, was chosen the District FFA Sweetheart at the banquet held at Sweetwater on Dec. 8. She was selected over several other girls from schools in this district. Powell Tarter, Hermleigh FHA Romeo, was her escort. She will go on to the Area Meeting at Odessa to compete for the Area title.

Engagement Announced

The engagement of Bonnie Jo Sherrod, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Sherrod of Escalon, Calif., to Cpl. Donnie Kincheloe of the Marine Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonie Kincheloe of Snyder.

Cpl. Kincheloe is now stationed on the island of Oahu in the Hawaiian Islands.

Miss Sherrod will fly to the islands in January to be married there.

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TEEN TALK

By GERRY LYN HUGHES

Connie Connell was hostess for a party in her home Wednesday night. Her home was decorated in gold and green. Santa Claus visited and gifts were exchanged. Refreshments of sliced ham and turkey, snacks, cookies, and punch were served to the following people: Toni Best and Ronald Smith; Powell Berry and Rita Grimmett; Pat Wade and Tommy Prichard; Clinta Blackard and George Beene; Janice Springer and David Forbes; Sittie Harrell and P. W. Cloud; Ann Fish and George Herring; Robert James and Wanda Sue Crook; Chiva Boss and Alan Snead; Jack Spikes and Judy Miller; Gerry Lyn Hughes and Tom Falls, Linda Milam and George Jennings; Deborah Smith and Stephen Blair; Jane Joyce and Jimmy Bennett; Milton Ham and Jo Ann Miller; Sue Clark and John Reed; Pat Taylor and Kenneth Lawerence; Shelby Smith and Kent Fields; Connie Connell and Bobby Staton; Molly Carroll and Don McNew; Judy Broman and Gary Vice; Joyce Blakely and Wiley Denson; Dana Scarborough; and Juanez Teaff and Joe Reeves.

All the girls remained for a slumber party.

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Friday night the teenagers of the Country Club were hosts for a dance. Music was furnished by Steve Birdwell and his orchestra. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served to around 150 guests.

Hosts included: Tommy McClatchy, Sittie Harrell, Molly Carroll, Connie Connell, Sue Clark, Jane Joyce, Toni Best, Robert Dabbs., Bill Doak, Beth McClatchy, Clinta Blackard, Alan Snead, and Judy Broman.

Coffee Is Held In Schulz Home

Mrs. Ed Schulz and Mrs. Eugene Hickman were co-hostesses at a coffee given Dec. 22 in the home of Mrs. Schulz, 2509 Twenty-ninth Street.

A green, tangerine and gold color scheme was carried out throughout the home. A green taffetta and net cloth and a small green foil tree adorned the table.

About 70 guests called during the hours of 9 to 11 a.m.


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MRS. W. DEE MYERS

Double-Ring Rites Unite Miss Powledge, Mr. Myers

Wanda Lou Powledge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Powledge, Lion Oil Camp, became the bride of W. Dee Myers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Myers, in the Union Methodist Church at 6:30 p.m. Friday. The church was decorated with baskets of white gladiolus and white tapering candles on the kneeling bench.

Rev. Roy O. Womble, pastor of the Union Baptist Church, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of chantilly lace over satin. The neckline had a tulle yoke banded with cut out lace rose petals studded with seed pearls and applied around the portrait neckline also bound by seed pearls. The bodice of the dress was a pert princess with long tapering sleeves coming to a point over the hands. The full billowing skirt had a flowing cathedral train. The finger-tip veil was worn with a crown of seed pearls. She wore a strand of seed pearls, a gift of the groom, and carried a bouquet of white orchids with feathered carnations.

The matron of honor, Mrs. W. W. Hawthorne, Abilene, who is the bride's sister, wore a rose taffeta dress with a long torso and a full ballerina skirt with a rolled collar, ending in a bow at the back, and a rose band with ruffles of tulle in the front. The bridesmaids, Mary Lou Cary, Harilyn Ward and Gay Smyers all wore dresses that matched the matron of honor's.

Vickey Mebane was the flower girl. She wore a white taffeta dress. David Bently was the ring bearer.

The best man was J. T. Myers, brother of the groom. groomsmen were Orville Watson, Royce Griffin, cousin of the groom, and Tommy Pate; ushers were Buddy Drum and Gene Pate.

The organist, Wayne Pitner, accompanied Pat Taylor who sang, "Because," "If God Left Only You" and "The Lord's Prayer."

The reception was in the fellowship hall of the church. The table was covered with a white lace cloth over pink with a centerpiece of the bride's bouquet, and a three tiered cake. Mrs. Tommy Pate and Mrs. Orville Watson presided at the table, and Janennen Powledge, cousin of the bride, presided at the guest book.

For her traveling attire the bride wore a black boxy suit with beige fleck accessories. After a short trip to Amarillo the couple will be at home five miles out on the Lubbock Highway.

The bride is a student of Snyder High School and the groom is a graduate of Snyder High School and is engaged in farming.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Myers, Homer and Anna, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Griffin and Glenda, Littlefield; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kidd, Tuscola; Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Ramage, Post; Mr. and Mrs. Ira Farmer, Post; Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Pattie, Lamesa; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Myers, McCamey; Mr. and Mrs. Orvel Hilbs, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. Sigmon Lloyd, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Powledge, Midland.

Using your fireplace for cooking this winter? You'll find it hand to have an old-fashioned wire toaster with long handles on hand. The toaster is wonderfully convenient for holding and turning steaks and chops.

Cards For Christmas Are Getting Better Than Ever

No doubt in the Christmas cards you have received this year you have noticed that there are more of them, and that they are more expensive than ever. This is not just peculiar to your collection, either, for according to the Wall Street Journal, cards are getting more numerous and fancier all over the country.

Purchases of Yule greetings are rising nearly twice as fast as the sales gains chalked up in recent years by all other greeting cards combined. Irving Stone, presidnet of American Greeting Corp., said, "We find this year that the public is very quality conscious. All our re-runs have been the more expensive cards in the line." An executive in Norcross said. "Right now the 15 and 25 cent price ranges are the most popular. Heretofore, the most popular were the 10 cent and 15 cent cards.

Some of the biggest sales gains are being chalked up this season by two types of cards representing opposites in appeal—religious cards and the supposedly cute and sophisticated type called "studio" cards.

Despite the popularity jumps by religious and studio cards, cards with such traditional scenes as snow or flowers will continue to be the choice of most Christmas greetings purchasers, the industry predicts.

"The good old Santa and holly still sell. Their popularity hasn't wavered in 50 years, although we are using new colors and new shapes to produce them," remarks one card maker.

A survey by the National Association of Greeting Card Publishers indicates the best seller this year will be floral designs, followed by candles, people, and winter scenes in that order. Bells, cherubs and Santa Clauses also rank among the first 10, according to the survey.

In price, this year's cards range from two cents to $2.00.

An example of the more extravagant type of cards is a $1.50 number which is nine by ten inches, and is addressed: A Christmas greeting darling just for you." A color photography of a white poinsettia and a red candle is imposed on a piece of transparent plastic, which in turn is laid over a sheet to which sparkling artificial white snow has been affixed. Inside is another color photograph of candles and pine boughs, and a loving message.

Then there are speciality cards, for instance you can obtain messages for mother, dad, wife, or even the family cat. A card put out by Paramount Line, Inc., offers, "greetings from our cat to your cat" with wishes for a "purrfect" holiday.

Business cards are also on the increase, and among this group humorous cards have shown a definite upswing in the past two years, although at the same time "the religious card has caught on." Most firms, however, prefer to send their customers either Kodachrome winter scenes, or human interest situations, with simply a Christmas wish and the firm's name, with no mention of their product.

In order to keep sales high, card publishers assign a large part of their personnel to checking the quality of design and reproduction as well as good taste and suitability of the "sentiment." Besides the problem of originating a design or sentiment, there are the details of choosing the right paper, the best color combinations, and even of deciding how the card will be folded.

At the Kansas City Hallmark plant the youthful Mrs. Jeannette Lee, mother of a year-old son, is already busy studying America's fashions, tastes and social habits in preparation to working out 7,000 illustrations for the 1957 cards. In addition to the 60 persons in her staff, she can draw on the talents of other artists by special arrangement, including such well known individuals as Norman Rockwell, Grandma Moses and Winston Churchill (all of whom are represented in the 1955 line of Christmas cards.)

"Would I want to send or receive this card?" is the test Mrs. Lee puts to each new design considered. "I look for brightness, and whether it is simple and appropriate to the sentiment intended."

Make-It-Yourself Gift Brings Warm Welcome

A gift that may not be glamorous but is sure of a warm welcome from almost anybody who lives in northern climes is a gay red flannel hot water bottle cozy.

This is an item that is a best-seller at church bazaars, and is easy to make at home.

Quilted to hold in the heat, the cozy unzips at top and bottom, for easy access. Here are some tips on how to make it, from local sewing center experts.

You will need about 1¾ yards of cotton flannel, a package of double-fold bias tape, a 5-inch zipper and a 10-inch zipper.

Cut eight pieces of flannel, measuring 12 by 16 inches. Put four thicknesses together and quilt on your sewing machine. The quilting foot will be a help to you in this step, as its short upturned toes allow the work to slide easily under the needle, and the cross bar insures evenly spaced rows of Quilt the second set of four layers stitching. Set your machine for a slightly longer stitch than usual, to match.

Draw the outline of your hot water bottle on a piece of brown paper, allowing a half-inch seam allowance all around. Cut this out and use as a pattern. Place pattern over your quilted pieces and cut out two bottle - shaped pieces.

Baste zippers in place on wrong side of one quilted section. Let the longer zipper run along the bottom; the shorter zipper goes along the top. Baste so outer edge of tape is even with wrong side of fabric.

Using the multi-slotted binder for your sewing machine, bind the edge of this quilted section, catching in the zipper tapes at top and bottom. Then baste the other edge of bottom zipper tape to other quilted section. Repeat with top zipper tape. Attach binding to second section, again catching in top and bottom zipper tapes.

The two sections of the cozy are now joined at top and bottom. Slipstitch the open sides together.

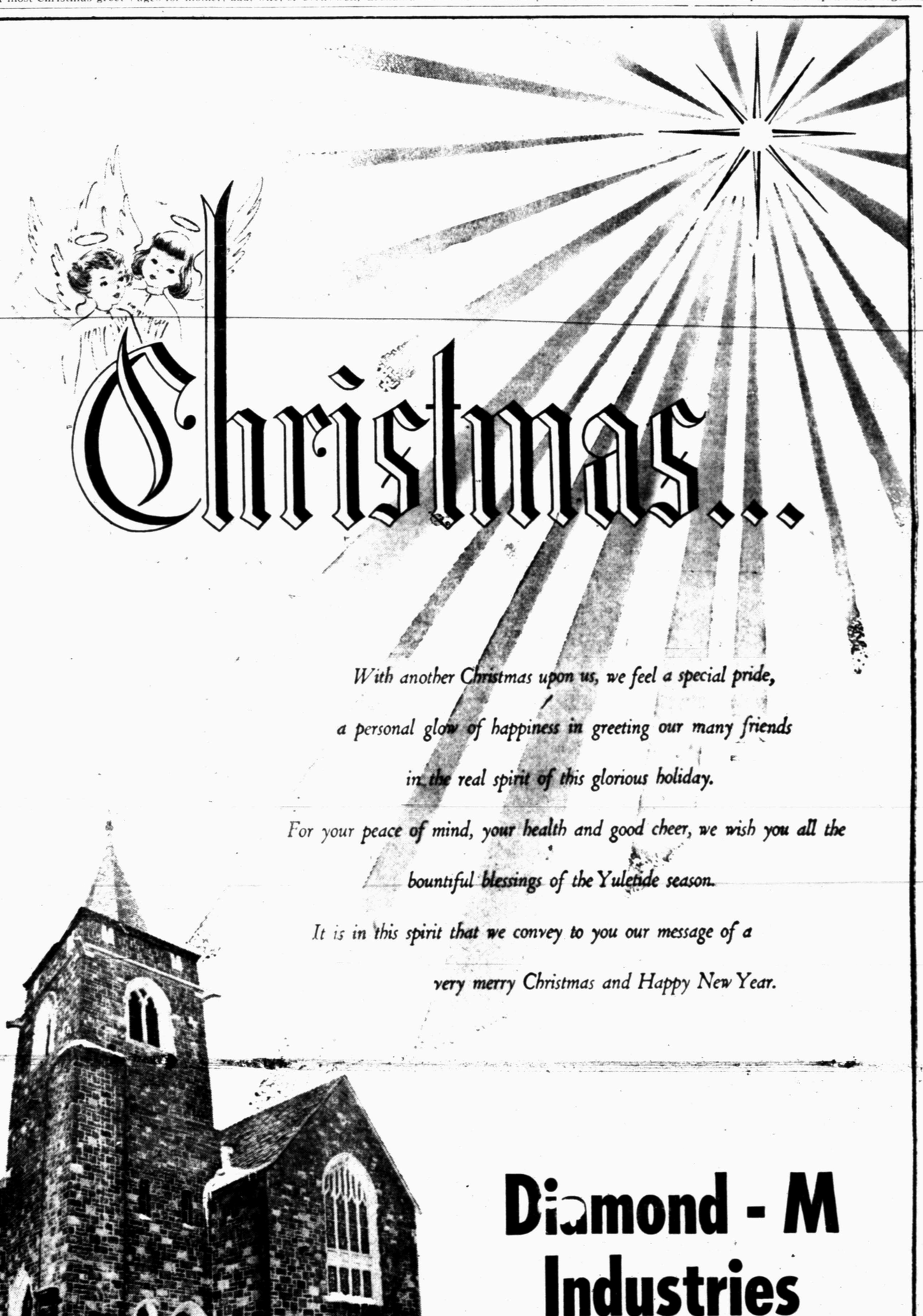


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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED—Mr. and Mrs. Buford Light, Route 2, Hermleigh, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jonelle, to Denzil Ray Knight, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Ray Knight, Sr., of Hermleigh. The wedding will take place in the Hermleigh Methodist Church on January 21. Both are graduates of Hermleigh High School.

MISCELLANY

By LOUISE BLANCHARD

Most of us are familiar with Charles Dickens' immortal "Ghostly little book" (as he called it), "A Christmas Carol." This story of miserly Ebenezer Scrooge and his conversion has become so much a part of our Christmas tradition that a year does not pass without it being performed on radio and television. Excellent as many of these dramatizations are, they cannot convey the richness of detail, and vividness of description with which Dickens has told his story.

On this important day we can think of nothing more suitable than to offer you excerpts from the original. If after reading these you feel no "spirit of Christmas" stirring in your bones, then beware, for you surely must be taking the same path as that which Ebenezer Scrooge trod to (almost) his undoing!

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This is Dickens' description of the spirit of Christmas present.

Old Scrooge wakes up in the middle of the night and "a strange voice called him by his name, and bade him enter. He obeyed."

"It was his own room. There was no doubt about that. But it had undergone a surprising transformation. The walls and ceiling were so hung with living green, that it looked a perfect grove, from every part of which, bright gleaming berries glistened. The crisp leaves of holly, mistletoe, and ivy reflected back the light, as if so many little mirrors had been scattered there; and such a mighty blaze went roaring up the chimney, as that dull petrifaction of a hearth had never known in Scrooge's time, or Marley's, or for many and many a winter season gone. Heaped up upon the floor, to form a kind of throne, were turkeys, geese, game, poultry, brawn, great joints of meat, sucking-pigs, long wreaths of sausage, mince-pies, plum-puddings, barrels of oysters, red-hot chesnuts, cherry-cheeked apples, juicy oranges, luscious pears, immense twelfth-cakes, and seething bowls of punch, that made the chamber dim with their delicious steam. In easy state upon this couch, there sat a jolly Giant, glorious to see; who bore a glowing torch, in shape not unlike Plenty's horn, and held it up, high up, to shed its light on Scrooge, as he came peeping round the door.

"Come in!" exclaimed the Ghost. "Come in! I am the Ghost of Christmas Present."

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The Ghost takes Scrooge out on the city streets on Christmas morning and...

"The house fronts looked black enough, and the windows blacker, contrasting with the smooth white sheet of snow upon the roofs, and with the dirtier snow upon the ground...The sky was gloomy... There was nothing very cheerful in the climate or the town, and yet was there an air of cheerfulness abroad that the clearest summer air and brightest summer sun might have endeavored to diffuse in vain.

"For the people who were shovelling away on the house-tops were jovial and full of glee; calling out to one another from the parapets, and now and then exchangig a facetious snowball-better-natured missile far than many a wordy jest-laughing heartily if it went right, and not less heartily if it went wrong. The poulterers' shops were still held open, and the fruiterers' were radiant in their glory. There were great, round, pot-bellied baskets of chesnuts, shaped like the waistcoats of jolly old gentlemen, lolling at the doors, and tumbling out into the street in their apoplectic opulence. There were ruddy, brown-faced, broad-girthed Spanish Onions, shining in the fatness of their growth like Spanish Friars; and winking from their shelves in wanton slyness at the girls as they went by, and glanced demurely at the hung-up mistletoe. There were pears and apples, clustered high in blooming pyramids; there were bunches of grapes made, in the shopkeepers' benevolence, to dangle from conspicious hooks, that people's mouth might water gratis as they passed; there were piles of filberts, mossy and brown, recalling, in the their frangrance, ancient walks among the woods, and pleasant shufflings ankle deep through withered leaves; there were Norfolk Biffins, squab and swarthy, setting off the yellow of the oranges and lemons, and, in the great compactness of their juicy persons, urgently entreating and beseeching to be carried home in paper bags and eaten after dinner. The very gold and silver fish, fruits in a bowl, through members of a dull and stagnant-blooded race, appeared to know that there was something going on; and, to a fish, went gasping round and round their little world in slow and passionless excitement...the Grocer and his people were so frank and fresh that the polished hearts with which they fastened their aprons behind might have been their own, worn outside for general inspection, and for Christmas daws to peck at if they chose.

"But soon the steeples called good people all, to church and chapel, and away they came, flocking through the streets in their best clothes, and with their gayest faces..."

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Before we leave you to your Christmas merry making just this bit more. You remember poor, underpaid Bob Cratchit, Scrooge's long-suffering clerk? Dickens describes the Christmas dinner had by Bob's large family. The goose though meager, was eaten with gusto and then came the plum pudding brought in "like a speckled cannon-ball, so hard and firm, blazing in half of a half-a-quarter of ignited brandy, and bedight with Christmas holly stuck into the top.

"Oh, a wonderful pudding Bob Cratchit said, and calmly too, that he regarded it as the greatest success achieved by Mrs. Cratchit since their marriage. Mrs. Cratchit said that now the weight was off her mind, she would confess she had had her doubts about the quantity of flour. Everybody had something to say about it, but nobody said or thought it was at all a small pudding for a large family. It would have been flat heresy to do so. Any Cratchit would have blushed to hint at such a thing.

"At last the dinner was all done, the cloth was cleared, the hearth swept, and the fire made up. The compound in the jug being tasted and considered perfect, apples and oranges were put upon the table, and a shovel-full of chesnuts on the fire. Then all the Cratchit family drew round the hearth, in what Bob Cratchit called a circle, meaning half a one and at Bob Crachit's elbow stood the family display of glass; two tumblers, and a custard-cup without a handle.

"These held the hot stuff from the jug, however, as well as golden goblets, would have done; and Bob served it out with beaming looks while the chesnuts on the fire sputtered and crackled noisily. Then Bob proposed.

" 'A Merry Chrismas to us all, my dear. God bless us!' "

"Which all the family re-echoed."

" 'God bless us every one' said Tiny Tim, the last of all.

The Weather Man Fits Into Your Decorating

By VIVIAN BROWN
AP Newsfeatures Writer

THE TREND to outdoor living has helped make us barometer conscious. So today the trusty weather gadget finds its way into home decor.

Amateur weather forcasting has saved a chic chapeau from sudden showers, and it might forewarn us that the garden party isn't really coming off.

Unusual storms have made the average homemaker more interested in the part the instument can play in daily living. One might even flee an abode before the house floats down stream.

Sailors first brought barometers into the home. After retirement the old salts who had relied on them at sea had to live with them in the home. Aching feet never predicted the weather for those hearty characters.

The instruments have gone through many changes since the 1700's when they were introduced into the home. Nowadays the aneroid type guide might replace the old seafarers mercury tube. New barometers are available in handsome cases to match contemporary or traditional decor, in small or enormous fixtures, of copper or wrought iron or latest wood treatments.

Almost all traditional styles of barometers are on the bando-type — pendant styles with large bulge at the bottom, sometimes round, sometimes tapered. These are ulilitarian as a rule becuase they include thermometers and humidity indicators, and harmonize with any decor.

The ship's wheel is a pleasant hangover from sailing and whaling days. It is still a popular style for den, playroom, library, music room and office, although it can look just as at home in the living room.

Modern interiors have helped revolutionize the barometer. Desk types sometimes are combination clocks, humidity indicators, thermometers. Wall barometers have become streamlined and smaller to accommodate little rooms and small scaled furniture.

Housewives puzzled as to how this little wall unit can forecast weather without having an ache in the knee or big toe, might like to have this conversational tid-bit to stun the dinner guests: The air has weight and we live at the bottom of it. The air becomes lighter and troubled when storms are brewing. The barometer measures the weight of air and can predict an approaching storm by detecting the lighter air. It is as simple as that.

Gold Crown Found By Korean Workers

SEOUL, Korea (AP)—A gold crown adorned with thousands of gems and other articles from a monarchy which began before the dawn of the Christian era have been unearthed near the southeast port of Pusan.

Officials of the National Museum said the articles came from the ancient Sylla dynasty, which lasted for 1,000 years. They were found near Kyongju, capital of the Sylla dynasty.

Road builders came across them in a burial mound. They also found two pairs of gold ear rings, a gold bracelet, a gold necklace, a silver bracelet, an iron pot, bronze ware, an iron sword and several pieces of earthenware.

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1 onion, minced
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1¾ cups sifted flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
⅛ teaspoon salt
6 tablespoons shortening

Mix liver, potatoes and onion together, and season. Sift flour, baking powder and salt together; cut in shortening and when well blended add sufficient water to make dough. Place dough on a floured board and roll out ¼-inch thick. Cut into squares or circles and place a little of the meat mixture on half of each. Fold dough and press edges together. Bake in a slow oven (325 degrees F) about 1 hour.

Serves 4.

If shredded coconut you have stored gets a bit hard, you can soften it by heating it over hot water.

Cut calf's liver into finger-length strips. Toss the liver strips into flour seasoned with salt, pepper, dry mustard and paprika. Fry in butter. Make a thin brown sauce from the drippings in the pan and bouillon and serve over the liver.

For a flavor and color variation in scrambled eggs, add a little tomato juice instead of milk or cream.

Merry Christmas



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Amid the hurry and activity of the holiday season, let us turn again, each to his own church, to pay homage in our own way to Christ our Lord, who gave his name to this Holy season.

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Dunn Baptist, Dunn
Knapp Baptist, Knapp
Union Baptist, Union
Dermott Baptist, Dermott
Fluvanna Baptist, Fluvanna
First Baptist, Fluvanna
Ira Baptist, Ira
Midway Baptist, Midway
Gail Baptist, Gail
China Grove Baptist, China Grove
Canyon Baptist, Canyon

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Guadalupe Catholic Mission, Snyder

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37th Street Church of Christ, Snyder
Avenue R Church of Christ, Snyder
Spanish Church of Christ, Snyder
Fluvanna Church of Christ, Fluvanna
Hermleigh Church of Christ, Hermleigh
Ira Church of Church, Ira
Dunn Church of Christ, Dunn
Gail Church of Christ, Gail

METHODIST

First Methodist, Snyder
Trinity Methodist, Snyder
African Methodist Evangelical, Snyder
Fluvanna Methodist, Fluvanna
Ira Methodist, Ira
Union Methodist, Union
Dermott, Methodist, Dermott
Gail Methodist, Gail
Camp Springs Methodist, Camp Springs
Hermleigh Methodist, Hermleigh
Dunn Methodist, Dunn

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First Presbyterian, Snyder

Army Builds Up Defenses

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Army is giving another boost to the atomic fire power it has deployed along Western Europe's anti-Communist defense line.

It announced last night that six more battalions of Corporal guided missiles will go to Europe during the first four months of the new year.

These weapons, capable of using nuclear explosive warheads and with a range up to about 70 miles, will be added to a growing variety of atomic weapons the ground force already has stationed in Europe.

Army atomic weapons already there include one battalion of Corporal missiles, several batteries of Honest John bombardment rockets and six battalions of 280mm. cannon.

In addition, the Air Force has units of the Matador guided missile—like the Army weapons capable of carrying nuclear warheads—and hundreds of aircraft designed to use tactical atomic bombs on the battlefield.

All six of the Corporal missile battalions will leave from Ft. Bliss, Tex., where they have been organizing and training for months.

The Corporal is a semiguided missile. It follows a radar beam during the first phase of its flight. Then, when it is headed correctly, it proceeds like any ballistic projectile—on a high, curving arc, without further guidance, to the target.

Strike Vote To Be Taken

CORSICANA (AP)—A strike vote among employes of the Oil City Iron Plant will be taken in union meetings Tuesday.

The recently organized workers and the company have been unable to agree on a contract after three weeks of talks. The workers voted to have the CIO United Steel Workers as their bargaining agent.

The National Labor Relations Board supervised the election at the plant Oct. 27. The company has about 170 workers.

Jessie Robinson, district representative of the union, said the company had made no offers to improve working conditions, provide job security or set up other employes benefits.

Herman Roberts, head of the plant, said "We're doing the best we can to reach an agreement."

Bridle Trails Needed For Comeback Of Horse

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—The Oregon Horsemen's Assn. says the horse is making such a comeback that the state highway commission has been asked to do something about providing bridle trails along public roads and in parks.

A. W. Oliver of Oregon State College reports that horsemanship is one of the most rapidly growing projects in 4-H club work with 714 members in 33 clubs in the state. Some 60 per cent of the members are girls, Oliver says.

In The Doghouse

NEW BRITAIN, Conn. (AP)—Three patrolmen had to rip the roof off a doghouse to arrest Henry Maselbas, 38, on a breach of the peace charge entered by his wife. Maselbas was hiding in the house.

All Washed Up

DALLAS, Tex. (AP)—Police said this was a clean case of theft: the loot was a bathtub from a house under construction.



A Merry Christmas

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holiday GREETINGS

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The Fair Store
Northeast Corner Of Square

Weapons Provided To Whip Two Killers And Cripplers

By ALTON L. BLAKESLEE
Associated Press Science Reporter

Parents in 1955 reveived the weapons to prevent polio and rheumatic fever—two major killers and cripplers of their children.

The Salk polio vaccine worked safely and effectively against paralytic polio. By year's end, it was officially judged 80 per cent or more effective in preventing paralytic polio, even when children had received only one shot. Authorities expressed confidence the full course of three shots would shoot the percentage up much more.

This verdict was based upon careful detective work to learn exactly what happened last summer to more than 6 million vaccinated children, compared with those not vaccinated. The detective work weeded out "reported" polio which later was found to be some other illness, pinned down whether paralysis actually resulted from polio illness.

The program stumbled and sputtered over tragic misfortunes in the spring. But safety standards immediately were tightened, and not since May had any vaccination been associated with causing a case of polio. Production problems were solved which, experts predicted, would make an increasing supply of vaccine available before the 1956 polio season.

But equally or more important was the weapon to conquer and prevent rheumatic fever. This disease undoubtedly had killed and crippled more children than polio. Polio attracted more attention partly because it struck in terrorizing epdiemics and left obvious crippling in its wake.

Rheumatic fever, equally insidious, brought sieges of fever, aching joints and—too often and too tragically—damage to the valves and muscle of the heart. Heart-crippled children died by thousands from this killer, or too often lived shortened, sheltered lives.

Medical detectives found rheumatic fever was somehow triggered off by attacks of certain "strep" germs, especially the kind causing strep sore throat. A few weeks after the strep infection, 3 to 5 per cent of children and sometimes adults, developed rheumatic fever. One attack made the child more susceptible to future and more damaging sieges of the fever.

The weapon for prevention was antibiotics, especially penicillin, or sulfa drugs, to knock out the strep infection quickly.

Even the FIRST attack of rheumatic fever could usually be prevented by alertness to detect and knock out strep infections.

The American Heart Association, launching just such a campaign in 1955, listed these as danger signals of strep infection.

Did the sore throat come on suddenly? Does it hurt most when the child swallows? Does it hurt below the angle of his jaw when you press your fingers there gently? Are glands there swollen? Does he have a fever (101 to 104 especially). Does he have headache? Is he nauseated or has he vomited? Has he been exposed to anyone with scarlet fever or sore throat?

Children also will benefit from research reporting much improved results in combatting nephrosis, a severe kidney disease, through combined use of the hormones ACTH and cortisone.

Children will benefit in time from research advancing the goal of controlling the common cold; from new drugs for epilepsy; an improved vaccine against mumps; intensified research to find causes and treatments for muscular dystrophy, cerebral palsy, and mental illnesses.

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Sweater Is Popular For Any Season

BY DOROTHY ROE
Associated Press Women's Editor

Probably the most popular single item of feminine American apparel, year in and year out, is the sweater.

Just when it seems the vogue must have reached its peak, and a slump in interest is due, the designers come up with a new idea and the perennial favorite is off and runnin' again.

This year the bulky rib - knit sweater, unexpectedly trimmed with jewels, is making news as a top item for Christmas giving and winter resort wear. The bulky look in sweaters arrived in full force last season, with the vogue of the Italian look, and it is still going strong.

Women have found the casual look of a white rib-knit sweater in either brief bolero or longer coat style, just the right touch for either sports or dress - up clothes, especially for country or resort. Now the bejewelled sweater styles look new and gay, adding a festive note to almost any costume.

Other favorites in the sweater lineup include plain or decorated cashmeres, often dyed to match skirts, and the new, easily washable and budget priced orlons, that look like cashmere at 10 paces.

Comfortable Living Marks American Homes During '55

BY VIVIAN BROWN
AP Newsfeatures Writer

Nineteen fifty-five was the year when home became a personal affair. Junior had his Davy Crockett room or favorite sports decor. Little League baseball rugs went to the floor. The den returned and ottomans and lounging chairs were best sellers.

King-size parakeet cages gave evidence of the great fancy for the bird and some homemakers had their homes decorated in parakeet colors or in harmonizing hues. The parakeet's tribe increased.

Furniture was built not only for comfort but also for convenience. Fold-up dinette tables and easily cleaned removable upholstery were two more items to make life easier for the housekeeper. Frank Lloyd Wright produced his long awaited furniture designs with that theme in mind, too—no hardware appeared on any of his furniture pieces. They were space savers too.

Kitchen appliances continued to break the bankroll because who could resist them? The all-in-one washing and drying maching grew popular and colored appliances a new lift to the life of the weary chef. Small appliances such as broiling units made cooking a joy many housewives. A new electronic range guaranteed that plates of food could be heated without the plate becoming hot. It would cook bacon in three minutes, roasts in ten. The electric pressure cooker simplified cooking ever so much more with its automatic shut-offs.

Day beds that looked like sofas in French Provincial or 18th century design were introduced. Some sofas looked like day beds.

The bathroom took on new interest with wash basins set in Directoire and other decorative cabinets. New bathrooms had definite lady appeal too with build-in vanity tables the order of the day. Tile was big news, again in bathrooms not only on walls and floors but also on the ceiling.

Every conceivable thing went to the floor in "55 cotton, rayon, nylon and wool carpets and mixtures of all of them. The area rug was a top favorite, with bare shiny floors played up. Sometimes it was rubber, vinyl or asphalt that took to cover, other times hardwood was played up and waxed to the shine of a dragon's tooth. Ceramic tile became a kitchen favorite.

Outdoors took on glamor, too, with emphasis on dining and playing. More weather resistant furniture made a debut. Cushions for outdoor comfort were colorful adaptions of indoor types. Lighting became dramatic, with the average garden spotted like a Hollywood movie set. When electric wiring was absent, candle torches blazed a lovely garden path.

Color made more headway and gave designers, manufacturers and decorators more leeway. It was definitely not a year for the unimaginative.

Wonderful broiled chicken: rub the surface of a cut-up broiling chicken with lemon juice. Add 4 teaspoons each of salt and sugar to a quarter cup of melted butter; stir in a teaspoon of paprika and a dash of white peper. Coat the chicken pieces with the butter mixture. Broil slowly, turning.

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COLUMBUS, Ga. (AP) — In the 1870's Grandpa C. H. Dudley cut down some longleaf Southern pine trees on his plantation. Through the years the wood has aged beautifully as part of a factory building.

Now his Grandson A. H. Dudley has purchased the aged logs from the razed factory and is using lumber for paneling and flooring in his new home.

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BATTLE FOR SENATE SEAT EXPECTED—Walter F. George, left, U. S. Senator from Georgia for 33 years, has announced that he will seek re-election in 1956. Although George is the only candidate to announce thus far, it appears that former Governor Herman Talmadge, right, will challenge the 77-year-old George, who hasn't had a serious threat to his Senate seat since 1938.

Public Records

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED:

Domingo Gutierrez Galindo, 20, route 1, and Jesale Jalomo Guzman, 18, Knapp, Dec. 16.

William Dee Myers, 20, route 1, and Wanda Lou Powledge, 17, Snyder, Dec. 17.

Kenneth Roosevelt Cole, 30, route 3, and Barbara Lynn Cole, 25, 3805 Muriel Drive, Dec. 19.

Jesus Albarez, 19, route 2, and Anita Pena, 18, route 2, Dec. 19.

Lawson Oneal Thomason, 19, Ira, and Jo Ann Erwin, 20, Colthert, Dec. 20.

DIVORCES GRANTED:

Wanda Ann Colbert vs. Don F. Colbert, Dec. 15.

FILED IN CIVIL DISTRICT COURT:

W. Prentis Bass vs. John S. Vernor, breach of contract, Dec. 15.

WARRANTY DEEDS RECORDED:

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Goss and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Goss to Terry Holt, tract 20 feet by 195 feet in northeast quarter of section 182-3-H&GN, Dec. 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Parker to Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Carter, lot 10, block E, Highland Park addition, except minerals, Dec. 14.

F. W. Digby-Roberts to James A. Clark, lot 10, block 17, W. L. Gross subdivision of Scarborough addition, Dec. 14.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Compton to Kenner Lumber Co., one-third undivided interest in surface only, lot 1 and south 5 feet of lot 2, block A, West Ridge addition, and 0.85 acres in southwest corner of four-acre tract in section 250-97-H&TC, Dec. 15.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Compton to Jay Tate, one-third undivided interest in surface only, lot 1 and south 5 feet of lot 2, block A, West Ridge addition; and 0.85 acres in southwest corner of four-acre tract in section 250-97-H&TC, Dec. 15.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Compton, Jay Tate, and Kenner Lumber Co. to Albert W. Addison, lot 1 and south 5 feet of lot 2, block A, West Ridge addition, and 0.85 acres in southwest corner of four-acre tract in section 250-97-H&TC, Dec. 15.

Dr. and Mrs. J. O. Broaddus to Simon S. Steinberg, tract 151 feet by 180 feet out of 38-acre tract in survey 153-3-H&GN, with mineral reservations, Dec. 15.

Eva Stevenson, Bexar County; Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bullock, Mitchell County; Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Werner, Mitchell County; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Scott, Tom Green County; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson, Scurry County; and Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Appleton, Dallas County, to J. J. Henry, south 50 feet of lot 1, south 50 feet of lot 2, and south 50 feet of lot 3, block 25, Town of Hermleigh, Dec. 16.

Jearld Smith to Mr. and Mrs. Joe D. Bowers, lot 4, Smith replat of block 66, Grayum & Nelson second addition, Dec. 17.

Walter Hales to Jearld Smith, lot 4, Smith replat of block 66, Grayum & Nelson second addition, Dec. 17.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Chandler to Edith I. Holt and Everett J. Holt, lot 1, block 39, Original Town of Snyder, Dec. 17.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Dumas to Personality Homes, lot 6, block 2, Noble Heights addition, except minerals, Dec. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. V. K. Benson to Mr. and Mrs. Cleatus Byrd, tract 726 feet by 900 feet out of section 147-3-H&GN, with mineral reservations, Dec. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Franklin Butler to Mr. and Mrs. Ike Ellis, lot 11, block A, Highland Park addition, except minerals, Dec. 20.

NEW VEHICLES REGISTERED:

Dorris E. Graves from Snyder Sales Co., 1956 Ford two-door, Dec. 14.

Frank Roemisch from Chiefton Pontiac, 1956 Pontiac four-door, Dec. 14.

T. P. Allen from Caperton Bros., 1956 Ford pickup, Dec. 14.

M. M. Mapes from Caperton Bros., 1956 Chevrolet four-door, Dec. 14.

J. M. Newton from Williamson & Sons, 1955 Mercury four-door, Dec. 14.

Gober Drilling Co., Long Beach, Cal., from Elland Motor Co., 1956 Cadillac coupe, Dec. 15.

W. J. Turner from Bickerstaff Buick Co., 1956 Buick four-door, Dec. 15.

Donald E. Ogle from Pollard Motor Co., 1955 Plymouth four-door, Dec. 15.

Wayne Durham & Co., Abilene, from Bickerstaff Buick Co., 1956 Buick four-door, Dec. 15.

E. E. Dudley from Snyder Sales Co., 1956 Ford four-door, Dec. 15.

J. W. Clawson from Lamb Chevrolet Co., 1956 Chevrolet four-door, Dec. 15.

Howard Bancroft, Roscoe, from Roy V. Lashaway Trailer Sales, 1956 Schult house-trailer, Dec. 16.

R. A. Looney, Odessa, from Davidson Motor Co., 1956 Plymouth four-door, Dec. 16.

Clifford W. Hale from Sears Roebuck & Co., 1955 Allstate motorcycle, Dec. 17.

Rhodes Welding Co. from Odessa Motor Co., Odessa, 1956 GMC truck, Dec. 17.

Wiley H. Holley, Big Spring, from Lamb Chevrolet Co., 1956 Chevrolet two-door, Dec. 17.

Republic Supply Co. from Lamb Chevrolet Co., 1956 Chevrolet two-door, Dec. 19.

Harry G. Ecle from Lamb Chevrolet Co., 1956 Chevrolet four-door, Dec. 19.

Wilbur L. Ellis from Dupree Nash Co., 1956 Nash four-door, Dec. 19.

K. E. Holcomb from Elland Motor Co., 1956 Oldsmobile four-door, Dec. 19.

Raymond House from Pollard Motor Co., 1955 Chrysler, Dec. 19.

Leonard W. Winslett from Snyder Sales Co., 1956 Ford four-door, Dec. 19.

Grimmett Bros. from Snyder Sales Co., 1956 Ford sedan, Dec. 19.

Zerepha G. Sashaway from Snyder Sales Co., 1956 Ford four-door, Dec. 19.

Orlando Forgtti from Williamson & Sons, 1956 Mercury four-door, Dec. 19.

Buell Lewis from Williamson & Sons, 1956 Mercury two-door, Dec. 19.

Earl Spill from Lamb Chevrolet Co., 1956 Chevrolet four-door, Dec. 19.

Grady Sellers from Lamb Chevrolet Co., 1956 Chevrolet sport sedan, Dec. 19.

Martin Parks from Chiefton Pontiac, 1956 Pontiac four-door, Dec. 19.

John Lynch from Lamb Chevrolet Co., 1956 Chevrolet four-door, Dec. 19.

Barbara Dean from Dupree Nash Co., 1956 Nash four-door, Dec. 20.

H. B. Walker from Snyder Sales Co., 1956 Ford sedan, Dec. 20.

E. G. Browning from Lamb Chevrolet Co., 1955 Chevrolet pickup, Dec. 20.

Ike Snead from Lamb Chevrolet Co., 1956 Chevrolet club coupe, Dec. 20.

Caprock Materials Co. from Lamb Chevrolet Co., 1955 Chevrolet truck, Dec. 20.

Safe For Life

COLUMBIA, S. C. (AP)—Safe cracking has been designated a major crime in South Carolina. The legislature enacted a law providing a mandatory life sentence for persons convicted for safe cracking, and a maximum of 10 years if a jury recommends mercy.

Family Birthday

DENVER (AP)—It's family tradition. Bill Blank was celebrating his 28th birthday and his wife Marilyn her 25th, when young Stephen Gary got in the act by arriving two weeks early. Stephen is the couple's first child.

Snow Brings Blessing To Montana Newspaper

BOZEMAN, Mont. (AP)—When the Bozeman Daily Chronicle started its move to new quarters, a heavy snow threatened to stall the transfer of bulky linotypes and other equipment.

But publisher G. Nicholas Ifft III says the snow was a blessing in disguise. The linotypes were loaded on broad wooden runners and sledded easily and quickly to the new building.

Sherry is the only wine whose taste is not marred by tobacco smoke.

Santa To Be Only Man At Texas Event

WHITEFACE (AP)—Santa Claus is the only man expected today for the Christmas celebration at Girlstown, U.S.A.

Otherwise the Yuletide observance of one of the most unique families in the world will try to follow the traditions—modified by feminine whim and whimsy, of course.

The comfortable and modern ranchhouse built to give homeless girls a home has been a busy place since the first Sunday after Thanksgiving. That was the day the younger ones wrote their letters to Santa Claus.

Two weeks ago all girls past 12 searched the surrounding pastures of the Cochran County ranchland for Christmas decorations. They came up with sagebrush, yuccas, cat-claw and other native growths.

A true West Texas Christmas tree stands in the modern dining room—a large cat-claw bush decored with gum drops.

In the living room are four other decorated Christmas trees—one for each age group of girls.

Miss Amelia Anthony, founder, director and guiding spirit of Girlstown, originated the names for the four groups of girls. Those under school age are "small fry." The first three grades in school are the "dirty dozen." The girls from 10 to 13 are the "danglers." Those past 13 are simply "my big lugs."

The first part of the Christmas celebration began last night. After the regular Bible study period, the girls presented their Christmas eve program.

"They have a free hand in planning this and must be on their own," said Miss Anthony.

Tomorrow morning will be gay at Girlstown.

"This is the first time in our history that Christmas has come on Sunday so we will have to rise early so that we can each make our own individual church on time," Miss Anthony said.

By early Miss Anthony means 5 a.m.

"We have a very beautiful individual Christmas present for each girl with her name on the lovely gift wrapping. This is possible through the Beta Sigma Phi sorority throughout the nation," she said.

Co-Op Loans Approved For Stamford, Roby

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Rural Electrification Administration has approved loans for electric co-ops in Stamford and Roby, Tex.

A loan of $890,000 was approved to the Stamford Electric Cooperative to finance 123 miles of lines for 450 new rural consumers.

The Midwest Electric Cooperative of Roby got $420,000 to help finance 66 miles of lines for 300 subscribers.

Lonely Dad Helps Youth

DENVER (AP) — A lonely father wrote a letter to the Rocky Mountain News and enclosed $5. The letter read in part:

"Dear Mr. Editor: Would you please select for me (your own choosing) some deserving young man (age 12 or 14 years) as recipient of this $5?

"You must understand that this small gift is heartfelt.

"I did not walk with my little son as dads should.

"I've missed holding his hand.

"I've felt the loss of him—maybe too much. But I've held on somehow and through the graces of a higher power came through the horrors of alcohol.

"I thank God for nine months of sobriety. I live each day now solely for sobriety.

"I am trying to make amends in some grateful way to those that I took through hell with me. . . ."

The letter was signed "Someone."

The Denver newspaper enlisted the aid of city welfare officials. Through them, it located 13-year-old Arthur J. Nanstiel, one of seven children of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nanstiel. The youngster had wanted to buy a Christmas gift for his mother, but was without money.

Now, through the help of a father trying to redeem himself, Mrs. Nanstiel will have that gift.

Police Hunt Tough Burglar In Madison

MADISON, Wis. (AP)—Madison police are looking for a burglar who is very rugged or else has a broken leg.

A thief entered a Madison grocery store in the nighttime through a high window and then dropped 16 feet down a stairwell. When he hit, he broke off a bottom stair. But the burglar still was in good enough shape to make off through another window with $189 in cash.

Golden eagles have been reported with wing spreads of more than seven feet.

Food Parcels Saved For Use In Future

HONG KONG (AP)—Ingenuity of Hong Kong Chinese farmers was displayed when food parcels were distributed by Christian agencies in Hong Kong.

In each parcel was pound of beans.

Instead of eating the beans, the farmers have planted them and are now waiting for a crop.

Stealing From Babies

CANTON, Ohio (AP)—Now they're stealing diapers from babies. Somebody took 40 diapers from the doorstep of a house where they had been left by a driver for a diaper service.

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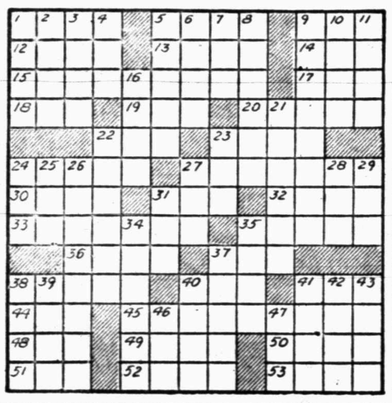
1. Musical ending
5. Dismounted
9. Ship's timber curve
12. Roman poet
13. Scold
14. Mark aimed at in curling
15. Fruit
17. Grape
18. Sooner than
19. Female rabbit
20. Shut out
22. In behalf of
23. Seasoning
24. Oral
27. Execute by strangling
30. Enclosed field
31. Utter
32. Algerian seaport
33. Restaurant show
35. Wild buffaloes
36. Culture medium
37. Bitter vetch
38. Communion plate
40. Land measure
41. Gauzy fabric
44. Swiss canton
45. Lay waste
48. Decimal number
49. Sources of metal
50. Press
51. Droop
52. Mud
53. Be undecided

DOWN

1. Vestment
2. Across
3. Terrible
4. Public notices
5. Protective covering
6. Halt
7. Japanese statesman
8. Part of a locomotive
9. Obstinate
10. Russian river
11. Period of time
16. False god
21. Blunders
22. Search for food
23. Dried grass
24. Moccasin
25. Turkish officer
26. Discounting
27. Channel
28. Japanese pagoda
29. Type measures
31. Weight of India
34. Haphazard
35. God of war
37. Obliterate
38. Places
39. Surface
40. Declare
41. Merchandise
42. English school
43. Curve
46. Silkworm
47. Point



Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle





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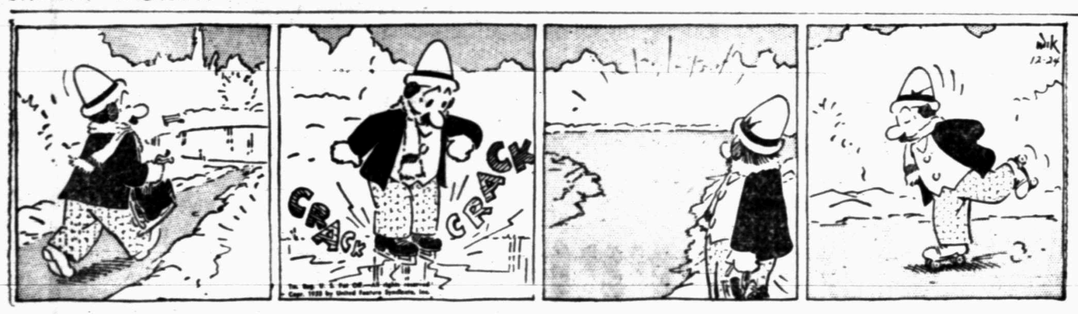
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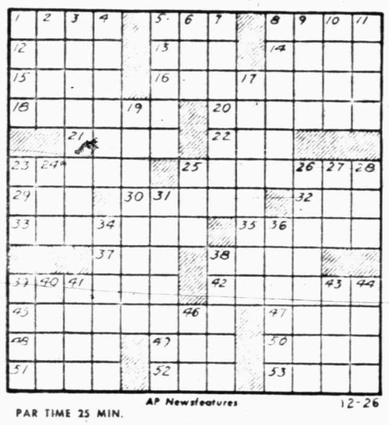
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1. Mix
5. Armed strife
8. Soap-frame bar
12. Attitude
13. Frozen dessert
14. Send out
15. Cupid
16. Positive
18. Mislead
20. Turkish inn
21. Word of termination
22. Insect egg
23. Ceremonies
25. Shooting stars
29. American author
30. Music drama
32. Turmeric
33. Small medal
35. Bracing
37. Spoiled
38. Rail
39. Layers
42. Vagabonds
45. Show
47. Players
48. Military assistant
49. Black liquid
50. Grafted: her.
51. Throw lightly
52. Transgress
53. Worry

DOWN

1. Hurried
2. Ripped
3. Detached
4. Take up again
5. Broaden
6. Single thing
7. Purifier
8. Legislative body
9. Turkish title
10. Local position
11. Proofreader's mark
17. Ape
19. Woebegone
23. Male sheep
24. Fish
25. Was introduced
26. Decoration
27. Portuguese coin
28. Pouch
31. Precisionists in teaching
34. Lessens
36. Speechifies
38. Back of a vessel
39. Small quarrel
40. Set of three
41. Russians
43. Head
44. Merganser
46. Cebine monkey



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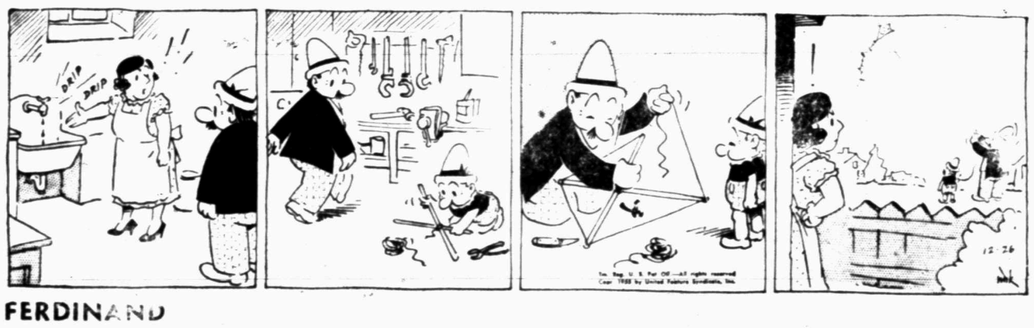
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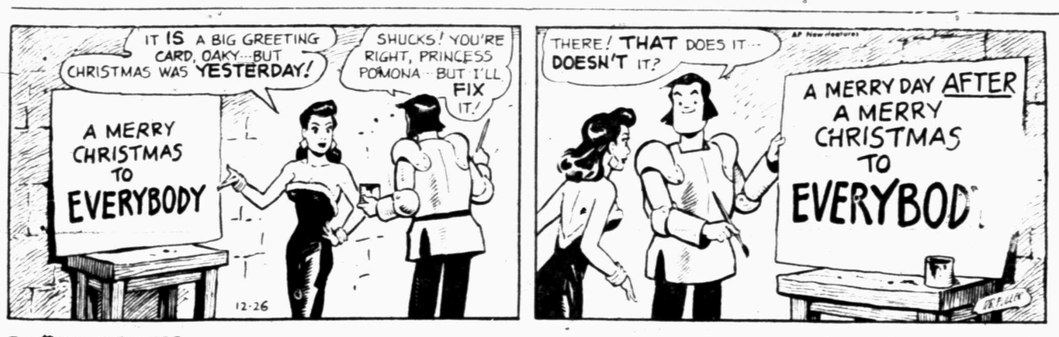
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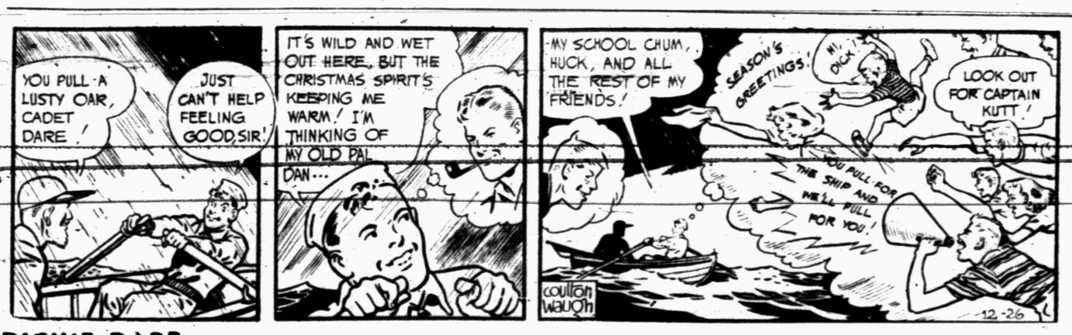
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THE W. K. BIGHAM & SONS HOUSE MOVING CO. STORY



G. W. BIGHAM, OWNER, AND NEWLY PURCHASED TRUCK

The story of the progress and development of the W. K. Bigham & Sons House Moving Co. in West Texas to one of the nation's leading house moving firms is one of many surprises to persons not familiar with the progressive concern.

One of the surprises of the Snyder branch of the concern which is operated by Gerrel W. Bigham, one of five Bigham brothers who operate house moving firms in West Texas towns, is that since the Snyder branch was opened in Sept. 1949, it has moved more than 1,200 houses into or out of Scurry County, or within the county or city of Snyder.

That is an average of more than 200 house moves per year.

During the boom Snyder was almost doubled in size by houses from other towns in this area, although many of the houses were small ones no longer here because they have been moved out again by the same firm.

Many of the first houses moved here were prefabricated houses built in Lubbock and transported to Snyder, and are still used as residences here and have a long future of such use.

Bigham said that most of the smaller houses and buildings moved here to help handle the boom crowd have been moved away to other towns to help accomodate oil boom conditions, but that many have also been moved to Lake J. B. Thomas to be used as lake cabins.

The firm of W. K. Bigham & Sons was started in LeFors, Tex., in 1927, by W. K. Bigham, who is still active head of the firm, although he has turned much of the work over to his five sons.

"Moving a house in 1927 was a difficult task becuase the equipment available for use then was capable of only slow moving of light hauls," the Snyder owner-manager said.

"Today we use the latest equipment available and even the largest houses or buildings can be moved quickly for hundreds of miles," he said.

Since the original Bigham House Moving firm was opened in LeFors in 1927, the firm has expanded to cover all of West Texas.

The founder of the firm and his youngest son, Melvin Bigham still operate the firm in LeFors and the four other sons operate similar concerns in four other towns.

In the order of their ages they are: C. L. Bigham at Pampa, C. H. Bigham at Lubbock, G. W. Bigham at Snyder, and L. C. Bigham at Dallas. L. C. Bigham is presently working with a house moving firm at Dallas, but during the last week of this year which is next week, he will open a house moving company in a West Texas town.

Technology in the art of house moving has progressed along with the expansion of the firm and the improvement in equipment used by the firm.

"We can move any type house without damage to the building, and put it back on a new foundation and the house will be good for as many more years in the new location as it would have been in the original location," Bigham said.

He added that many times the new foundation extends the life of the house because old foundations were inadequate, or have deteriorated to where they no longer support the house as they should.

An example of the size of houses which can be successfully moved by the firm is one moved last week in Big Spring to make way for a new building for the Big Spring Daily Herald. The house was a two-story frame house with outside dimensions of 50 feet by 70 feet, and was moved from over a basement.

To make the move more difficult it had to be backed up an eight-foot bank to get it to the new location, and part of the top of the house had to be removed to clear utility lines under which it passed.

Even larger buildings have been moved by the firm, and beams up to 100 feet in lenghth are used as part of the equipment of the frim enabling them to move buildings 100 feet long.

"Size or weight of the building offers no handicap to moving it now, although some buildings have to be cut into different parts to be moved," Bigham said.

One such building moved on contract by Bigham for construction firm was the office of the Humble Oil & Refining Co., production district in Southwest Snyder. The building had to be cut into three peices to be moved here from Stanton.

Just as house movng is the mainstay of the W. K. Bigham & Sons concern, it necessarily follows that foundation work would be a natural sideline, and it is.

"It seems to us that we have leveled almost every house in Snyder since coming here," Bigham siad.

"Levelling a house, regardless of the type foundation used in it is an easy job, and one which most houses built in Snyder need after they have been lived in a few years," he said.

As the firm has expanded its services to West Texas it has kept abrest of times by the purchase of new equipment to do the best job possible. This year the firm has purchased two 1956 model International diesel trucks, one 1955 Auto Car tandem-rear-axle truck,

Insurance is carried on all moves made by the firm to protect their cusomers, and compensation insurance is carried on all employes of the firm to protect them in case of accident.



50" x 70" HOUSE BEING MOVED BY BIGHAM

THE CHUCK WAGON RESTAURANT STORY

Long experience and a desire to please his customers has made the story of R. W. (Chunk) Burney and the story of the Chuck Wagon Restaurant an interesting success story of Snyder.

Burney has owned and operated the Chuck Wagon since Jan. 1, 1948, but his experience as a restauranteur goes back long past the date.

Twenty-five years ago Burney purshased his first restaurant and operated if for five years. That was in Phoenix, Ariz. After operating that restaurant for five years, Burney sold it and purchased another in Phoenix, which he operated for another five years.

His more than 10 years experience as a restaurant operator prior to World War II has been reflected in the successful operation of the Chuck Wagon here in his home town.

Actually Snyder is not the place of Burney's birth, but he came at the age of three years, and he considers Snyder his home town.

Operating a cafe successfully is a full time job which requires more than just a knowledge of how to prepare and serve food—it involves a knowledge and anticipation of what customers are going to wish to eat every day.

"And even the weather conditons have a big influence on what kind of food a person's apetite will call for," Burney said.

To keep up with the wide variety of foods his customers will desire Burney has built his restaurant around the idea of always being prepared to serve each individual customer exactly the kind of food he will want, and when he wants it.

The Chuck Wagon has a large walk-in cold storage vault in which Burney always stocks from eight to 15 loins of beef which are permitted to age in the vault until they are at the "just right" point before being cut up and prepared for serving to customers.

"Aging of beef and other meats is an important step in its preparation, just as important as the proper cooking of the meat just before serving," Burney said.

Most cafes and restaurants lack the facilities to age their meats, and are forced to purchase and serve meats slaughtered only a few days before.



THE CHUCK WAGON RESTAURANT

Details such as aging the meats before cooking have made the Chuck Wagon's kitchen which descriminating customers know they can depend upon to always find the best of foods.

Another thing which customers of the Chuck Wagon like is the fact that the people who serve them their food are not strangers to them.

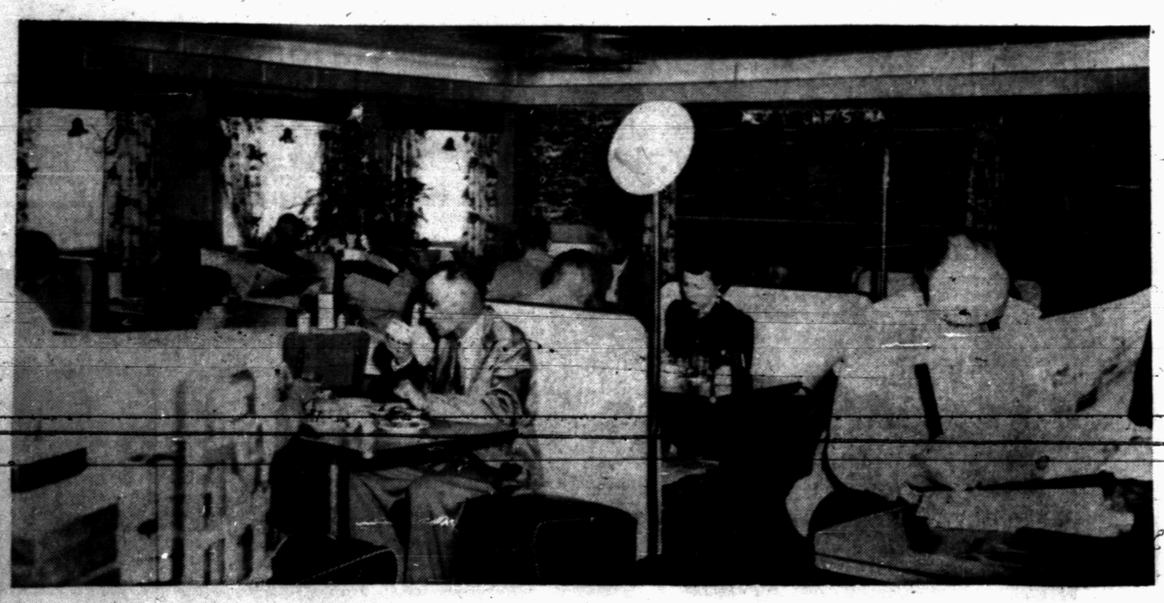
"All of the waitresses in the Chuck Wagon have been here more than a year," Burney said.

Waitresses for the Chuck Wagon are Greta Lewis, Emma Gordon, Ruby Mackenzie, and Alice Evans.

Pleasing his customers has made the Chuck Wagon a successful cafe operation, and a growing one.

When Burney purchased the Chuck Wagon it was a drive-in type restaurant with an inside seating capacity of only 40 persons. Now it has comfortable seating for more than 80 persons.

The Chuck Wagon opens at 5 o'clock each morning and closes at midnight—except for traditionally closing each Christmas day.



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