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On The BEAM

By J. W. King, Sr.

We read somewhere the other day that farms are getting bigger and the farm population is getting smaller each year. A smaller farm population means that the small towns that have in the past been the market and supply center for farmers of the surrounding area will have to expand its sphere of influence or face an increasingly smaller volume of business. There is no other way except to quit business.

Loraine has survived on a territory that has been too small in area for years. Since many farms in our territory have been abandoned by small farmers our decreasing farm population is one of our major problems. Some will tell you that a family can't make a living on a small farm in this age of mechanized farming. To this I will agree if the small family size farms continue the "one money crop" system of farming.

T. E. L. Class Christmas Party

The annual Christmas dinner party for members of the T. E. L. Sunday School class and their guests was held at the fellowship hall of the Baptist Church Thursday evening, Dec. 12. The tables were placed in U shape and were laid with white cloth and held decorations of pyracantha berries, a small silver tree trimmed with red balls surrounded by pyracantha berries and pine cones. Candles were burning at various places on the table.

Mrs. W. H. Riden, president of the class, welcomed the guests and Mrs. Ray Preston responded. Dan Butler gave the invocation. The dinner of baked turkey and all the trimmings was served cafeteria style. Following the meal Mrs. Howard Tartt sang Star of the East, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. A. R. Miles. Mrs. Hal Bennett gave the devotional, using Luke 2:8-20 as the basis. Ray Preston gave a prayer. Mrs. W. C. Rogers read the class history written in rhyme. Rev. W. D. Green gave the closing prayer. Following the program Mrs. J. W. King directed several games. Present were Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Green, Messrs and Mmes Hal Bennett, J. W. King, Dan Butler, W. M. Teeters, Edwin Hallmark, E. O. Walker, Henry Neill, W. C. Rogers, Ray Preston, Richard Phillips, Mmes Bobby Rine, Otella Wilson, Henry Riden, A. R. Miles, Grady Furlow, Alfred Kidd, Mattie Herm, Howard Tartt.

HONORED ON BIRTHDAY
Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Furlow, Jr. were assisted by the Harris Hamiltons when they entertained Friday night, Dec. 13, complimenting their daughter Joyce Lynn on her 12th birthday. As guests arrived they assembled on the front lawn and took part in shooting firecrackers, Roman candles and other fireworks. As they entered the party rooms they drew candy sacks which gave their places around the bingo table. After playing bingo they were invited into the den and Mrs. Furlow lighted the twelve candles on the beautiful decorated cake. As Joyce Lynn blew out the candles the group sang the happy birthday song. Guests stood by to admire the birthday gifts as Joyce Lynn opened them, after which refreshments of ice cream, cake and Cokes were served. The Furlow home was festive and gay in its holiday decor, a fit setting for a December birthday celebration. Those enjoying the happy occasion with Joyce Lynn were Cindy Mahon, Loretta Tartt, Carla Britton, Charla Hamilton, Linda Ross, Ruth Cornutt, Judy McDaniel, Barbara Doyle, Don Small, Jim Marcum, Wayne Wallingsford, Harold Ray Preston, Danny Cain, Stanley Moore, Harold Brewer, Kenneth Reed, Manuel Galvan, Dwight Harrison.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS
Connie Liles, Marge Lou Thompson and Landis Finley, students at Abilene Christian College, came in last weekend for a three-week Christmas holiday with their parents. They will return for classes Jan. 3. Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Horton and Dana Ruth and Patsy Bristo of Ackerly visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Horton, Tuesday night.

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WAS SEALS

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Cotton Yard Fire Destroys 28 Bales Ten Other Bales Badly Damaged

Fire of undetermined origin last Thursday afternoon completely destroyed 28 bales of cotton and severely damaged at least ten more before being brought under control by the Loraine Volunteer Fire Department.

Lynn Hamilton, public weigher said the fire started in the South-east corner of the yard in a bale that had been in the yard a week and a strong wind spread it rapidly to other bales.

BAND CONCERT FRIDAY MORNING AT GYM

Bob Newman, director of the Loraine High School Band, announced Wednesday that the Christmas Concert will be given this year on Friday, Dec. 20, at 10:30 a. m. in the gymnasium. The concert will feature both the high school and beginning bands in an assorted program of popular music.

Christmas Party For Primary Dept.

The primary department of the First Baptist Church Sunday School will have a Christmas party in the fellowship hall Sunday, Dec. 15 at 2:30 p. m. The center of interest was the decorated Christmas tree. While the guests were arriving, Mrs. Rex McDaniel played Christmas carols.

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Farmers Approve Cotton Quotas for 58

Although the vote was very light, farmers of Mitchell County joined with others over the cotton producing states to overwhelmingly approve cotton quotas for 1958.

Lions Christmas Party Friday Night

Members of the Loraine Lions Club will entertain their ladies and guests from the Hermleigh Lions Club at a Christmas party Thursday night, Dec. 19, at the Lions Den.

Texas Almanac Has Much Data

In a swift-changing nation, Texas is setting the pace in economic expansion, according to facts and figures presented in the Texas Almanac for 1958-59, which has just been published by The Dallas Morning News.

Senior Class Has Christmas Party

The Dr. Bruce Johnson home was beautifully decorated in holiday motifs when the senior class members and their sponsors were entertained with a dinner and party there Monday night, December 16.

Cemetery Funds Are Needed Now

"During the Christmas season would be a good time to make your contribution toward the upkeep of the cemetery," said the members of the cemetery committee this week.

Colorado City Man Charged With Murder

Refugio Martinez, 29, was charged with murder Monday in Colorado City in connection with the Sunday morning shooting of Liberio Garcia, 41.

Positions Open In State Police

Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, announced today that applications will be accepted until mid-January from young men interested in becoming state policemen.

Companion Class Christmas Party

The Companion Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church held their annual Christmas dinner in the home of Mrs. J. C. Hall, Sr. Thursday, Dec. 12, at noon with 13 members and one visitor present.

Gins Take 2 Days For Christmas

After two or three weeks of being snowed under with cotton the three Loraine gins will be closed two days, December 24 and 25, for Christmas. Their customers are asked to please remember they will be closed on these two days.

Gin Report

The past two weeks of pretty weather has caused cotton to pour into the gins at a rapid rate. The gins have run around the clock and have managed to keep only a day or two behind. The damp weather this week has slowed the harvest as most of the cotton is now being gathered by strippers.

READY CLASS HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The home of Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Green was decked in Christmas decorations when Mrs. Green entertained her Sunday School class at their annual Christmas tree party Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 17.

Mrs. W. Butler Honored At Tea

Mrs. Wimberley Butler, nee Miss Ruth Coon, was complimented at a gift tea at the home of Mrs. Clyde Smith Saturday afternoon, Dec. 14.

Have Apartment Or House To Rent?

If you have a furnished apartment or house for rent you should be running a classified ad in the paper. Hardly a day passes without someone inquiring if we have any apartments or houses listed in our classified for rent column. Most of them are workers on road and other projects in this section.

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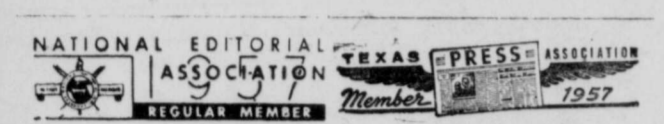
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CHURCH NEWS

BETHEL W. M. U.
The Bethel W. M. U. met Friday in the home of Mrs. Cullen Albert Scarborough. Leroy Corbett was in an all-day meeting. The home was beautifully decorated in the Christmas theme and the annual Christmas dinner of baked ham and trimmings was served at noon to seven members and one visitor, Mrs. Olen Lee. Members present were Mrs. Albert Scarborough, Leroy Corbett, Jimmie Merket and sons, Willis Cornutt, Alfred Hackfeld and Cindy, C. A. Land. The president, Mrs. C. A. Land, called the house to order for the afternoon program. Mrs. Willis Cornutt led in prayer. Mrs. Land gave the Bible reading and Mrs. Merket read the story of Christ. Mrs. Payne gave the reading. Ready for Christmas and Mrs. Hackfeld also gave a reading. Mrs. Land closed the program with prayer. Exchange gifts from the tree were passed out by Mrs. Payne. Following the exchange of gifts Mrs. Hackfeld was honored with a pink and blue shower.

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Toy Rolling Pins for Curious Children

BY EDNA MILES

CHILDREN are little mimics and through imitation, of course, they learn. Most of them like to crash pots and pans while mother is working in the kitchen. (Thus the development of one very successful toy: the plastic milk bottle filled with colored wooden clothespins.)

Any toy that's going to keep a child happy and interested for any length of time has to offer a puzzle or obstacle of some sort. It's intriguing to take the clothespins out of a plastic milk bottle and then put them back (more or less) or to dismantle a small wooden car fastened with pegs and then attempt to reassemble it.

This childhood curiosity accounts for the development of another new toy that ought to earn mother a few hours of peace and quiet: a take-apart rolling pin.

This is especially for youngsters from nine months to four years of age. There's a center dowel with seven individual rainbow-colored hardwood rings which slide off to be rolled, stacked or put together again.



(Childhood Interests, Inc.) Toy rolling pin has seven individual rainbow-colored rings on a center dowel. Rings can be rolled or stacked. Colors are non-toxic. And the rolling pin provides other diversion in that it can be propelled along a table or floor surface.

BAPTIST W. M. S.

Members of the Baptist W. M. S. met in the educational building at the church Monday afternoon at 2:30 for a business meeting and Christmas program.

The opening prayer was given by Mrs. Pauline Smiley. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which was followed by reports from the treasurer, the circle chairmen and the standing committees.

The community mission project for this quarter was to buy Testaments for the Mexican children who are in school and to collect used clothing to be taken to the Mexican mission to be distributed where they are needed. \$4.76 was given by members of the society to pay for the Testaments. Those who have clothing to give for this cause may take them to the home of Mrs. W. D. Green and they will be taken to the mission.

Mrs. Edwin Hallmark, Raymond Wheeler and Harold Hallmark are members of a committee to serve refreshments to the Mexican children at school next Friday.

The resignation of Mrs. A. J. Barron as Sunbeam Director was accepted.

Joy to the World was sung by the group led by Mrs. W. C. Rogers, accompanied by Mrs. Dexter Taylor, for the opening number of the Christmas program. Mrs. Edwin Hallmark led in prayer.

Mrs. Earl Phillips gave a very interesting devotional. Special music was given by Mrs. Howard Tartt, Mrs. A. R. Miles accompanying.

Let's Keep Christmas, by Peter B. Marshall, was told by Mrs. George Mahoney.

A poem, The Nicest Gift, was read by Mrs. Elwood Graham and Mrs. W. D. Green gave the closing prayer.

Those who attended were Mrs. Edwin Hallmark, Raymond Wheeler, B. B. Lee, W. D. Green, W. C. Rogers, A. R. Miles, Howard Tartt, Pauline Smiley, Dexter Taylor, Jack Richey, Bud Shepherd, Earl Phillips, George Mahoney, Ed Miles, Elwood Graham, Harold Hallmark and J. W. King.

B. J. Epperson of Clyde spent last week with his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Cornutt.

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A girls' trio, Virginia Templeton, Francis Griffin and Beverly Johnson will sing in the Break of Mid-Winter. A junior choir directed by Stanley Martin will sing Away in the Manger.

The youth of the church will have a Caroling party following the evening service. They will sing carols for all the shut-ins of the church.

HOST GAME CLUB PARTY

Dr. and Mrs. B. H. Johnson were hosts to the annual Christmas dinner party for members of the Game Club Tuesday night.

The party rooms were festive and gay as befits the holiday season. The dining table was laid with a pink cloth and emphasized with lovely centerpiece of pink carnations and pink candles. A dinner of baked ham and all the trimmings was served, after which games of 42 and gifts exchanged from the tree.

Those enjoying the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith, Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coffee, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cope, and Mrs. Vanda Martin.

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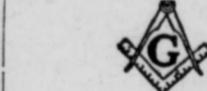
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HOST BRIDGE CLUB

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Coon was beautifully decorated throughout when they hosted the annual Christmas party for members of the Bridge Club Thursday night.

Pink and silver decorations were used. A pink tree held glitter and silver balls. The dining table was laid with a pink linen cloth and held a centerpiece of balls and glitter around a pink reindeer. Pink candles and pink lights lighted the party rooms.

A dinner of baked turkey and trimmings was followed by games of bridge and the exchange of gifts from the tree. Enjoying the occasion were Dr. and Mrs. John Hamblen, Dr. and Mrs. B. H. Johnson, Messrs. Coffee, B. W. Tartt, Woodrow Pratt, H. E. Thomas.

S. S. CLASS HONORED

Mrs. Roy Linder entertained Coffee and Miss Edith Wilkner intermediate Sunday School.

class of girls with a Christmas supper and tree party at her home Thursday night.

After the supper, gifts were exchanged from the tree. Those present were Peggy Belvin, Treva Hays, Jean Kidd, Joyce Graham, Golda Carv, Hortense Claxton.

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

Mrs. Ed Williams was host at the annual Christmas party for members of Delta Kappa Gamma in her home in Colorado City Monday night, Dec. 16.

After a salad dinner and business session Mrs. Inez Cope, program leader, introduced Mrs. Jim Johnson who gave the Christmas story, When the King Came.

Teachers from Colorado City, Snyder and the following from Loraine were present: Mmes. Jim Johnson, Inez Cope, Floyd Her intermediate Sunday School.

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From Our Exchanges

The Sterling City Record reported last week that the new water system for the city was nearing completion.

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ing faces at us, either. Here is the story told by Mrs. Era Bates, secretary in Synod's office, and published in the Texas Presbyterian.

She tells of a rancher in the Hill Country who took his small son to a Baptist baptismal service on the Guadalupe River. Cautioned many times to be quiet while the minister was doing the immersing, at last the little boy's curiosity overcame him and he whispered loud and clear:

"Daddy, do all Baptists have ticks?"

From Willard Jones Popvalve column in the Hamlin Herald: After effects of many a party are more than the party—in more ways than one, observes a cynic.

A Hamlin hostess recently opined this rhyme: After all has been said and done and the guests insist they must run, Why do they show their staying powers? By chatting at the door for hours?

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Peace On Earth And Good Will on the Road

Austin—"Peace on earth and good on the road."

That is the way Mrs. Fred Strauss, Seguin, Vice President for Women's Activities of the Texas Safety Association, summed up the holiday traffic hazards program being conducted by TSA as a prelude to an all out traffic safety drive in 1958.

"Everyone has a moral responsibility to his neighbor to drive safely," she said. "A little consideration and common sense can go a long way in preventing traffic accidents."

Mrs. Strauss pointed out that though we celebrate the most joyous observance of the year in December, this is also the month when traffic death reach their peak. The conviviality of the season causes people to relax their guard and thus contribute greatly to the traffic death toll.

"That is why we ask the public to cooperate with the Texas Safety Association in enlarging the Back the Attack on Traffic Accidents campaign in Texas. The attack has been stepped up during December to arouse more people to fight holiday hazards

and cut down the holiday traffic death toll," Mrs. Strauss said. "During this season every driver and pedestrian should dedicate his efforts toward making the season and the year following a safe one. Our goal must be the conversion of the potential dangers inherent in the holiday season into sound, sensible safety behavior," she added. "And remember, it's more blessed to give, than to take chances."

Mrs. Strauss also urged that each person re-examine his responsibility toward the entire problem of traffic safety, because individual acceptance of the rules of safety is a vital part of the accident prevention program.

J. W. Hickson of Dallas visited from Saturday until Monday in the home of his nephew and niece Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Payne.

Mrs. Bee Wilkerson and Miss Edith spent Sunday in Colorado City with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Anna Bess Dixon and daughter Judy.

Mrs. Grace Jackson of Abilene spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson.

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Hybrid Sorghums Show Better Yield

Renner, Texas, Dec. 14—In the 1957 grain sorghum tests at Renner, four hybrid sorghums have proved far superior to the popular Martin variety and other widely cultivated sorghums, Dr. C. L. Lundell, Director of Texas Research Foundation, announced Saturday.

"The four top hybrids, together with their yields, were AMAK R10 with 9685 pounds of grain to the acre, R. S. 610 with 3462 pounds, Kx 3010, with 3308 lbs. and H 6542 with 3399 pounds to the acre," Dr. Lundell said. "The first three are released hybrids whose seed are commercially available; but H6542, being an experimental hybrid, will not be commercially available in time for 1958 planting."

Dr. Lundell recommended the four hybrids as consistently higher yielders than the popular Martin variety. All were tested under similar growing conditions. In the Foundation's Renner tests, the Martin variety produced 2441 pounds of grain to the acre, thereby ranking thirty-fourth among the 47 hybrids and varieties under investigation.

"AMAK R10, R. S. 610 and H 6542 also were among the six top yielders in a similar test conducted this year by the Foundation at its Coastal Bend Field Station located near Taft," Dr. Lundell continued. "And R. S. 610 was the highest yielder in another test this year at the Foundation's West Texas Field Station at Merkel. This same hybrid also was highest in the Foundation's Renner test in 1956."

Seven other hybrids and varieties in the Foundation's 1957 Renner tests also gave promising yields in comparison with the Martin variety. "Under similar growing conditions the seven likewise may be expected to give higher yields than Martin," Dr. Lundell added.

The seven, together with their 1957 Renner yields, were Tx 660 with 3194 pounds of grain to the acre, Kx 3013 with 3054 pounds, R. S. 630 with 3036, DeKalb E56A with 3004, DeKalb F62A with 2927, Sooner Milo with 3160, and Texas Milo with 2995 pounds to the acre.

"The first five are hybrids, and the last two are open pollinated varieties," Dr. Lundell explained. "The 47 grain sorghums followed a hubam clover cover crop to which 200 pounds of 0-20-0 fertilizer per acre had been applied."

Excessive rainfall delayed planting 10 days, until April 11, and interfered with timely cultivation. A hot, dry summer reduced yields.

Dr. Lundell said Plainsman, Redbine 66 and Caprock—other widely cultivated grain sorghums—ranked thirty-eighth, thirty-ninth and forty-fourth, respectively in the tests, with yields of 2267 pounds, 2262 and 1928 pounds of grain to the acre.

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Mrs. E. J. Thomas of Abilene visited Mrs. Ruby Robertson and Mrs. Josephine Marshall Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Doris Martin left Thursday for El Paso, where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her son, Lt. and Mrs. Reagan Martin and little son.



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Make Xmas Safe By Being Careful

College Station, Dec. 9—The Christmas season is indeed a happy one, but few people stop to think of the added fire hazards their home contains during this time of the year.

The Christmas tree, the center of all the pretty decorations, can be one of the principal hazards if certain precautions are not followed, warns W. L. Ulich, extension agricultural engineer.

A freshly cut tree should be selected just a few days before Christmas, advises Ulich. Cut the base of the tree diagonally and keep the base submerged in water. Locate it away from fireplaces, powerful electric lights, radiators or other sources of heat.

Use only Underwriters Laboratories approved lights for the tree and inspect them carefully for frayed cords and damaged sockets, says the engineer. Avoid overloading electrical circuits with additional lights, toys and appliances.

Only nonflammable decorations should be used on the tree, he cautions. Turn the tree lights off when retiring or leaving the

house. Discard the tree when the needles begin to dry and fall off. Also remove Christmas package wrappings as soon as they have been taken from the packages.

This is also a time for smokers to take special precautions. Extra care should be taken with cigarettes, cigars and pipes around all flammable materials.

Observance of these few rules can result in a safer and happier Christmas season for the whole family, concludes Ulich.

Guests in the home of Mrs. J. E. Spikes Sunday were Mrs. Burr Brown of Coahoma and Mrs. Jack Guiley and children of Big Spring.

FHA GIRLS TO GIVE AWAY A QUILT

The local F. H. A. chapter will give away a quilt at a drawing following the business houses regular appreciation drawing Saturday, Dec. 21. Tickets are now on sale. You do not have to be present to win.

Guests in the E. B. Compton and Glenn McCann homes Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Hammond Padgett and little daughter Kim of Midland.

Texas Girl Wins 4-H Congress Trip

George Ann Hitchcock of Brown county, is well on the way to a successful career as a homemaker. She was named 1957 state winner in the 4-H Home Improvement program. For the 17th year, Sears Roebuck Foundation is providing the all-expense trip award.



George Ann Hitchcock

A 4-H'er for eight years, George Ann painted and revarnished walls and woodwork in her bedroom and improved four other rooms. She learned a lot about light and color combinations. Shelves, towel racks, additional closets and cabinets for the bedroom and kitchen became a reality under George Ann's expert hands. The entire family has benefited from this resourceful young lady's project work.

This program is conducted in cooperation with the state and federal Agricultural Extension Service.

Number of Farms Decreasing in Texas

College Station, Dec. 9—U. S. farms are decreasing in number and increasing in size. Farms in Texas are no exception to the general rule. There are now approximately 304,000 farms in Texas, compared to 506,000 in 1931, the year in which farms in this state reached their peak in numbers.

This comparison is based on revised estimates of census figures up to 1956, as reported by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. In 1910, Texas farms numbered 418,000, according to the USDA report which gives numbers of farms by states for each year since then.

While numbers of farms have been decreasing, investment per farm has gone up—averaging \$27,000 this year, according to other Department of Agriculture research.

Nationally, the total acreage of cropland harvested in 1957 is about the same as in 1940. But the size of farms has risen about 40 percent since that time and output per farm is up 74 percent. Farm output per manhour has more than doubled, and the average farm worker now produces enough food and fiber for himself and 20 others.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Fisher and baby spent the weekend in Eden visiting her parents.

Read the ads in The News—it pays.

Bible Comment:

Revelation's Vision Is Attainable

It is a glorious picture that the saint-prophet-poet who wrote the Book of Revelation paints for us in his description of the New Jerusalem.

It is instructive that the writer represents the Holy City, the New Jerusalem, as "coming down." In his conception there is to be an earthly realization of God's triumph; it is not merely a matter of earth ascending toward heaven. The picture that he gives is in striking contrast with the earth and world as we know it.

For those to whom the author of the book was writing, even with their Christian faith and fortitude, the world was a place of sorrow and trial. Yet God was to wipe away the tear from every eye; there would be no more death, no mourning or crying.

Instructive also is the fact that the seer saw no temple or church in the Holy City. The city itself had become the Church. All of life in this New Jerusalem was holy, and all its relationships were the relationships of worship and truth.

Is this only a dream, or is it something for the attainment of which men may live and work and pray? Shall we see the nations walking in the midst of the light of this Holy City and the kings of the earth bringing their glory into it?

It is a vision that has been realized in the lives of some men. There are those who have lived unselfishly and nobly in the spirit of a world made perfect. If it has been realized for some, is not this the hope that it may be realized for others and that earth and heaven shall yet truly meet in the New Jerusalem?

If the whole of humanity were as good as some good men whom we have seen and known, the dream would be realizable. Who can say that humanity may yet be as good as those who represent humanity at its best?

March Of Dimes Operation Comeback

The March of Dimes will launch its 1958 polio fund campaign here and throughout the country in January on the dramatic note that for thousands of polio-blighted victims "Survival is Not Enough." Most of the money sought in the drive is needed to help disabled polio patients stage "comebacks" from helplessness to usefulness.

The Salk vaccine developed by the March of Dimes has scored dramatically in preventing new paralytic polio cases, officials say, but during the last year it has been necessary to spend a total of \$21,700,000 in March of Dimes funds on the care and rehabilitation of patients. These patients numbered 57,800, of whom 53,000 were victims of old attacks.

Since most of this cost is in the form of continuing care for patients stricken in preceding years, the obligation will continue next year with very little letup, it was pointed out.

Research Expanded
Additional funds are necessary for an expanded research program to explore many new aspects of virology; for the training of professional workers in the rehabilitation and science research fields; and for still urgent program of public education to encourage use of the Salk vaccine.

The campaign will be held through the month of January. A feature of the opening of the campaign this year will be the observance of the 20th anniversary of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, the polio-fighting organization which the March of Dimes supports.

"This will be an occasion for both recalling our victories of the past, including the creation of the Salk vaccine," said Basil

O'Connor, president of the National Foundation, "and for looking ahead to new challenges. Most important of all, it will be the occasion for pledging ourselves to assist, insofar as we are able, those who were stricken and now still need help."

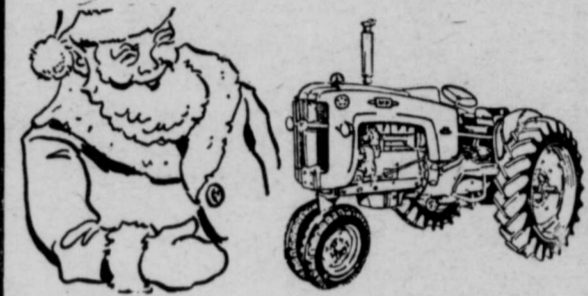
Mr. and Mrs. Wade Preston spent Wednesday and Thursday in Comanche visiting her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Nance.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Carpenter and little granddaughter Jeanette Chamness, visited in the Marvin Adams home in Abilene Sunday.

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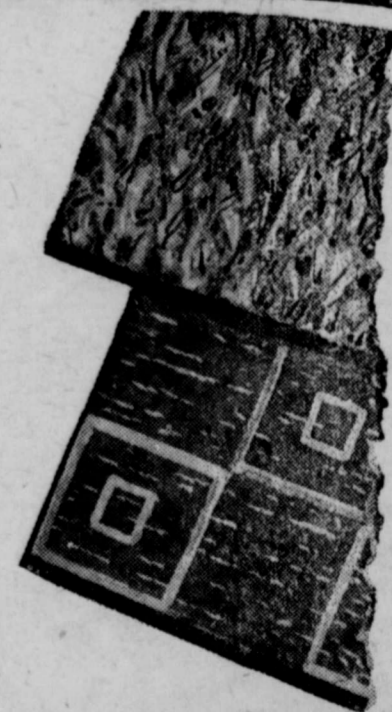
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