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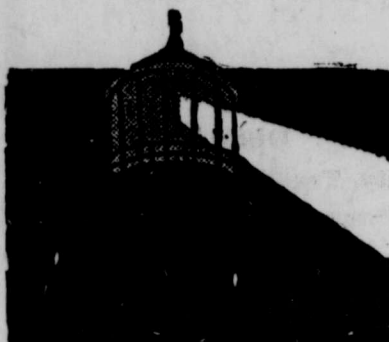
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On The BEAM

J. W. KING, SR

Christmas has passed and we have heard of no tragedy in our area involving any of our people for which we are grateful.

I think this Christmas season must have been as merry as we have had for some time. The business part of town was decked out in more lights than ever before and many homes had beautiful arrangements of lights which created a merry atmosphere.

The number of bales of cotton ginned up to now is an indication of how much damage the boll weevil did to late planted crops. Our cotton crop is going to be very short this year, which reminds us again that when we depend on one crop for our income we are going to be disappointed at intervals. This also reminds us that our needs some supplemental crops. Realizing that something needs to be done along this line, your banker and this columnist have been making connections the past several weeks that may result in something good for our area soon. Be watching for announcements concerning this from time to time and be ready to attend a meeting of farmers when it is called.

Remember the sales tax proposition that will be voted on in Loraine January 9. There are many reasons why you should vote in favor of the tax. When the tax becomes available Loraine should begin to show improvements in some services offered its people.

Group Sings At Christmas

A group from the Crockett-Smiley Church of Christ visited several homes Sunday night, Dec. 17, and sang Christmas carols.

This is a good custom, one that in years past was practiced more than today. Those whose homes were visited and heard this singing, we are told, were very grateful for the thoughtfulness of this group and some who were not at home to hear them are still regretting that they didn't get to hear singing by this group.

We say, they don't have to wait until Christmas to entertain in this way, anytime they can get together a visit would be appreciated.

SANTA VISITS SCHOOL

Santa Claus made his annual visit to the lower classes at school last Friday at 1 p.m. Preschool children had been invited to be at the school for his visit and as he visited in rooms, grades first through third he gave them sacks of fruit and candy.

Mrs. Jerry Church's speech class presented a program and classes held individual parties before school was dismissed at 2:30 p. m. for the Christmas holidays.

Students are enjoying a holiday this week, but will return to classes next Tuesday.

JOHNSON FAMILY

Beverly Johnson, teacher in the Irving schools, and Pvt. Kenneth Johnson of Fort Sam Houston, spent the Christmas holidays with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. B. H. Johnson. Kenneth returned to San Antonio on Monday, and Beverly is spending this week.

The Johnsons were guests of his brother, Dr. and Mrs. Homer Johnson in Midland for a holiday visit and dinner Christmas evening.

Methodists Announce Start Of Parsonage Building Program

It was formally announced in the Sunday morning worship services at the First Methodist Church that a parsonage building program had been initiated by the Official Board of the Church at a called meeting on Friday.

This program was made possible by a gift of \$10,000 by Mrs. Kirk L. Taylor, wife of the late Kirk L. Taylor.

The present plans, as recommended by the Board of Trustees is to sell the present parsonage (the former E. P. Kuck home, north of the church) and build the new parsonage on the lots just south of the church. The building will face Main Street and be of brick as is the church.

Joe Armstrong Rites Friday

Funeral services for Joe L. Armstrong, 81, were held at 2 p.m. Friday in Kiker & Son Chapel in Colorado City, with the Rev. Billy Wilkinson, pastor of First Methodist Church officiating.

Mr. Armstrong died at 5:55 p.m. Wednesday in Root Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Born Jan. 7, 1886 in Honey Grove, he moved to Loraine in 1907. He married the former Miss Ona Richey in Loraine on Feb. 8, 1914. The family moved to Colorado City in 1923 and have lived there since.

A retired auto dealer, Mr. Armstrong was a member of the First Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, August of Dalhart, and Alvis of Midland; one brother, Ray Armstrong on Bonham; and two grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Bob Looney, T. J. Goss, W. E. Crockett Jr., Hiram Mann, Porter Richardson and Tom Smith.

Pvt. Oscar Amos Receives Honors

Pvt. Oscar L. Amos is home on a 30-day leave, and will report to Oakland Calif., on Jan. 17 and from there will go to Vietnam.

Oscar is the son of Verna Mae Atkins of Loraine. He had his basic training at Fort Polk, La., finishing with a PSPC, score 500 and from there to Fort Sill, Okla.

He is a graduate of Wallace High School in Colorado City.

In the letter of achievement about Pvt. Amos, we quote, "He has been one of the most outstanding trainees to ever complete this course in Self Propelled Training. He has demonstrated an outstanding leadership as a Platoon Sergeant, and has developed a strong basic knowledgeable foundation on all types of Self Propelled Howitzers. Pvt. Amos unquestionable dedication and devotion to duty is in keeping with the finest tradition of the Military Service and reflects great credit upon himself and the United States Army." This we quote from his commanding officer, William C. Beall Jr.

1950 CLUB

The 1950 Club's annual Christmas dinner was hosted by Mrs. Roy Little on Tuesday night.

Baked turkey and trimmings was served with date-nut pie, whipped cream, coffee, and tea. The house was beautifully decorated with yuletide decor. Gifts were exchanged from the tree and games of canasta played.

Members present were: Mmsee: Fay McCollum Wilma Adams, Clara Butler, Lynne Compton, J. D. McDonald Vanda Martin, Vada Preston, Nora Richey, Pauline Smiley.

Windell Banks Home Wins 1st Prize In Christmas Decoration Contest

The Windell Banks home was judged first place in the Christmas lighting and decoration contest sponsored by the City and Texas Electric Service Co., and received the first prize of a yard light from Texas Electric.

Mrs. Virge Wimberly received the second prize of \$25.00, and the Lennis McCollum home received third prize of \$12.50.

Judges were impressed by the beautiful decorations throughout the city and gave honorable mention to the homes of the Ed Miles, Harold Johnson, Andy Compton, Vance Dickenson and Homer Hart.

The Banks home was a manger scene in the front lawn, with little lambs made of cotton, made by Mrs. Banks.

Old Santa lighted the front door of the Wimberly home, life-size with spot light on him, and the Christmas tree centering the large window scene through the open window.

The McCollum home was similar to the Wimberly home, with emphasis on door decorations and reflections of tree from the inside.

Mayor Dr. B. H. Johnson expressed thanks for the good response from all who helped to make Loraine more beautiful this Christmas season and for all who decorated the homes so beautifully and entered the contest.

Transferred To San Antonio

Mrs. Bonnie Clark, who has been employed by Bell Telephone Co. in Snyder, has been transferred to San Antonio.

Mrs. Clark will work for two weeks in San Antonio before returning to Snyder to train someone to take her place. Then she and her little son, Gene, will be moving to San Antonio. They have been living here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Chamness.

NEEL FAMILY VISITORS

Visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Neel for the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Neel, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Neel and daughter, all of Oklahoma City; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ryan and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Askins and children of Odessa.

The Christmas supper was served Sunday night. Also present for the supper were Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Compton and children of Loraine, Mr. and Mrs. James Compton of Amarillo.

Other visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ussery of Silver, who were dinner guests Saturday, and a brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Neel of Colorado City.

GREEN VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Green had as their holiday guests, three of their four daughters, and their son and family for Christmas dinner.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Scrivner of Dumas, and son Bill from US Navy base in Va., a friend Miss Jennie Price of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Burshtrom of El Campo; Mr. and Mrs. Al Dodds and Ilana, Corpus Christi; Mrs. Joy Cheek, Sandra, Randy and Debra, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Green Jr., Marsha and Tommy, Mrs. L. W. Rhodes, Loraine; and Paula McNaughton, Big Spring.

Lunchroom Menu

Tuesday — Barbecued Beef, Potato Salad, Pinto Beans, Raisins, Milk, Bread, Butter.

Wednesday — Beef-Rice Casserole, Green Salad, Buttered Squash, Hot Rolls, Butter, Syrup, Milk.

Thursday — Vegetable Soup, with Beef Broth, Meat Sandwiches, Lime Congee Salad, Crackers, Cinnamon Rolls, Milk.

Friday — Roast Beef, Brown Gravy, Sweet Potatoes with Marshmallows, Vegetable Salad, Cake Squares, Milk.

Contract Let On Highway Work

A contract for application of asphalt concrete pavement and seal coating of 182 miles of highways in Mitchell Nolan, Scurry, Fisher, Borden, Howard and Kent counties has been awarded by the Texas Highway Commission during its December meeting, according to J. C. Roberts, District Highway Engineer at Abilene.

The project, expected to take 100 working days for completion, has been awarded to McElroy Transport Co. of Fort Worth with a low bid of \$513,042. During construction the work will be under the active charge of Resident Highway Engineer A. L. McKee of Abilene.

Construction is scheduled as follows:

Mitchell County — IH 20 from FM 670 to three miles west of Colorado City (6.5 miles); IH 20 from three miles east of Colorado City to Nolan County Line (9 miles); SH 208 from Loop 377 to Colorado City (1.8 miles); SH 350 from Howard County Line to Scurry County Line (6.6 miles); and FM 2183 from SH 163 to Howard County Line (11.2 miles).

Ready Class Has Holiday Party

Mrs. A. G. Furlow Jr., teacher of the Ready Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church was hostess for the annual class holiday party Tuesday night, Dec. 19.

Christmas carols were sung and Mrs. Furlow brought a very impressive Christmas devotional. Refreshments of prune cake, peppermint ice cream, coffee, and Cokes were served. Favors were candy canes.

The class presented Mrs. Furlow a beautiful poinsettia and she presented holiday door knobs, made of felt, to members as gifts were exchanged from the tree.

Present were Mmes. Rex McDaniel, Delmar McDaniel, Gene Britton, Atwood Sheffield, Shep Compton, Raymond Hackfeld, George Lee, Howard Tarrt, Joe Terry, Hubert Meadows and the hostess.

Personals

Mrs. Alma Horton spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Richey and Mrs. Richey returned with her for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cary of Houston spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Cary. Also visiting in the Cary home were Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Weinmann of Dallas.

Holiday visitors of Mrs. Roy Baird were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Baird and children, Mrs. Palace Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Caldwell, Dallas; Roy Baird, of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baird, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Meeks, New Braunfels.

Others visiting Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ira Williamson and John of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Riordan of Tularosa, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Baird and Mrs. A. C. Bass of Big Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Small were Mr. and Mrs. Winston Gann, Elaine and Craig of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Gene McGee, Doug and Donna of Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Price Hall, Janet and Mike Mearse, Loraine; and Royce Beesley from Beaumont. Miss Beesley, Doug and Donna are spending this week.

Loraine Community Livestock Show To Be Held Thursday & Friday

Raymond Holt and Bobby Lemons, VA teachers and County Agent respectively, will supervise a livestock show, sponsored by the community and local citizens of Loraine, starting on Dec. 28 and continuing through Dec. 29.

Purpose of this show is to afford the 4-H and FFA boys and girls of Loraine Independent School District an opportunity to obtain practice in exhibiting the results of their feeding and breeding projects, which have been carefully supervised by their adult leaders.

The show will also give the exhibitors the opportunity for development of leadership and a pride in exhibiting top quality animals.

The animals being exhibited in this show represents an investment of approximately \$6,000.00 by the exhibitors, and the interested citizens of the Loraine community will provide funds for expenses and premium awards and ribbons.

Frank Brownfield, Voc. Ag teacher of Colorado High School will be the judge during the two-day show. Miss Patrice Baumann, Loraine FFA Sweetheart and Lone Wolf FFA District Sweetheart, will make the presentations of awards.

The show will be composed of some 35 lambs and 13 head of cattle. This is always one of the very best as far as fine quality in concerned, and if you like to see really fine animals, come out Thursday and Friday for the Loraine Community Livestock Show.

Speech Class Gives Program

The Speech Class of Loraine High School presented a Christmas program Friday afternoon in the cafeteria.

The program consisted of three parts: The Christmas Spectacle, The Other Wise Man and The Christmas Carol in Verse.

Felix Galvan also added to the entertainment by writing a letter to Santa Claus.

Members of the class are: Felix Galvan, Mike Britton, Irene Chavez, Diana Chavez, Audelia Munoz, Lydia Munoz, Emma Madrid, Mary Lou, Elaine Boyd, Louise Rose, Rowland Graham, Patrice Baumann and Joey Lucas.

WILEY WALKER FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Walker had their two daughters and families with them during the holiday weekend, and first of the week. They were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Albright, Jeannie and Gordon of Odessa, and Mr. and Mrs. Troy Kegans, Rusty and Chad of Richardson.

Others present for the dinner on Christmas Eve were Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hart of Colorado City and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walker.

Jack Walker photographer for the group through the years, showed pictures made at get-togethers of the family in the past, which furnished good entertainment for the grandchildren, as well as grown-ups, showing how much they had grown through these years.

LEE VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Olen Lee had as their Christmas visitors Capt. and Mrs. Donald Clifton and children of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Dell Rutherford and children of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson and children of Rankin; and a nephew John Hindman of Abilene; Mrs. J. E. Hindman of Quanah.

Capt. Clifton and family left Tuesday for Indianapolis, Ind., where he will be in school for nine months.

HENDERSONS HOST DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Nuke Henderson were hosts at a six o'clock dinner and tree party on Christmas Eve.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Richardson of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hallmark and children, Sand Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hallmark and Travis Hallmark.

Christmas visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Evert Henderson were their two daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Moore, Larry, Dianne and Tony of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Chalcker, Glenn and Andy of Colorado City.

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Sophomore Class Holds Party

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Boyd were hosts for a Christmas dinner party for members of the Sophomore Class of Loraine High School Friday night, Dec. 22. The home was beautifully decorated with holiday decor.

Games were played and record music enjoyed, and the dinner consisted of friend, chicken, salads, relish, stuffed celery, pecan pie with whipped cream, coffee and tea.

Members present were David Compton, Ken Graham, Mike Walker, Tim Hamilton, Mike Britton, Frankie Stewart, James Lee, Karen Givens, Cindy McDaniel, Kris Walker, Elaine Boyd, Pam Sanford, Nancy Hayes, Karen Long, Bertha Starling, Louise Rose, Linda Nunley, Sylvia Guerra, Sally Davila, Amador Castro, Felix Galvan, Jerry Marentes.

Members of the class unable to be present were Judy Graham, Donni Compton, Sharon Hughes, Leona Huber and Emerlinda Rosas.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Clay Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Britton, Mr. and Mrs. Delmar McDaniel, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ranneford and Mrs. Rodney Walker.

THOMPSON FAMILY

Members of the Thompson family present for a holiday dinner at the home of Mrs. K. L. Taylor, were: Mrs. Cora Hall, T. R. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Griffin, Loraine; Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Cage and Mrs. Mattie Ewell Johnson and daughter, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Thompson, Mrs. C. P. Gary, Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. William Robinson and son, Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. George Lee Griffin and children, Mrs. Bill Thompson, Roscoe; Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Thompson and children, De Leon; Mrs. Willie Mae Thompson, Midland.

JACK WALKER FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walker were hosts for the annual holiday get-together and dinner for members of the Walker family Saturday night.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Rowney Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Walker all of Loraine; Mr. and Mrs. Troy Kegans, Rusty and Chad, Richardson.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. Bessie Mahoney spent the Christmas weekend with her son and wife Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mahoney in Big Spring. Joining her there was a daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Duesterhoef and D'Ann from Austin. The Duesterhoef's spent the first of the week here with Mrs. Mahoney and the George Mahoney's and Mrs. Mahoney returned to Austin with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mahoney and Nubbin spent the Christmas weekend with relatives in Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Mathis had their two sons and families home with them for the holidays. They are Mr. and Mrs. Don Mathis and son of San Saba and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mathis of Seymour.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Anders and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson, Terry and Kim spent Christmas Eve in Hale Center with Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Adrian and family where they enjoyed the family Christmas dinner and tree.

Mrs. Hugh Hallmark spent the holiday week in Odessa with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Allbright of Odessa and Judy of Plains Texas visited his mother, Mrs. Pearl Allbright Thursday as they were enroute to Athens, Texas to visit their son and family.

Mrs. Pearl Allbright spent the holidays in Andrews with a son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Allbright.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mayo of Dallas returned home Monday evening after spending the holiday weekend with her mother and grandmother Mrs. Wilma Adams and Mrs. Mattie McLeod.

Visiting in the Bill Bowles home at Rule and with the Ted Lefevres and Royce Beights Friday through Monday was Dick Schable of Fort Hood, whole home is in Decatur, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Varnon Ward, Margie and Brad of Leland, Miss., spent the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. R. H. McDaniel and Mr. McDaniel, and in the Rex and Delmar McDaniel homes.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Narrell spent Sunday night and Monday in Clyde with his sister, Mrs. B. L. Kimble.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Weinmann of Dallas spent the holiday weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Richey. Other visitors in the Hamilton home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Leland Hamilton and children of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hamilton, Keith and Tim, and their guests on Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Groom of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Parnell and son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Parnell, spent the holiday weekend in San Antonio visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Al Fulcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hamilton, Keith and Tim spent Christmas Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bowlin in Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Parker and children of Hobbs, N. M., were holiday guests of her mother Mrs. Irene Stewart and her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Stewart.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Miles were their son and grandson, W. A. and Billy Miles from Midland. Billy remained to spend two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Thomas spent Sunday in Dublin with his mother, Mrs. E. E. Thomas and other relatives.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Thomas Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Mayes of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Olen Mayes, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Neeley, r. and Mrs. Woodrow Pratt and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Coffee.

Miss Dorothy Lindsey of Amarillo was a guest of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Baumann during the holidays. The Baumanns spent Christmas Day in Colorado City with his mother, Mrs. Ivan Barber and Mr. Barber.

Mrs. Vanda Martin returned home Tuesday after a weekend visit in Austin with a daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Battle.

Ft. Worth Stock Show Jan. 26 - Feb. 4

With one entry closing date just past, officials of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show are optimistic over the prospects for their 1968 Show, January 2 thru February 4th.

Stock Show staff members are now compiling the mountain of entry cards which have flooded the Stock Show office in the days preceding the deadline. Livestock entries in the 72-year old Fort Worth Stock Show frequently total over 11,000. Although entries for cattle, horses, sheep and swine closed Dec. 15, exhibitors of poultry, rabbits and pigeons have until Jan. 15 to submit their entries.

Stock Show President and Manager W. R. Watts reports the 1968 Southwestern Exposition is the first fair or exposition to be designated a "Standard of Perfection Show" by the American Polled Hereford Association. The Standard of Perfection is a new merit award to be presented to outstanding APHA registered Polled Hereford sires and dams based on the production and show performance of their progeny. Over \$10,000 in premiums will be distributed to Polled Hereford exhibitors at the '68 Fort Worth Show. Total '68 Stock Show, Rodeo and Horse Show entry fees and premiums will exceed the \$220,000 mark.

Tickets for the 1968 Fort Worth Rodeo featuring Rex Allen with the "Men of the West" Jan. 26 through Feb. 4, are available from the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, P. O. Box 150, Fort Worth Texas 76101.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hallmark spent the holidays in Odessa with a daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Phillips, Pete and Jeana.

Joyce Lynn Furlow of Lamesa spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Furlow, Jr.

BAKER GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Baker had as holiday guests, her mother, Mrs. S. W. Jennings, her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jennings of Abilene; a sister and family, Col. and Mrs. E. S. Lowrie Linda and Doug of Austin.

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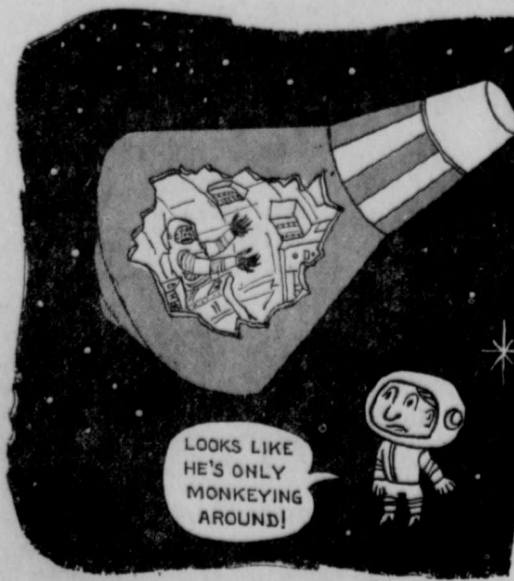
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NARRELL VISITORS

Visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Narrell and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Price during the weekend and this week are Mr. and Mrs. Bob Price and children of Denver, Colo.

Others visiting in the Narrell home were Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Smith of Big Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Narrell and Diane of Monahans.

Larry Young, teacher in the El Paso schools, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Young.

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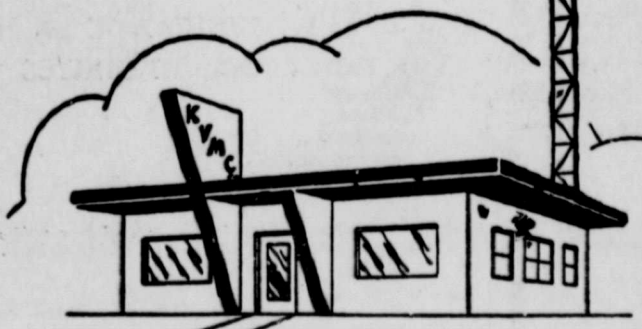
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PERSONALS.....

Mrs. J. P. Nunn visited a daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Mayes in Fort Worth and flew from there to Springtown, Wisconsin for a holiday visit with another daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett spent Christmas Day in San Angelo with a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Griffith and Patty. Others of the family present were Mr. and Mrs. Ira Williamson and John of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Riordan of Tularosa, N. M.

Women 'Back-Seat' Drivers Justified

AUSTIN — Ladies who "back-seat" drive evidently have good cause, the Texas Safety Association said today in noting that more than one half of the female traffic victims in Texas last year were passengers.

Of the 998 females killed on the state's streets and highways in 1966, 572 were simply along for the ride. Only 283 of the total 1,714 Texas drivers killed were women. There were only 13 females killed in pedestrian accidents and seven females killed in bicycle and other types of accidents. Females killed represented only slightly over 29 percent of the state's 3,406 traffic fatalities.

A look at the ticklish question of a lady's age shows that fatal accidents happen most often to young women between ages 16 and 25, with the higher number of fatalities occurring at age 19.

The Safety Association suggests that woman "nag" their husbands or escorts to drive safely. They also advise women to cut down on romancing the driver in traffic. He needs his hands and mind on the wheel at all times. Ladies should also "buckle up" to avoid becoming a real "femme fatale."

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Blair visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Harris and a son, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Blair, in Fort Worth Saturday and Sunday.

Christmas visitors of the Jim Wrights were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Davis and Sue, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stahl, Rick and Tim and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wright and Danna of Hermleigh; Mr. and Mrs. Dub Wright, Bobby, Randy and Layne, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Loyd of Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wright, Tammy and Faye of Carlsbad, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wright, Mike and Gail of Midland; Mrs. Ed Blake of Palava; Mr. James Williamson and Mike of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilson, Colie and Kathy of Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Reeves, Kenny and Jimmy of Pasadena.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Linam during the holidays was a daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Williamson and son of Pagosa Springs, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Presley Powell of Midland spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Linam. Others visiting on Christmas Day were Mrs. Bill Ambrose of Sweetwater and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Kirkpatrick and son of Corsicana.

Christmas Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett were their three sons and families, Dr. and Mrs. Wayland Bennett of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Bennett and daughter of Pecos, and Mr. and Mrs. Deryl Bennett. Lisa and Peggy of Morton.

Linda Troutt Leaves

Linda Troutt returned to Jacksonville, Fla., Tuesday after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Troutt. Linda, in the US Navy Waves, is being transferred to Great Lakes, Ill., where she will start her class hospital training, another step toward becoming an R.N.

Sheep and Goat Reporting Service

The Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service is beginning this week the most extensive survey of the sheep and goat industry ever undertaken in Texas, announced Commissioner John C. White of the Texas Department of Agriculture.

"With the cooperation of producer organizations and industry leaders, a survey will be taken between Dec. 20 and Jan. 13, which will give us information that will assist sheep and goat producers in planning their operational programs in the future, help producer organizations in shaping their policies and assist us in planning market and promotion programs for the future, all of which will benefit sheep and goat producers," White said. "We also will get information that will indicate problems facing producers and indicate the directions that research and market aids should take in the future."

Worth Durham, President of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association requested all producers to give the enumerators all the assistance possible so they can obtain the most accurate, up to date information. Durham stated in a meeting Tuesday in San Angelo that it was of the utmost importance for the enumerators to receive accurate information. "If not," he stated, "we could find ourselves in the same shape as last year when four million heavy lambs came out of the bushes that no one had counted on, and broke the fat market, then we as producers had to sell to feeders at a much lower cost. If the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service comes up with accurate figures on sheep and goats, it will assist us greatly in an orderly marketing procedure. We must help them all we can as they are doing all they can to assist us," Durham concluded.

Ed Whitesides, Market Specialist, Texas Department of Agriculture and Charles Gore, Statistician, Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service are

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heading the survey.

Gore stated, "We want to assure every producer and feedlot operator contacted that any information given is confidential and all figures will be compiled into the final report and will not be identifiable as an individual figure."

Approximately 1,900 sheep and goat producers will be contacted in the survey. The numerical part of the survey of the number of sheep and goats in Texas on January 1, 1968, should be available by February 15, 1968 from the survey and the production and marketing information will be available by Mar. 1, 1968, stated Robert McCauley, Assistant Statistician in Charge, Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service, Austin.

Gaylene Taylor of Houston spent the holiday weekend with her father, Willie Taylor and Mrs. Taylor and with Mr. and Mrs. Alva Bennett.

Susan Terry, from TWU, Denton, is here for the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Joe Terry.

Mrs. B. O. Joyce spent the Christmas holiday in El Paso with her daughter, Miss Hilma Joyce.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Chamness were his mother, Mrs. Will Chamness and sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Miller of Fort Worth.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Mercer during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Mullinax of Blair, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gourley and girls of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mercer and family of Odessa, and Mr. and Mrs. James Hallmark of Lorraine.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Halls and sons of Houston spent from Friday until Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Price Hall and Janet.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Hall and Janet and Mike Mearse visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gustafson in Artesia, N. M., Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Lola Finch and granddaughter, Sue Price, spent the holiday weekend in Midland with the Idus and Billy Finch families.

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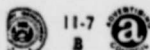


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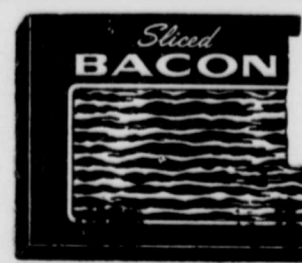
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