

# The McLean News

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## McLean Merchants To Have Holiday

The Christmas holidays began Friday for McLean students and teachers, and most other residents will take a three-day breather starting with the close of business Tuesday.

Many McLean business establishments have announced that they will be closed Christmas Day and the day after.

The McLean News went to press on Tuesday in order that our local subscribers paper would reach them before Christmas. We wish to thank our subscribers and the McLean merchants for making this paper possible.

## Resident's Brother Dies Dec. 17

Mrs. Ross Collie received word of the death of her brother, Oscar Bray of Mt. Pleasant, Arkansas.

Mr. Bray passed away in a Batesville Hospital Dec. 17.

Services will be held on Saturday, Dec. 21st in the Mt. Pleasant Church. Burial will be in the Baren Fork Cemetery near Mt. Pleasant.

## DPS Estimates 30 Persons To Die Over Holidays

The Department of Public Safety is estimating 30 persons will lose their lives in traffic accidents this Christmas-New Year's holiday season. It is estimated that 14 persons may die between 6:00 pm, December 24 through midnight, December 25, 1974. A total of 16 fatalities are likely to occur from 6:00 PM, December 31, 1974 through January 1, 1975.

Major C.W. Bell, Regional Commander said that the majority of these traffic deaths will be caused by the drinking driver or from excessive speed. Major Bell said, "In order to spare the Texas people of such grief and misery, the motorist should remember to plan their trips well in advance." Major Bell further urges the Texas motorists to make sure their vehicles are in good operating condition, and the driver is rested and relaxed before starting.

Captain J.W. Blackwell of the Texas Highway Patrol said, "Every Texas driver should be aware that all clear-cut violations of the traffic laws will be rigidly enforced during this holiday period."

Captain Holloway Shelton, Region 5 Drivers License Commander, said he is placing all his uniformed personnel on the highways in order to help reduce the estimated death toll of 30.

License and Weight Service under command of Captain M.E. Wilson will be working traffic day and night this holiday season. This veteran Captain warns motorists to be especially watchful for youngsters trying out their new bicycles.

Captain Alan Johnson, Regional Supervisor of Motor Vehicle Inspection, will place his troopers on the rural roads and alert them to be especially watchful for the intoxicated drivers.

Major Bell concludes by saying, "It is the sincere wish of the Texas Department of Public Safety that all citizens enjoy a safe and happy holiday season. May each experience a rewarding new year."

## Young At Heart To Meet Dec. 27

The Young at Heart Club will meet Friday night, Dec. 27th at the regular meeting place in the Casper Smith Building.

All members are urged to come and prospective members are invited too.

of fees will be done at the first class meeting. All classes will meet at the West campus SVA, 6222 W. 9th, Room 103 of Building C.

## 47,250 Cotton Samples Classed

Cotton harvest gained momentum over the Memphis area this week, according to W.E. Cain, in Charge of the USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service Office. "Harvest was slowed one day due to high winds but quickly resumed as skies cleared," said Cain.

The Memphis Office classed 16,750 samples this week to bring the season total to 47,250. This compares to 113,150 on the same date a year ago.

The predominant grade this week was 41 with 50 percent followed by grade 42 with 27 percent, and grade 51 with 12 percent.

The predominant length this week was staple 31 with 42 percent followed by staple 32 with 38 percent, and staple 30 with 9 percent.

Micronaire readings showed 36 percent in the desirable range of 3.5 to 4.9, 11 percent 3.3 to 3.4, 22 percent 3.0 to 3.2, and 31 percent 2.9 and below.

Pressley tests showed 95 percent tested 75,000 psi or higher. The average for the week was 83,000 psi.

Cotton market activity over the Memphis area increased slightly this week. Offerings by growers increased also, but amounts sold were not much higher than in previous weeks. Market prices were weak and continued a downward trend this week. Prices on most qualities averaged one to two cents per pound lower than last weeks quotations. Prices for grades 41, 42 and 32; staples 31 and 32; ranged from 28.50 to 32.00 cents per pound. This was for cotton in the 3.5 to 4.9 mike range.

The average price paid farmers for cottonseed at the gin was \$125.00 per ton.

The Governor has proposed combining the Texas Highway Department and Mass Transportation Commission into a Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

## S. S. Information Is Available

Information or service concerning social security may be obtained by going to the social security office at 1541 North Hobart Street, Pampa, or by telephoning 669-3381. The office is open 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Monday through Friday (except national holidays).

A representative is available to explain the provisions of the social security act and answer questions at meetings of farm groups, unions, and other interested organizations. There are no charges for any of these services of the Social Security Administration.

## SCS Board Meets In Pampa

The Gray County Soil and Water Conservation Board met for their regular monthly meeting November 29, at the Gray County Courthouse Annex.

Conservation plans were approved on Rex McKay, Jr. and Fred Vanderburg, Jr.

Great Plains Conservation Program Contract was also approved on Roman Freimel.

Curtis Schaffer and Milton Carpenter reported on attending the State SWCD Meeting of Soil & Water Conservation Districts at San Antonio, Texas, October 29-31, 1974.

Curtis Schaffer reported on the Red River Authority Plan.

## AC To Have Sewing Classes

Amarillo College adult homemaking classes are scheduled to begin Jan. 7 at the West Campus School of Vocational Arts.

Basic sewing classes are slated for Jan. 7 and 8. The Jan. 7 course will be held from 7 to 9 p.m., with the latter offered from 9 to 11 a.m.

An upholstery class will be offered Jan. 16 through March 20. Sessions will meet from 7 to 10 p.m.

A two-week consumer education course will be taught Feb. 3-17. Classes will be held from 1 to 3 p.m.

Future classes in upholstery, women's tailoring, basic sewing, and men's wear are slated for March and April. Registration and payment



**B**ehold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. Isaiah 7:14

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6





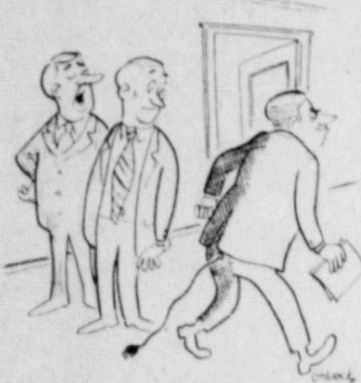
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HAPPY AND JOYOUS HOLIDAY.  
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gest bite—17.1 per cent—out  
of an American's income, re-  
ports the Department of Com-  
merce. After that come food,  
housing, and household opera-  
tion.

**My Neighbors**



"I don't know where he gets  
his energy."



Dear Santa,

I have been a very good  
boy this year. Please bring  
me a bicycle, Mickey Mouse  
radio and anything else you  
have.

Love  
Allen Bailey  
P.S. I will be at my Grand-  
ma Bailey's house for  
Christmas.

Dear Santa

I have been a good girl  
this year. Please bring me  
a swing set, a baby doll and  
a new baby brother.

Love  
Valerie Hill

Dear Santa

I'm just a little boy and  
not big enough for toys yet,  
so just bring me some milk,  
baby food, new clothes and  
a rattler.

Love  
Bradley Southerland

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a "Mary"  
doll and some candy. Please  
remember my brothers and  
sisters and my nephews.  
Also remember my friends  
at Sunday School.

Love  
Dollie Lee Haynes

Dear Santa Claus,

Please send me a fire  
truck, ambulance, and a  
watch. Please bring my  
brother David a go-go cycle.  
Remember all the other  
boys and girls.

Love  
Darren Johnson

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Rub-a  
Dub doll and a car and some  
boots and some clothes and  
a bottle for my baby. Better  
leave my Big John and Gran  
Tex Railsback something too!  
I've sorta been good this year,  
but I'll try very hard to be  
better!

I Love You,  
Susan "Sam" Garner

Dear Santa Clause,

My name is April Kester-  
son, I am 2 1/2 years old, and  
live in Amarillo, but I  
will probably be at my Gran-  
ny and G's house Christmas.

I have been very good all  
year long. I would like two  
baby dolls, a baby bed,  
some dishes and pans, a  
stove, a refrigerator, a table  
and chairs, and a house on  
springs. Please bring a bone  
and some toys to my dog  
Poncho.

I will leave you some  
cookies and milk Christmas  
Eve.

Thank you Santa Clause.  
Love always,  
April Kesterson  
P.S. I love you

Dear Santa Claus,

I will be a good little girl.  
I will try to be good. Here  
is what I want for Christmas,  
Nerf football, Easy bake oven  
and TV magic set.

Love,  
Vonda Heasley

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bicycle  
and a Barbie Beauty Shop.  
We'll be at Big John and  
Granny Tex Railsback's  
house Christmas Eve-but  
leave mys present at my  
house-Okay? I've been a  
good girl this year.  
Don't forget Sam.

Love,  
Julie Garner

Dear Santa,

I have been a very sweet  
girl. Please bring me a  
Steve on Monday, Marty on  
Tuesday, Dan on Wednesday,  
Jimmy on Thursday and How-  
ard for all weekend.

Please let this be our se-  
cret!

Love  
Gail

Dear Santa

Please bring me a pasture  
full of wounded coyotes,  
coons or bobcats. I have  
been a very patient boy so  
please remember me.

Love  
Owen

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy. I  
am 9 1/2 years old. I would  
like a pottery maker, TV,  
magic cards, TV Mystery  
cards, a magic set, division  
flash cards, fun maker organ,  
big kids leggo. That is all

I Love You,  
Todd Allison

**HEALD NEWS**

Mr. and Mrs. Ott Davis  
were in Pampa Tuesday on  
business and visited with  
Jana Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bidwe  
visited in Shamrock Tues-  
day with Mrs. Caleb Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lan-  
ford were Amarillo visitors  
Tuesday.

Mrs. Arlie Grigsby return-  
ed home Wednesday after  
visiting several days in the  
J. D. Morris home in Ama-  
rillo.

Mrs. K. S. Rippey and  
A. W. Lankford were in  
Shamrock Thursday and  
visited with Mrs. Lucille  
Hulls.

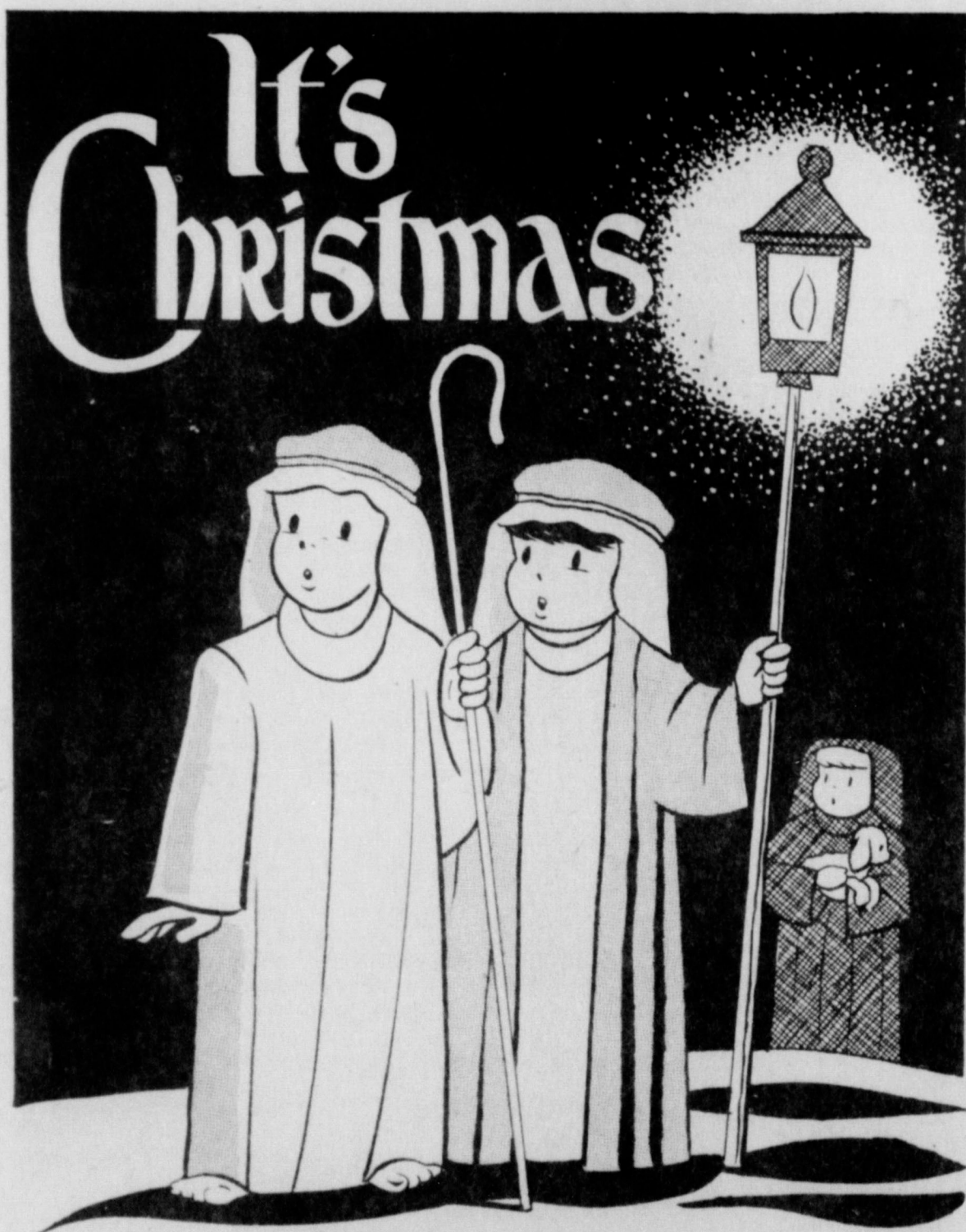
Mr. and Mrs. John Bush  
Amarillo spent the weekend  
in the Ott Davis home. Jan-  
Davs of Pampa spent Friday  
until Sunday visiting her  
sister and parents.

Mr. and Mrs. David Gri-  
by and family of Nacogdo-  
arrived Sunday to spend the  
holidays with his mother  
Arlie Grigsby.

Dear Santa,

All we want for Christm-  
is to win district, regional  
and state in basketball.

Love,  
The Tigerettes



Time of joy and peace.  
Christ is born in Bethlehem.  
Very special holiday wishes  
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Good Will To One And A**

*The McLean News*



### LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a very good girl this year. I want just one thing for Christmas. Please let our basketball team win district. We can take over from there. Also, please don't let all my boyfriends find out about each other. Don't forget my other friends.  
Love,  
Virginia

Dear Santa,  
All I want for Christmas is to get rid of my 6th period biology class and get a new one.  
Mrs. Jefferson  
P.S. There will be cookies and milk waiting for you.

Dear Santa,  
I like you very much. Please bring me a baby alive and a rocker and some clothes for her too. I will leave you an apple and a glass of milk on the table.  
Love,  
Cherrie  
P.S. Be careful on your trip. P.P.S. I was too little to write so my big cuzin Emily wrote this for me.

Dearest Santa,  
This Christmas I would like a new car, a pair of earrings, a new boyfriend, an A in biology, and a pet reindeer. If all these things don't fit in your bag, just make all of the people in the world happy on Christmas.  
Love Always,  
Jodette Swaner  
Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a free plastic ruler from Delores Morgan.  
Love ya,  
Natalie

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have for Christmas the following: a 308 rifle, a cage for my bookkeeping teacher... I hope that I've been a good boy this year, and remember all the other boys and girls.  
Yours truly,  
Keith Martin

Dear Santa,  
I'm not sure how good I've been this year but I would sure like to get a punching Flintstone, a gun and holster, and a cowboy hat.  
Please don't forget Momma and Daddy.  
Love,  
Dale Barker

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a putt-putt train and an airplane. I will leave a glass of milk and cookies on my fireplace.  
Your friend,  
Tony Hambright

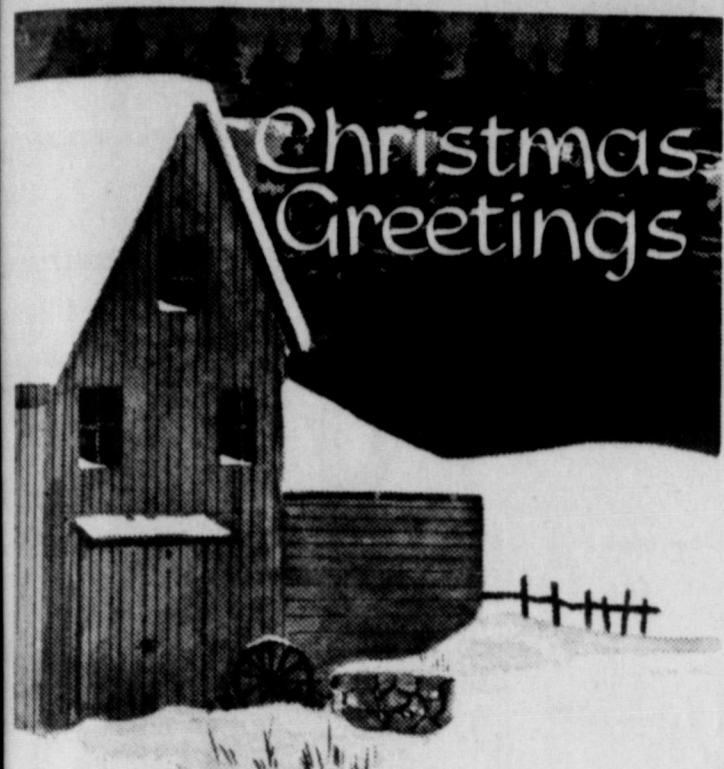
Dear Santa,  
I am 4 years old, and have been a fairly good boy. Would you please bring me a Weebles Airport that has a helicopter and airplane and a road grader. I would like a Nerf mobile car if you have enough to go around.  
Thanks a lot and Merry Christmas,  
Mark Bailey.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I'm a boy, 4 1/2 years old and I have tried to be good, but sometimes I can't help getting in trouble.  
Will you please bring me a sidewalk bicycle and 3 bulldozers-one to have at my house, one to have at Nee Naw's and one for my Daddy.  
Please go to see all the other little boys and girls, too. Thank you.  
Love,  
Jim Bob Adams  
McLean, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like you to bring me for Christmas a walking doll and a pair of skates and a watch. I have been a good girl. I will leave you some cookies and milk.  
P.S. Don't forget my two big brothers Ricky and Randy  
I Love You,  
Judy Kennedy



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**AND Sidelights**  
 by Lyndell Williams  
 TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN, Tex.—Auto insurance rates are going up again—an average of 8.8 per cent statewide, or from \$8 to \$39 for majority 1A and 1B adult drivers, depending on the rating territory they live in.

State Insurance Board announced the new rates effective January 16.

While the increase was judged necessary in view of rising auto repair and hospital rates and other costs, it was less than half the 18.3 per cent requested by the insurance industry. It was also far below the boost recommended originally—16.8 per cent—by the Board's own staff.

Overall cost to drivers is estimated at about \$50 million a year. Gov. Dolph Briscoe said the industry's request would have boomed the cost another \$60 million.

"Double digit inflation" destroyed potential savings which might have been achieved due to lower speed limits, reduced accidents and curtailed driving, said State Insurance Board Chairman Joe Christie.

In a sample county (Travis), \$100 deductible collision insurance will cost an average new car owner about \$13 more, property damage liability another \$5, bodily injury liability another \$1 and full coverage comprehensive \$5 more.

The Board also increased from \$50 to \$200 the amount of damages required for an insurance report on a traffic accident.

Governor Briscoe urged Texas motorists to take the National Safety Council defensive driving course (to obtain a 10 per cent automatic insurance discount for a three-year period) and to "shop" for companies offering competitive rates (with

savings of up to 15 per cent.)  
**BUDGET SOARING** — An estimated \$1.4 billion state surplus is fading fast.

Legislative Budget Board recommended a record \$3.343 billion biennial state general revenue budget which reached deep into the fat cushion which inflation and the energy crunch provided.

However, LBB moved to set aside a remaining \$500 million into a "permanent working capital account" to provide stability in cash flow and cover unexpected temporary deficits.

That leaves less than \$100 million of the surplus for the legislature to play with in adjusting the 1976-77 biennial appropriations bill, and price tag of school finance formula revision (not covered in the LBB recommendations) could run to \$1 billion. Lawmakers could, of course, throw out all the LBB proposals and start over.

**APPOINTMENTS** — An unusually-large number of major appointments were announced during the last week. Among them were the following:

Kenneth W. Cook as Alcoholic Beverage Commission administrator; Harry Ledbetter as deputy state comptroller; Randall "Buck" Wood as assistant comptroller for legal services; Charles Behrens as director of the comptroller's new funds management division; Charles M. Miles, assistant comptroller for staff services; Don W. Ray director of comptroller's field

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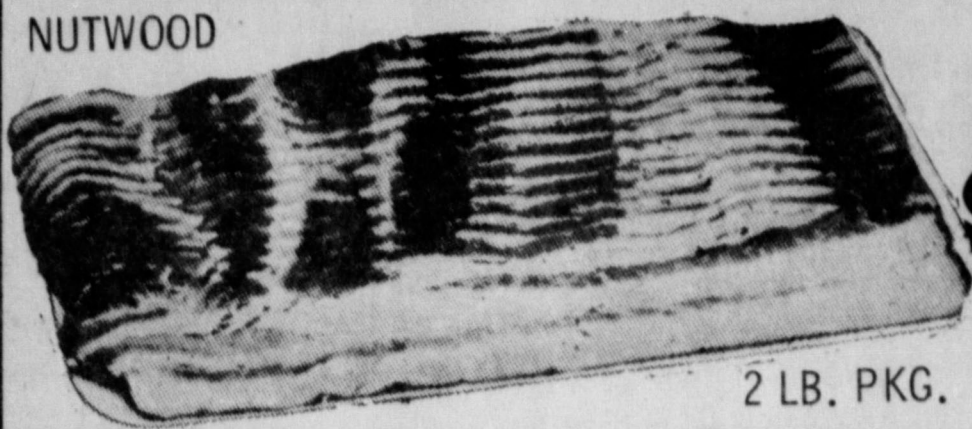
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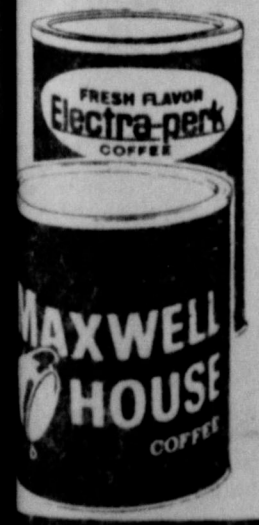
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operations division; Don B. Odom reappointed Insurance Commissioner; Joe D. Gunn reappointed to Texas Employment Commission; J. D. Chastain to succeed Joel Tisdale as chief of the Department of Public Safety Identification and Criminal Records Division; Hal M. Lattimore and Tom Cave to be district judges in Tarrant County; and John C. Mullen of Alice to be district attorney of the 79th judicial district.

Joe Christie said he has agreed to accept reappointment to a six-year term on the State Insurance Board. **PRISON REFORM BACKED**—A legislative joint committee moved toward approval of recommendations for Texas prison reform but delayed a showdown vote.

The committee went on record for a new method of judging inmates eligible for parole, minimizing warden's evaluation.

It also approved more generous visiting rights with families, and called for study of possible conjugal visits.

Other recommendations would raise pay of Department of Corrections personnel, provide for improvement in medical services, support a major expansion in TDC work furlough, educational and vocational programs, endorse enlargement of the Board of Pardons and Paroles and favor a TDC legal aid setup to help inmates in their court cases.

Committee members opposed a provision to pay inmates "a reasonable wage" for their prison labor. They also deleted a staff recommendation to ban discrimination against inmates due to political beliefs after State Sen. Walter Mengden of Houston claimed

"subversives" should be kept under close scrutiny.

**TEACHER GROUP ASKS MORE**—Texas State Teachers Association's executive committee voted to ask the organization's legislative committee to reconsider its request for \$8,200 a year starting pay for teachers.

The panel narrowly defeated a motion to direct the legislative committee to ask the legislature for a starting \$12,000 salary base. The beginning minimum is now \$6,600.

Texas Federation of Teachers, an AFL-CIO affiliate with growing membership in major cities, has offered a legislative program calling for a \$10,000 minimum.

The TSTA executive committee further endorsed a change in the constitution which would unify TSTA with National Education Association, subject to ratification in a statewide referendum.

**UTILITY REGULATION BACKED**—Creation of a state utilities commission apparently has increasing support among lawmakers.

Sen. Ron Clower of Garland will introduce a bill next month to establish a three-member elected commission with authority over telephone, electrical and natural gas rates and water supplied by private companies.

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby said the state "must provide the tools whereby public utilities can be properly regulated so as to best serve the people."

Clower said his bill will provide for telephone rate rollbacks when service falls below an estimated standard. He noted there is no control over utility rates and services outside incorporated cities.

Texas Municipal League and utilities companies are expected to fight the legislation.

**SHORT SNORTS**  
Governor Briscoe has returned to duties after his recent illness, and promises regular weekly press conferences.

JOY to the WORLD

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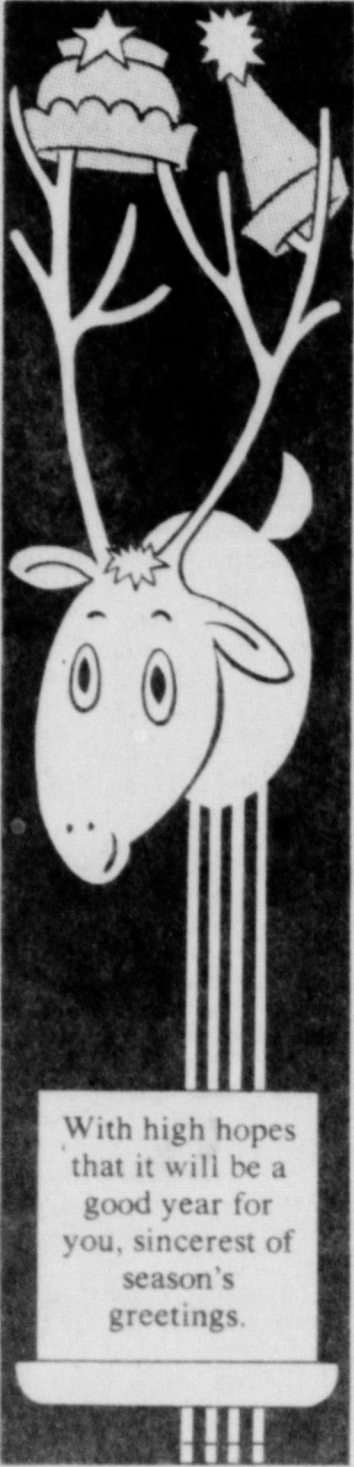
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**ALLOWABLE SET**—For the 34th straight month, Texas Railroad Commission fixed the oil production allowable at 100 per cent for January.

East Texas field, an exception, will be held to 66 per cent as a conservation measure.

Commission Chairman Jim Langdon said he sees "some encouraging signs" in the energy picture, including more drilling application and more operating rigs.



With high hopes that it will be a good year for you, sincerest of season's greetings.

**J. R. Glass Oil Co.**

MR. AND MRS. DALE GLASS AND FAMILY

**LETTERS TO SANTA**

Dear Santa Claus,  
All I want for Christmas this year is to get my braces off.

Your Best fan,  
Jeree Boyd

Dear Santa,  
My name is Becky and I'm a real nice, kind, sweet modest, etc., etc., girl. I only want a few things; a Mark Eden Miracle Worker, a Easy Bake Oven, and a G. I. Joe with Kung Foo grip. I will have some milk and cookies waiting for you on the mantel.

Love Always,  
Becky Boob

Dear Santa,  
I have been a real good girl as usual. I am not selfish but there are a few things I want this year. They are a Suzy Homemaker dishwasher so my hands won't dry out, monkey bars, as much money as you can spare cause I sort of lost mine, Ruby Red Lipstick, and a cute little elf.

Love and Kisses,  
Janet



With this great holiday, we express deep appreciation for friendships, old and new. Peace be with you.

**HAMBRIGHT'S CABINET SHOP**

Kenneth Hambright Family  
F.E. Hambright Family

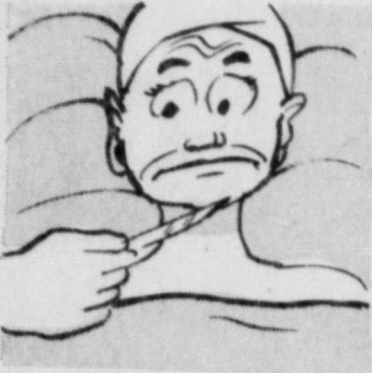
**THE FAMILY LAWYER**

**News From ALAN REED**

**"Compulsory" Surgery**

Suffering from a hyperthyroid condition, Doris began to collect disability payments under the Social Security Act. But after a brief period, the government decided to pay no more.

"She isn't that sick," a government spokesman explained in a court hearing. "All she needs is a minor operation, which she refuses to have. That isn't our fault." "I just don't like surgery," countered Doris. "They can't make such a thing compulsory."



However, the court agreed with the government that the payments could indeed be terminated. The court said Doris could not be classified as "disabled" when it was within her own power to get well.

The justification for the ruling was that the operation which Doris needed was relatively safe. Why, say the courts, should the government bear the consequences of a person's unusual squeamishness?

The greater the risk, however, the greater the right of the ailing person to refuse surgery without losing his benefits. He may also refuse surgery on the ground that it is not likely to help him. Thus:

A truck driver was disabled by a severe back problem. Here too the government wanted him to undergo corrective surgery rather than collect disability payments.

But this time, the operation was both painful and dangerous—and the chance of success was no more than 50%. Ruling against the government, the judge said:

"This court will not require claimant to submit to such odds."

One case involved a man who was unable to hold a job because he drank too much whiskey. In seeking social security payments, he claimed he could not change his habits. But a court turned him down, concluding that he could control his "disability" if he tried hard enough.

Best pork values are Boston butt roasts, quarter-loins cut into chops and loin roasts.

By P. M. Gibson  
Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Gibson went to Amarillo Friday, Dec. 20 to see their new granddaughter, Kristi Dawn.

On Dec. 19th the children of Alanreed had their Christmas program and there was a large group, with a visit from Santa Claus.

Onie Gibson was on the sick list last week. Richard Dragoo has brought his son Ricky back to Alanreed and has him in school there.

The Gibsons made a business trip to Pampa on Thursday.

Visiting the Bill Crisps' is Sue's sister, Mr. and Mrs. George McCarty from Wyo.

Visiting the P. M. Gibsons Saturday, Dec. 21 was their grandson, Charlie Don Vineyard and a friend Cliff Mayes, both of Glenrose. They were on their way to the mountains in New Mexico where they planned to ski.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hill visited their son, Jack in Lubbock Saturday.

Mrs. Lena Carter visited her son's family the Jerry Carters in Pampa last weekend and attended the company Christmas party with them.

On Friday night, Dec. 20 Gladys Hill and Lena Carter attended the hospital staff

party in McLean.

Visiting the L. T. Goldston's this weekend are all their children but Bill. They are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Goldston and children of Lubbock, Jerry Goldston of Plainview, the Jim Goldstons of Memphis, the Homer Goldstons and children of Fort Worth, and their daughters family the Jay Wilsons of Dalhart.

Visiting the P. M. Gibsons Sunday was their son's family Charlie Vineyard of Glenrose and daughter Diane Gibson of Dallas.



Season's greetings to our friends and patrons. We wish you joy and peace.

**ALLENS LAUNDRY**



Wishing you the best of everything at Christmas-time and always!

**Blaylock's Restaurant**

We will be closed Dec. 23 thru Jan. 2.



Merry Christmas to you and yours from all of us.



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# FESTIVE FOODS



**SUGAR**  
**CRISCO**

5 LB. BAG **\$2<sup>89</sup>** 10 LB. BAG **\$5<sup>97</sup>**  
3 LB. CAN **\$1<sup>89</sup>**

SHURFINE WAFFLE **SYRUP** QUART **85¢**

SHURFINE **APPLE BUTTER** 28 OZ. **65¢**

HERSHEY'S CHOCOLATE **SYRUP** 16 OZ. CAN **49¢**

**GROUND BEEF** LB. **79¢**  
**ROUND STEAK** LB. **\$1<sup>29</sup>**

BETTY CROCKER **BISQUICK** 40 OZ. BOX **\$1<sup>09</sup>**

HERSHEY'S **COCOA** 8 OZ. **67¢** 16 OZ. **\$1<sup>29</sup>**

YELLOW **ONIONS** LB. **7¢**  
PINK **GRAPEFRUIT** EA **12¢**

SIMPSON'S MARKET  
**SAVE 55¢ WHEN YOU BUY A 3 LB. CAN of FOLGER'S COFFEE**  
  
SPECIAL PRICE WITH THIS COUPON **\$2<sup>39</sup>**  
WITHOUT COUPON 00¢  
Coupon cash value 1/20 of 1¢  
GOOD THRU 1-3-75

**WE WILL BE CLOSED**  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

SHURFINE SPEARS **ASPARAGUS** 300 CAN **2 FOR \$1**

SHURFINE FRUIT-ORANGE-GRAPE **FRUIT DRINK** 2 46 OZ. FOR **89¢**

SHURFINE **TOMATO JUICE** 46 OZ. CAN **2 FOR \$1**

FABRIC SOFTENER 15¢ OFF LABEL **DOWNY** 64 OZ. **\$1<sup>69</sup>**

SHURFINE **APPLE SAUCE** 303 CAN **3 FOR \$1**

CLEANS-DISINFECTS - DEORIZES **PINE-SOL** 15 OZ. **85¢**

SHURFINE MACARONI & CHEESE 7 1/4 OZ. **DINNERS** 2 FOR **55¢**

SHURFINE **BLACKEYE PEAS** 300 CAN 2 FOR **55¢**

SHURFRESH MILK FOR GOODNESS SAKE  


LOWEST EVERYDAY FOOD PRICES  
**SIMPSON'S MARKET**

Tendercrust Bread and Bakery Products  
SPECIALS GOOD Thru December 31, 1974  




**BIRTHDAYS**

- DECEMBER 27  
Mrs. Frank Simpson  
Joe Magee  
Herman Petty  
Harold Petty
- DECEMBER 28  
C.J. Magee  
Vickie Mae Christie  
Carl Watson  
Mrs. Jess Kemp  
Mrs. Faye Oakley
- DECEMBER 29  
Randy Curry  
Margaret Jean West
- DECEMBER 30  
Eddie Kent Wilson  
Trevor Leslie McDonald
- DECEMBER 31  
W.C. Kennedy  
Valta Tarbet  
Terry Clint Gray  
Daniel Kent Rice  
Mrs. Lavada Cash  
Marsha Lynn Day
- JANUARY 1  
Ca rolyn Bailey
- JANUARY 2  
Louise Dwight  
Opal Patterson  
Clyde Windom

Mrs. Luther Petty spent Christmas with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Billingsley in Amarillo.

Atty. Gen. Hill has asked the legislature to give him more authority to investigate deceptive practices in insurance sales.



**WORDS TO LIVE BY...**

A good conscience is a continual Christmas.  
*Benjamin Franklin*

It is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas time, when its mighty founder was a child, Himself.  
*Charles Dickens*

Heap on more wood! The wind is chill. But let it whistle as it will, we'll keep our Christmas merry still.  
*Sir Walter Scott*

Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these My Brethren, you have done it unto me.  
*Matthew 25: 40*

What can I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb. If I were a wise man I would do my part, yet what can I give him: Give my heart.  
*Christina G. Rossetti*

Take what is: trust what may be: That's life's true lesson.  
*Robert Browning*



**GOOD CHEER!**

We send best wishes for a Happy Holiday. Warm thanks to friends and neighbors.

**Gipson Service & Supply**

Howard, Davie, Keith, D.G.

**A. C. Enrolls 1,733 In Advance Registration**

A 10-day advance registration period at Amarillo College has resulted in 1,733 students enrolled for the spring semester at AC. These students have enrolled for classes in the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Biomedical Arts and Sciences, and School of Technology. Advance registration was held for the first time at AC. Students were encouraged to enroll during a two-week period which enabled them to complete their registration entirely, although tuition pay payments could be deferred until January. Due to this advance registration, regular registration will be conducted over a day and a half, Jan. 8 and 9. During this period, students currently enrolled will report to Badger Gymnasium or to their adviser according to an alphabetical schedule as usual. New students will report to their advisor.

**VA Rings In The New Year Early**

In the continuing effort to provide better and faster service to the veteran population served by the Waco Regional Office, the Veterans Administration now provides local telephone service for use when seeking assistance. Jack Coker, director of the Waco Regions, reports that a veteran living in McLean, may call 800-792-1110, and

reach the Regional Office in Waco. Coker further states that the only expense involved will be the cost of a local call. Office hours are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Happy Holiday

At this special time of the year, grateful thanks to our friends and patrons.

**THE POT-POURRI GIFT SHOP**

Carey Don, Cheryl, Stacie and Donnie Smith

**HOLIDAY Greetings**

We hope Christmas is joyful for you!

**CHARLES TEXACO**

CHARLES AND CATHERINE WEAVER

**Greetings**

A most merry, merry Christmas to friends and patrons. Thanks for letting us serve you.

**Ford's Mobil Service**

Warm Wishes

We wish you an old-fashioned Christmas of joy, peace and plenty. Thanks for your patronage.

**B & B PLUMBING**

LESTER BAILEY

**Christmas Greetings**

To all our friends and neighbors, peace and joy this holy season. Thank you for your support and good will.

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| First Baptist Church    | Church of Christ       |
| United Methodist Church | Bible Baptist Church   |
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# CLASSIFIED \* ADS

## CLASSIFIED

**Classified Ad Information**  
 Reader Ads 6c per word  
 (Minimum Charge \$1)  
 Display Classified \$1 per Inch  
 Card of Thanks \$1  
 All ads cash, unless customer  
 has an established account with  
 The McLean News.  
 Deadline for Want Ads —  
 5 p.m. Tuesday  
 Phone 779-2447

## FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Nice large 3 bed-  
 room 1 1/2 story house. Large  
 fireplace. Lots of closet and  
 storage space. Storm cellar,  
 garage, carport. Located on  
 1/2 acres of land. House in  
 excellent condition. Have to  
 see to appreciate. Owner  
 would consider some finance  
 to right party. Boyd Meador,  
 Real Estate Broker.  
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PAMPA CHRYSLER DODGE  
 has large selection of trucks,  
 pickups, Chryslers, Dodges,  
 Plymouths, Ramcharger, 4  
 wheel drive pickups, large  
 selection of good used cars  
 and trucks. Pampa Chrysler  
 Dodge, 811 W. Wilks, Pam-  
 pa, Texas, 665-5766.  
 26-tfc

ALL BIBLES and Religious  
 books 20% off now thru  
 Christmas. Some gift items.  
 Stewart's Religious Book  
 Store, 51-2c

FOR SALE—four bedroom  
 or three bedroom and den  
 house. Good location.  
 Reasonable for immediate  
 sale. Call 779-3191.  
 50-2c

FOR SALE Signature gas range  
 \$25, 801 N. Gray, 779-  
 2188.  
 52-1c

## FOR RENT

APARTMENT for rent.  
 Massey Apartments. Call  
 779-2531 or 779-2768.  
 49-tfc

FOR LEASE 6 months or 1  
 year four bedroom house, 2  
 baths. One block from  
 school. 874-2504, Claren-  
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## PUBLIC SERVICES

SEPTIC tank pumping and  
 cleaning, pit pumping.  
 Cleaning lines, all types.  
 Shamrock, Texas. H. San-  
 ford, 256-3117.  
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SPOTS before your eyes, on  
 your new carpet. Remove  
 them with Blue Lustre.  
 Rent electric shampooer \$1.  
 McLean Hardware.  
 52-1c

RID your home of termites,  
 roaches, carpet beetles. Free  
 inspection. Work guaran-  
 teed. Mrs. G.W. Humphries,  
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FURNITURE of all kinds re-  
 paired and upholstered. D.L.  
 Jones, Rt. 1, McLean, 779-  
 2992.  
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## LOST & FOUND

LOST black and white Border  
 Collie. Possibly with one or  
 two pups. Lost in Pakan com-  
 munity. Has Wheeler Veter-  
 narian tags 0429. Reward  
 offered. Call 826-3253 or  
 826-5505.  
 51-2c

## WANTED

WANTED to lease grass land.  
 James Hefley, 779-3134,  
 Box 42, McLean, Texas.  
 47-5c

## 30% DISCOUNT

THRU DECEMBER 31  
 Grain Storage Bins  
 5,000 Bu., thru  
 127,000 Bu. Call  
 Collect 316-872-5350  
 DISNEY CONSTRUCTION CO.  
 SCOTT CITY, KANSAS  
 "Steel prices will go up  
 after January 1"

## Rejoice and be merry!

Tom-toms accompany the  
 carol singing of Philip-  
 pine students at Christian  
 schools.

## Dule Customs Date Back to Fourth Century Recalling Man's Good Deeds

why do children hang up a  
 stocking?

The first St. Nick was a  
 real person, Nicholas, a  
 bishop in Asia Minor in the  
 Fourth Century.

According to legend the  
 bishop heard of a poor man  
 who was about to sell his 3  
 daughters into slavery be-  
 cause he could not provide  
 a dowry for them; this was  
 not only customary in those  
 days, but obligatory, to avoid  
 disgrace.

St. Nicholas saved them  
 by gifts of gold. Each time,  
 he threw the gift into the  
 house, in order not to be  
 recognized.

One version tells it that he  
 threw the gold down the  
 chimney, where it fell into a  
 stocking hung there to dry.

And so to this day children  
 hang up their stockings for  
 gifts from this real Saint.  
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why are mince pies and  
 plum pudding traditional as  
 desserts?

Mince pie has been tradi-  
 tional for as long as history  
 records. It is usually full of  
 spices and fruits, represent-  
 ing the exotic treasures of  
 the East, the home of the  
 Wise Men. Originally it was  
 made in a loaf shape, to sim-  
 ulate the manger.

Plum pudding, to the con-  
 trary, signifies the humbler  
 virtues. Legend has it that in  
 the early days of England a  
 king and his men were lost  
 in the forest on Christmas  
 Eve.

Not having provided for  
 this delay in their journey,  
 the cook threw everything  
 he had to make one dish for  
 all . . . thus the plum pud-

ding! We're just guessing,  
 but we are sure plums have  
 had some good reason to be  
 part of the name.

## the Medieval ceremony of the 'royal peacock'

An elegant meat dish  
 served in royal houses dur-  
 ing Medieval times at Christ-  
 mas, was the roast peacock.  
 This dish was called "food  
 for lovers and meat for  
 lords."

A royal dish it was, too.  
 The cooks carefully removed  
 the skin with all its brilliant  
 plumage. After it had been  
 baked and partly cooked,  
 the feathers were replaced  
 and the tail spread out. Just  
 before the bearer entered  
 the hall.



This was never a servant;  
 it was the most distinguished  
 or most charming lady pres-  
 ent . . . followed by the  
 ladies of the court, and ac-  
 companied by players of  
 the lute, viol or cithern.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
 TO:

RICHARD EARL BURKETT

GREETINGS:  
 You are commanded to  
 appear by filing a written  
 answer to the Petitioner's  
 petition at or before 10 o'  
 clock A.M. of the first Mon-  
 day after the expiration of  
 42 days from the date of issu-  
 ance of this Citation, the  
 same being Monday the 13th  
 day of January, A.C., 1975,  
 at or before 10 o'clock A.M.,  
 before the Honorable 31st  
 District Court of Gray County,  
 at the Court House in Pampa,  
 Texas.

Said Petitioner's petition  
 was filed on the 26th day of  
 November, 1974.

The file number of said  
 suit being No. 19, 131

The name of the parties in  
 said suit are:

KAREN KAY BURKETT,  
 as petitioner, and RICHARD  
 EARL BURKETT, as Respond-  
 ent.

The nature of said suit  
 being substantially as follows,  
 to wit: SUIT FOR DIVORCE.

If this Citation is not serv-  
 ed within 90 days after the  
 date of its issuance, it shall  
 be returned unserved.

Issued this the 27th day of  
 November A.D., 1974.

Given under my hand and  
 seal of said Court, at office  
 in Pampa, Texas, this the  
 27th day of November A.D.,  
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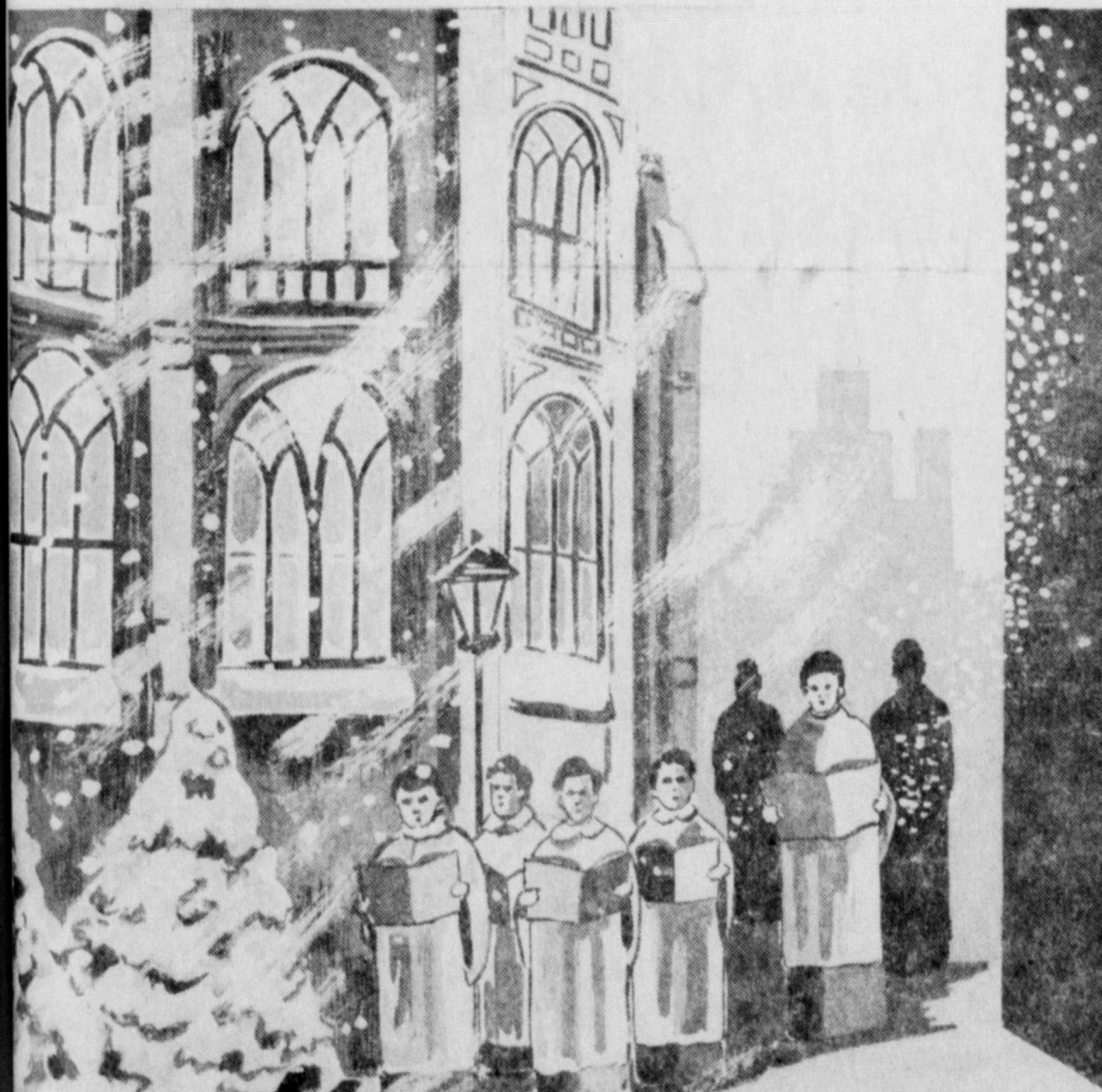
HELEN SPRINKLE  
 Clerk,  
 31st District Court  
 Gray County, Texas  
 By Carol Jones, Deputy

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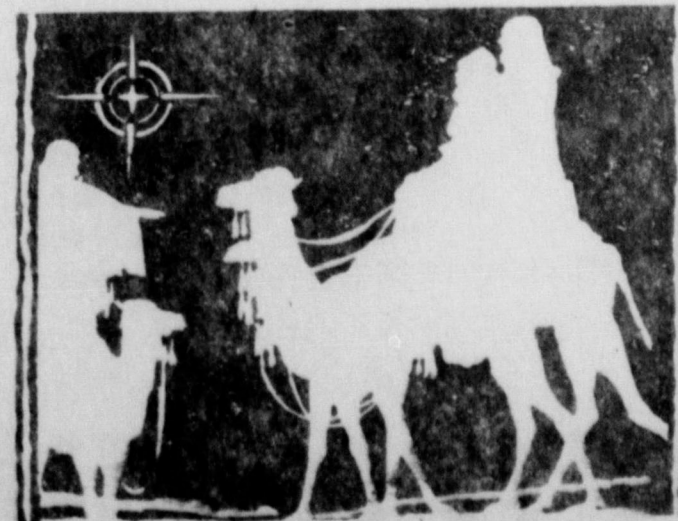


# Merry Christmas

Joy to the world—and to all our friends, a full  
 share of Christmas peace and happiness.

# The McLean Lions Club

## Christmas Greetings



## FAMILY INN

Keith and Laura Martin



### CHRISTMAS GREETING

MERRY CHRISTMAS and a special NEW YEAR to the Mary Martha class.  
Your teacher



*Greetings*

We come to the New Year with appreciation for this community and our many friends and neighbors. We hope to serve you often.

### You Can Do It To Feature Carpet Care

"Dirt can cut the pile and increase wear and tear on carpets," according to television hostess Cindy Kidwell of the "You Can Do It!" series.

Lessons in this week's half hour program will cover carpet care when "What's Afoot in Carpet Care" airs Saturday at 2:00 p.m. on KAMR, TV, Channel 4.

Sponsored locally by the Gray County Family Living Committee and KAMR TV, the 6-part educational television series was created and produced by home economists with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, through USDA.

Bulletins on any of the projects taught during "You Can Do It!" are available at no charge through the County Extension Office, at 669-7429, or P.O. Box 1756, Pampa, Texas 79065.

State Welfare Commissioner Raymond Vowell figured \$272,269 in welfare benefits have been obtained illegally in Texas during a six months period.

A cutback in federal food stamps proposed by the president would require 266,380 Texas households receiving them to pay an additional \$2 million for the same amount of stamps.

### WILLIAMS

### Appliance

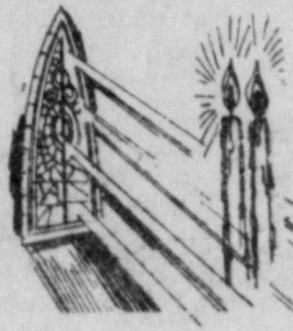
Howard and Lillie Mae

### CHUCK WAGON BAKED BEANS

1 lb. dried navy beans  
1 tart apple, chopped  
1 small onion, chopped  
¼ lb. sliced salt pork  
½ cup strained honey  
½ cup barbecue sauce  
½ tsp. dry mustard  
1 tsp. chili powder  
½ tsp. garlic salt  
¼ cup butter

Wash beans, cover with water and soak overnight. Cook slowly in salted water about 30 minutes,

drain, saving cooking liquid. Put apple and onion in 2-quart bean pot; add half the beans and top with half salt pork. Add remaining beans. Mix honey, barbecue sauce, mustard, chili powder, garlic salt and butter with 2½ cups cooking liquid; pour over beans. Top with remaining salt pork; cover. Bake in 375-degree oven 1 hour. Reduce heat to 275 and continue baking 5 hours. Add more bean liquid or hot water. During last half hour uncover. Yield: 6-8 servings.



## Joyous NOEL

*My wife and I wish all of our members, friends and neighbors a very happy Christmas and a joyful and prosperous New Year.*

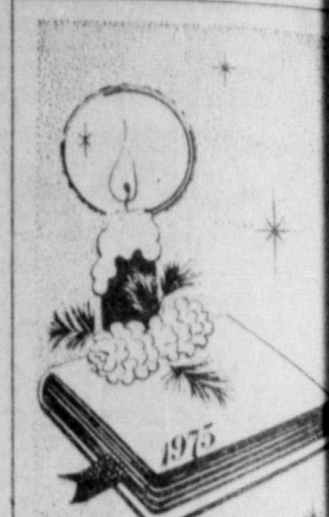
*Harmon and Avis Meisner*



*Be filled with cheer.*

*Sincere thanks to friends and patrons. We appreciate your continuing good will.*

ODIS  
ELECTRIC



*Cheer...*

*Time for us to say, sincerely, thank you for your patronage and good will. It is our pleasure to serve you at all times.*

JEWEL BOX  
FASHIONS

Janice and Jewel



*We wish to all friends and patrons the many Joys, the full abundance of the Real Christmas*

## CITY OF McLEAN



*May you find new friends and keep your old ones; walk in health and live in sunshine; and find the open door to happiness and lasting contentment.*

## American National Bank in McLean

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