

# World Seeks Peace Beneath Battling Sabres

Blood is staining snow piled on the mountains of Korea as a series of conferences in an attempt to bring about some measure of peace. A world seeking to end the barbaric waste of life and property looks on helplessly as the cease-fire talks extend to the approach of another Christmas.

The world's greatest tragedy extending through the centuries now centers in a dramatic theatre where men are fighting almost in sight of the peace conference. Overhead United States Sabre jet planes are battling Russian-made MIGs in an effort to further the position of their land armies.

Perhaps no time in history is more fraught with civilization's destiny than this eve of the birthday of The Prince of Peace.

In the meantime over 3,000 American prisoners of war are being exchanged through a phase of the peace settlements, which is bringing a great relief to families who had in most cases despaired of the men ever returning. In other thousands of homes the families know now that their sons, husbands and brothers will never return.

Men are talking peace and sabres are battling in the sky above; blood turns the snow to crimson where men are fighting.

# Matador Tribune

MATADOR, MOTLEY, COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1951

## TRAIL DUST

By DOUGLAS MEADOR

Being the pibald bay and graying on the toes of his old boots, the old man left the gate and approached the fence. He spoke the usual greeting and watched as I drove into a seasoned cedar tree. A flock of wild geese passed overhead and we observed them without comment. He approached my work and said it was satisfactory, speculated on the weather, then rode away. I was the door of his home three days later when the black, orange haze stopped outside the sagging gate and the leafless bushes. I saw his small, old boots, now forever empty, beside a chair. Wheels of the undertaker's dolly buried in sand before reaching the sacred earth. A door closed to shut out the sound of a woman's sobbing. Beyond the house the horse was grazing and more wild geese were flying overhead.



Gifts for veterans were collected here December 3rd when the Fleming-Post American Legion held its annual Christmas party at the legion club house. Mrs. B. C. Cox, Auxiliary president is shown above at the Christmas tree where gifts were collected. A buffet-style banquet was held in connection with the party. Gifts collected were later sent to disabled veterans in the Amarillo veteran's hospital.

## Post Office At Flomot Robbed

Post office at Flomot was robbed over the weekend of about \$190 when burglars knocked the knob off and entered the small safe.

## THEATRE IS SOLD

After 18 1/2 years of continuous operation Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Dirickson have sold the Rogue Theatre here to Amos Page of McLean. The deal was consummated December 4th. Amount of the consideration was not disclosed.

Mr. Page is the owner of the Avalon Theatre in McLean and the Rogue Theatre in Lefors. Mr. Page will move his family to Matador to make this his future home. Mr. Dirickson will devote his time to farming and ranching. The transaction becomes effective January 1st.

Regarding the sale Mr. Dirickson said, "We have enjoyed our many years in the theatre business in Matador and it is with regrets that we leave our friends and acquaintances, but we hope you will be as good to Mr. and Mrs. Page as you have been to us."

## Free Picture Show Provided By Lions

### Santa Coming Here To Ask About Gifts

SANTA is coming to Matador. He informed the Tribune last night that he expected to arrive some time Saturday, probably about eleven thirty a. m. following the free motion picture show which is being provided by the Matador Lions Club.

The show will start at 10 a. m. Saturday and is open to all children. Children who visit the free show will be presented with gifts of Christmas candy and it is expected that Santa will be at the door to welcome them when they emerge from the Rogue theatre. The entire comedy show is being paid for by the Lions.

Santa is also going to visit various places of business during the early afternoon where he will have a chance to talk with children and ask about the gifts they hope to receive.

**Gifts Are Heavy**

Matador and Roaring Springs business firms report one of the heaviest seasons of sales of Christmas merchandise in the area's history.

The arrival of Christmas will mean a period of rest and visits with relatives and friends for members of most business firms here. Some stores have announced that they will be closed for two days (Tuesday and Wednesday). W. F. Jacobs, manager of the Matador Variety store said he would remain closed for two days. Waybourn's cafe will be closed Christmas day.

Rosa's Cafe will observe Christmas day. All signs in Matador will shut down Saturday night and remain closed until 7 a. m. Wednesday morning, December 26th.

Mevin Meason, manager of Spot Cash grocery, said he made a survey of business places and that all would observe the two holidays (Tuesday and Wednesday) with the exception of cafes, garages and filling stations. R. M. Stanley, manager of Stanley Pharmacy, said his store would observe a 2-day holiday.

County Judge C. W. Giesecke said all county offices would be closed from Saturday noon until Thursday morning. The city hall will also observe the same holiday arrangement.

## Death Claims W. M. Graham

Death early Wednesday evening claimed one of Motley county's oldest citizens, W. M. Graham, 92. The pioneer who as a boy hunted buffalo in the area near the present community of Dickens, had been a patient in Stanley Clinic-Hospital since April.

Mr. Graham led an active life until about 2 years ago when he fell and broke his left hip. Since then his health had steadily declined and he was hospitalized from time to time. He had been bedfast and a patient in the clinic ever since he was brought there in April.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Carrie Graham, one son, Curtis, of Matador, and a daughter, Mrs. Ben Edwards, of Flomot, also by six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Dec. 21 at 2 p. m. at the First Methodist Church, Matador, by Rev. Bob Jameson of Roaring Springs, pioneer minister, assisted by Rev. Marvin Brotherton, pastor of the church. Pall bearers will be: Ed Jameson, T. B. Edmondson, James Taylor, Bill Pipkin, Randall Whitworth and Jess Perkins. Burial will be in Matador East Mound cemetery. Eudy Seals Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

William M. Graham was born in Denton County, December 14, 1859 and died December 19, 1951, at the age of 92 years, 5 days. Before coming to West Texas, he lived in Young, Crockett and Taylor counties. (continued on back page)

## J. N. House Resigns From Malador Bank

James N. House, who has been associated with the First State bank here since February in the capacity of vice-president resigned his position last week.

He has sold his home in Matador and returned with his family to Paris, but will return to West Texas about the first of the year where he will accept a position in a banking institution, he told a Tribune reporter before his departure.

## MRS. STINNETT TO SPEAK AT BANQUET

Mrs. H. G. Stinnett of Plainview, date president of the Single Congress of Parents and Teachers, will be guest speaker at the annual Mother-Daughter banquet to be held at the Matador Parent-Teacher Association.

The banquet will be held at the Matador Hotel on Friday, December 21, at 7:30 p. m. The date for the banquet has been set for February 5.

## OPEN HOUSE TO HONOR COUPLE ON 50th ANNIVERSARY

Open House will be held at the R. C. Forbis ranch, home north of Afton, Sunday, Dec. 23 from 1 until 4 p. m. honoring Mr. and Mrs. Duff Green, of Roaring Springs, pioneer residents of this area, on their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Children and grandchildren of the couple will be hosts for the occasion, and highlight of the celebration will be a Golden Wedding ceremony to be performed by Rev. E. J. Cobb of Lockney, son of the pioneer Baptist minister, Rev. Steve Cobb, who united Miss Myra Kelly and J. D. Green in matrimony.

Miss Kelly, just out of high school, had gone to Dickens County from Throckmorton, as a school teacher, and taught for two years at Cottonwood, now Afton. She made the trip in a two-wheel cart, drawn by a Spanish mule, which was serving as mail transportation from Seymour to Dickens during the temporary absence of a regular hack. She recalled that she started out wearing a white sailor hat and a white shirt-waist and dark skirt. "You can imagine how I looked when I arrived, after two days and a night on the road," she said. The night stop-over was at Guthrie.

Mr. Green was working for the late Rob. Forbis, and the original wedding ceremony was performed in the same ranch house where the celebration will be held. However, Mrs. R. C. Forbis will be the only one of the original attendants, who (continued on back page)

## Cowboy Dies In Wreck On Lonely Road

A cowboy known as Tom Wagner, about 58, Saturday night was killed in a freak accident on the lonely Northfield road about 12 miles northeast of Matador.

Wagner, who received parole here as Edd Clapp, was employed on Seigler ranch and had started to Matador at the time of the accident. The jeep which he was driving failed to negotiate a turn completely and he was thrown partly out when the vehicle leaned against an embankment. He was pinned against the embankment by the top of the jeep.

He was found by "Cotton" Marshall, driver of a Matador Butane company truck. Being unable to lift the jeep off of the embankment, Marshall called the Matador Sheriff and sought aid. He was brought here by a Eudy-Seale ambulance and examined by Dr. J. S. Stanley who said death probably resulted from strangulation since the top edge of the door rested across his throat.

Sheriff John Stotts who investigated the accident said Wagner (continued on back page)

## Local Talent To Appear On Radio

E. E. Long, outstanding layman and leader in the Baptist Church has been invited to appear as guest speaker on K. F. L. D. Floydada radio station, Friday, December 21, at 9:30 a. m. He will appear on the "Ladies' program" conducted by Mrs. Alma Holmes.

Mr. Long will speak on the subject, "Preserving our religious heritage."

For her program on Wednesday, Dec. 26, Mrs. Holmes has invited three talented local youngsters as her guests. They are Linda Beth Seigler, who will sing "The Holy City" and her accompanist, Mike Groves, and also Carolyn Pohl, who will read a Christmas story.

Appearing recently on the Floydada program, were Mrs. Frank Pohl, who gave the reading, "The Night Before Christmas in Texas," and played variations of Silent Night, and Mrs. L. B. Turner of Flomot, who was Mrs. Holmes' guest Wednesday of this week. Mrs. Turner spoke on polio and read a poem dedicated to her own small granddaughter, who is a victim of the malady.

## HIGH WIND DRIVES RANCH GRASS FIRE

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed an area of tall grass in the Rodatman ranch immediately south of headquarters.

Matador Volunteer Fire Department answered the call and stood by with one truck to protect barns, houses and other buildings in event the fire got out of control. The old truck was used in aiding to bring the fire under control. Many local residents aided in fighting the flames which were soon brought under control. John Stevens, local manager, said less than a section of land was burned over.

## CROP Seeks Cotton To Aid In Relief

Motley county producers will explain the plan of CROP (Christian Rural Overseas Program) to solicit remittance cotton from local fields in aiding the program. Gins of the county have agreed to receive the cotton (any amount) and to provide stalks for storing it. (Cotton will be ginned without charge.)

Ministers will start the movement and explain the program, according to Jim Walker, CROP field representative, who was here early this week. Ned Shanks, county chairman, said the goal for Motley county is to sell 100,000 lbs. of cotton. At present \$20 in cash has been received toward the county quota.

Altho cash is welcome, CROP officials feel that remnants of the present cotton harvest will contribute to a more successful campaign.

## HERE FOR HOLIDAYS

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Tipton and daughters, Martha and Susan, arrived here Wednesday night to remain through the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Tipton, and with his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Tipton. The Tiptons are from the Matador area and are well known in the community.

## "Humanity Has Arrived At Cross Roads Of Destiny" Minister Floyd Davis Declares

A war-torn world in need of confidence has brought humanity to the cross-roads of destiny, Minister Floyd Davis of the Matador Church of Christ, Tuesday told the Matador Lions Club at the organization's regular Christmas program.

"The basic problem has remained unchanged for 4,000 years," the young minister declared, "and nations rise up against nations despite the great advances of civilization."

"The decay of religion, losing touch with life and the loss of Christian principles may be credited with bringing the world to its present chaotic position."

As a part of the Christmas program two students of Mrs. program two students of Mrs. J. R. Whitworth's speech class, Carolyn Pohl and Sue Daniels, presented timely recitations

## Matador Girls Winners In Lions Cage Tourney

Two honors in the annual Lions Club invitational basketball tournament were awarded Saturday night to the Matador high school girls team when they defeated Lockney 27-21 after a grueling schedule of four games in five days.

Crowell high school team, coached by former Flomot football star and Matador coach, Red Amosnett, won the boys championship over Spur with a score of 32-31. Consolation championships were won by Silverton boys and Crockett girls.

The Matador girls won their championship in the finals against strong teams from Turkey, Silverton and Spur. Second place trophies were awarded Lockney girls and Spur boys.

## County Ginning Total Is 22,285

County ginning from the crop of 1951 reached a total of 22,285 bales yesterday according to County Agent Rufus Emmons. Matador (including Joe Bloodworth private gin) is 9,920 bales, Flomot 6,924 bales and Roaring Springs, 5,441 bales.

## HERALD ANGELS

(By Martin Shockley)

Work, 8-30's done beneath the heavenly throne, vapor trails across the sky carry the Lord Most High.

"Vangelical all the nations rise, will atomic bombs proclaim Bethlehem's star shines still the same?"

Work, do herald angels say, "Come on earth," or "Bombs Away?"



**ENTIRE COMMUNITY OF BETHLEHEM, PA.,  
ENJOYS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES**

By Fred Hift  
BETHLEHEM, PA. — The entire community of the Christmas season is in abundant evidence once more in this traditional and historic city where all are joined in a festive mood that rubs off even on the most casual of visitors.

Every night, the city streets are ablaze with a brilliant display of lights. A huge "star of Bethlehem" shines forth across this old Moravian town which was founded and named by Moravian pioneers one cold Christmas Eve back in 1741.

This Christmas observance in Bethlehem is something in which the whole community participates. For many weeks in advance there is a hustle and bustle of preparations. At the apothecary shop, said to be the oldest in the country, beeswax candles are cast while in Moravian homes housewives are busy baking pies and cookies from time-honored recipes.

Traditionally, the city has its own Christmas "putz" on view. But these miniature portrayals of the nativity also can be found in practically every house and are proudly exhibited. The putz has a charm all of its own and it is not unusual to find little carved figures which have appeared year after year for three-quarters of a century.

**Inspiring Service**  
The Moravian Christmas service is a beautiful and inspiring occasion. Latecomers will find it difficult to obtain tickets for it at the old Moravian Church which dates back to 1803.

The dawn of Christmas Day is heralded from the tower of the Moravian Church by the famous trombone choir playing the traditional carol, "How brightly shines the morning star." There is no escaping the peace and tranquillity that has settled over the town, one of the few where Christmas retains a real meaning in the hearts of men and women.

Walking around Bethlehem is an experience any time of the day. In the evening, of course, the eye is dazzled by the profusion of lights. On the Hill-to-Hill Bridge more than 150 Christmas trees, 12 feet high, are grouped together to form one gigantic Christmas tree 52 feet high and lighted with more than 1,200 bulbs. At night, the blast furnaces of Bethlehem Steel project a reddish glow into the dark sky.

**U.S. Place Names  
Express Christmas  
Idea Many Ways**

**SANTA CLAUS, INDIANA:** Bethlehem, Conn., and Christmas Fla. are a few of the more familiar post offices which each year handle a flood of mail from senders wishing to obtain yuletide postmarks.

Although the federal post office department has now barred extra flourishes by local postmasters using Christmas symbols and motifs, a town's own holiday name can still give that festive touch to a greeting or package of toys.

Indiana's Santa Claus is the only town so designated in the United States. The privilege is reserved to its post office by congressional act. There is, however, Santa Idaho. There is also only one Christmas—the one in Florida—plus a Christmas Cove, Maine.

On the other hand, seven Bethlehem answer the seasonal roll call: they can be found in Connecticut, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, New Hampshire, and Pennsylvania. The Bethlehem, Conn. post office was one of several stations that figured in headlines recently in the use of especially-designed cancellation stamps bearing the now-forbidden Christmas tree decoration. The town's population is about 350.

There are two Noels—in Virginia and Missouri. Last year, Missouri's Noel post office reported hand-cancellation of a record 650,000 pieces of Christmas mail—50¢ for each of the town's residents.

Besides specific Christmas names that dot the land there are dozens that call up Biblical or holiday associations: There is Advent, W. Va., for the Nativity; Kentucky has a Mary, and Oregon and Utah a Joseph each.

One Wiseman is found in Alaska and another in Arkansas. The bird, it may be assumed, is in Wisconsin, Ky. There are five stars and four Shepherds, West Virginia contributes Goodwill, Missouri, Peace Valley, and there is joy in Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, and Texas.

For the Christmas party, Turkey is available in four states; Cranberry in three, Kentucky has a Mistletoe; six states count an Evergreen; seven a Pine, and three a Holly.

soldiers of the Continental Army, and the Germelnhaus, dating back to 1742, the oldest building still standing in Bethlehem.

Music plays an important part in the lore and tradition of the city, which is famed for its Bach Festival in May. The country's first symphony orchestra was formed here in 1811 and the first renditions of Haydn's "Creation" and Bach's "Mass in B Minor" were heard here.

Around Christmas time, the town echoes with carol singing.

The annexation resolution ratified when Texas became a state provided that Texas may be divided into five states upon consent of its citizens.

Dalhart, Texas is nearer six other state capitals than to the capital of Texas.

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**RETURN HOME**  
Mrs. Mary E. Martin of San Antonio, and Mrs. Ed Bishop of Dalhart, have returned to their respective homes, after spending the past several weeks here at the bedside of their mother, Mrs. Harrison Williams, who is a patient in Traweck Hospital. Her condition was described as slightly improved today. A sister, Mrs. Lydia Sweet of Dallas, is here at this time.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 19, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
I want a coonskin cap and a Kit Carson gun and holster, an Indian bow and arrow, a basket ball, a tent and Hopalong Cassidy knife. Don't forget my little brother, Barry.

Love,  
Jon Johnson  
Matador, Texas  
Dec. 19, 1951

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a flashlight, coonskin cap, some books and records. Anything you have for little boys four years old will be all right for me. Don't forget Barry.

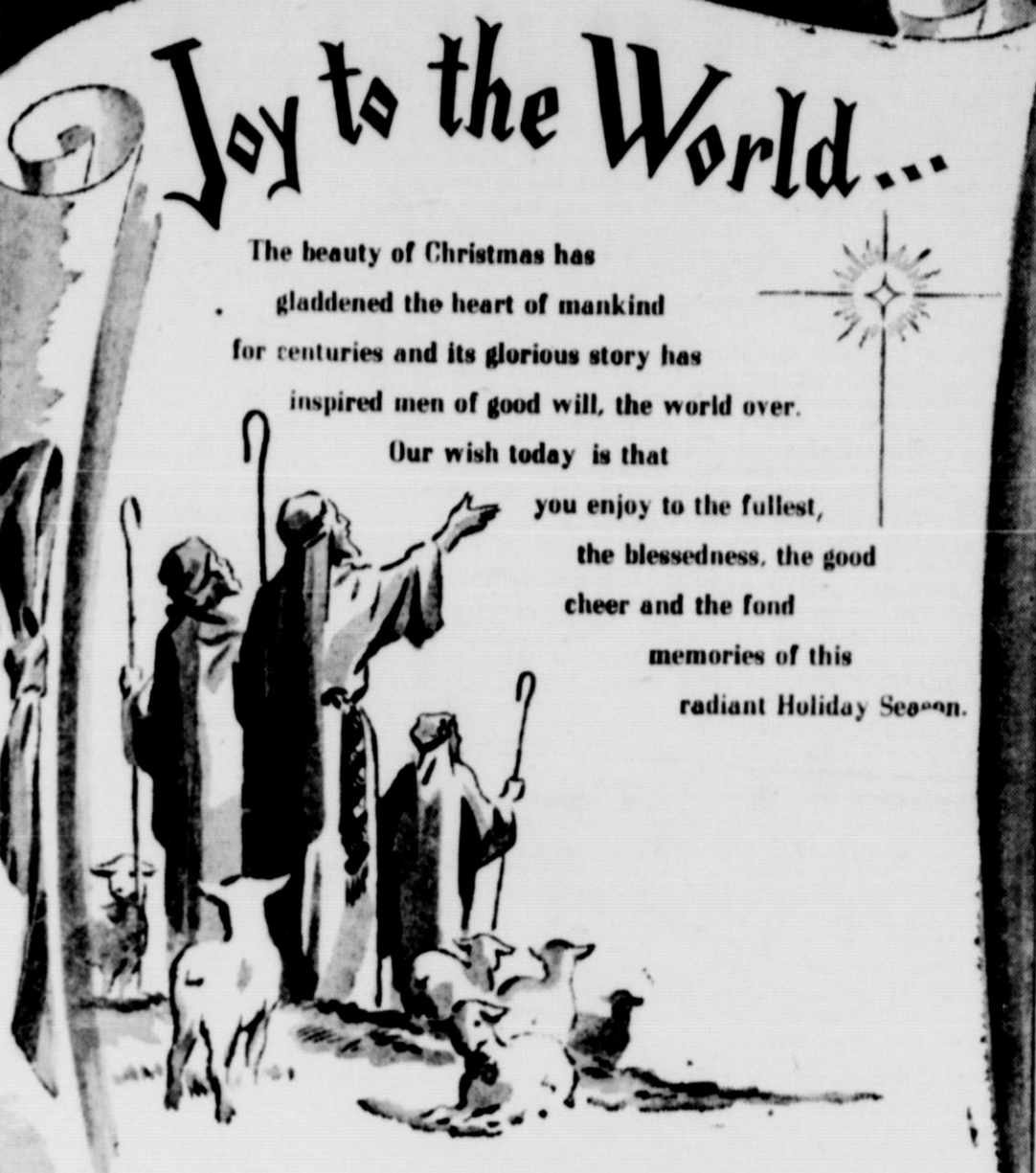
Love,  
Jamie Johnson

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**  
"What football game of the past season do you consider the outstanding game of the year?"  
Jimmy Watson: Lorenzo.  
Richard Baker: Quitaque.  
Calvin Cooper: Quitaque.  
David Keith: Chillicothe.  
Betty Smalley: Quitaque.  
Warren Tilson: Chillicothe.  
Martha Hall: Quitaque.  
Charles Keith: Lakeview.  
Frances Traweck: Quitaque.  
Coach Hopkins: Esteline.  
Patsy Dewbre: Quitaque.  
C. H. Murphy: Quitaque.  
Janey Sue Norman: Chillicothe.  
Jerry Edwards: Chillicothe.  
Billy Jack Spray: Chillicothe.

**Joy to the World...**

The beauty of Christmas has gladdened the heart of mankind for centuries and its glorious story has inspired men of good will, the world over.

Our wish today is that you enjoy to the fullest, the blessedness, the good cheer and the fond memories of this radiant Holiday Season.



**Matador Welding Shop**  
RALPH HORTON      TED ELLIOTT

**Daniel Drug**

**HOLIDAY PLANTS and GREENS**

For a Merry Christmas

**Pot Plants - Gifts - Cut Flowers**

**Matador Floral Co.**  
ELSIE CAMPBELL, Manager  
Day Phone 74 - Night Phone 190      Matador, Texas

**Happy Christmas!**

The true joy that descends upon each of us during the Yuletide season, comes not alone from the gifts that we give, but in the spirit of giving.

The feeling of complete happiness that fills us when we know we've brought a touch of joy to a loved one is the secret that has kept alive the true meaning of Christmas.

It is in this unselfish spirit that we extend to our friends and neighbors the Season's Greetings.



**Jameson Machinery Co.**  
ED JAMESON, Manager





DREAMING OF A WHITE CHRISTMAS? Thermometer stood at near zero when the Matador street scenes were made in March, 1948. Snow driven by a frigid north wind swirled in the streets. Top scene looking west on Highway 70, in front of Tribune office, shows Ike's Grocery to left and Waybourn's cafe to right. In background are big trucks awaiting a break in the weather. Snow was falling at time picture was made. Center picture shows southwest corner of the courthouse square (Note Honor Roll of servicemen on the corner of lawn), looking north on Main street. Bottom picture was made at about same point at top picture, showing trucks and traffic on Highway 70.

At the Battle of San Jacinto, the Texans possessed only two cannons, both six pounders, donated by the citizens of Cincinnati, Ohio.

The only picture of a tree in the Hall of Fame at Washington is the "Treaty Oak" at Austin, under which Stephen F. Austin made his treaty with the Indians.



APRIL SNOW clings to trees and fence in above picture of the late T. G. Duncan office, familiar pioneer Matador landmark, which stood many years on the property immediately east of the city hall. R. P. Moore declares above pictured 4-inch snow fell on April 2nd, 1909. He remembers a townsman, Abe S. Johnson, was stricken with typhoid fever and was at the point of death. Before the snow it was necessary to use ice packs with ice brought on the mail back from Childress, with the result that most of it was melted by the time it reached Matador. After the April storm snow was used instead of ice. Mr. Johnson died April 9, 1909.

### Christmas Tree Is 150 Years Old In This Country

A CHRISTMAS TREE will be put up in two out of every three American homes this year. Yet the trimmed Christmas tree, as it is known today, is only about 150 years old in this country.

The Pilgrims forbade Christmas celebrations on the grounds they were pagan. A Massachusetts law in 1689 subjected anyone to a fine who observed the day by feasting, refraining from work or in any other manner.

It was not until near the end of the American Revolution that the Christmas tree took hold. German immigrants, homesick for the tradition of their native land, put them up. The custom of the lighted Christmas tree, some historians tell, originated with Martin Luther. He was fascinated by evergreen trees, glistening with starlit-snow, pointing to the heavens at Christmas time. So he brought an evergreen tree into his house and lighted it with candles for his children.

Another old German legend credits St. Boniface with the origin of the Christmas tree. Having converted some oak tree-worshipping Druids to Christianity, he took them into a forest, cut down an oak and pointed to a stately fir along side. "Take this tree," he said, "into your homes as a sign of your new worship. Celebrate God's power no more with sham rites, but in the sanctity of your homes with laughter and love."

### Kitchen Tricks

**FROSTED MINT LEAVES** — A Christmas decoration to tuck in the side of a plum pudding or hang on the side of a cold beverage glass or to lay on the edge of a salad plate is a sprig of frosted green mint leaves. They are lovely — and you can eat them. Beat egg white to a froth and dip bunches of mint leaves in it; shake gently; dip into powdered sugar; then dip in the sugar again until each leaf is covered. Dry on wire cake rack. Frost small bunches of white grapes this way, too.

It is said that the publisher of the Jefferson (Tex.) Jimblecote named his newspaper in 1865 by scattering a handful of type on the floor and picking up letters at random.

### SPRING THEATRE

ROARING SPRINGS, TEXAS  
THURSDAY and FRIDAY  
December 20 and 21  
Loretta YOUNG

Joseph COTTEN  
—in—  
"Half Angel"

SAURDAY, DEC. 22  
Afternoon Matinee & Night  
"Smuggler's Island"  
—with—  
Jeff Chandler, Evelyn Keyes

Preview Saturday Night  
SUNDAY and MONDAY  
December 26 and 24  
"Apache Drums"  
—starring—  
Stephen McNally, Coleen Gray

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY  
December 25 and 26  
"JIM THORPE"  
(All-American)  
—starring—  
BURT LANCASTER

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY  
December 27 and 28  
"Queen for a Day"  
—with—  
JACK BAILEY

### Brownwood Bank Employee Admits Taking \$125,000

BROWNWOOD, Dec. 19 — William O. Kemp, 52, is free today after posting a \$5,000 cash bond and admitting, the FBI says, of embezzlement of \$125,000 from a Brownwood bank.

J. K. Mumford, special agent in charge of the Dallas office of the FBI said yesterday Kemp is charged with falsification of records in taking the money over an eight-year period from the First National Bank.

The complaint was filed in Abilene before Mrs. Ida James, U. S. Commissioner, by FBI agent John Barry Hubbard. Kemp, a \$250 per month em-

ployee and father of six children, appeared before Mrs. James yesterday and was released on bond, returnable in U. S. District Court at San Angelo, April 28, 1952.

Kemp had worked in the Brownwood bank, Mumford said, for nearly 30 years.

### Loaded Airliner Lands Safely In Amarillo Field

AMARILLO. —A loaded airliner carrying 56 passengers made an emergency landing safely last night, narrowly miss-

ing a collision with a freight train.

The big four-engined Constellation landed in less than half a mile north of Amarillo air terminal. It stopped a scant 50 feet from railroad on which a freight train was passing.

The pilot of the New York Los Angeles plane, Capt. Neumann of Kansas City, instruments indicated a fire on the plane. No fire was found after the craft landed. Neumann said he was approaching for his "precaution landing" at Amarillo air terminal but brought the plane short in the field to avoid chance of hitting other

It is truly a pleasure to greet you with our very best wishes for a joyous Christmas and a prosperous New Year



GULF SERVICE STATION

FRED G. SIMPSON and PERSONNEL

## Greetings

On this joyous Christmas we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to all of our patrons and business associates for their friendship — their cooperation — their loyalty during the past year. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.

Bill Pipkin



### Christmas Joy

We hope your prayers will be answered this Christmas with those gifts you cherish most... and may you enjoy them throughout the New Year!

SPEEDY'S CAFE

Evelyn Dillard and Rene Woody



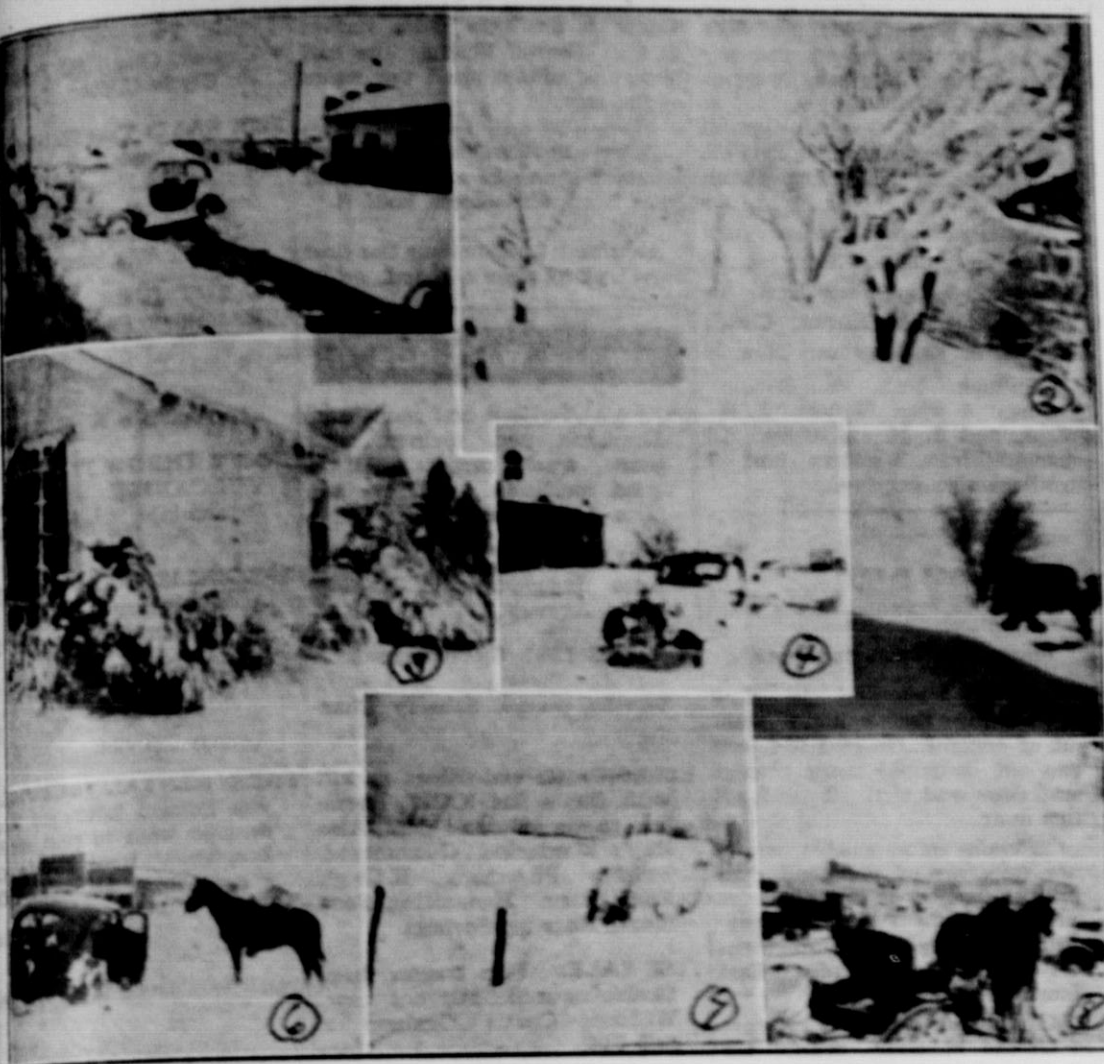
CHRISTMAS

Greetings TO YOU

SPEARS GIN

Mr. and Mrs. Manley Thompson





REMEMBER this 1940 blizzard? No. 1 is snow piled high in front of the Tribune office. Picture No. 2 was made on what is now Highway state 70 west of Matador. Picture No. 3 is a home scene during the severe blizzard. No. 4 was made south of the old courthouse. No. 5 is a car stalled in a snowdrift as is No. 6. Burton-Lingo in the background. Pictures were made by Burrell Tipton.

### Methodist WSCS Christmas Party In Hamilton Home

The Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service met Tuesday night in the home of Mrs. G. E. Hamilton for its annual Christmas party.

In a short business session, Mrs. Sterling Price presented a Life Membership pin by Mrs. A. J. Daffern, president, from the Matador W.S.C.S. Mrs. Frank Pohl was in charge of the program, which included the recording of "The Littlest Angel," played by Mrs. Vance Gilbreath; group singing of Christmas carols, led by Mrs. Hamilton, with Mrs. Pohl at the piano; and reading, "The Night Before Christmas, in Texas," by Mrs. Pohl.

Mrs. W. N. Pipkin conducted a number of games and Mrs. Henry Ford and Mrs. J. R. Whitworth were in charge of the gifts, which were numbered for exchange beneath a decorated tree. Mrs. Harry Willett and Mrs. Fred Simpson comprised a refreshment committee and served apple sauce, cake, coffee and Christmas candies.

Seasonal decorations were used throughout the house, with several special arrangements. On the mantel were cedar branches and tall red candles; on one piano was a nativity scene with white angels, and on the other piano, a group of wax angelic singers and artificial evergreens. In the dining room, a Madonna and child, surrounded by angels, and angels-hair were reflected in a wall mirror.

Present, in addition to those named, were: Mesdames M. G. Brotherton, B. M. Eubank, A. W. Ford, Joe Gaines, Andy

Hurst, W. F. Jacobs, C. T. Jenkins, W. D. Lipscomb, C. O. Middlebrooks, Nelson McMahan, R. P. Moore, Ethel Payne, C. D. Pipkin, Joe Poteet, James Priddy, Homer Sheets, Ted Stuen, W. B. Vaughn, A. K. Wilkinson, U. L. Wille, W. B. Wason, Jinks Wilson, Robert Darway, Clinton Hobbs and J. C. McBride, and Miss Clotele Wille.

### GIVEN HOLIDAY AFTER 26 YEARS

CORSICANA, Texas — John Blair, policeman here for twenty-six years, will finally be able to spend Christmas Day with his family this year — the first time since he joined the force.

This year the holiday falls on Blair's day off for the first time, and he plans a big day at home. Likewise, New Year's Day will be the first time he has been off duty on that holiday.

## A KOREAN CAROL

SOMEWHERE IN KOREA—Lt. Col. Darrell T. Rothbun of St. Petersburg, Fla., has written this version of "The Night Before Christmas."

### A KOREAN CHRISTMAS CAROL

'Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the tent was the odor of fuel all the stove-pipe was bent. The shoe pads were hung by the oil stove with care, in the hope that they'd issue each man a new pair. The weary G.I.'s were sacked-out in their beds, and visions of sugar-babes danced through their heads. When up on the ridge-line there rose such a clatter (A Chinese machine gun had started to chatter.) I rushed to my rifle and threw back the bolt. The rest of my tent-mates awoke with a jolt. Outside we could hear our platoon Sergeant Kelly, a hard little man with a little per belly. "Come Yankee, come Clancey, come Cannon and Watson, up Miller, up Shiller, up Baker and Dorton!" We tumbled outside in a swirl of confusion, so cold that each man could have used a transfusion. "Get up on that hill-top and silence that Red. And don't come back 'til you're sure that he's dead." Then, putting his thumb up in front of his nose, Sergeant Kelly took leave of us shivering Joes. But we all heard him say in a voice soft and light, "Merry Christmas to all — may you live through the night!"

### No Relief Seen

### Cold Renews Snowy Attack On Midwest

Another batch of heavy snow and arctic cold began moving across the storm-weary Midwest Wednesday.

Fresh snow fell in the northern Rockies and New England. Strong winds whipped snow into high drifts in the Dakotas and Montana.

The snow-coated Great Lakes region had fresh snow flurries and snow also fell at scattered points in the West.

Deaths attributed to the alter-

naire snow storms and cold waves that have plagued some parts of the country for a week reached 210, and no real relief was in sight.

Another two to four inches of snow was forecast for Chicago, Ill., which already has had nearly a normal winter's snowfall. With winter not officially starting until Saturday, Chicago already has recorded 31.7 inches. The city's normal fall for November through February is 32.4 inches.

Subzero cold was forecast for Chicago by Friday morning, on the heels of the new snow.

Temperatures were below freezing over most of the Northern States from the western mountains to the Atlantic Eight states had subzero readings.

Adding Machine Rolls, Tribune

### A Present for Baby

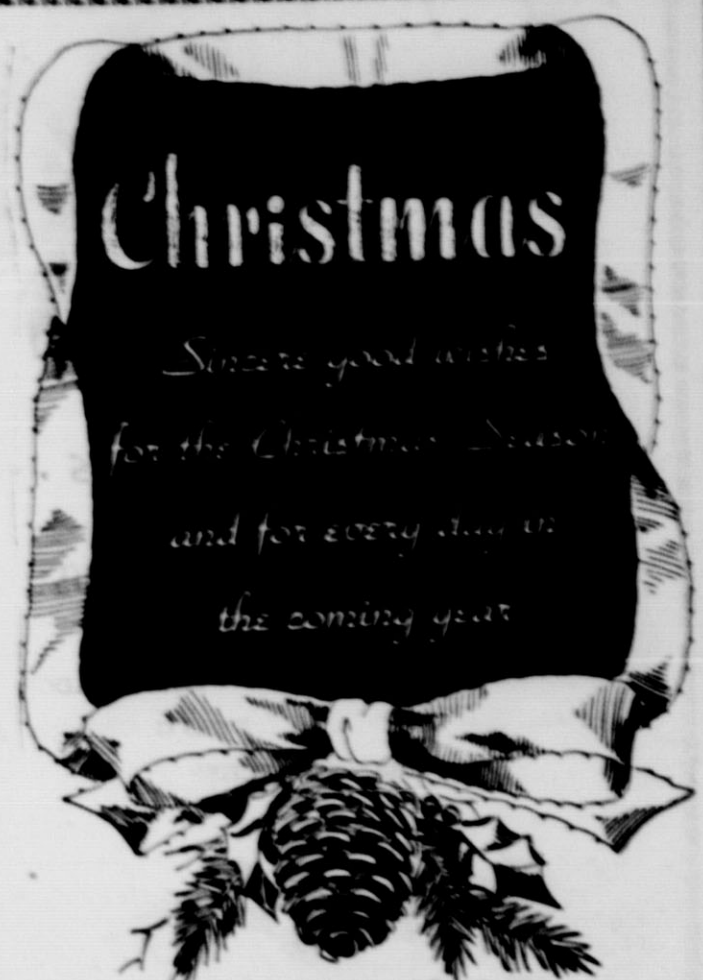
Do you have an almost-one or a one-year-old at your Christmas gift list? Then here is a suggestion for making a sturdy educational toy that will delight the child.

Save tin cans that have been opened with a wall-type can opener until you have a set of assorted sizes that nest easily. Remove the labels and cleanse thoroughly. Then file away any rough edges — particularly the point at the top where the seam

is, until the can is smooth inside and out. Decorate with gay decals, and you have an inexpensive gift that will provide many hours of amusement.

The mess hall at Texas A&M College is the largest permanent mess hall in the world.

When Texas Rangers rounded up all the bad men in Junction City in 1877, there were not enough men left in Kimble County to make a jury to try them.



W. F. (Bill) McCaghren

# GREETINGS



WE want to express our sincere appreciation to friends and customers for their liberal patronage and friendships and wish each a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Ruby Cooper Dry Goods**  
ROARING SPRINGS, TEXAS

The spirit of Christmas helps us to appreciate the true value of the friendly folks whose loyalty makes it possible for us to successfully go on Christmas after Christmas.

Business has friendships . . . many of which gain strength as they go down through the years. Old names on the ledgers, old familiar voices on the telephone, old customers entering our doors . . . all make us realize that behind every successful business there is a powerful force of friendship that gives warmth and feeling to the everyday things of life.

## ROARING SPRINGS GIN

HERMAN HAVIS, Manager



## HANG UP THE KISSING BALL!

By Katharine Van Etten Lyford

It's going to be a kissing Christmas, if Wenham, Mass., has anything to say about it. And Wenham has, for this small North Shore village, by reviving a glamorous holiday custom of the "goode olde dayes," is the center of the Kissing Ball industry in the United States.

In Merrie England, the Kissing Ball, not the Christmas tree, was for generations the popular Christmas decoration. The gaily trimmed globe of spicy greens hung from the rafters of cottage and castle, and beneath it lad met lassie. But when Prince Albert brought a Christmas tree from his native Germany to Queen Victoria, his English bride, the fashion changed and the Kissing Ball gave way to the "new German toy." Although a few families cherished the traditional kissing ball (sometimes called a kissing bough or bunch) it gradually sank into the oblivion from which Wenham has so happily rescued it.

The making of the Kissing Ball was a Christmas Eve ritual and a lively family affair, especially in rural manor houses and farms. Once the city cousins had arrived and were warming themselves before the big open fire, a pile of greens was carried in and the pungent scent of pine, box, and rosemary filled the air. Then, as always, Grandfather brought in the huge, hollow globe and explained to the children gathered at his knee just how he had made it.

"I was but a lad, no taller than the twins here," he would say, stroking his pointed white beard reminiscently and smiling at his ten-year-old grandsons, "when I made this frame for the Kissing Ball. First I took three barrel hoops and slipped them one inside the other, spreading them out and tying them with

willow wythes to make a sphere." He held up the ball to show where it was fastened together at the intersections, top and bottom. As always, the children eyed it in wonder, then nodded solemnly as he added, "Twas no easy task to fit the fourth loop over these three horizontally like an equator. Your great-grandfather had to give me a hand with welding on the candle holders." Smiling at the family party around him, he would cry, "'Tis ready for Christmas trimming once more, what will we wind it with?"

"Box!"

"No, pine!"

"I speak for rosemary!"

Everyone from the youngest granddaughter to the plowman shouted for his favorite greens, although they knew the final decision would be left to Grandmother. When the shouts subsided, she looked over her square-lensed spectacles at the eager group of Kissing Ball trimmers and said, as always, "Let it be holly, pine and ivy, the greens that tradition says sheltered the Christ child on the night he was born."

Followed a good natured scramble for greens and soon everyone was winding the hoops of the Kissing Ball. Uncles vied with aunts, maids with men-servants to see that enough prickly holly (guarantee that the man would rule the home) was used to offset the smooth-leaved holly (betokening petticoat control). Apples and oranges, gleaming witch balls, china animals and bits of tin and mirrors were hung inside the Ball suspended by bright satin ribbons from the top intersection.

Pine and ivy were studded with rosettes of gay paper, candles were placed in the holders, and a big bunch of mistletoe tied at the base of the Ball.

Then it was ready to hang.

While the family watched, silent and entranced, the Kissing Ball was lifted to its special hook, just high enough from the sanded floor for couples to stand beneath it. With a brand from the open fire, the candles were lit, bringing to life this swaying fragrant symbol of Christmas cheer.

"Dash my wig!" cried Grandfather, breaking the admiring silence. "You young swains are slow!" And leading his wife from her seat by the fireside, he busied her soundly beneath the Kissing Ball, thereby setting up a chain reaction that lasted until Twelfth Night (when the ball came down) tricking the unwary and particularly the unwed.

"Now for the games!" shouted the children. And soon all ages were dodging about at Turn the Trencher, Hunt the Slipper and Blind Man's Bluff, with forfeits redeemed under the Kissing Ball.

Shouts from outside announced the "goosey dancers," neighbors' children disguised as Father Christmas, Saint George and the Dragon, who romped in to act out their traditional play beneath the Kissing Ball and were rewarded by Grandmother with "Yule bawbies" (molasses candy) and Christmas cake. The piper arrived and the dancing began, the bachelor uncle leading off with a stylish London aunt on his left and a red cheeked milkmaid on his right. Faster and faster skirled the bappipes until some dancers paused for breath—and kisses—beneath the Kissing Ball.

All too soon it was midnight. The candles in the swaying green ball were guttering as the family gathered beneath it to sing "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen" and call to each other and the caroling waifs outside, "Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas!"

Once more the Kissing Ball hangs high! In England it is Laurence Whistler, author and well-known poet, who has staged

a revival of the charming old custom. In the United States, it is Mrs. E. B. Cole of Wenham, a lively little lady some 80 years young.

"I've always loved herbs and greens," she told me when I went to see her, "and when I read about the old Kissing Ball, I couldn't see any reason why our modern Christmas should be cheated of this traditional glamour. I was sure we could make them at the Exchange."

"What Exchange?" I asked. She pointed to a white, gambrel-roofed house across the Wenham Common. "It's the old Hobbs House, made into a gift shop, you know, one of the enterprises of the Village Improvement Society by which we raise money to support our local playground, tennis courts and skating rink."

When I nodded, she went on, "Well, four years ago we made our first Kissing Balls, experimenting with wood and wire, greens and trimming. Now we keep the village tinsmith busy making frames, for we learned that the beauty of these clusters depends on their symmetry. And today we ship them everywhere, from Texas to Maine and from Oregon to Florida."

A few minutes later I was in the gift shop staring wide-eyed at the 1951 harvest of Kissing Balls, searching for Hollywood superlatives to describe them. There were banquet-sized ones of pine and yew, gleaming and glittering with shiny balls, foil ribbons, and frosted mistletoe. Middle-sized ones to glamorize the average living room were globe-shaped or made like crowns and hung with bells and stars. Other balls glistened with glass icicles and sparkled with tinsel ready to turn a Christmas dinner table into a fairyland, and there were even tiny bunches of fringed foil filed with pungent evergreens and holly.

Mrs. Cole read the delight in my eyes. "I feel the same way," she said, "only more so. I'm all for any traditional glamour that will enrich the beauty of our Christmas holidays. And," her eyes twinkled at me, "I always tuck a sprig of rosemary in my Kissing Balls in remembrance of the days that gave us such a lovely Christmas custom to revive."

### TO LUBBOCK

Rev. and Mrs. Clifford Potts made a trip to Lubbock today, where Mrs. Potts underwent clinical examination at Lubbock Memorial Hospital. Her condition was declared satisfactory.

### HOLY NIGHT



This painting of the first Christmas was done by Feuerstein, an Absatian who taught at the Munich Academy of Art.

### Tradition of Poppy

The poppy loaf, traditionally part of Christmas Eve supper in Lithuania, is a small loaf of bread dough and baked in a bread pan. When hot, the leaves are dipped in a lotion made of water and egg and ground poppy seed which is also used as a traditional holiday beverage.

Tradition prescribes that the poppy seed should be ground in an iron kettle using an ax handle as a mallet, and no Lithuanian would think of grinding seeds for the Christmas poppy cakes by any other method.

### It Takes Know-How

### To Burn a Yule Log

THE YULE LOG is a tradition of Christmas, but due to central heating and gas stoves it is becoming a lost tradition in this country. Many city dwellers have open fires or desire a log fire. And those living in the country find it more efficient and less trou-

ble, however, for those who have a fireplace to burn the yule log and, at one, tradition says it should be oak, ash, olive, apple or pine.

and surgery at this time will not be necessary, the physician said.

To our friends and neighbors we offer our sincere wishes for a very Merry Christmas.

To you, our patrons—we extend our thanks for your friendliness in the past year.

And for all of us we add the hope for a peaceful and bountiful New Year.

## ALDRICH

### Blacksmith and Welding Shop

A. B. ALDRICH, Manager

# Holiday GREETINGS

## TO OUR

# 45,065 Customers

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# Greetings

May these be the gifts that Christmas will bring to you...

- the joy of happy memories
- the peace of real contentment
- and the happiness of a bright New Year

## Gabriel's

### DEPARTMENT STORE

ANDY HURST AND PERSONNEL



### Roaring Springs NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Simpson and Mrs. R. F. Simpson, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Holt of Amarillo, spent the week-end with his sister and family.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brooks and son-in-law, Mr. J. M. Carpenter, Jr., of Colorado City, Texas, who are celebrating the birth of twin daughters on Thursday, Dec. 13.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Carpenter, Sr., of Roaring Springs.

Mr. W. Green of Los Angeles, who has been here building houses, has returned home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Duran visited in Amarillo with relatives, during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Webb of Los Angeles are here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duff and his sisters, Mesdames Fletcher and Lee Marshall and brother, Marvin Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill York and daughter, Vicki, returned Thursday from a visit in Vernon with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. Noel Guise.

Mr. J. M. Carpenter and daughter, Sara Kay, also Becky and Mrs. H. T. Tooke and son, Dean, were shopping and attending to business in Lubbock Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sands and father, Martin Kingery of Abilene were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Kingery.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gilbert of Abilene were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jameson, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Mendiola and children left Sunday for home at Asherton, after being here through the fall holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Byers of Abilene were week-end guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Byers.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Tiner and son, Lockney were week-end guests with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Tiner and Mrs. Smith.

Mr. Lawrence Cooper of Eagle Pass has returned to his home for a visit with his parents.

Mr. Ray Campbell of Searcy, Ark. is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Campbell, during the holidays.

Mr. Gordon Harmon, Duane Dye, Mr. Phelps and J. W. Campbell of Abilene are home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Medlin of Abilene were Sunday guests.

### LETTERS TO SANTA

From 2065 150th Ave., San Leandro, comes the following letter to Santa, from Carolyn Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Price, former Matador residents.

Dear Santa: I have tried to be a real good girl this year. Would you please send me a hobby-horse completely equipped with a real live cowboy from the Matador Ranch. Santa, if you will just bring me this one thing I will be happy the rest of the year. Your Friend, Neil, Odessa, Texas, Dec. 14, 1951.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl nine years old. I live in Odessa, Texas, but will be in Matador, Texas, visiting my Aunt Lila, Uncle Ben and my Grandparents, at Christmas. I would like to have a Bonny Braids doll, a suitcase and clothes for her. Please bring me a billfold too. Nola Lee Fulkerson, Matador, Texas, Dec. 14, 1951.

Dear Santa: I want an album of Snow White, Number 45. Love, Carolyn, Matador, Texas, Dec. 14, 1951.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a doll and a doll buggy. Love, Retta Holmes, Matador, Texas, Dec. 4, 1951.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a doll. I have been a good girl. Love, Patsy Briscoe, Matador, Texas.

Dear Santa: Please bring an Army set, a gun and a scabbard. Love, Kenny Barton, Matador, Texas.

Dear Santa: I want a doll and a cradle. Eileen Thrasher, Matador, Texas.



**Christmas GREETINGS**  
And Best Wishes  
DR. J. G. KETCHERSID



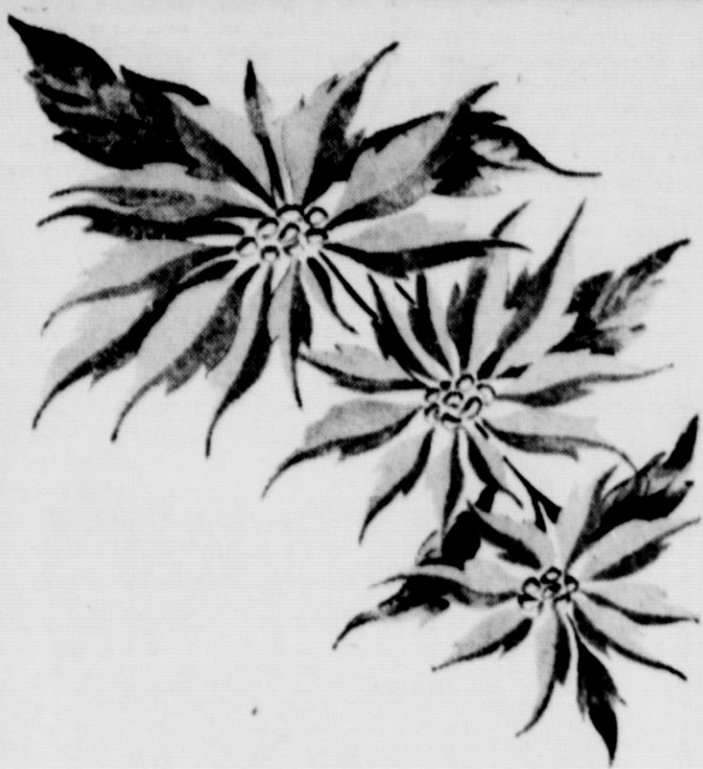
The earth was filled with the voices of angels at the time of the birth of Our Lord... and at the same time each year the angels return to do Him homage. But these days their voices are drowned out by the sounds of battle. Now we must listen closely to hear them. But they can be heard... by those who bear peace in their hearts.

**Quannah Cotton Oil Company**

**So this is HOUSEKEEPING**

"I said my favorite spouse, 'You're a muddlehead.' That hardly the dandiest way to begin a quiet evening at home. He didn't wait for an answer. 'You're 20 minutes,' he ranted. 'You and your mother have been coming up the telephone lines with the silliest argument I've ever heard.' 'We were not arguing,' I countered. 'I was merely trying to remember that our LP-gas is much safer than the propane gas she uses.' 'It seemed to pull himself together with an effort, then went on: 'For the sake of our phone bills I will explain in simple terms what this is all about. We use what we call LP-gas for cooking, water heating, refrigeration and heating.' 'I'm aware of that,' I put in. 'What I'm trying to get in edge-on is that whether you call it LP-gas, propane, butane, tank gas or bottled gas, it's all the same.' 'Whatever you or the millions of other users in this country know it is, it's all the same basic natural gas. The fast-growing 'baby' of the petroleum industry. Before it's compressed into liquid form so that large quantities can be economically transported and used wherever you live. In other words, it's all liquefied petroleum gas. It's LP-gas, no matter how you slice it.' 'I see that...' 'To tell you what I mean if I give you a chance.' (He was in no more of it so they store it in large tanks. That's where 'tank gas' comes from. Some people need to see that 'bottled gas' is basically LP-gas is composed of butane, propane or mixtures of the two. The make-up is varied to suit the different climatic conditions around the country. You get what you need. That's why LP-gas has been prepared especially to meet your local requirements. 'The best of all, you can count on it bringing you a heap of comfort and convenience no matter where you live.' 'Hey, I'm not finished. Where are you going?' 'I'm going to telephone mother and tell her it's all settled.' 'Come to me, I heard a small voice in the background.





Merry Christmas  
To Our Friends and Readers

DOUGLAS MEADOR LILA MEADOR  
EARL McBRIDE FRED G. SIMPSON, Jr.  
MRS. LEO ARCHER



### DEATH CLAIMS . . .

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and before settling in Motley county, he returned to Young county, where he remained for several years. Coming back to Motley in April, 1902, he acquired a ranch 8 miles from Whiteflat, returned to Winters, Texas in Taylor county and married Miss Carrie Pike, January 18, 1903. They made their home on the ranch until 1915 when they moved to Matador.

Arriving in Dickens County in 1877 at the age of 18, Mr. Graham witnessed the growth and progress of this area with civic pride.

He was one of the leaders in the movement to mark with permanent monuments historic sites in the Panhandle. He was especially interested in having monuments placed at both the MacKenzie Trail and the site of the famous MacKenzie Indian engagement. He was alert, well-read and informed on almost any subject, and always insisted on accuracy in any reporting concerning the development of events. Besides his farms and ranches, he owned considerable town real estate.

### OPEN HOUSE . . .

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will be present. The others were Mr. Forbis, and the bride's brother, Lee Kelly, also now deceased. The latter's wife, Mrs. Ora Kelly, now of Sweetwater, plans to attend.

Following the ceremony on Dec. 24 (Christmas Eve), 1901, the couple celebrated by attending a Christmas tree program at the Cottonwood school. The next night a wedding supper was given in their honor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson,

about 36 years, having come with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Johnston when she was 13 years old. She was married to M. D. Goolsby July 4, 1921 at Matador. Mrs. Goolsby united with the Baptist church in 1928 at Friendship in Dickens County.

She is survived by her husband; her mother, Mrs. E. M. Johnston; 3 daughters: Mrs. Virgil Bradford of Huren, Calif., Mrs. S. A. Conway and Mrs. J. D. Palmer both of Roaring Springs; 4 sons: Hubert, J. H. W. A. and E. M. Goolsby. 10 grandchildren, 3 sisters and 7 brothers also survive.

### Rites Are Held For Mrs. Goolsby

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church, Roaring Springs, Sunday, Dec. 16 at 2 p. m. for Mrs. M. D. Goolsby, 49, who died Saturday at Stanley Clinic-Hospital, where she had been a patient for many months.

Rev. G. C. Tiner, pastor of the church, conducted the service, assisted by Rev. M. J. Hickman. Burial was in the Roaring Springs cemetery, with Eudy-Seale Funeral Home in charge. Pall bearers were: D. W. Clifton, Jack Forbis, S. J. Braselton, Dean McInroe, Billy Clyde Williams and Hubert Holcomb.

Lillie Mae Jackson was born in Callahan County, Texas, November 15, 1902 and died December 15, 1951 at the age of 49 years and 1 month. She had been a resident of this area for

### COWBOY DIES . . .

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apparently attempted to slow down before the vehicle went out of control. He said the jeep was not damaged more than a bent door and that it did not turn over.

Officials were unable to locate relatives of the dead man and the body was held here at the Eudy-Seale Funeral Home until yesterday when interment was made in Matador East Mound cemetery.

Mr. Wagner had been employed on the Matador ranch for about a year and for the past three months on the Seigler ranch.

Catherine Stinson, a Texan, was the first woman to operate a flying school in the United States.

Only one state, Pennsylvania, bears the name of its founder.

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Abraham Lincoln was the first president to wear a beard.

in the Want Ads

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**FOR SALE:** Two tractor tires 10x38; unused but not new. William Curtis Graham or call 746. tfnc.

**12-Months Guarantee Battery,** \$10.95 at Peg's Garage.

**FOR SALE:** Six room house with bath. Fifteen lots. For information, come to City Bakery and see L. R. Smith.

**FOR SALE:** Fertilizers, Insecticides, Weed Killers, Fertilizer Distributors and Row Crop Sprayers. Morckel Farm Chemico Company, Highway 70 East, Floydada, Texas.

**WE BUY junk** \$18 per ton. Peg's Garage.

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**FOR SALE:** '42 model H. mall; Two-row lister and trower; One IHC Feed G. er Clyde Clifton, Teepee

**FOR SALE:** Two Holstein calves, best of quality; 2-year-old Hereford bull for service; also several saddle horses. See U. L. or Buck Waybourn.

**WE BUY JUNK.** Batteries, Radiators. Peg's Garage.

**FOR SALE:** Six-room house sale or trade. Southwest of town. See W. G. Kimb

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**FOR SALE:** 260 acres, 10 cultivation, 100 acres in located five miles north Matador, good improvement. Will consider trade. See Wilkinson.

**WANTED:** Three families three men for year on farm work. Tractor and irrigation. Good quarters. If interested see Jim Simpson, Floydada.

**FOR SALE:** Bedroom and kerosene cook store, and ing store. See K. L. Park Brinsfield Courts, Waco, Texas.

**FOR SALE:** 1936 Ford good rubber, radio, motor fair shape. Also coin-operated soft drink dispenser. Walter Speer at Flomot.

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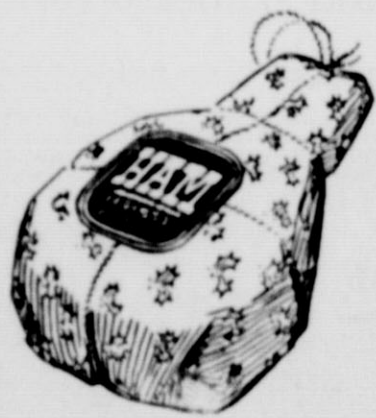
White Swan Pound  
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# Christmas

♦ ♦ ♦  
 And it came to pass,  
 as the angels were gone away from  
 them into heaven, the shepherds  
 said one to another, Let us now go  
 even unto Bethlehem, and see this  
 thing which is come to pass, which  
 the Lord hath made known unto us.  
 And they came with haste, and  
 found Mary, and Joseph, and the  
 babe lying in a manger.  
 And when they had seen it, they  
 made known abroad the saying which  
 was told them concerning this child.  
 And all they that heard it won-  
 dered at those things which were  
 told them by the shepherds.

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*With sincere good wishes that this Christmas may bring you such  
 peace and joy as the shepherds found when our Saviour was born...*



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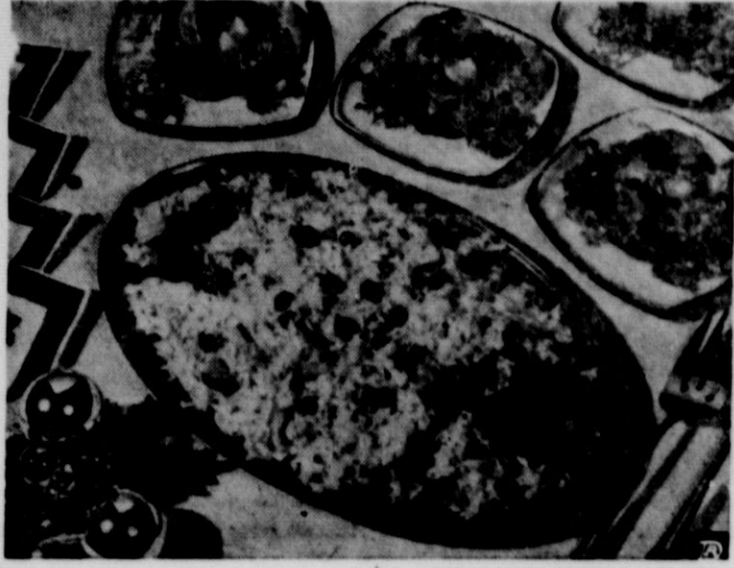
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**Cook's Holiday**



Sure as Santa's whiskers, it happens every year; there's leftover turkey following the Christmas dinner! Here is a suggestion for a speedy meal that you can have on the table in no time, served so differently that it provides a brand new treat for the family.

This one-dish meal consisting of a steaming entree of turkey, rice and peas—accompanied by a tangy salad—is ready to serve in just a few minutes. Pre-cooked rice is the quick secret for the turkey dish. And enough cranberry-apricot molds, made with fruit-flavored gelatin, can be prepared the day before Christmas to serve half as a relish at the holiday meal and the other half as a salad the following day.

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| <p><b>Cranberry Apricot Relish</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 package lemon-flavored gelatin</li> <li>2 to 3 tablespoons sugar</li> <li>1/4 teaspoon salt</li> <li>1 cup hot water</li> <li>1 cup apricot juice and water</li> <li>2 teaspoons lemon juice</li> <li>2 cups fresh cranberries, ground</li> <li>1/2 cup drained diced canned apricots</li> </ul> <p>Dissolve gelatin, sugar and salt in hot water. Add apricot juice and water and lemon juice. Chill until slightly thickened. Fold in cranberries and apricots. Turn into small relish molds. Chill until firm. Unmold and garnish with chieory. Serve with Quick Holiday Supper.</p> <p>Makes 10 servings.</p> | <p><b>Quick Holiday Supper</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 tablespoons olive or salad oil</li> <li>1 clove garlic</li> <li>1 cup chopped onions</li> <li>1 1/2 to 2 teaspoons salt</li> <li>1/4 teaspoon pepper</li> <li>1 1/4 cups pkgd. pre-cooked rice</li> <li>1 1/2 cups diced leftover roast turkey</li> <li>1 1/2 cups drained cooked peas</li> <li>2 cups turkey broth</li> </ul> <p>Heat olive oil in a saucepan. Add garlic and onions and saute until golden brown. Remove garlic. Add salt, pepper, rice, turkey, peas, and broth. Mix just until all rice is moistened. Bring quickly to a boil over high heat, uncovered, fluffing rice gently once or twice with a fork. (Do not stir.) Cover and remove from heat. Let stand 10 minutes. Serves 5 or 6.</p> |
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**Preserving Our Religious Heritage Is Outlined By T. E. Long At P-T. A. Meet**

Four major factors are essential in order to preserve adequately, our religious heritage, according to T. E. Long, speaker at a meeting of Matador Parent-Teacher Association, Tuesday night, December 11, in the high school auditorium.

"We should preserve the Sabbath," Mr. Long declared. "Do not treat it as a holiday. We should preserve our homes—live in our homes so our children can look back on a happy

childhood, and thus help lower the divorce rate. Our schools should be preserved. America is free, and we should do all in our power to educate our youth to help keep it free; and last, preserve our churches by realizing the importance of religious training."

Program Scripture was Luke 2:11, and Invocation was a duet, "The Lord's Prayer", sung by Mrs. J. R. Whitworth and Mrs. W. F. Jacobs, accompanied by Mrs. G. E. Hamilton at the piano.

Ober Johnson, program leader presented Mr. Long to the group.

At the conclusion of the program, delicious refreshments of coffee and sandwiches were served by a committee composed of Mesdames H. T. Jenkins, R. M. Stanley, Eldred Seigler, Bill Dunning, Clinton Hobbs and Bill McCaghren. The refreshment table was decorated with greenery and red candles.

The fourth grade received the attendance award.

Next meeting of the P-T. A. will be Jan. 9, at 3:30 p. m. and the subject will be, "Teamwork can do the job". Leader will be Vance Gilbreath, and the program will be a forum discussion by Supt. Bert Ezzell, and Mesdames John Hamilton, Minnie Coldiron, Tom Tilson and A. C. Traweck, jr.

**PROGRAM ON ROYAL SERVICE IS GIVEN AT WMS MEETING**

A Royal Service program was given by members of the Burleson Circle Tuesday night at the Baptist church, in regular monthly general meeting of the Women's Missionary Society.

Mrs. T. E. Cammack was leader, and the subject was "Where Advance". Devotional was given by Mrs. Velma Fulfer, and the following program parts were presented: "Advance we must in the world", Mrs. Ben Keltz; "Advance in the nation", Mrs.

R. E. Campbell, sr., "Advance in our Churches", Mrs. J. A. Groves, and "Advance in the heart and life", Mrs. Cammack. Others present were Mrs. Elbert Reeves, Mrs. Clifford Potts, Mrs. Ben Meador and Mrs. Colquett Warren.

Mrs. Warren, W. M. U. president conducted a business session at the conclusion of the program.

would also like a shot gun. Gale wants a rocking horse and a table and chairs. He also likes pipes. We moved here from Floydada in September so please don't forget where we live. Please don't forget all the other little children.

With love,  
Gary David Campbell.  
Matador, Texas  
Dec. 18, 1951

Dear Santa:  
I want a set of boxing gloves, a boxing bag, Roy Rogers' six guns. One of the finest we've ever seen 10-in. gun built to take tough punishment.

From,  
Dahl Clower  
Santa, my little brother wants a set of boxing gloves, two guns, and black cowhide holsters with simulated pony skin.

Dwight Clower.  
Anton, Texas  
Dec. 19, 1951

Dear Santa:  
Here we three girls come again with a few wants. We really

think we have been sort of perfect. Santa my name Wreathel and you remember the oldest and now school. I would like to have doll, doll bed, and plastic rocker and socktie size 8. T who is good most all the wants the same as I do and wants a merry-go-round. Brenda also wants the same as we and she wants a train. She nearly 4. Santa, don't forget of the little first grade at Anton and Matador as they are all friends.

By Santa,  
Wreathel, Tresa and Brenda Hicks.  
Matador, Te  
Dec. 19, 1951

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me an Army two guns, with two scabbie and a basketball. Bring Joan a doll, doll buggy and anything else you can bring us.

Your little friends,  
Kenny and Joanie Bar

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**LETTERS TO SANTA**

Dear Santa:  
I am a little boy 4 1/2 years old. I have tried to be good. I have a little brother 15 months old. His name is Gale.  
Would you please bring me a bicycle and a cowboy suit? I

**Sincere Christmas Greetings**



*Christmas is for everyone. Its wonderful spirit reaches out to men the world over. It is a heart-warming season, one in which we cherish the happiness our old and new friends have given us over the years. So it is with a great deal of sentiment and joy that we extend this greeting with our good wishes for a truly Merry Christmas. And may the New Year be the happiest and most successful you have ever known.*

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**Greetings**

*We extend to our many friends our wishes for a Christmas that will be rich in joy and good health.*

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**Greetings**

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This Christmas may you have happiness and good cheer in your home... contentment and joy in your heart. And may the New Year hold for you, a full share of good health and good fortune.



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**Community Activities in the City**  
The city of Dallas has a number of community activities planned for the Christmas season. The following are some of the highlights:

**Christmas Eve Services**  
The First Baptist Church will hold a Christmas Eve service at 7:30 p. m. on December 24. The service will include a special program for the children and a prayer service.


**Christmas Dinner**  
The Y. W. C. E. will hold a Christmas dinner for the children of the city on December 24. The dinner will be held at the Y. W. C. E. building and will include a special program for the children.

**Christmas Tree**  
The city of Dallas has a Christmas tree in the city square. The tree will be decorated with lights and ornaments and will be the centerpiece of the city's Christmas celebration.

**Christmas Caroling**  
The city of Dallas has a number of Christmas caroling groups. These groups will be singing carols in the city square on December 24.

**Christmas Gift Drive**  
The city of Dallas has a Christmas gift drive. The drive is for the purpose of collecting gifts for the children of the city. The gifts will be distributed to the children on December 24.

**Christmas Eve Parade**  
The city of Dallas has a Christmas Eve parade. The parade will be held on December 24 and will include a float for the city of Dallas.



**ANNOUNCER For**  
*Christmas*

The spirit of Christmas is a spirit of giving. It is a spirit of love and kindness. It is a spirit of joy and happiness. It is a spirit of peace and harmony. It is a spirit of hope and faith. It is a spirit of love and kindness. It is a spirit of joy and happiness. It is a spirit of peace and harmony. It is a spirit of hope and faith.

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# Letters to Santa...

Dear Santa Claus:  
I want a doll and bike. Cissie wants a diary. Butch wants some boxing gloves. I want some doll dishes and a doll house too.  
I wish you a Merry Christmas. Write me soon. Butch also wants a fire engine set.  
Love,  
Madorce Janie Waybourn  
Whiteflat, Texas  
Dec. 14, 1951

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl 5 years old. I have tried to be good. Will you bring me a Toni doll? Please do! I thank you so much! My Daddy is in Korea. bring him some

warm gloves. Don't forget Mommie, she likes pretty things. My little sister, Jaunice, is 2 years old, bring her something too, please.  
I love you,  
Noilene Bethard  
Dec. 4, 1951

Dear Santa:  
I want a bicycle and a cradle.  
Love,  
Sandra Jenkins.  
Matador, Texas  
Dec. 4, 1951

Dear Santa:  
I want a piano, a doll and a Teddy Bear.  
Love,  
Jean Martin.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 4, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
Please bring me a set of dishes.  
Love,  
Loretta Taylor.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 4, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
I want two scabbards and a hat.  
Love,  
Wylie Lee.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 4, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
I want a nurse set. I have been a good girl.  
Love,  
Anna Lois Garnett.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 18, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a rubber doll, a little wagon, a little car you can pull, a teddy bear, fruit, candy and nuts.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 4, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
I want an Army set. I have been a good boy.  
Love,  
Joel Dean Spray.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 13, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
My sister and I have been good as we can. My sister is six and I am nine. My sister would like a doll and a nurse set. I would like a log cabin set and a B-B gun. That is all we would like to have.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 14, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
I want a doll that sheds tears, blows bubbles, you can wash its hair and bathe it. I want a little sewing machine and a pair of red moccasins with beads around the toe.  
I love you,  
Marilyn Brandon.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 18, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
I have been a good little girl for 6 years. Will you please bring me a doll and doll bed? Be sure and don't forget all the other little children. Daisy needs a ball.  
Thank you,  
Carita Green.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 18, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
I have been a good boy. Please bring me a filling station, zipper note book, neck tie, a bicycle, fruit, candy and nuts.  
Robert Wayne Evans.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 18, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
I have been a good girl. Please bring me a baby doll, broom, mop, color book, fruit, candy and nuts.  
Katherine Evans.

Roaring Springs  
Dec. 16, 1951  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Please bring me a drink and

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 4, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
I want a bicycle I have been a good girl.  
Love,  
Mary Newman.

Roaring Springs, Texas  
Dec. 15, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
We are two little boys 4 and 7 years old. We would like some guns, dump trucks and steam shovel and tractor.  
Your little friends,  
Don and Billy Dawson.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 12, 1951  
Dear Santa Claus:  
Mother said David and I had been good boys. Please bring us some toys.  
David would like a hobby horse and I want a gas truck, spurs and a gun and holster set. Don't forget all the other little boys.  
Love,  
Dickie Garrison.

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 12, 1951  
Dear Santa:  
I have been a good girl and think I should have some new toys. Please bring me a new doll and nurse set and paper doll house. My puppy wants a ball.  
Love,  
Helen Sue Shelton.

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## PLAN AHEAD FOR HOLIDAY AFFAIRS

Holiday entertaining can be a joyous affair and easy on the pocketbook if enough planning is done ahead of time. Louise Mason, foods and nutrition specialist, with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service suggests this menu: Hot spiced tomato juice, creamed turkey in corn bread ring, a relish tray of pickles, carrot sticks, celery curls and cranberry relish, donuts, prune bread sandwiches, refrigerator cookies and coffee or mulled hot apple cider.

Buy groceries well ahead of time, taking advantage of special sales on foods for the menu, Miss Mason suggests. Use left-over turkey from Christmas Day dinner or chicken, ham or canned meat in the corn bread ring. Make the doughnuts and prune bread a day or so before or if a home freezer is available, they may be made a week or more ahead of time.

Miss Mason suggests serving the hot tomato juice in small after-dinner coffee cups in the living room while last minute preparations are being made for the supper. Crisp crackers or salted nuts will taste good served with the juice.

Another low cost menu suggested by the specialist includes chicken and spaghetti, tossed

vegetable salad with celery or poppy seed dressing, hot buttered garlic bread, inexpensive fruit cake, cranberry tarts, popcorn balls and coffee or cocoa made with powdered milk.

**Corn Bread Ring**  
1 teaspoon poultry seasoning  
4 teaspoons baking powder  
1 cup corn meal  
1 cup sifted enriched flour  
1-4 cup sugar  
1-2 teaspoon salt  
1 egg, 1 cup milk  
1-4 cup shortening

Sift together dry ingredients into medium-sized bowl. Add egg, milk and shortening. Beat with rotary egg beater until smooth, about 1 minute. Do not overbeat. Bake in a greased 8-inch ring mold in hot oven (425 degrees F.) 20 to 25 minutes. Turn out onto platter. Fill center of cornbread ring with creamed chicken or turkey. Makes 8 servings.

**HERE FOR HOLIDAYS**  
Pvt. and Mrs. Bateman Middlebrooks of Camp Roberts, Calif., will spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gilbert and Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Middlebrooks of Matador. Pvt.

Middlebrooks will report to Camp Roberts in January which time his wife plans to main here with her parents.

**TO QUANAH**  
Mr. and Mrs. John W. Koon and her son, of Dallas, accompany them here to spend the Christmas holidays. Koon will join his family on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Audrey Van of Spur, visited in the home of his sister and family, Mr. Mrs. Clyde Gilbert, over week-end.

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To Our Friends and Customers  
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**Christmas Joy to You**

The truest joy of Christmas is not found in receiving but in giving. So this greeting is sent with a hope that God's promise of Joy and Love, of Peace and Good Will -- will be yours this Holiday Season.

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Life offers us nothing more precious than the loyalty and understanding of real friends.

So this Christmas greeting is sent with a heart full of gratitude for the blessings of our friendship.

May you enjoy a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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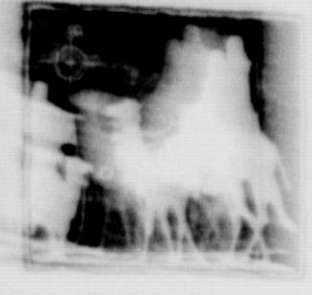
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FREE DRIVING LESSONS for 45,000 newbies in 1952. The state of Texas has brought national recognition to Texas Motor Corp. Mrs. Stevens received the Meritorious Award of the Association of Liability and Surety Companies from Travis D. Reley, field president of the Texas Association of Insurance Agents. More than 20,000 high school students have been taught to drive safely since the state started the educational program in 1945.

RETURNING HOME: Mrs. B. J. Watson returned from Dallas, Texas, where she attended the funeral of her husband, Mr. C. P. Watson, who died last week. Mrs. Watson is the daughter of Mr. M. J. and Mrs. M. J. Watson of Matador. She is accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. M. J. Watson.

### THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMASTIME



The spirit of Christmastime... It is a world where an angel will settle for your prayer and your love. He will be with you in your hearts within his own soul.

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Who seek to win  
Without a loss  
And have a crown  
Without a cross.

TO CHILDREN  
Joe Spivey left Tuesday for  
California, where he will be a  
resident of Morgan's Convalescent  
Home.

RECENT VISITORS  
Visitors here last Friday to  
the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. H.  
Gofford were his sister and her  
husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wilker  
and Aberrath of Moshans.

Mr. Bill Brouce of Lubbock  
and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Webb  
of Floydville will spend Christ-  
mas here with their mother,  
Mrs. M. J. Plumble.

# CHRISTMAS

## GREETINGS

LET'S follow old and  
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But it warms  
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# Season's Greetings

We would like to put into words the very nice things we're wishing you this Christmas. Yet, it is not so much the phrasing of a Christmas greeting but the thought that pervades it that counts. And so we send to all our friends the very old yet always new Greeting—A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

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## Christmas at Old Emma Planned Weeks Ahead

By Mrs. Nellie Spikes  
Mrs. Nellie Witt Spikes of Floydada who writes the column "As a Farm Woman Thinks" for the Floyd County Hesperian and also the Southwestern Crop and Stock magazine published at Lubbock, in the December issue of the latter publication, reminisced about pioneer Christmas planning at old Emma, early-day settlement on the plains. Following is the interesting story: **Christmas At Emma**

The long blacksnake whip cracked over the backs of the lead horses of a six-horse team—a team that was already straining every muscle to pull two heavily loaded wagons of freight the front one loaded with large boxes of merchandise, sacks of flour, of sugar and salt, buckets of lard and one box held gay silk ribbons. There were also bales of shingles and kegs of nails, resting on rolls of barbed wire. On the trail wagon was lumber. But in the biggest boxes of all were the Christmas presents.

The driver, a young man of 20, pulled one boot-covered foot then the other out of the mud, as he walked by the side of the weary horses and tried to keep them going. Tears, caused by the cold north wind, froze in little balls on his cheeks. His hands, stiff from cold, although gloved, still handled the reins with skill.

The freight road was an endless trail of mud, stretching farther and farther to the south, the direction the wagon was headed. Not a house was in sight, not a tree met the eager gaze of the boy's eyes. Even the cattle and the herds of antelope had drifted to the brakes where they could find shelter from the biting wind and graze on sage brush.

The second day out of Amarillo it began raining. The wagons had slowly moved along. Even only this morning just before noon, the boy had looked back and had seen the windmill where he had made camp the night before. During the night the rain had turned into sleet and snow. The top of the ground was frozen but the horses feet and the wheels of the wagons cut through to the soft mud.

Thinks of "The Sweetest Girl"  
The boy's thoughts went back

to a sunshiny day the first of December, when he was getting ready to go to Amarillo, a distance of 150 miles. How thrilled he was to be trusted by his father with six horses and two wagons and with what pleasure the trip to the city was anticipated! The night before he had told the "sweetest girl on the Plains" goodbye with a promise to bring the prettiest trinket in Amarillo. Right now, packed in a box in the wagon was a beautiful dressing case covered with slick celluloid. Under its lid was a comb, a brush and a mirror, all white with wreaths of pink rosebuds and bow-knots of blue. (Just the color of her pretty eyes). In the bottom of the case was a little drawer in which—here his heart beat so loud he could hear it above the noise of the slopping horses feet and the rolling and creaking of the wagons—was a plain gold ring with the initials of J. W. B. to L. M. C.

The merchant had told the boy's father, Mr. Jack Baker, "I'm sending early for this load of freight. The groceries, of course, I need, but my Christmas goods will be there, and if I don't get them, the little girls will have no tea sets, or china dolls, the little boys will have no drums or firecrackers or toys."

Suddenly the team stopped, bringing the boy's thoughts back to the present. They could go no farther. What could he do? The answer was up to him. The man who had helped load the freight had said, "Today is the fifth of December. Only twenty days till Christmas." "I will get my load there in plenty of time" was the boy's confident answer. But what did a boy an Easterner, know about these roads? On the trip up they had been hard and smooth, but the slow drizzling rain had made them softer and slicker every minute. He was cold and tired and hungry. The fuel of the prairie, the cow chips, were sodden. In the wagon was baker's bread, the freighters scornfully called "gun waddin," some sow belly, raw, and an onion or so. Cold and shaking in every limb, the boy climbed in the wagon and ate heartily.

Shaken By Great Decision  
He first thought he would take

the horses out and ride one home and lead the rest, but when he thought of the disappointment of a little town not having Christmas and a certain girl that had faith in him, he knew he could not do that! The lumber would be needed to cover a dugout. Right now a man and his family were living in a tent until they got the lumber. And there might be no lumber for a coffin if it was needed. And some one might have to go hungry. The freighter's supplies meant life itself to a little inland town.

The trail wagon was unchained the wire and nails loaded on. A wagon sheet was stretched on tight. The lumber had to be left behind. Surely the team could pull one wagon! As the words "get up" fell on the horses ears,

they started and the one wagon moved on. At the end of three hours they had gone three miles. Twice the wagon had to be dug out with a spade. Hard muddy work it was, too.

That night after the horses were fed and hobbled, they turned their tails to the wind and the rain and stood patiently the cold long night through. The boy ate some more bread and raw bacon, unrolled his bedding and was soon asleep, lulled by the rain drops on the wagon sheet.

Three days he stayed in camp, in loneliness, three days of misery. The fourth day a few miles were made and camp was made near a dugout. Years after, when men were talking of banquets and dinners, the boy, or rather a man by then, would say to

them, "Nothing in my life has tasted so good as the sour-dough bread, the red beans and the good hot coffee that was given me in that little dugout. The names of the folks I have forgotten, but the memory of the hospitality will never dim."

Another hard day's travel, another lonely night. The next morning the horses were gone. They were tracked to a lake some six miles away. Another day lost.

**He Comes Through On Time**  
The day of the twenty-third dawned clear and bright. A strong west wind blew the clouds away over the eastern caprock. The boy made good time but the sun sank low in the west before the boy saw the lights of the little town and heard the barking of the dogs.

The merchant was in his store telling the waiting crowd he still believed the boy would come in time for Christmas. Near the door stood a very pretty blue-eyed girl, listening.

"I hear the rattling of chains and the creaking of a wagon," she cried and the crowd rushed outside. Eager hands unharnessed and cared for the jaded team, unloaded the heavy boxes and the precious groceries.

In the starlight night a boy and girl were slowly walking. In his hands was a box. A ray of light shone on the slim fingers of the girl, clasped tight in the strong hands of the boy, and a gold ring gleamed in the starlight . . .

Matador, Tex  
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Dear Santa:  
I want a boy scout suit, you do not just have to bring one. Please don't forget Riley Rigby children. There five of them, and their father sick.

I Mike, want an electric football game, that will work one with moving players to pass, catch and run.

Your friends,  
Pat and Mike Groves

Matador, Tex  
Dec 4, 1951

Dear Santa:  
Please bring me an Army Love, Mike Barton.

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**W**e have come to the end of another year of pleasant associations with those whose confidence and good will we value so highly. Once more it becomes our pleasure to send our friends and patrons our heart-felt greetings and to wish them a Christmas abundant with good cheer . . . one that will usher in a New Year of peace, happiness and prosperity.



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We wish our many friends volumes of good cheer and contentment throughout the Christmas Season as well as the coming New Year.

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

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### New Texas Vehicle Inspection Law Will Require Stickers To Buy License Tags

The new Texas Motor Vehicle Inspection Law is going to take the old cars off the highways! The man who doesn't have the money to pay for necessary repairs to his car, will lose the services of that car. For, without an inspection sticker, he will be required to register his car. It's the law in Texas to have an unregistered car! It will work hardships on the people, for the automobile, in recent years, has been shoved into the luxury class and now a necessity. There are 15 motor vehicles for every road-mile in the United States. And, there is one mile paid for every square mile of road in the country. At the close of World War I, registrations were six million, or one car for every 16 persons. Today, the total is 49 million, or enough cars to carry the inhabitants of the nation, with not more than four persons in any one car, and less than four in many of them.

A glance at the every-day use of automobiles shows their impact on daily living. One-room schools in the country rapidly are disappearing in favor of consolidated schools made possible by the passenger car and the school bus. In an average week, nearly two million cars are used to take children to school. More than 90 per cent of the cars used during the average week are used for shopping. Customers in cars have a greater choice in food and prices. And, workers in the factories and on construction jobs, salesmen making calls, and farmers hauling produce... all use their cars in connection with making a living. More than 57 per cent of all car mileage is for driving to and from work or on business. Doctors and patients also benefit from the passenger car, which allows physicians to serve larger groups over wider areas. Every week, 1,600,000 cars are

used to take people to doctors, dentists and hospitals.

And on Sunday, there are rows and rows of cars parked in front of churches, both in rural and urban areas. More than 6 per cent of the car rides people take are for the purpose of going to church.

Deprive these people the use of their cars is going to cause a real hardship. But, at the same time, other people who might have been killed in a traffic accident due to mechanical defects in a car, will be living!

No cars will be kept off the highways arbitrarily! Under the provision of the Texas Department of Public Safety is entrusted with the enforcement of the law. The Department's just and equitable treatment is well known.

Unscrupulous inspection stations must forfeit a \$1,000 bond if they disregard the spirit or provisions of the law.

Car owners, too, will have ample time in which to correct

defects in their cars, time in which to save up money to buy the necessary repairs or parts.

### CONNALLY CALLS FOR COMPLETE HOUSECLEANING

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 19 — Veteran Sen. Tom Connally D-Tex. called on President Truman Wednesday to do a "complete job of cleaning out the executive department of graft and misconduct."

The white-haired chairman of the Senate Foreign Affairs committee in a blunt speech before an American Legion group here Tuesday, pulled no punches.

"The rascals should be thrown out and those who have violated the law should be vigorously and determinedly punished in the courts," said Connally. "The president must do a complete

job of cleaning out the executive department of graft and misconduct."

Connally let his potential opponents in the 1952 election know he would make a scrap of it.

"They are saying around the state how feeble old Connally is," he said. "When the campaign comes around, I'll show 'em whether I'm decrepit or not."

### FIVE BUCK GIFTS FIND FEW TAKERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 — Dear Virginia: Positively there's a Santa Claus. But he couldn't give five-dollar bills to skeptical New Yorkers for a one-spot Wednesday.

The average Manhattanite wanted Santa to do everything but produce his social security card to prove he wasn't a faker

and it all went to prove what singer Tony Bari had in mind when he started his experiment.

"I was ready to bet a million that the typical out-of-towner had more faith in his fellow humans than any New Yorker," Bari explained, "and the test showed it conclusively."

Tony dressed himself in the bright red-and-white traditional costume of St. Nick, right down to his shiny black boots. Then he loaded a dozen or more small gift boxes with five and one dollar bills and set off on a tour of Times Square.

He stopped adults and offered each a box containing a five-spot which he presented this way:

"In this box you'll find something worth five dollars. Would you make a contribution of one dollar in exchange?"

The average New Yorker's reply was a firm "no thanks." But better than half the out-towners he stopped said "yes." Bari made his offer to slightly

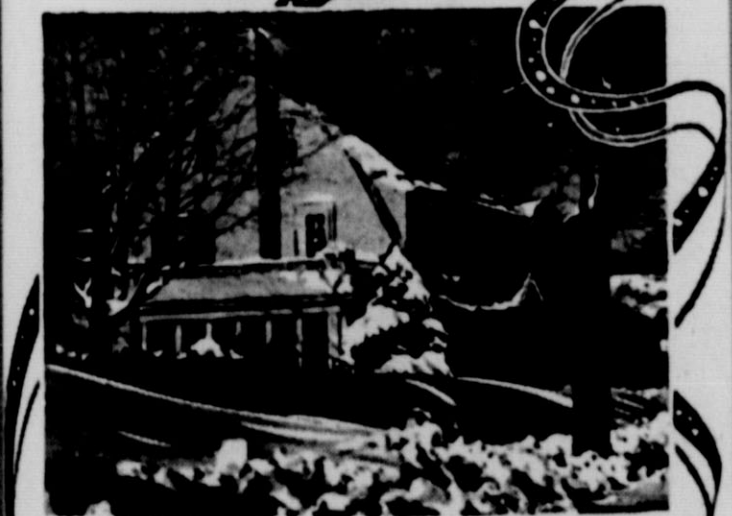
less than 100 persons and also found that women were far more trusting than men, regardless of whether they lived here or in the country.

Mrs. J. A. Groves visited in Lubbock from Wednesday until Saturday with her son and family. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Groves and Mrs. John Farris Fish of Raymondville, visited here this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Farris Fish.

In England, the legend of the Yule Log is still carried out in many communities at Christmas time. A huge log is brought to the kitchen; each member of the family sits on his log for a moment before it is placed in the fire-place to light and warm the festive Christmas Day!

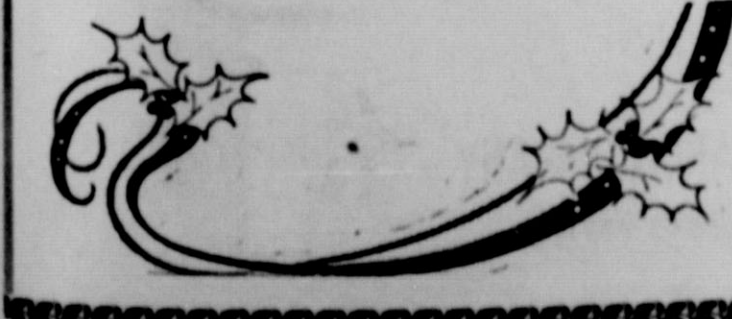
Rev. W. B. Hogg of El Paso, Texas, memorized the Bible.

The first sentence of the Texas Declaration of Independence contained 293 words.



**Greetings**  
May the spirit of happiness and good will that fills this season live in your home and bless your loved ones for the many years to come. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

**Ike's Grocery**  
MR. AND MRS. IKE RUSHING  
MR. AND MRS. BOB RUSHING  
AND PERSONNEL



# GOOD FRIENDS

... to Share Our Christmas Joy

As you place a glistening holly wreath upon your door, gaily decorate your Christmas tree, hang up your sock on the mantel and follow the scores of other traditions of a genuinely happy Christmas, we want to share your good fortune. You are our friends and we are happy in the knowledge that you are happy. May the Yuletide bring you joy.

## Red Ball Gin and Elevator

Roaring Springs, Texas



# Christmas Greetings



*Best Wishes to Our Friends and Customers*

**Hall-Scruggs & Company**

PADUCAH, TEXAS







**Pied Pipers**  
BY MRS. M.

Mary Lei Groves' recent birthday party was some event for the younger set and the guests are still talking about breaking the flower pot. When Carroll Campbell told her mother about the event, Lucretia was horrified, until Carroll assured her that they were supposed to!

Jon Johnson went home and solemnly informed his parents that he was afraid Mary Lei's dad (Dick) was going to have a nervous break-down. "Every time we swung the stick to hit the pot, he acted so nervous", he said.

Truth of the matter was, everytime a child tried to hit the pot, he barely missed the light fixtures in the attempt.

The breaking of a pinata is part of every fiesta in Mexico, especially during the nine days previous to Christmas, when the "posadas" or "asking of lodging" are held, in commemoration of the travels of Joseph and Mary before the birth of Jesus, when everywhere they were turned away with the words, "no room at the inn."

A pinata is a clay jar filled with candies, nuts and other sweets, which is covered with a light papier mache form and decorated with colored tissue paper.

Since children are part of all Mexican festivities, the breaking of the pinata is their special province. The pinata is always suspended from ropes or cords, and the children are blindfolded, turned around three times, and then given a stick with which to whack the air where they think the pinata may be, and so release the treasures. Then all of the children fall screaming with laughter and excitement, on the released goodies.

Mary Groves, whose ingenuity is equal to any occasion, used a discarded flower pot for their pinata, covering it with red and

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**Biscuit Ring Casserole**



There's a good meal in this casserole, and a thrifty one. Meat and vegetables are well-flavored and topped with a ring of golden biscuits. Eat hearty!

Taxes are high and prices are high, but your need for substantial, nourishing meals is just the same. One excellent solution is to stretch your food dollar in meat-saving dishes which combine meat with economical enriched flour.

Such a dish is Biscuit Ring Casserole, a meal-in-one taste delight that combines meat with peas, carrots and lima beans, and tops all with biscuits. The biscuit ring makes a mighty good-looking service. It contributes B-vitamins and iron in addition to economical protein.

With this flavorful casserole, serve a crisp salad and milk or coffee. Apple pie with cheese completes a menu your family will approve. To save time and work, often you'll want to call on your baker for a luscious pie, cake or cookies for dessert.

**BISCUIT RING CASSEROLE**

2 cups cooked, cubed meat  
2 tablespoons chopped onion  
2 tablespoons fat or drippings  
2 tablespoons enriched flour  
1 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon pepper

Brown meat and onions in hot fat. Stir in flour, salt and pepper. Add liquid and cook, stirring con-

1 cup meat stock, vegetable liquid or water  
1 cup cooked peas  
1/2 cup cooked carrots  
1/2 cup cooked lima beans  
Biscuits

stantly until thickened. Add vegetables and mix well. Pour into 2-quart casserole. Top with biscuits.

**Biscuits**

2 cups sifted enriched flour  
3 teaspoons baking powder  
3/4 to 1 cup milk  
1/2 to 3/4 cup milk

Sift together flour, baking powder and salt. Cut or rub in shortening until mixture is crumbly. Add milk to make a soft dough. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead gently 30 seconds. Roll

out 1/2 inch thick and cut with floured biscuit cutter. Arrange on top of meat-vegetable mixture. Bake in hot oven (450° F.) about 15 minutes or until biscuits are golden brown. Makes 6 servings.

green crepe paper, cut in streamers, and then tied up with string.

Original plans were to have the party at the roadside park, where the pinata could be hung in a tree, but the cold spell we had that week changed all plans and so the pinata was suspended from the ceiling of one of the

bedrooms at the Groves home.

A Christmas card from Mrs. MacDonald Hays of Amarillo, whom we've never met (but look forward with anticipation to that pleasure) contains the message that she has one of our recipes which she secured from Dorothy Nordyke!

**TRAGEDY STRIKES AGAIN FOR FORMER COUNTY RESIDENTS**

The death on Wednesday of last week, of Jack Randrell Smith, 29, of Amarillo, continued the thread of tragedy in his family.

Smith was found dead in his room at the Resident Hotel, 1417 Harrison, in Amarillo. His body was discovered about 3 o'clock in the afternoon by a maid who entered to clean the room after she received no reply to a knock on the door. His wife, the former Nell Womack of Roaring Springs, died Feb. 9 from accidental shotgun wounds received in their home at Amarillo where they were living at that time.

He is survived by two small sons, Michael, 2 1/2 years old, and Richard Jack, 1 1/2 months old; and his mother, Mrs. Virginia Smith of Lubbock, formerly of Matador and sister of the late Judge C. B. Whitten. A victim of leukemia, she has been in a critical condition at her home for several months and was unable to attend her son's funeral.

Funeral services were held at 3 p. m. Friday in Lubbock, with Rix Funeral home in charge.

Mrs. Frances Fryar and Roy Sutton of Plainview were visitors here Sunday in the Claude Harp home and with other friends.

When Dorothy and Lewis Nordyke were our guests a year or so ago, come February, we remember serving Fulton salad and tuna casserole, and that Dorothy took the recipe for both so it must be one of these which Mrs. Hays has.

A new (remodeled) bathroom at 820 Hackberry is our Christmas gift to us—Mr. M. and ourself. For months we worried about getting a new bathroom since the old one was in such a sad state. Now we are worrying about paying for it.

To all our loyal readers and friends, who have been so very kind in admitting that they do read these fillers as they appear from time to time, we wish to say again, Thank You—a Merry Christmas and Happy and Prosperous New Year to each of you.



*Greetings of the Season*

We wish for you every happiness that you may enjoy fully The Season of good cheer.

**TRAWEEK HOSPITAL**

DR. A. C. TRAWEEK, Sr.

DR. A. C. TRAWEEK, Jr.



**Greetings for Christmas**

We would like each shining ornament on your Christmas tree to reflect joyous Season's Greetings and our best wishes for a very Happy New Year.

**WE WILL BE CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY**

**Waybourn's Cafe**

MR. AND MRS. BILL WAYBOURN



The Holiday Season affords us the opportunity to express our appreciation to our many friends for their good will and thoughtfulness during the past year.

And with this appreciation goes our wish for a memorable Christmas—one that will be abundant with good cheer and good health followed by a New Year of contentment and good fortune.

**MATADOR BUTANE COMPANY**

MR. AND MRS. ALBERT RATTAN



## Ruidoso, New Mexico Plans Eight-Day Festival To Be Staged During Holidays

RUIDOSO, N. M.—Invitations went out this week to square dance clubs in New Mexico, all of the Texas Panhandle and several in Arizona and California, informing them of the Square Dance Festival, booked here for eight days, from Dec. 22 through Dec. 31.

Confirmation was received this week that the famed Shirley Bros. western band of Clovis, noted for its square dancing rhythm, would play for the festival. Guest callers from all of the participating square dance clubs will be used throughout the week.

The festival this year is being sponsored by the Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce, and its officers declare it will be staged as an annual event each year's end if the one in 1951 proves a success.

Business places to serve the visiting dancers are open, including cafes, tourist courts, cabins, lodges and motels, and there are ample facilities to handle any size crowd that shows up, C. of C. officials stress.

In addition to the square dancing, there will be other diversions here, such as skiing, bowling, horseback riding, golfing and other recreations depending, of course, on the weather.

Highlight of the big week will be a free game dinner on Christmas Day, at which deer, bear, elk, turkey and fish will be served at no cost to the visitors. The home folks will join with the visitors at the dinner by bringing side dishes, such as des-

serts, salads, etc., to add to the meat. The game is to be cooked and served free by the Navajo Lodge for the occasion. The game was donated by hunters of Ruidoso who were plenty lucky in the recent hunting seasons.

Cost of the festival will be \$150.00 for a season ticket, good for all eight nights. The dancing will be in the Buffalo Room of the Navajo Lodge.

**WHITE FRUIT CAKE**  
1-2 pound butter  
3 cups sugar  
4 cups flour  
1 cup milk  
3 teaspoons baking powder  
Whites of 8 eggs, well beaten  
1 medium coconut (grated)  
1-2 lb. candied pineapple  
1 lb. citron  
1 pound candied cherries  
1 pound pecans  
1-2 pound almonds  
Cream the butter, add sugar gradually and cream well. Sift flour, measure and combine with baking powder. Add milk alternately with flour. Chop fruit and nuts and sprinkle with flour. Add to the cake batter. Fold in egg whites. Greasing and lining the pans helps prevent the cake crust from becoming too brown, thick and dry during baking. Grease pan. Line with waxed paper or heavy brown paper. Grease paper. Bake in a slow oven (250 F.). The baking time depends on the size and shape of the loaf. This table may serve as a guide for cooking: Weight of Cake 1 lb., 2 1-2 hours; 2 lbs., 3 1-3 hours; 3 lbs., 4 hours.

## Walt Disney's Christmas Show Is Television Treat For Children



Before or after dinner, depending on whether you serve it at midday or in the evening, the children can find rest and relaxation watching television. There's a Walt Disney Christmas Show, for one thing, that they will enjoy, and it is timed for mid afternoon, so that it won't interfere with dinner.

Santa may seem a bit old fashioned when he travels by sleigh and reindeer. But he really keeps right up to date when it comes to gifts. And this year he has arranged a special Christmas television treat for children. It is Walt Disney's Christmas Show, which takes place on the afternoon of December 25, from three to four o'clock all over the country, excepting in the Central Time Zone, where it is an hour earlier—

It is really a lovely Christmas afternoon performance, and will give the youngsters a chance to relax and rest between lunch and supper. So be sure, if you don't want competition, to serve your Christmas feast either before or after the television show. That is better timing anyway than dinner at three or four, for you will be keeping pretty well to the regular meal schedule with either a mid-day or evening dinner. And the children's afternoon can be given wholeheartedly and restfully to watching the adventures of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs and the many other interesting incidents of the show.

The best way to avoid after-holiday upsets with children is, of course, to keep their meals as nearly normal as possible. Break-

fast as usual, unless they find it too unattractive. It's better not to force them to eat when they are just popping with excitement. Then dinner either around one o'clock or at the usual hour in the evening; and the third meal, lunch or supper, as usual.

This schedule, deviating as little as possible from that of every day, is certainly best for the youngsters. Cookies and fruit juice while the television show is on will add a party note to the afternoon without spoiling appetites for the next meal.

Cut the cookies, which can be made by your favorite recipe or from a mix, with Christmas cookie cutters. They come shaped like reindeer, Santa Claus, and stars with plain or scalloped edges. You can decorate the Christmas trees with tiny colored or silver candles, and give eyes to the reindeer and Santa Claus cookies with cinnamon or chocolate drops. If you want to give a further festive note to the star-shaped cookies, sprinkle them with colored sugar.

Don't be tempted into serving anything more elaborate, and keep a watchful eye on the cookies. Lots of relaxing fun and laughter and light refreshments will help make Christmas afternoon a delight for the little people.

undertaken cheerfully by the postal employees.

"Use the Christmas Seals on all Christmas letters and packages and let the public know you are helping in the fight against tuberculosis," he urges.

—Amarillo Daily News.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to make this means of expressing our sincere appreciation for the many acts of kindness and expressions of love and sympathy extended us during the illness and at the death of our beloved husband, father and brother, and for the beautiful floral offerings. May God bless each of you.

Mrs. Leonard Crowell  
Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jones and family  
Mr. and Mrs. Reece Kell and family  
Mr. and Mrs. Odie Crowell and family  
Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Crowell, jr. and family  
Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Nall, jr. and family  
Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Tipton and family.

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## NOTICE

TO

## FARMERS

ALL LOCAL GINS WILL BE CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS

7 p. m. Saturday, December 22

UNTIL

7 a. m. Wednesday, December 26

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## Merry Christmas



BEST WISHES

TO OUR

Friends and Customers

CITY BAKERY

MR. AND MRS. ROY SMITH AND PERSONNEL

## Season's Greetings

In sincere appreciation of our pleasant relationship through the past year...we extend a wish to you, our patrons, for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

C. W. GIESECKE

## Postal Clerk Originated Christmas Seals In 1903

Postmaster Gordon Jordan of Amarillo, recalls the idea for Christmas seals originally came from a postal clerk.

Einar Holboell, a Dane, was sorting stacks of Christmas cards and packages one December night in 1903 at the post office in Copenhagen. He began to

wonder what sort of Christmas was in store for the youngsters with tuberculosis.

"Why not harness the Christmas spirit in a more practical way and fight the dread disease? Why not place an extra stamp on every Yuletide package or message?" he said to himself.

From his inspiration came the tuberculosis Christmas Seal sold first in Denmark in 1904 and adopted in this country in 1907.

Postmaster Jordan says the annual task of handling the Amarillo Christmas Seal mail is



## Yule Greetings

May an abundance of good-will, good cheer, happiness and prosperity bless your home during the holiday season and in the New Year to come.

Quanah, Acme & Pacific Railway Company





## Church and Social Activities

Telephones 123 and 156

### Traweek Home Is Scene of Christmas Program Given Thursday For El Progreso Study Club

Mrs. A. C. Traweek, jr., was hostess Thursday, Dec. 13 for the annual Christmas program held by El Progreso Study club, which opened with the group singing the theme song for the year, "Thy Word, O Lord, Is My Delight", led by Mrs. G. E. Hamilton. Mrs. J. R. Whitworth led in recitation of the club collect.

Business included a report on Federation News by Mrs. U. L. Willie and a brief report by Mrs. Hamilton on the state Federation convention held in Denton.

Mrs. Willie led the program which included the following:

Christmas Scripture from the second chapter of St. Luke, Mrs. M. G. Brotherton; "Dialogue In The Desert", a Christmas story given by Mrs. R. E. Campbell, jr.; Excerpts from "Travels of Marco Polo" concerning the time of the birth of Christ, by Mrs. Freeman Thacker; group singing of Christmas carols, led by Mrs. Whitworth, with Mrs. Frank Pohl at the piano.

After gifts were distributed from a Christmas tree by Mrs. G. E. Hamilton and Mrs. W. N. Pipkin, a tea committee composed of Mesdames Ben Keltz, Marvin Brotherton, Furman Vinson, W. W. Clements and John Hamilton, served.

### BAPTIST CIRCLES HOLD YULE PARTY

Christmas parties were held Monday night by three circles of the Baptist W. M. U. and two Sunday School classes.

Henrietta Shuck and Lottie Moon circles met at the home of Mrs. Clifford Potts and brought groceries to be distributed to needy families. They also brought paper sack suppers which were spread on the dining table for refreshments, following a devotional led by Mrs. Potts. Christmas recordings were enjoyed during the evening.

Present were, Mesdames Mary White, Cecil Shelton, Bill Dunning, Elbert Reeves, Jack Norman, Forrest Campbell, C. M. Barton, jr., Joe Campbell, Ben Meador, Lee Burns and Dick Groves.

### Mrs. Waybourn Is Hostess

Mrs. C. P. Waybourn was hostess to members of the Burleson W. M. U. circle, the Fidelis and T. E. L. Sunday School classes for a social which included exchange of gifts from a Christmas tree.

Refreshments of cookies, sandwiches, hot chocolate and coffee were served to Mesdames T. E. Cammack, R. E. Campbell, sr., J. A. Groves, A. A. Groves, T. E. Long, Margaret Newman, N. J. Smalley, Velma Fulfer, Alvin Stearns, M. L. Patton, W. M. Clifton, Jeff Daffern, H. S. Watson, Ben Keltz, H. D. Marshall, Colquet Warren, A. B. Fulker and Alfred Barton; Misses Rachel Patton, Verlin Reeves and Maggie Bryan and the hostess.

Mrs. Keltz poured spiced tea from a silver service at one end of the dining table, which was laid with an Irish linen cloth and decorated with silver and blue glassware, Christmas ornaments and candles. A bowl of blue glassware at the opposite end of the table from the tea service, held silver and blue glass ornaments, while blue tapers burned in silver holders. Cookies, mints and nuts were served with the tea. An attractive arrangement on the buffet consisted of a pair of blue cornucopias spilling blue and silver ornaments, flanked by blue candles in silver holders.

In addition to those named, others present were, Mesdames Joe Bloodworth, A. J. Daffern, W. D. Lipscomb, Euman Lyles, Leonora Luckett, Frank Pohl, Fred Simpson, Ralph Stapleton, Harry Willett, J. R. Moore, L. D. Wilkerson, Arthur Fair, Floyd Davis; Misses Amy Glenn and Mary Keith, and one visitor, Mrs. Ray Jacobs of Dallas.

A huge Christmas card framed the young musicians as they offered piano and vocal selections in a recital at the Baptist church Monday night. They were pupils of Mrs. C. W. Norrid.

### CHRISTMAS CARD FEATURES RECITAL

The green frame sparkled with artificial snow, and was festooned with fronds of evergreen and clusters of red ball ornaments.

Opening the program was a piano solo, "Eideweiss Glide" by Jean Bearden, followed by a violin solo by Ronnie Steen, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Norrid. Betty Neighbors played "Star of The East", Jean Bearden played an accordion solo, and Jan Barton recited "The Night Before Christmas."

### Toreador Club Has Yule Party

The Toreador Home Demonstration club held its annual Christmas party Friday, Dec. 14 at 8 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Ralph Horton.

A program included a solo, "The Holy City" by Linda Seigler, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Frank Pohl, and a duet, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" by Mrs. Horton and Mrs. Floyd Davis, with piano accompaniment by Mrs. Billy Thomas. A number of Christmas carols were by the entire group.

Each member brought a gift which was exchanged, by drawing numbers, with a decorated Christmas tree as the center of interest.

Refreshments of cherry pie with whipped cream and coffee were served to Mesdames Floyd Davis, Bill Seal, Andy Hurst, Bert Schweitzer, D. E. Pitts, jr., Billy Thomas, L. M. Cox, Wade Berryman, Euman Lyles, James Moss; Mrs. Hoyle Moss of Roaring Springs; Mrs. Harvey Pearson of Dickens, Miss Marie Rea, home demonstration agent and the hostess.

### V. F. W. AUXILIARY PARTY FEATURES CHRISTMAS MOTIF

A Christmas motif was featured in covered dish supper and party staged by the V. F. W. Auxiliary at the VFW hut Thursday, Dec. 13, at 7:30 p. m.

Gifts were exchanged from a decorated tree, and plans were discussed for distributing a box of Christmas toys to underprivileged children of the community.

Games of canasta were enjoyed the remainder of the evening.

Members who attended were: Mesdames Melvin Meason, Bobby Echols, Ralph Horton, Ward Rattan, Bill Seal, Wade Berryman, Ray Sims, Billy Wason, R. E. Campbell, jr., Raby Webb, Leon Smallwood and Tommy Newman, and Miss Nell Webb of Matador; Mesdames A. M. Tanner and Betty Joe Whitaker of Flomot; Mesdames David Campbell and Robert Clems of Roaring Springs.

Mrs. Billy Charles (Doc) Cross and small son, Billy Stephen, plan to return to their home in Plainview this week-end, after spending the past three weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stephens. Both Mrs. Cross and son have been ill.

Frank Pohl made a business trip to Dallas last week.

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# merry christmas

Once again the season of song and merriment is at hand!

As young and old raise their voices in tune with the

Christmas celebration may we add to the chorus of harmonious

greetings, a cheerful wish for all our friends.

"May you have a Yuletide of comfort and joy—a New Year of peace, good health and continued happiness."

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**HOLIDAY**  
*Cheer*

We salute St. Nick...  
bringer of gifts and bright  
symbol of holiday cheer. May he  
make this Christmas a merry one for you...  
and have many happy landings  
on the rooftops of all our friends.

**KING FEED and SEED**

CURTIS KING, Manager

# Greetings

OF THE  
SEASON

Greeting our friends at Christmas time has become more than a habit with us. It is a manifestation of a deeply felt appreciation of the understanding and good will that we have been privileged to enjoy over these many years. And it is for this reason that we are so anxious now, to extend to everyone our sincerest wishes for a most enjoyable Christmas and a very happy New Year.

## WEST TEXAS GIN

JOE M. GAINES, Manager



# Churches Plan Christmas Services and Programs for the Holidays

## Musical Program To Be Given At Methodist Church

Several churches of the community have announced special services and Christmas tree programs which will be held during the forthcoming holidays, in observance of the birth of Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, the first of which, a Christmas play, will be presented tonight (Thursday) at the Assembly of God Church. Mrs. Walter Gwinn will direct the play, "Peace on Earth," according to the pastor, Rev. G. R. Underwood.

Friday night, (Dec. 21) the Baptist Church will have its annual Christmas tree and Santa Claus program for the children, with Mrs. Algie Groves in charge of arrangements. The program will include a Biblical film, the pastor, Rev. Clifford Pitts announced.

Special Christmas music and passages for Sunday's morning services have been announced by the churches, and Rev. T. M. Johnston of Vernon, District Superintendent will deliver the sermon at the Methodist Church that hour, according to the pastor, Rev. Marvin Brotherton.

Rev. Brotherton also announced a special service in music which will be given at the evening hour, 7 o'clock, by the youth of the church, as follows:

"The Lights of Christmas"; Hymns, "Joy To The World" and "It Came Upon the Mid-

night Clear"; congregation; "There's A Song in The Air"; orchestra; Frank Traweek, Gail and Glenda McWilliams; Call to Worship, Mrs. J. R. Whitworth; Invocation, Rev. Marvin Brotherton; hymn, "Silent Night"; congregation; Readers, Tom Hamilton and Frances Traweek; Anthem, Choir; Readers, Joe Fair and Marlene Bailey; solo, "Star of The East"; Mickie Steen; Readers, Charles Keith and Lucretia Edwards; Anthem, Choir; Readers, Neal Pipkin and Elwanda Green; Anthem, Choir; Readers, Cecil Shelton and Wanda McMahan; Christmas Story, Carolyn Pohl; poem, Mrs. J. R. Whitworth; hymn, "O Come All Ye Faithful"; congregation; "Silent Night"; orchestra; Closing Prayer, Mr. G. E. Hamilton.

The public is invited and urged to attend all religious services during the Christmas season.

### Tree At Whiteflat

A community Christmas tree and program will be held at Whiteflat on Monday night, Dec. 24 at the Baptist Church. It was announced this week. The program will start at 6 o'clock, and everyone in that community is cordially invited to attend.

### HOME FROM TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. D. Burleson of Whiteflat have returned home from a recent trip which included a tour of several eastern states and Florida.

### EMPLOYED AT GABRIELS

Mrs. J. D. Craven assumed duties Wednesday, at Gabriel's Department store, where she will be employed permanently.

## RUTH MARIE STANLEY HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

(Special to the Tribune)

Miss Ruth Marie Stanley, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Stanley, 1325 Eubank, is home from the Hockaday Preparatory School in Dallas for the Christmas holidays.

Before leaving Dallas, Miss Stanley participated in seasonal events at the school. She sang in the 100-voice student choir which presented music at the Christmas vesper services at 5 and 7 p. m. Sunday, Dec. 16, in the Great Hall.

Tuesday evening, December 18, Mr. Hobart Foster Mossman, president of Hockaday, and Mrs. Mossman entertained students and staff with a formal Christmas dinner in the school dining room.

Miss Stanley is a member of the Second Form. She has earned the boarder's pin. She will return to class January 7. Mrs. J. S. Stanley and daughter, Kay, spent the week in Dallas and accompanied their daughter and sister home.

### ANNOUNCING ARRIVAL

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Turner of Flomot are announcing the arrival of a son, who was born Nov. 29 at Stanley Clinic. He weighed 9 pounds, 14 ounces, and was named Johnny Wayne. The Turners have three other boys, ages from 7 to 12 years.

Mrs. Tom Newman and Mrs. Melvin Meason spent Wednesday in Lubbock.

## Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Harris of Whiteflat, have moved to Matador for the winter months. They will occupy Mrs. W. Y. Higgins' home while she is with her daughters, Mrs. Dick Davis of Ardmore, Okla., and Mrs. Clay Gilbert of Duncan, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Echols and son, Robert, are visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Echols of Bayfield, Colo., and will remain there through the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Bloodworth of Odessa, are visiting in the home of his mother, Mrs. Gertrude Bloodworth, and with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Purdy of Turkey, during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Brogdon and son, Randy, spent Sunday visiting friends and relatives in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Brogdon and son, Randy, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Jim Lancaster spent last Thursday in Lubbock, shopping and transacting business.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Seals of Stephenville, have been visiting in the home of her aunt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Johnston, and in the W. H. Rigby of Roaring Springs.

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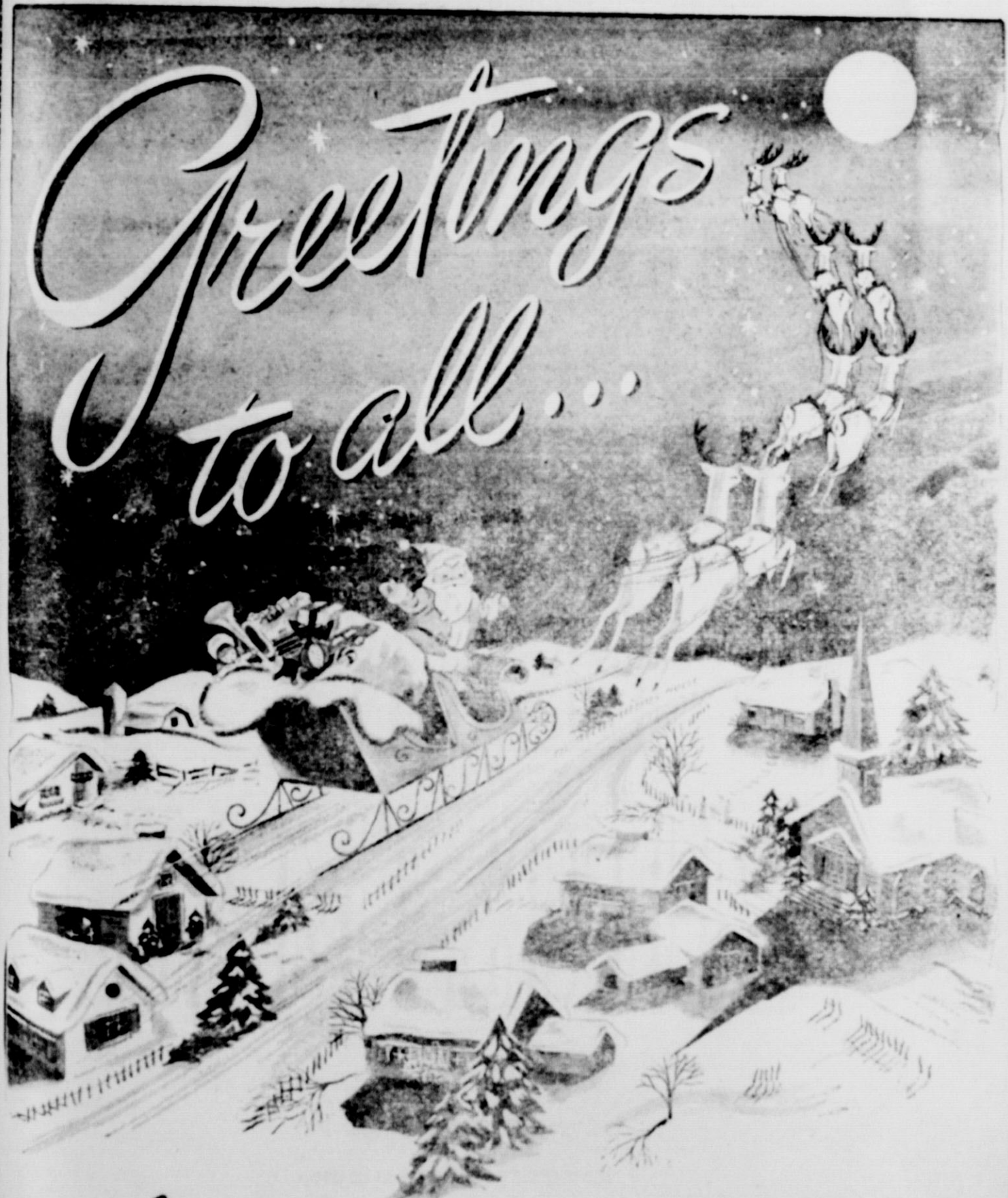
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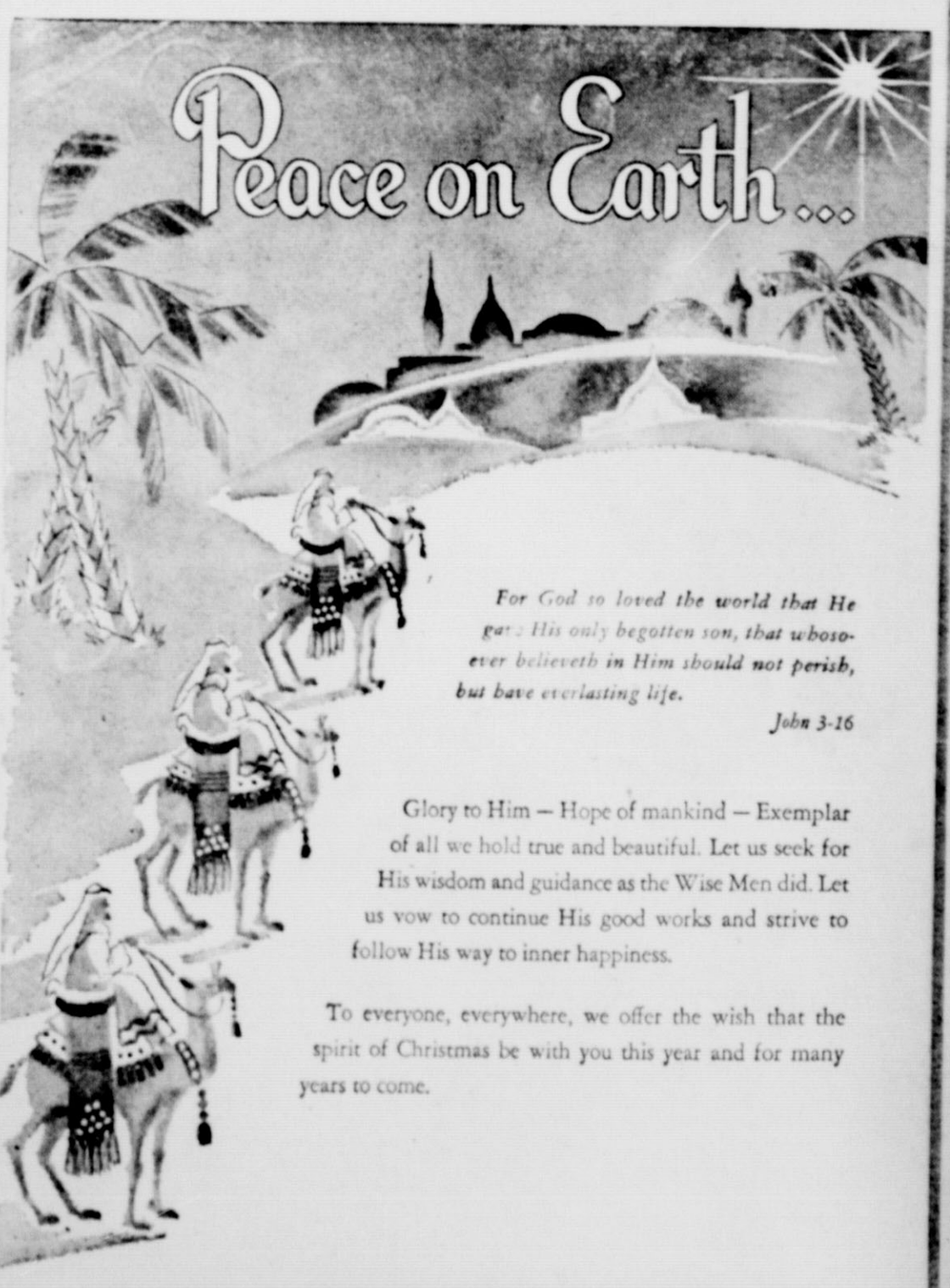


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Christmas is upon us...and we cannot help but feel grateful to our many friends who have helped make the past so worthwhile and whose confidence in us gives added strength and promise to the future. In fullest gratitude we extend our sincerest wishes for A Joyous Holiday Season.

WE WILL BE CLOSED TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY  
**Matador Variety**  
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For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.  
John 3:16

Glory to Him — Hope of mankind — Exemplar of all we hold true and beautiful. Let us seek for His wisdom and guidance as the Wise Men did. Let us vow to continue His good works and strive to follow His way to inner happiness.

To everyone, everywhere, we offer the wish that the spirit of Christmas be with you this year and for many years to come.

**MATADOR HARDWARE & FURNITURE COMPANY**



## SHARE AND CARE PROGRAM PLANNED BY NATIONAL 4-H

Texas 4-H club members and other interested individuals, as well as business concerns, are invited to participate in the "Share and Care" program for the National 4-H Club Center, said Floyd Lynch, state 4-H club leader.

A twelve and half-acre campus with five buildings and adequate parking space for the center were purchased last February at 6410 Connecticut Ave., Chevy Chase, Md., which is only a 20-minute drive from the White House and U. S. Capitol building.

"The center will serve as national assembly grounds for many groups," Lynch said. "Priority will be given youth groups interested in rural life, the annual National 4-H Club Camp heads the list."

As planned, the center will have lodging, dining and conference facilities for groups of up to 300 persons. It will be operated the year-round on a non-profit basis.

The center was purchased at a cost of \$375,000. An additional \$290,000 is needed for repairs and remodeling. And a scholarship program is planned to help support the training programs. Lynch points out that this adds up a million-dollar program.

"No government funds are available for the center," he said. "Contributions are needed now. They should be sent to local county Extension offices; to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, College Station, or to the National 4-H Club Foundation care Extension Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C."

Local 4-H clubs are invited to "Share and Care" for the center by raising and contributing 10 cents or more per member. This will bring in about \$200,000 if the 82,000 clubs in the nation do this.

### Matador IOOF Lodge

Meets every Friday night.  
Ralph Nichols,  
Noble Grand  
Bruce Martin,  
Secretary

All visitors and brothers welcome.

## Unsulphured Molasses Gingerbread Key



Just as you use a specific type of flour for rolls and cake, or a definite shortening, you use unsulphured molasses rather than other types for a gingerbread with sweetness and delicate aromatic flavor. This unsulphured molasses has the sweetness of sugar because it is the concentrated juice of sugar cane, aged and blended. But it is more than a natural sweetener, it has distinction of flavor and on that flavor the popularity of gingerbread is based. Gingerbread muffins, gingerbread comes in for dessert honors. To dress them up, cut a cone out of the top of the cakes and fill the cavity with whipped cream and that flavor the popularity of gingerbread is based. In cup cake style, gingerbread dessert squares may be garnished with spiced canned applesauce or chocolate or lemon sauce. The following recipe makes enough for the cup cakes and muffins or one layer square.

### Grandma's Homemade Gingerbread

2 1/2 cups sifted all-purpose flour	1/4 cup shortening
1 teaspoon salt	1/4 cup sugar
1 teaspoon double-acting baking powder	1/2 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon ginger	1 cup unsulphured molasses
2 teaspoons cinnamon	2 eggs
1/2 teaspoon cloves	1 cup hot water

Sift together flour, salt, baking powder, ginger, cinnamon and cloves. Cream shortening, sugar and soda. Add hot water alternately with remaining flour mixture. Beat 1/2 minute. Turn into 12 well greased 2 1/2-inch muffin pans and 12 2 1/4-inch muffin pans. Bake in a moderate oven (350°F.) 20 minutes. For gingerbread layer, turn batter into a well greased, lightly floured 9 x 9 x 2 inch pan. Bake in a moderate oven (350°F.) 45 minutes.

Checks or drafts should be made out to National 4-H Club Foundation. Lynch said contributors should be sure to state that gifts are for use of the National 4-H Club Center.

In Switzerland, before going to church each member of the family places his spoon by a bowl of milk, which the Holy Family visits during his absence. The owner of the spoon which had been moved will have exceedingly good luck.

## Christmas Trees Are Fire Hazards Says Extensioner

The center of attraction in most homes from now until after Christmas will be the family Christmas tree. Most families says C. W. Simmons, Extension farm forester of Texas A. & M. College, fail to realize that this

tree is actually a fire hazard in the home. Every effort should be made, he adds, to cut down on the possibilities of a fire starting from the tree.

First try to buy a tree that is in good condition. Simmons points out that this means one with fresh leaves or needles. If the tree is placed aside for a few days before the decorating job can be done, Simmons says make a new cut above the original and place the butt of the tree in a container of water. This will keep it fresh. When the tree is moved into the house it should be left with the trunk in water. There is less danger from fire when the leaves or needles contain moisture. The water container will need an addition of water just about every day. This will also help prevent leaf or needle shedding, says Simmons.

Next he warns against decorating the tree with flammable material. Check the electric cords that connect the tree lights and be sure that all poor connections are repaired. If cotton is used around the base of the tree, that which has been treated for fire control. Candles should never be used to light a tree, says Simmons.

It is up to each individual family to make the holiday season a safe one, warns Simmons

and those who fail to take into account fire and accidents hazards may find their holidays marred by a serious fire or accident.

## LETTERS TO SANTA

Matador, Texas  
Dec. 17, 1951

Dear Santa:  
I want two guns and a hat. My brother wants a gun and a Gene Autry hat.  
Love,  
Carroll and Byron Potts,  
College Station, Texas  
Dec. 17, 1951

Dear Santa Claus:  
This is to let you know that I will meet you in Matador for Christmas, so please bring me a dolly, and some more toys and don't forget Martha. She is my big sister and is awfully good to me. I was a year old in August.  
Love from  
Susan Tipton.

Dear Santa:  
I want twin dolls and a doll bed. My name is Judy Hobbs. I have a big brother, don't forget him. His name is Ronald Hobbs.  
Love,  
Judy Hobbs

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# SEASON'S GREETINGS

May your joy this Christmas Season be as continuous as the wreath of holly.

May your happiness and good health during the coming New Year be without end.

**DOUGLAS FLOWER SHOPS**  
MRS. FREDDIE WELLING

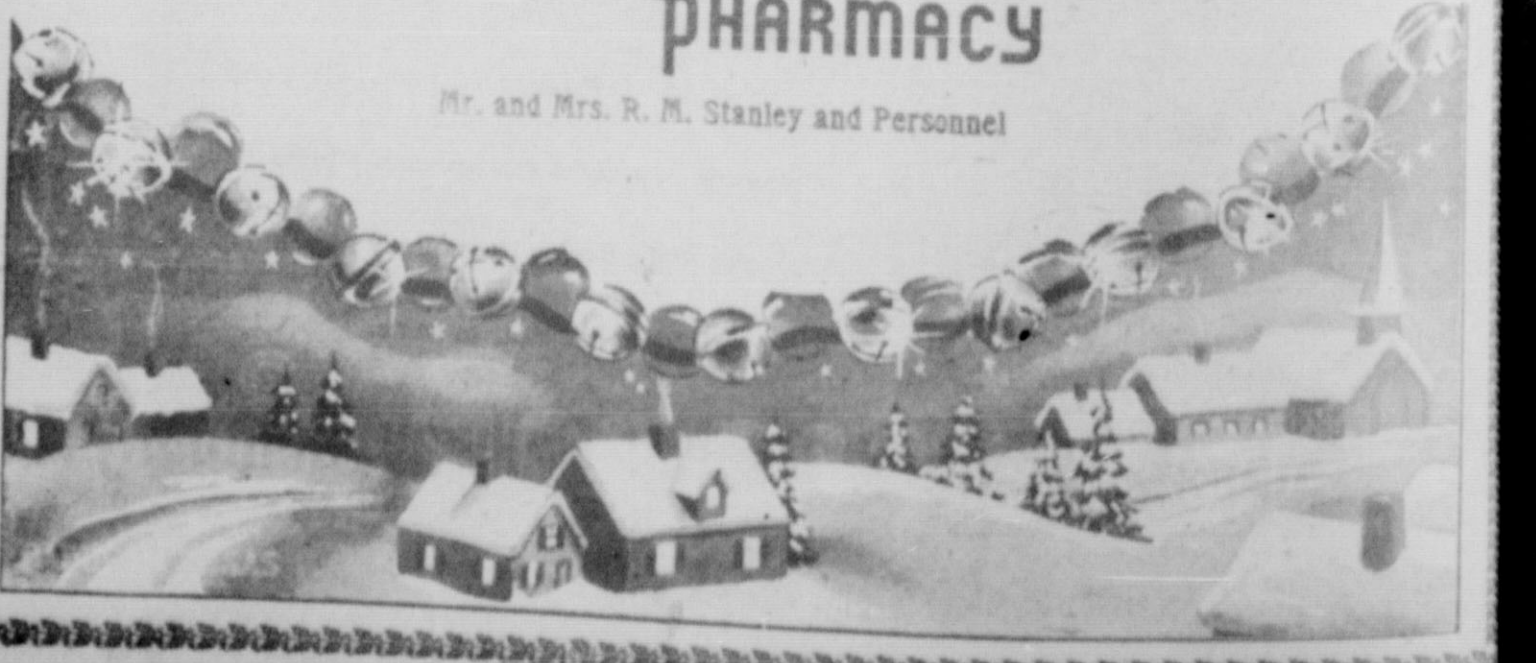
# Merry, merry Christmas to everyone

Christmas fills a large place in our life today. With each recurrence it brings a wave of good feeling and friendship that makes the air softer and warmer and puts new happiness into our hearts. It is this good feeling that instills in us an ever greater appreciation of the loyalty and confidence of our many fine friends. To them we want to extend our heartiest wishes for a joyous Christmas and a happy, prosperous New Year.



## STANLEY PHARMACY

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Stanley and Personnel



## Season's Greetings

Once more may the Christmas Star send its blessing down with the same glad meaning it brought to Bethlehem. And as we yield our hearts to the spirit of tenderness which pervades the Christmas air, may we remember the heavenly love which came into this world the night Christ was born.

Let us remember, too, that we keep Christmas truly, only when we permit the love of the Christ to enter our hearts and lives. May you enjoy a truly Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



## MODERN CLEANERS

MR. and MRS. R. L. BRANDON and PERSONNEL





LAST YEAR'S WINNERS in the Matador Lions Club Christmas lighting contest were the Albert Rattan home, upper right which received first place for Santa and his reindeer on the roof; Second place winner, the R. E. Donovan home, lower right, with Santa by the door; third place winner, the Alvin Stearns home with Rudolph-the-Red-Nose Reindeer and Santa on the roof. Stanley Clinic-Hospital, first place winner for Matador business places in the upper left photo with a lighted out-door Christmas tree.

**MANY OUT-OF-TOWN RELATIVES, FRIENDS AT CROWELL RITES**

A large number of relatives and friends from out-of-town attended funeral services at Flo-mot last Wednesday, for Leonard Crowell, pioneer of the county.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Hezz Jones of Wellington, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Burl Jones, Dick Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jones, Windel and Emma Lou Jones, Portales, N. M.; Rudolph Campbell, Claude, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Odus Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. Brock Pinckard and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Pinckard, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Lem Brock, Mrs. Lem Standifer, Leslie Clarey and Frank Garrett, Plainview; Wilbur Miller, Lockney; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kell, Tulia; Rev. and Mrs. M. F. Richardson, Abilene; Mrs. Jack Crider, Grand-falls; Mrs. Nolan Fulkerson, Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Dan John-

ston, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Clements, Childress; Mrs. Grover Stephen, Jewell and Dwaine Stephens, Stillwater, Okla.; Mrs. Lewis Lyles, Ollie Nail, Mr. and Mrs. Horace McDonald and Sid McFalls, Quitaque; Mr. and Mrs. Littleton Rattan, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Martin, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Tipton, Mrs. Ben Meador, Mr. and Mrs. Vir-gel Rattan, J. B. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Whitworth, W. B. Wason, Pat Sheridan, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morris, Arch Black, Elbert Reeves, Ralph Nichols, R. H. Bearden, Clarence Glover, Charlie Meador and Earl Me-Brade, E. H. Gafford, Mark Hall, Matador; Mr. and Mrs. Odus Crowell and children of Tucson, Ariz., and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jones of Portales, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Lee McKay and family of Turkey, and Frank Kim-brough of Canyon.

Rev. and Mrs. O. W. Wright of Marlin, are expected here dur-ing the week-end to spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Stevens.

**ATTEND SYMPHONY PROGRAM AT PAMPA**

Mr. and Mrs. Algie Groves and sons, Pat and Mike, accompan-ied by her mother, Mrs. A. B. Nichols of Roaring Springs, were overnight visitors at Pampa, last Friday, in the home of the latter's son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nichols.

They attended the presenta-tion of the "Messiah" presented by the Amarillo symphony or-chestra and Pampa civic choir. Enroute home they visited at Wellington.

Miss Dora Ratcliff of Dallas, has arrived home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Ratcliff.

Mrs. John C. Russell, accompan-ied by her mother, Mrs. R. P. Moore, also her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Hamilton, made a trip to Lub-bock last Wednesday, where they shopped and attended to business.

**LETTERS TO SANTA**

Grandfalls, Texas  
Dec. 15, 1951

Dear Santa Claus:  
Would you please come to Grandfalls, Christmas and bring us some little dolls with hats on. We need some pianos too, as we like to play Aunt Lila's when we are at Matador.

With love,  
Donna and Dale Crider.

Whiteflat, Texas  
Dec. 14, 1951

Dear Santa:  
I want a belt and a holster, and a gun; a pair of spurs, also a pair of cowboy boots. I am six years old and I love Santa. I have been a good boy too.

I love you Santa,  
Frank Plyler.

Roaring Springs, Texas  
Dear Santa:  
I would like the new truck ter-minal and the Army training center. My little brother would like the Bar M ranch set and the Lazy Day farm set. He would like the steam shovel and truck.

Love,  
Sammie and Rogene Swim.

**SUNDAY VISITORS**

Visitors here Sunday in the home of Mrs. Doug (Aunt Chloe) Meador and son, Charlie, were her other children and their families: Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Le-bow and son, Harry of Clovis, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. William Earl Briscoe and children, Doug-las and Earline, of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Osborn and son, Dean, of Stanton; also Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Markham and children and Mr. and Mrs. Wes-ley Hall, all of Matador.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Martin and small daughter, Ann, of Dalhart, are here for the holi-days, visiting Mrs. Martin's par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jame-son, and other relatives.

**Christmas Greetings**

May you enjoy the Merriest Christmas you have ever known - The Happiest New Year you have ever spent - And days filled with the brightness of good cheer and content.

**Matador Auto Company**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

To our many friends we send our sincerest Holiday Greetings. May the meaning of Christmas be deeper - Its friendships stronger and its hopes brighter as it comes to you this year.

**Stanley Hospital-Clinic**  
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