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Hansford Club Has Annual Party

The Hansford HD Club held their annual Christmas dinner party on December 11, in the club room. The meal was served buffet style to club members and special guests.

Miss Gibbs was presented a "snowball candle" in a holiday arrangement.

"42" and Canada were played until a late hour by Messers and Mesdames: D. B. Keim, Daniel Sheets, J. D. Floyd, Harry Shadock, Branch Sheets, Richard Klingler, Mrs. Anna Rosenbaum and J. B. Stewart, members.

Guests were Jake Kelms, Dave Hinal, Jack McWhirter, Pete Fisher, Mrs. Lura Belle Crawford, Miss Gibbs and Miss Nelms.

Entertains With Morning Coffee

Mrs. Pat Cates entertained members of the Jonquil Flower Club at a morning coffee December 16, at 9:30.

The serving table was attractive, decorated in the Holiday motif. Blueberry muffins, red and green cubed pineapple, and broiled morning sausage with coffee was served by the hostess.

Members present included: Mesdames: Carl Archer, Ralph Blodgett, Olen Chambers, Bob Harbour, Richard Holton, Howard Long, Billy Miller, M. D. McLaughlin, Jack McWhirter, Rye Sanders, Bob Skinner, Tom Sutton Harold Wombie and J. D. Wilbanks.

Export Drops Cause Farm Program Headaches . . .

College Station—Reduced foreign exports contribute directly to many of the present farm program problems, says John C. McHaney, assistant extension economist.

During periods of high agricultural production, overseas out lets provide a more complete market for a surplus food and fiber, McHaney says.

Agricultural exports from this country hit a record 4 billion dollars in 1952, but slipped to 2.9 billion during 1952-1953, a 30 percent drop. This decline is responsible for many surpluses and depressed prices.

With world supplies high, a

further decline is expected in wheat shipments abroad. The forecast for rice export is favorable, but little change is foreseen in other grains.

Cotton exports have dropped sharply in recent months. This is due, McHaney adds, to higher world production and lower competing prices in foreign countries. Short supplies of United States cotton abroad and some pickup in the textile industry, especially in Europe, suggests slightly advanced cotton exports next year. The consumption abroad of fats and oils is increasing, especially cottonseed oil.

World production last year of cotton, wheat, rice, corn, oats, barley, and fats and oils is in excess of that of 1952, in some cases, the economist says, foreign countries can purchase from one another more cheaply than from the United States.

The transition period is here, McHaney adds. Today's farmers are experiencing postwar adjustments that eventually had to come. "Adjustments now confront us squarely and we have to face up to them," he concludes.

Dio-Gold . . . New Cantaloupe Variety Ready For Release

College Station—Rio-Gold, a new disease resistant cantaloupe which is described as having an excellent flavor, is now available to growers.

Developed at the Lower Rio Grande Valley Experiment Station in 1950, the variety has several characteristics superior to Rio-sweet, C. H. Godfrey, plant pathologist at the Wadswold Station, says Rio-Gold has an attractive, deep tender flesh with an excellent flavor and a high sugar content. The vines are highly resistant to downy mildew and fairly resistant to powdery mildew and aphids.

Rio-Gold was first recognized as a distinctive strain late in the spring of 1950 when found on vines that bore bright, well-netted melons of high quality.

Trial plantings at various Texas locations brought favorable responses in appearance and eating quality, Godfrey says.

Wrestling At Borger Texas Friday Dec 18 1953 8:15 P. M.

Mr. Sakata vs. Jesse James. That's a wrestling match Borger fans have been suggesting and requesting for several weeks. It comes up as the top selection of a double main event Friday night at the Borger arena, two out of three falls on one hour, headlining a double main event.

In the first part of the twin feature, Roger Mackay, the estimable athlete from Sat Lake City, meets Polo Cordova, pleasant Latin-American from Mexico City. This, as part of the double entry, is for two out of three falls, with one hour time limit. George Overhul, former Amarillo High School football player and now rated as one of the up and coming professional wrestlers of the country, meets Johnny James, popular Houstonian, in the first event, one fall or 20 minutes, making it a three-hour card for Friday night.

Overhul, who served his apprenticeship in these parts, has returned from a tour of Mexico, Canada, and the mid-west portion of the U. S. He has wrestled mostly around Chicago, appearing on the cards at both metro-politan arenas.

The Sakata-Jesse James match, however, probably will hold the most fan interest. Sakata, a Nisei boy from Honolulu who returned to Japan to learn the arts and outs of Oriental wrestling, clings to certain traits of the Japanese which makes him efficiently "unpopular" in the American ring. An American citizen, Sakata pursues a relentless, savage attack against any and all opponents who face him.

Jesse James, fast, capable, a fine drop-kicker, and one of the most popular Texas wrestlers on TV or in action, is a slight favorite. But he'll earn everything he wins.

Mackay and Cordova are expected to stage a fine scientific match, employing the real fundamentals of wrestling. Each, however is short tempered, and their battle could wax rough.

Youth Applications Exceed Calls

Since the Youth Employment Agency opened this week in the County Judges office, sixty youngsters have made application for work. Only a people have called in who have work for them to do. The youngsters made a run for the office as soon as the project was announced.

It is hard for them to understand word doesn't get around so fast among house wives and merchants.

Call Judge Lee's office if you have a job for a youngster. The Youth Program set their wages at 50 cents per hour. Many of these kids are eager to get a job so they can earn some Christmas money.

This 'N That



Around Gruver

This is the Christmas program for Gruver. The Schools will dismiss at 1:30 on Dec. 18th. At 1 o'clock there will be a program of Christmas music, by the High School Chorus and Band. Following this there will be Christmas parties for all the grade school classes.

The Chamber of Commerce has a large Christmas tree that will be placed down town. I. T. Spivey is chairman of the tree committee. On Christmas Eve at 4 o'clock in the afternoon there will be a community program. The High School and chorus and speakers from the Speech Class of Elna Goodell will take part. Mrs. Eddina principle of the High School has promised the High School co-operation. It is also planned to have Santa Claus present if possible.

As they have done in the past the Chamber of Commerce will give three prizes for the best decorated homes. They will be \$15, \$10 and \$7.50.

On Christmas Eve there will be Christmas Programs, Christmas Trees and Santa Claus in all of the churches.

This is important. Mrs. Blanch Taber postmistress announce that the Post Office will be open all day this coming Saturday Dec. 19th. This will help you with your Christmas mailing.

Here is some news that was omitted from our column last week. Mrs. E. A. Mc Bride of Duke Okla. and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Dunham and son, also of Duke, were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Alexander at Thanksgiving. They also visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Alexander. Mrs. Mc Bride and Mrs. Dunham are sisters to Robert and Harley.

This last week-end Mrs. Laura Emmerson of Fort Worth was also house guest at the Robert Alexanders. Mrs. Emmerson is an aunt to Mrs. Alexander.

Mrs. Ceell Holt is visiting her son Dr. Zeno Holt in Dallas. They will attend the performance of the Messiah.

Mrs. Mary Fletcher has returned from a very sad journey. She left here to attend the funeral of her sister in law Mrs. Phil Childers of Dalhart. Then her brother Bert childers died in Caldwell. He was taken to Denver his former home for burial, and Mrs. Fletcher and her relative accompanied the body. Yesterday she came home her brother and sister in law Mr. and Mrs. Newt Childers came with her to visit for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Alexander spent the week-end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Alexander. Robert and Mrs. Alexander are cousins. They make their home in Frederick Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Ayres Jr. took Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Barris to Clovis N. M. last week. They are Mrs. Ayres parents. Mr. Barris has been ill for some time, and on Tuesday of this week underwent major surgery in the Clovis Memorial hospital.

Joe Clint Francis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Francis spent the week-end at home. He is in the Armed services and stationed in Arkansas.

Della K. Davis SURPRISED

Mrs. Bud Jackson and Mrs. Ernest Wilmet were hostesses for a surprise birthday party for Della Kay Davis, Sunday December 6, from 2:00 to 5:00 p. m. The party was held in the home of Mrs. Jackson. The occasion was the birthday anniversary of Della Kay.

The little girls attending were: Bonnie Russell, Jameth and Nancy Wilmeth, Cynthia McWhirter, Patton Ann Arrebe, Marilyn Schubert, Ann Garnett, Sharon Wombie, Diane Renaau, Florence Entrekim, Monet Washington, Linda Holt and the honoree, Della Kay.

After playing games the little guests were served refreshments.

Gruver PTA Met Monday Night

The Parent Teachers Association of Gruver held their regular meeting Monday night Dec. 7, in the High School Auditorium. Dr. Meyers of the College was speaker for the evening. An interesting program given by the PPA boys was directed by Mr. Barber.



ENTIRE STOCK OF FURNITURE AND HARDWARE Beginning Monday, December 21 SALES BEGIN AT 11:30 A. M. and 2:30 P. M. Daily For Four Days December 21, 22, 23 and 24th. ALL SALES ARE FOR CASH ALL SALES ARE FINAL No Approvals - No Return of Merchandise. This outstanding stock of merchandise purchased to fill the needs of Citizens of this area must be sold. To The Bare Walls - Nothing Reserved EVERY ITEM IS ON SALE TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER. MERCHANDISE PURCHASED AT BANKRUPT SALE AND MUST BE TURNED INTO MONEY.

It means you buy your needs at your own PRICE. If, you are interested in special merchandise ask for it to be placed on sale as early as possible. Unless it proves impractical we will try to place merchandise you want on sale as soon after you request it as it is possible to place it on the auction block.

Merchandise formerly Townsend Furniture and Hardware Co.

Boxwell Brothers Spearman

Ford advertisement featuring images of Ford Tudor, Ford Victoria, Ford Ranch Wagon, and Ford Sunliner. Text includes: 'Here are America's lowest-priced V-8's...', 'Ford Tudor—America's lowest-priced V-8 Sedans', 'Ford Victoria—America's lowest-priced V-8 hardtop', 'Ford Ranch Wagon—America's lowest-priced V-8 station wagon', 'Ford Sunliner—America's lowest-priced convertible V-8'. At the bottom: 'Ford is the only V-8 in the low-price field! Joe Trayler your friendly Ford Dealer'.



# Merry Christmas Shopping



Christmas Trees and all the trimmin's... Everything for your Christmas celebration in one stop on the 'Foodland Special'—Yule foods, beverages, pastries and that all-important oven-ready turkey... Why not bake your gift? Mmmm. Delicious, and so easy now-a-days... See our complete line of baking supplies.

SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY & SATURDAY DEC. 18 & 19th

In Cooperation with other Business Firms of Spearman and to give our Employees more time for Christmas, We Will Be Closed Friday & Saturday Dec. 25. & 26th.

BETTY CROCKER

## CAKE MIX

With Your Purchase of \$5.00 and over of other Groceries.

pkg. 10c

SHURFINE PITTED 7 OZ. PKG.

Why Pay More Dates 18c

SHURFINE TALL CAN

PUMPKIN 10c

Bama Red Plum

JAM 2 lb Jar 38c

ALL FLAVORS

Kre Mel 3 FOR 10c

NORDIC FILLET

Perch lb 35c

Special Discount SKINNER RAISIN BRAN Pkg. 17c

Campbells TOMATO SOUP 2 cans 15c

KRISPY CRACKERS lb. 17c

STILWELL FROZEN STRAWBERRIES . . . 29c

SHURFINE CRANBERRY SAUCE 22c

BAKERS 4 OZ. PKG. COCONUT . . . . . 17c

3 QUART SIZE STARLAC 28c

SUNMAID NECTAR RAISINS Pkg. 19c

SHURFINE RED MARISCHINO CHERRIES 8-OZ. 28c

COLGATES 6c SIZE TOOTH PASTE 39c

LIBERTY BROOMS Each 93c

## TURKEY

6 to 9 lbs Beltville 69c

12 to 14 lb. HENS 65c

14 to 20 lb. TOMS 59c



FRESH BEEF LIVER . . . . . lb. 19c

GRAIN FED BEEF SIRLOIN STEAK . . . . . lb. 53c

PINKNEY'S PURE PORK SAUSAGE . . . . . 2 lb. roll 69c

SUNRAYS FAMILY STYLE BACON . . . . . 2 lb. \$1.39

XMAS PACKED 6 TO 9 LB. CANNED HAMS . . . . . lb. 89c

FRESH FRYERS AND HENS

## fresh HOLIDAY FRUITS

WINEBAP Apples lb 19c



Bananas 2 lbs. 29c

PICK-O-MORN PKG. Tomatoes 25c

Carrots Celo pac 17c

Potatoes RED MCLURE 5 lb 29

Northern Tissue 3 roll 17

Cut Rate Grocery & Market SPEARMAN, TEXAS

**KIDDY-KORNER**  
"MIMI BEAR"  
DOLLS  
Each 98c

BIG SMOKEY BEARS \$4.95  
MARSHMALLOW PINT C RE ME Hipolite 25c  
HERSHEY CANDY 24-5c bars 89c

COLONIAL CHERRY CHOCOLATES . . . . . lb. 47c  
COCA-COLAS . . . . . Carton 19c

Motts Apple CIDER Qt. 23c

LADY BORDEN'S PINT ICE CREAM . . . . . 2 Pints 49c  
OLD MANSE - ASSORTED JELLY . . . . . 5 For \$1.00

**TREES and TRIMMINGS**

AERO LARGE CAN Snow Flakes 79c

Safety Ping Outdoor - Indoor Tree Lights \$2.00

ALL METAL STURDY Tree Stands \$1.50

Christmas TREES  
ALL SIZES PRICED LOW

MERRY CHRISTMAS  
Georgia Porgie POP CORN 2 Cans 25c