

The Spearman Reporter

THE SPEARMAN REPORTER, HANSFORD COUNTY, THURSDAY DEC. 19, 1957

MYSTERY FARM OF THIS AREA



This is another of the series of Mystery Homes to be published each week for many months. If you can identify this home phone or mail a card to the Spearman Reporter and you may receive a one year subscription free. Please send in your identification as soon as possible. This enables us to visit the home and prepare a write-up for the next weeks newspaper.

Spearman Lynx Down Gruver In All-Time Thriller, 35 To 33.

Spearman's Jynxing Lynx downed the Gruver Greyhounds 35 to 33 Saturday night, to win their first home tournament in many years. The game was a typical Gruver-Spearman thriller, with the Greyhounds having complete control of the game for three quarters, but the Lynx overcame a nine point deficit, to defeat the Greyhounds. The Lynx were the outstanding individual team in the tournament. They have the kind of team that will start the local fans to talking about trip to the regional play offs.

The Perryton girls outlasted the Texline tornado girls in one of the best girls games ever witnessed in a Spearman tourney. Led by Linda Spence, the Perryton girls downed the Tornadoes, 44 to 39, but, little Grace Dennis scored 26 points for Texline before losing.

There was only one note of sadness throughout the tournament. Mary Pearson, one of the greatest all time basketball players in the state has played her last game. Doctors told her she couldn't play any more because of a physical ailment, and therefore the Spearman girls have lost what we think here at the Reporter, the greatest girls basketball player ever to play in the country. Lynx fans will miss seeing this all-american girl in action.

Max Boyer Will Take Oath of Office Dec. 21.

Max Boyer, recently appointed District Judge of the 84th Judicial District by Governor Price Daniel, will take the oath of office on Saturday, December 21, 1957 at 10 o'clock A. M. The swearing in of the new judge will be in the District Courtroom at Perryton, which will be open to the public.

Boyer, who has been active in the practice of law at Perryton for 28 years has disposed of his interest in his law partnership and is winding up his personal affairs before assuming his official duties.

The December term of court in Ochiltree County will continue until January 13, 1958, on which date the regular term begins in Hutchinson county.

Morse Chapel Church To Have Christmas Service

Special Christmas services will be observed Sunday Dec. 22 in the Community Chapel of Morse. In the morning services the Youth will give a worship service. The night services will be at 7:00 p. m. with all the children participating in the Christmas Story. A Christmas tree will follow the program with an exchange of gifts. A social hour will follow for all the churches. Everyone is invited to attend these services.

Historical Facts

Here is a historical fact copied from the Spearman Reporter of Thursday, December 23, 1957:—A. A. Meredith, Works Progress Administrator, serving 2^d North Plains counties, reported the District WPA office, at Amarillo, showed that during the first two fiscal years operations, Hansford county had spent \$52,123.00 to certified workers on WPA and their projects.

Weather

Date	Max.	Min.	Rain
10	74	32	0
11	47	9	0
12	48	15	0
13	66	21	0
14	68	20	0
15	62	24	0
16	58	32	0

The wheat is needing some rain according to most observers!

Stores To Close For Holidays

According to the Chamber of Commerce all grocery stores and most other business firms will be closed December 21 and 26. Spearman merchants wish to remind all shoppers to plan your buying according to these two holidays.

Gruver School's Holiday Activities

Holiday schools will be dismissed for the Christmas holidays on Friday December 20. A Christmas Operetta will be presented by the 4th and 5th grades at 2 p. m. on Friday. The operetta will be directed by Glen Truax and Bill Gregory.

Prior to the Operetta the Gruver Lions club will have a Christmas tree for the children of the elementary school on the lawn of the elementary school building. School will be dismissed at 3:45 on Friday, and classes will resume Monday December 30th.

New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson McCloy formerly of Morse, now of Hayden New Mexico, announce the arrival of a daughter, Nacelle, born Dec. 11. Mrs. McCloy was the daughter of Mrs. Mary Gillispie of Morse.

Teen Age Party To Be Jan. 3.

The Adult council of Teen Town met Dec. 5th to discuss the plans for a holiday party, but because of so many other activities it was decided to have the party Friday January 3rd. There will be a party after the basketball game played here on Friday nights in January.

Teen Agers, keep the date of Jan. 3rd in mind and lets have a big crowd out.

Spearman Born

Spearman came into being in October 1919 and it wasn't long after that when the Odd Fellows Lodge built their hall. When it was not used for fraternal purposes it was used by religious groups. The Presbyterian church was organized there in 1933. Eventually the Odd Fellows hall was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Luther Matthews and turned into a two family apartment house.

What went with the American Legion hall? How many remember the first Post of the American Legion organized here on Sunday March 16, 1920, in the Hansford court house?

The Buffs opened their home schedule Monday, Dec. 16, with Middle Tennessee, and then follow with Santa Clara, December 16; Texas Western January 11; New Mexico A. & M. Jan 13th; Arizona State, Feb. 14 and Hardin Simmons, Feb. 18.

HAVE NEW SON
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lee are grandparents again. Their son, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lee of Colorado Springs announce the birth of their new son, born Sunday Dec. 11th. Eck was unable to give us the weight, and said last he heard the kids had not named his grandson.

SPEARMAN SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
Spearman schools will dismiss for Christmas holidays Friday December 20 and school children will not return to classes until January 6th.

Music Students To Give Program Sunday Dec. 22.
A group of students from the class of Mrs. John Berry will present a musical program Sunday afternoon December 22 at 3:30 in the First Methodist church.

Students appearing will be: Sharon Kay Close, Mary Ellen Barkley, Cathy Lou Cates, Bethany Donnell, Yvonda Pipkin, Marilyn Schubert, Patty Archer, Kathy Crawford, Susan Hutchison, Carolyn Colard, Pauline Pipkin, Kathy Haworth and Willa Fay Seitz.

Other students will be presented at later dates. Interesting friends are cordially invited to attend.

Methodist To Have Christmas Cantata

"His Star is in the Sky", a Christmas Cantata by Bruce Carleton will be presented by the choir of the First Methodist church at 7:00 p. m. Sunday Dec. 22.

Mrs. John Berry is the choir director. Accompanists are Mrs. Bob Schnell, organist, and Miss Susan Sheets, pianist.

Soloists are Mrs. Don Knox and Miss Jane Griffin.

The public is cordially invited.

On Dec. 5, 1929, a Marine aviator, Capt. A. N. Parker, became the first pilot to fly over the Antarctic Continent.

Parents

Joel Lee Lackey, father of a new daughter, born December 1957, at the Hospital, Perryton. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. William Lackey of Amarillo. Maternal grandmother

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MISS WINKLER IS MAY QUEEN

Miss Jan Winkler, senior elementary education major at Texas Wesleyan College, Fort Worth, was recently elected May Queen. She will reign over the annual May Fete Festival which is held in the Spring on the TWC campus.

Miss Winkler is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Winkler of Gruver high school.

Princesses, dutchesses, and ladies-in-waiting will be chosen from the four classes and from surrounding high schools and colleges.

Miss Winkler will select the Freshman Maiden, Sophomore Bearers of the Bluebonnet chain, Junior Countesses, Royal Guards, and Senior Princesses to complete her entourage.

SPEARMAN HD CLUB PARTY

The Spearmanclub entertained their husbands with a Christmas party Friday night the 13th. Forty two and dominoes were played and gifts exchanged. Those enjoying the evening with a turkey dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Baggerly, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Huffman, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Garnett, r. and Mrs. J. L. Bryan, Mrs. Seelig, Mr. and Mrs. Rube Birdwell, Mrs. McGuire, Mrs. W. A. Scubert, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. John Kenney, Mrs. Ellsworth and Miss Barbara Fain.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS PARTY

The J. E. L. class of the Baptist Sunday school met in the lovely country home of Mrs. Dan Jackson Dec. 12 for their annual Christmas party. The living and dining rooms were beautifully decorated.

Twenty members were present. Mrs. Hacker, the president, called on Mrs. Leara Langston to read the scripture which was the birth of Christ taken from Mat.

After the gift exchange a very nice gift was made to the hospital. Sheets and pillow cases and wash clothes was the gift placed under the tree at the local hospital.

Mrs. Hacker offered a prayer after which Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Hutchison and Mrs. Jones served a lovely refreshment plate of cake, salad, nuts mints and coffee. Everyone left saying it was the nicest the class has ever had.

MISS PATTISON SORORITY PLEDGE

Miss Phyllis J. Pattison, daughter of Mrs. Helen Pattison of this city, was recently pledged to Delta Zeta Sorority, Phi chapter at Washington State College.

Miss Pattison is a Freshman, majoring in Chemical Engineering and is the President of her pledge class.

Dear Santa— I would like to have a Cindy Evening Star doll and an electric Vibraphone. Remember the other little children, especially the poor children.

LOVE Vicki Lynn McMillian

DEAR SANTA—

I would like to have an Ideals Twinkle Eye doll and a two piece luggage set and remember the other children especially the poor children.

Love Mary Gail McMillian

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to take this means of thanking everyone who helped us during the recent illness of our mother, Mrs. Jake Lamb.

Mrs. Tip Collingsworth Mrs. Bud Jackson Mrs. Johnnie Close ??No. 5-11-p

MRS. JAKE LAMB RECUPERATING

Mrs. Jake Lamb is at home recuperating from a recent operation, in the Northwest Hospital, Amarillo. Mrs. Lamb is able to see friends, and we hope that she will get entirely well soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brown brought their son Wesley Ray, home Sunday from a Perryton hospital. He has spent a month in an incubator.

Mrs. Thelma McNeely was called to Happy Sunday to the bedside of her father, J. B. Knox.

TWELVE SHERIFFS

Since J. H. McGee was elected first sheriff of Hansford County seventy years ago there have been only a dozen men to be elected in that office. They were: McGee, J. L. Cator, B. O. Cator, Z.

A. Curtis, E. A. Powell, B. O. Cator, R. E. Martin, who was killed in the line of duty, January 26th, 1911; J. C. Hancock, Hix Wilbanks, Alvino Richardson, Hix Wilbanks, who served the longest period of any other sheriff and J. B. Cooke who bids fair to equal the Wilbanks record.

How long has it been since any of you bought a bottle of Alderika? It was a highly advertised cure—all 20 years ago.

Barbara Hawkins Patterson is the only teacher on the Spearman school staff who was teaching 20 year ago. Ruby England Gunn, who moved to Pampa recently was a faculty member in 1937.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harris announce the arrival of a new son, David Leon. David arrived December 14th, and weighed nine and a half pounds. Mr. and Mrs. Harris live in Plainview, where he is a student in Wayland College. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ben Harris of Gruver, and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Sivells, of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

My name is Gary and I am 5 years old. For my Christmas I would like a race car, a row boat and a machine gun. My little sister Cheri is 2 and a half years old and would like an iron, ironing board, dishes and cooking utensils. My baby brother Terry would like a cuddle toy. Thank You Very Much Gary Evans

This'n That



Around Gruver

There is one place in Gruver where the Christmas spirit is very much in evidence, that is the Post Office. Mrs. Taber and her helpers, Mrs. Mattie Payton and Mrs. Ed Pinkerton are the busiest people in town. Just stay around the lobby for a while, and you will see nearly everyone in town. All the stores are doing big business and the children are all busy.

We are sorry to say there is still quite a bit of illness. Doctor Jones is kept pretty busy. However some of our people are

getting better. We are glad to see Ralph Bort up and around again. Says he is feeling pretty good.

Mrs. Mary Ayres has made a good recovery from her illness and will be coming home from Shattuck this week. She underwent major surgery.

For some this will be a sad Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Garrett were called to Pittsburg, Texas this week. Mrs. Garrett's sister Maggie had passed away. So the Garretts are there to attend the funeral. We deeply sympathize with them.

Mr. Willoughby, superintendent of our schools is ill in the hospital with pneumonia. We hope he will be able to come home for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Turner are in Houston. Mrs. Turner is there for a check up. There is a possibility that she will undergo surgery while there. If she is not operated on at this time she will be some time in January.

Kelly Garrett has been ill with the flu, but is now on the way to recovery.

There will undoubtedly be an exodus out of Gruver as soon as the schools closes for Christmas. But there will be visitors coming in and the college young people will be visitors coming in

and the college young people will be coming home.

We hope that you have remembered our boys overseas. We have sent Christmas messages to those whose address we have. Bill Shrader is on a submarine out on the east coast. Jessie Soapes is on a ship in the Pacific. Larry Lowry is in the Korea, and Lynn Hart is in Italy. So they are pretty well scattered. Christmas will not be the same for them.

Most of the maize has been cut, and is being brought in but it is still wet.

This probably the last issue of the Reporter before Christmas, so we wish you all a happy and a blessed Christmas.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS.

Pastor and Mrs. J. P. Knudson were 6:30 dinner guests at the Oscar Dahl home Monday evening. Guests who came later, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Andrews, Mrs. Roy Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fisher and daughters of Optima, Oklahoma.

FARM BUREAU OFFICE MOVED

The Hansford County Farm Bureau is moving its office from the County Agent's office in the courthouse to 302 Davis street. This is the suite formerly the offices occupied by the Spearman National Farm Loan Association. The Farm Bureau will be open

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COUNTY JUDGES

County has had 22 from 1889 to 1957. The first was George Shav 1894-1894. S. C. Tyler, 1894-1894. L. S. W. E. Ha 1890-02. Nelson, B. 04-06. A. F. is approx 10-12; S. H.

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for these birds now than it was then. The deer and turkey range is improved somewhat. Cattle have changed the picture of the plains from tall bluestem grass to much shorter bluestem grass. The Weeds have taken over in many parts. Weeds are a key to the success of any quail population. Where there was one hunter in 1920 there are at least 35 now.

Game range improvement, habitat improvement is what it will take to increase the amount of game available here in the Panhandle. It there was 10 acres of farming land to each section there would be a tremendous increase in wild pheasants. What farmer can afford to plant a tree row or fix a certain amount of cover on the farming land and thus not plant the land to crops. Ten acres of fertile black land idle for ten years would add to one hundred acres of idle farm land. There are, however, certain amounts of land on an irrigation farm, that is idle in some re-

pects. This land could easily be utilized for game cover, the range management for blue quail is as simple as falling off a log in my opinion. All that is needed is a few travel lanes from food to water. In a good blue quail year it is common to see a covey of from twenty five to sixty blue quail utilizing an abandoned wagon pasture as a final resting place. A pile of fence posts, a cake house a combine, a bobwhite fence, a corral or almost any type of materials will be quickly utilized by a roving covey of blues.

Ninety nine per cent of blue quail cover in the Panhandle is purely accidental if man had anything to do with it. Most of the ranchers and cowboys are strictly cowmen. It is not that they don't wish to see scores of quail on the ranch, they do, but it is the fact that they are studying 'cow' rather than game management. When wildlife technicians and landowners can get together, formulate long range plans put them into effect the hunting situation

will improve. What's keeping the three apart? Possibly it is lack of organization. A live wire organizer, an honest promoter who is a true sportsman, could do wonders with a little cooperation. Unselfishness is one of the factors that would play an important role in any long range plans of this nature. What almost any sporting group is seeking when they have a certain amount of land control of a given amount of land is the ultimate goal but in long range plans the group will need to assume the role of Johnny Appleseed, if necessary. Two years, at five or maybe ten years time should be calculated instead of going out in the fall of the year and having a hunting paradise. What is needed towards proper game management practices is very simple. It is sorta like the scientists said "nothing is complicated, once you understand it." In my opinion the Texas Game and Fish Commission will assign a wildlife technician to assist with any practical game management program. Game management

SPEARMANITES ARE BUFFALO GALS.

Canyon, Dec. 20—Two Spearman Sophomores were among the ten girls recently made members of the Buffalo Gals social club at West Texas College. Pledges said vows at a formal initiation service held in the lounge of Randall Hall.

The two are Roena King and Mona McLain. Miss King is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. N. King of 603 Bernice. She is an elementary education major and a member of the Baptist students union.

Miss McLain is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. McLain, and is a speech major, a member of

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Hale 12-16, Aynes Brown, 16-18. Apparently he resigned to enter the army as records show B. V. Andrews finished out his term. A. H. Stores, 18-19. A. E. Towns, 19-21. A. H. Stores, 21-23. A. E. Towns, 23-25. C. W. King, 25-32; Robert F. Meek, 32-33; J. H. Broadhurst 33-36. A. F. Barkley 36 until the time of his death. Johnnie Lee was elected and has served and is still serving.

FIRST PIANO. Mrs. John Dressen bought the first piano in Hansford county in 1908, according to an old news story. But what about the Lackey piano? It came to the county with the wagon FIRST. Then whatever else could be put into the wagon was moved with the family. That piano remained with Mrs. Jimmie Jackson until a few years ago.

TOWNSITE ORGANIZED For the record, Hansford townsite was organized in 1887. Mrs. Gwenfred Lackey and Mrs. R. W. Morton are good sources of information about Hansford city status. Their folk were here before the town was—even before there was a Hansford county, when the area did their legal business through Wheeler county.

CHURCH ORGANIZED The Methodist church of this city was organized in 1901, by Rev. W. B. McKeon. The services were held under a cottonwood tree on Palo Duro Creek, with five charter members. At present the membership is approximately 400.

The Union church was organized in 1921 and the big building was built by public subscription. The first board of trustees were: John L. Hays, Madison L. Womble, A. E. Greener, J. M. Glover and E. H. Barbour.

The Baptist church was organized in 1920 with eleven charter members. Their first church was a shack bought from a local lumber company for \$275.00. They enrolled Sunday school and paid their first half time pastor, Rev. W. E. Hays, \$75.00 a month. The present Sunday school enrollment is approximately 540 and the membership of the church is 528.

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Merry Christmas



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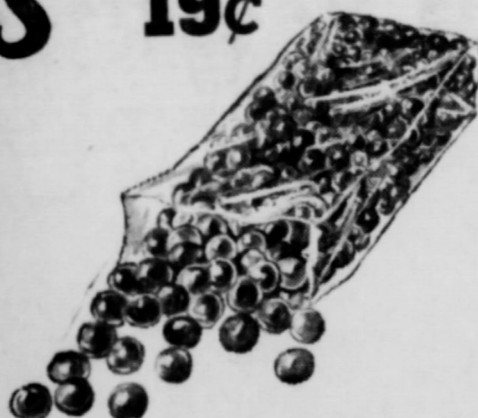
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Merry Christmas



THE COUNTRY EDITOR

Written By Margaret Kirk
 According to our beloved editor, Honest Bill Miller, he has been working on some paper or other since he was twelve years old, when he went to work for Jim Wilson, editor, publisher and printer of the Collinsville Times, at Collinsville, Texas.

Bill says he recons Jim paid him what he was worth and raised his wages when his work merited it; anyway it did not come about for two years but Jim must have done what he thought was right, because he doubled Bills wages and started paying him 80¢ a week.

Whatever Jim did was all right with young Bill. He was working in a newspaper office, getting paid and learning all the things a country printer had to do. When Bill had to quit his job to attend high school at Fort Worth, he was able to hold down a job with Exline Reimers commercial printers and drew the magnificent salary of nine dollars a week—but in them days that was not hay—and it helped pay Bills expenses at school.

After graduation Bill went to Baylor University and worked his way through college at the Waco Morning News; that is until he volunteered for military service and attended the First Officers Training camp at Leon Springs, Texas, finally became a Captain of Infantry and served more than two years during the First World War.

When he was discharged, he went to Pilot Point Signal, which fulfilled his life long dream of becoming a country editor of his own paper. Nine years later he moved to Panhandle and from then on he edited various newspapers at White Deer, Quitaque, and was advertising manager of

the Roswell Morning Dispatch for a short time. He has been associated with David M. Warren for almost a quarter of a century and he said that Dave was the finest Boss any one ever worked for.

In 1946 Bill bought the Reporter and the building. Three times he has had a wonderful opportunity to sell out at a good profit. But each time Bill and Eddie Faye backed out and absolutely would not leave Spearman. Now it seems like the wind and dust we will have the Millers in Spearman for life's duration.

Bill is a good editor to work for—though a little peculiar—or something—this writer has been working for the gentleman more than twenty five years and the nearest he ever came to giving us an assignment is—poking a hand full of yellow sheets at me and saying "Get out of here and go to work."

But whether these sheets come back with little or much, Bill never gripes and if anything at all can be said in favor of copy Bill will say it. Even when there isn't anything nice to be said—he says something encouraging.

I've seen a lot of changes come to the Reporter. He has only advanced his subscription rate 50 cents but his advertising rates have doubled. He gave me \$5.00 for helping him write the 1937 Anniversary edition. I was mighty proud to get it and thought he paid me full well what I was worth. Years later my ego took its second growth and I thought my work was worth more—now I have my doubts about that—anyway, I said as much and Bill paid me more on daily copy than THAT.

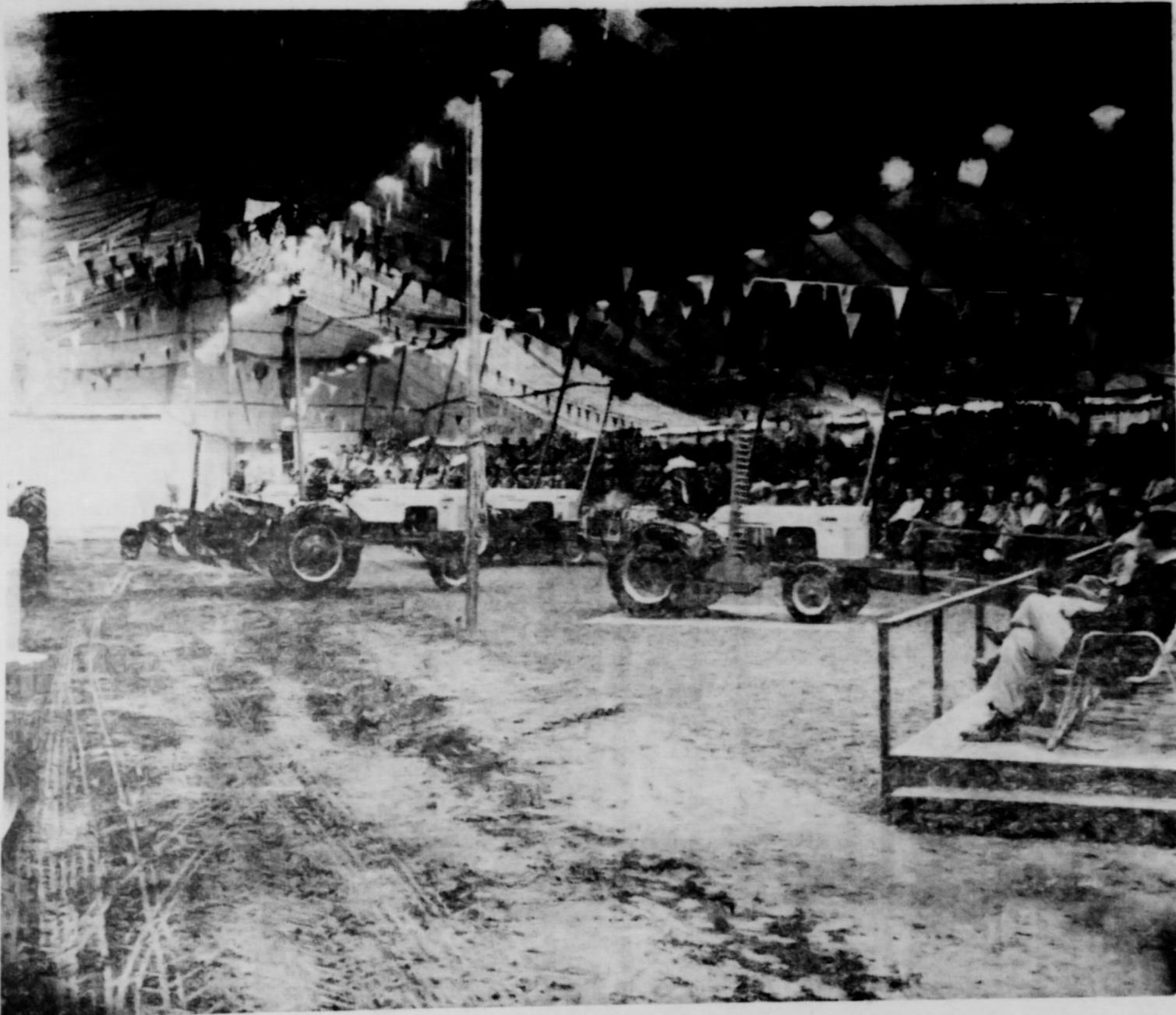
This is Honest Bill's personality story. I tried to interview the man. He gave me these few smattering facts and told me that

was more than I would need to write HIS story. He said what he wanted was copy for his Jubilee edition—just what—he didn't say of paper—then nodded at the door.

NOW—he didn't even bother to poke a sheath of yellow paper at me—he just nodded to a pile of paper—then nodded at the door.

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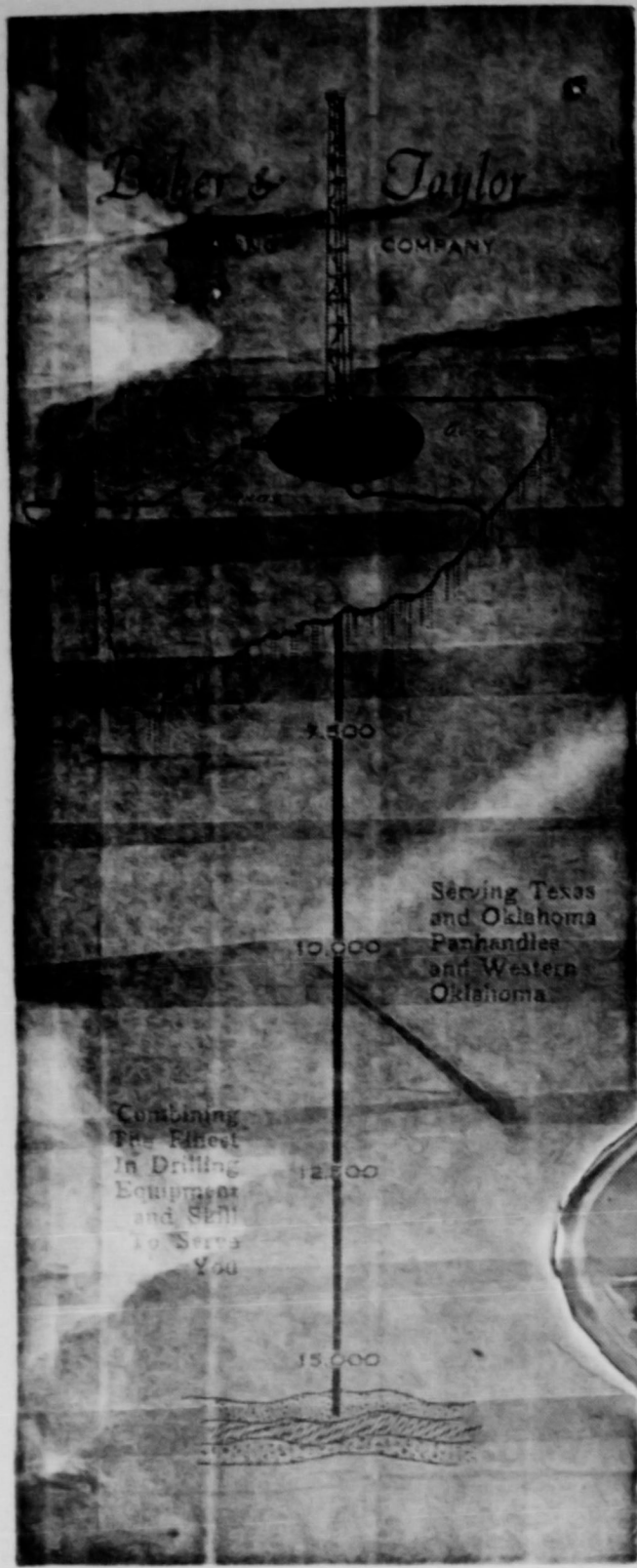


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As the curtain begins to draw across the old year, we pray that the spirit of Christmas be kept in the hearts of men not only this one day... but every day. For with Christmas in our hearts nothing in life could ever quench the joy or dim the light of our peace.



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Great Plains Conservation Program Underway in Hansford County

The Great Plains Conservation Program in Hansford County is well under way. Approval by State Program Committee of a list of soil-stabilizing, moisture-saving practices for the County was announced today by Dan Powell, who as leader of the Soil Conservation Service staff is Chairman of the Hansford Program Committee.

Also approved were the rates at which the federal government will share the cost of installing the practices.

These rates, based on average cost of the work in this county, range from 50 to 80 percent of the cost. Average cost installing each practice in Hansford County had been worked out by the county program committee and submitted to the State Program Committee which is headed by State Conservationist H. N. Smith as Chairman.

Powell said that the approval of practices and cost-share rates clears the way for first application.

The purpose of the Great Plains Conservation Program, Powell explained, is to develop an agriculture that resists the weather extremes that are a constant hazard in the Plains area. This will contribute a more stable economy.

The County Program Committee is looking forward to enthusiastic response to this opportunity," Powell said. "We have moisture now and that means an opportunity to make a good start on this program. Our records in this county show that there's drought somewhere in the Plains every year. When moisture is good is the time to get ready for the years when conditions are less favorable."

"Indications are that several farmers and ranchers in this County are ready to take advantage of this chance for real help in getting a conservation plan on his farm or ranch," Powell added.

Foundation of the program is a complete soil and water conservation plan for each farm or ranch. The farmer or rancher agrees to establish all needed measures in his plan within a period of not less than three nor more than 10 years.

Powell pointed out that when the farmer or rancher becomes a party to the contract the money for government's share of the cost is set aside for his part of the program.

Congress, in providing for the launching of the program, authorized \$150,000,000 for a 10 year period, but specified that not more than \$25,000,000 will be spent in any program year. Appropriation for the first kick-off year was \$10,000,000.

A total of 233 counties in the 10 Great Plains states has been designated by Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson for the program.

Member of the County Program Committee, in addition to Chairman Powell are: Ralph Reynolds, Chairman ASC Committee; Robert Holloway, FFA Representative.

Also participating in the Committee's work are: Robert Adamson, County Agent; SCD Supervisors as follows: Glendon Eling, Chairman; W.L. Johnson, Vice Chairman; R.V. Converse, Sec. Treas.; R.D. Tomlinson, Member.

Warren Jeffries, Member.

Here is the list of practices, with cost share rates, for this County:

1. Grass planting to convert sub-marginal cropland to rangeland.

2. Field strip cropping to aid in controlling wind erosion.

3. Overseeding depleted rangeland to improve kinds and amounts of grass.

4. Establishing sod waterways.

5. Constructing terraces.

6. Constructing diversion terraces.

7. Constructing erosion control or detention dams.

8. Constructing spreader ditches or dikes or net wire diversions.

9. Reorganizing irrigation systems.

10. Land Leveling.

11. Constructing wells for livestock water.

12. Constructing dams or ponds for livestock water.

13. Controlling competitive shrubs on rangeland.

14. Constructing cross-fence to aid in obtaining uniform grazing.



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To all our friends
 we send this wish...
 may the joy of which
 the Herald Angels sang
 dwell in your heart
 at Christmas and bring
 you deep and abiding
 happiness.

Joyous Christmas

A. AND G. SERVICE STATION

Greetings

We wish you joy at Christmas.
 May its true deep meaning
 light your way to peace
 and contentment.
 With faith as your guide, with love
 in your heart may you be
 richly blessed throughout
 the coming year.

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"The Bible is the rock on which our Republic rests."
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How Firm a Foundation!
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When jolly old Santa makes his annual trip to your home, may he find every eye bright, every heart light with the happiness of this joyous season.

Merry Christmas

CHARLIE'S GRILL

Good Wishes for Christmas

At this joyous season of giving and receiving, we take pleasure in extending to you our heartfelt good wishes for a very Merry Christmas! We hope that you and all your loved ones enjoy every minute of this happy holiday!

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Silent Night

Christmas, to be kept fittingly, must bring to us a remembrance of Christ. Every true vision of the day must show us the Holy Child, with the light of divine love shining on His face — for Christmas with no thought of the love of Christ, is empty of all sacred meaning.

In the spirit of this glorious Season we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Christmas Story

A LETTER TO SANTA

Note This letter was published in the San Antonio Express during the Christmas Season of 1952. The writer was Miss Lois Weekes, then Society Editor, and now an Odessa housewife. It has a universal appeal and is especially fitting in these days when we sometimes tend to forget the real meaning of Christmas.

Mr. Santa Clause
c/o Childhood Hearts
North Pole

Dear Mr. Claus:

I hope you will remember me, Santa. It's been a long time. You'd have to blow the dust away to look up my name in your files! The last time I wrote you, I spelled Bicycle with a "K" and I've been singing "Jingle Bells" an octave lower for several seasons now. My stocking size and my Christmas lists have changed considerably and I now recognize the value of the mistletoe in the Decor.

It isn't that I've underestimated you through the years, Mr. C., or forgotten our relation ship! I've been giving your letter to my father to mail and it worked out beautifully since the Christmas he inquired as to my knowledge of your identity. My affirmative answer brought a "Well, start being a little nice to ME, then from him. And we laughed and my mother cried. I still follow your activities each Yuletide in the nation's press. I know you don't have time to read all the papers, but December's headlines lots of them belong to you. Annually, you crowd out the day by day boys who fade from year to year.

Although this is more a delayed "THANK YOU" for the other Christmas than a suggested shopping list, There a few things I'd like when you rein in the reindeer at my house this year. Could you put the light from countless frosted window panes, into the hearts of a world? Could you transplant a little of the feeling of Holly, the glistening tinsel, the angels atop the Christmas trees, the off-key Noels and the hushed hymns, to those who are spending their first Christmas away from all that. And especially, to those who never noticed it before?

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History of Christmas Seals

When you see the Christmas seal do you ever wonder how it started? It was born in Denmark, home of the fairy tales of Hans Christian Andersen.

Finar Holboell, a Copenhagen postal clerk, was sorting mail one day afternoon before Christmas, 1894, when he thought of the idea of a penny stamp to swell a fund for children's hospitals.

Authorized by King Christian, the first Christmas seals were sold in Copenhagen in 1904.

Holboell's scheme outgrew his wildest imaginings, for before his death in 1927, he lived to see it spread to 45 countries.

The seals found their way to America on letters and packages and first attracted the attention of Jacob Riis who wrote an article about them. Few people, however, were interested in the idea.

Then, in the autumn of 1907, Emily Bassell, a public health worker, concerned about the fate of a small sanatorium, recalled an article and sat down to write America's first Christmas seal, a wreath of holly encircling the words "Merry Christmas."

With 50,000 stamps printed and nowhere to sell them, Miss Bassell at last enlisted the aid of a columnist on a Philadelphia newspaper. The idea caught and within a few weeks \$3,000 was collected.

The first nation-wide sale was held the following year and was backed by newspapers all over the country, religious and civic groups, and sponsored by the American Red Cross and the National Tuberculosis Association.

New Year Greetings

We look forward to '58 with the hope that it will bring the fulfillment of all the cherished dreams of our good friends and neighbors.

A Happy New Year to all!

DUB'S RADIO and TV SER

Season's Greetings

Our sincere thanks for your loyal patronage, and may this holiday season be one that you will always look back on with the greatest of pleasure.

With Best Wishes for Christmas

BASIN SALES AND SERVICE
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We feel genuinely pleased and privileged to extend sincere Holiday greetings to our many friends. In the spirit of appreciation for the confidence you have shown in us, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



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by Henry Van Dyke

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By Virginia W. Struble

IT WAS SNOWING when Carrie Stanton and her grandfather ranged from the large Overland coach to the jerky, which was taken them north.

The driver, standing beside the ox-like coach, was a middle-aged man, dressed in buffalo coat and mittens. A hide-wrapped package as pressed under his elbow.

Carrie approached the coach and asked, "Will we get to Helena for New Year's?"

"The schedule says so," he replied without looking at her.

"Are the roads very rough?" Her lip trembled as she spoke.

"Rough enough," he snapped. "Don't take it so hard, Miss Stanton," said the young man on the seat facing her. "That driver's called Surly Sam."

About noon they changed to a bobbed. Its bottom was full of straw and there was a pile of buffalo robes for cover.

Carrie found the familiar sled preferable to the rocking chair motion of the coach but the wind stung her face. The passengers were soon covered with snow as hard and dry as salt.

"Shall we try singing?" one of the young men suggested with a grin. "It might warm us up." He started "Home Sweet Home" and Carrie joined in with a will.

"Shut up!" yelled the driver. "Ye think this's a singing school?"

The young people grimaced and one of the men called, "Hey Sam. Where we goin' ter spend the night?"

"At Cedar Breaks,"

"It's New Year's eve, Sam. Why stand us in the country?"

"I said Cedar Breaks."

The cold penetrated their wraps and Mr. Stanton called, "Driver, you have an extra hide around your treasure chest. Let us use it. The treasure won't suffer."

"It's my hide and I'm keeping it."

THE PASSENGERS crouched low in the box and were silent. Darkness settled down as the storm grew worse.

"Where is Cedar Breaks," asked Grandfather Stanton.

"It's a way station tother side o' Whitehall, over a high range of mountains. God forsaken place."

"And in this weather," mused Mr. Stanton and said no more. While they huddled the stove in the Whitehall station, the agent said, "Better hole up here 'til morning, Sam Storm's getting worse. Ya might get lost."

Sam's face became more sullen than ever. "We're not stopping this side o' Cedar Breaks."

They crowded back into the sled and Sam drove up into the clouds. It was a steady climb and the horses showed the strain. They hounded through drifts. Twice



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the men had to get out and push. Once a runner caught in a rock and threw them all into a snow bank.

"Cedar Breaks ahead," one of the men volunteered.

Carrie raised her head to look at the dim light. The door burst open and a small girl ran out, jumping up and down in excitement. A man caught the lines Sam threw to him, and a woman stood armed in the candle-light doorway.

Sam leaped from his seat, the kin wrapped package in his hands. "You've brought it! You've brought it!" screamed the child. "You've brought it!"

Sam leaned over and offered the package to her. She threw both arms around his neck and hugged him before she took it and ran into the house.

The passengers forgot their cold and crowded about. Carrie knelt before the child, whose eager fingers uncovered a large doll in a fancy dress. She held it out toward Carrie.

"Sam promised it to me for New Year's when I didn't get nothin' or Christmas," she said shyly. "Sam is my best friend!" Then, as she gazed at the doll, she hid her face in her mother's skirts. The passengers busied their eyes with their overshoes.

Christmas Don'ts

To keep your Christmas a truly merry one, keep these don'ts in mind:

DON'T give children dangerous toys, or toys with sharp points. If they operate with electricity, be sure you supervise their use.

DON'T decorate the tree with lighted candles unless it's absolutely unavoidable.

DON'T place the tree near a stove or fireplace.

DON'T leave lighted tree unguarded at any time.

DON'T use a rickety, unsafe ladder in decorating the tree.

DON'T place Christmas candles near the tree, curtains, paper wreaths or other decorations.

DON'T overlook the opportunity to make your tree fire-resistant.

DON'T leave toys exposed where people can trip on them.

DON'T allow steps and sidewalks to become icy in cold weather.

DON'T drive recklessly.

Early Yuletide Thought Pagan By Christians

CHRISTMAS like any other blessed institution has had to fight its battles. The first great enemy of Christmas was the Roman empire whose pagan emperors determined to blot out all kinds of Christian rites.

Then when Roman Emperor Constantine Christianized the empire other enemies of Christmas arose. One course of contention was: Is December 25 really Christmas? Some said Christ was born on January 6, others held for March 29. Some set April 21 as His birthday.

Nobody knew with complete confidence just when to celebrate Christmas. At last, in the fourth century, Pope Julius I settled the matter in favor of our present date. His decision was accepted.

From the first there had been among Christians a certain hostility toward the Christmas festival. The celebration of birthdays in general was considered heathen

and something taken over from the pagans. Nor did the enemies of Christmas fail to observe that any pagan customs had crept into a feastings of the day. Christmas and the days of Advent that go before it occur at the time of the winter solstice, when the days cease to grow shorter, and begin to lengthen—when the sun, having declined its furthest from north, begins to climb again. The period was one of festival in many parts of the world, and as held sacred by many religions, then occurred the Roman Saturnalia, with its wild excesses, and the people of the north, too, had a hearty eating and deep drinking. From the Saturnalia came banquets and dancing and rioting, masks and the giving of gifts. Our Christmas dinner and Christmas presents and Christmas cards and the wearing of Christmas masks in various parts of the world date back to the Saturnalia. The mid-winter feast of the northern peoples was called Yule, hence our Yuletide and Yule log. The burning of the Christmas log descends from northern tree worship. So does the Christmas tree.

Santa Claus seems to date from the Christmas times. He is good St. Nicholas, of course. The hanging of stockings comes from the legend that the saint, among his other charities, used to provide overies for poor girls. The older form of the Christmas stocking custom was for poor girls to hang stockings in the hope that benevolent St. Nicholas would place marriage portions in them.



SANTA'S ROLL CALL. . . In a big city Santa needs a platoon of helpers to make the rounds. Here he checks up in New York to see if all of his aides are on hand for the big Christmas Eve delivery.



Merry Christmas

Christmas is for everybody . . . let every heart be young and joyful. We join Santa in sending to you the cheeriest greetings of the holiday season. Here's hoping you'll have a generous share of all the things that belong to Christmas . . . lots of laughter and singing, gifts and good wishes, fun and feasting, love and fellowship, peace and good will.

RUSSELL'S DRY GOODS
Spearman, Texas



Holiday Greetings

We gladly join in the spirit of the season, and heartily extend our very best wishes, our warmest greetings to all our many friends. May the holidays hold for you the riches of friendship...the treasures of happy hours with loved ones...the priceless joys of good health and contentment.

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CHRISTMAS Blessings

As brightly as the Star of Bethlehem shone in the heavens on the night that He was born, so may the joy of Christmas shine in your heart and bring you happiness and peace.

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Have a wonderful holiday with friends and neighbors! Here's hoping that your Christmas will be the most comfortable and brightest ever.

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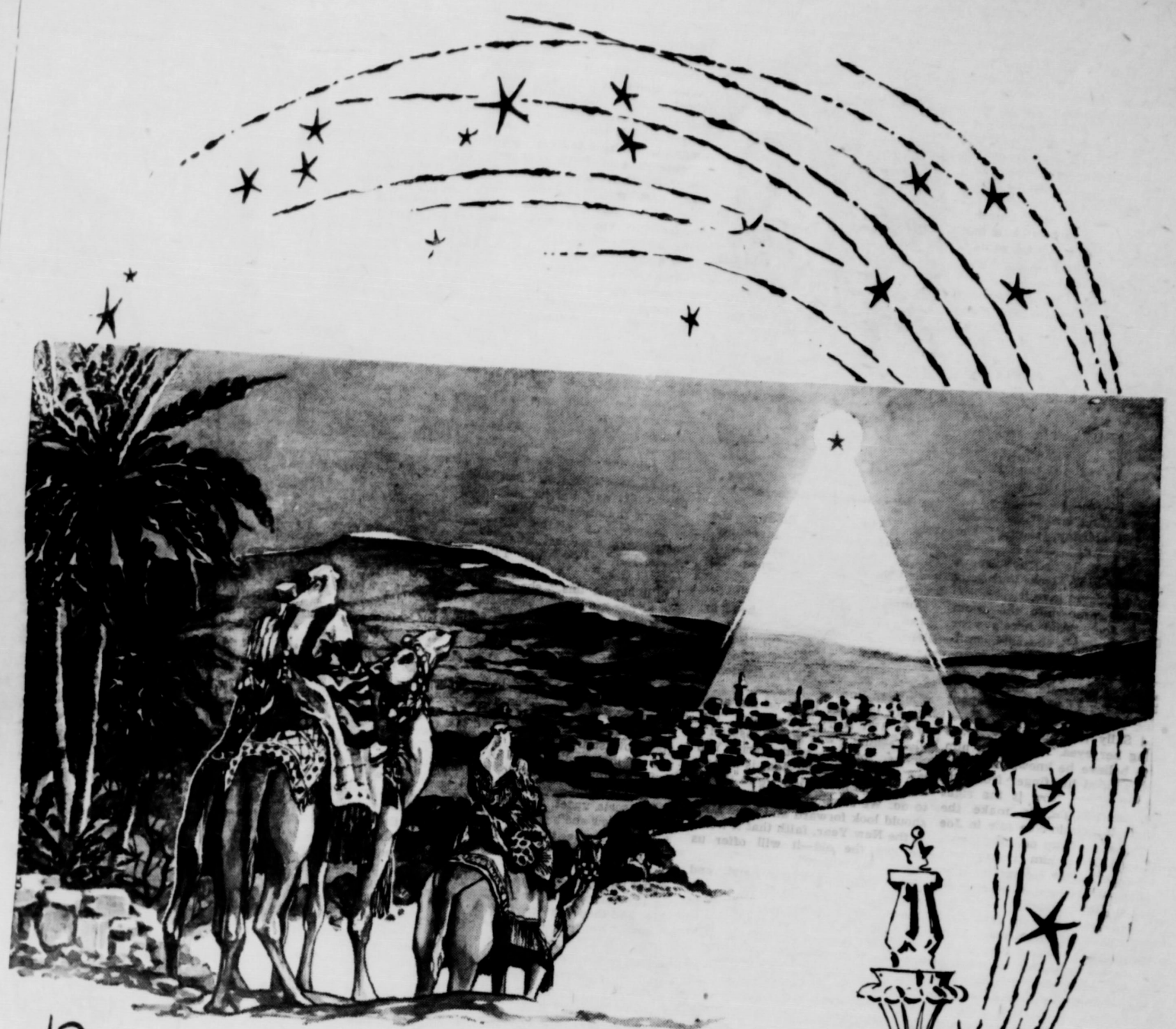
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Spearman, Texas



Merry Christmas

Once again we pause as another joy-filled Yuletide season arrives, to wish our many patrons and friends prosperity, health, contentment and peace this Christmas Day and throughout the year to follow.

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Greetings for Christmas



Let us rejoice in spirit...let us be glad of heart, for Christmas is here...Christmas, rich in the enduring gifts of hope and faith, peace and good will, brought to all men by the Christ Child on that holy night long ago. May this season of joy and wonder bring to you a sustaining sense of serenity and uplifting happiness to glorify all the days of the coming year.

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New Year's FAITH

By Fapinta J. Knowles

THE PLAN had been forming in his mind since he lost his wheat crop in the fall and the creek overflowed the bottom, ruining most of his corn. Every year, since he had bought the farm four years ago, something had gone wrong. Last year he had lost several head of cattle, the year before he had had trouble with his sheep.

With the buildings and fences needing repair, he saw no sense in starting this New Year in the same old unlucky rut. Surely Sally would agree to selling the farm, especially now that little Joe had come. He'd talk to her about it on the way home from the hospital.

He backed his car out of the garage, drove down past the barn and out to the lane. All the way out to Carum he planned. He wondered what Sally would say about selling the farm. Her faith in the old farm was unshakable.

Sally was dressed and waiting for him when he reached the hospital. He took her hands in his, noting their newly acquired softness.

"Been waiting long?" he asked.

"Since yesterday, really," she smiled. Her face was radiant, and like her hands, it had acquired a different look. A look that only motherhood could give it.

A nurse came into the room carrying Joe. "And here's your New Year's gift," she said, smiling. "One of our best future farmers."



"And here's your New Year's gift," she said, smiling. "One of our best future farmers."

Them. And even Reintz, the wealthiest farmer in our county, said he had had ten years of hard luck before the tide turned. He wasn't a quitter, Jim."

Quitter.

Jim stared at the road ahead in silence. He sensed a feeling of shame from the impact of Sally's words. Was that the way he looked to her a quitter? His lips tightened in a firm line.

Sally laid her hand on his arm. "Jim, I'm sorry," she said, "but all the time I was in the hospital I planned for Joe—on the farm. You see, dear, each New Year is a challenge to us in the job we're trying to do. We shouldn't look back; we should look forward and have faith in the New Year, faith that it won't be like the old—it will offer us something better."

Jim pressed Sally's hand, and suddenly he was aware of an anxious feeling to top the next ridge so that the old farm would be in sight. So long as we live by faith and hope, he thought, no hardship could be so great that it could be endured and surmounted in the end, if we work and never give up. He knew it now. That was the spirit of the New Year.

The Magic Moment

By Shirley Sargeant

I'M ELEVEN it's New Year's Eve and Mom has got Gerrie Wycoll for our sister. Imagine! Gerrie who's in my very own school, so dumb she's only a grade ahead of me even if she is thirteen. I guess Mom's told me a hundred times that we have to have a sister seven and Marie, who's three and a half, and most especially the baby. It's a sure fire trick I can handle Billy and Marie, but that baby with his diapers and crying all of a sudden—well, Mom's right, he's too much responsibility.

"Course all our regular sitters had dates for tonight so Mom was lucky to get anybody. But Gerrie! And her telling me to go to bed at 9:30 on New Year's Eve!

I'm not staying in bed, that's for sure. I'm going to see the New Year on TV. Listen to all the noise I've heard about. All these years, I've been going to sleep and next morning, waking up, like magic, in a new year with a new number.

When Billy wakes up I just whisper in his ear and he pulls that "I want my mommy" scene. Boy, is he ever loud. I burst outta my room like a Boy Scout, when I hear Gerrie coming shouting, "I'll take care of him."

"I'll handle this," she gives me one of her movie magazine stares. "Get back in bed before you catch cold."

So while she's trying to shush Billy, I go downstairs and queer the TV set. Pull out the plug and change the aerial. Time I'm back upstairs, Billy's quiet. I can't figure out how she did it. When she goes downstairs I watch, from the top of the landing, and it takes her 'til almost eleven to get the TV going again.

I'm sorta upset. First Billy falls in his car and he pulls that "I want my mommy" scene. Boy, is he ever loud. I burst outta my room like a Boy Scout, when I hear Gerrie coming shouting, "I'll take care of him."

"I'll handle this," she gives me one of her movie magazine stares. "Get back in bed before you catch cold."

There's Gerrie, curled up in the wing chair, crying.

find a diaper so I put a cushion on the baby and the television works funny."

"Couches I feel sorta shamed, like a bee. "Look" I say as I adjust the knobs on our set until the picture's clear. Time we get back downstairs—from changing the baby into his diapers and putting Billy where he belonged—it was 12:03.

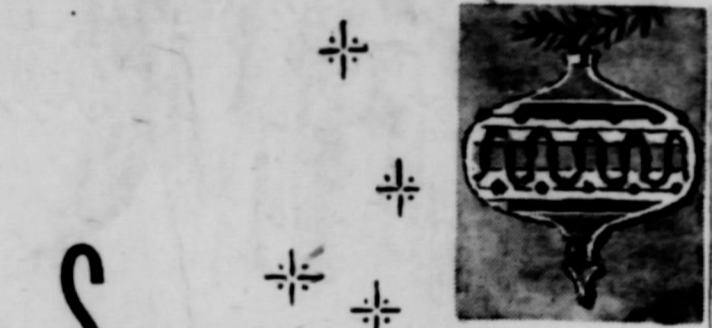
1952. I'd missed the magic moment when 1951 turned into 1952. "Don't get me wrong, I never fell for that "Little New Year" business anymore'n I believe in Santa Claus. That stuff's for Billy and Marie, but there had to be a magic minute. All I remembered hearing while we were upstairs—were some noises like backfire. The TV screen showed a bunch of dopes throwing paper at each other and blowing Halloween horns. That was all. Nothing exciting.

I found a blanket and pillow and put them on the couch for Gerrie. And she was smiling, thanking me for helping her. I'm sorry for her. Catch me staying up all hours to take care of three characters just to earn money—no sir."

So I say, "Happy New Year," meaning it, and head for bed. The heck with magic. I'm sleepy. Only I'll never understand about missing that magic minute anymore'n I can figure why Gerrie wants to earn money baby sitting when she could mow lawns.



May this holy Christmas Season lift your spirits, warm your heart and bring you untold joy and happiness.



Season's best wishes and may you count

this Christmas among your very happiest... may its spirit long dwell in your home and your heart.



Christmas

On that blessed night, the world was hushed with wonder, and hope arose anew for all mankind... Christ the Saviour was born. Today, we pray for His guidance, that we may find peace in our hearts and renewed faith in a world in which men everywhere shall live in good will and understanding with one another.

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FOUR HANDS HEAVENWARD

THE MEN PRAY EVERY DAY FOR YOUR HANDS... - 1 THIM. 2:8



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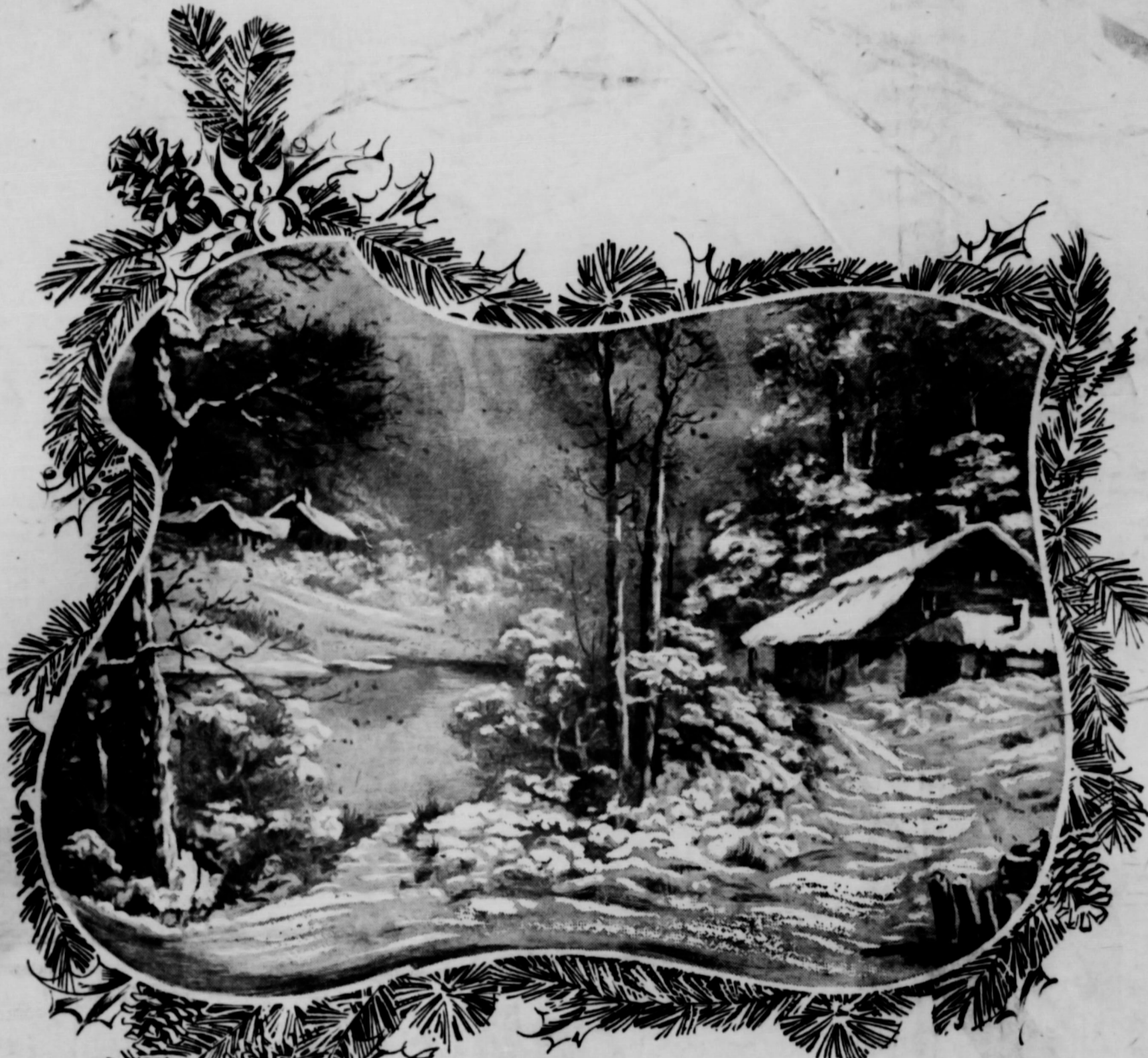
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Old Santa Claus will be in Spearman on
the afternoon of December 21st, at 3:00 p. m.
He will have a bag full of candy and gifts for
every boy and girl who come to town to visit
with him.

The Spearman merchants are helping old
Santa, and they plan to give away a lot of
special gifts of dolls, tricycles, and many other
valuable gifts to boys and girls of Spearman
and the Golden Harvest trade area. The merchants who
group and register for these special
Christmas gifts. You can register at any of the
stores as many times as you desire, but you
cannot draw but one prize.

A drawing will be held on the Main street
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21st. The large number of gifts will be
drawn at this time. The only restriction is that
each child can draw more than one gift. A
second gift is indicated the name will be
drawn over and another drawing made from
local merchants, beginning to
December 12th.

**Christmas Gifts
For Children**

When you start shopping for
toys, don't forget the age of the
child you're shopping for, reminds
Mrs. Eloise Johnson, extension
family life specialist. It's a
to buy that electric train set
never had or the bride set a
you yearned for years ago en-
child that's not old enough
joy such a gift.

Every child should have toys
which satisfy his push and pull
sical play, such as push and pull
or wheel toys, and play
constructive, such as building
blocks, paints or building

Dolls, trains and
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ing and help him
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his around him. All children
two years old also need
toys or games which encour-
age sharing of play activities and
social play.
Two-year-olds will take to some-
thing that's bright colored and
makes a noise. Avoid toys with
sharp edges, poisonous paints, or
small objects that can be swal-
lowed.
A two-year-old will like the push
and pull toys that make noise,
too. Big blocks, balls and
objects he can lift and carry, or
wagons, cars and trucks that
like

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**WALTER ROGERS COMMENTS
FLYING SAUCERS**

the real ones, will help him be
the muscles he is developing.
Children a little older are even
more active. Fire trucks, play
dump trucks, fire trucks, play
house, doll buggies, telephones
and plastic dishes. Choose sturdy
toys that will stand real wear.
Boys enjoy six to eight years
old enjoy paper bars, skates,
jumping rope, and work benches.
This is the hobby age and equip-
ment for the preferred hobby is
always a good choice. Constructive
and handcraft materials are
always a good choice.

**Community
Christmas Tree
At Morse School**

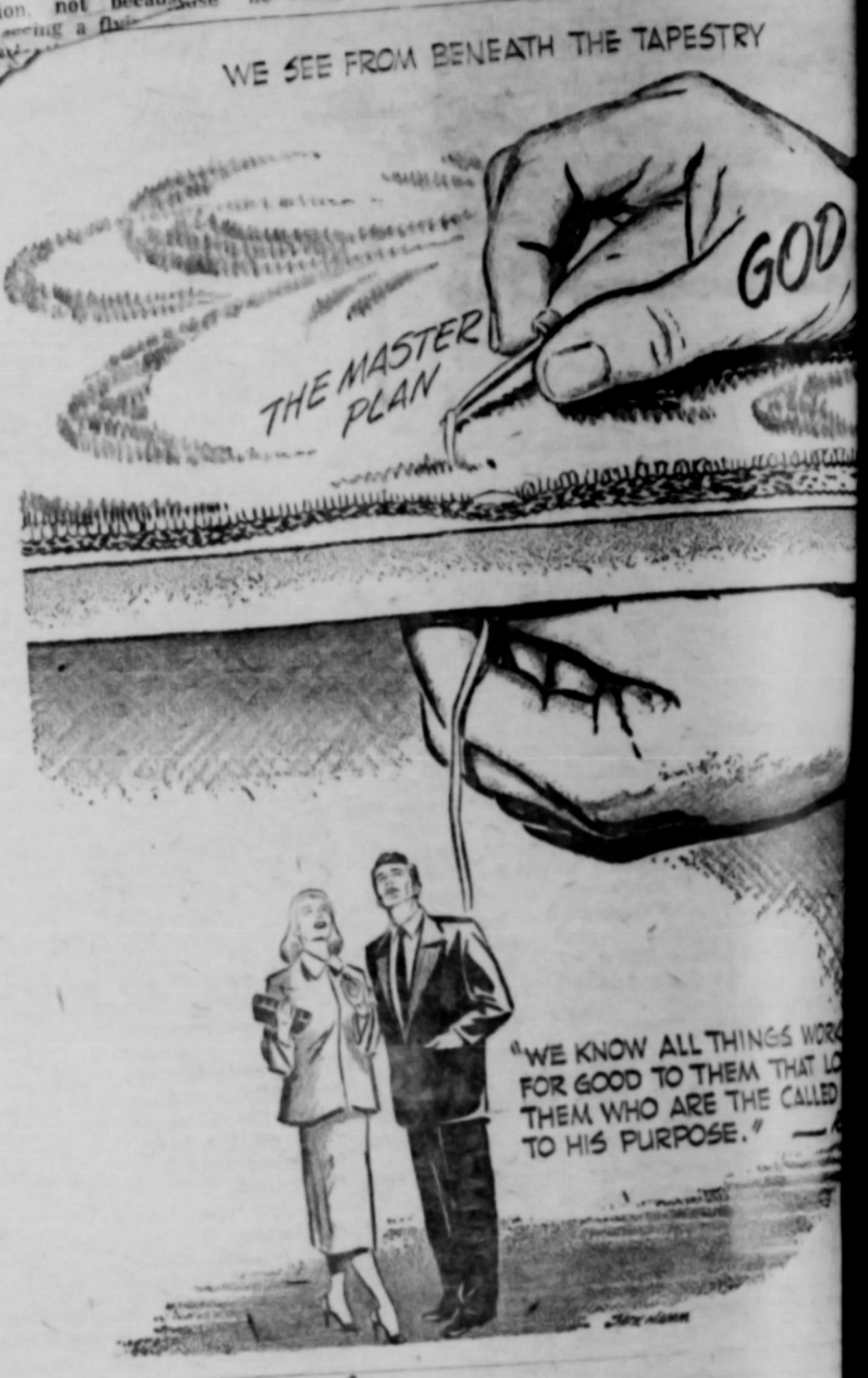
The annual Community Christ-
mas tree of the Morse school
will be held in the Morse school
auditorium 7:00 p. m. Christmas
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gram. Christmas Carols will be
sung. Santa Claus will be the
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The recent news stories about
the sighting of living saucers in
the Panhandle of Texas has given
us quite a bit of publicity all over
the country. Whether it is good
or bad is a debatable question
in fact I have had several visits
from people who are interested
in flying saucers. Incidentally,
there are a number of organiza-
tions devoted to the subject of
flying saucers. These are private
not government programs. It is
interesting to talk to these
people who make a business of
the different reports
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the man from Nebraska
no reported he had seen one

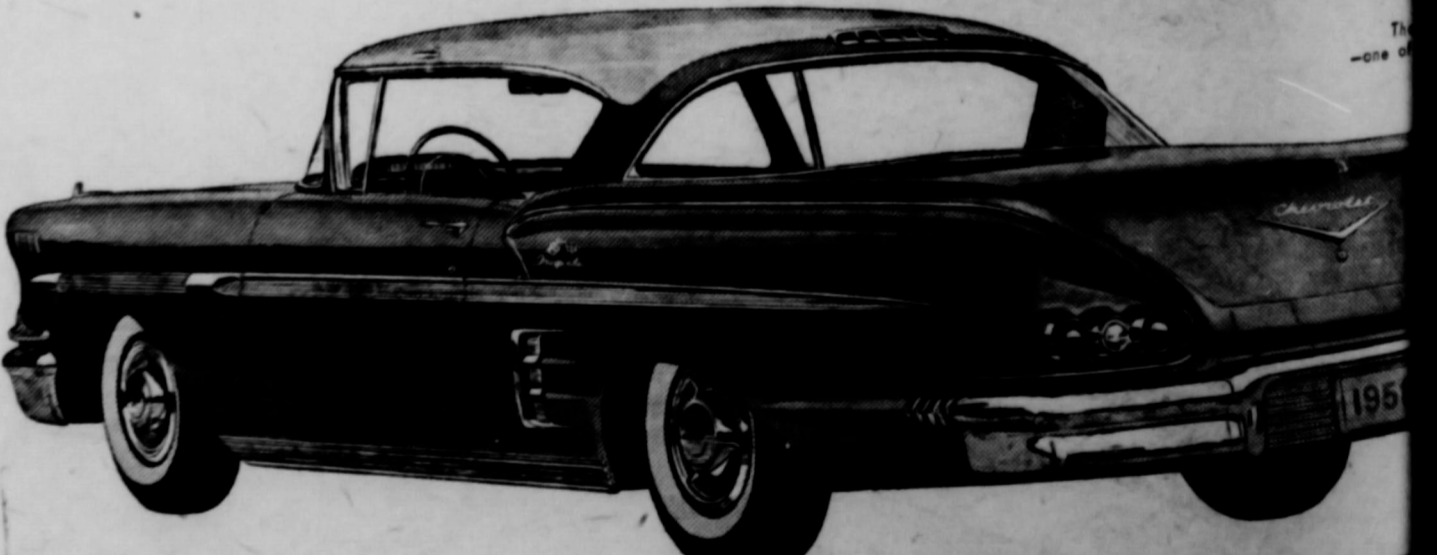
of these ships and had commu-
cated with its occupants. I ask
where this man was at the pres-
ent time, and I was told he had
been confined in a mental insti-
tution. I asked my informant if
was placed there because of his
report about the flying saucer.
My informant told me the Ne-
braska man had been placed in the
institution not because of his
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confined in a mental insti-
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gifts.
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Hurricanes contain many times the energy of a tornado, according to an aerologist with the Navy's Hurricane Hunters. In fact, hurricanes have been known to contain tornadoes and water spouts in the outer edges of their structure.

On Dec. 23, 1941, fighter aircraft were put into use as bombers for the first time, and Marine aviators sunk their first enemy warship in World War II, off Wake Island.

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Christmas Meditation

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...not the Christmas Spirit, Daddy?" The child pined gravely over the magazine where she had found these words, confidently awaiting an answer.

"Well, girl, it's... it's a lot of things, big and small. And hard as you'll find it to believe, Santa Claus is part of the small. You see, the Christmas Spirit isn't likely to visit you when you're knee-deep in your own pleasure; you've got to be heart-deep in kindness!

"Remember how bleak and barren Main Street looked early this month? And you know how it looks now, with the wistful harshness all shut out by those evergreen arches, and strings of lights. Well, that's sorta like the way the Christmas Spirit changes people... and towns... and the world. It takes all the grey catkins out of streets, and human hearts—and brings in something fine and fragrant like evergreen; something bright and sparkling like those Christmas lights of red and green and frosty-blue. It stirs up the best part of human nature, that's usually buried too far down. It turns on a long, warm, friendly smile inside of us.

"Remember the midnight service at church last year? There, more than anywhere else, you'll feel the touch of the Christmas Spirit. So many things play a part in it—the crisp silence of the night... the frosty breath in the twilight, and fumes of incense in the cold... a certain closeness and warmth that you'll never find anywhere—except at a Christmas midnight service.

"And then, girl, when you stand with the others and throw all your being into one of those great Christmas Carols, and the organ has a silver sound you never heard before, with your heart riding on its melody—then the Christmas Spirit is all around you, like a gentle snowfall. And your thoughts are soaring far, far above all the glitter and surface-shine of Christmas, up and out through the midnight stretches searching the skies for the Star of Bethlehem.

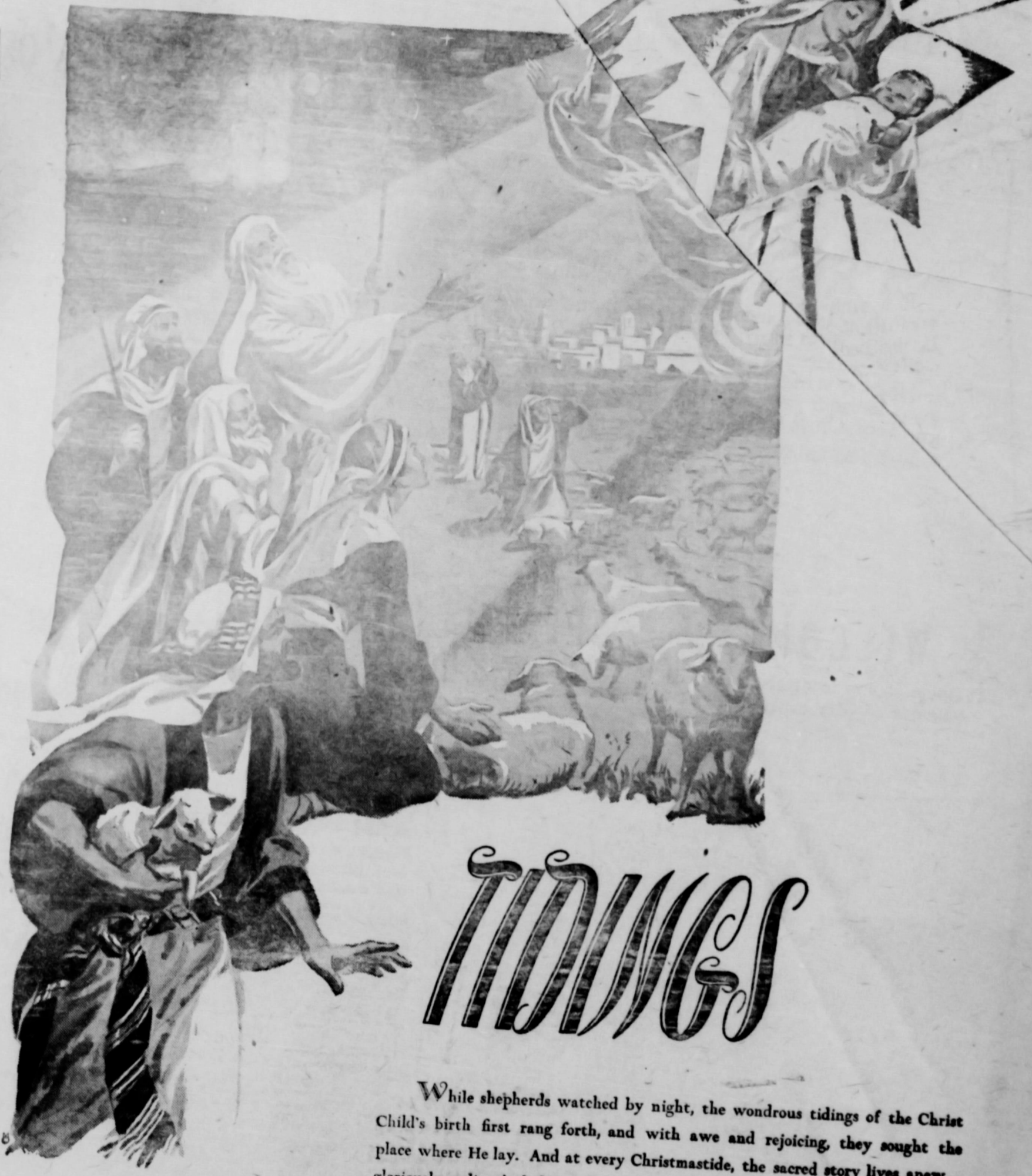
"It's—so much more than I can say, and what I've said is probably hard for you to understand, but—"

She smiled across at him, her eyes shining in the lamp-glow. "I do understand, sorta better, anyway... and it is even more wonderful than Santa Claus, isn't it Daddy?"

And the winter wind whispered outside the window, envious of the bright glory within—for the radiance of the Christmas Spirit was with them, there in the room.

—Inspired by Permission of Employers Mutual of Waco as a Tale of the Holidays

CHRISTMAS



TIDINGS

While shepherds watched by night, the wondrous tidings of the Christ Child's birth first rang forth, and with awe and rejoicing, they sought the place where He lay. And at every Christmastide, the sacred story lives anew... gloriously, radiantly lighting the world with hope and faith, peace and good will.

We wish for you and yours at Christmas a season abundantly filled with the abiding inspiration that He brought to earth.



GOOD WISHES
 for everyone

To each one of you, we wish the greater happiness that comes with sharing Christmas with friends and neighbors... and with sharing the Holiday with Him, in His house.

And to this wish we add the hope that the New Year brings to you a full measure of good health and prosperity.

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Pictured above is Margery B. Lucas, Clayton, New Mexico. Mrs. Lucas is currently exhibiting a group of her oil paintings in the Gallery of the No Mans Land Historical Museum at Goodwell.

1958 Farmers' Tax Guide Now Available

College Station, December—Farm and ranch families needing information on income and social security taxes are reminded by Extension Farm Management Specialist C. H. Bates that the 1958 Farmers' Tax Guide is now available. Copies may be obtained from county extension agents.

Bates says 64 page reference publication is not materially changed from last year's popular edition. The booklet is provided by the Internal Revenue Service and is written in easy to understand language with many income and social security tax items covered in detail. Also, a number of sample tax forms are shown for the guidance of those seeking first information or "know-how".

Farm records are emphasized as a need for accurate tax reporting, points out Bates. Families desiring assistance with business or living records are advised to contact their local county extension agents for information on record training sessions planned for some counties.

Farmers and ranchmen who keep a close watch on their business operations often find that they can do a much better tax

management job when records are kept, says the specialist. The new tax guide will also assist by pointing out helpful tax rights and options.

Because the supply of the Tax Guide may not be sufficient to enable every family to have a copy Bates suggests that the copy be shared with a neighbor.

It tells us every "caper" in the country, round about. When family-folks are busy So there is no time to write And friends are in a tizzy From work both day and night Then comes the home town weekly

And from items here and there. We learn what they are doing Who's been born and who has died Who goes steady, who is wooing, who has just become a bride. We see a Golden Wedding

Anniversary is due. A dust storm, too, is heading To hide everything from view. There's much about the weather. Watch that snakey twister. Says that crops are awfully dry.

weather. It swoops low or swings up high. But comes the rain, by inches. And the world is right once more; Local teams are in the clinches. And keep rolling up the score. So-o-o the old home town paper We would never, never flout For it tells us, every "caper"

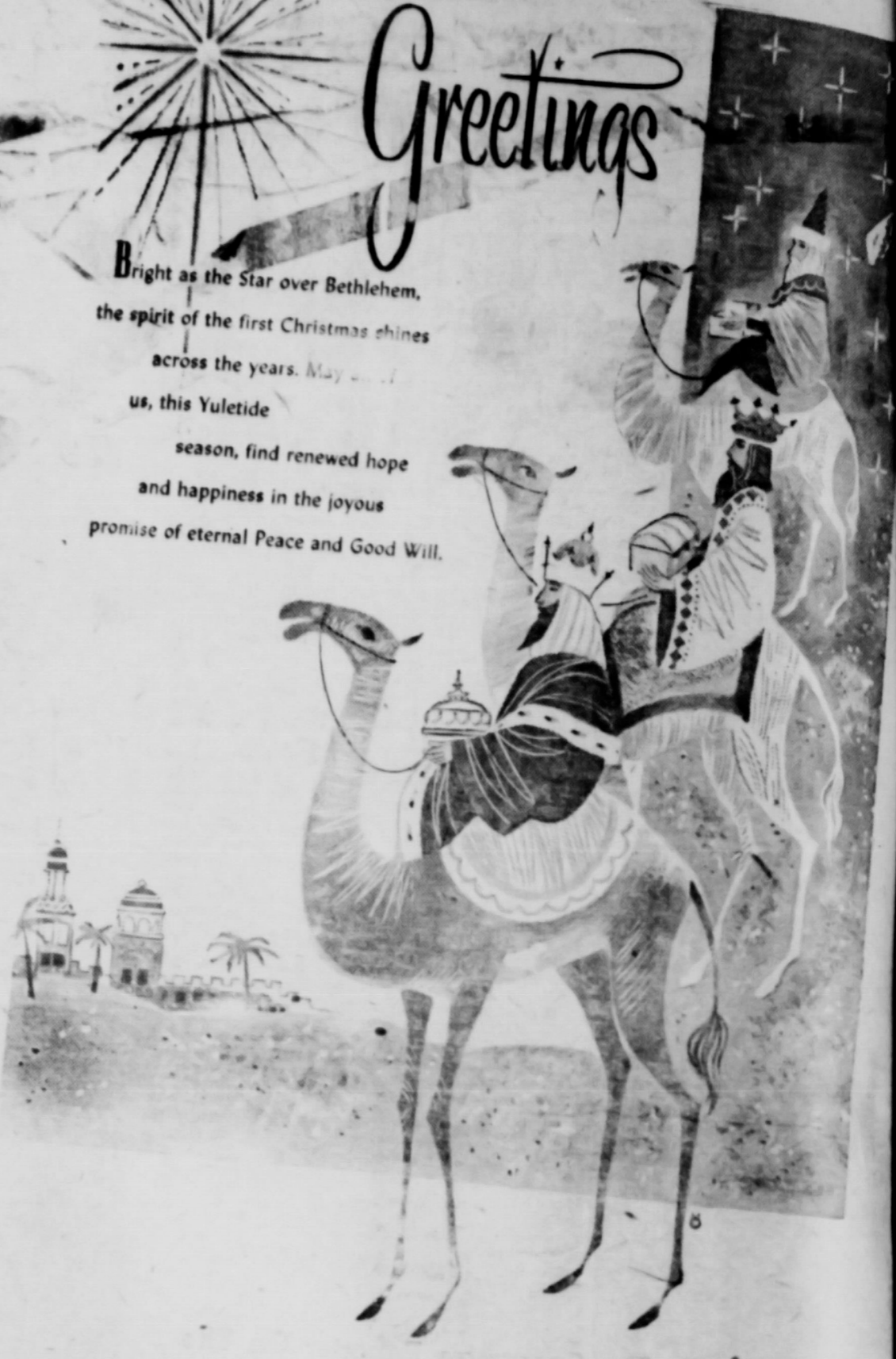
Home Town Paper

Sent in By Hix Wilbanks
Oh, the old home town paper We could never do without



Greetings

Bright as the Star over Bethlehem,
the spirit of the first Christmas shines
across the years. May
us, this Yuletide
season, find renewed hope
and happiness in the joyous
promise of eternal Peace and Good Will.



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Spearman, Texas



The scene is set for Christmas... enter laughter and love, joy and good cheer. To your happy holiday, we'd like to add our warmest wishes, our most sincere thanks for the opportunity of serving you. Your patronage is truly appreciated... we'll do our best to deserve it always.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SPEARMAN REPORTER ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY PANHANDLE FURNITURE MART



Greetings

Once again it is Christmas... May it bring you peace, good health and happiness throughout the year.

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are shown with
Each Borden Price

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insurance bear pigs.
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