



## KEEPING UP WITH FRIENDS

Mrs. Ollie Nelson and her mother, Granny Barnett, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nelson and children of Carbon to Clyde on Sunday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Webb Hickey, Mr. Hickey, a brother-in-law to Mrs. Nelson, was ill in bed suffering from a heart attack.

Floyd A. and Louise McCormack and children of South Houston visited in the home of his parents, the E. F. McCormacks, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Kinser and Mrs. Berta Poyner and J. C. Webb spent the Christmas holidays in Berger and Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Belyeu of Desdemona had their children home for the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. K. H. Belyeu, Don, Mike, Steven and Mr. and Mrs. John Grisham, Joyce, Sharon, Kathy, and Kerry, all of Abilene were present for Christmas Dinner. Two of the granddaughters, Sharon and Kathy, are spending the week with the Belyeus.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Welch and children, Suzanne and Johnny of Ft Worth spent Christmas Day with her mother, Dr. and Mrs.

Ed Wyatt.

Visiting through the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Skiles were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Skiles from Forsan, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Chanders of Dallas, Maxine Loveless of Midland, Sharon and Jimmy Davis and baby of Midland, Leanne Walters and daughter, Angela, of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. William M. Fairbatter, LaGina and Angela of Hamlin, and Mr. and Mrs. Wade Russell, Steve and Marc of Mineral Wells, were Christmas visitors in the Milton Fairbatter home. The Russells also visited the Whit Russells and the J. E. Porters.

College students seen about town were Fred Gray, Annye Kate Blair, Edith Bolt, Judy Meahaffey, John Ed Kimble, Joe Meahaffey, Jackie Don Wheeler, Max Grice, James Whitlock, and Brent Lasater.

Mr. and Mrs. John Black of Ft Worth visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ramsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl A. Hendricks of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Austin Hollywood and son, Louis, of Austin were holiday visitors of Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Adams visited her parents, the Donald Bolts, Christmas Day. Dale was on leave from military service. Gerry attends school at NTSTC.

Mr. and Mrs. Euna Koonce of Dallas

visited Mrs. Mae Dunn and other friends and relatives in Gorman this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rodgers are spending the holidays in New Mexico with relatives.

Mrs. Gladys Snyder and little George spent the holidays in Dallas visiting with Merle Snyder and relatives.

Visiting Mrs. Ruby Bennett during the holidays were her children, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bennett and Joe Lynn of Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bennett, Charles and Ernest Lee of Weatherford, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bennett, Gary Don and Mike of Ranger, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett, Lonnie and Joetta of Gorman.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Raney and their sons, Freddy and David of Ft Worth, visited his mother, Mrs. Emily Yates Christmas and also two sisters, Dot and Emma Burns of Gorman. Mrs. May Richardson of Post is spending the week with Mrs. Yates. Mr. and Mrs. Garland Holt of Breckenridge visited Mrs. Yates on Monday.

A group of former Gormanites gathered in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Frasier Tuesday night, December 20 for a Christmas get-together. Gifts were exchanged and dominoes were played.

Refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. Burton Henry, Burton and Brenda; Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Brown and Barbara Ann and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Frasier, Johnny and Darrell, all of Comyn. From Gorman were Herman Eison, R. C. Snider, and Jarrell McClaren and Donald Ray Woodall of Abilene.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. B. E. McClaren and Jarrel over the holidays were four of their children, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Frasier and family of Comyn, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Price, Clifton, Lloyd and Mary Jane of Happy, Pfc. and Mrs. Thurman McClaren and son of Ft. Hood, Mrs. C. B. Martin of Weatherford, and a niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Henson and daughter of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Dennis and family were visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Dennis, over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Rayford Battenfield and family of Tennessee visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Battenfield, and other relatives during the holidays.

Oscar H. Lucke of Dyess AFB, Abilene visited in Gorman during the holidays.

Alfred Grice of the U. S. Navy was seen in Gorman during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Holland Kirk accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Homer Kirk and children of Weatherford to Midland where they met with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kirk and family of Lefors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Kirk and family to enjoy the holidays.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bell during the holidays were Miss Jolene Bell of Ft Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bell and family of Burleson.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Fonville during Christmas were Mr. and Mrs.

### CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my sincere gratitude to my many friends for all the beautiful cards and gifts I received in my long confinement. Most of all I want to thank my many friends for the visits they made in my home which made my long stay in bed more bearable.

May God bless each and every one of you and Happy New Year.

Mrs. D. P. Holliday



Our sincerest best wishes for a New Year filled with happiness and good health.

COLLINS & SONS AGENCY

Bob Baggett, Randy and Sandy, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Swain, Mary and Floyd, all of Breckenridge, a granddaughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Redding, Gail, Deborah and Stevie of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan of Desdemona were Sunday guests of her sister, Mary Fonville.

John Fonville and Felix and Cara Sparks visited on Christmas Day with an uncle, Bill Fonville, of Petrala, Texas.

## DRIVING after dark

by CAROL LANE, WOMEN'S TRAVEL DIRECTOR, SHELL OIL COMPANY

the short DAYS OF WINTER MEAN MORE AFTER-DARK DRIVING. FOR TIPS IN SAFETY, FOLLOW THESE MOTORING TIPS:

- eat lightly BEFORE A LONG, NIGHTTIME TRIP. A HEAVY DINNER AND HEAVY EYES GO TOGETHER.
- turn ON PARKING LIGHTS OR HEAD-LAMPS AS SOON AS THE AFTERNOON DAYLIGHT BEGINS TO DIM. GO BY THE SKY, NOT BY YOUR WATCH.
- on the ROAD, TAKE FREQUENT BREAKS. WALK ABOUT IN THE COLD AIR TO SNAP UP YOUR REFLEXES, OR STOP FOR REST AND COFFEE.
- Keep THE CAR WELL VENTILATED, AND GO EASY ON THE HEATER. PLAY THE RADIO.
- eye strain CAN MAKE YOU SLEEPY. AVOID GLARE OF ONCOMING CARS BY LOOKING TO RIGHT SIDE OF ROAD.
- if YOU FEEL SLEEPY, PULL COMPLETELY OFF THE ROAD AND TAKE A REFRESHING NAP.

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Happy New Year 1961



Bennett's Grocery & Station  
Mr. & Mrs. Gail Bennett  
GORMAN, TEXAS

## SPECIALS - FRIDAY & SAT.

HAMBURGER	54c lb.
T-BONE	69c lb.
CLUB STEAK	69c lb.
BEEF ROAST	50c lb.
RIB STEW	39c lb.
FRESH HAM	54c lb.
FRYERS	45c lb.

BUTCHERING ON WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

## SWANNER LOCKER PLANT

MR. & MRS. D. C. SWANNER

DIAL RE4-2204

GORMAN

## WEeping OAK DRIVE-IN THEATRE

Dial 4281 De Leon

THURSDAY & FRIDAY

ROBERT PRESTON - DOROTHY McGUIRE In "The Dark at the Top of the Stairs"

IN TECHNICOLOR

SATURDAY ONLY

BELINDA LEE In

"The Nights of Lucretia Borgia" In Color

NEW YEAR'S EVE MIDNIGHT SHOW

"Bucket of Blood"

SUNDAY - MONDAY - TUESDAY

Edgar Allan Poe's Classic Tale of The Ungodly - The Evil

VINCENT PRICE In

"House of Usher" Cinemascope and Color

WEDNESDAY ONLY

VAN JOHNSON - GENE BARRY In

"The Enemy General" AWARD NIGHT

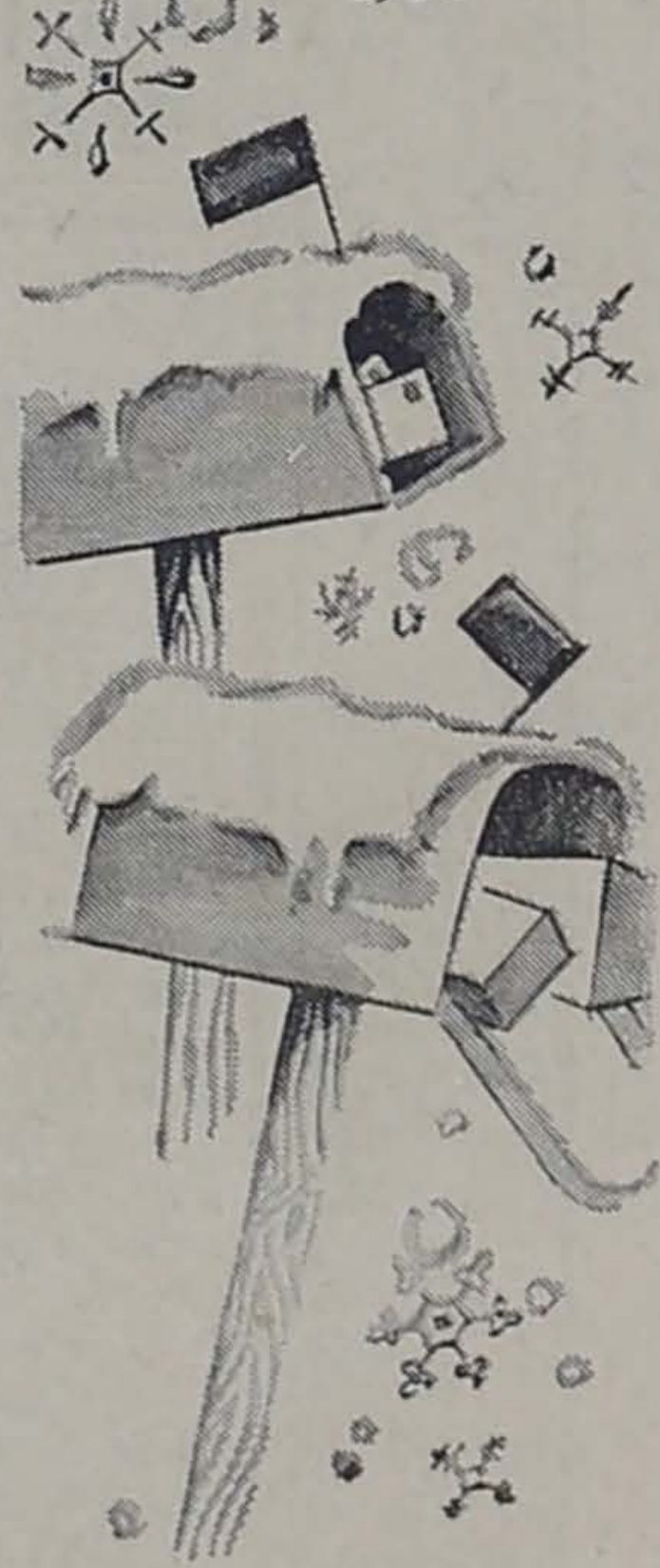
THURSDAY & FRIDAY

CLARK GABLE - SOPHIA LOREN In

"It Started in Naples" In Color and Vista-Vision

Here's to the New Year and the many loyal friends who gave us their patronage during the past year. To all a Happy New Year.

1961

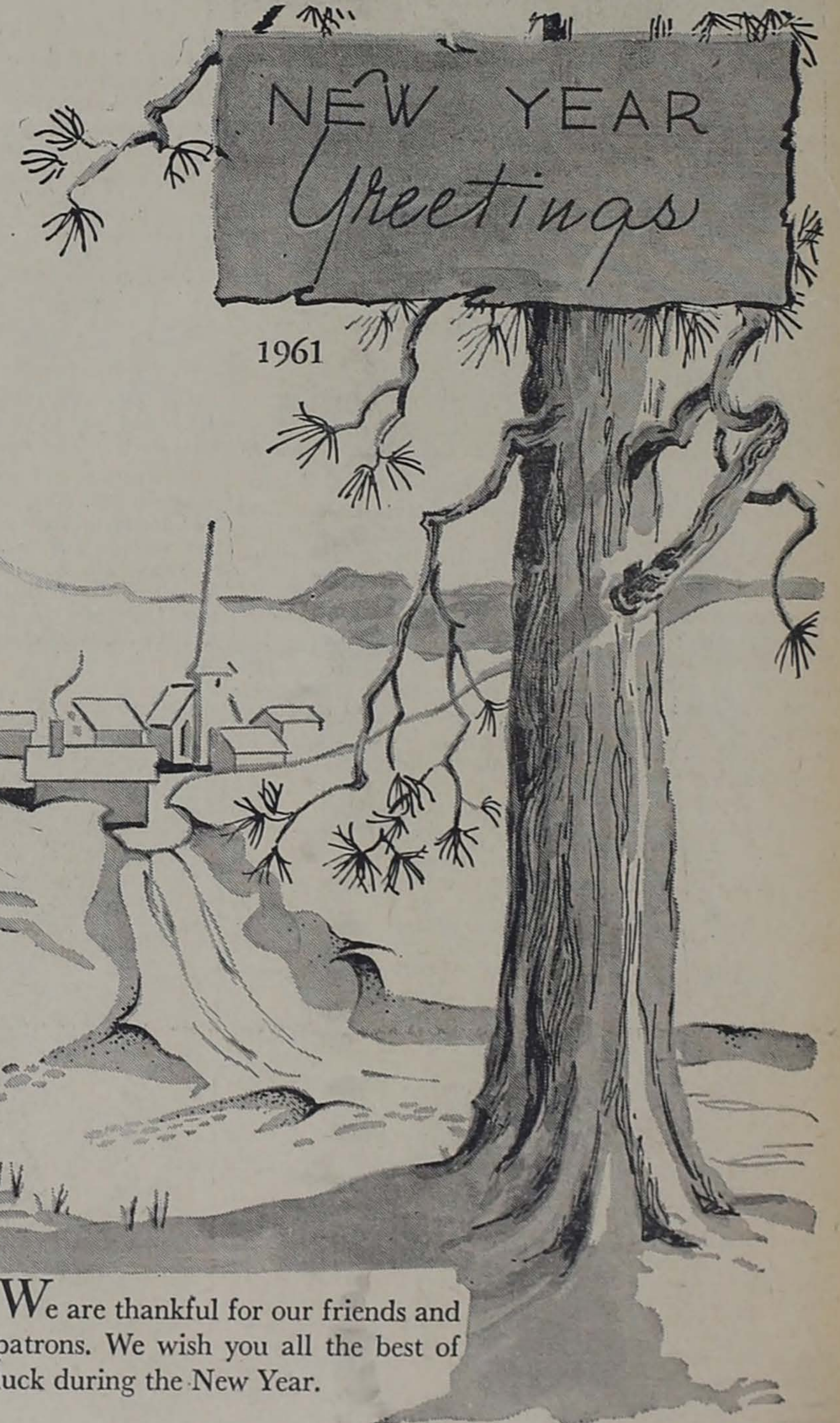


HAPPY New Year

To our friends everywhere we send greetings and a wish for a big 1961!

PITTMAN'S Quality Egg & Feed  
DE LEON, TEXAS

DE LEON AUTO SUPPLY  
"Don't Go By - Come By"  
DE LEON, TEXAS



We are thankful for our friends and patrons. We wish you all the best of luck during the New Year.

The First National Bank  
GORMAN, TEXAS  
"Oldest Bank In Eastland County"

## DESDEMONA NEWS

Mrs. Ethel Keith

Looks like everybody visited everybody this Christmas.

Health was fairly good in this community for the holidays.

Mrs. Kittie Morgan of De Leon was buried Christmas Day in De Leon. She was the mother of Mrs. Dave Griffith, formerly of Desdemona but now of Olden.

Rev. and Mrs. Moody Smith, Brenda, Beckie and Michael, spent the holidays in Seagraves with relatives and also visited in Lubbock.

Mrs. Bob Koonce and Coleman Weir had word that their brother, Chock Weir, was quite ill in the hospital in Ft Worth.

Carlton Stacy, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Stacy is home from the U. S. Army for the holidays.

Mrs. Nina Lohman of San Angelo visited her mother, Aunt Sally Eaton, for Christmas.

Mrs. Beulah Williams had most of her children home for Christmas. They are Mr. and Mrs. Ben Koonce and Nelda, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Williams of De Leon, and the Charles Williams of Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Finley of Carlton visited Sunday afternoon with her aunt, Sally Eaton. Also visiting Mrs. Eaton for Christmas dinner were two grandsons, Brandy Lohman and family of

Cisco and Joe Lohman of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Williams and Brenda Roberts spent the holidays in Alice visiting a son, Less Williams and family.

The Glen (Bud) Martin family of Houston spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Baker Martin. The Baker Martins purchased the W. W. Mitchell home here.

Most of the Lemaster children were home for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Roberts and Ulenda spent Sunday in Granbury with his mother, Mrs. J. K. Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. June Frank Eldridge and baby of Lubbock were home with his parents for the Christmas holidays.

Ethel Keith had all her children home for Christmas: Mr. and Mrs. Mack Keith and son, Mike and Stevie, of Monahans, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Wilcoxson and daughters, Judy and Jo of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Keith and daughters, Vicki and Tami of Cisco, and the Pug Gutherys.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Taylor and family of Hico visited Sunday with the Rufus Dukes.

The Anse Browns had as visitors during Christmas, the Lowell Johnstons of Amarillo, the Herc Ficklens of Dallas, the O. C. Vincents of Floydada, Ernest Huckabee of Stephenville, Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Brown of Gorman, and the Carl Hendricks of Dallas, nounce the arrival of a new grand Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Abel an-

## ACTIVE IN COLLEGE

Edith Bolt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bolt of Gorman, has been elected a pledge of Autiss Social Club at Texas Wesleyan College, Fort Worth. A freshman, Miss Bolt majors in voice.

Miss Bolt participated in the sorority rush week and became a new member of Autiss. She will be in pledgeship for nine weeks before being formally presented in the spring.

son on December 26 at El Paso. The young man is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Miller.

The Leo Lewis' had all their children home for Christmas except Mrs. Elaine Battenfield and family of Louisiana.

Mrs. J. N. Abernathy had as visitors Sunday and Monday Mr. and Mrs. Don White of Brady, Mrs. Loraine Wood and children of Wichita Falls and the Bob Carltons of Gorman.

The Homer Joe Sparkmans were visiting his parents, the J. J. Sparkmans. Also the Leon Alreads were here with her mother, Buna Abernathy, and the Jesse Sparkmans.

## HOMEMAKERS CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Christmas Tree and Class Party was held in the home of Mrs. Omata Lewis Wednesday night, December 21st.

Punch, cake, candy and coffee were served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Bob Koonce, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Lewis, Vicki and Phillip, Mr. and Mrs. Ferrel Lewis, Mrs. Hattie Davis, Mrs. Evelyn Hamond, Docy Williams, Bunnie Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Watkins and Trudy, Rev. and Mrs. Moody Smith, Brenda, Beckie and Michael, and the hostess, Mrs. Omata Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Griffith visited in Gorman with a nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Whitlock.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Whitlock of Odessa and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Quinn and children were here for the holidays.

## HIGGINBOTHAM'S AMBULANCE SERVICE

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**Happy New Year**  
We wish you a very happy and prosperous year.  
1961  
Thank you for your good will and support last year.

## Thompson Hardware

HARDWARE — SPORTING GOODS  
QUAIL THOMPSON, Owner DIAL RE4-5612



**Cheer**  
1961  
As we start the New Year we hope you will be one of the many new friends we hope to acquire during the year. Good luck!

## PRESTON FLORIST

PHONE RE4-5519 GORMAN, TEXAS



**BEST WISHES**  
We thank you for your fine friendship. Best of luck in 1961.

## MEHAFFEY DRUG

"Where Friends Meet"  
DIAL RE4-5616 Gorman



**Happy New Year**  
1961  
We're whooping it up for a New Year that will bring you happiness, peace and great prosperity.

## ACREA AUTO SERVICE

G. C. (Giff) ACREA



**Happy NEW YEAR**  
1961

ENTER the New Year! And with it, we extend best wishes and thanks for your patronage.

## Gorman Insurance Agency

W. G. Kirk Berenice Jeffs  
DIAL RE4-5312 GORMAN

Representing Hartford Fire Insurance Company Member Hartford Insurance Group-Hartford, Conn.



**Happy NEW YEAR**  
1961  
Good wishes to you and your friends for a festive holiday. We hope we are given the privilege of serving you in 1961.

## Higginbotham's

Gorman FUNERAL HOME RE4-2272

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**GREETINGS**  
We join our snow man in his greeting and wish you and yours a very happy and prosperous New Year.

## CAMPBELL TEXACO SERVICE STATION

JIMMY CAMPBELL, Owner & Operator  
We Give B & B Stamps Hwy. 6  
DIAL RE4-2230 GORMAN

# KOKOMO NEWS

By Mrs. Glenn Jordan

Mrs. Neal Gilbert and Lisa of Wichita Falls were here over the weekend to attend the funeral of Mrs. Harry Maupin and to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Odis Rodgers.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Johnson of Wichita Falls spent Saturday with his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McNeely, Mr. Joe Hunt and Joe, Jr., also of Wichita Falls, spent Saturday night with his uncle, the McNeelys.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Lon Snider, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Snider and Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Snider. Mrs. Lon Snider's and Mrs. Jewel Snider's brother, Mr. Hamilton, of De Leon passed away last Wednesday. He was an uncle to Pete Snider.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fuller and children spent the weekend in Denton visiting with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dennis and Vicki. On the return trip home they visited in Dallas with Lyndall Morrow in Baylor Hospital and with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Morrow.

Lyndall was improved and hopes to be able to spend part of the holidays at home. His room number is 714. He has been moved to another room since I wrote the news last week.

Rev. Jackie Heath, Mr. Wayne Eaves, Mr. Albert Hendricks, Mr. Jimmy Little and Mr. Charles Little visited in Dallas with the Morrrows on Tuesday. They went to replace part of the blood that had been given Lyndall.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Eaves and children of Cisco visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Eaves, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Odis Rodgers, Bob and Mike and Mrs. Neal Gilbert and Lisa were dinner guests of Mrs. Mary Timmons on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Snider and family visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Snider on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Ted Snider of De Leon were also visiting with the Sniders on Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Jackie Heath and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Eaves on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jordan were dinner guests of the Glenn Jordans on Sunday.

Mrs. John Donaldson was ill with the flu for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Whit Graham were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Victor Pack on Friday night.

The Packs were in Stephenville on Tuesday and her mother, Mrs. Alexander, returned home with them for a visit.

Mrs. W. F. Bryant's brother, Mr. W. E. Pittman of Ft Worth, visited with her on Sunday morning.

Many thanks to Mr. Baker for the lovely poinsetta.

Those of you who have news next week, will you please send or take it to the Progress office as I will be in Muleshoe to spend the week with my mother, Mrs. Lewallen, while she recuperates from her surgery.

Those driverless cars you see on the road are usually steered by an intelligent youngster who, most of the time, is a more capable driver than some adults.

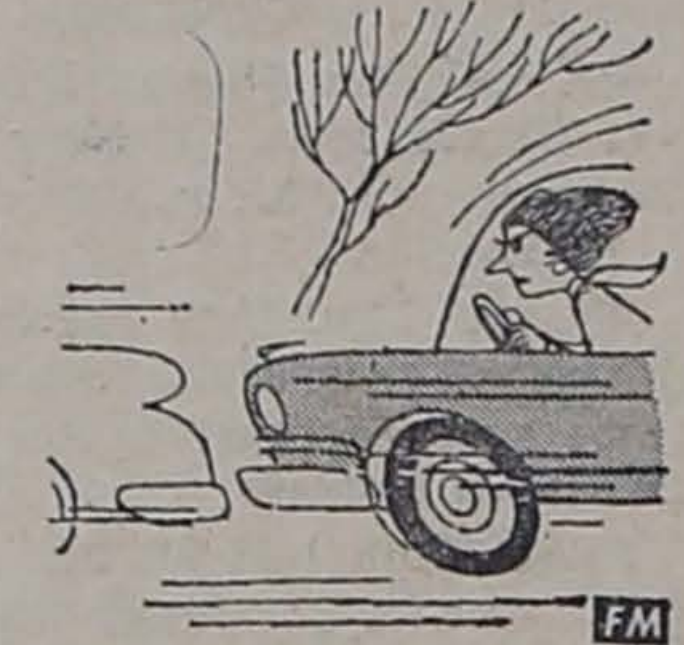
However, if they do have an accident it will be rough on the parents.

## Tips on Touring

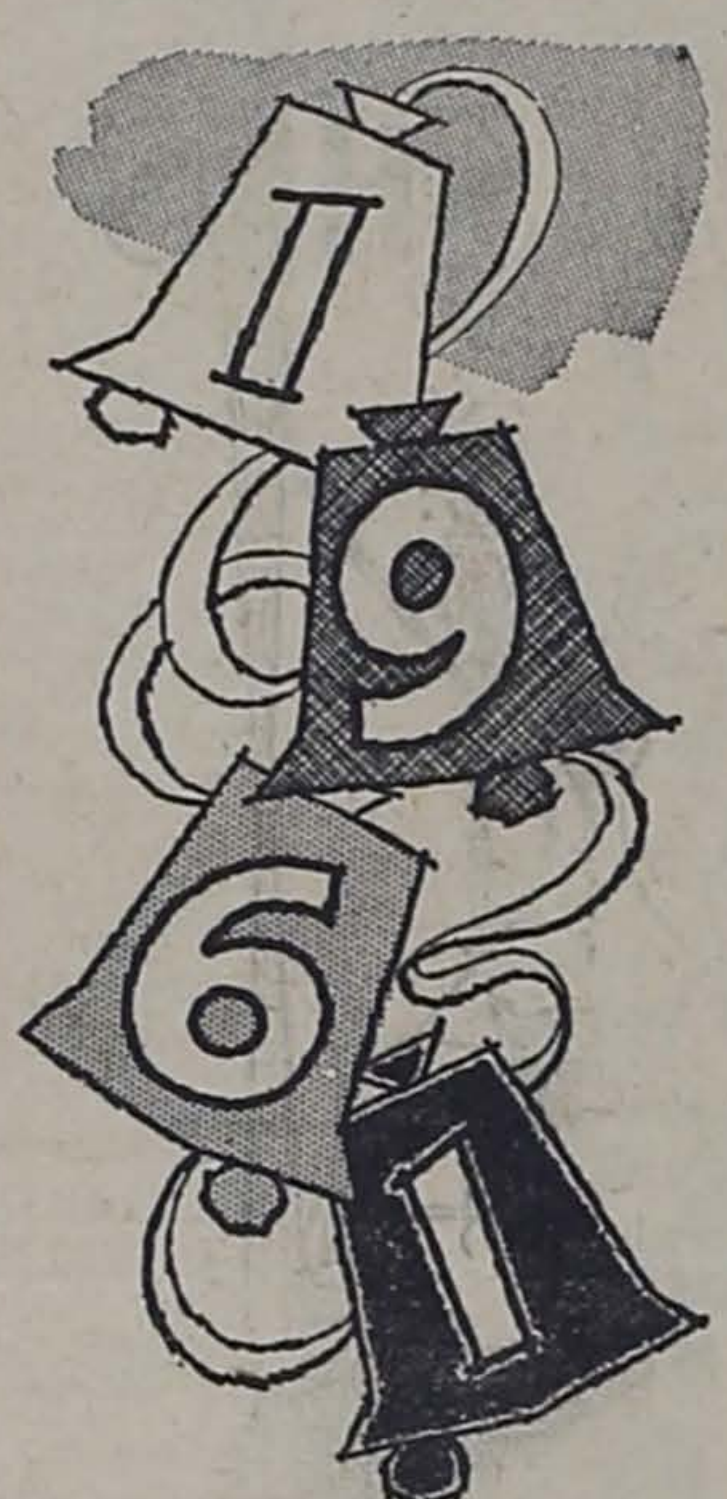
By Carol Lane  
Women's Travel Authority

### The Right Attitude

What two things add up to safe driving? Aptitude plus attitude. Skill is important, and we hear lots about it. But the motorist with the right attitude is the one with the safest record.



- 1...glide through a stop sign without halting completely because the road looks clear and you're in a hurry
  - 2...slip through an intersection when the light is yellow, or jump just before it turns green
  - 3...go into a marked curve without reducing speed
  - 4...neglect to dim your lights because the other driver will be past in a second
  - 5...find yourself matching the speed of a car trying to pass you
  - 6...drive on the tail of the car ahead so he'll know he's going too slow for you
  - 7...park close to a hydrant because there's no other space nearby
  - 8...try to honk your way through a traffic tie-up
- Total your score. If it's over 20, your driving attitude could be heading you into trouble. Correct it before it's too late.



We celebrate the arrival of a New Year with best wishes and greetings for all.

**EPPLER'S FURNITURE**  
Army-Navy Surplus

### SHOULD AULD AQUAINTANCE...

1961



We sing a chorus of warm best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year!

**J. E. Brown Feed Store**  
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brown and Family  
Mr. and Mrs. James Brown and Family

### HAPPY HOSTESS

Mrs. Jodie Grisham was the happy hostess Christmas Day to six of her eight children and their families. There were the six children, 16 grandchildren, their husbands and wives, and 4 great-grandchildren, plus 4 non-members of the family, present at one time in the afternoon, making a total of 41.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Grisham, Darlene and Jo Lynn of Seguin; Mr. and Mrs. Pete Mauney of Gorman; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Tunnell and Carol of Baird; Mr. and Mrs. John Grisham, Joyce, Sharon, Kathy and Kerry of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. U. A. Gregory of De Leon; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Grisham, Sue, Beva, and Brenda of Louisiana; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mauney and Paula of Dall.; Mr. and Mrs. Don Mauney and Gary of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gregory of Dublin; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pettijohn, Miss Ann Grisham, also of Dublin; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith, Jerry Jr., and Marlena of Ft Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Nowlin and children of De Leon.

Two sons, Mr. Loyd Grisham of Dublin and Mr. J. D. Grisham of Waco, were unable to attend.



Flower-bedecked Robin Balnis, 1960 National Poster Child for Muscular Dystrophy Associations of America, Inc., in a kissing session with Jerry Lewis, again spearheading MDAA's annual fund-raising drive, the March for Muscular Dystrophy. The famous comedian has helped to raise millions of dollars for research into the mysterious muscle-wasting disease whose chief victims are young children.

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## New Year GREETINGS

FULL speed ahead in 1961!



BEST wishes to our many friends everywhere.

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GORMAN, TEXAS



We greet the New Year with hope. And to our friends we say good luck.

We Give S & H Green Stamps

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C. H. Robertson Night RE4-5340



WITH sincere thanks we wish you all a very happy New Year. It was a great pleasure serving you during the past year.

## SMITH BROS. CHEVROLET COMPANY

PHONE RE4-2233

GORMAN, TEXAS

## Ring in the New



We hope that you have a happy New Year. And during the coming year we hope we can be of service. It has been a pleasure serving our friends in 1960.

## GORMAN PEANUT COMPANY

Shellers of Spanish Peanuts

Wilbur Shell

Melvin Shell

DYESS AFB, Texas — Airman Second Class Johnnie A. Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Watson of Gorman, was performing temporary duty at Eielson AFB, Alaska on Christmas Day with the 96th Bomb Wing Reflex Alert Force. Airman Watson is assigned to the 96th Organizational Maintenance Sqdn., 96th Bombardment Wing, Dyess Air Force Base, Texas. The Reflex Alert Force is part of the routine deterrent force maintained by the Strategic Air Command 365 days a year, 24 hours a day, so that all Americans may be insured a

Merry Christmas.

Airman Watson entered the Armed Forces in July, 1959. He has served with the 819th Combat Defense Squadron at Dyess Air Force Base, Texas since October, 1959.

Dyess Air Force Base, in Abilene, Texas is the home of the 819th Bombardment Wing, B-47 Medium Jet Bombers and C-124 Globemaster Cargo Planes perform the mission as a part of the Strategic Air Command. The base was activated in September, 1955 and is one of the newest and most modern installations in the United States. Airman Watson attended Gorman High School.

## OLIVER SPRINGS NEWS

By Florence Richardson  
Our thought for the week:

"A big man is not one who makes no mistakes, but one who is bigger than any mistakes he makes."

The Christmas holidays are behind us but the future is ahead. And we are wondering what the New Year, with the new president, holds for each of us. Extend a hand to our friends, and neighbors, a hand of love, kindness and generosity, and remember - There is a destiny that makes us brothers. None go his way alone. All that we send into the lives of others comes back into our own.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mears of Arlington were here for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Johnson have been in Glen Rose for checkups.

Mrs. W. J. O'Neal of Breckenridge is visiting the Loyd Glasson family.

The B. A. Hirsts, R. H. Watsons, Kenneth Watsons, Mrs. D. L. Bond, the Loyd Glassons, Mrs. O'Neal, and the Homer Richardsons, met Lula Brandon, David O'Neal and the Thurman Andersons of Midland in the home of the Harvey O'Neals in Abilene Christmas Day. What a day!

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cooper of Beaumont spent the holidays here with the Rawls and Cooper families.

### The Gorman Progress

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The Gilmore children met in the home of Miss Effie Gilmore for the holiday celebration.

Mrs. Rex Kinser and daughter were in Eastland Monday visiting the Clyde Fishers and grandfather and mother Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Richburg of Midland were visiting their mother, Mrs. Betty Richburg, on Saturday and Sunday.

**WANT ADS**  
MARKET-PLACE OF MILLIONS...

DEAD ANIMAL SERVICE — Hamilton Rendering Co. — Free and Sure — Call Collect Phone 303, Hamilton, Texas. 1n

We stock Sylvania Silver Screen 85 TV Picture Tubes; Philco TV and Radios. Authorized factory service man for Philco. Phone RE4-5621 for service. Todd's Variety Store, Gorman. 6-12fnc

NOTICE - We do first class renovating on mattresses. We make new cotton and innerspring mattresses. Pritchard Mattress Factory, Phone 5841, De Leon. Free Pick-up & Delivery. 1n

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WANTED — Ironing to do in my home. Mrs. Clara Horton.

FOR SALE - John Deere 16x8 grain drill. Tip top condition. B. M. Bennett 12-1fnc

**NOTICE**  
All interested persons are advised that the construction of F. M. Highway 2689, between Gorman and Kokomo, is being planned by the Texas Highway Commission. The contemplated location will enter the town of Gorman. Preliminary sketches showing the proposed location are on file at the Resident Engineer's Office at Eastland, Texas. Any interested citizen may request that a public hearing be held respecting such proposed location and the economic effect of such location by delivering a written request to the Resident Engineer at Eastland on or before the 2nd day of January, 1961. In the event such request is received, a public hearing will be scheduled and adequate notice will be given as to its time and place. 12-29

FOR SALE — Fresh home-made Peanut Brittle. Call Mrs. R. H. Watson, 5324, Gorman. 12-29p

WANTED — Electrical work, paint and paper, textone, sheet-rocking. Contract or by the hour. No job too big or too small. Call Bill Roney, % Higginbotham's, Phone RE4-5319. 1-26p

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## SHORT STORY

### Bank Teller

By Don Damis

HE TURNED over on his stomach and buried his head in the pillow. With his right hand he touched the money and let out a deep sigh of relief. He raised himself up, grasped the bedsheet and wiped the beads of sweat off his brow, a broad smile creased his swarthy, pockmarked countenance.

George Nadler, a short, paunchy man, walked over to the window and peered down at the crowded street.

"No one will suspect me — of all people — capable of stealing the money," he said to himself. "I am the smartest crook in the world."

George ambled over to the scarred dresser mirror and thrust out his chest proudly as he thought of how cleverly he had stolen the seven thousand dollars from the bank where he was employed as a teller.



He clenched his hand and hit the top of the desk.

Early Monday morning, George shaved, donned his best suit, and left for a different bank carrying the money in a small black leather suitcase. He deposited the money in a safe deposit box, then scurried to the bank where he was employed. He was greeted respectfully as was the usual custom by the other employees. George accosted them jovially as he proceeded to his respective place. His nerve ends bristled a little when he discerned the auditors marching to the massive safe. He inserted a cigarette between his lips and reached in his pocket for the lighter. Suddenly his face turned livid pale when he discovered it was missing. Desperately his hands raced through his pockets once again, but failed to come up with the lighter. With apprehension showing in his eyes, he clenched his hand and hit the top of the desk.

"I must have left it in the safe," he mumbled fearfully.

He thought of the letters "G N" clearly and unmistakably engraved on the gold cover. He made a crooked face and cursed his incompetence as a thief.

"How are you this morning, George?"

Audrey Marlow's voice startled him.

He whirled, forced a smile and peered at the cute dark-haired beauty.

"Hello Audrey," he said lamely.

The bank president called for Audrey to type a letter. She started to leave, then whirled and blurted in an even tone.

"I have something for you, George, I'll see you later."

George Nadler started to work with feelings of guilt gnawing at his heart.

Early in the afternoon the auditors had finished. As they passed his window, George overheard the tall, slender, white-haired man say in a clear orotund voice:

"The cigarette lighter!"

He glanced up at the clock on the wall. It was precisely one o'clock and time for lunch.

As George took long hasty strides down the main avenue, a thought entered his mind:

"Go and get the money from the vault and put it back into the safe!"

George stopped and hailed a cab. He rode to the bank, entered, took the money from the safe deposit box and had the driver drive him back to work.

Toting the money in two large manila envelopes, he dashed into the bank. Carefully he went to the safe, opened it and gingerly put the money back. He rubbed the palms of his hands together that were humid with sweat and let out a deep sigh of relief.

When he went back to his compartment to work, Audrey spotted him and ambled over.

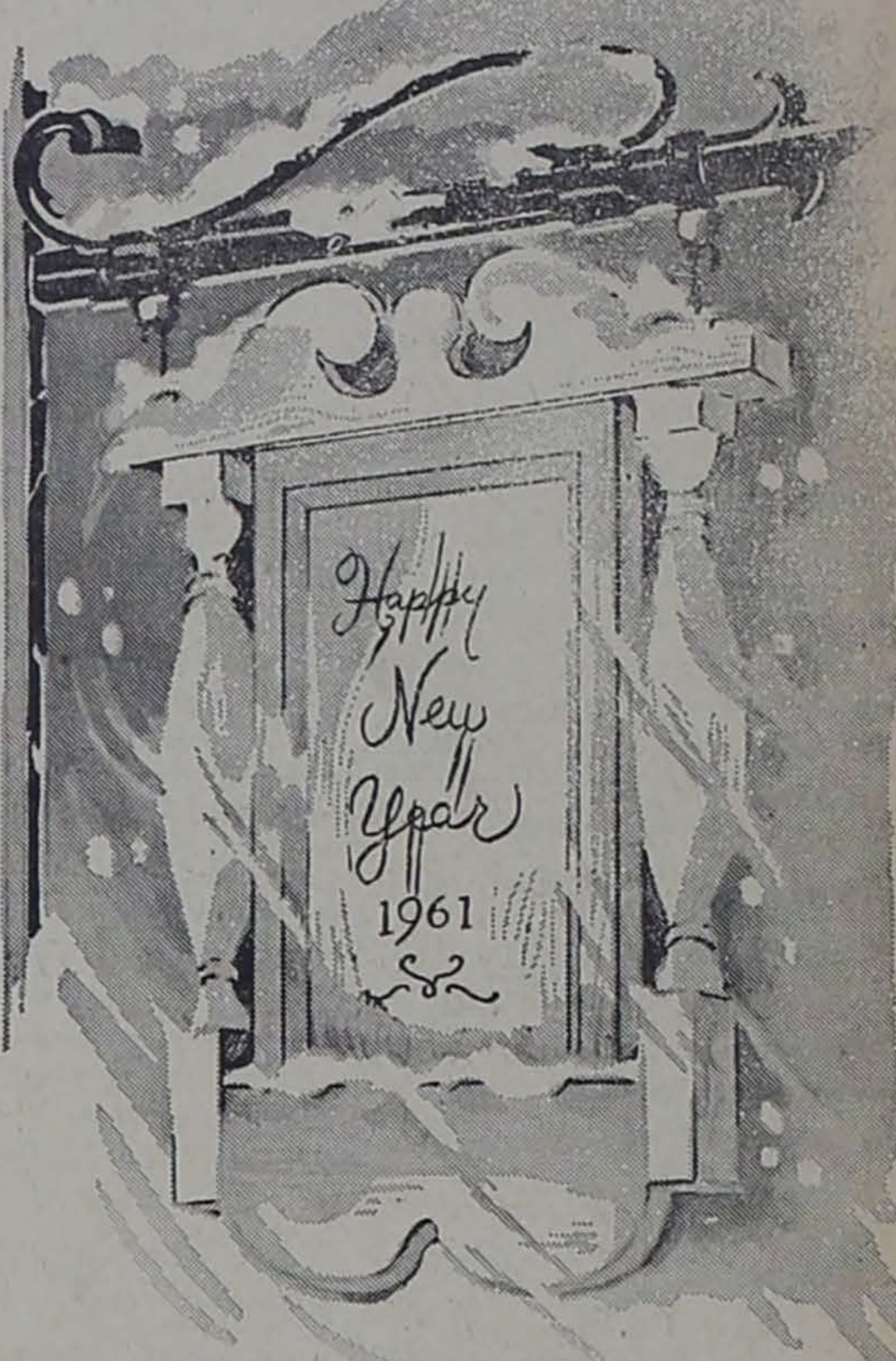
"I was waiting for you to come back," she smiled.

"You must have something very important to give me, Audrey," he muttered, with a flip of his hand. "What is it anyway?"

Audrey reached into her purse, pulled out the cigarette lighter and proffering it to him said:

"I just wanted to give you your lighter back. You left it on your desk Friday afternoon. That's all!"

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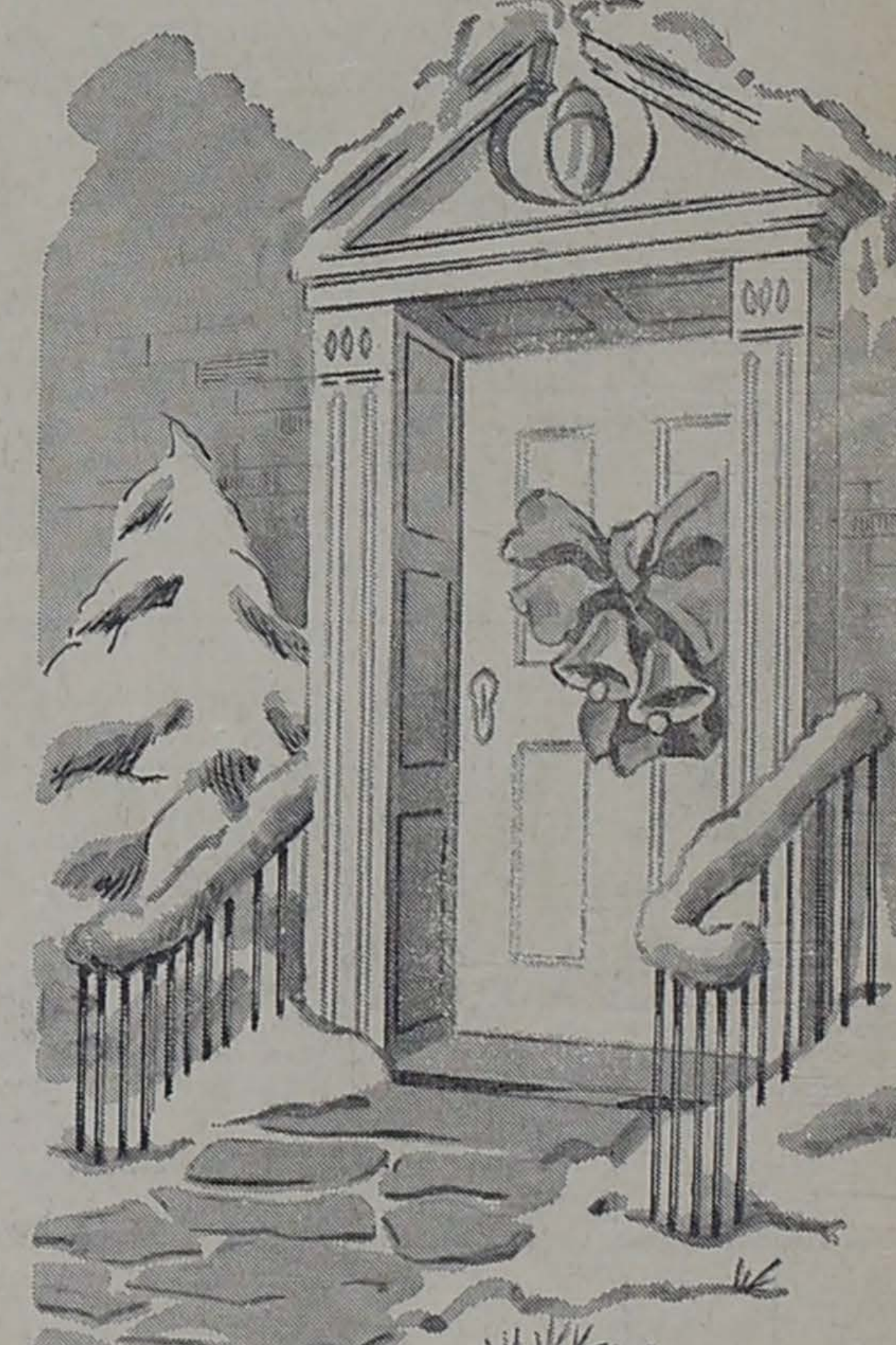
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## Season's Greetings

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### Railroads Pay \$10,000,000 in Taxes Throughout State

Texas railroads paid \$26,779 in taxes in Eastland county during 1959, according to the Texas Railroad Association.

That amount was the county's share of the nearly \$10,000,000 the railroads paid throughout the state.

In addition, of course, was the large total in taxes the railroads' approximately 40,000 Texas employees contributed on their own property. The vast majority of railroad workers, many of whom live in Eastland County, own their own homes.

The largest railroad contribution in Eastland county was for

the support of education. The school tax for 1959 totaled \$14,981.

City and village taxes amounted to \$4,084, while the share of the county government's operating expenses paid for by the railroads totaled \$5,580. The road and bridge fund gained \$1,506 from the railroads in 1959. All other taxes brought the total for the county to \$26,779.

"With the future of our country and state depending to a great extent upon the education of our youth, I am glad to see that nearly half of the taxes paid by the railroads in '59, a total of \$4,565, 103, went to support the schools," said Walter Caven, general counsel of the Texas Railroad Association. "Recognizing this need for education, many of our railroads also make scholarships available every year."

### THANKS FOR THE CARDS

For the 101 Birthday Cards And the good wishes, too, Here's many, many thanks to each of you.

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Mrs. Mae Dunn

### Processors Draw 20 Percent Share U. S. Food Dollar

Food processors get about 20 cents of each dollar spent by American consumers for farm food products, according to a technical bulletin issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture in Washington.

Factory production of processed farm foods, according to this bulletin, increased at the rate of 2.6 per cent per year between 1947 and 1958. This rate of growth was slower than during World War II, but substantially faster than the average annual rate in the prewar period, 1909-39.

Researchers in USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service, concerned with the decline in the farmers' share of consumer outlay for food, are analyzing causes.

Included in the report is an Index of Factory Production of Domestic Farm Foods. It begins in 1909 and covers major categories of food, including meat, fruit and vegetables, dairy products and cereals.

### Long-Range Beef Cattle Outlook Is Termed Optimistic

THERE IS OPTIMISM in the beef cattle business but one needs to lengthen his sights somewhat to see it.

This is the opinion of livestock marketing economist John McCoy of Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas.

Various estimates have been made of probable future needs of beef based on expected trends in population, income, tastes and other factors. It seems reasonable to expect the total demand for beef to increase at least 50 per cent in the next 20 years, says McCoy.

McCoy points out that any way one looks at it, this country will need a substantial increase in beef cattle numbers in the next two decades. And somebody will make money out of it. In all likelihood, cyclical ups and downs will continue—in both production and prices. But the beef industry is on more solid footing than most agricultural enterprises in the long pull, McCoy believes.

### Reed's Nursing Home Notes

The following are reported as residents of the Reed's Nursing Home in Gorman:

J. E. Ryon - Glen Rose  
W. H. Trice - Gorman  
T. L. Johnson - De Leon  
George McCulloch - Cisco  
Charlie Van Winkle - Gorman  
Mr. B. C. Thompson, Desdemona  
Mr. W. T. Coker, Gorman  
Mrs. W. L. Wolfenbarger - De Leon

Mrs. Ada Kinney, Gorman  
Mrs. Ella Counts - Gorman  
Mrs. Mattie Underwood, Gorman  
Mrs. Flavie Bunch, Ranger  
Mrs. Martha Wilson, Carbon  
Mrs. Mary Couch - Carbon

### NEW SON FOR THE JACK EMERSONS

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Emerson of Fort Worth announce the arrival of a new son, Henry Lee, born on December 22, 1960 weighing eight pounds and two ounces.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Emerson of Gorman. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Otis Babers of De Leon.

### Farm Economist Sees Expansion, Greater Income

A TOP AGRICULTURE Department economist in Washington predicts a spurt in economic activity during 1961, bringing higher consumer income.

Nathan M. Koffsky, deputy administrator of the Agriculture Marketing Service, made his prediction at the 38th annual agricultural outlook conference.

"After a period of advance from the brief recession of 1957-58," Koffsky said, "the economy has once again leveled off, with some easing noted in recent months. There is at present a rough balance of the forces making for economic expansion and those for decline which may persist for some months in 1961."

"However, as the year progresses the weight of the evidence is that the uptrend in economic activity will be re-established."

Let those cheery hellos of the Yuletide season echo throughout the coming year.

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