

By Hop Jr.

So far as we have been able to recall, this will be the first Christmas in history that the staff of The Tribune will have more than one day off from work.

The fact that Christmas falls on Tuesday this year meant that we had little choice in the matter: It was to mail the Christmas paper early, or just forget about it.

So, we are mailing it early enough so that everyone who lives in town and everyone who lives on rural routes will get a copy on time. This has meant extra work for everyone at the office and plant, and we appreciate the long hours that our employees have put in to make the early deadline possible. Perhaps they will feel rewarded with the extra day or two that they will have away from the regular grind.

Another chore that is being taken care of more or less in advance this year is the mailing of the Graham family Christmas cards. For those local persons who subscribe to The Tribune, we are allowing the "Christmas tree" cut that you probably have noticed, to be our card.

Sending out Christmas cards is a wonderful thing, we think, but sometimes it is almost impossible to find time to do the job justice. Last year, for example, we mailed out over 500, and didn't get this arduous chore completed until Christmas Eve.

So much hard work almost took the fun out of sending the greetings.

The Christmas decorations in Texico-Farwell are very attractive, and we think that the pretty lights and decorated trees and other trimmings are well worth the investment in time and money.

It was too bad that the downtown lights got up later than usual, but after all, the Christmas season is long enough as it is without stretching it from Thanksgiving to January 1.

There are many pretty decorations put up by homeowners throughout the community, both inside and outside of the houses. Some of the more attractive displays are on lawns or the house fronts.

Our nomination for the most attractive scene (though picking "the best" is a matter of personal opinion, admittedly), is that of Mrs. E. G. Blair. If you haven't seen her front yard display, don't let the holidays pass without a drive by.

A communique from the Internal Revenue Service is supposed to lead us to believe that making returns on the federal income tax will be easier this year.

In saying "easier" they must be speaking of the mechanics of filling out the forms. We suspect it'll be just as hard as ever to scrape up taxes for money we didn't know we had, and don't know where went.

The mere mention of taxes brings us to another ugly thought. Payments into the social security racket go up from four to four and one-half percent on earnings for employees; to three and three-eighths percent for self-employed persons, come January 1.

Social security taxes are just beginning to be felt. That "pie in the sky" doesn't look so luscious now that some of us are beginning to feel the pinch from having to pay for it.

Well, "you ain't seen nothin' yet." By 1975, the take will be up to eight and one-half percent for workers; six and three-eighths percent for the bosses.

There's that much already on the books. What congress may decide to do between now and then could make this even worse.

Even with such grievances as these, though, things are still pretty rosy in Good Old America, and we are thankful to God that we do not live in such a place as Hungary at a time like this.

Christmas warms the hearts of even cynical old newspaper people, and we extend to one and all our most sincere greetings for a joyous yuletide season.

Chamber Banquet To Be February 16

The annual Farwell Chamber of Commerce banquet has been set for Saturday, February 16, in the Farwell School Cafeteria, announces Wilfred Quickel, Chamber secretary. The date was set at a meeting of the group Tuesday night.

This year's annual feed will be aimed at feteing the farmers and newcomers in the area. It was suggested that this be done in an effort to tie the farmers back into the Chamber.

Committees have been appointed to obtain a speaker, arrange the program, and make preparations for the feed. The program will consist of local talent.

Jess Landrum Has Plan for Swimming Pool

Auxiliary Starts Ball Rolling with \$300 Donation

Texico-Farwell's American Legion Auxiliary, an inactive organization, started the ball rolling on a swimming pool project with an approximate \$300 donation Thursday afternoon. The money is being placed on deposit at the bank, earmarked for "Community Swimming Pool Fund."

The Thursday meeting of the auxiliary was for the purpose of disposing of dishes, cooking utensils, a stove, and other miscellaneous items, owned by the group. Sealed bids were received, with the high one of \$225 being submitted by Texico Woman's Club.

The items sold to the Woman's Club were the Auxiliary's part of the equipment in the old legion hall, which was leased to the City of Farwell some time ago. The venetian blinds and cornice boards in the building were donated to the city.

It was pointed out by a spokesman of the Auxiliary that they had wished to donate the items to some civic group, but found this infeasible because of the Auxiliary being a Texico-Farwell organization. Therefore, bids were received and the \$225, plus a bank balance of approximately \$70, will go into the Twin Cities swimming pool project.

Another \$176, in the Poppy Fund, which must be used for the benefit of needy veterans, will be donated to the Amarillo Veterans Hospital. The local group has been donating to the Amarillo hospital for the past several years.

Presently, there are 12 paid-up members in the local Auxiliary, but the organization will disband at the end of the year.

★ Uncanny Williams Leads Tech Frosh

Bert Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams of Farwell, is making a name for himself as a basketball player at Texas Tech.

He led the Tech freshman team to a one-sided victory Thursday night and following is the lead of a story which appeared in the Lubbock Avalanche Journal Friday morning:

"Bert Williams of Farwell, hitting an uncanny nine consecutive shots, all in the second half, was the game's outstanding player last night as the Texas Tech freshmen waltzed to their fourth victory of the season, taking a 96-34 triumph over the Odessa College Wranglers.

"Williams didn't miss. He hit three straight from the right side with a lefthanded jump shot; struck on the same type shot with the right hand from the lefthand side; connected on an angle jump shot (lefthanded) and added four craps for a brilliant scoring exhibition."

Williams was a standout for the Farwell Steers last year, and most Farwellites will remember his many styles of shooting.

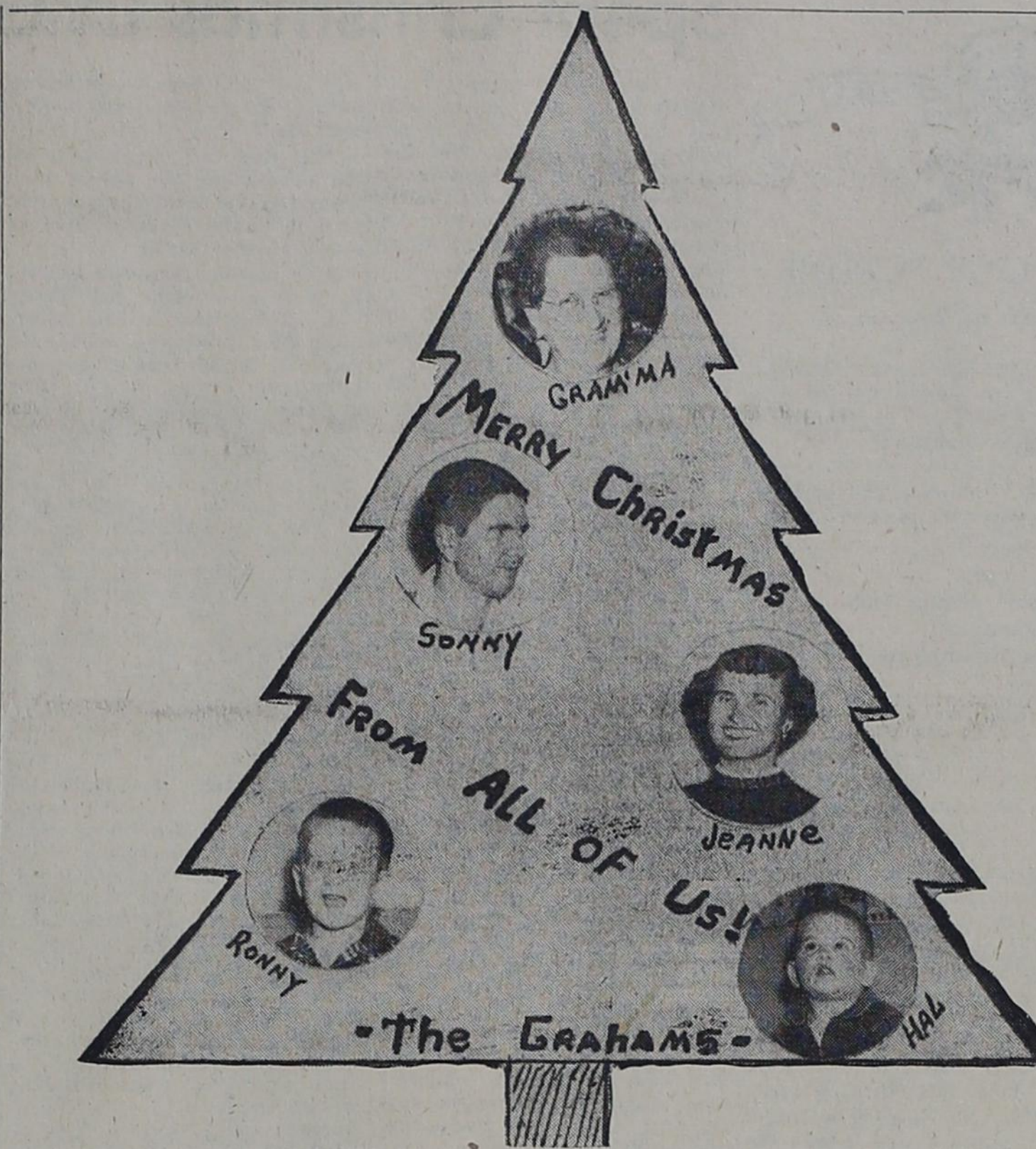
Three Burglaries During Past Week

Three burglaries, one each in Texico, Farwell, and Bovina, have been reported during the past week. One occurred at the Transport Trucking Company in Texico Sunday morning, another at Kittrell's Texaco Station in Farwell Wednesday night, and one at the Cicero Smith Lumber Company in Bovina Thursday night.

At the Texico break-in, no cash was reported stolen but the company's check book, a pay check made out to Buster Gast, and several miscellaneous items were taken, reports Carl Penn of the company.

Two checks have come in to the bank, one passed in Amarillo and one in Lubbock, Penn says. At Lubbock the man purchased a size 18 suit and forged a check as payment. He was described as a black-haired man about 35 years of age.

Curry County Deputy Val Baumgart investigated the break-in. Sometime during the night Wednesday, the burglary at Kittrell's station occurred. An undetermined amount of change in the cigarette and candy machines was stolen, but no merchandise was reported



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THE STATE LINE TRIBUNE

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MAN DEAD FROM CRASH

D. B. DeVoll, 41, a service station attendant at Bagleys Service Station No. 1 in Farwell, was dead following a car-truck accident 3 1/2 miles west of Texico on Highway 60 Saturday afternoon.

DeVoll's car, a 1950 Chrysler, crashed into the rear of a semi-trailer, driven by Sanford Roseborough, about 1:40 p.m., according to Otis Foster, state patrolman, who investigated the accident. Roseborough, of Irving, Texas, is a driver for Gifford-Hill Western.

The victim received a crushed chest as his car went under the trailer and came to a stop 50 feet off to the right hand side of the road, according to the officer. Foster says that DeVoll did not apply his brakes at any time, so it is not known whether his death was caused from the ac-

cident.

The truck, which was loaded with concrete irrigation pipe, traveled about 100 yards after the impact before coming to a stop. Several pieces of the pipe rolled off the back of the trailer.

Both vehicles, which had just passed another truck, were traveling west and the crash occurred in the right hand lane. Damage to DeVoll's car was almost total, Foster says.

DeVoll lived in Clovis and has been working at the Farwell station for the past four years.

Texico Cafe Plans Appreciation Day

Alton and Mary Milstead, owners and operators of the Texico Hotel Cafe, announce that free coffee and doughnuts will be served all day on Wednesday, January 2, in appreciation to their customers for their patronage during the past year.

The cafe will be closed through the holidays until the 2nd.

Once Again—No Attendance At GOC Meeting

Six people were on hand for a meeting of the Texico-Farwell Ground Observers Corps Thursday night, reports Wilfred Quickel, head of the local post. It was thought that the local GOC would fold up if there was no better attendance this time but they have decided to try it once more.

"Enough people phoned Friday morning, indicating that they were interested in joining the corps, that we have set one more meeting for January 10, Quickel says. Christmas parties interfered with the meeting Thursday night, he adds.

Coffman Farm Sale Set for Monday

A general clean-up farm sale at the W. J. (Tuner) Coffman place, three miles south and one-half east of Lazbuddie, is scheduled for Monday, December 31, beginning at 10 a. m.

To be sold will be machinery, pickups, combines, and numerous miscellaneous items.

Col. Dick Doshier of the State Line Commission Company and Col. Dean Sanders of Hart will be auctioneers. Jerrell Doshier will be clerk.

Would Be Built by Voluntary Workers

By DICK HAPKE

A swimming pool for Texico-Farwell has long been a dream of many local citizens, but no one has ever gone very far in planning one, so it has been said.

Jess Landrum, a Farwell man, has finally done something about it and has devoted a lot of time and effort in outlining such a project for the Twin Cities. His plans call for making it a community affair, with everybody pitching in on a voluntary basis, donating a little time and money.

"I have given it a lot of thought, done a great deal of figuring, and have obtained prices on various items," Landrum says, adding that, "Needless to say, I have never built a swimming pool, but I know it can be done—without a bond issue."

The estimates he has arrived at are for a pool, 100 feet long, 30 feet wide, two feet deep at one end, and 8 1/2 feet deep at the other. "The people may want it larger and they may want it to taper off from a narrower shallow end to the deep end," Landrum says.

Also included would be an 8-foot apron around both sides and the shallow edge, plus a 15' x 40' building, which would include a shower room, dressing room, and ticket room. The pool would be enclosed by a steel wire fence.

Landrum has received rough

retail estimates on materials, such as concrete, lumber, paint, reinforcing wire for the bottom of the pool, reinforcing steel for the sides, a 260-foot chain link fence (six feet high) with posts, blocks for the building, a filter system, and other miscellaneous items.

An estimated figure for the material is \$7,500 and an estimate on the filter and other needed equipment was received last week for \$7,700. Landrum points out that the figure on the material may be too low, but then, some may be purchased at cost. This makes the total estimated cost approximately \$15,000.

Financing

Financing the project would be by voluntary contributions, and this is not out of the question, according to Landrum. "There are approximately 600 water meters in the Twin Cities, and if each would pledge 50 cents per month, this would amount to \$300 a month and \$3600 a year.

Some would give more and some less, but with all doing what they can, the money can be raised, Landrum is confident. If a loan cannot be obtained to build it this year, the money donated can be kept in escrow at the bank until the amount has been raised.

Should for some reason, the total figure be not reached, the money will be refunded to the contributors. Too, another means of raising money would be by placing containers in business places for the people to make contributions, the Farwell man says.

"A graph of some sort could be kept in the lobby of the bank, showing the progress, and even if it takes two or three years, it will be worth it," Landrum adds.

He points out that contributions would not have to come from the Twin Cities alone. "I don't know how many people are in the surrounding area, but I am sure they would go their share."

Labor

The labor would also be voluntary. "We have in the Twin Cities and surrounding area, skilled and unskilled labor galore," Landrum states.

The building process would be as

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Mr. Tipton Home From Hospital

P. M. Tipton was released from Clovis Memorial Hospital on Thursday afternoon after having been confined there for several days for treatment of pneumonia.

Family members reported Friday that Mr. Tipton was feeling pretty good and that he was able to be up and around part of the time.

Firms To Close For Holidays

For the most part, Texico-Farwell businesses will be closed in observance of Christmas tomorrow (Tuesday). Some of the businesses were not contacted and some had not made definite plans for business during the holidays at press time.

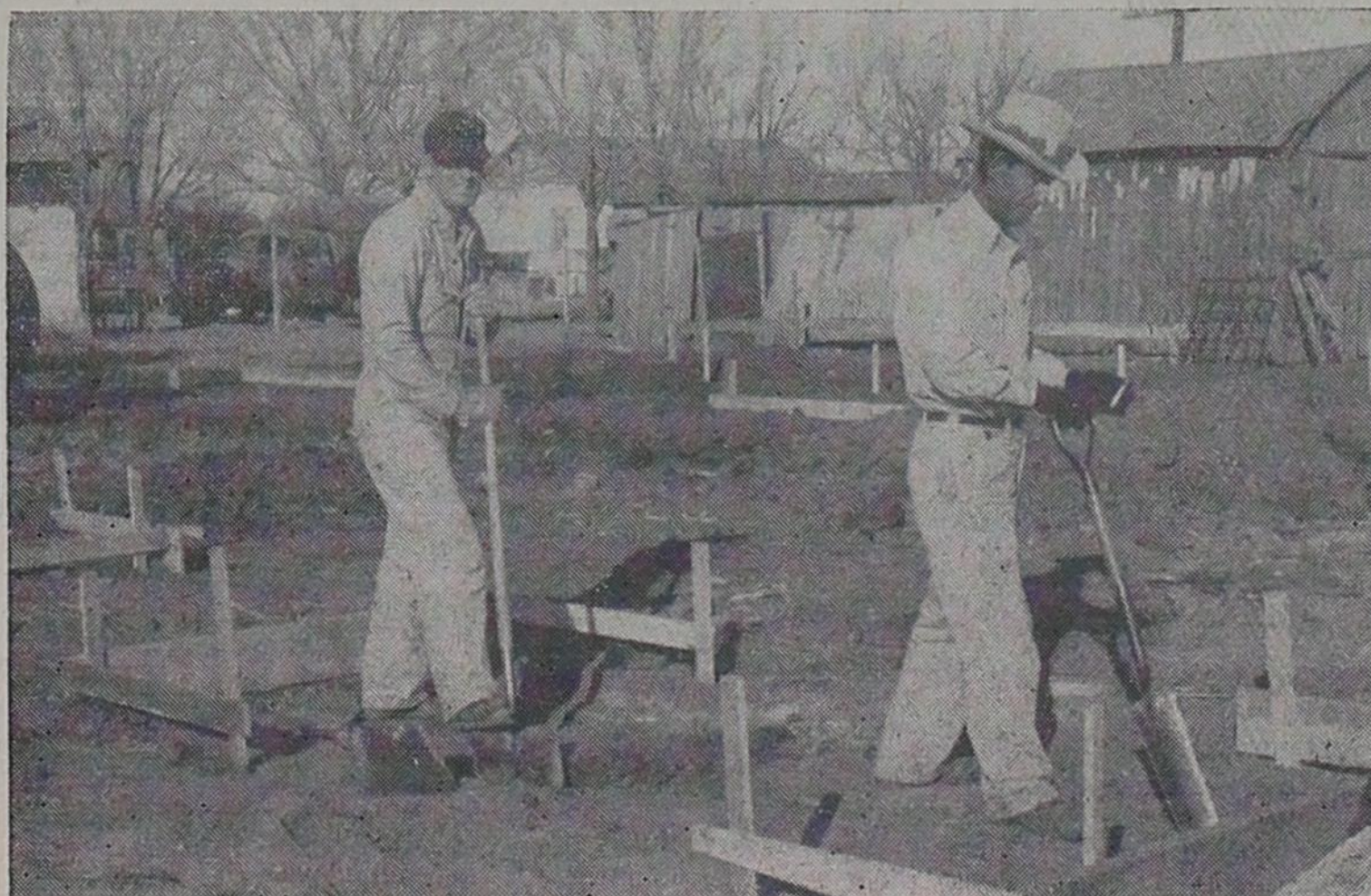
Courthouse offices closed Saturday at noon and will open again Wednesday at noon. The same schedule has been announced for McKillip Motor Company and Watts Machine and Pump Co.

Dial's Drive-In will be closed Monday afternoon and Christmas Day. Other business firms planning to close for the one day only (December 25) include Fern's Department Store, Pullam's Gulf Station, Security State Bank, Texico Post Office, Stone's Variety, Watkins Real Estate, Farwell Post Office;

Also, Bradshaw's Grocery and Market, Piggy-Wiggly, State Line Grocery, Farwell Hardware, Southwestern Public Service, Southern Union Gas, and City Cafe.

The Texico Hotel Cafe closed today (Monday) and will re-open January 2. Jim's Cafe in Texico will also be closed all of Christmas week and will not be open until after the first of the year.

The ASC office re-opens Wednesday after having been closed since Friday. Farwell Electric will be closed Monday and Tuesday, and the Vanity Fair Beauty Shop will be closed the same days. City Barber Shop will be closed December 25 and the afternoon of Christmas Eve. Texico Blacksmith Shop closed Saturday night and will be open again Wednesday morning.



NEW STATION GOING UP—This will be the site of Joe Helton's new Phillips 66 service station which is now being built in Texico. Here, Ralph Burnett and Faustin Baca, are working on the forms for the foundation.

Helton Building New 66 Station

Construction of a new service station in Texico got underway last week. The site of the new structure is on Main Street, across from Roth Grocery, and it is being built by Joe Helton, Phillips 66 consignee in Texico-Farwell.

The new station will have four gasoline pumps and wash and grease racks, Helton says.

It is scheduled to be completed by March 1, and Leroy Hunton of Clovis is the contractor.

THE TRIBUNE'S EDITORIAL COMMENT

Everybody's Help Will Be Needed

Someone has finally taken the initiative to map out a plan for a swimming pool for Texico-Farwell, which we are most happy to see. It is something that should have been done by someone a long time ago. Still, it is only a start, and to get accomplished what Jess Landrum has outlined will take the efforts of all concerned. There can be no "Let the other fellow do it," attitudes.

Landrum has said that "It is to be a volunteer, organized, old-time, log-rolling, bar-raising community project, in which everyone is urged to participate, and from which everyone will benefit."

He is right in believing that this is the way it should be done and we share his optimism in the belief that it will go over. This optimism also will have to be shared by many other workers who assist with the project. Being pessimistic about it will bring defeat before it is ever started.

Jess has started the fire to burning and it is up to everyone else to kindle the flame. In so doing, to make it the easiest for all concerned, citizens of both Texico and Farwell will have to forget their petty prejudices and work for one community—Texico-Farwell.

We know this will be done by the majority of the people, but it is those few, who always seem to think that someone is trying to put something over on them, that bothers us. These thoughtless persons are so self-centered that they want no help from anyone else and want no part in assisting others.

It's surprising how much of a stink a few soreheads can stir up among average citizens, who deep down want to do what

Holiday Reunion Plans Of Tiptons

A holiday family reunion is included in the Christmas plans of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Tipton and daughter, Fern. Each Christmas they have a family reunion either on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day, and Mrs. Tipton says she imagines the family will be together on the 25th this year.

Meanwhile, they're hoping that

Mr. Tipton will be out of the hospital in time to enjoy the family fellowship. Making tentative plans for the occasion are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brand and children from Clovis, Mr. and Mrs. Ewell Tipton and family of Kittredge, Colo., Airman First Class and Mrs. Billy Tipton of Big Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Tipton and sons of Plainview.

The Farwell Tiptons are especially anxious to visit with their seven grandchildren.

Event Is Site Of Yule Visit

Joe and Irene Jones revealed Tuesday of last week that their Christmas plans were to leave Sunday for Evant to spend a brief holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jones.

They didn't know what day they would return home. He is county agent and she is a teacher in Farwell Schools.



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is best and right. If this swimming pool project is to go over, the average citizen will have to ignore these irate, self-centered individuals, and consider all angles for themselves.

In considering its benefits could anyone believe that a swimming pool in Texico which Farwell helped to pay for, or one in Farwell which Texico citizens helped to finance, would not be more beneficial to the Twin Cities, than not having one at all?

Texico-Farwell is one community, in spite of having two separate schools and city governments, necessitated because of two states. The quicker we begin to realize that, the better off both towns will be.

We say congratulations to Jess, and we sincerely believe his plan will work. How about you?

T. H. Richey, World War I Veteran, Spent Christmas in Germany in 1918

Of all the Christmases T. H. "Ham" Richey of Texico remembers, December 25, 1918, is one never to be forgotten. Not that anything in particular happened on that day (in fact it was rather quiet), but it was right after the signing of the armistice of World War I, and it was spent in Gillingfield, Germany.

Except for the days when the fighting was going on, this day was not much different than most of the others Richey spent in Germany. "I got plenty of sleep and rest and had a better than usual dinner, the custodian at Texico Schools, recalls.

In spite of the war just ending, Richey describes the Christmas as not being too merry. When the armistice was signed on November 11, Richey had just completed three months of duty on the front lines. He was a machine gunner with Company B of the 344th Battalion in the Texas and Oklahoma 90th division.

"We were all ready to go home after the fighting, but the T & O division had to remain in Germany until the following June. We couldn't understand why the boys who had just arrived in Germany got to return home and we had to stay," he says.

Nevertheless, the extra seven months weren't so bad, because the duty was light and while there, he saw almost all of Germany and part of Belgium. If it hadn't been for getting married several months before shipping over and having just completed three months of fighting he says the stay in Germany would have been much more enjoyable.

Inducted into the army on October 3, 1917, Richey completed his basic training at Camp Travis in San Antonio. He was married to Miss Ola Haven on December 26 of that year, and remained in San Antonio until July, 1918, when he was sent to Germany.

Most of the fighting which Richey took part in was at St. Mihiel and the Argonne Forrest. Of his experiences during the war, the time he went for three days and three nights without food was one of the worst, he recalls.

In hiking one night, his platoon got lost from the kitchen and they were not found until three days and three nights later. When they finally did have some food brought to them, it consisted of canned

beef and light bread, and Richey adds, "It was the best meal I ever ate."

"The first day wasn't bad, but the second day we almost went crazy. By the third day we were used to it and never suffered as much," Richey says.

Each machine gun was manned by a crew of eight and Richey was head gunner of his group. Soon after going into action, the corporal who was head gunner, was killed and Richey, a Pfc., took over and acted as corporal until the war was over. He was discharged a corporal.

"At first we had a mule and wagon to pack the machine gun, but one night a German flare and shell fire caused the mule to go running off with machine gun and all," Richey now laughingly relates, and "from then on, we packed it on our backs." The machine gun and the tripod each weighed about 30 pounds.

"With the regular pack and a machine gun, the load got a little heavy," he adds.

Something else that made the war even worse was the exceptionally cold weather. There was snow on the ground much of the time Richey was there. "At night, with all of my clothes on, an overcoat, a raincoat, and three blankets, I still almost froze to death," he says.

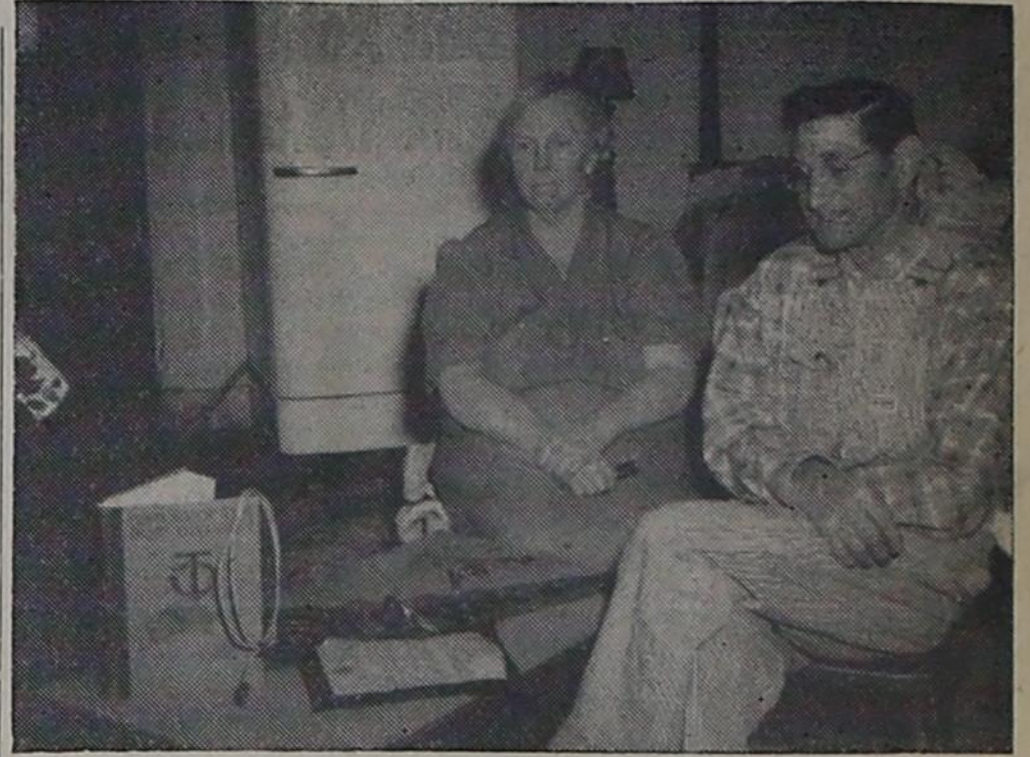
Following the seven month guard duty after the armistice the T & O division sailed for home and docked in Detroit. Richey went to Arkansas and was discharged June 25, 1919.

Prior to going into the service, he farmed with his father at Duncan, Okla., and after receiving his discharge, continued to farm in Oklahoma until coming to Texico in 1926. Richey farmed near Texico until 16 years ago when he moved to town and became custodian at Texico Schools, the job he has held ever since.

Richey says he would probably still be farming if it hadn't been for losing his left hand after getting it caught in a combine. He left the farm soon after the accident.

The Richeys have two daughters and two grandchildren. Both daughters are married, one living in Seattle, Washington, and the other at Belen, N. M.

Like most grandparents, there is nothing quite like their two grand-



WORLD WAR I SOUVENIRS—Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Richey look over the souvenirs he has from World War I. A veteran of the war, Richey served with the Texas and Oklahoma division and spent Christmas in Germany in 1918.

children, and Mr. and Mrs. Richey are looking forward to spending this Christmas with them at Belen.

Morgans To Have Holiday At Home

Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Morgan and Wanda of Texico plan to spend the Christmas holidays at home this year. At least, they will be here Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Also on hand to help them celebrate and have family fellowship together will be three of their daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tidwell and children of Petersburg, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Shockley and daughter of Bovina, and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Watson of Lariat.

McDonald Children To Be With Parents

To have four of their children home for a family get-together on Christmas Eve are the plans of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McDonald for this year's Christmas.

Their sons, Billy, who lives at home, and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McDonald and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Don McDonald and son, all of Lazbuddie, and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy

McDonald and children of Farwell, will all be home for the family tree on the 24th.

Mrs. Sanders Has Christmas By Mail

Mrs. Grace Sanders of Texico has been invited to spend Christmas Day as a guest of her friend, Mrs. Ida Jackson of Clovis. The two women plan a Yule meal together.

Mrs. Sanders has already enjoyed most of her Christmas early. She was remembered by mail by her children, who are all too far away to be home for the holiday.

An American Indian petitioned the court to have his name changed. The judge asked his present name.

"Chief Screeching Train Whistle," he replied.

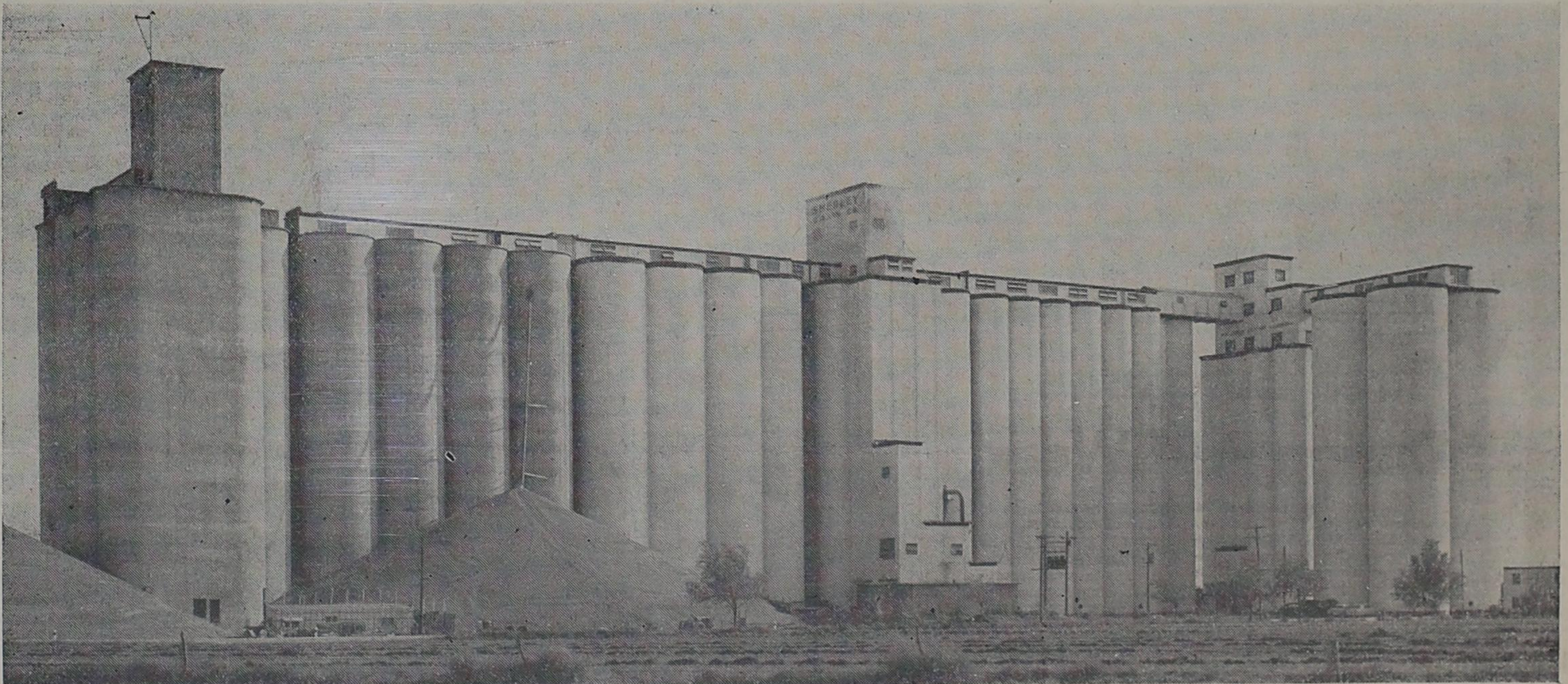
"And what do you want it changed to?" asked the judge.

"Toots," replied the Indian.

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First Christmas In America for Simone

By JEANNE GRAHAM

Mrs. Simone Maignie, a petite and smiling French woman, who for three weeks, has been introduced to numerous people, visited the cities around Farwell, and engaged in a merry-go-round of parties, likes her new home very much. So does her 9-year-old son, Harold, who is now enrolled in the fourth grade here.

Friends of Miss Jo Ann Williams, Simone and Harold pulled up roots in France after over a year of red tape, and came to America under the sponsorship of the Williams family. She and the local girl had become acquainted when Jo Ann was in Europe last year.

"I like the peepul in Farwell!" Simone comments, her English words retaining all the rippling rhythm of the French language. The two arrived just in time to participate in all the holiday planning and activities, and have been swept into the glitter of the season.

Pere Noel, which is Father Christmas in French, is the same old gentleman that Harold saw Saturday afternoon of last week downtown, but over here, he is known as Santa Claus. The name change didn't matter too much to Harold, who has already made known his wish for an air rifle, and a Winky Dink set, the result of watching a certain television show.

Another excitement has been the fun of decorating for Christmas. They think the colored lights and all the decorations are beautiful. Most people do not have Christmas trees and all the tinsel in France, Simone says. They do emphasize the religious themes, with the nativity scene the most popular.

In Germany, it is a different story—Christmas trees are used as a principal Christmas display. Simone has worked for the American Air Force and has been associated with Americans in France for the past few years. She says she has had a Christmas tree for Harold for the past few years.

Harold has already become an integral part of the Williams household. His teacher asked Beulah, Jo Ann's mother, if the youngster called her Grandmother. "No," replied Beulah. "Well, he calls you Grandmother when talking about you at school," the teacher confided.

One of the most noticeable differences in the States and France, according to Simone, is that "the people here are so friendly."

In France, she says, one is not invited to another person's house until the two people are very close friends. Sometimes, it would be six months before an invitation would be given to visit a new friend's house.

And she adds, "In France, you do not 'drop in' to visit a friend on the spur of the moment, you wait until you have been invited."

She likes the informality that exists among friends here. Some things are hard to adjust to, however. "Like calling peepul by the first name the first time you meet hem, oh no!" she exclaims.

This custom would be very poor taste in France, she says, and confides that "it is hard for me to call an older person by the first name." In France, to do such a thing would show a lack of respect.

The change is a little more difficult for Harold in some respects. He is thoroughly enjoying the Christmas activities at school. Children do not have Christmas parties at school in France. Harold thought drawing a name for the exchange of gifts was great fun. His mother says he still says "und" for "and" and several other phrases that are hard for him to pronounce.

In France, boys and girls do not play together unless they live in the same house. Since he finds that boys and girls are friends over here, Harold has "gone daffy over girls," Simone says as she exhibits her American slang.

She further elaborates by explaining that young people don't date as early in France as they do

in the States. Usually, dating begins at about the age of 18, and the young people are usually older and more established before they think of marriage. Parents would be upset if a 15-year-old or 16-year-old wished to date. There are parties for the younger set, but they are always well chaperoned.

Children there do not have the freedom they have in America, and they do not mature as early, she says. They are babied more, and they never "speak out" to their parents.

The progressiveness in Parmer County amazes the young mother. In France, in many places, women are still in the fields with oxen and plow, especially in the small villages. Everything is so mechanized in this farming area that she couldn't believe it. She was almost speechless when she looked across a field, while on a drive, and noticed a guide driven tractor winding its way down the row.

One day last week, Harold came in and was trying to tell Simone something in French. After about three attempts, he explained to Jo Ann, then they realized that he told about a boy at school who had purchased a box of peanuts and found money inside. He was quite impressed, but his mother didn't know what he was talking about. When the confusion was over, he queried, "What's wrong, have you forgotten your French?"

Since meeting her friend again three weeks ago, Simone and Jo Ann have been busy catching up on past events and seeing this country. Their list of activities would stagger the imagination.

Another marked difference in the two countries is topography, and of course, the sunshine. Harold would not go to Clovis with the two women one day, because the sun was shining and he wanted to play outside before it went away and began raining.

The little boy can't imagine going from one state to another without having to show a passport every time the border is crossed. And they didn't have to show identification papers when they registered at a hotel in Washington.

She is learning, but Simone still gets a nickel and a quarter confused, and there are other small difficulties. She feels that having worked with Americans, her adjustment is easier, since she knows a little about the habits, way of living and ways of thinking of the people here.

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She further elaborates by explaining that young people don't date as early in France as they do

in the States. Usually, dating begins at about the age of 18, and the young people are usually older and more established before they think of marriage. Parents would be upset if a 15-year-old or 16-year-old wished to date. There are parties for the younger set, but they are always well chaperoned.

Children there do not have the freedom they have in America, and they do not mature as early, she says. They are babied more, and they never "speak out" to their parents.

The progressiveness in Parmer County amazes the young mother. In France, in many places, women are still in the fields with oxen and plow, especially in the small villages. Everything is so mechanized in this farming area that she couldn't believe it. She was almost speechless when she looked across a field, while on a drive, and noticed a guide driven tractor winding its way down the row.

One day last week, Harold came in and was trying to tell Simone something in French. After about three attempts, he explained to Jo Ann, then they realized that he told about a boy at school who had purchased a box of peanuts and found money inside. He was quite impressed, but his mother didn't know what he was talking about. When the confusion was over, he queried, "What's wrong, have you forgotten your French?"

Since meeting her friend again three weeks ago, Simone and Jo Ann have been busy catching up on past events and seeing this country. Their list of activities would stagger the imagination.

She saw her first football game when Farwell played Stinnett. Jo Ann was there to explain the game, but Simone admits that she just drifted along with the crowd. "If they yelled, I yelled," she says, "and when they boo, I boo too."

It was the first time she and Harold had ever seen a high school band and they commented "you mean, the girls are allowed to play in the band too."

For Thanksgiving, the two had their first taste of dressing, cranberry salad, pumpkin pie, pecan pie and liked all of them, but they didn't care for sweet potatoes. Simone likes Mexican food very much.

She also knows who Elvis Presley is! She fluffed her short jet-black hair, and as her eyes sparkled, commented "See, my haircut is like his."

The visitor has been honored with a coffee by Mrs. Bert Williams and a bridge party and coffee by her hostess. She attended the ex-students banquet on December 1, has attended church here and in Clovis, was a guest at a birthday party for Don Williams recently, and also met many people in Bovina, at a party there.

She has been shopping in Amarillo and Clovis, and doesn't like the American custom of not putting prices on items that are shown in window displays. "I can't tell what they cost until I get in the store," she exclaims. She thinks that the cost on most items would compare with Paris prices, but that Germany would be cheaper. She has visited the new TV station in Clovis, and been through

the newspaper plant there, and has also had a tour of a grain elevator. She assisted in packing treat bags for ESA to be given away when Santa came to Farwell. Also, she was a special guest at the ESA Christmas party.

All in all, she has had a pretty thorough three-week initiation.

Her present plans are to stay in or near Farwell until school is out.

She is already job hunting, and wants to begin the process of naturalization to become an American citizen, as soon as possible. So far, Simone's reaction to America has been a "dream come true."

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

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The Christmas tree and decorations are something new for Simone Maignie, who just recently arrived in America from France. Here, Simone and her friend, Jo Ann Williams, look over the ornaments and packages at the Williams home in Farwell.

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Social Events of Interest

Bovina OES Has Christmas Program

Members of Bovina Order of Eastern Star and their guests met Thursday evening in the Masonic Hall for their annual Christmas program. Mrs. Julia Leake was in charge.

Mrs. Doris Wilson accompanied several members of the Rainbow on the piano as they sang. Among them were Mary Hartsell who sang "White Christmas," Harriette Lou Charles who sang "Suzzy Snow Flake," and "Let It Snow." Also, Kay Leake sang two numbers, "I told Santa Claus To Bring Me You" and "Put Christ Back into Christmas."

Janice Leake and Marilyn Brandon sang "Blue Christmas" and "Silver Bells."

Refreshments of fruit cake, whipped cream and coffee were served from a table overlaid with white. The centerpiece was a pink yule-log with pink tapers and greenery down the center of the table.

Mrs. Jewel Tabor, Mrs. Maude Trimble, and Mrs. Margart Charles were hostesses.

Slumber Party At Christian Home

A slumber party in observance of her birthday was given Wednesday night by Miss Belva Christian at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Christian.

The group of girls enjoyed a supper of Mexican food and then enjoyed a Christmas caroling tour with a group of youngsters from the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church.

Attending besides the hostess and her parents were Misses Faye Routon, Jo Anne Schell, Betty Dollar, Juanita Range, Pat Sprows, Wilma Norton, Joyce Routon and Martha and Marian Smith.

Texico People to Have Abernathy Holiday

Mrs. Jim Moore and Jimmy, and Mrs. Mildred Burns and two children have made plans to spend their Christmas holidays in Abernathy at the home of Mrs. Moore's daughter and Mildred's sister and family, the Billy Bob Draces. They were to leave Texico Sunday and planned to return Christmas night.

Jim's Cafe, operated by Mrs. Moore, will be closed during this week. The doors were to close Saturday night and the business will be re-opened about January 1. During the week, a general clean-up

paint-up, fix-up is scheduled for the interior of the business.

Aunt Molly Smith, mother of Mrs. Moore, who is well-known here, will be with the family in Abernathy also. Mrs. Smith is from Hale Center.

Another Texico resident to be a guest of the Draces for Christmas is Mrs. J. H. Ross.

Billie Heckman To Silverton

Miss Billie Fay Heckman left during the weekend for Silverton where she will enjoy a holiday visit with relatives until Tuesday of next week.

A special get-together for Billie's family is planned for Christmas Eve night at the home of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ellis and children.

Range Children Are Home For Holidays

Mr. and Mrs. John Range will have their three college students home with them for the holidays. Their daughter, Carla Beth, who is a student at Baylor, arrived last Thursday night to visit with her parents. Also arriving home with Carla for the holidays with her parents was her fiance, J. W. Perry of Tulsa, Okla.

Jesse and Irby, twin sons of the Ranges, arrived home from Tech where they are freshmen, on Friday afternoon. The Ranges will have their family Christmas get-together on Christmas Day.

Heltons Plan Trip To Amarillo

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Helton and Hal Ed of Texico are planning a holiday trip to Amarillo to be with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Whatley, for Christmas.

The Heltons will leave here December 24 and will visit there until Wednesday, December 28, with her parents and her brother and family. Mr. and Mrs. Troy Whatley of Tucumcari, N. M., who will also be in Amarillo for the holidays.

Getz Family To Remain At Home

The John Getz family is planning to spend this holiday season at home. John, Joann and son, Mike, along with John's mother, Mrs. Theresa Getz of Clovis, will enjoy their gift exchange on Christmas Eve night. Mrs. Getz will also be with the local family for the traditional Christmas dinner on Christmas Day.

Varied Activities On Schedule For Local People

Guests in the home of Mrs. Ethel Thomas over the holidays are Mr. and Mrs. Keith Levy, Jan and Tommy, of Elk City, Okla. They were to arrive Friday and plan to remain through Christmas. Mrs. Levy is a daughter of Mrs. Thomas.

On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. James Hobbs and children of Lovington, N. M., were to be here, and the entire group planned to go to Muleshoe Sunday to have an early Christmas with Mrs. W. H. Kistler, mother of Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Hobbs.

Christmas Day, the Levys and Mrs. Thomas are to be in Floydada as guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Arwine. Mrs. Arwine is a sister of the late Mr. Thomas. Another sister, Mrs. Ruth Reynolds of Ft. Worth, is to meet the local people in Floydada.

Loyd Cains To Spend Holiday At Home

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Cain and son, Corkey, will spend the Christmas holidays at home this year as Loyd has to work on Christmas Day. Loyd, who works at the depot, says "well, the mail must go through," so he must work.

At the time he was interviewed, Loyd said they had no plans for visiting relatives or for anyone visiting them.

Keiths to Andrews For Holiday Season

Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Keith and sons, Robert and Jimmy, were to leave Monday morning for Andrews where they will be holiday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Keith.

The local family also plans to visit with friends and relatives near Lamesa before returning home Thursday or Friday.

Stocktons To Have Dinner Here Sunday

A family dinner for her brothers and sisters is on the schedule at the C. B. Stockton home in Texico for the holiday weekend.

Planning to be here Sunday for a Christmas dinner with the Stocktons as host and hostess were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lofton and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thompkins and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Vaughan and Mr. and Mrs. Hollie Vaughan, all of Rosedale, N. M., Chester Vaughan of Clarendon, Tex., and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vaughan of Hereford.

On Christmas Day, the Stocktons will be guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Stockton, at their home in Forrest, N. M. The local family plans to spend only one day at Forrest.

Spurlins Plan For Family Get-Together

Not all of their children will be home for the occasion this year, but Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Spurlin plan to have a Christmas get-together as usual on Christmas Eve. Christmas dinner will be served and they will enjoy exchanging gifts.

Planning to be here with their parents for the occasion on the 24th are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hardage, Mr. and Mrs. James Spurlin, and Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Penn and Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Spurlin and daughter, all of Amarillo.

Couple Plans Trip To Visit Relatives

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Jones are planning a trip to Oklahoma to visit his sister and other relatives during the latter part of the holidays. But first, they will enjoy a Yuletide get-together with her children and families, including Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Hightower of Portales, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Henneman and daughter of Amarillo, Ronny Dial of Portales, and Benjy Dial of the home.

A Christmas dinner has been planned by the group for the evening of December 25. Also planning to visit sometime during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Jones and family is Miss LaQuita Fort of Tatum, N. M.



Four generations of the W. A. Doshier family were on hand recently to celebrate the 80th birthday of Mr. Doshier. Pictured are the honor guest; his son, Lee Doshier; his granddaughter, Mrs. Bobby Blair; and his great-granddaughter, Pamela Blair.

Former Resident Has 80th Birthday

Four generations of W. A. Doshier's family were on hand to help the former Texico resident celebrate his 80th birthday on Friday, December 7, at his home in Tipton, Okla.

Doshier was a Texico resident from 1919 to 1934. His son, Lee Doshier and family, still make their home here. Another relative of Mr. Doshier who lives here is Mrs. Tennie Doshier of Farwell, who is his daughter-in-law.

Present for the recent celebration in Tipton were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Doshier and sons, and their daughter, Mrs. Bobby Blair and her children, and Bobby Joe Pennergrass, all of this area; and Rufe and Elmo Doshier and Mrs. Doc Collier, all of Tipton.

Plans Are Indefinite All Because of Mumps

Christmas plans were indefinite for the Wilfred Quickels Tuesday of last week, with their plans depending on the condition of Wilfred's brother-in-law who is suffering from the mumps.

Elman Stark, husband of Dottie Quickel, is recuperating from the disease at his home in Lubbock. Darrell, son of Dottie and Elman, was the first to have the mumps and his father contacted them from him.

If Elman is well, the families will spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ike Quickel in Bovina. Otherwise, plans are indefinite.

Wilfred and Dorothy and two children, Teresa and Bill, will also spend some time during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Thornton.

Texico WMU Has Bible Study

Mrs. D. J. Brown, president of the Texico Woman's Missionary Union, taught the study at Wednesday's meeting which was held at the church.

Wednesday's study was about the life of Christ from his birth to his death on Calvary.

The group also brought treats for the Girls Auxiliary members to distribute to worthy families in the community.

Attending the WMU meeting were Mrs. Brown, Mrs. B. A. Kelley, Mrs. S. G. Billington, Mrs. J. O. Ford, Mrs. C. C. Morgan, and Mrs. Ed Henry.

Jeanne says Merry Christmas.

TO VERNON

Friends of Jess and Mona Coburn of Texico report that the Coburns will spend Christmas in Vernon, Texas. Their plans are to be guests of his parents there.

Danforths Will Visit In Morton

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Danforth, D'Rene and Hap will visit Mrs. Danforth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Rogers, at their home in Morton on Christmas Day.

The Danforths plan to spend Christmas Eve at their home in Texico and will only be in Morton for the one day.

Sister Will Visit Here

Miss Jo Terrell of Dallas, sister of James Terrell of Farwell, will visit here during the Christmas week with Mr. and Mrs. Terrell, Jimmy and Becky.

Miss Terrell plans to arrive here on Wednesday after Christmas Day, and the local family will enjoy a quiet Christmas Eve together.

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Local Residents To Have Family Dinner

Several local families will gather with other members of their family on Christmas Day to have dinner together at the home of their parents.

The big family dinner is to be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barker Sr. in Friona. And family members who will be there for the occasion include Mr. and Mrs. Weedy Coffman and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moss and children, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Langford and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barker Jr. and children, all of Texico-Farwell vicinity, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Widener and family of Las Cruces, N. M., and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Harrelson and family of Clarendon.

Mrs. C. C. Morgan accompanied her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Watson, on a trip to Amarillo on Thursday.

Mrs. Young Arrives From California

Mrs. Homer Young of Downey, Calif., arrived Wednesday afternoon to spend the holiday season with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Noble Goldsmith. She plans to remain here until after the first of the year.

The brother and sister hadn't seen one another for three or four years.

Fern Tipton Is Hostess To Party

Miss Fern Tipton was hostess to members of her Sunday School class for a Christmas party and gift exchange on Tuesday night of last week. Refreshments of treat sacks were given to the children.

Attending were Pam and Callayla Roberts, Janice and David Meeks, Vicki Spurlin, Van Crume, Lana Gay Mahaney and the hostess and her mother, Mrs. P. M. Tipton.

To Have Children Here For Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Randol are planning to have all of their children except one daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Schreier of Fort Worth, home for the family Christmas tree on Christmas Eve night.

Plans now are for the group to go to Littlefield on Christmas Day to enjoy Christmas dinner at the home of another daughter and family, Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Fain.

Junior G. A. Group Enjoys Caroling Party

Members of the Junior Girls' Auxiliary of the Texico Baptist Church met with their leader, Mrs. Gorman Byrd, at the church Wednesday night for their Christmas social.

The group packed treats for worthy families in the community and then distributed the baskets and entertained the families with

Christmas carols. Treats for the baskets were brought by members of the WMU.

The girls visited with Mr. and Mrs. John Doose, Mrs. Nicewarner, Mr. and Mrs. Dillahey, R. B. Shanks, Miss Laura Temple, Mrs. Ruby Dixon, Mrs. J. C. Temple, and Mrs. Hattie Gerles during the evening.

They then returned to the church where they were served refreshments of hot chocolate and cookies.

Attending besides the leader were Misses Anita Watts, Beth Ellen Peyton, Wanda Morgan, Jean Morris, Rosie Arnold, Ellen Cailouet, Eileen Morin, Peggy Taylor, and Betty Ruth Lockhart.

Son Home For Yuletide Holiday

Allen Lockhart, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lockhart, arrived home Saturday to spend part of the Christmas holidays with his family. Allen, who is working at Williams, Ariz., also brought a friend, Bobby Dean, to his parents' home for the Christmas get-together.

Mrs. Lockhart reported that Allen and his friend would probably return to Arizona on Christmas Day and that the family had no other special plans for the season.

Planning to have Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Terrell, Jimmy and Becky, are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Taylor and children of Friona.

Smarts To Spend California Holiday

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Smart were looking forward to Christmas in California, when interviewed last week, for a story in this issue.

Their plans were to leave Sunday for Los Angeles, where they will visit a family friend, Rev. Ray Boatright and his family. While there, they hope to visit Disneyland, and to see the Parade of Roses on New Year's Day.

Holiday Get-Together At E. J. Keith Home

A Christmas get-together for the young adult training union department of First Baptist Church, Farwell, was held at the church parsonage Thursday night.

Those present enjoyed playing games and singing carols. Refreshments of cake, hot chocolate, coffee, nuts, and candy were served.

Juniors Feted At Party Monday Night

Junior Sunday school and training union members met for their Christmas party at the Texico Baptist Church on Monday evening of last week.

Sponsors for the Yuletide social were Mr. and Mrs. Leon London, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tharp, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Watts, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Burris, and Mr. and Mrs.

Frank Seale.

Refreshments of apples and hard Christmas candy were served to the group after several games had been played.

Among those present for the party and gift exchange were LaJune and Wanda Rae Burris, Mary Lee and Carmelita Doshier, Carol Bell, Jean Hadley, Jody Doshier, Carol White, Judy Tharp, Jean Morris, Kathy White, Kay Hall, Beth Ellen Peyton, Betty Ruth Lockhart, Leon Kelley, Kenneth Bowers, Alan Taylor, Lynn Doshier, Wayne and James Watts, and Larry Doshier.

Fergusons To Be At Grier Dec. 25

Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Ferguson are planning to spend Christmas Day at the home of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Willis and son, Frank, at Grier, N. M. Also there for the Christmas day dinner will be Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDaniel, parents of Mrs. Willis and Mrs. Ferguson.

Other tentative plans for the Fergusons include a short trip to Oklahoma City to see his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ferguson, former Texico residents.



"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder;"

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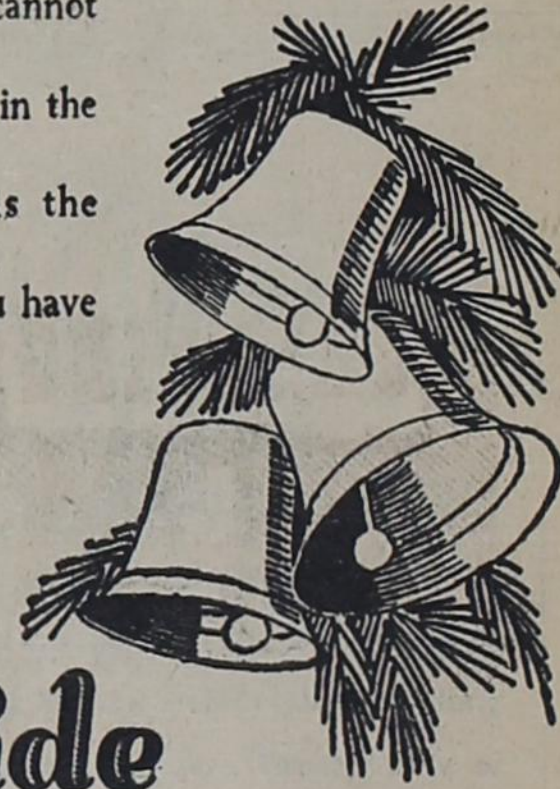
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Grade Classes Have Christmas Parties

Christmas! Christmas! Christmas is the main topic of conversation in the lower grades, as well as other grades, these last days of school before vacation. Parties are being planned, Christmas decorations are being hung, and trees are getting decorated.

First graders in Mrs. Faville's room have their tree up and decorated with pretty little decorations. Santa Clauses, bells, and Christmas trees are very prettily arranged on the top edge of their chalkboards. Singing angels and Santa Clauses are the decorations on the windows. They also have a beautiful centerpiece featuring the traditional red and green on the book shelves. The bulletin board is a favorite place in the room which displays all the latest Christmas drawings by the children. Mothers helping with the Christmas party are Mrs. Roscoe Burris and Mrs. Buddy Pearce.

Mrs. Loren Wilson, Mrs. Edward Combs, and Mrs. L. R. Travis are the mothers helping Mrs. Weisler with her first grade party. They, too, have their room decorated with the main point of interest, the Christmas tree. Red stockings set off the green chalkboards with a real Christmas effect. The windows and bulletin board feature gold and white angels, and small Christmas trees trimmed in gold. Last week, Mrs. Byrd's fourth grade drew names and made decorations for their room. The main feature of this class is a large picture on the bulletin board depicting the wise men in search of the child Jesus. Decorations on the windows are kneeling angels.

Mothers helping Mrs. Byrd with the party are Mrs. Frank Doshier, Mrs. Guy Cohee, Mrs. Tommy Franks, Mrs. J. T. Morris, Mrs. W. D. Wakefield, Mrs. Louie Warren, and Mrs. Lloyd Woodward.

Christmas excitement and anticipation holds full sway in Mrs. Patterson's fourth grade. The children have been very busy making various things for the room, and decorating the Christmas tree. Mrs. T. J. Tipton, Mrs. Johnny Chappel, and Mrs. Everett Autrey are the mothers helping with the Christmas party. The Christmas centerpiece on the bookshelves is Santa Claus and his eight reindeer. Old St. Nick is also featured along the top edge of the chalkboards. Christmas bells decorate the windows and the top edge of another board.

Five second grade room mothers helping Mrs. Stockton with their

party are Mrs. John Burford, Mrs. C. H. Webb, Mrs. Grayson Roberts, Mrs. Jimmy Weatherford, and Mrs. Mercilee Stewart. A Christmas centerpiece on the bookshelves pictures a manger scene and the three wise men. On the bulletin board are small cut-out Christmas trees featuring the names of the students.

Christmas bells and trees set off the green chalkboards with the holiday colors. The children have also made Christmas booklets to give their parents. These booklets feature angels on the front outlined in spatter paint.

Santa Clauses, reindeer, and Christmas trees decorate the front chalkboard in Mrs. Miller's second grade room. A manger scene is on one side of the room with the decorated Christmas tree in front. The bulletin board is similar to the other second grade with names of the students on the cut-out Christmas trees. The centerpiece on the bookshelves is a large pine cone decorated like a Christmas tree. Mothers helping with the party are Mrs. Morgan Billington, Mrs. Dick Doshier, and Mrs. Billy J. Dunn.

Mrs. Seale's third grade drew names for Christmas, and have their Christmas tree decorated. The top edge of the chalkboards are decorated with reindeer, Christmas trees, and angels. The window decorations feature the three wise men taking gifts to the baby Jesus. Mothers helping with the Christmas party are Mrs. James Goolsby, Mrs. Clarence Smith, and Mrs. Emanuel Miles.

Party Ends Twirp Season

Ending the 1956-57 "twirp season" was a "twirp" party sponsored by the Student Council and given for high school students Friday night in the old auditorium.

Sixty-six students turned out for this party at which games were played, prizes given, and refreshments served.

Winning first prize for having "twirped" the most boys was Glenda Weisler, senior.

Refreshments consisted of punch, ice cream, and a sheet cake iced in green and white with "Twirp Season 1956-57" as decoration on it.

Student Council reports show that this year's "twirp season" was a great success.

Commenting

With Carolyn

THS was sporting an unusual (but wonderful) look last Monday as the boys opened doors, carried books, and dutifully obeyed the commands of the girls. Oh yes, the girls had to pay for these services! The high school boys were sold at a slave auction in a Monday morning assembly which started Twirp Week.

A special service was conducted Sunday morning at the Texico Baptist Church when the Texico FFA Chapter attended in a group. The boys really looked impressive in their new blue and gold jackets, white shirts and official FFA ties. The ties and jackets arrived last week just in time for the Club's group picture for the annual. There is only one word for their appearance—"classy."

This week two important events are vying for first place attention in our thoughts—the Christmas season and semester tests. Mixing them together you might come up with something like this:

'Twas the day before semester tests

When all through the school Every creature was studying Trying to learn every rule.

The pupils were concentrating as they read,

While visions of tests danced in their heads.

The students silently offered to pray, In hopes that the teacher would give them an "A."

From The Wolverine's Tale: Merry Christmas, and see ya' next year. Carolyn.

SENIOR PERSONALITY

—Dick Lockhart—

By Joyce Gillean

Dick Lockhart, the handsome and popular 17 year-old-son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lockhart, is this week's senior personality.

Dick has attended school at Texico for 12 years and has been very good in all of his subjects, making the honor roll for almost all the six weeks periods.

He has been very busy in school, but has still found time to be friends with everyone and lend a helping hand to anyone he could. For these reasons he has received many honors in his high school years. Among these were being elected most handsome boy of Texico School, FHA Prince Charming, delegate to Boys' State, class favorite, best all-around, best personality, and most popular boy in high school.

Dick has a full schedule this year as he is enrolled in solid geometry, typing, speech, English III, and American Government. He is also active in all sports.

Clubs he is in include Business Education Club, of which he is president; Press Club, student council, band, and FFA, being reporter of this club. He is a strong member of student council and will be one of their representatives at the State Student Council Meeting at Los Alamos.

When asked about his favorites he stated them as follows:

- Subject: Typing
 - Teacher: Mr. Frederick
 - Actor: Jerry Lewis
 - Actress: June Allyson
 - Song: Stardust
 - Place to go: Drive Inn
 - Food: Hamburger
 - Hobby: Model Airplanes
 - Pet Peeves: Cars that will not dim their lights at night.
- At the completion of high school, Dick is planning to enter college at Albuquerque.

Christmas Spirit High In Sixth Grade

Highlight of the sixth grade room is the Christmas tree. To help the feeling of the Christmas spirit, camels and reindeer cut-outs are pasted to the windows. Angels

SEASON'S GREETINGS WITH REGARDS AND BEST WISHES TO ALL



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Border Salvage Co. Jones Bros. Texico, N. Mex.

and stars are strewn along the side and miniature cities deck the front of the room. Double bells hang from the light string in the center, and a picture of the baby in the manger adorns the bulletin board.

Jeness Weisler reports the class is happy to see Linda Palmateer, who has been ill, back in school. Room mothers—Mrs. Joe Helton, chairman, Mrs. M. L. Brown, Mrs. J. M. White, and Mrs. J. J. Hudson—are sponsoring the Christmas party at 1:00 o'clock Friday afternoon. The class will enjoy treats, play games, and distribute gifts.

EDITORIAL

Christmas, In Its True Meaning

Audrey Hapke

What does Christmas mean to you? Does it mean you will have a hard time finding a parking place while shopping? Or are you looking forward to the many gifts you will receive?

Many of us are guilty of this. We do not realize that the spirit of Christmas is giving instead of receiving. The only way we can describe Christmas is to say that it is just an exchange of gifts, which is true, because there are so many people who will not give anyone a gift unless they think they have to, because maybe for some reason they know that that person is giving them a gift.

Christmas has changed since the last generation. Then, when a person thought of Christmas, they thought only of its being Christ's birthday. Their selection of Christmas songs referred to a star which drew the attention of the wise men; or Bethlehem, a city in Jerusalem where Christ was born. Have you ever heard the expres-

sion, "He's as slow as Christmas"? How could anyone think Christmas is slow when Santa Claus appears in the middle of the summer and from then on to December 25 merchants advertise their wares to fill every material need a person might have.

Christmas has been commercialized so much that no one really enjoys it. Every day you hear someone say, "I'll be glad when Christmas is over and everything gets back to normal again." Wouldn't it be so much better if everyone could say, "This has been a blessed, peaceful day. Thank thee oh, Lord?"

LOWER GRADES REPORT ILLNESS; NEW STUDENTS

Illness is keeping three fourth grade boys from school this week. They are Jerry Don Hudson, Wayne Watts, and Jimmy Stallings.

Those having perfect attendance in the fourth grade since the beginning of school this year are Lanny Doshier, Floyd Morris, Esther Thatcher, and Jimmy Wakefield.

Second and fourth graders are sorry to lose Lillie Mae and Lena Mae Grindle, who have just recently moved to Roswell.

Those on the third grade sick list for the last week were Larry Don Fought, Sondra Lawson, Ricky Richardson, Marilyn Doshier, and Billy Curtis.

New students in the second grade are Jimmy Thompson and Kenneth Sprayberry from Farwell. Serena Smith from Farmington and Barbara Anderson from Lazbuddie are new students in the third grade.

First graders in Mrs. Weisler's room welcome a new student from Lazbuddie. He is A. J. Anderson.

Parmer County is one of Texas' leading agricultural counties.

That's Choral Reading?

By BETTY PENDERGRASS

During the past week, the speech class having only eight members began "choral reading," using the term loosely.

This particular class has a reputation for never having a dull moment. Choral reading may not be an original idea, but with these students working on the project, it has certainly become unique.

To understand this phase of speech you will need to know a little about the members of the organization.

Alex Brown has a slow, deep, bass voice, but even if his voice is slow and drawing, he usually makes up for it with volume.

Rebecca Richardson is almost in complete opposition with Alex, having such a light voice she can hardly be heard above the booming bass voices. That isn't too hard to overlook though when you see what wonderful ability Rebecca has for reading rapidly!

Another member of speech is Dick Lockhart. The characteristic which makes him different is the fact that he reads slightly faster than Alex, lending a zigzag motion to choral reading.

Joe Glaze is the one which you have to listen intently to hear. Since the book said to blend your voice with the other voices, Joe has a tough time trying to decide which voice to blend with.

Audrey Hapke usually takes the sensible approach, getting in only about the last three words to each line. Thus she doesn't make any mistakes with the part she does read.

Another interesting student in this class is Weldon Bell. His voice is smooth and well modulated, even after all the other voices

have stopped. Susan Levins is the emotional member of this class. Before any selection is finished Susan is usually in tears or giggles.

If one had walked into this classroom last Thursday, he would have been shocked speechless. Half the students were beating a tomtom rhythm, while the others were reading "The Navajo Death Chant." At any rate it sounded like a funeral when the class was finished!

Honor Roll Is Released

Released from the principal's office last week was the high school honor roll.

Representing the twelfth grade are Carolyn Curd, Mikala Faville, Joyce Gillean, Susan Levins, Dick Lockhart, Betty Pendergrass, and Verlene Thigpen.

Those from the eleventh grade are Johnny Brown, D. E. Hammit, Jerry Henson, Jerry King, Bobby Patterson, and Rebecca Richardson.

David Lockhart and Monte Singletary were the lucky ones from the tenth grade.

Ninth grade students on the list include Joanne Brown, Phyllis Kelley, Mary McDaniel and Connie Tharp.

Teen Tales

By Mikala Faville

A freshman girl told me about her Christmas when she was a six-year-old. It seems that she became anxious and somehow managed to get into the living room where all the presents and the Christmas tree were. She wanted to get a sneak preview of her Christmas gifts, and there discovered a set of "real cowboy guns." among the

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1—MM 4-row Knifing Attachment	45—3-in. Irrigation Tubes
1—4-row Stalk Cutter	40—2-in. Irrigation Tubes
1—12-ft. A. C. Tandem Disc	4—Steel Stops
1—12-ft. IHC Oneway	6—Canvas Dams
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1—10-ft. Jeffery Plow with hydraulic lift	1—Set of Gauge Wheels
1—Furrow Guide	1—Carbide Tank with 100 lbs. Carbide
4—MM Disc Openers	1—Small Butane Bottle
1—Hudson front end marker	1—Butane Tank for Farmall
1—Set cotton scales	1—Butane Weed Burner
1—Extra good 4-bale trailer with grain bed	1—Small Fertilizer Spreader
1—8-ft. Ferguson Hay Rake, nearly new	1—Air Compressor with gas motor
	50—Bales of Soybeans
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At Christmastime our thoughts again go out to our friends. May we express the wish that your Christmas radiate warmth and happiness in your hearts? May you have the sort of Christmas you hope it will be.



SHEETS AND SON WELDING AND BLACKSMITHING Texico, N. M.

ENMU Sports Classic To Begin Thursday

PORTALES, (Special)—Four basketball games daily will be featured in the ninth annual Sunshine Basketball tournament at the Eastern New Mexico University gym Dec. 27-29.

The holiday classic will present eight college teams from eight states in afternoon and night doubleheaders. Two games will be played in the afternoon beginning at 2 p. m. while the night double bill starts at 7:15.

An NAIA approved tourney, the holiday event has become one of the top Christmas basketball attractions throughout the Southwest and Middlewest.

Representing Indiana will be the Ravens of Anderson College, coached by Bob Macholtz, making their first appearance in the Sunshine tourney.

Another new participant will be Coach Chuck Finley's Mississippi Southern quint, one of the tallest teams in the South. Although this is the Southerners first trip to Portales, Finley is well known in

New Mexico, having coached at Socorro, Hobbs, and New Mexico Mines.

Two other newcomers are Coach Jack McIntire's Peru Nebraska State Bobcats and Colorado State College of Greeley, coached by John Bunn.

From Kansas and the Central Collegiate conference will be a former champion—Fort Hays State Tigers, winners in 1954. Coached by Cade Suran, the Tigers failed to win a game in the event last winter.

Back for a second appearance after winning fourth place in 1954 will be Coach Dewey Allgood's Missouri Mines team. The Miners from Rolla, Mo., will bring eight lettermen from last year's outfit.

Appearing for their ninth time will be Rankin Williams' Southwestern Oklahoma Bulldogs of Weatherford. Southwestern has won the tourney twice and took third place last season over the hosts, ENMU Greyhounds.

want a pool table, a machine gun that sets on the floor, and an electric train. Bring Cynthia a doll and teddy bear. Thank you very much.

Larry Combs

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a miner's suit and cap with a headlight; candy, fruit and gum; and a surprise. Please remember all the other boys and girls as well as my sisters Roxane and Alison, and cousins, Mike and Terry.

Love,
Karl Travis

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bon-ton, and I want some socks, dresses, pants, hat and two pair of shoes for my walk-in doll, Phyllis. She is 22 inches tall. Also bring me a Bible.

Santa, we don't have a chimney, so you can use the back door. Our address is 600 Turner Street, Texico, N. M.

Love,
Diana

Dear Santa,
I am six years old and I am in the first grade. Please bring me a tiny tears doll, a doll crib, and a (24 in.) bicycle. I have been a nice girl.

Love,
Michelle Price

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a cowboy hat and two gun shooters and holsters. I want a bicycle and a cowboy belt.

Roddy Pearce

Dear Santa Claus,
This is my first year in school and I like it very much. My teacher's name is Mrs. Faville. I would like to have a cute doll and a doll buggy. Please don't forget the other girls and boys in my room.

Love to you,
Judy Kay Walton

Dear Santa Claus,
I'm Nita, and I want a blanket, a toy ice box, coffee pot, dishes, a doll, a dolly suitcase, a broom and mop, a red dust pan, and a

gun and holster set. Part of these are for my little sisters and brothers.

Thank you,
Nita Newton

P.S. I have been a good girl as you know, for mother says you watch all the time. Thank you again and Merry Christmas, Santa Claus.

Bore: "Talking about Africa makes me think of the time..."
Blackwell: "Good gracious, you're quite right. I had no idea it was so late. Goodbye."

Wolverine—
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other gaily wrapped presents. Having wanted those guns for a long time, she was extremely happy to find them, and when her boyfriend gave her a scout knife, she was absolutely overjoyed!

From "Teen-Topics" came the idea that "Christmas is like a rollicking tune on the hit parade—

it gets in your bones!"

A recipe for Christmas happiness found in the "Hotpoint Institute" may add to your Christmas spirit.

"A cup full of blessings,
Of cheer a full measure
A small pinch of care
Add 6 ounces of pleasure.
A hand full of gladness,
Plus 2 of delight,
Stir in some true rapture
And warm 'till just right.
Now take from the oven
Top it thickly and well
With an icing of friendship
To serve this Noel!"

Merry Christmas to you!

Boys Sold In Slave Auction

In a special assembly Monday morning, approximately 20 boys were sold in a slave auction. Proceeds from this were used for refreshments for the twirp party Friday night. With Agrie Jones as auctioneer and high school girls as bidders the money came rolling

in. Boys were judged according to their willingness to work and handsomeness, weight and strength.

Bringing the highest prices were Joe Glaze, Buddy Spears, and Crayton Weisler. The buying list of these gentlemen were Anita Watts, Melba Doshier and Judy Adams.

Proceeds amounted to \$20 and the students had an enjoyable time at the party.

Fifth Graders Learn Painting

At present the fifth grade group is learning the art of water-coloring. Most of the students are interested in painting landscapes.

Tuesday afternoon, the room mothers, Mrs. Paul Skaggs, Mrs. Lloyd Neice, Mrs. Grayson Roberts, and Mrs. John Hill, met and planned the class Christmas party for Friday.

Decorations for this room are of a red, white, green combination of Christmas trees and Santa Clauses with chains looped along windows.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bicycle, a bride doll, a set of dishes, a can-can and a piano.

Deborah Doolittle

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl five years old. I want a walking doll with some clothes and anything else you want to bring.

Be sure to remember all the other little children. I love you and Mrs. Santa.

Thank you,
Zadene Burris

Dear Old Santa,
Please bring me a two wheel bike and a Revelon doll with high heels. I'd like also for you to bring my little brother lots of cowboy stuff and a rifle, and my sister, Peggy something nice to play with. And Santa, don't forget all the other little children around the world and my Momie and Daddy. I'll see you in the stores.

Love,
Patricia Thompson

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me an electric train for Christmas? I have been a good boy.

Thank you, Santa,
Russell McCullough

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a big doll and a suitcase of clothes to go with it. I want my brother to get a bicycle, my sister to get a doll buggy and doll, and get my two sisters a rubber doll a piece. Bring us some candy and nuts and give all the other kids a bunch too.

Kathy

Dear Santa,
I am six years old. I want a bicycle, boots and hat, some little toys and I will be good. And please don't let there be a war. I hope all the other little children have a good Christmas too.

Love to Santa,
from Sonny Cohee
P.S. I hope you know where I live.

Dear Santa,
Just a few lines to say "hello" to you. I want a coat and a doll for Christmas. I have been a good girl.

Dorothy Gene Gilbert

Dear Santa,
My name is Irene. I am eight years old. I have a little sister and her name is Susan. She is six years old.

Please bring me a magic fairy

princess doll and a book about Heidi. I want an Annie Oakley outfit and Susan wants a beauty kit and a tiny tears doll.

Please remember all the other boys and girls around the world.

With love,
Irene Thornton
Bovina, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl four years old. I would like a tiny tears dollie for Christmas and a little bed for her to sleep in. Santa, I hope you and Mrs. Claus have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Remember all the other little boys and girls. See you soon.

Love you lots,
Gwendolyn Rundell

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy four years old. I guess I have been about as good as the average boy. Please bring me a John Deere tractor with equipment.

Be good to all little boys and girls.

I love you,
Doyle Crim

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl eight years old. I would like for you to bring me a doll bed, a set of dishes, doll clothes and doll.

I love you,
Joyce Kay

Dear Santa,
Just a few lines to say hello to you. Santa, I want a coat and a doll for Christmas, and I will be a good girl.

Helen Fay Gilbert

Dear Santa Claus,
I've been a good boy. Bring me a diesel truck that hauls cars.

Randall

Dear Santa Claus,
I'd like to have for Christmas a bicycle, some candy and nuts, a baseball. I'd like for my sister to have a doll and some candy for Christmas. And I hope Santa Claus has a merry Christmas too.

Paul

Dear Santa,
I want a doll for Christmas and some doll clothes. I also want a set of play dishes.

Janet

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade. I try to be a good boy. I want a paint set and a color book.

Gregory

Dear Santa,
I am a boy six years old and I

GIVEN AWAY

Saturday, January 12

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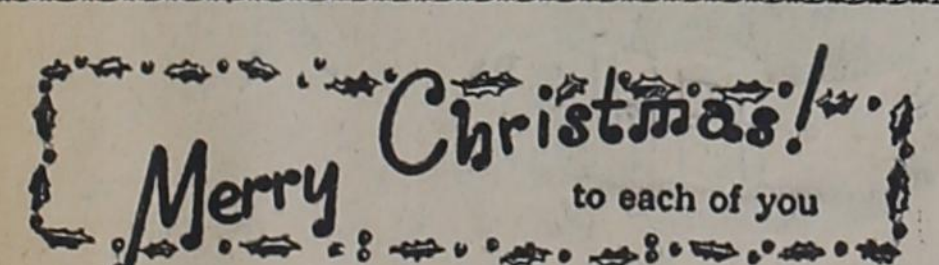
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Melrose Wins Three From Farwell Friday

Farwell played the perfect host Friday night when three Melrose basketball teams came to town. The Buffaloes trimmed the Steers 65-43, the Melrose girls topped the local lasses 51-36, and the boys B team nipped Farwell 22-20.

In the feature attraction, the Buffaloes jumped to a 4-0 lead and trailed at only one point in the game, that being midway through the first quarter when the Steers momentarily took a 10-8 advantage. The visiting cagers dunked two free throws and three field baskets in the closing seconds of the period to hold a 16-11 lead as the quarter ended.

The Buffs turned on the steam in the early stages of the second

quarter, taking a 24-13 lead before the Steers rallied for six points to narrow the gap to 24-19. Melrose then added four while the Steers hit one field basket to make the half time score 28-21.

In the third quarter Farwell kept pace with the sharp-shooting visitors most of the way, but the Buffaloes increased their lead to 45-35 as the quarter ended.

Farwell could manage only 8 points in the final stanza as the Buffs turned on the steam, capping 20. The Melrose attack was led by Cast, who connected for 28 points.

For Farwell, Alan Price had 13, David Willard 11, Johnny Lovelace and Derrell Garner, 8 each.

In the girls game, Melrose built up a 16-10 lead in the first quarter which they never relinquished.

Farwell matched the visitors' 10-point output in the second quarter, trailing 26-20 at the midway point. In the last half, Melrose gradually increased its lead, outscoring the locals by five points in the third quarter, and four points in the final period.

Carol Ann Reagan was the leading scorer of the game, getting 25. She was followed closely by her teammate, Teresa Ellard, who scored 21.

For the local girls, Doris Roland and Angela Williams each accounted for 7, Betty Smart 6, and Mary Ann Walls 5.

In the preliminary game, it was an exceptionally cold first half for the local B boys as they scored only 3 points to the visitors' 12. In the third quarter they matched Melrose's 6 points, and an 11-point fourth quarter almost tied the game. The rally fell short and the locals lost by a 20-22 count.

Doug Tucker led the Farwell team with 8 points and Langham had 9 for Melrose.

The games closed out the 1956 schedule for Farwell and it will be January 1 when the local cagers see action again, playing Lazbuddie here.

around the pool a maximum of three feet. This would make the pool 8½ feet deep, up to two feet at the shallow end. Have 50 to 100 volunteer workers with picks and shovels to true the sides and ends, which will be one side of the forms. Then, install forms, reinforcing steel, and run the concrete.

"The concrete could be poured in a short time by two to four Ford tractors with front-end loaders, several good-size cement mixers, and 50 men willing to work," Landrum says.

The sand and gravel can be hauled from the Portales gravel pit by farmers and townspeople who own trucks. "Most any bob-tail truck can haul about four yards of sand or gravel," he says.

The remainder of the work could also be done by voluntary workers, except for possibly the filter system. Someone may have to be hired to install this.

Location

As for the location of the pool, this would depend on several things. One would be the availability of land, perhaps a donation from some individual. If a plot of ground was donated in one of the two communities, and it was a suitable site, it would be the logical location.

If a site was available in both communities, its location could be decided by a contest on contributions. The one donating the largest amount of money could select the site. In any instance, it would be a Texico-Farwell swimming pool, serving both communities, Landrum assuredly points out.

The above plan does not include all the minute details, such as prices for each item, but Landrum does have a list of those for any individual or group who would like to go over them.

Plans are to submit the outline of the project at a joint meeting of the Texico and Farwell Chambers of Commerce as soon as a meeting can be arranged.

In concluding, Landrum says, "As I said in the beginning I have never built a swimming pool, but it can be done as simply as I have outlined. Collectively we can do the job."

★ OKLA. LANE

By AVIS CARPENTER

★ First Christmas In Tin Can House

D. E. Hammitt and his three sons of Texico will be spending their first Christmas in their new home, constructed with tin cans. The house is not yet complete but the family moved in about three weeks ago.

The new home, which was started last spring, was built out of oil cans. The family has been building the house in spare time and they plan to complete it in the same manner, which may take several months.

Presently, all has been completed except for some stucco and finish work. It is a four-room house and Hammitt's sons, D. E. Jr., Billy and Johnny, have done much of the work.

Landrum Has Plan For Swimming Pool

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follows: Have the pool dug from ground level slanting down to 6½ feet. With the excavated dirt, build up

Knick-Knack Club Has Yule Meeting

Mrs. George Douglas was hostess to members of the Knick-Knack Club for its annual Christmas party on Thursday, December 20.

Mrs. Dee Brown and Mrs. Fred Bolton led the group in playing several games and secret pals were revealed during the gift exchange. Names were drawn for secret pals during 1957.

Mrs. Douglas served refreshments of sandwiches, fruit cake and pops to Mesdames Lora Brown, Owen Patton, R. E. Blankenship, L. D. Rundell, Fred Bolton, Curtis Jones, Dee Brown and Miss Ruth Anne Blankenship.

Next meeting of this group will be held at the home of Mrs. Tom Lindop on the third Thursday afternoon in January.

BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

Members of the junior departments of the Sunday School and training union enjoyed their Christmas social at the church Wednesday evening. The group met at the church for supper together with Mrs. Lee Mason, Mrs. Howard Garner and Mrs. J. M. Pruitt serving the meal.

Mrs. Mason led the group in games. Eighteen children were pre-

sent for the gift exchange. Rev. Looney, pastor of the church, was a special guest of the group.

Ruby Parker Circle of the W.M.U. met at the home of Mrs. E. H. Young for a covered dish luncheon on Thursday at 11 a. m.

Mrs. Young presented a devotional using the Christmas story from the gospel of St. Matthew as her text. Mrs. Harold Carpenter then led the group in Bible study, concerning the prayers of Daniel from the study book, "Great Prayers of the Bible".

Circle members presented appreciation gifts to Mrs. Young. Attending were Mesdames Walter Verner, Frank Edwards, D. W. Carpenter, Harold Carpenter and one guest, Mr. D. W. Carpenter.

TO AMARILLO

Mr. and Mrs. Ed McGuire, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Foster of Farwell were in Amarillo one day last week to deliver gifts from the Variety Club to Boys' Ranch. Among the articles taken by the local club members were quilts, pillow cases, bedspreads and cakes.

METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Rev. A. D. Moore, former pastor of the church, was guest speaker at the church Sunday morning and evening in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Vernon Willard.

The intermediate Sunday School group enjoyed a Christmas caroling party on Wednesday night. Sponsors for the Yuletide social were Mr. and Mrs. Owen Patton, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Christian and Rev. and Mrs. Willard. The group visited six homes in the community where they sang and presented gifts.

After the caroling tour, the youngsters returned to the home of their teacher, Mrs. C. C. Christian, for refreshments of sandwiches, brownies and hot chocolate.

Present to enjoy the caroling and gift exchange were Zell Billingsley, Phyllis Christian, Patricia Patton, Virginia White, Ann White, Aubrey White, Gary Foster and Robert White. The group was joined at the Christian home by the following

sophomore girls, who had also participated in a caroling party: Faye Routon, Jo Anne Schell, Betty Dolan, Juanita Range, Pat Sprowls, Wilma Norton, Joyce Routon, and Martha and Marian Smith.

At the end of the fifth round the heavyweight staggered to his corner dazed and battered. His manager whispered in his ear, "Say, slugger, I've got a great idea: Next time he hits you, hit him back."



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A Letter to Santa

(NOTE: This letter was first 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 Claus
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 a little mistletoe in the decor.

It isn't that I've underestimated you through the years, Mr. C., or forgotten our relationship. I've been giving your letters to my father to mail and it's 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 believe in you, you see. I've followed your activity 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 Christmases than a suggested shopping list, there are a few things I'd like when you rein in the reindeer at my house this year.

Could you put the light from the children's faces, pressed against countless frosted window panes, into the hearts of the 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.

Could you remind us all that it is a birthday we are celebrating, not just an expense respite from the rest of the year? Could you put in our Christmas cards and our packages, the messages and the warmth we really mean instead of the shopworn sentiment and the same old gifts?

Most of all, Mr. Claus, could you make sure that we'll never outgrow you--- that Christmas will always be a way of life and that you'll be staging it always?

I think you will because, though you've seen central heating replace the chimney you've learned that America's front door is left unlocked each Christmas Eve. There is still room for the manger and the sleighbells in this age of auto-

mobiles and atoms. So don't ever so mechanized, Mr. Claus.
Sincerely yours,
Lois Weekes

Mrs. Gast Plans To Go To California

One Farwell resident plans a very special Christmas, at the home of a daughter in California.

Mrs. Hedwig Gast will be a guest in the home of Mrs. Julia Garcia and family in Martinez, Calif. Her plans when interviewed early in December, were to leave on her trip December 13.

Not only will she enjoy the holiday festivities, she has another treat in store for her. She will see two great-grandchildren for the first time.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa,
I want a truck and two color books.

Love,
Davey Joe Kirkland

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I would like a cavalry suit and an army set.

Love,
Lewis Bradshaw

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a walking doll and a buggy and a lot of good things to eat.

Love,
Shirley Barnes

Dear Santa,
I am six years old. I want a Babe Bee doll, a plaintic nurse set, and a paint set with a coloring book.

I love you,
Zelda Donaldson

Dear Santa,
I want a tent, some guns and a cattle truck. We enjoy the fruit candy and nuts.

Love,
Eddie Barker

Dear Santa,
I want a nurse set and a bride doll.

Love,
Velda Herrington

Dear Santa Clause,
I have been a good little girl.

Will you bring me a doll and a iron and iron board for Christmas?

Glenda Askew

Dear Santa Clause,
I am in the first grade. I would like a doll, a doll house, and a doll family. All so some candy, and nuts. Be sure and remember all the little girls and boys. I have been a good girl.

Sharron

Dear Santa,
I want a monkey and I want a wagon. Please bring my brother and my two sisters something nice too. Bring my daddy a tie.

I guess I better close. A good tablecloth for my mom.
Byby Santa,
Anna Love

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy six years old and I guess I have been about as good as a little boy can be. Would you please bring me a doctor set, a set of Ding Dong blocks, a little barn with animals and also a little doggie or just anything you might care to bring me. I love you.

Ronnie McDonald

Dear Santa,
My mother says that I have been fairly good this year. I was wondering if you think so too. If you do, I would like for you to bring me a Sergeant Bilko suit. You know I have a little brother now, and he would like a play pen or some stuffed animals. Thank you.

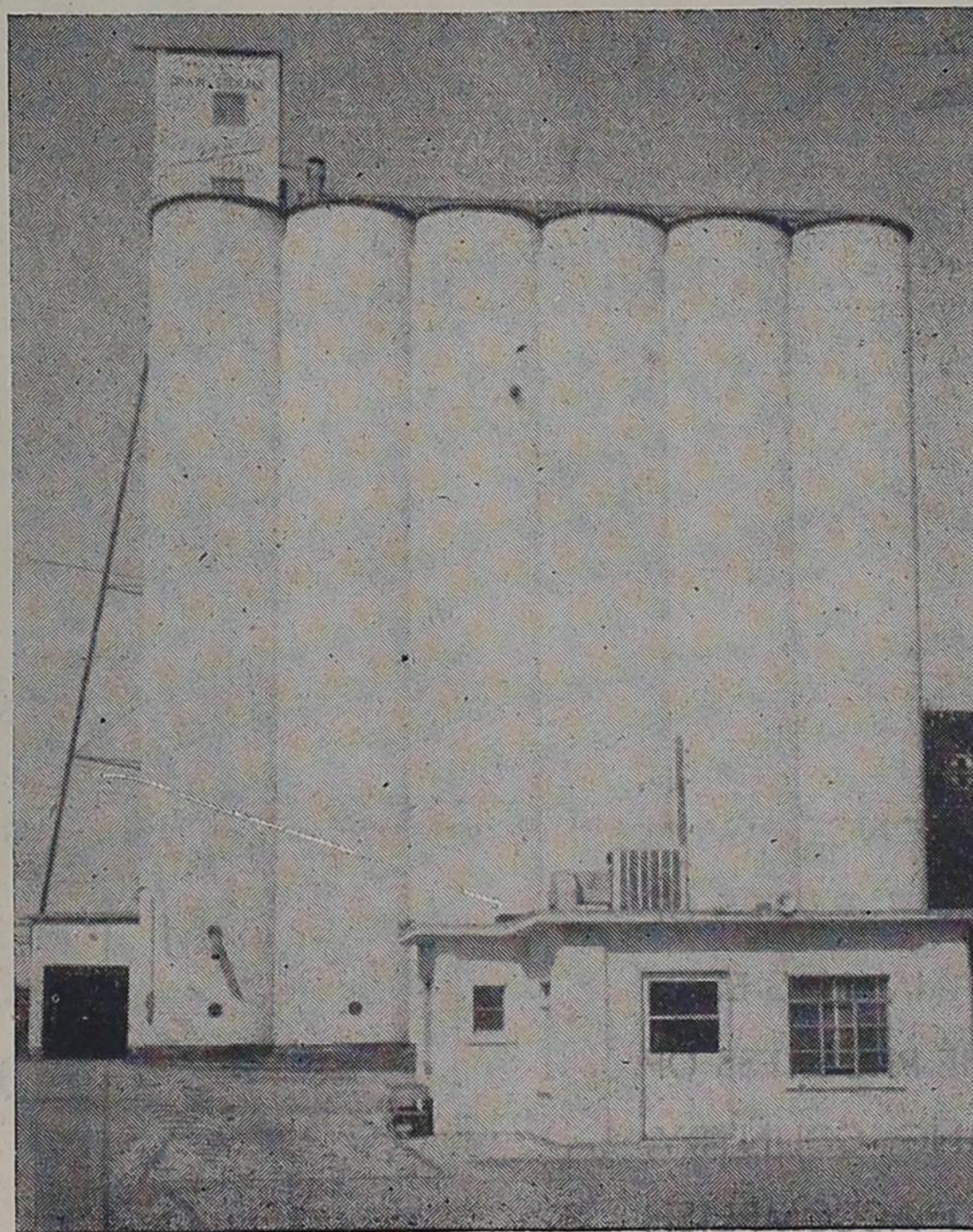
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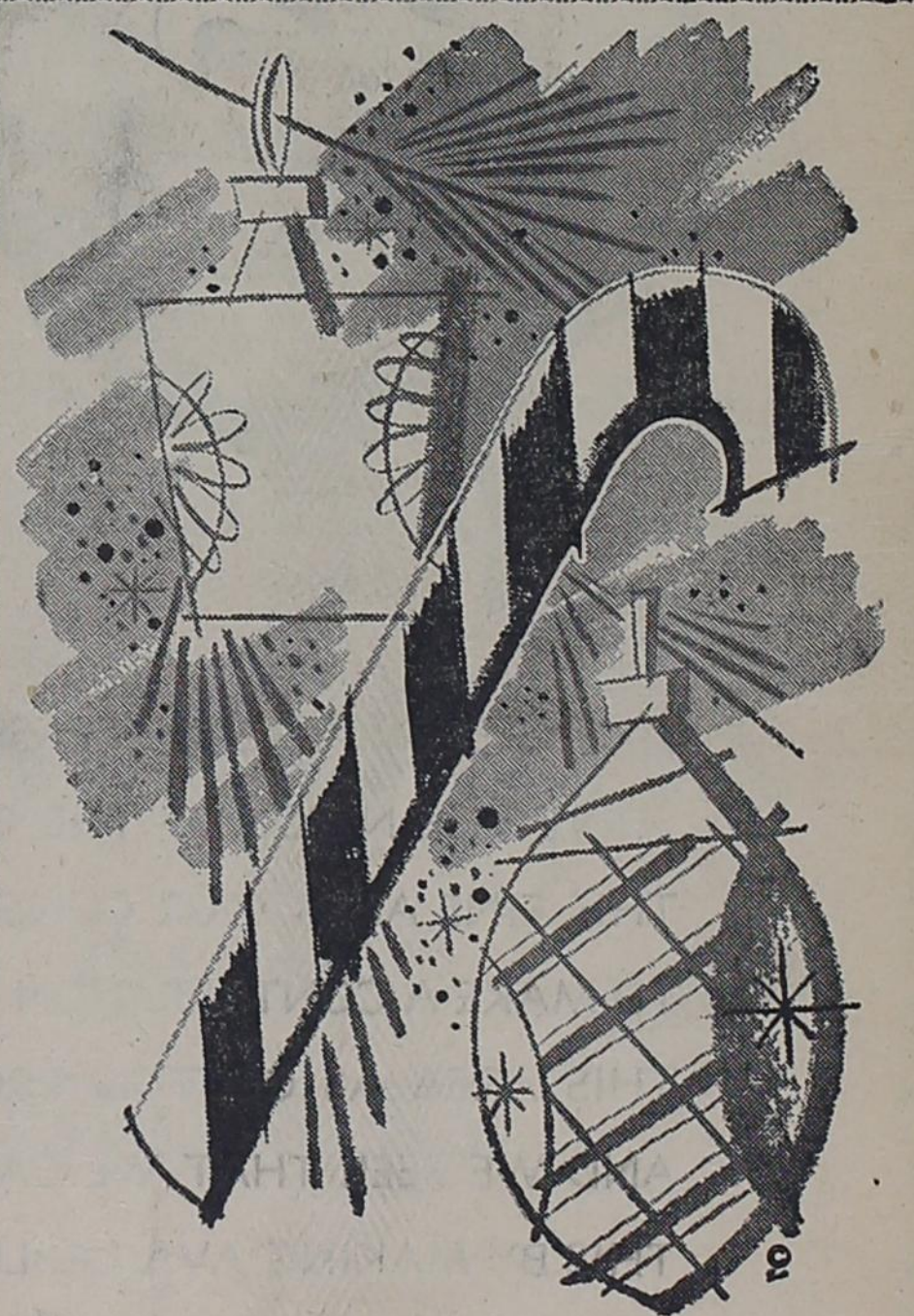
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Merry Christmas to all our friends! May it be a truly festive and joyous one!

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FARWELL

Calf Roping Hobby Interesting, Exciting For Farwell Man

By JEANNE GRAHAM

As they grow out of the teenage category and begin to think in terms of a hobby, some men choose fishing or boating and another might become more interested in bridge or another pastime. But not Mitz Walling—he chose calf roping.

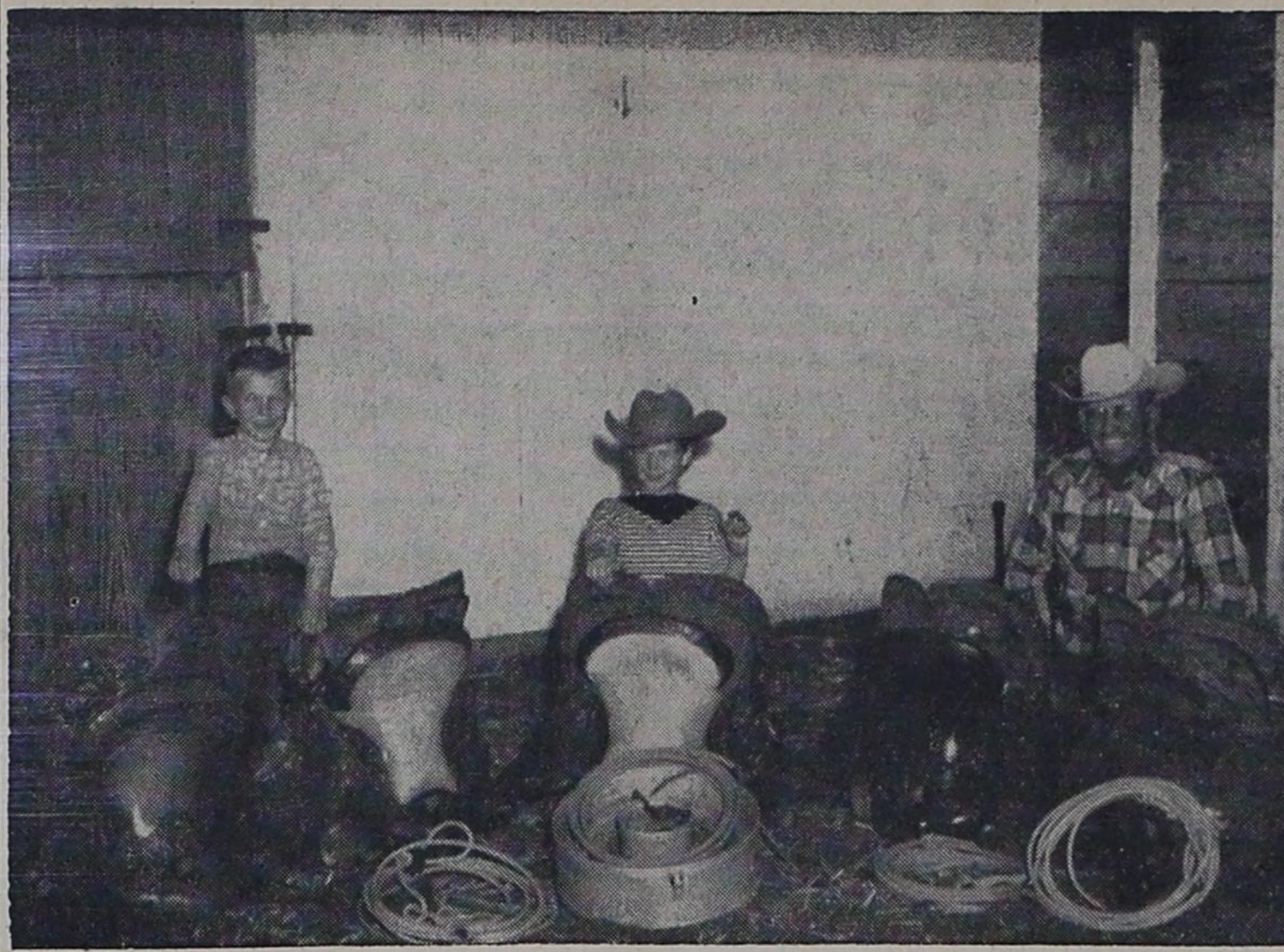
And just to show that he has become pretty good at whirling that old lariat, Mitz celebrated his 40th birthday this year by winning his fifth saddle in rodeo competition.

His skill in roping a calf has won for him a whole room full of prizes. He brought home his first championship saddle in 1951 from the Portales rodeo. That same year, he received the award saddle from the Non-Professional Rodeo Association, for his all-round average in competition for the year.

Two other years he entered the rodeos at Portales and has a saddle for the year 1953 and for 1955, then in 1956, he received the championship saddle at Morton.

Besides his saddles, Mitz has spurs, which he received at the Hereford Show in 1950, two belt buckle sets, one of which signifies that he was the top ribbon roper of the NPRA in 1949. He won a western hat at Sudan, and has no idea how many pairs of Levis he has won and long since worn out. Too, he has received ropes by the score, not to mention saddle blankets.

Understandably, the favorite costume for the Farwell man is the typical cowboy fashion. He likes the wide-brimmed hat, Levis, western shirts and shop-made boots. He was one year named the best dressed cowboy at the Pioneer celebration in Clovis, when he



SOME COLLECTION—These prizes are some of the "booty" that Mitz Walling, Farwell amateur rodeo hand, has collected in events in which he was a participant. Milton Lee, left, and Edith Ann, center, are big fans of their daddy.

has not been able to catch one. He insists that each member of the family now has a champ saddle and the fifth one is to share.

Because of the demands of irrigation farming, Mitz can't always go to the ropings, but he is still interested in his hobby that pays for itself. Mitz has received enough prizes to pay for his trips. The most money he ever received in a roping event was \$448, for roping four calves, but that was unusual.

Probably his best time in competition was at San Jon when the clock read 10.5 seconds in the event.

But right now, the Wallings are more interested in Christmas than in ropings—they are planning a family celebration. There should be plenty in the pantry, for Nell, a good cook, began baking weeks ago.

Christmas is always a two-fold occasion for this family. Two joyous happenings occur during the holiday season. It's Christmas, and it is also the anniversary of Mitz and Nell's wedding. They were married on Christmas Eve, back before the roping fever was noticeable.

So this year they will forget hobbies for a while, and celebrate!

Health to You



In the days of the Saxons, "wassail" was a popular greeting meaning "health to you." It later became a Yuletide drinking toast, and cups of hot wassail were given to visiting Christmas carolers.

Here is the recipe for a cherry bowl which will help extend a hearty welcome to your Christmas guests.

- CHRISTMAS WASSAIL**
- 2 quarts sweet cider
 - 6 whole cloves
 - 1 three-inch stick of cinnamon
 - 6 whole allspice
 - 1/2 cup light brown sugar
 - juice of 6 oranges
 - (16 to 20 punch cups)

Simmer the cider, spices and sugar for 15 minutes. Let stand for 12 hours. Then add orange juice. Strain, reheat and serve.

Serve wassail hot from a large bowl and green cherries, orange slices or small baked apples floating in it. Place the bowl on a holly-trimmed tray.



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rode in the parade with his daughter, Edith Ann.

Not too long ago, he was featured in a magazine, published in Spanish by the states department, to be sent to Spain to give the people there an idea of the American way of life. The reason for the article was to show that the average cowboy is not the rough and tough fellow as shown in the movies.

It's a little hard for Mitz to get too excited about the article however, because he can't tell exactly what it says about him. He can't read Spanish. The pictures accompanying the article show many phases of the routine followed by the Walling family, however.

Nell, the other member of the adult Wallings, goes along with her husband most of the time when he attends a roping. So do Edith Ann, who is now eight, and Milton Lee, who is six. Milton Lee has already claimed the last saddle for his own, since he "saw Daddy win that one."

Then there is the roping horse, which Nell claims is "just like one of the kids" in the way Mitz cares for him. Mitz still has his first roping horse too, even though the animal is now to an age so he is only a pet.

"I kinda got the fever when I was in the army," says the tall

husky farmer, as he explained that he hasn't always been a roping enthusiast.

"But he always had a horse when he was a boy," Nell broke in, and told the story of her husband's love for horses even then. His mother used to take the horse and ropes out of his bed after he went to sleep at night, when Mitz was a little boy, Nell further explained.

However, he didn't have a saddle of his own until after he was married. Nell gave it to him in 1944. She had given him a horse too, but that was earlier. Mitz was stationed at Wichita Falls at the time and the two began attending ropings in the area. He built his first horse trailer himself, in the back yard of their home, during the evenings. He entered his first roping contest at Iowa Park about a week before he was discharged from the service.

Then the Wallings returned home on October 30, 1945. They rented their farm in 1946 and settled down to their life as civilians. Mitz still found time for his new hobby.

His second hobby ties in with his first. He likes to train horses for roping. He bought "Biscuits," the horse he now rides, about five years ago. The animal wasn't "broke to lead" and had only been

caught once. So Mitz took the two-year-old and began work.

Mitz is pleased to have trained the horse that Glenn Franklin, who won the World's Championship Roping at Clovis, now rides. He ended up third in the national RCA (Rodeo Cowboys Association) for this year.

Too, there is Pruner, the 17-year-old pet. Mitz well remembers one of his first rides with Pruner. He was trying to rope a calf and the horse went straight through two peach trees. The only catch was that there was no room, and a hole was left where the horse and Mitz had gone. The encounter killed both trees and nearly got Mitz, he thought. So he named the horse Pruner.

Edith Ann was born in 1948, and in 1949, rode in the Clovis parade with her father. When she was two years old, her parents bought a Shetland pony for her, and she rode in the parade alone that year. Nell says she wants her daughter to know how to ride a horse, but she doesn't wish for her to compete in rodeos.

But Milton Lee is different. He is a born cowboy. He has been saddling his own horse for about two years, and goes for a ride on the Shetland any time he wants to. He can rope his pony, and has tried to rope calves, but so far,

May you and yours enjoy a Yuletide season filled with cheer and goodness!

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THE CHRISTMAS EVE GUNMAN

BY WILLIAM L. ROPER

DARKNESS had come early. Outside the snow-laden winds of a December blizzard howled mournfully against the plate glass windows of the Milltown State Bank. The streets were almost deserted, except for a few belated, last-minute Christmas Eve shoppers, struggling home with arms filled with packages.

Joshua Watterson, the thin, gray-haired bank president, sat hunched over his desk near the entrance in front of a huge, old-fashioned wall safe. A desk lamp illuminated the ledger pages which he studied carefully. The bank's doors were closed, but Joshua's task of checking the day's business would keep him busy for another hour.

Suddenly a shadow fell across his page and he looked up.

"Joshua," said the tall, pink-cheeked man standing beside his chair. "We've got to get rid of that Christmas tree wiring. This is the third year we've used it and the insulation's getting worn. Today the tree toppled over against the wall safe there and I got a nasty shock."

Old Joshua grinned wryly "I al-

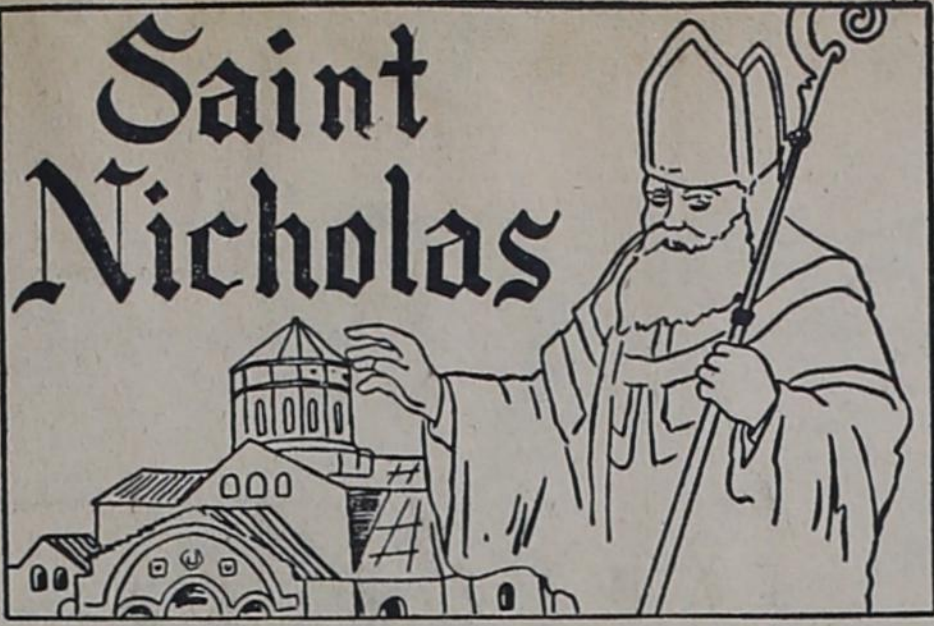


A desk lamp illuminated the ledger pages which he studied carefully.

ways said banking was a dangerous business." Suddenly he frowned and his pale, blue eyes became stern. "What were you looking for in my safe, Bob?"

"The Bollentree mortgage," Bob said. "Old man Bollentree wanted to pay off his note while you were out at lunch."

"Oh, yes. I remember now." Joshua nodded and stroked the blue



The original Santa Claus was St. Nicholas who was born in the ancient port city of Patara, in Southern Turkey, on the Mediterranean coast, during the 3rd century. St. Nicholas was for many years Bishop of Demre (ancient Myra) and it was at Myra that he died in 342. He is buried in Demre in a church which bears his name, the Church of St. Nicholas.

Renown for his many kind deeds, and especially for his loving generosity towards children, the good bishop has become a legendary figure in the folklore of many nations. To accommodate the many travelers who visit the Church of St. Nicholas in the blue mountains of Demre, the Turkish government recently completed a new road. Just last year the government honored him by issuing a special stamp in his name.

Biblical tradition is very rich in the ancient land of Turkey. In the city of Antioch, where the followers of Christ first called themselves Christians, the site where St. Peter led the first Mass can still be seen. Many other saints, including the Apostles Paul, John, James, Luke and Barnaby were born in this region. Mary, Mother of Christ, retired after the Crucifixion to the city of Ephesus, where her abode has been excavated and opened to the public by the Turkish government.

veins in his left temple. "You ought to remember," the cashier said. "We don't get five thousand in cash every day."

Joshua smiled and returned to his ledger. Bob went back to his job of counting currency. Completing his task, Bob filled out his record reports and placed the money in the vault.

He got into his heavy overcoat quickly and buttoned it. As he was leaving, he paused just inside the door and called back: "Better get started home soon, Joshua. The storm's getting worse."

All in Order

It was almost five-thirty when Joshua completed his work. Carefully placing his ledgers in the wall safe, he set the combination and again checked the vault. Everything was in order.

Leaving the Christmas tree lights on, he sauntered toward a side door, pulling on his overcoat. Then drawing his gray felt hat down over his eyes, he let himself out by the side door.

The fury of the storm seemed to have increased and the pelting snow almost blinded him. As he paused to try the door to see that it was locked securely, a man stepped from the shadows.

"Don't try any tricks, old man,"

the gunman said. Joshua glanced at the dark, desperate eyes that gleamed from under the man's snow-covered hat brim, then at the blue steel of the automatic in the man's right hand. The gunman's voice was hoarse, low-pitched. "Just do as I say. Unlock the door. If you touch off a burglar alarm, I'll kill you even if it is Christmas Eve."

"It seems to have stuck," Joshua said, breathing hard. "You may have to give me a hand."

Big Surprise

Still keeping Joshua covered with the gun, the man leaned forward, seized the door with his left hand. He was pulling the door open, when Joshua stepped back and in doing so, knocked over the Christmas tree. It toppled against the safe. There was a hissing, crackling sound and electric sparks. The gunman screamed, tried vainly to release his hold on the steel door as his body twitched convulsively with the current. His automatic clattered to the floor.

Joshua picked it up and quickly disconnected the Christmas tree lighting circuit by jerking the plug loose from the wall socket.

"Just lie there on the floor and take it easy until I can call the police," Joshua said. "You must have got soaking wet out there in the blizzard, or that shock wouldn't have hit you so hard."

Christmas Ornaments May Stain Carpets

Christmas crepe paper and New Year's confetti can permanently stain rugs and carpets.

Party papers are colored with a wide range of cheap dyestuffs. When the paper becomes wet, the dyes run badly. The dyes will transfer permanently to textiles. If crepe paper and confetti accidentally get wet, keep them off rugs and carpets.

Should a rug become marked with a paper stain, immediate first-aid is necessary. Mix a teaspoonful of neutral soapless detergent in one-half pint of lukewarm water.

Apply the detergent solution directly to the stain a few drops at a time. Use an eye dropper. Sponge the stained area with clean, white, unstarched cloth or cleansing tissue. This will blot up moisture. Begin at outer edge of stain and work in. Repeat if necessary.

Finish by absorbing any remaining moisture with a clean, damp cloth. Complete absorption is important.



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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus, I want a toe dancing doll with rooted hair. I want a toe dancing suit for myself. I want a doll like Rita Gale Brown's. Alex lives with me and he wants a toy monkey. Connie Lynn Dudley Silverton, Texas

Dear Santa, I want a Ginny doll with clothes. I want a real watch. I want some clothes for myself. Be sure and don't forget the rest of the children in the world. Love, Gwendolyn Louise Christian Garden Grove, Calif.

Dear Santa Claus: We are two little brothers two and three years old. We want Santa to remember all the boys and girls everywhere. And we especially want him to remember our great-grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins in Texas. We want Santa to bring us a fire chief car, tricycle, football and baseball. We love you, Santa. Robert and Randy Erwin

Dear Santa Claus, I have been pretty good. I liked your toys you gave me last year. This year I want a piano, a dress, a camera and a ballerina doll. Love, Susan

Dear Santa, I am two years old and have been a good little girl, too. So would you please bring me a doll and a baby bed, a little set of dishes and a telephone? I love you. Debbie McDonald

Dear Santa, I am eight years old. I have tried

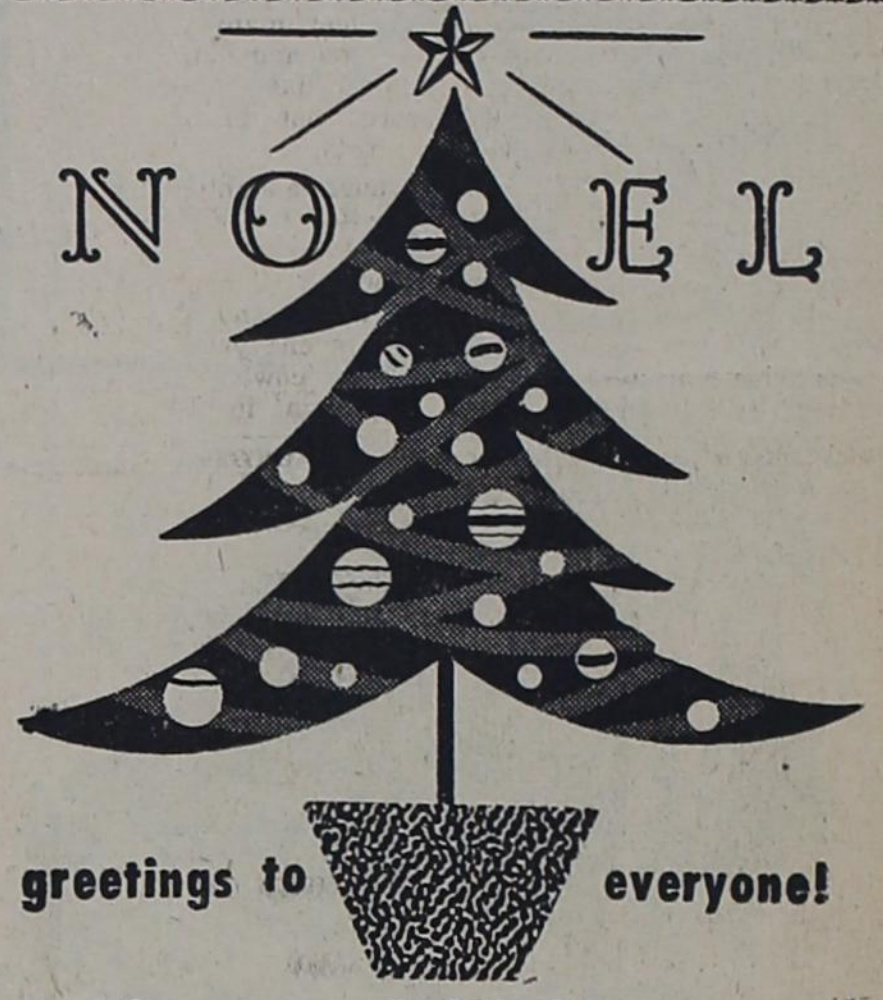
to be good. Would you please bring me an army cannon, a western double holster set, Roy Rogers watch, a motorcycle coat (size 6) and a Mighty Mouse target game. David McDonald.

Dear Santa Claus, My name is Linda and I try to help my mother a lot. Please bring me a walking doll with pretty hair and some skates. Connie wants

a baby doll with a gown on and a cradle. Al wants a cattle truck with a barn and some animals and a pair of skates. Bring our baby brother a wagon and some small toys. We all try to be good and we love you lots.

Linda, Connie, Al and Ty

This reminder from the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council—fireproof the family Christmas tree by keeping its base in water; by using nonflammable decorations; by not using candles on or near the tree and by placing the tree away from heating units. Too, they say, make sure lights, sockets and wiring are in top condition. Don't spoil Christmas by having an accident in the home.



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Merry Christmas

May all the joys and blessings of the Holiday Season come knocking at your door at Christmastime!

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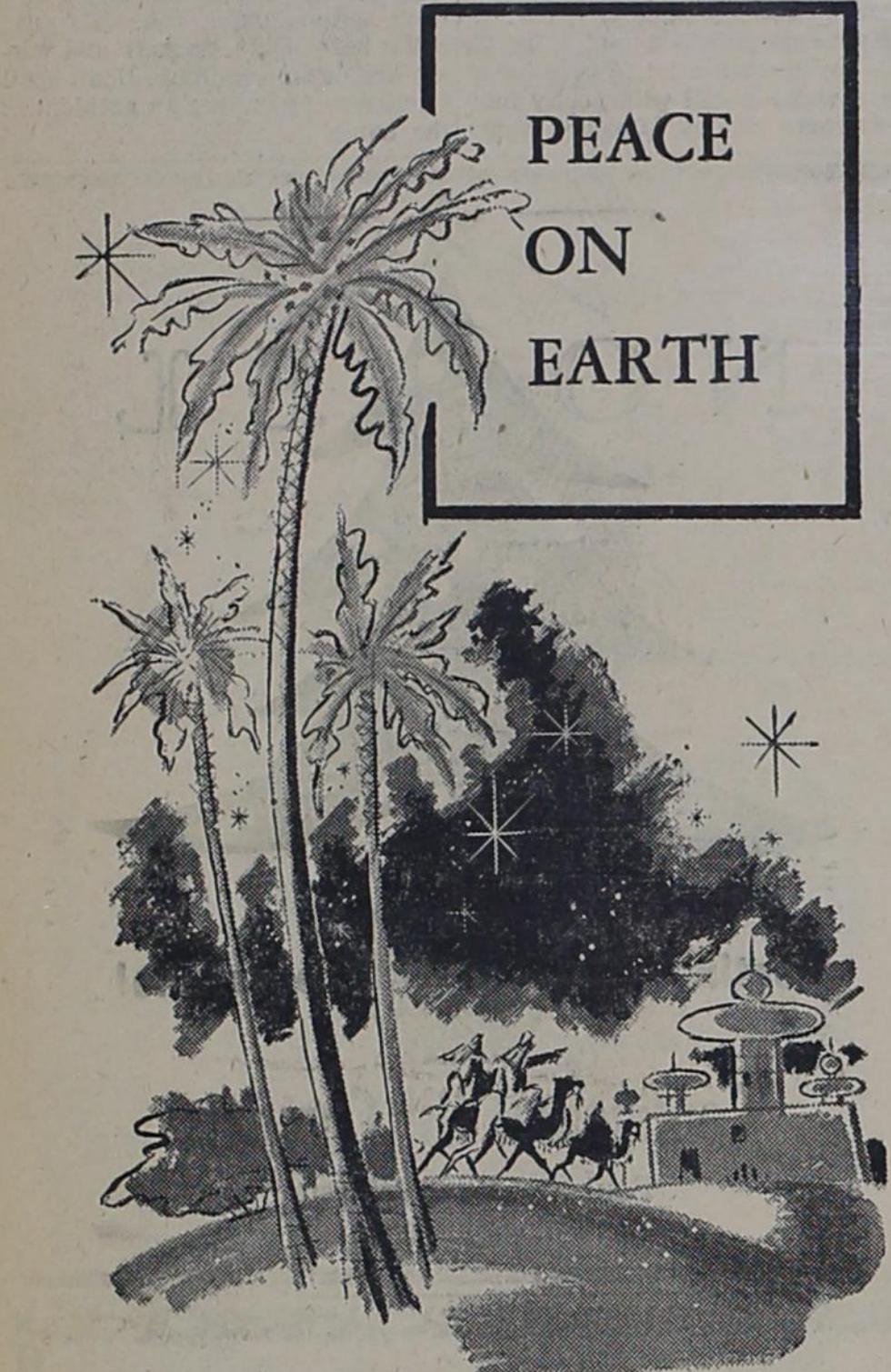
Curt and Don Farwell, Texas

Tharps Plan Holiday Trip To New York

A train trip to New York for the holidays is in store for the Ray Tharp family of Texico. Mr. and Mrs. Tharp and children plan to leave December 20 by train for Newburgh, N. Y. where they will visit their daughter, Anita, who is now Mrs. Ben Zachrel.

Christmas Plans Are Indefinite

Christmas plans were still indefinite for the Sam Lewises when they were interviewed early in December. Sam said he didn't know where the children would be, so they hadn't decided either.



PEACE ON EARTH

We hope that you will receive all the blessings of this holy holiday season!

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Home and family have been two beloved topics the past weeks for Mrs. Walter Kaltwasser, right, of Oklahoma Lane and her sister, Mrs. Sidney Windsor of England, who has been visiting here. The visitor serves her sister afternoon tea, a custom that is still observed in the Kaltwasser home.

English Woman Visits With Sister In Oklahoma Lane

(Editor's note: After this story was written, Mrs. Windsor changed her plans for staying here through the Christmas season because of the world crisis. She sailed for her home in England on December 15.)

The normal holiday air of festivity that edges its way into the hearts and home of the members of the Walter Kaltwasser family will take on an added glow this year as the husband and wife and three children include another in their plans -- a visitor from across the seas.

They will be entertaining Mrs. Kaltwasser's sister, gay and charming Mrs. Sidney Windsor from England, who will be concluding an extended visit in the Oklahoma Lane home.

Blonde, good-natured Gladys, an English war bride who came to this country in the 1940's, has had a marvelous time showing dark-haired Elsie her adopted country. Elsie has reciprocated by enjoying every minute of the lesson on the United States. And as the two tease and chide one another with sisterly devotion, they are storing up more memories for the future. Elsie is the older of the two, by not quite a year.

The reunion of the sisters took place on November 30 in New York when Gladys and her little son, Kevin, met Elsie as she came off the Queen Mary on her first trip to the states, a journey she had been planning since last Christmas. The sisters had last seen one another three years ago when the Kaltwassers visited in England.

Elsie is the second of Gladys's family to visit her. The mother of the girls was a guest here at one time. There are also three brothers in the family.

Elsie lives in Edmondton, North London, where her husband is on the electrical maintenance staff of the Sunday Graphic, a newspaper. Then there is Jeffrey, a lad of 13, who is in his second year of grammar school, an equivalent of about the eighth grade here.

When a student is about 10, he takes an examination and if he passes the test, he is admitted to grammar school, which gives him a better opportunity to later attend college. If he doesn't pass the test, he goes to secondary

modern school, in which the subjects are not so advanced.

Jeffrey is already enrolled in courses in foreign language. "He is far more interested in Rugby now", says his mother. Rugby is much like soccer. Observers say it is a bruising sport, more like football, as to knocks and spills.

Jeff is also a member of a cycling club, in which young people band together on weekends and go bicycle riding through the countryside, staying at youth hostels. His other club interest is a ju jitsu organization. He has learning the fundamentals of swimming as part of his school curriculum.

One difference noticed by Elsie in school children is the difference in dress. Jeff is required to wear a tie and blazer (jacket) to school and cannot remove either unless permitted by the teacher. The rest of his costume includes

a dress shirt, short pants and knee socks. Boys do not begin wearing long pants in England until they are about 13 years of age.

Elsie noticed the typical teenager in America wears the ordinary blue jeans and sport shirts to school. The girls in England grammar schools also wear a semi-uniform, which includes a tie, and dark skirts, with neat blouses. In severe weather, the students wear wool knee socks for warmth.

Gladys and Elsie stayed a day in New York before going to New Jersey where they visited with an uncle of Gladys's sister-in-law, Mrs. Gilbert Kaltwasser. The uncle, Dan Kramer, has visited in this area, and resides at Wood-cliff, New Jersey.

It was there that Elsie enjoyed her first American meal, which consisted of her first taste of fried chicken, Southern style, which

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AT CHRISTMAS



Farwell Hardware

The Clay Hensons Farwell, Tex.

ENGLISH VISITOR—

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was prepared by Gladys. Chickens are always roasted in England, Elsie explains. "I was overwhelmed with the hospitality shown us", she adds. But she admits that English weather followed her to New Jersey, it rained while they were there.

Another love of Elsie in America is the railway system. "We have a lot to learn about your railway system" she says, as she commends the luxury, comfort and cleanliness. They traveled from New Jersey to Clovis and only had one lay-over, an eight hour one in Chicago.

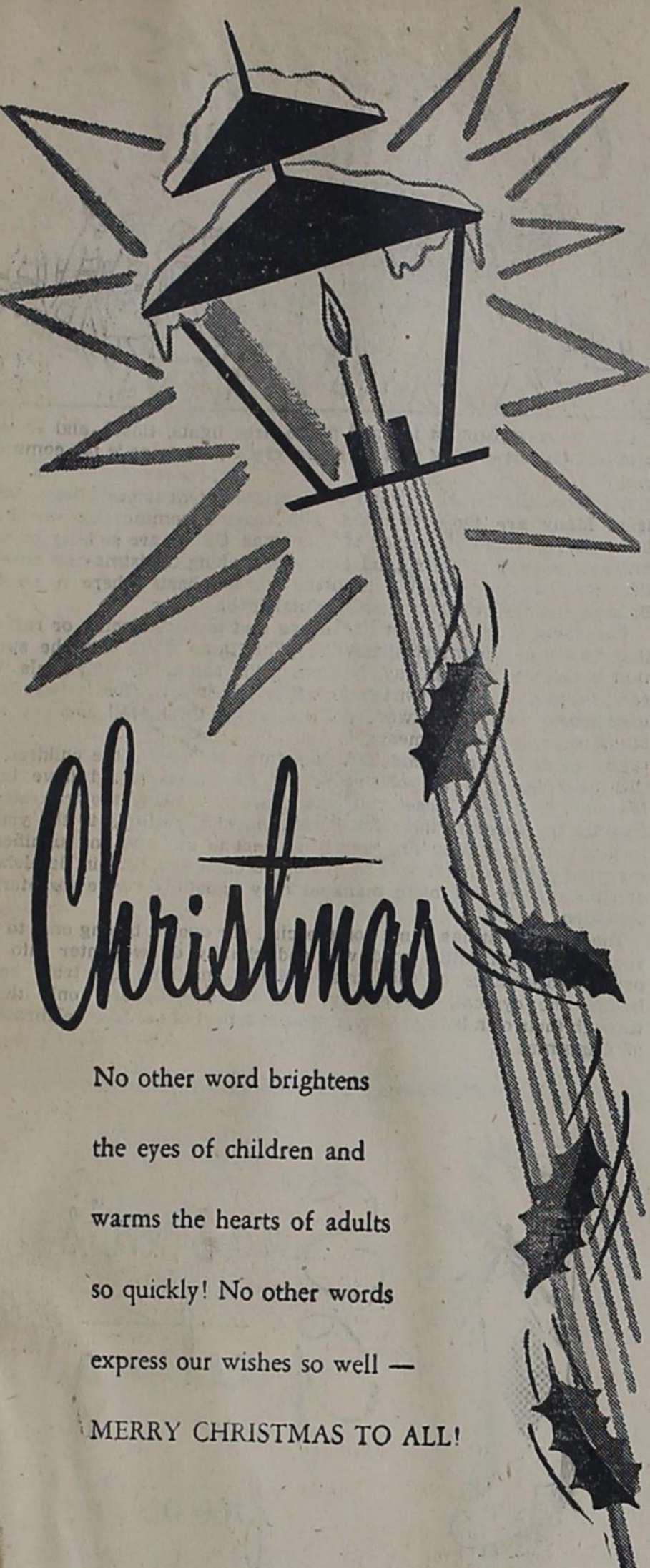
Elsie is absorbing so many things about the country of her sister, she can hardly remember all the things she has noticed and admired.

In one breath, she explains how much she loves a home with the bedrooms on the first floor (most houses in the area where she lives are two-story) and in the next phrase, brags about the marvelous Texas weather. She visited Amarillo and was awed by the many varieties of foods in the super-markets, and the wares in the average store in Texico-Farwell or the city.

Her first hamburger was something she liked "very much", and she has only praise for her first taste of pecan pie. "And I like salads with the main meal", she adds, and explains that it is a custom she will take back home with her. She feels that cooking is more interesting in America because there is so much more variety. The typical meal in her home consists of a meat, two or three vegetables and a sweet. Too, Elsie likes coffee very much.

Tea is served in the afternoon, with biscuits (cookies). This is a custom that Gladys has retained from her native country. She feels that tea is especially relaxing when one is tired. Queried as to some of the things that are so different in the U. S., Elsie mentioned the "wider space", gesturing to include the flat farm land surrounding the home of her sister. Next on her list is the "friendliness of the people, they put themselves out more." She says that she has lived at her present home for four years, and there are people living quite close to her that she does not know.

In England, the Christmas observance includes two days, Christmas and boxing day. Father Christmas, who is the same as Santa in the U. S., arrives on Christmas Eve night. When the girls were growing up, they always hung their stockings at the foot of their bed and awakened the next morning



Christmas

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V. C. Venable, Manager

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa, I want a dump-truck, grader and some cowboy sticks. Love, Danny Foster

Dear Santa, I want a smoke gun and a pop-gun. Please bring me a large truck too. Love, James Haseloff

Dear Santa, I want a B-B gun, a football and a holster. Love, Larry Pennington

Dear Santa, I am a little girl 6 years old. I would like a set of dishes, a black-board and a cash register. Love, Nelda Kay Winegeart

Dear Santa, Please come to see me. I have been a good girl. I want a doll with high heels, and I want this piano and a mixer. Love, Debora Kay

Dear Santa, I am a little boy 6 years old. My name is Ronald Dee Leamon. I have been a good boy, and would like for you to bring me a set of guns and holsters, and lots of fruit, candy and nuts. Please remember my brothers and sisters. I love you Santa, Ronald Dee Leamon

Dear Santa, Please come to see me. I have been a good girl. I want a piano. Love, Laita

to find fruit, nuts and sweets and sometimes balloons and other small gifts. Caroling, feasting, religious observances and family get-togethers are also holiday activities. Turkey or chicken with stuffing, puddings, mince pies and other delicacies make up the menu. Usually a light supper is served during the holiday with jellies, trifles, sausage rolls and other such items on the serving table. Sometimes the Christmas pudding is made two months before Christmas and the dessert could last a year. A rich fruit cake is often served with tea.

The sisters were amused as they recalled days gone by when their brother, Alex, would get their Christmas dolls and poke the eyes out-his particular joy. And the children loved cake so much, the mother had to hide the dessert before the day of Christmas, so she wouldn't be caught without the baked goods on the day of festivity. Christmas trees are a recent addition to the Christmas scene there.

Central heating is another "like" of Elsie, who is used to a fire place, and hauling coal in buckets for use. Her husband chops the kindling to start the fire, but she has to clean out the ashes each day.

She was so thrilled with the winter sunshine that she decided immediately to get a suntan while here. She sat in the garden on warm afternoons and soaked up the sunshine. One day in November, she looked outside and noticed the light streaming in the window, so rushed outside to hang out the damp clothes she had washed. Sure enough, her teasing relative brought a stiff frozen garment to her later, indicating her judgment of the temperature was slightly off cue.

She calls her sister's backyard a "field", thinking that compared to her yard, it must be one. Television in England and Oklahoma Lane is about the same, she says. She didn't miss any of her favorite American shows, which are also on the screen in England.

In addition to her duties as housewife and mother, Elsie is a career woman. She is a cornely embroidery machinist, a trade she learned after three years apprenticeship. And she showed this reporter two gorgeous beaded and embroidered afternoon dresses that she had made.

So talented is she in this type thing, that her hobby is knitting. One sweater which she designed was hand-knitted and has 1200 small beads woven into the design.

Another interesting side note given by Elsie is the difficulty encountered in purchasing a car in England. She and her husband do not own a car, but she says there is usually a six months waiting list for a new auto. A car a year old, she says, will sell for about as much money as it did when new.

Unless the world crisis becomes more serious, Elsie plans to remain here until January and sail on the 4th. And going with her will be the scrapbook that she has made to tell of her experiences in America.

"I already hate to leave them all", she says of the Kaltwassers and all her new-found friends.

Dear Santa Clause, I want a Tiny Tear doll and a nurse set. Also a cash register. I have been a good girl. Remember the other boys and girls. Your friend, Carolyn Langford

Dear Santa, Please come to see me. I have been a good girl. I want a rubber doll. Love, Connie

Dear Santa, Please come to see me. I have been a good girl. I want a play piano, a Tiny Tears doll and a doll house. Love, Patsy

Dear Santa, Please bring me a cowboy set, a toy typewriter and a movie camera. Thank you, Dale Camp

Dear Santa, I want a bride doll that has seven dresses. I will leave some cookies on the table for you. Love, Vicky Kaltwasser

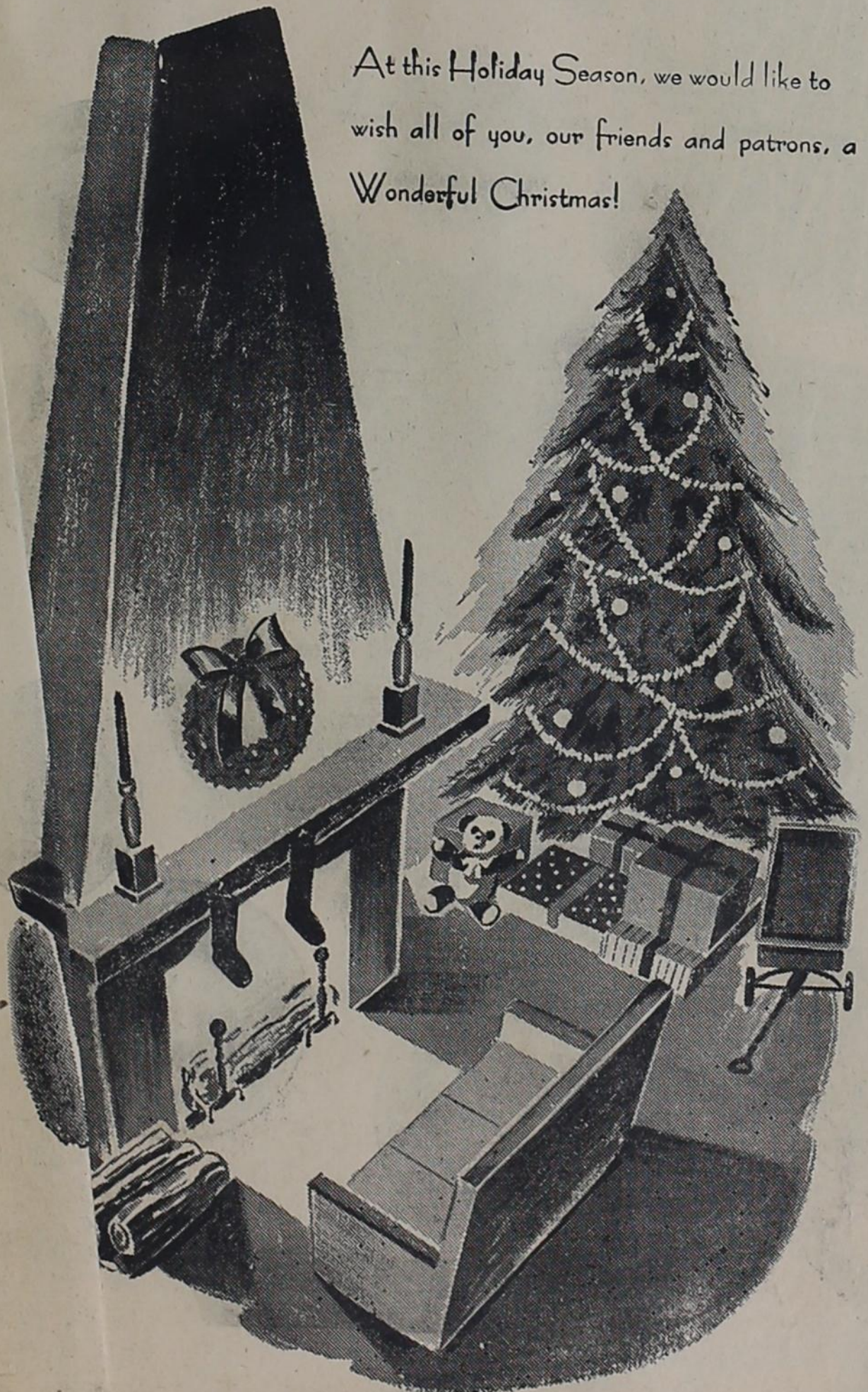
Dear Santa, Please bring me a David Crockett set and a set of trucks. Love, Warlick Dollar

Dear Santa, I want a doctor set and a pair of guns and holsters, a grader and an electric train. Bradley Billingsley

Dear Santa, I am a little boy in the first grade. I would like a gun and holster set, a farm set with a lot of animals. Love, Monard Stancell

Dear Santa, I want a windup train, a B-B gun and a tractor with a plow. I love you, Santa. Thanks, Rickey P. S. There will be some cookies and milk in the ice box.

Advertisement for KITRELL'S TEXACO STATION featuring a Christmas tree illustration and the text: 'We want you to know we value your patronage and wish you all the good things the Christmas Season offers. KITRELL'S TEXACO STATION Farwell, Texas'



At this Holiday Season, we would like to wish all of you, our friends and patrons, a Wonderful Christmas!

Fe & Walter Hardage FARWELL, TEXAS

Advertisement for BRADSHAW'S GROCERY and MARKET featuring the word 'GREETINGS' in large letters and the text: 'One of the greatest pleasures of Christmas comes in sending good wishes to our friends. Your friendship and patronage has made our work more enjoyable, and we want you to know that we sincerely appreciate your every consideration. So here's hoping that yours will be a very Merry Christmas. BRADSHAW'S GROCERY and MARKET Onie and Buck Farwell, Texas'

Christmas Ideas:

Helpful Hints for the Holidays

Cocoa puffs are another child's favorite. Combine 4 cups fine vanilla wafer crumbs, 1/4 cup cocoa and 1/4 cup light corn syrup. Add 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1 cup finely chopped nuts and 1/4 cup orange juice. Add enough liquid to make the mixture stick together. Roll into tiny balls, dip in powdered sugar and chill. This recipe makes 50 cocoa puffs and is just right to satisfy all sweet teeth.

Spiced crabapples are especially tasty when baked for a few minutes and served hot. Sprinkle with a little sugar, and then slip them under the broiler. Use on a ring of parsley surrounding the turkey.

Coconut marshmallows are fun to make. Just dip the marshmallows in slightly beaten egg white and roll them in shredded coconut. This is especially pretty at Christmas time if you tint the coconut red or green.

Fill baked Rome Beauty apples with hot spiced cranberry sauce for breakfast on Christmas Day.

Fruit-filled cookies will not break and crumble so easily as other types when mailed in Christmas boxes.

You can move your holiday centerpiece from table to mantel to buffet to add variety to the more "permanent" decorations.

Use a turkey-shaped cookie cutter to make a jellied cranberry sauce cut-out to garnish a bowl of Waldorf salad.

What is thought to be the first electrically lighted Christmas tree was hung in 1896 in the lobby of San Francisco's Palace hotel. It had 500 lights.

When buying kitchen equipment for gifts, see that it is strongly constructed, well balanced and has firmly attached handles.

The little metal trumpets decorating Christmas trees date from early Danish custom of blowing in the Yule with four hymns representing the four corners of the world.

Even if you run short of holiday time, be sure to use the kind of pan suggested on your commercial cake mix labels if you want good results with your cake. It will be what that company has found to give best results with its recipe.

You can make finger paint for children by pouring liquid starch on non-absorbent paper and sprinkling powdered paint on top. Fingers will do the rest.

Your shopping will go smoother and be less fatiguing if you plan to shop when the stores are least busy—usually in the early morning and early afternoon.

Steam your plum pudding several days before Christmas and store it in an air-tight container to cut down last-minute preparation for your Christmas dinner.

Relieve your child's holiday tension by giving him something positive to do instead of telling him what not to do.

A folded damp cloth placed under a mixture bowl keeps it from slipping and speeds mixing.



Christmas Will Be Different This Year for the Stones

Ruby Stone, owner of Stone's Variety in Texico, is going to have a Christmas like she has never had before, and she isn't particularly looking forward to it. Reason for her disappointment is that, for the first time, Ray Stone and his wife and the grandchildren will not be present to help Ruby and her husband, Judge, celebrate.

But every cloud has a silver lining. The grandchildren will be

here for a late Christmas, the Stones learned last week.

Ruby and Judge plan to work late Christmas Eve night at the store, sleep late on Christmas day, and go out for dinner.

Livestock raising, says Dr. C. M. Patterson, extension veterinarian, is a gamble at best, but herds infected with Brucellosis make the gamble even more risky. Infected cattle produce less milk; calve a third less and up the cost of herd replacements by 30 percent to say nothing of the many other troubles which can come from Brucellosis.

Jess Lathams Plan Visit to Denton

The Jess Lathams are planning a Christmas with relatives, they reported when interviewed earlier in the Yule season.

Unless something unforeseen happens, Mr. and Mrs. Latham, and three daughters, L'Orchid, Carol Ann and Mattie Bell will be in Denton. They will be guests of Mrs. Latham's uncle and family, the Buster Prices.

Highlight of the visit will be the family gift exchange.

Andersons Plan Holiday at Home

"Christmas at home" is the plan of the Bob Anderson family, according to an interview with the father.

The Anderson children include Bob Scott, Meredith, Will and Caroline.

Both sets of grandparents live in the Twin Cities. They are the G. D. Andersons and the Scott Levinses.

Sprolws Hope To Visit in El Paso

Mr. and Mrs. Mem Sprolws revealed early in the season that they hope to go to El Paso during the Yule holiday.

Their hope is to spend a short time with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Tillery.

Patsy and Johnny are the two Sprolws children who will accompany their parents.

Poteets Plan To Go to Ruidoso

They're Ruidoso bound, if everything works out okay. Last year, the M. H. Poteet family had so much fun during a Christmas holiday in the resort city, they hope to repeat the trip this year.

"We're keeping our fingers crossed that all the kids get home", she says.

If so, included in the party to go to Ruidoso will be Mr. and Mrs. Travis Poteet and children of Cheyenne, Wyoming; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Poteet and son of Altus, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Crume and boys of Artesia; Junior of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

The disease has got to go, says Patterson, if the state's livestock industry is to continue making progress.



Christmas—a time of joy and peace, tree lights, tinsel, and snow—and time for renewal of that perennial cry, "Christmas is too commercial."

It's been said for years, and to a certain extent it has always been true. Many are too concerned with today's commercial world to have time for the observance of Christmas. Others are so busy buying presents, selling presents, and generally making Christmas an ordeal, that they, too, are unable to place the emphasis where it rightly belongs—on the religious and spiritual level.

Yes, there is much about Christmas that is commercial, or rather, that has been commercialized. Yet Christmas itself, and the spirit that belongs to the holiday, is always the same. As individuals, we each "make" our own Christmas within our hearts. Our feelings, our motivations and our outward actions, weigh these well and you will know what Christmas means to you.

How often is it also said that Christmas belongs to the children. If this be true, then the observance of Christmas would have been forgotten long ago. Tinsel and glitter, presents under the tree, stockings by the fireside, this is the meaning of Christmas to the young in heart; but all these are merely adjunct to the true and significant meaning of Christmas; that on this day a child was born in Bethlehem and because of this birth mankind may hopefully strive for eternal salvation.

The true Christmas is not commercial, nor does it belong only to the young. Through faith, good will and charity do we enter into the proper observance of this great holiday and only the truly hard-bitten, the cynical, the greedy, and the disbelievers; only these, through their own lack of virtue, are not a part of the true celebrations of Christmas.



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Happy Holiday Season

Don't Let Christmas Go to Your Head When You're Driving

Christmas is a joyous, bustling and exciting season. And it is just these elements that too often contribute to tragic accidents, according to Jeanne Smith, Dodge safety consultant.

Both motorists and pedestrians are apt to be so preoccupied with holiday plans and festivities that they let their guard down in traffic—and that's when accidents are most likely to occur, she warns. Here are Jeanne's suggestions for a safe holiday season:

- 1. STAY ALERT.** Don't let excitement over holiday plans and preparations divert your attention from careful driving and cautious walking.
- 2. SLOW DOWN.** Inclement weather and more hours of darkness during the holiday season make it doubly important to reduce speed. Don't be over-anxious to reach that gala party or to complete your Christmas shopping. Last Christmas, excessive speed was the most frequent driver violation.
- 3. BE A CAREFUL PEDESTRIAN.** More than half of the traffic accidents at Christmas time involve pedestrians. Don't let your enthusiasm over selecting the right gifts cause you to forget common-sense safety rules. Never carry packages or umbrellas in such a way that your vision is blocked. Most important, cross only at corners and pedestrian crosswalks. Never dart into traffic from between parked cars.
- 4. BE A "COOL" DRIVER.** The holiday rush and bustle often leads to tension and impatience. Traffic is heavy. Control your temper when behind the wheel and never take unnecessary chances.
- 5. IF YOU DRINK, DON'T DRIVE.** At holiday social affairs where drinks are served, don't drive if you have had even "one for the road."

Evergreens Mourning Symbols for Finns

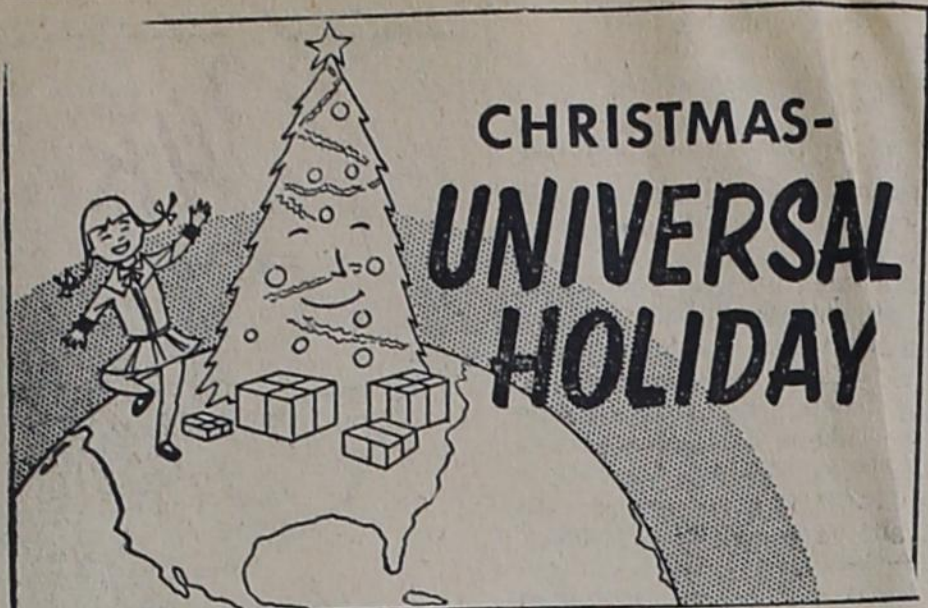
Evergreens are never used as decorations in the homes and churches of Finland because the Finns regard them as symbols of mourning.

At Christmas most homes where there are children suspend a "heaven" from the living room ceiling. Such "heavens" consist of a cord framework covered with straw and different colors of paper ribbon, etc., and decorated with paper stars and silhouettes cut in various designs. The effect, when reflecting the firelight and the candles' glow, is mysterious and fascinating.

Candles are used profusely in the churches; the altars are banked and the windows are filled with them, so that before dawn on Christmas morning the churches beckon approaching worshippers like brilliant lanterns.



CITY AT NIGHT . . . Christmas trees shining lights are traditional New York's Park Ave. Dominating the fashionable roughfare is the giant cross the New York Central Bul. at 46th Street.



CHRISTMAS-UNIVERSAL HOLIDAY

Of all the world's holidays, Christmas is the holiday that belongs to one and all. Christmas is for everyone, the sad and the weary, the sick and the infirmed, the happy children and their more serious elders.

Yes, Christmas belongs to no one alone. Men of different nations and diversified beliefs always share a certain unity in the observance of this greatest of all holidays. Christmas, and the spirit that goes with it, belongs to us all.

Christmas is a time of excitement for the very young. It means good food, bright lights, an inviting pyramid of presents beneath a glittering tree.

Christmas is likewise a time of joy for those who are growing up. And for these Christmas begins to take on a deeper and more significant meaning with each holiday. Behind the laughter and festivities, the caroling and presents, there is borne the realization that there is yet greater joy in the holiday, though the glitter of Santa Claus becomes dimmer year by year.

For others, Christmas is a magic mirror of memories, a mirror that dissolves all the prejudice, hate and sorrow to which mankind is afflicted; a mirror that reflects only the kindness and goodness God wished for the world He created.

Christmas is all these things, and more. It is the shadow of a church steeple in the winter's snow; a pointed ray of light shining through a stained glass window; the crunch, crunch of heavy footsteps on a crusted snow; and voices singing in the night.

Christmas is all things to all men; and to all men it is the shining symbol of man's continual hope for eternal salvation.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa, Please bring me a Farwell jacket, bicycle and Roy Rogers' suit. Love, Timmy

Dear Santa, I would like a baton, some skates and a doll. I love you. Jeanette

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl this year and I would like to have a doll buggy, a dress and a pair of shoes. Also a cradle for Christmas.

Thanks, Colleen Goetsch

Dear Santa Claus, I am writing you to let you know that I want for Christmas. Mother says if I'm a good boy, you'll give me what I want for Christmas.

I'm moving to the farm pretty soon so I would like for you to bring me a dump truck and a wagon that I may play in the yard. I also want a plastic gun, a bow tie. That is all because I have a little brother and sister that want some toys for Christmas too. Your friend, Bobby Chadwick

Dear Santa, Please bring me a B-B gun and a Tonto suit, and

Love, Robert

Dear Santa, Please bring me a good girl. I want a doll with heels, kitchen and ironing board.

Love, Leslie

Dear Santa, I will be a bride. You will bring me a ballet doll and an accordion.

Love, Michael Doshier

Dear Santa, Please come to see me. I have been a good boy. I want a gun. Love, Steve

Dear Santa, Please come to see me. I have been a good boy. I want two guns and a train. Love, Larry Wica

Dear Santa, Please come to see me. I have been a good girl. I want a teddy bear and high heeled shoes. Love, Carolyn Lingnau

Dear Santa, Please come to see me. I have been a good girl. I want a peano and a doll. Love, Glenda

Dear Santa, Please come to see me. I have been a good boy. I want a bicycle and swing. Love, Virgil Wade

Dear Santa, Please come to see me. I have been a good girl. I want skates. Love, Becky

Dear Santa, I would like a bicycle, a gun and a truck. Love, Michael Doshier

Dear Santa, Will you please bring me a train, a wagon, a jet cork gun, a knife and a bicycle. Thank you very much.

Gres Martin

Dear Santa, Bring me a bicycle and a tractor. Love, James Norman

Dear Santa, I want a ballerina doll and a set of dishes. Come to see me and Greg, Gail and Joi. With love, Kandy

Dear Santa, I want a doll and a buggy. Love, Jane Landsdale

Dear Santa, I want a doll and a buggy. Love, Kay Landrum

Dear Santa, I am six years old, in the first grade. Please bring me a doll and a bicycle. Also bring me a black-board.

I love you Santa, Vickie Lunsford

Dear Santa Claus, I want a little car that I can ride in. Hal can ride in the back seat. I don't know what he wants.

Love, Ronny Graham

Dear Santa, Please come to see me. I have been a good girl. I want a doll with high heels. And I want this piano and a mixmaster. Debra

Dear Santa, Please bring me a doll and a wagon. Love, Maria Martinez

Dear Santa, I want a doll and a wagon. Love, Juanita Martinez

Dear Santa, We are little boys one, two and three years old.

We want a red wagon and some yellow boots and hats. Mack wants a guitar, Kirk wants some guns, and Chris wants a dump truck.

We will leave you some cake and milk near our Christmas tree. Remember our California cousins, Leslie and Ray Norton and our aunt, Belva Christian.

Love, Mack, Kirk and Chris McFarland Farwell, Texas

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We sincerely wish for you a wonderful Yuletide as we pause to think of our good friends who have made our business possible.



Stone's Variety & Dry Goods

Texico, N. M.



ME SERVICE STATION WELL, TEXAS

Best Greetings

It is Christmastime again — when more than at any other time our thoughts are of our friends. There are wonderful riches in friendships — and it is this friendly feeling toward others that really makes Christmas the happy day it is.



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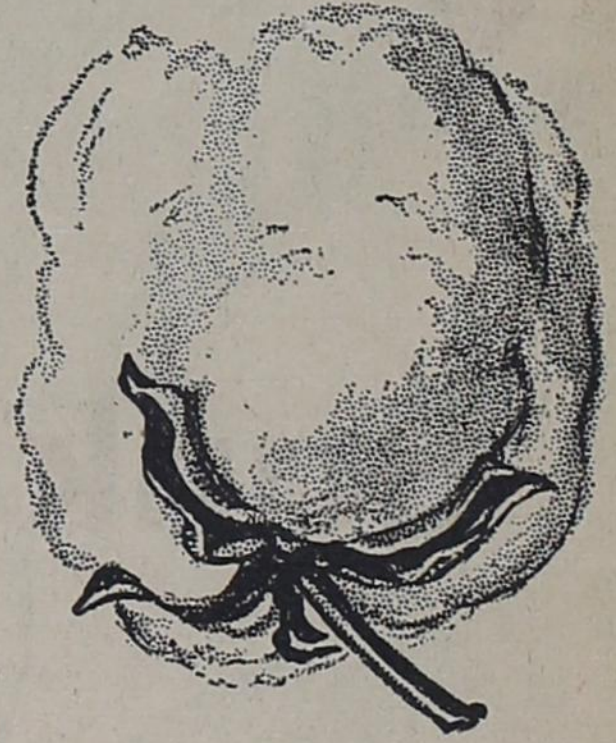
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Christmas: Our Great Holiday Began As Strictly Religious Festival

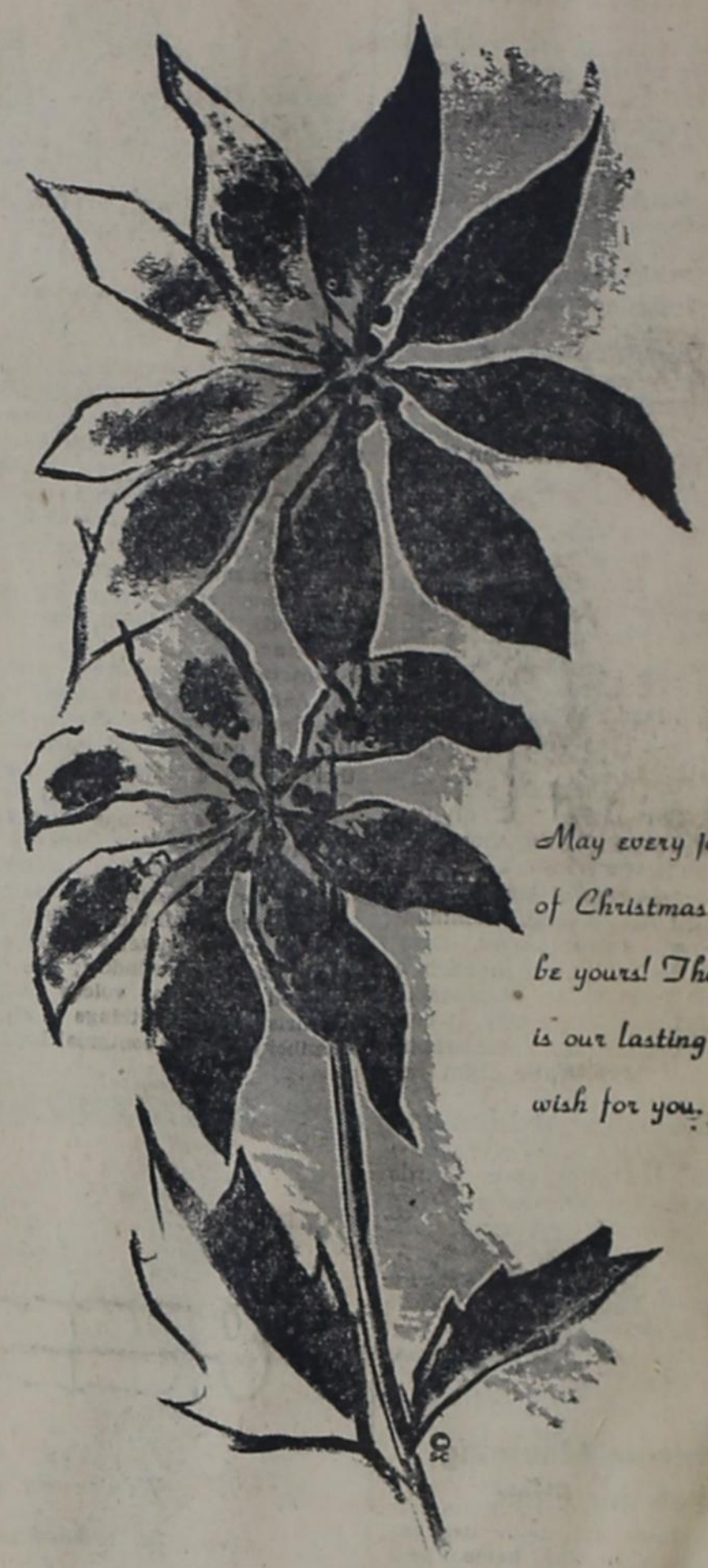
Although records indicate that the Christmas festival was spoken of in the fourth century as a custom of long standing, the exact age of the holiday is not known. Christmas actually began as a strictly religious observance and was not generally recognized in the fourth century as Christ's Mass, or the Mass of Christ. And it is quite significant to note that until this time it had been the custom of the church to celebrate the anniversaries of deaths, rather than births, so Christ's birthday was appropriately the first to be made an occasion for feasting.

It was many years after the first observance of Christ's Mass before giving became a part of the usual season. The church finally sanctioned the practice, in remembrance of the Three Kings who had traveled far to present their gifts to the new-born Christ.

In other centuries, too, the feast of Christmas was to be the subject of controversy. In England, during the Reformation, many believed the undue jollity of Christmas day to be sacrilegious. The English Parliament, on December 24, 1652, ordered that "no observance shall be held of the five and twentieth day of December, commonly called Christmas day; nor any solemnity used or exercised in churches upon that day in respect thereof."

Naturally, the edict proved to be very unpopular with the masses of the people, but it had its effect and it was many years before Christmas was once again regarded as a holiday.

And England was not alone. The Puritans of Mass. bay colony had a law that imposed fines for observance of Christmas and Gov. Bradford once issued a statement publicly ridiculing certain young men who declined to work on Dec. 25, "ye day called Christmas."



May every joy of Christmastime be yours! That is our lasting wish for you.

Four and five generation pictures were made recently for the families of Gladys and Edwin Hall of Texico family, with five generations, includes: Mrs. N. V. Adkerson of Sayre, Okla., 93-years-old; Jeff D. Hall, 58, of Clovis; Edwin of Texico; Mrs. Charles Peters of Chardon, Ohio; and Steve Peters of Ohio. In four generation pose are Mrs. R. M. Felty of Clovis; Gladys Hall of Texico; Mrs. Peters and Steve.

The Halls Are Probably The Youngest Grandparents Here

Gladys and Edwin A. Hall of Texico are probably the youngest grandparents in town—at least, they are among that group. She is now at the ripe old age of 36 and he is 38. She says that she was only 34 when she became a grandmother, however.

And what is even more noticeable about this youthful pair is that neither of them look their age.

Another interesting fact about the Halls is that he is a member of a family of which five generations

are living and she says four generations of her family are now living.

Family pictures were made recently of both family groups. Included in one was Hall's 93-year-old grandmother, Mrs. N. V. Adkerson of Sayre, Okla.; his father, Jeff D. Hall, 58, of Clovis; Edwin's daughter, Mrs. Charles (Edwina) Peters of Chardon, Ohio; and his grandson, Steve Peters, 16 months.

In the four generation picture were Gladys' mother, Mrs. R. M. Felty of Clovis; Gladys; and Edwina and Steve.

Gladys and Edwin have two daughters other than Edwina. There is 11-year-old Kay, who is in the sixth grade at Texico Schools, and Sandra, who is married to a barber. She is now Mrs. Charles Lee.

Edwina and her family will not be able to be here on Christmas, but the Halls are planning on a Yule visit from the Lees, and they are expecting Edwin's father and Gladys' mother, here for the holidays.

Gladys was born in Sulphur Bluff, Texas and Edwin was born in Sayre, Okla. Both moved to Clovis when they were youngsters, and grew up in the New Mexico town.

Edwin was two years ahead of his wife in school, but both of them rode the school bus. It was on the bus that they became acquainted; after that, it was a short courtship for the young couple. Gladys says she was not allowed to date, and the friendship grew on the daily trips on the bus. It took the young couple only six weeks to realize that they wanted to be married.

"I guess it was mother's sight," says the young man and grandmother. They were married on Feb. 19, 1937 in Portales and went for their honeymoon.

After their return to Texico was a farmer, and his occupation until 1937 forced him to change his profession. They moved to Texico three years ago, although he is always lived in the town. He is employed by Tom Edwina works as a customer in Jim's Cafe.

Gladys or Edwin call her, says if she has a bride at 17. Edwina is also a bride at 17. Gladys often wished she had completed her high school, that she had more important than that a dip, than it was to young.

almost 20 years ago when she was married.

"But I wouldn't trade back," she adds, as she comments that she has found much happiness in her marriage. As she draws a cup of coffee for a customer, and cheerfully comments on plans for the Christmas tree, and the family get-together, one notes that this petite grandmother has some pretty unusual qualifications. No gray hairs dim the lustre of her black hair, and her eyes sparkle good-naturedly as she talks to friends and customers.

And to think, in a little over five years, gram'ma and grandpa will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary—another big occasion in their lives.

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"Oh, come, let us adore Him!"

Today, as of old, the promise of Peace and Good Will inspires mankind with new hope as Christmastime approaches. May the blessings of the season be yours Merry Christmas to all!

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Johnny CAN Read At Farwell

Contrary to the belief that Johnny can no longer read as well today as could the Johnny of yesterday, it is a proven fact that Johnny CAN read at Farwell Public Schools.

This has been shown by a newly-initiated testing program at Farwell, reports Mrs. R. B. Tucker, supervisor and counselor at the school. As a result of the Stanford Achievement Tests, administered to all elementary grades last year, the local averages in reading surpassed the national averages by a considerable margin, the Farwell school.

The achievement tests, selected by faculty committees, were started for the first time last year.

These tests were standardized, having been administered to approximately a half million pupils in various sized schools (rural and urban) in 38 states, Texas included, Mrs. Tucker says.

Reports were tabulated and national averages were derived from these tabulations.

During the school year, 1955-56, all elementary students were tested on their achievements in the basic subjects and high school students were given scholastic aptitude tests.

More guidance tests have been added to the program this year and plans are to increase the program each year, according to Mrs. Tucker. Being added this year are phonetic skills tests for the first three grades, a special reading test for second graders, the McKee readiness test in the first grade, and a special reading test for grades one through five.

High school students are to be tested on the basic courses, plus social studies, science, and study skills. The Iowa Silent Reader Test will be included, as will one on special aptitudes. The special aptitude tests will be for the purpose of finding one's ability in a certain field, such as mechanical.

She goes on to say all of the tests are solely for measurement and guidance purposes. Results of the tests indicate the weaknesses and strong points of students, enabling the instructors to guide them in receiving a well-rounded education.

"To assist each individual in making the best of all his abilities, and to acquire the skills he needs in daily life so that he can become a useful, active, contributing member of his society," has been listed as the main objective of the program, the counselor points out.

An individual profile chart is kept on each grade school student and parents are invited to go over them at any time, according to Mrs. Tucker. "The records are personal



HERE'S WHY—Johnny ranks high in reading at Farwell Schools and the above picture shows one of the reasons. Pictured are the teachers who teach reading in the elementary grades. Standing from left to right, Mrs. Lenton Pool, Mrs. Amos Tatum, Mrs. Dee Daniels, Miss Clara Florence, Mrs. Winnie Bradley, L. B. Penick, elementary principal, Mrs. Rhea Huffaker, Mrs. Elsie Cain, Mrs. Hattie Coffer, and Mrs. Gladys Eggers. Seated are Mrs. R. B. Tucker, school supervisor, and Mrs. Margaret Kennedy.

GREETINGS

We wish every joy and blessing of this happy Christmas!

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Insurance of All Kinds

Christmas Joy in the Village

TO YOU, OUR FRIENDS

In the days ahead may you come to know the joys of the New Year. May health, peace and prosperity be yours. May we take this opportunity to express our thanks for your favors during the past year.

DUFFY'S—'In The Village'
CLOVIS, N. M.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Each year we look forward to the time when we can extend our services to our customers and thank them for their patronage.

It will be a true pleasure for you in the future to please accept our warmest wishes and joyful for you and yours.

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jottin's
from Jeanne

Gram'ma has one of the best spiced tea recipes that we have ever tasted. She was one of the hostesses for the Texico-Farwell Woman's Club Christmas party last week. Several of the women asked for the recipe, so we decided to run it here.

Boil together for 10 minutes (a slow boil) 2 cups sugar, 4 cups cold water, 1 tsp. cloves, allspice, cinnamon which have been tied in a bag (a clean white cloth will do). Don't tie the bag too closely. Then add one-third cup tea leaves in a bag. Let set for a while. Later add 1 cup orange juice and two-thirds cup lemon juice and 2 or cold.

This recipe makes enough for 20 people.

Rev. Baird Speaks Here Thursday Night

Rev. W. R. Baird, pastor of Bovina Methodist Church, was guest speaker at the father-son chili supper at the Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church Thursday evening. Accompanying him from Bovina was Aubra Ellison.

Approximately 30 people were present for the supper which featured chili, relishes, coffee, or milk. L. B. Penick, Sam Aldridge, and Lenton Pool were in charge of arrangements.

You are worn out with shopping, misunderstandings among the kids, listening at their whining, and keeping them away from your secret hiding place for the Santa this year.

You wish it were over. The kitchen is hot, the house is a mess, the windows need washing, the tree needs redecorating if only Christmas would end. Quick. But come Christmas and the children will greet Santa's visit with wide-eyed wonder, the baking and planning will all turn out perfectly, and the family ties will be made closer than at any other time in the year.

Then it will all be worth it.

For the first time, we aren't sending Christmas cards though the mail to all those we wish to remember. Our greeting is printed in The Tribune, and this is our way of wishing all of you the merriest 1957 and a reverent and sincere Merry Christmas.

We hope you have the Christmas spirit as we have. Ever since Ronny and his mama began counting off the days for his benefit, we've had that extra feeling of warmth that somehow goes with the season. Having small children in the household seems to help

the adults regain some of the wonder of Christmas that otherwise might lie hidden in the heart. Merry Christmas to all!

We want to be the first to congratulate the members of the

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Friend of Visitor Recalls Christmas In Merry England

An interesting highlight is added to this Christmas issue, the reminiscences of his childhood Christmases in merry old England, by Tony Lea of Rugby, England. Lea is a good friend of Simone Maignie of France, who is a house guest of the Johnie Williamses.

Lea wrote to Simone telling her of some of his remembrances and she is allowing The Tribune to use parts of the letter, to show the differences in the observance in the two countries.

The story is as Lea wrote it; as he recalls an "old-fashioned English Christmas."
"In England as I remember . . . about three p. m. we arrive home to a huge round table lit by candles and the flickering glow of a log fire. (The curtains are drawn by that time.) The cook brings in a boar's head garnished with roasted apples, etc., afterwards an oversize turkey complete with trimmings. And of course, wine, over in England.

Then of course, the 'piece de resistance' is next, the Christmas pudding or as it is sometimes called, the plum duff. It's always very large, probably mixed a couple of years ago and invariably has a sprig of holly stuck on top. It's carried high and at arm's length and all lit up with burning brandy. For the children, there are a few three-penny bits and six penny pieces (nickels and dimes) in it. A rich brandy sauce is then poured over it.

"Finally, and it's usually about 5 p. m., by this time there are for

those still able to breathe, hot mincemeat pies.

"And then everyone gathers around the fire while someone tells the very young children all about Scrooge.

"All very English, I'm afraid, but somehow very nice. At least, these are the Christmases I remember as a youngster."

Along with the letter was a clipping bearing the recipe for English plum pudding, which we are including here.

- 2 1/2 cups sugar
- 1/2 lb. finely chopped suet
- 1/2 lb. sultanas
- 1/2 lb. raisins
- 1/2 lb. currants
- 1/4 lb. candied peel
- 2 cups flour
- 1/4 lb. breadcrumbs
- 1/4 cup almonds
- grated rind of one lemon
- 3 eggs
- 1 teaspoon grated nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup milk
- 1 glass brandy

Sift the flour and add sugar, salt, nutmeg, and breadcrumbs. Mix in the milk and the rest of the ingredients and stir until well mixed. Put inside a pudding or deep cake pan, cover with a wet cloth or wax paper and steam over boiling water in a Dutch oven for several hours. When done, it should be sticky and a deep, dark brown. Remove and store until ready to serve. Will serve eight people.

TEXICO BAPTIST NEWS Rev. C. C. Morgan, Pastor

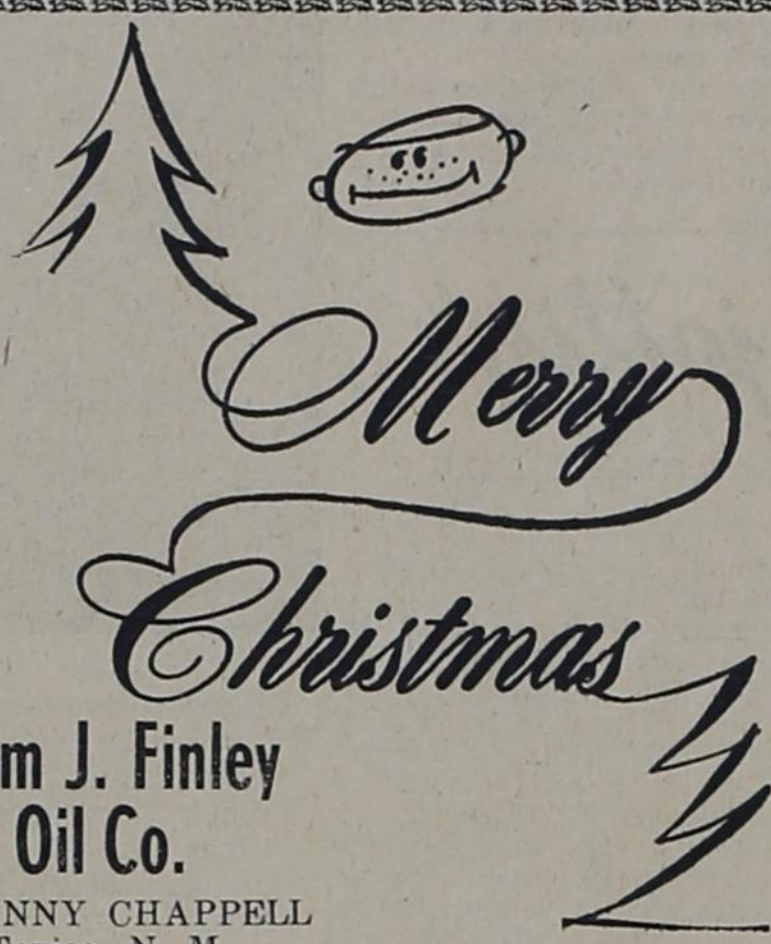
A special Christmas program was presented at the church Sunday night with the life of Christ as the program theme. The junior choir furnished the music for the occasion.

WEMU met for Bible Study with Mrs. D. J. Brown in charge on Wednesday afternoon.

Members of the Junior Girls' Auxiliary packed baskets of treats at their Wednesday night social. Several other departments of the church held holiday parties during the week.

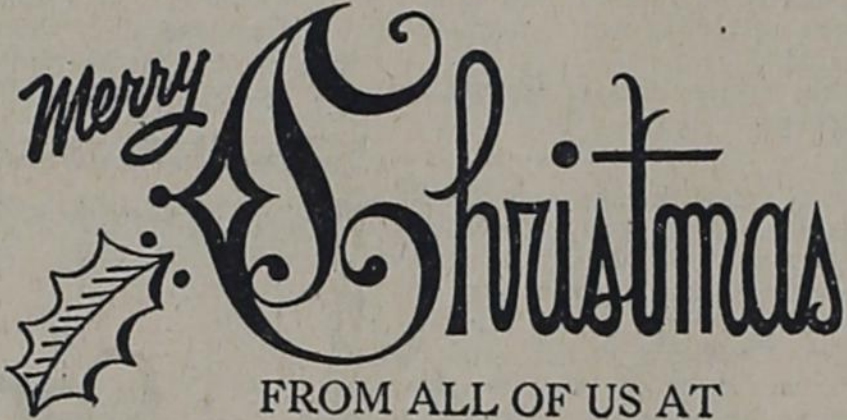
Rev. Morgan announces that no meetings except the regular prayer service on Wednesday evening will be held this week. No special program has been planned for Sunday, December 30.

The Tribune has ALL the news.



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Texico '42' Teams On Top in League

Two '42' teams from Texico that are entered in league play in Curry County have made a good showing so far, with five games each behind them. Fourteen teams make up the league.

The Schlueter team is in the lead having won all contests. Bowing to the Schlueter group so far have been the Clovis Whites, Field, Center Blevins, Pleasant Hill and Clovis Van Sickles.

The Roberts team from Texico has a 3-2 record with three wins and two losses. The local group was tied for second place until the last Monday night defeat, and their standing has not yet been learned. They have won over Clovis Van Sickles, Clovis Whites and Center Boones and lost to Field and Pleasant Hill.

Games are played each Monday night, but a two weeks vacation has been scheduled during the holidays. Next series of games will be January 7.

Remaining schedule for the league play for both teams is as follows:

- January 7—Schlueters play Center Boones there, Roberts play Grady there.
- January 14—Grady plays Schlueter team here, Clovis Kunkels play Roberts group here.
- January 21—Schlueters play Clovis Kunkels there, Roberts play Clovis Railroaders.
- January 28—Broadview plays Schlueters here, Center Blevins plays Roberts here.
- February 4—Texico Schlueters play Texico Roberts.
- February 11—Rosedale plays Roberts at Texico, Clovis Railroaders play Schlueters at Texico.
- February 18—Schlueters to Ranchvale, Roberts to Broadview.
- February 28—Ranchvale plays

Roberts team here, Rosedale plays Schlueter team here.

Date will be announced later for a '42' tournament to be at Field. Individual trophies will be presented to the team members of the winners in the league play, and also to the winners of the tournament. Also, cups will be presented to the high couple in tournament play.

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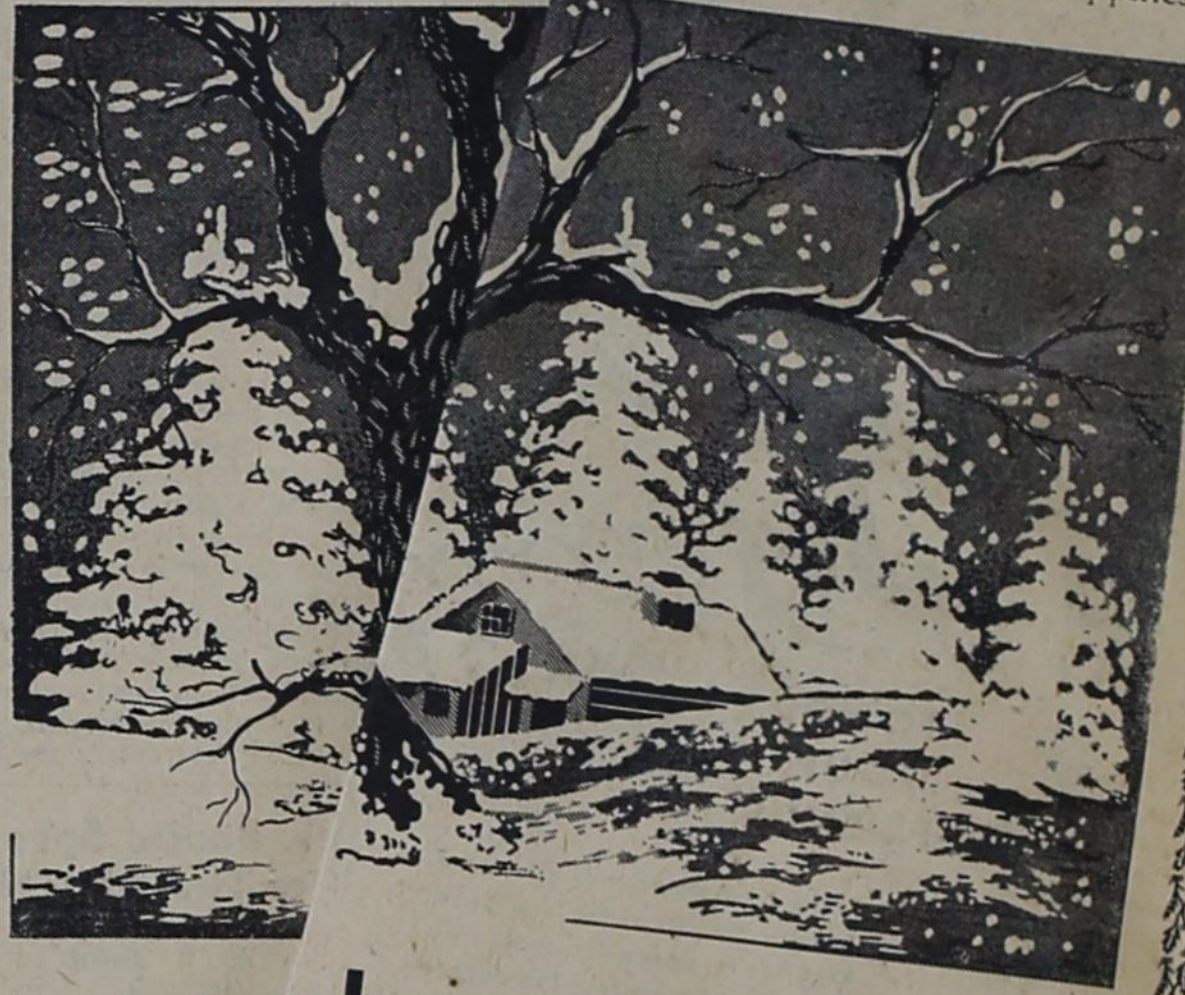
Legion Auxiliary. The group, which has disbanded, sold their silverware, coffee maker and other articles to the highest bidder, and they received \$225. They deposited the money to the swimming pool fund, the first active deed to get in the ball to rolling on getting a pool for our communities.

Christmas cards we have received this year are more beautiful than ever. It seems that every designer top their design before. We receive word and every Christmas card we receive is a treat. It is always a

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Spacing Rules Of Water District Remain Valid

The State Supreme Court has dismissed an appeal by F. J. Bryson of Hockley County, appealing a decision of the 72nd District Court, which enjoined the producing of a well in excess of 100,000 gallons of water per day, drilled in violation of the spacing rules of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District.

The District refused to approve a permit at 74 yards from an existing well; however, Bryson drilled the well without a permit. After the trial court issued a permanent injunction against Bryson, he made a direct appeal to the Supreme Court. The high court said that it lacked jurisdiction to take the case on direct appeal; thereby ruling against the appeal and dismissing the case.

cago, to Kansas City, Amarillo, and back to Friona. These were the major stops.

The reason for the trip was the convening of delegates from 48 states and Puerto Rico for the 38th annual convention of the American Farm Bureau. The organization represents 1,587,107 members, or three out of four farmers who belong to farm organizations.

Senator Styles Bridges and Senator John F. Kennedy were among the notables who addressed the delegation. We are unable to remember or find his name just now, but one of the best speeches we heard was that of the national president of 4-H boys, a young man from Arkansas.

The reason for the writer's presence in Miami was not as a delegate, but as a service representative. We were privileged to hear several experts on selling service, as well as those directing their speeches toward the solution of the many problems confronting American farmers. Of the 6,000 in attendance, only a few hundred were delegates, the number based on the membership of each state represented. The temperature in Miami required day and night air conditioning.

We went from Miami to Rochester, N. Y., where we visited a sister, and toured the famed Eastman College of Music, where her husband, Ralph Bigelow, is registrar. From there we went to Grass Lake, Mich., to visit Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bell. Mrs. Bell was our first office secretary, whom many of you remember. Bell is in the airplane repair and sales and flight instruction business. The last planned stop was in Flint where our sister, Louise, and her husband, Earl Mangold, live. It was

a very enjoyable trip. The High Plains still looks good.

President Kaltwasser, among other things, wrote letters to congressmen last week urging recognition of "split grades" of cotton for government loan. This was in line with resolutions approved by the membership previously.

SCD News

The Parmer County Soil Conservation District supervisors held their regular monthly meeting at Farwell Monday. Supervisors present were A. L. Black, chairman; Joe Blair, secretary; and Matt Jesko. Supervisors not present were Lloyd Prewett of the Black community and Carl Schlenker of Rhea.

During the meeting the supervisors made their annual report. It was decided to print the report and send each district cooperators a copy.

Now is the time of the year to begin planning to improve the irrigation system of the year past. This may be one of the best of new year resolutions a farmer can make.

If you need to change your row direction to slow the water down, shorten the length or run to improve water penetration, or what have you, come by in the next few weeks and let's talk it over.

It will enable the SCS technicians to schedule their work in such a way to reach more of the farmers when they want them. The spring of the year is just about the busiest season.

Farmers Union SPEAKS

By W. L. EDELMON

At this Christmas time we like to think of the joy that farmers have been able to bring to the world through all ages by being able to feed an ever increasing population. Especially is this true in this country where free enterprise and individual initiative of the family farmer have held full sway.

The blessing of abundance in this country should bring joy to every citizen. Let us think of the alternative to abundance—famine, starvation, and every cause for war. And yet, we have hundreds of thousands of people in this country who are unable to get even their needs from our so-called "burdensome surpluses" because the distribution of the benefits of production has been out of balance.

The school lunch program, which is so widely accepted in our section of the country, is currently reaching only one child in three in the entire nation. The fluid milk program, which is a part of the school lunch program in this county, is reaching only one child in four when we consider our total school population. The expansion of these two food programs alone would do much to relieve two serious problems facing us today—malnutrition among large numbers of our school children, and to bring production and consumption of food products much closer together.

In addition to the school lunch program, there is another outlet for large amounts of food and fiber in our own country if the responsibility of our government is to be met. Thousands upon thousands of our people due to one cause or another are unable to secure for themselves, through the established channels of trade, even the bare necessities of life.

To disregard the needs of these groups and become oblivious to the causes of crime that are harbored in such surroundings is but to forget the purpose of our government in the beginning—provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare. Such an idea is workable through a food stamp plan for those who are in need and would serve the dual purposes of providing adequate diet for thousands and at the same time usefully consume a significant share of what would be branded as a burdensome surplus.

The term "surplus" has been loosely used to describe the amount of farm production that has not been consumed each year. Such use of the word shows an utter disregard for the need of any reserve of food and fiber as a protection against any kind of catastrophe.

We need only to recall that at the beginning of the second world war we had approximately 8,000,000 bales of cotton in storage but before another crop could be produced we had to curtail the use of cotton because our supply was exhausted. We must realize that the production of food and fiber can't be turned off and on in the same way that needed units of industrial production or war material can be started or stopped.

The failure to keep a sufficient reserve of food and fiber could become a national catastrophe in any 12 month period. To protect against such a contingency is the responsibility of our national government.

During the coming session of congress it will be the purpose of Farmers Union to secure the repeal of our present sliding scale of farm price supports and to secure

the passage of a program that will encourage the family farmer to remain on the land and be in a position to increase his production to meet the need of an augmented demand.

Support for such a program will be drawn from both sides of the aisles in congress. Members of Farmers Union from every state of the union will be encouraged to visit their congressmen and add to the appeal for such a program. Two bus loads of Farmers Union members from Texas, including two or three members from Parmer County, will be included in "bus trippers" program this coming year.

Watch for further information on these bus trips.

For lack of something more expressive, we simply say MERRY CHRISTMAS.

THE PARMER FARMER

What does the new year hold for farmers of the High Plains? Are prospects rosy? Are prospects poor?

The answer, of course, all depends. It depends less on the weather than it ever has, as each year we become more and more an irrigated area that is "insured" against deficient rainfall.

There is almost no question about our ability to produce. We will raise SOMETHING—and lots of it—almost in spite of the weather. That has been proven several times now.

Production is a problem that has, for all practical purposes, been solved. The problem now is to produce and make money at the same time. Simply having a good crop no longer means that there will be profits in the farming operation.

It costs money to produce today, big money in most instances. Machinery, irrigation wells, labor, fuel, everything the farmer must have to produce costs more than ever before. Even the land on which he must farm is high priced.

Simply raising a crop is not enough. Words like management,

competition, efficiency, promotion and volume have come to be meaningful.

Even though the future is something less than gilt-edged for the High Plains farmer, we can take confidence in the fact that there is still opportunity. Today's farmer is little different from a manufacturer. He offers products that are needed, but the market is highly competitive.

The opportunity we speak of is the opportunity to grow more and better food and fiber and to promote it in such a manner that the producer is assured a reasonable profit for his investment and labor. It is being done in industry—it will have to be done on the farm.

Emergency Feed Grain Program Extended

Walter T. McKay, state director, Farmers Home Administration, this week advised Billy R. Boling, Parmer County supervisor, of the extension of the emergency feed grain program in Parmer County.

Under this extension, farmers and ranchers may now file applications through February 15 for a supply of the feed grain necessary to carry their basic livestock through March 15.

McKay also advised that the emergency roughage program will be extended. However, there will be a delay in accepting applications for roughage until sometime in early January, since financial aspects of the program are being worked out in Washington, he says.

High Plains Water Shown In Maps

An estimated 80 to 85 million acre feet of water still lies in storage, available for pumping, in the water bearing sands of the 13 counties of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District.

How long will this amount of water last?

No one knows.

In order to give South Plains residents and farmers a better picture of the actual water situation under this area, directors of the District have had the hydrologic staff prepare three composite maps of the water district in color.

Anyone receiving The Cross Section will automatically receive the maps. Anyone not receiving The Cross Section may obtain the maps by writing to The Cross Section, 1628 B 15th Street, Lubbock.

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The Parmer County Implement Co. News

Christmas, 1956

"The Place Where Most People Trade"

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God bless you on this Christmas Day . . . With happiness supreme . . . And may you gather all the gifts . . . of which you ever dream . . . May all your friends remember you . . . With sentiment sincere . . . To add a world of pleasure and . . . To multiply your cheer . . . God bless you with the courage to . . . Pursue each noble quest . . . And grant this golden Yule will be . . . By far your happiest . . . May all the ornaments and lights . . . Upon the Christmas tree . . . Reflect the peace and comfort of . . . Your loving family . . . May every moment of your life . . . Seem wonderful and new . . . And in the year a week away . . . May all your dreams come true.

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FARWELL BAPTIST NEWS
Rev. E. J. Keith, Pastor

A special program has been planned for the regular worship hours at the church on Sunday, December 30. "Commissioned to Serve This Age" is the theme of a presentation to be made by youth of the church who are away from home attending college or some vocational school.

Rev. Keith says that there are about 14 students from the local church and that all of them have been contacted about appearing on the program to tell how they plan to serve in this age. All of those contacted have not been heard

from, Rev. Keith says, but a good representation of the group is expected to be on hand for the two services. Everyone is invited to attend these services.

A workers conference will be held at the First Baptist Church of Tulia on Thursday, January 3. As many members as can are urged to attend.

Rev. Keith announces that a study course will be taught each Wednesday night during January at the church. Everyone is invited to attend these informative sessions. Rev. Keith will be the teacher of this course which will be a

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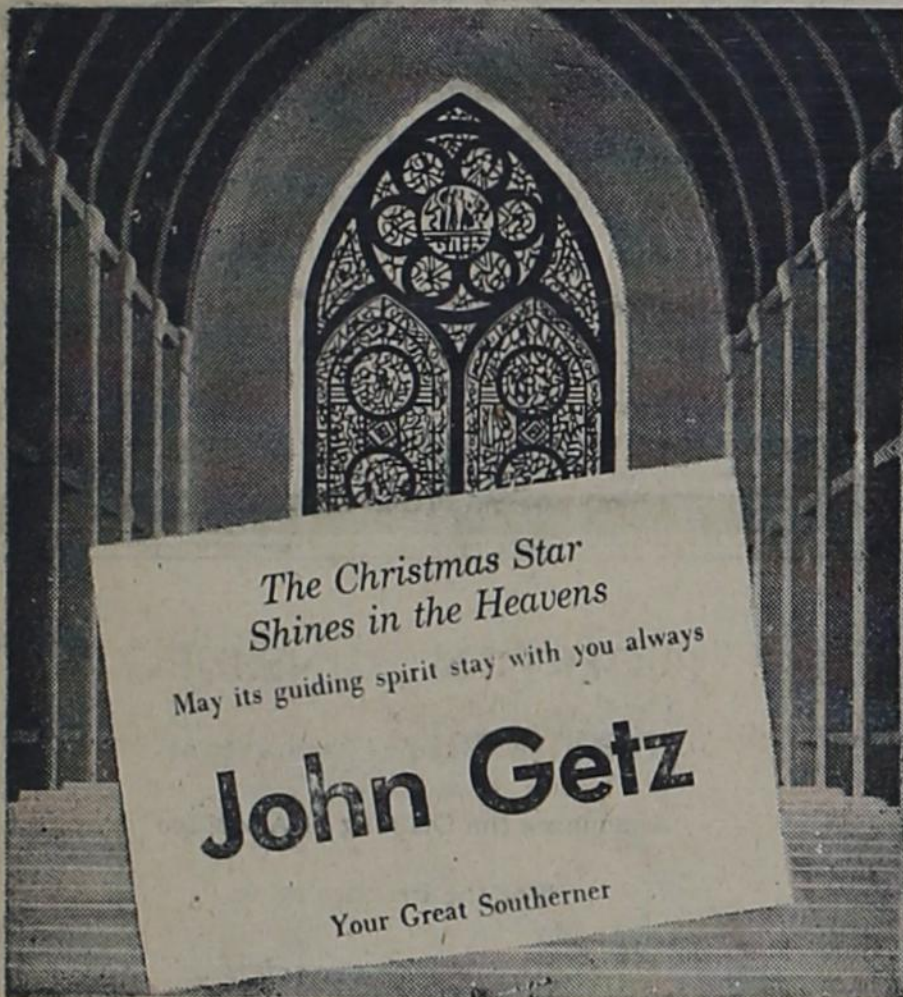
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A special greeting and sincere wishes for Christmas



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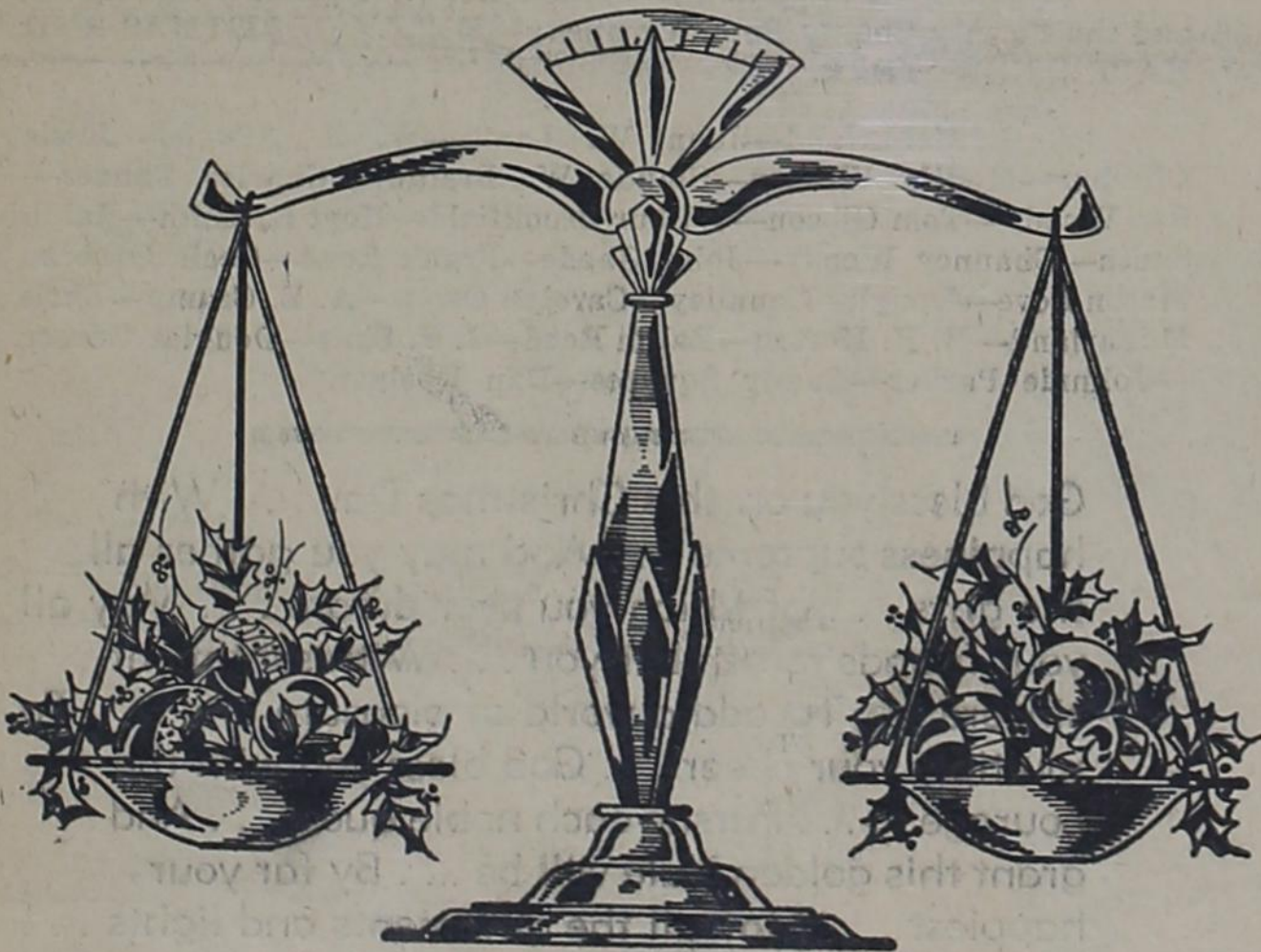
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