

A CHRISTMAS POEM

'Twas the night before Christmas when all through the room
Not a creature was stirring, not even a bloom
The caskets were lined by the fireplace with care
And the fragrance of flowers covered the air.

Loved ones were gathered with tears in their eyes
While the silence was torn by the heartbroken cries
Dressed in the gifts of our children so sweet
Where Mama and I in eternity sleep.

When up with the dawn we jumped in the car
To visit with grandma, a distance quite far
Away through the country we'd sped like a flash
Tore down the highway — a death crash!

Our blood on the crest of a hilltop so high
Gave a silent reminder to those passing by
That out of the darkness of a cold winter night
Stood a grim, cloaked figure ready to smite.

He was skinny and gaunt, a right vicious old elf
And his clothes were all tarnished with blood from the dead
A long curved scythe he had flung on his back
And he looked like a devil about to attack.

He was shiny and gaunt, a right vicious old elf
And I screamed when I saw him in spite of myself
A blink of my eye and a twist of my head
Soon gave me to know I had plenty to dread.

He spoke not a word but went straight to his work
Adding us to his roll of nitwits and jerks
More rapid than autos his coursers they came
And he whistled and shouted and called us by name.

"Now Speeder, now careless, now honker, and creepy
On Passer, on Weaver, on Drinker and Sleepy
To the top of the hill, to the end of the curve
Now, dash away, dash away, show you got nerve.

And then in a twinkling I saw in my lights
The tingling, spine chilling, most awesome sights
As I drew in my head and was turning the wheel
Through the windshield and dash came the grinding of steel.

As dry leaves that night, the auto did fly
When we met with another to mount to the sky
The stump of my pipe, it broke off my teeth
And the smoke, it encircled my head like a wreath.

So hear as I speak from death's darkened sill
Slow down, my friend, pass not on that hill
For he waits there ahead, omnipotent and cold
For the driver lax, in his arms to enfold.

Escape him you can't, if you must take the chance
Death is the penalty, you know in advance
For I heard him exclaim ere my eyes dimmed of sight,
"Careless driving to all, and to all a good night."

— Author Unknown

'Twas the day before Christmas and all thru the land,
The only creature stirring was the MoorMan Man.
The feeders in the barn were all empty and bare,
And the stock began wondering when "he" would be there.
The pigs and the calves were all snug in their beds,
While visions of Minstrates danced in their heads.
The cattle and hogs 'round their feeders did mill,
In hopes that with MoorMan's they soon would be filled.
When what to their wondering eyes should appear,
But a big yellow truck with "Moor-Man's" so clear.
Out of the cap and 'round to the back,
Went Boothe the driver, to fill up his pack.
With pellets, Minstrates, Minerals, and Blocks,
He proceeded to fill all the stocks empty socks.
As the last bag of feed was stacked in its place,
He turned to the stock with a smile on his face.
"Eat hearty my friends, 'tis a time of good cheer,
I hope I can serve you thru the coming New Year

JAY BOOTHE

Mobeetie, Texas Phone VI 5-2801

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We've just purchased amazing electronic equipment to help us serve you better.

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& SUPPLY CO
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PRODUCTION CREDIT MOVEMENT OBSERVES 27TH ANNIVERSARY

In 1933 American agriculture was deep in the clutches of the nation's longest and most severe economic depression and one of the worst and most widespread droughts on record. Many of the nation's farmers and ranchers were being forced out of business because there simply was no place to go to receive sufficient financial aid to continue operations in the face of the continued plagues of depression and drought.

It was during this dry and critical period that the Farm Credit Act of 1933—its provision to establish an adequate source of agricultural credit—the Production Credit Association, was born.

Today, 27 years later, the Production Credit Associations are thriving and integral portions of the business life of America, with more than 600 associations providing short and intermediate-term agricultural credit for farmers, ranchers and dairymen across the United States.

The 36 associations which serve all 245 Texas counties are prime examples of how the farmers and ranchers of America have provided for and by themselves a source of agricultural credit. Beginning with a handful of members and an infinitesimal amount of capital, the associations today are healthy progressive financial institutions, owned and operated entirely by their borrower-stockholders.

Although the federal government—out of necessity—provided initial loan funds when the associations were organized, the initial concept was to place the operation in each association in the hands of the local farmers and ranchers themselves, and for each association to become fully home-owned and operated at the earliest time possible.

It actually took 36 associations in Texas only 16 short years to retire all federal capital. In 1949, each association had repaid in full all government money from assets accumulated during the intervening years through solid growth, astute management and the innate desire of the Texas farmer and rancher to guide his own financial destiny.

Since that humble and somewhat shaky beginning in December, 1933, the 1936 PCA organizations in Texas have provided more than \$2.8 billion in agricultural credit.

Today, more than 30,000 Texas farmers, ranchers and dairymen are Production Credit stockholders.

The Texas associations are currently involved in the purchase of all stock in the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Houston, the discount agency for the 33 associations. The IFCB each month sells debentures on the commercial money market to provide funds for the associations.

"Because our association is owned and operated by farmers and ranchers in this area," explained Erbin L. Crowell, general manager of the Canadian PCA, "We have only one purpose

to have an intimate acquaintance with the problems, needs and conditions in our area. "We have only one purpose for being in business and that is to provide adequate financial credit for the farmers, ranchers and dairymen of our area. It has been a distinct privilege and pleasure to provide this service for the past 27 years, and we look forward to providing services as specialists in agricultural credit in the future."

The Canadian PCA serves an area composed of Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Roberts, Hemphill, Gray and Wheeler counties. Central office is in Canadian with field offices located in Wheeler, Pampa and Perryton.

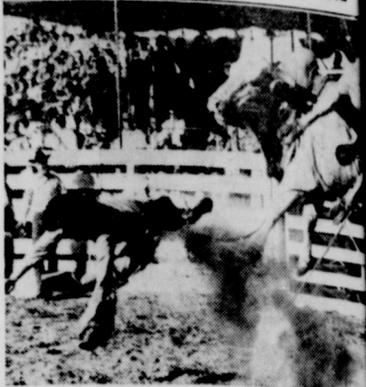
General Telephone Company Has New 'WATS' Phone Service

General Telephone Company of the Southwest is in accord with the objectives of new wide area telephone boarder and more flexible long-distance telephone service, according to E. H. Danner, company president.

This new wide area telephone service, called "WATS" is designed to meet the needs of business customers who are present or potential large users of long-distance interstate telephone service, by permitting them unlimited calling within a certain specified multi-state area for a flat rate. This new service offering has been filed by Bell System with the Federal Communications Commission and will not become available until approved by the body. In their future, similar service on an intra-state basis will undoubtedly be offered for the benefit of other business customers who are smaller users of long distance service and for residential subscribers.

Agreement has been reached by General Telephone Company of the Southwest and the Bell System as to the division of revenues which would arise from the proposed new service. "Before we will be able to offer or participate in the new service, we and the Bell System must reach an agreement which will provide our company with a fair return on our facilities used in the service jointly rendered by General Telephone of the Southwest and the Bell System," he said.

RANKEST BULLS FOR NATIONAL



The roughest, toughest bucking brones and bulls in all this one, will be pitted against the top money-winning the year in the 1960 National Finals Rodeo "world se 26-Jan. 1 at Dallas. Taking his lumps here is Bill Rinehart, Visa, N. M., who ranks No. 5 in the bull riding stand into the Finals.

Merry Christmas



As another Holy Season approaches, when friends ships are not measured but cherished, we want to wish our family a truly Merry Christmas, a Christmas that will linger end

PALMER SIVAGE
Wheeler County Treasurer

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826-5245
May Christmas bring the richest gifts of peace and joy to you

REDI-MIX CONCRETE CO.

Ned Barrow, Mgr. Shamrock

Drawing Winners

Wednesday, Dec. 21, 4:00 P.M.
\$1000 Winner
Lem Gaines
Kathy Finsterwald
C. J. Van Zandt
Bailey Whitely
C. B. Brotherton, Jr.
\$2500 Winner
Pete Baird
Geo. Richerson
\$10000 Winner
Hoy Hunter
Don't miss the drawings, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Bob Douthitt was visiting in Wheeler last Thursday and Friday.

ATTENTION FARMERS

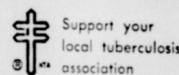
We have numerous prospects for good farms and ranches. If you are interested in selling, contact us immediately. V & E Real Estate and Insurance. Phone 5021, Wheeler, Texas. Paid Advertising.



A MESSAGE FROM
STEVAN DOHANOS

I am an artist. Perhaps you have seen some of my magazine covers on the newsstands. But I'm something else. I'm a recovered TB patient. I first had the disease in 1932—suffered a relapse in 1941. But I'm O.K. today—thanks to the folks who use Christmas Seals each year. As this year's National Honorary Christmas Seal Chairman, I am asking you to send in your contribution today.

Stevan Dohanos



Support your local tuberculosis association
FIGHT TB WITH CHRISTMAS SEALS

SULLIVAN TRIMS TREE



Ed Sullivan puts his own personal card, decorated with Christmas Seals to fight tuberculosis, on a Friendship Tree with cellophane tape. Sullivan has been asking viewers on his Sunday night CBS-TV program to send him all their Christmas Sealed cards to put on Friendship Trees for hospitals and orphanages across the country.

Holiday Greetings



To all of you... from all of us! Our sincere good wishes for your very merriest Christmas and very gladdest New Year!

Wheeler Radio & Refrigeration

Wheeler, Texas

NEW LOCATION

I would like to extend a personal invitation to all of my friends to visit me at my...

NEW LOCATION

Just 2 doors east of

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in Wheeler

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Attorney At Law

Merry Christmas



A happy wish for a Holiday of happiness, cheer and good will to all our friends and customers.

ALANITA FURNITURE

Ab and Benita

Merry Christmas



We are hoping that every one of you enjoys the happiness of Christmas and the holiday season.

TITLE ABSTRACT

Thurman Rives — Hiram Whitener
Lois Helton — Grace Davidson

Mrs. T. A. Treadwell, David and Bobby spent the day Sunday in the Donald Jenkins home in Miami. Mrs. Earl Steen went to Sunday afternoon to Steen.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Patterson and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Horn and Brenda Sunday.

WILL THESE FREEDOMS BE LEFT TO OUR CHILDREN?

Although it hasn't been clearly stated in the political campaign talk by the various candidates, there is one issue that should be brought out into the open. And that is where is the government going?

Are we to surrender to the Communists by imitating them—by surrendering more and more of our freedom to the government?

Above are the four symbols of freedom—a Holy Bible, a pencil, a key and a free ballot. Men have died to leave us these four symbols.

A Holy Bible—the symbol of your right to worship as you please. (First Amendment of the United States Constitution).

A Pencil—freedom to speak or write what you think, whether you agree with the government or not. (First Amendment, United States Constitution).

A Key—your right to lock your door against illegal government force. (Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution).

A Free Ballot—freedom to choose the people who represent you in government—your protection against government oppression. (Article I, U. S. Constitution).

One-half of the world does not enjoy these freedoms. In fact they are working to destroy these four

symbols. Even in our own country there are people who propose to weaken our freedoms by giving our federal government more control over the lives of American citizens.

They already have a start—already the government regulates & operates hundreds of different

WISE COUPLE CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Wise celebrated their 50th Wedding anniversary Dec. 18th with a reception at their home from 2 until 5 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Wise were married in Anson, Tex., and moved to Hemphill county in 1928 and to Wheeler in Dec. 1948. They have three children, Forrest Wise, Happy, Texas; Murry Wise, Tulsa, Tex.; and Mrs. Claudy Brotherton, Canadian, Tex. They have 7 grandchildren and 4 great grand children.

A wonderful evening was spent visiting with their family and friends.

Approximately 175 guests registered during the afternoon and many others mailed cards and gifts.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wallace and Jean of Amarillo, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Batts of Canadian, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Littleton, Sr. of Earth, Tex.; Mrs. J. C. Johnson of Wellington; Mrs. Sherry Washington of Pampa, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Reynold and daughter and granddaughter of Pampa, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. F. Williams of Pampa, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Buck Lancaster of Plainview, Tex.; Mrs. Leuella Hartman of Wellington, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lancaster of Wellington; Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Cole and Betty of Canadian; Mr. and Mrs. Wallis Fields of Shamrock, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Solaman of Shamrock, Tex.; I. H. Roper of Pampa, Tex.; and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Littleton of Wellington, Tex.

Number Two

of 475. Jeff also won outstanding honors while playing basketball.

Following the Christmas holidays Jeff will return to San Diego, where he has been assigned to the payroll and bookkeeping department.

Visiting in the T. A. Treadwell home Saturday was Mrs. Lorene Jenkins from Wellington, Texas.

kind of businesses in competition with its own citizens. And the political talk concerning proposals that the federal government take over even more.

If socialism continues to creep in America—very gradually—step by step, it is hardly noticed as socialism. In this way you never have a chance to vote for or against it. For by the time you realize that socialism is here, the government will control your job and your independence.

Today there are millions of people who in this "enlightened" age are living in bondage under dictators or systems where the rights and privileges represented by the four symbols are denied. To them freedom is just a dream and they wouldn't understand anybody even talking freedom lightly.

Our country's progress has come about through the freedom of its people and today we enjoy the position of a world leader. Other countries and their peoples follow our lead, envy us, look up to us. Let us always be aware of the symbols of freedom which make America the greatest free country in the world.

We would be short changing our children if we left them any less freedom than that which we inherited.



AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR!
GARRISON SERVICE
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Garrison

DANCE

TO THE MUSIC OF
MARGARETTE BROWN & HER ORCHESTRA
in the City Auditorium
CANADIAN, TEXAS
 SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24
 9:00 P.M.
Sponsored by the Canadian VFW

Greetings

We all wish to extend to you Christmas greetings and good will, and may boundless Holiday cheer be yours. To our ever-widening circle of friends we are especially grateful this year.

RENA SIVAGE
District Clerk



Best wishes for a
joyous Yuletide.

Thelma's Beauty Shop
Mobeetie, Texas



May we extend to you our warmest of wishes for a Merry Yuletide and a Happy New Year . . . may every hour be filled with good cheer!

TOPPER WELDING
Betty and Bill Topper



TO EACH ONE OF YOU FROM EACH ONE OF US!

Ware Chevrolet

Phone 3101

Wheeler, Texas

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU

"ICE PALACE"

NOT ICE CAPEDES or SKATING

Edna Feber's Story of our 49th State

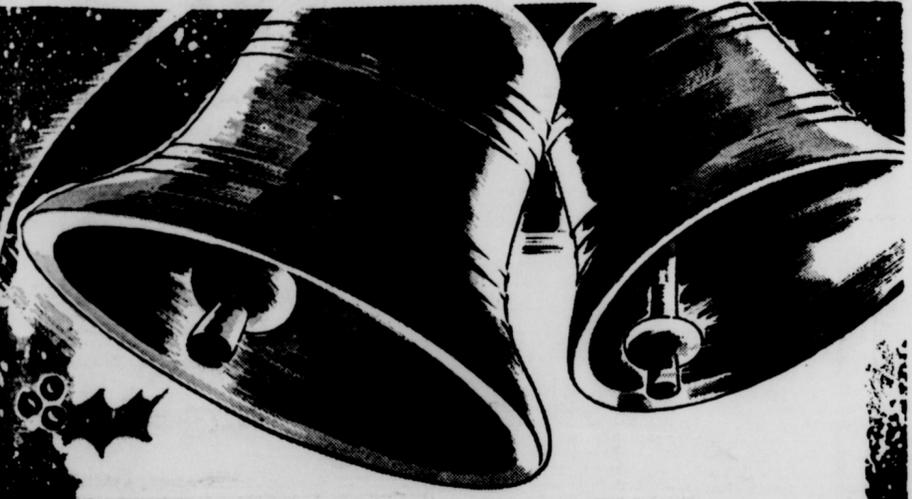
ALASKA — Forty years of Territorial Growth

Adventure — Excitement — Romance

It's Beauty in Technicolor

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ROGUE THEATRE



SEASON'S GREETINGS

MAY our prayers for peace and brotherhood
among men be as
clear and true as the pealing of the bells
in the steeple.
May men everywhere come to know the true
meaning of this
joyous holiday. Merry Christmas . . .

Paymaster Gin

WHEELER, TEXAS
Fat Jones, Manager



TEXAN APPOINTED TO HEAD WORLD MISSIONS POST FOR METHODIST

One of the outstanding leaders of Methodism in Southwest Texas, the Rev. Dr. Donald Redmond, has been chosen by the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church to head its Department of Advance for the World Division. Announcement of the appointment came from the administrative committee of the Board of Missions. The Rev. Dr. Redmond has served as District Superintendent of the San Antonio district since 1957.

Born in Osawatimil, Kan., Rev. Redmond received his education in Brackenridge High School, San Antonio, B. A. at University of Texas, and Bachelor of Divinity degree from Yale Graduate School in 1933. In 1935, Southwestern University, Georgia,

conferred on him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity.

Dr. Redmond has served pastorates at Miles, San Antonio, Seaman, Killebrew and Harlingen. He has served as Executive Secretary of the International Council of Christian Churches, Texas Conference of the Methodist Church in San Antonio, and as a delegate to the last General Conference in 1956 and 1962. He was chairman of the Texas Planning Commission of the Methodist Church in 1955, and was one of the organizers of the Texas Council on Evangelism. He is present chairman of the Texas Council on Spanish Speaking Work

and acting chairman of the Texas Methodist Student Movement.

Filling Dr. Redmond's position as superintendent of the San Antonio District is Rev. Ted Richardson, present pastor of Jefferson Methodist Church in San Antonio.

Rev. Bruce L. Medford, present pastor of First Methodist Church, Brownsville, will go to Jefferson Methodist as pastor. These appointments were announced by Bishop Paul Galloway, San Antonio. The Brownsville appointment has not yet been made.

During Dr. Redmond's 3 1/2 years as San Antonio District Superintendent, 3 new churches has been constituted, and two sites purchased for future use. Going beyond his own conference, Dr. Redmond

has led in giving assistance in building churches for a new congregation of the West Texas conference of the Central Jurisdiction (Negro), and one for a congregation of the Rio Grande Conference (Latin American).

Dr. Redmond also carried important responsibilities in bringing to reality a retirement home, Morningside Manor, which will be ready for occupancy about Mar. 1, 1961, and a hospital in San Antonio, to be known as Southwest Texas Methodist Hospital, which is now under construction and will be a 116 bed "Nuclear Age" hospital. Funds for the hospital were raised among Methodist Churches of the San Antonio District and citizens of the city.

where he will manage a ranch. It is my understanding that the Whitlock Oil Company in Wheeler as well as Shamrock has been sold.

Thursday Review Club Has Meeting

The Thursday Review Club met in the home of Mrs. Harrison Hall for Christmas Party.

The house was beautifully decorated for the Christmas season. Mrs. Dennis Wilks gave a Christmas story "The Three Chests" and was assisted in the program by Mrs. R. J. Holt, Jr., and Mrs. Harold Loyd Lee.

Gifts were opened and Christmas Carols were sung and a social hour followed.

Delicious refreshments were served to three guests: Mrs. Robert Denson, Mrs. J. D. Beatty and Mrs. David Britt.

Members present were: Mrs. Earl Barnes, Mrs. Bob Ely, Mrs. W. D. Lang, Mrs. Delbert McWhorter, Mrs. Coy Revious, Mrs. Henry Risner, Mrs. Harold Lee, Mrs. Bob Henderson, Mrs. James Vernon, Mrs. N. D. Ware, Jr., Mrs. Bob McNeil, Mrs. Bob Patterson, Mrs. R. J. Holt, Jr., Mrs. Dennis Wilks, Mrs. Don Earney, Mrs. Jack Garrison, Mrs. Wilma Hefley, Mrs. Gene Mack, Mrs. E. M. Moore, Mrs. Thurman Rives, Mrs. John C. Vise, Mrs. Paul Millett and the hostess.

Number Seven

Briscoe 4-H Club
Dress Rehearsal: Violet Fillington, 4-H Council Co-Chairman; Jacquelyn Dadd, County Wide 4-H Club; and Sherrin Robinson, Shamrock Junior 4-H Club.

Electric: Freddie Evans, Kellerville 4-H Club; Ray Corcoran, Mobeetie 4-H Club; Martha Drum,

Wheeler 4-H Club; and Margaret Dickey, Wheeler 4-H Club.

4-H Club: Mrs. M. C. Cad, Senior 4-H Club.

Food: Peggy Allen, Diane Dodd, Bessie 4-H Club; Judy Finsterling, Bessie 4-H Club and Sherry Darrell, Kellton 4-H Club.

Garden: Peggy Funk, Shamrock Senior 4-H Club; James Hubble, Wheeler Senior 4-H Club; and

Elaine Range, Shamrock Junior 4-H Club.

Home Economics: Gloria Robinson, Shamrock Senior 4-H Club and Jean Zybach, County Wide 4-H Club.

Leadership: Mike Shannon, Shamrock Senior 4-H Club; Diane Range, Shamrock Senior 4-H Club.

Recreation: Gwen Barnes, Wheeler Senior 4-H Club; Linda Hall, Wheeler Senior 4-H Club; Jimmy Jamison, Wheeler Senior 4-H Club and James Henderson, Kellton 4-H Club.

Swine: Tommie Peppers, Shamrock Senior 4-H Club; Fred Goad, Wheeler Junior 4-H Club; Jackie Arnold, Shamrock Senior 4-H Club and David Zybach, Briscoe 4-H Club.

Number Five

cal merchants in Wheeler have remodeled their stores.

These are just a few of the improvements in and around Wheeler, which as you can see, reflect a very stable economy. No, Mr. Ing, Wheeler is not a ghost town, if anything, it's a boom town.

Buster Whitlock, owner and manager of Whitlock's Truck Stop in Wheeler, has sold his interest and is moving to Venetta, Okla.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Glad tidings of great joy and gladness we send at Christmastide to you and yours.

S. W. Trotter & Equipment
Wheeler, Texas



Best Wishes

May happiness be with you and yours at this Christmastime... and throughout the coming New Year!

Shamrock Butane Company
Luther Parks, Mgr.

Public Speaking: Billy Don Rives, Shamrock Senior 4-H Club; and Penny Puryear, Kellton 4-H Council Secretary.

Citizenship: Riskey Arnold, Shamrock 4-H Club; Linda Johnson, Mobeetie Senior 4-H Club.

Folger's Wildlife Conservation: Tommy Puryear, Kellton 4-H Club.

Danforth Leadership Awards: Violet Fillington, Council Co-Chairman and Ray Corcoran, Mobeetie 4-H Club.

Adult Leadership Awards were as follows:

Mrs. Leon Fillington, Wheeler, 25; and Mrs. Lee Kiker, Allison. Mr. Albert Zybach, Briscoe; Mrs. Lloyd Hefley, Briscoe; Mr. Irwin Passon, Wheeler; Mr. Dick DeArment, Wheeler; Mr. James Vernon, Wheeler; Mrs. Lindley McCasland, Wheeler; Mrs. Dub Goad, Wheeler; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Shaffler, Kellton; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Puryear, Kellton; Mrs. Arza Corcoran, Mobeetie; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gabbart, Mobeetie; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gogg of Shamrock, Mr. Carly Rives, Shamrock, and Mr. and Mrs. Dusan Palkan, Lela.

4-H Council Leaders: Mrs. Linsey McCasland, Wheeler and Mrs. Grady Dodd, Briscoe.



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TO OUR DEAR FRIENDS AND PATRONS

HG-0203

ALLBER'S SHAMROCK SERVICE STATION

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chapman

MAY YOUR YULETIDE BE FILLED WITH THE BEST OF EVERYTHING!

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MAY HEALTH, GOOD CHEER, HAPPINESS be yours this Christmas and through The New Year

It has always been our pleasure to preserve the spirit and good will of the holiday season... and to each of our friends say, "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!"

Rock - n - Roll Dairy Queen

NOEL



BEST WISHES

And may GOOD HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND FORTUNE be by your side all through the coming year.

Dick Guyner
Justice of the Peace

The Otis Reids



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And may GOOD HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND FORTUNE be by your side all through the coming year.

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Want Ads

FOR SALE

FEDERAL LAND BANK LOANS

For Details See **RAYBURN L. SMITH** Manager
Shamrock, Texas
111 North Main St.

We are Over Loaded: Just make us an offer on any of the following... I year old Philco Combination Washer, Dryer... Desk type domestic sewing machine, excellent condition... Several good used radios and record players... Reconditioned TV from \$49.95. H and B Appliance Center, Wheeler, Texas.

SAVE MONEY: Test your own radio and television tubes, free of charge. Nash Appliance and Supply Company. rtn-38

FOR SALE: 2 Bicycles. Just like new. See them at Dearing Shoe Shop 1tp

HAF FOR SALE—600 bales of high gear. 60c a bale. Hoy Hunter. 1tp

FOR SALE: Under Butane Tank Complete and ready to hook up. See Ab Gunter at Alanita Furniture. 2tp-3

HOUSE FOR SALE: 803 Shamrock. See Virgil Helton.

FOR SALE: New 2-bedroom home on Sweetwater street. Phone 2591. Wheeler. Rtn-2

LEGAL NOTICE

A fair rendition of cattle is the exact number of head that the taxpayer has on his premises; and should there be any doubt, the Mobeetie School board has authorized tax collector, A. A. Burch to visit taxpayers premises and secure the correct number by counting the cattle.

The Mobeetie School Board

MISCELLANEOUS

Found: Masonic ring, pay for this advertisement and claim the ring at Ernest Lee Hardware and Furniture Co.

FOR SALE

The following list of farms, houses and business buildings are just a few of the many which we have. Stop in and let us show you what we have to offer.

203 acre farm with 18 acre cotton allotment, \$65.00 per acre.

Extra nice 4-room home with attached garage and a good barn.

Small house and 2 1/2 acres. \$4,000.

320 acre farm. Near Wheeler. Cotton allotment.

2 Bedroom Home with wall to wall carpet about 1300 ft. floor space.

Cafe—All fixtures, priced to sell

3 Bedroom Home for \$5,250.00

160 acre farm. 1/2 minerals go at \$50.00.

80 acre farm with small house windmill and out buildings.

6-room modern house, back porch, basement, 75'x150' lot. Own water system, septic tank.

1/2 section of land. 110 acres in soil bank at \$9.00 per acre. 50 acres in cultivation. 45 acre cotton allotment.

6-50 ft lots on paving. Water, sewer and gas.

Nice 3 bedroom home with bath and half, large lot. \$8,500.

3-bedroom home and 4 acres. City limits of Wheeler.

Extra nice 3-bedroom home.

V & E REAL ESTATE

John Vise
Phone 5011 Wheeler, Tex.



Merry Christmas to All

Best wishes to you and yours for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Nation's Barber & Beauty Shop
Wheeler, Texas

HOLIDAY Monday, Dec 20 is An OFFICIAL HOLIDAY in Wheeler. All of the Local Merchants will be CLOSED

GREETINGS



TO OUR DEAR FRIENDS AND PATRONS

HG-0203

ALLBER'S SHAMROCK SERVICE STATION

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chapman

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



May you receive into your hearts and homes this year the true spirit of Christmas, and enjoy the fulfillment of the angels' message... Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men!

CITY DRUG STORE
Wheeler, Texas

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We extend best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

WHEELER DRUG
Wheeler, Texas

THE CHURCH ALL FOR

The Church is... for the built and citizenship... values. Church, neither d... can survive. T... means why ever... and services regu... Church. They are... for his childr... in the name of... his moral a... to go to chur... the Bible daily.

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YULETIDE



GREETINGS

Best wishes for a Happy Holiday. May the spirit of Christmas continue throughout the New Year!

YREVA'S BEAUTY SHOP
Phone 3871

Greetings

May the light of the star of Bethlehem shine down through the ages to spread peace and happiness upon you in this season of great joy... Merry Christmas.

NASH APPLIANCE
Wheeler, Texas

Purveyor To Graduate From Training Center

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (FHTN)—Jeffrey L. Puryear, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Puryear of Briscoe, Tex., is scheduled to graduate from recruit training Dec. 9 at the Naval Training Center, San Diego, Calif.

In nine weeks of instruction, the "raw recruit" is developed into a Navy Bluejacket, ready for duty with the fleet.

Extension Courses To Be Offered In Pampa

Several extension courses from West Texas State College, to be held in Pampa, seem to be almost assured, according to James Hart, Chairman of the Adult Education Committee of the Chamber of Commerce. Anyone in the Pampa area interested in taking extension work should contact Mrs. Marguerite McLeod at the Chamber of Commerce Office for complete details. Deadline for preliminary enrollment is January 19, 1961.

A great deal of interest was shown in extension courses, when one hundred fifty (150) people attended a meeting here recently. According to the latest information received from Evelyn Laycock of West Texas State College, anyone who has been approved and is eligible under the GI Bill may participate in these extension courses and will receive college credit. Anyone who will be taking extension classes strictly for self improvement may, in some cases take certain courses even though a prerequisite is required for college credit in such cases. The individual will need to confer personally with the instructor at the beginning of the course to determine this point.

According to a preliminary survey, interest in the following courses has been indicated: Accounting, Art, Business, Economics, Education, English, French, Geography, German, Government, History, Industrial Arts, Mathematics, Psychology, Spanish and Speech.

LOCAL ASC MEN PLAN TO ATTEND STATE CONVENTION

Representatives from the local Wheeler County Soil Conservation District are making plans to attend the 20th Annual Meeting of the Association of Texas Soil Conservation Districts, to be held Jan. 11-13 in Dallas.

This convention is the regular get-together of representatives of all 181 Soil Conservation Districts in Texas. These Districts contain within their boundaries 99 percent of the area of the state.

During the three-day meeting, those attending will work on problems confronting their Districts planning their 1961 program of action and taking part in panel discussions, business sessions, and other activities. In addition, outstanding speakers will discuss the Convention theme, "Conservation Benefits Everyone," as it applies to all parts of the state's economy. Ben Carpenter, chairman of the Board of Southland Life Insurance Company and president of the Trinity River Improvement Association, will discuss the stake of business and industry in conservation. Jerry Holleman, president of the Texas Council of the AFL-CIO, will speak for labor; and Dalph Briscoe, rancher and former state representative, will discuss the problem from the standpoint of the farmer and rancher. John Van derulip, state water engineer, will outline the coming water situation; and Ty Timm, head of the Department of Economics of Texas A&M College, will discuss the importance of conservation to the economy. Representative Bob Poague, U.S. Congressman from the 11th Congressional District and second-ranking member of the House Agriculture Committee, will be speaker at the Friday night banquet. A program is also being planned for wives during the convention.

In connection with the Meeting, the annual Soil and Water Show will be held in the Memorial Auditorium with exhibit of the latest conservation equipment and material.

Though founded as recently as 1959, the Soil Conservation District movement is now of major importance in the state's agriculture, and has increased the farm and ranch assets of the Texas by millions of dollars since its beginning. The movement is one of grassroots democracy, controlled by the local landowners and operating for the benefit of these landowners. The five Supervisors who handle the business of the District are elected by farmers and ranchers within their area, and serve voluntarily and without pay. Members of the local Board of Supervisors are Dusan Pagan, Clarence Zybach, B. A. Schlegel, H. J. Finsterwald and Farmer Heffley.

Governor Price Daniel recently wrote of the Soil Conservation District movement: "I would like to say that I am highly pleased with the soil conservation work in our state. I am a strong believer and supporter of the program and assure your continued cooperation in every way." President-elect John Kennedy has cited the movement as the outstanding example of cooperative action to solve mutual problems on a local level.

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Mommy said that this year I could help trim the tree, if I'd be very careful. The ornaments are so shiny and bright, and it's such fun to decide where to put them.

Mommy let me help fix our little creche, too. I put in the figure of the Christ Child and He looked so pretty... all sort of pink and gold.

We fixed the creche first because Mommy said that we must always remember that Christmas is, first of all, the Christ Child's birthday. When we finish trimming the tree, Mommy is going to read us the story about the first Christmas... about the shepherds and the angels... about the Wise Men and their star... about the little Jesus, born in Bethlehem, in a manger.

Mommy's told me the story before but she says that this year I'm big enough to stay up with the rest and hear her read it. And, of course, we'll go to Church, and Mommy says I can carry my fur muff.

I think this is going to be the best Christmas I've ever had!

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Sunday School	10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship	11:00 A. M.
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Worship Service	8:00 P. M.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 601 Main Street, Wheeler, Texas Rev. Frank J. Ross, Pastor	
Sunday School	10:00 A. M.
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Evening Worship	7:30 P. M.

CHURCH OF CHRIST 6th at Main, Wheeler, Texas E. M. Borden Jr., Minister	
Bible Study	10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship	10:55 A. M.
Young People	7:00 P. M.
Evening Worship	8:00 P. M.
Wednesday Evening Services	8:00 P. M.

LANDMARK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH South Shamrock Street Wheeler, Texas	
Sunday School	10:07 A. M.
Morning Worship	11:00 A. M.
Evening Worship	7:00 P. M.

BRISCOE BAPTIST CHURCH Briscoe, Texas Rev. C. M. Abercrombie, Pastor	
Sunday School	10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship	11:00 A. M.
Evening Worship	6:30 P. M.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Robert S. Ely 8th and Main, Wheeler, Texas	
Sunday School	9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship	10:45 A. M.
Evening Worship	7:30 P. M.

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Morning Worship	11:00 A. M.
Evening Service	8:00 P. M.

CHURCH OF NAZARENE 8th and Shamrock Street Dan C. Hoover, Pastor	
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Christmas Prayer

Almighty God, Who hast given us Thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon Him, and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin; Grant that we being regenerate, and made Thy Children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by Thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

—The Book of Common Prayer



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CHAPMAN'S SHAMROCK TRUCK STOP
Wheeler, Texas

By Mrs. Lester Levitt

Several from where attended the funeral of Jerry Harrison, father of Bruce Harrison, at Reydon Okla. Sunday afternoon. Mr. Harrison was ill only a few days and passed away in the hospital in Reydon Wednesday after suffering a heart attack and stroke.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Jones were in Amarillo Friday on business. Rev. and Mrs. Jessie Levitt were dinner guests in the Jones' home Sunday.

Joe Rogers and family from Amarillo visited in the C. C. Curlee home Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Curlee returned to Amarillo with the Rogers' where they will spend Leonard Kiker, student at the Christmas holidays.

Las Cruse, N.M., is spending the holidays with his parents, the David Kikers.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Elmore were dinner guests in the Bus Dorman home at Wheeler Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Parker accompanied by Kenneth Hamon and family from Pampa were dinner guests in the Colie Parker home at Briscoe Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Begert were hosts to the Methodist Fellowship Class Christmas Party, at their home Thursday night. About 16 guests were present and after the gift exchange delicious refreshments of fruit cake, fruit salad punch and coffee.

Mrs. Eula Markham and Mrs. Glenn Markham accompanied Mrs. Charles Weibe and daughter to Guyman, Okla. Friday and came by Perryton and visited Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Parker.

Misses Phyllis Elmore and Gayle Sargent and Johnny Dukes, students at Canyon College spent the weekend with the Glen Elmore and Clyde Dukes families.

Mrs. James Hall, Mrs. Avis Parker, Mrs. Rex Miller, Mrs. Charlene Rainy and Mrs. Texas Childress were in Pampa Thursday shopping.

Charley Traylor was a supper guest in the A. E. Dillon home Sunday.

Minister Mert Cooper from Pampa filled the pulpit at the Methodist Church Sunday night.

He is a ministerial student at McMurry College at Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Powledge and children and W. A. Powledge from Gageby spent the weekend with relatives at Lubbock.

Lester Hall and family and Shot Childress and family from Sunray spent the weekend there with relatives.

Willis Harrison and family from Canyon, Darrell Harrison and family from Amarillo, J. D. Wallace and family from Stinnett visited relatives here Sunday and attended the funeral of their grandfather Jerry Harrison at Reydon, Okla., in the afternoon.

Mrs. Fred Begert, who is teaching at Dimmitt is spending the holidays here with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Peterman were dinner guests in the M. K. Levitt home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Peterman visited relatives at Oklahoma City over the weekend.

Londa Reynolds was a patient in the Wheeler hospital a few days last week for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Forace Evans and Don visited relatives in Amarillo over the weekend. A. B. Evans accompanied them and visited Frank Bryant, his son in law, from Lubbock who is a patient in the veterans hospital, critically ill.

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Remember all the other little boys and girls at Christmas time.
Love,
Debbie Douthit,
Briscoe, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl five years old. I have been a good girl and would like for you to bring me a doll named Marybel with clothes. I also want a bicycle and a play house. If you can I would like to have you bring me a coca cola machine and dishes.
Marlene Moore

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 2 years old. Will you please bring me a little girl doll with some clothes. I also want a tricycle. Bring my little brother Wendell a musical dog.
Marilyn Moore

Dear Santa,
I am a boy, nine years old. I have been a nice boy, and I would like for you to bring me an electric train and a tool box.
Dennis Moore

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like an electric blanket, and a real Tom Thumb Typewriter A 6" and 5" by 6" and 5" Jumping Juniors.

You good girl,
Carol Ann Scribner
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Dear Santa Claus,
Will you bring me a horse, any color you have, bring me some clothes and things for my mother, daddy and brother.

Your truly
Glenda Hodge
Mobeetie, Texas

Dear Santa,
My big sister is writing this for me. I am almost 5. I have tried to be good. I want a wind-up toy gun and nuts and candy.
Don't forget all the other kids.
Joel Finsterwald
Mobeetie, Texas

Merry Christmas FOLKS



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I love you Santa,
Eric Russ Alexander
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Dear Santa,
I am ten years of age. Ruthie is seven years of age. Judy is two years of age. John and James are five years of age. Ruthie and I want a bride doll, 36 in. tall and clothes. Two real paton 1 25, 26 inch long. Two can can slips, 100 yard One, sizes 8-10. Judy wants a baby doll and its clothes. John and James want a fire truck. Ruth and I want a bicycle. That all we want. A fur collar. That all we want. Judy want a stuff Santa Claus, a toy tea set, 48 game, a ring, a nurse set, 2 moter car, a two air plane.
Sincerely your,
Gloria Wilson
Wheeler, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy, 5 years old. I have tried to be a good boy all year. Will you please bring me a cement truck and a bowling set. Be good to all the other boys and girls.

Love,
John David Wright
Mobeetie, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl four months old and have been good so far. I would like for you to bring me a doll, some rubber animals and a pretty necklace.

Please remember all the other children.

Love,
Debra Gayle Corse
Mobeetie, Texas

Dear Santa,
I would like a bicycle with my initials in it. K.E.M. And an accordion too. I want the bicycle to be a 26 inch. I want my initials on my accordion. I would like a fur collar. Also two can-can slips, two blouses and two full skirts. I want a record player with records. I real paton. I also want two pairs of tights black and red. Also my brother wants an electric train, a dump truck, a tricycle, wagon and fire truck. Richard is six and I am ten, and 48 games. And for Mother and Daddy I want a China Set. And a ring for me. And some dishes.

Sincerely your,
Kathryn Mitchell
P.S. I want a headband with imitation ruby's in it. Plus two padded bras.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me tiny tears and a play stove and a trunk full of clothes. Bring me a surprise package.

I have been a good girl, I am 3 years old.
I love you Santa
Brenda Jones
Wheeler, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a transistor radio, a Miss Dolkins Doll and some clothes for her. Also a view-master.

I have been a good girl and helped mother and made good grades in school. I love you Santa
Patricia Jones
Wheeler, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a baby Dolkins, with clothes. I want some dishes. I have been a good girl.
I love you Santa
Mary Alice Jones
Wheeler, Texas

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy and I would like to have a daisy air rifle for Christmas. Also I will not point my gun at anyone and I would like to have 5 pks of BB's.
Please be good to all little boys and girls everywhere.

Love,
Jerry Beaty
Wheeler, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy four years old and I have been good most of the year.
I would like for you to bring me a shot gun and some shells, a road grader, and a drag line. And Santa, if you have room I would also like a Texaco Service Station.
Please remember all of the other little boys and girls and most of all my daddy on C.M.

Love,
Eddy Lynn Corse
Mobeetie, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl a year old. I have tried to be a good girl and help my mother and daddy. Would you please bring me a doll and doll bed, dishes and silverware, candy, fruit and nuts?
I love you Santa. Don't forget all the other boys and girls.

Love,
Mary Parvour
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by Stanton M. Meyer

Folks hereabouts still call it the Big Road though there are some that are wider and newer and even longer nowadays. And if you perch on one of our overpasses, say between Carlisle and Bedford, you can see why. Stay there for an hour on any summer afternoon and you'll see the plates from almost every state in the Union go flashing past. But to really get the picture stand there at night and watch the trucks go by. Hear them growling up the long gentle grade near Fort Littleton, their headlights arrowing the mountain mist. Or see them in the westbound lanes, coasting out under your feet like great ghostly ships in the dark, their square sterns all lit up like Christmas trees. There go steel girders and guest towels; wrist-watches, live turkeys and printing presses; and wherever you live in the USA there's something in your home that's come over the Big Road, that's for sure. It carries the commerce of a nation and the Pentagon calls it the most strategic highway in the whole world.

I'm talking about The Pennsylvania Turnpike, and mind you spell that first word with a capital "T." Like the man says on TV, I work there. I'm a cop. My beat is east of Bedford down to where the mountains end near the twin tunnels west of Carlisle. This is part of the original road before they put in the extensions and I've been working for the PTC since it opened in the fall of '40. I've been traveling the Big Road for twenty years. I've seen it gentle. And I've seen it mean. I remember a lot of things. Like the time we stopped traffic through the tunnels in '44 so the army could run through them with 41 big rigs, each loaded with thirty thousand pounds of TNT, and wondering what would happen to Tuscarora Mountain if one of them let go. Or the time we finally caught up with the Turnpike Bandit who had been sticking up cars and panicking drivers from Irwin to Gettysburg Pike. We spotted him because he was carrying a ticket two days old. But I remember best the Christmas we lost the Big Road . . . and almost lost Christmas, too. Because it was a Christmas without presents or holly or a decorated tree or even mistletoe. And no Christmas dinner even, unless you want to count a box of crackers, a pot of coffee and three candy bars. The only thing that made it seem like Christmas were the carols we listened to and the happening that was like the first Christmas of all.

If you look at a map of middle Pennsylvania you'll see why it's a trap for some of the craziest weather in the world. The mountains run in long, parallel, gently curving chains from northeast to southwest, with hardly a notch or gap for hundreds of miles. The Endless Mountains, the Indians called them. Those mountains have been responsible for a lot of things. They were responsible for the biggest battle ever fought in America because Lee's army came marching up one side of them and the Union army was hiking along the other and neither of them knew it till they ran into each other at a little place called Gettysburg. And those same mountains were responsible for what happened to us on the day before Christmas.

Most of us watch the weather on TV nowadays and we know that the big storm tracks move from west to east. That's not the kind of weather that bothers us on the Big Road . . . the snow snaps off the Allegheny Plateau, heading east, puts a white blanket on the ridge tops and sifts down to powder the valleys. We know it's coming twenty-four hours ahead and we have the plows and dozers and rigs to handle it.

But once in a blue moon a Gulf low will ooze a clot of heavy, warm, wet air and it will hug the Blue Ridge through the Carolinas and Virginia all the way up into Pennsylvania. And then, just at that same moment, a big, cold, dry high will come roaring across the Lakes out of Canada, whirling clockwise like a huge pinwheel. As it rolls across New York State an arm of that cold dry mass will dart without warning down the valleys between the Pennsylvania ridges until it meets the warm wet air. Then, brother, watch out! All hell will bust loose.

I was approaching Sideling Hill Tunnel, eastbound, at 3:37 PM on Christmas Eve when I heard a vast rolling peal of thunder beyond the mountain. It was nearly dusk and a kind of cloudy, coppery gloom. I switched to low-beam on my lights and nipped into

the mile-long bore. Before I got to the other end I knew something was funny. I couldn't see daylight ahead at all . . . just a big black turmoil which reflected white off my headlights. I drove out into the maddest, wildest snowstorm I have ever seen. A feather-bed twenty miles square and a mile thick had exploded in the sky with a hundred million electric fans blowing it every which way. I pulled over, my Mars light flashing, and slapped on my chains. Then I picked up my mike and spoke to Pete at Bedford control.

"This is a dinger. Four inches already and starting to drift. Wind northeast, estimate thirty-five, gusts fifty-five. Better alert traffic west of Sideling. I'm moving east."

"Roger," said Pete, "Shall I call Jean to hold dinner for you?" I was due off at seven.

"In a pig's ear. This could be a flurry or it could go all night. I'll keep in touch. Out." I tossed the mike onto the seat. Traffic was hugging the outside lane, crawling, the cars instinctively hunting shelter in the lee of the huge eighteen wheel rigs. The inside lane was clear except for the roaring whirl of the blizzard itself and my car bored through the murk.

A mile beyond, the eastbound line of cars and trucks was turning slowly into the parking of a Howard Johnson. Now I would have the road to myself. I sure hoped so because the drifts were already starting to build up, a foot-and-a-half, two feet deep on the concrete. I drove slowly, searching the westbound driveway with my spotlight. There were no cars. I checked with Carlisle control.

"Okay, 92," said Carlisle. "Patrol to Fort Littleton. East of Fort Littleton interchange all traffic is clear and off the pike. We're holding traffic now at Tuscarora Mountain. Snow is light east of there. Repeat, patrol to Fort Littleton and get to hell off. It looks like we're going to lose the road."

Even with chains now it was very heavy going. The pavement would be clear as a dance floor in spots. Then I would have to bunt through three foot drifts. Far away at my right, down beyond the Maryland line, a December thunderstorm was blasting away, its local turbulence sucking the northeaster greedily into the valley. I could hardly see. The familiar road was foreign and strange. And believe me, that's frightening. I've seen her gentle . . . I've seen her mean, I thought. Now she's so mean I can't even find the son of a gun.

Across the road on the westbound shoulder I spotted a drift too big to be a drift. I swung across the median and stopped alongside. It was a sedan. Man and a woman inside. The man looked frightened in the flashlight beam. "Officer, can you get us to Bedford? We got to get to the hospital there. My wife is going to have a baby." He turned to the woman beside him. "The pains. Are they closer together?" He seemed more scared than she. A little wisp of a woman, only her eyes and her blonde hair were visible above the blanket which covered her. "About twelve . . . no, ten minutes apart," she said and her eyes followed me as I moved. Bedford? They'd be lucky to get a quarter of a mile in the storm. The snow was now two feet deep and drifting higher. "What's your name?" I asked. "Carlson. Jim Carlson," the man said.

I called Bedford control. They said we'd lost the road. They said they'd have a snow cat, a tracked vehicle sent for us. If they could reach it. It was somewhere out in the blizzard. Without a radio. Meanwhile do the best I could. They'd get a local doctor at their end to give me advice over short wave if I needed it. The rest of it was in the book. Which meant in my head.

We all got into my car. Two miles east was an emergency PTC garage, unmanned on Christmas Eve. If we could reach it. First time I ever drove east on the Big Road in the westbound lanes. It took us half an hour through the drifts, through the whirling, screaming storm, but reach it we did. It had a tow truck, a stove, a phone, an electric plate, a coffee pot, a kettle (thank God!), a work bench and a radio. It was better than a stable. It had electricity. We moved inside. I brought the stretcher and the medical kit from my car. Then I went back and got a jar of instant coffee, a box of crackers and



three candy bars and brought them in, too. The wind tore at my clothes as I struggled the twenty feet.

I lifted the phone. "Operator," I said, "Get me the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission police station in Bedford. And keep this phone open if you have to tie up your whole damn switchboard." Then I got Mrs. Carlson to lie down in the stretcher and Mr. Carlson and I hoisted the stretcher up on the top of the work bench. Her pains were coming fast now. I took off my tunic and rolled up my sleeves. "Carlson," I said, "get a fire going in that stove and then melt and heat some snow water. And then rig that light over this table here." I figured keeping him busy was the best thing I could do for him.

I didn't need the doctor, but it was sure wonderful just to know he was there at the other end of the line. I delivered the baby at four minutes to twelve, normal delivery, no trouble at all. A good looking boy kid, seven pounds, give or take half a pound and he yelled louder than the storm. We washed him and dried him and I wrapped him in my spare shirt (cops carry everything) and the blanket and he went to sleep near the stove like a baby, which he was.

Then we turned on the radio and there were Christmas carols and I got lonesome for Jean and the kids and started to call her. But then I realized how late it was and hung up. I knew Pete had told her not to expect me. And Carlson and I heated some more water and made instant coffee and we had crackers. Mrs. Carlson said she wanted some, too. We left the radio on, playing softly. Mrs. Carlson went to sleep and Jim sat down next to her and held her hand and dozed off. I clambered up into the cab of the tow truck and took my shoes off. From where I sat, I could just manage to see the baby asleep in my shirt and the blanket in a tool box lined with newspaper. And I felt kind of good. A garage is better than a stable. The stable didn't have a hot plate. Maybe not even a stove.

I didn't sleep much. I was worried about my car. By daylight I couldn't even find it. It was up above the roof line in snow. So I couldn't radio in but I got the operator on the phone and called Bedford control. Pete's relief, Joe Martin, said the road was still closed and asked if we needed a helicopter. I told him I couldn't see a square foot where the thing could land and he said they would probably have the snow cat to us in a couple of hours, anyway. Just sit tight.

We listened to more carols on the radio and then to the news broadcast . . . it said we'd lost the Big Road

and told about the people at the Howard Johnson being hungry because they'd eaten up all the food in the place and it told about Mrs. Carlson and her baby and about me bringing it, Al Hansen. Mrs. Carlson said, "I didn't know your name was Al." And Mr. Carlson said, "You must be a Scandihovian, too." And I said yeah. Then we had some more instant coffee and crackers and we each ate a candy bar. And I thought about Jean cooking the turkey and I looked out at the snow and where the Big Road had been there was just one tremendous sheet of white about six feet deep and the snow was almost stopped and down at the turn I could see wolf tracks. Imagine, wolf tracks on the Big Road.

Pretty soon the snow cat came clattering up. We all got in and made it back to Sideling Hill Tunnel in about an hour. There was an ambulance at the west portal and it took the Carlsons in to Bedford. I drove back with Art Levy in his patrol car—he'd taken off Channukah the week before and was spelling one of the boys for work Christmas. I reported in and a guy from the papers was there. He took my picture. Then I signed off and went home.

I told Jean to let me sleep till six and save me some turkey. But she let me sleep the clock around. "Wake up, you big lunk," she said, "it's morning."

I sat up and yawned. Then I remembered. "I lost my Christmas," I said. "I lost Christmas, Jean."

She came over and kissed me. "No you haven't," she said. "We saved it all for today. I'm putting the turkey on to roast now. We all ate frankfurters yesterday. Hurry and get up. The kids want their presents."

I swung my feet out of bed and looked out the window. The sun was shining and the snow was like my mom's tablecloth that she brought over from Sweden. From where I sat I could see the ramp to the Bedford interchange. Cars were rolling up it. Lots of them were eastbound. The Turnpike was open. We had the road back again.

"Hurry up," said Jean. "And Mrs. Carlson called a while ago. They've named the baby Al, after you. She wanted you to know."

I looked at the cars going up the ramp to the toll booths. People were driving places again. The trucks were rolling, too. I thought of the Big Road. Sometimes it's gentle. Sometimes it's mean. Today it was gentle as a baby's smile. Then I smelled something cooking. Turkey. Oh, boy.



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Department Of Public Safety To Hold Operation Deathwatch

Drivers and other traffic violators will run veritable gauntlet of highway patrol and rear speed checks during Christmas and New Year holidays this year when the Department of Public Safety holds its annual "Operation Deathwatch."

Since 1953, Texas deaths are recorded at the number recorded at the same time in 1953," said Patrolman Croslin. "However, in order to keep this grim figure at a minimum, we have set on a round the clock traffic violator check during Deathwatch."

Deathwatch starts in Texas at 12-01 A.M. on January 1, the Patrolman said. "All members of the Vehicle Inspection, Li-

cence and Weight and Safety Education Services will be added to the regular Highway Patrol staff in a determined effort to apprehend all traffic law violators," Patrolman Croslin added.

"Since 1953, traffic deaths in Texas during the Christmas holidays have been less each year than the predicted figures," Patrolman Croslin said. "We know this is because of public cooperation with the Department of Public Safety and because we have many additional officers on traffic law enforcement duty."

In last year's fatal Christmas accidents in Texas, all but one were caused by violations of one or more traffic laws, the Patrolman cautioned. The drinking driver was involved in 32 per cent of last year's fatal Christmas acci-

ents, while 54 percent listed speeding as a positive factor.

Three simple "rules of the road" for the holiday season, listed by Patrolman Croslin, are: 1—allow ample time for the trip; 2—stop occasionally for rest breaks; 3—report unsafe acts of other drivers.

"By allowing plenty of time for the trip, you will not have to speed to get to your destination on time," Patrolman Croslin said. "Occasional stops for rest will keep you mentally alert, and by reporting to law enforcement officers the unsafe acts of other drivers, you may save a life."

"And of course the most important rule of all is never drive while drinking. The drinking driver is a great hazard and when caught, he will be dealt with severely," the Patrolman concluded.

Mobeetie News

Mrs. G. B. Dunn

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johnson spent Friday night and Saturday in Lubbock visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jay Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Robinson of Sunday spent one day last week visiting with friends in Mobeetie.

Al Sims is in the hospital at Wheeler. Hope he is out soon.

The Mobeetie Eastern Star held an initiation for Mr. and Mrs. Hoy Dunn Saturday night and their annual Christmas party. Those attending the party were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Ogden, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gaimor, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Carter, Mrs. Fleda Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Caldwell, and the new member, Mr. and Mrs. Hoy Dunn of Amarillo.

Bobby Hill is home for the Christmas holidays from school at Weatherford. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hill and son of Shamrock spent the weekend with Mrs. Thelma Dunn and Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Dunn.

Mrs. Herk Atkins spent Sunday in Pampa visiting.

The Mobeetie High School girls

won consolation in the Shamrock Tournament. Anna Mae Gudgeana, and Sharon Barton were chosen to be on the All Tournament team.

The Mobeetie school will turn out December 23rd at 2:30 for the Christmas holiday and resume Tuesday, January 3, 1961. During the holidays the basketball teams will go to Canadian December 30th and Briscoe will play at Mobeetie January 3rd.

The Fort Elliott Study Club met in the home of Mrs. Edith Flanagan Thursday December 15, 1960 for their annual Christmas party. Mrs. Ann Uzzle gave the Christmas story. Roll call was answered with favorite Christmas songs.

Refreshment were dips and Christmas candies. Decorations on the Christmas theme. Those attending were: Mmes Thelma Dunn, Ether Lyson, Bessie Gaimor, Fleda Goldwin, Daphne Pugh, Pat Johnston, Ella Johnston, Martha Ogden, Ann Uzzle, Margaret Trout, Carrie Willis, Mary Hazel VanZandt. Two visitors, Juanita Rogers and Lena Arnold, Juanita Rogers and Louise Hogan were elected as new members. An exchange of gifts was enjoyed by all.

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Stitch And Chatter Club Has Meeting

The home of Mrs. W. E. Bowen was the scene of the annual Christmas party for members of the Stitch and Chatter Club.

The Yuletide season was emphasized with a beautiful Christmas tree which held gifts for the exchange among members.

Readings were given by Mrs. M. P. Rogers and an organ selection was played by Mrs. W. E. Bowen. New officers were elected for the coming year.

The Club quilted several quilts this year, one being sent to Girls Town and one to Boys Ranch.

During the social hour, refreshments were served which accented the Yuletide season.

Members attending were Mmes: Mrs. W. Wilson, M. P. Rogers, J. W. Hooker, Cull Whitely, John Barr, George Warren, M. B. Luttrell, Clara Bradstreet, Frank Noah, Charlie McCartney, Claud Croudy, W. E. Burke and the hostess, Mrs. W. E. Bowen.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. John Barr January 6.

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and a
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George Richardson

Best wishes

May Christmas morning break to find you thrilled and surprised at the many lovely gifts you have waiting for you. We wish the best for you because you are always so pleasant to serve.

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WHEELER, TEXAS

Merry Christmas

In taking inventory of our assets for the past year, we find one that we value most. This priceless asset is friendship. And who are our friends?"

Why of course, they are YOU . . . our customers!

OWENS SERVICE
WHEELER, TEXAS

Court Records

List of instruments filed in the office of the County Clerk and District Clerk of Wheeler County, Texas from December 12 through December 16, 1960

December 12, 1960

OL—J. R. Clark et ux to Harry Wofford 10-21-60 NE 1/4 Sec 31 Blk A-9

SUB OL—Federal Land Bk of Houston to Harry Wofford 10-24-60 NE 1/4 Sec 31 Blk A-9

OL—J. C. Moore Jr et ux to Harry Wofford 10-21-60 E289 ac Sec 1 Blk A-9

OL—A. L. Wagoner et ux to Harry Wofford 10-21-60 E289 ac Sec 1 Blk A-9

OL—Lem Gaines et ux to Harry Wofford 10-24-60 1/2 W 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec 10 Blk A-4

DT—W. H. Boydston et ux to First Natl Bk Shamrock 12-8-60 Lots 5 to 12 Blk 9 Allis o

DT—Ephriam Slocum et ux to A. L. Ellerd et al 11-16-60 Lots 19 to 24 Blk A Lela Revell Adm

AOL—Gulf Oil Corporation to Tech Production Co 12-7-60 S 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec 98 Blk 17

AOL—Gulf Oil Corp to Tech Production Co 12-7-60 S 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec 96 Blk 17

D—Ray B. Smith et ux to James R. Green 12-9-60 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec 68 Blk A-7

ROW—J. R. Damon et ux to Warren Petroleum Corp 12-5-60 Sec 34 Blk 23 S of RR

MML—Stelco Inc to Strawn-Merchandise Co 12-9-60 El Paso Natural Gas Co Pipeline Job

December 13, 1960

ROW—John P. Morris et ux to Transwestern Pipeline Co 10-25-60 NE 1/4 Sec 16 Blk 24

ROW—Thomas Calvin Montgomery et ux to Transwestern Pipeline Co 10-29-60 SW 1/4 Sec 1 Blk 24

December 14, 1960

RVL—J. H. Jackson to Coy Hall 12-13-60 Lots 7, 8 Blk 57 Shamrock, WSSA

DT—Harry R. Funk et ux to Southwestern Life Ins Co 9-16-60 SW 1/4 Sec 30 Blk 17

TMML—James Brothers to Southwestern Life Ins Co 9-16-60 SW 1/4 Sec 30 Blk 17

A OF JUD—Allied Finance Co vs Jewel E. Dyeus 12-7-60

A OF JUD—Lane Wood & Co vs Billy Graham et al 11-30-60

A OF JUD—Mishawaka Rubber Co. Inc vs Paul P. Kisinger et al 9-16-60

RCY—D—H. M. Wiley et ux to John Max Wiley et al 12-14-60 1/2 1/2 Int E 1/2 SE 1/4 & NE 1/4 Sec 8 Blk A-3

QCD—Fred Jackson et al to Zera Jackson 11-23-60 53 ac NE 1/4 Sec 15 Blk A-8

TDT—J. H. Jackson to Zora Jackson 12-13-60 Lots 5, 7 to 16 Blk 6, Lots 7 to 11 Blk 5 Lots 7 to 15 Blk 2 Shamrock, Mont-Lev

Adm: 1 ac SW cor Sec 58 & E380 of 6 ac NW 1/4 Sec 43 Blk 17

December 15, 1960

D—Howard Caswell et ux to Wheeler County Riding and Roping Club 11-3-60 10 ac W 1/2 Sec 5 Blk A-4

DT—Wheeler County Riding and Roping Club to T. M. Britt 12-2-60 10 ac W 1/2 Sec 5 Blk A-4

DT—Lee Ranjins et ux to J. C. Moore Jr. 12-12-60 Lot 22 Blk 7 Loh.

December 16, 1960

AOL—Leo J. Portman et ux to William E. Portman 9-8-60 SE 1/4 Sec 99 Blk 17

AOL—Tech Production Co to John C. Ward 12-14-60 S 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec 98 Blk 17

AOL—Tech Production Co to John C. Ward 12-14-60 S 1/2 NW 1/4 & SW 1/4 Sec 99 Blk 17

District Clerk's Office

No. 5008 Vera Morgan vs Henry Morgan 12-14-60 Divorce

No. 5008 Opal Putman vs Chester Putman 12-14-60 Divorce

No. 5010 Monta Faye Marchbanks vs Herchel Marchbanks 12-15-60 Divorce

Marriage License Issued

Anna Belle Fields and Leroy Beavers Jr. 12-14-60

Margaret Jane Wofford and James Leroy Hughes 12-16-60



Seems like birds like me get all the breaks. Not long ago the little fellers at my house wuz gettin ready for the Christmas tree to be put up and we squirmed out enough money to get one that would set on the coffee table. We got out all the last several years Xmas decorations and the light bulbs that go with them and started decoratin the little green tree. Wasn't too long till it shined like a new pair of shoes and it sort of seemed to know it wuz servin a sort of important part in the Yuletide season. During the process of decoratin one of the children said "Let put some popcorn rope on the tree and their Mama got all the fixins and finally after eating our fill we had the Popcorn rope on the tree and now its ready for Ole Saint Nick to visit it. Neighbor you can't imagine just how lucky a feller like me is. You see, I got four little shavers that are healthy as Sun Flowers and still believe in Santa Claus.

Merry Christmas to All of you from me and Mama and the Kids.

Joe Hyatt Is Member Of Tech's Saddle Tramps

LUBBOCK, Dec 22 — Saddle Tramps, men's pep organization at Texas Tech, has pledged 20 members for the fall semester.

Activities of the organization include assisting in pep rallies and bonfires and conducting flashcard sections of football games. Members selected from those who turn in applications.

Among the new members are Joe Hyatt, sophomore accounting major, from Wheeler.

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a big doll with long hair, to comb a set of dishes. Also fruit, nuts and candy.

Love,
Janice Verden

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a truck with cattle and a train. Also candy. Don't forget all the other boys and girls.

I've tried to be a good boy, most of the time.
Love,
Jim Verden

Dear Santa,
I would like a bicycle, a holster and gun set, candy cane, candy, B.B.'s, box of caps, and bubble gum.

Love,
Gary Vise

Dear Santa,
I am six years old. I go to Briscoe School. I would like to get a wagon train holster and gun set. I want a bicycle, some B.B.'s, candy and gum.

Love,
James Vise

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a football, a hard baseball, a double holster Colt 45 set, three boxes of caps, a book about Black Gold, some bubble gum, candy, nuts and a puzzle about the United States.

Love,
Johnny Vise

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a doll with crutches. I would also like some fruit and candy.

Love,
Luinda Verden
Wheeler, Texas

Dear Santa Clause,
We are three little kids that has been real good the whole year. Gary Royce is a littl boy two years old, who wants a dump truck and a set of small guns. Debbie is a little girl five years old who wants a doll that has some boots and an ironing board that has an iron with it. Jackie is a boy seven years old who wants a gun with a target and a football. Also some candy and nuts for us. Please remember all of the other little boys and girls.

We Love You
Gary, Debbie and Jackie
May
Wheeler, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a Shirley Temple doll with a ward robe and a suit case.

Love
Ray Ridgway
Mobeetie, Texas

P.S. Santa I will leave you cake and coffee in the kitchen.

Dearest Santa,
I have been a pretty good girl. Will try to do better until Christmas. I would like a "Ballerina Doll". My brother Skeet would like a sled. Wishing you and everyone, "A Merry Christmas."

I love you,
Retta Williams
Wheeler, Texas

P. S. Please drop by and see my MaMa and PaPa.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am writing to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want a bicycle and a wagon, Train, gun set.

I am a boy nine years of age and in the fourth grade.
Be looking for you soon.
With Love,
Eddie Meadows
Briscoe, Texas

Dear Santa,
I would like for you to bring me a punching bag, coca-cola machine, a view-master, houseshoes, and a guitar for Christmas. It will be at my grandmothers in Pampa. Please remember all the little girls and boys.

David Patterson

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Harry Wofford Elected To Baptist Layman

Harry Wofford, prominent Wheeler Baptist Layman, was elected to the Texas Baptist Church Loan Board by the denomination's 191-member executive board meeting in Dallas Tuesday.

He was among 41 elected by the board to fill vacancies in three state Baptist committees, the denominations Church Loan Board, Christian Life, State Missions, Human Welfare and Christian Education Commissions.

In other action, the Board named a joint planning committee to map the blueprint for a four-year

\$28 million fund-raising to meet the building Baptist educational Texas.

Dr. K. Owen Wofford, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Wheeler, was elected to the executive board of the Texas Baptist Church of Dallas.

The executive board met in Dallas Tuesday for the annual sessions.

Business of the Convention of Texas Baptist churches.

Annual sessions.

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CARD OF THANKS

Wish to express our deepest appreciation to our many friends for the food, flowers and kind words that were sent our way during our sorrow. We wish also to thank Mr. and Mrs. Kirk, Dr. Johnson and the nurses for their thoughtfulness in every way. Bless each of you is our prayer.
C. O. Sandifer Family

Guests in the Fred Waters home were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Waters of Canyon.

Mrs. Edgar Wood of Pampa visited the Bill Owens Monday.

We are glad to see Nancy and Annette home from school.

Good to see Mr. Russ and his mother in Wheeler this week.

From the office of the . . .

SUPERINTENDENT

**Wheeler Schools
Arling Cordell, Supt.**

My wife and I wish for everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. During our year and a half here, we have learned to love our community and its wonderful people. You have made my work as Superintendent of our School System the most enjoyable and rewarding of all my careers.

Some suggestions on how to strengthen our school program: Encourage our pupils to greater effort by respecting scholarship more, by showing them we are proud of their high grades. Study ways to give our school better financing locally and by the State. Talk with members of the Legislature, and give them your ideas concerning taxes. These questions and how they are answered will determine to a great extent the progress of our Public Schools, and indeed the progress of our economy as a whole for the future.

Have a safe and sane Holiday season, parents; and pupils, come back prepared to make good marks on our final exams for the first semester.

**Mobeetie Schools
Lloyd S. Patterson, Supt.**

The Christmas program presented Monday night by grade school for P.T.A. program was well attended.

Roads have been improving slowly but attendance has been good this week.

Christmas programs for each building will be in order during Friday afternoon, with dismissal for holidays to be at 2:30. School will reconvene on January 3.

We extend our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to each and all.

The school officials of District 2, 8-man Football, held the final meeting of the 1960 Football season on Wednesday night, Dec. 14 at Miami. L. S. Patterson, District Chairman presided.

Business attended to included preparation of 1961 Football Schedule, choosing of all district teams and election of permanent chairman. The group voted to rotate the chairmanship alphabetically according to school. Morse being next in line, Mr. Whisler, superintendent becomes 1961 permanent chairman and the Morse coach, Bill Clifton, becomes secretary.

The following list includes the players selected as all district players and also those players recognized with an "honorable mention".

Tommy Hollis of Miami was chosen to represent the district in the all-star game. Paul Thompson of Miami was chosen alternate.

Tom Womble of Morse was chosen to play in the all star basketball game and J. W. Perkins of Darrouzett was selected as the alternate.

Jim Simpson a senior from Mobeetie received a honorable mention on the All-District team.

An early Christmas Dinner was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Venson Smith. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. I. A. McCaslin, Mrs. Emma Chesley, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson and girls from Borger, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Smith, Sheran and Robert, Mr. Bill Toylar, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith and daughter from Shamrock, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Smith from Wheeler all visited in for the losers.

The Allison F.H.A. met Thursday night, December 15 at the School house for a "Daddy Date Night."

The room was decorated with a Christmas tree, red and green ropes and snow on the windows.

The guest speakers were Mrs. Ted Alexander, who spoke on Christmas in England, and Mr. Fred Begert, who showed some films of Switzerland.

Games were played and refreshments served of cheese sandwiches, jello salad and hot chocolate.

Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Those present were Paul Newson and Dorothy, Porter Rogers and Lolise, J. T. Childress, Betty and Nell, Clyde Giddens and Phyllis, E. O. Kelly and Elizabeth, Ray Morse and Cletus, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Kiker and Clydene Markham and Mozelle Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Meek of Carbondale, Ill., is visiting with Mrs. T. T. Wallace over the Christmas holidays.



AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

HAROLD E. NICHOLSON JR.

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

SINCERE BEST WISHES



OURS is a land of happy homes, of free hearts. God has bountifully bestowed many blessings upon us. Let us put our trust in him and be glad this happy Yuletide season.

HIBLER IMPLEMENT CO.

Merry Christmas

We wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and thank you very much for your contributions to the T.B. Seal Sale Fund.

Sincerely,
The Seal Sale Committee of Wheeler County

Greetings

Pleasant memories . . . wonderful friendships . . . a promising future . . . these are just a few of the joys we wish for all of our friends and patrons at this Yuletide Season . . . and a very Happy New Year!

MEADS BREAD

MERRY CHRISTMAS



We all wish to extend to you Christmas greetings and good will, and may boundless Holiday cheer be yours. To our ever-widening circle of friends we are especially grateful this year.

MR. & MRS. BUS DORMAN
Bus — Myrtle
COUNTY SHERIFF



At this happy Season we wish to express our best wishes for your Joyful Holidays, and our appreciation for your patronage.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Pendleton
Commissioner Pct. 2



Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Pettit
Commissioner Pct. 1

Happy Holidays



In greeting gay
We'd like to say
We hope you have
A Happy Holiday!
Roe — Tillie — Bill
GREEN

GREETINGS



May your days be bright with the joys of the Yuletide Season.
May every good thing be yours during the coming New Year!

Fred Farmer
Wheeler, Texas

Season's Greetings

As Christmas draws near it is only natural that our thoughts turn to those who have played such a big part in our success . . . our friends, our customers. Our best way of wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year is to assure you of continued high quality and courteous service in the year and years to come.

PUCKETTS
OCIE & GRACE FORD
WHEELER, TEXAS



GREETINGS of the SEASON

TO yourselves and to those dear and near to you may Christmas of this year mark the beginning of an era of peace, prosperity and contentment for all. That's our wish.

DAUGHTRY'S 5 & 10
Thomas — Opal — Ken



Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bass are spending Christmas with her folks. Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Duff of Balke, Okla.

Mrs. Walter Anglin is getting better each day. Walter is her nurse and he is a good one. They expect company over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Taylor have as their guests this week, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Taylor and children of San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Farmer and son of Medlin are visiting his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Eb Farmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Burgess had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Don Carlton of Shamrock. Mr. Frank Shaden is with the Burgessses now. He is doing very well.

Lavell Stephens flew to San Diego last Thursday to meet Rocky. He came home from over seas. We are expecting them home in a few days.

Janice Marr is spending this week with her folks, the Mari Jaco's.

Mrs. R. L. McClain hasn't had any company, but said she has been up and able to kinda do her work for awhile for which she is grateful.

Mrs. Florence Dodd went Friday morning to the air port in Amarillo to meet her son and wife of Palm Springs, Calif. They will be here over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Lourie of Dodson was in Wheeler Monday.

Christmas



We want to extend our sincerest thanks to our patrons and their families for their many favors and kindnesses during the past. A very Merry Christmas to you!

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hefley & Family
County Judge

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,
I want a colt 45 gun, a black board, and some candy and nuts for Christmas. Don't forget my brother and sister for Christmas. I think I have been good.
Your friend,
Kenneth Harold Austin

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a big doll, a pair of roller skates, doll furniture, a candy cane, and some Christmas candy and nuts. Don't forget: Mary Jane Childress, Kay Childress, and Wayne Childress. Also don't forget the other girls and boys.
Love,
Cathy Childress

I am working hard in school. Please bring me a bicycle, a doll, some candy and nuts. Don't forget Carol and Ronnie.
Love,
Marsha Crossland

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a bicycle, a football, and some candy and nuts.
I think I have been pretty good.
Billy Dale Meadows

Dear Santa,
I would like a doll a wagon, a toy telephone, a stuffed dog, and candy and nuts. Don't forget my friends and Danny.
Love,
Mary Fillingim

Dear Old St. Nick,
I would like to have a checker game, a stuffed Panda bear, and some candy and nuts for Christmas. Don't forget other boys and girls.
Your friend,
John Meadows

Dear Santa, I go to Briscoe school. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a doll, a bicycle, a wagon, a toy telephone, and some candy and nuts.
Love,
Kathy Helton

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a first grade boy who wants a filling station set and some candy, fruit and nuts.
Love,
Dennis Hefley

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I would like a B-B gun, a colt 45 gun, and some candy and nuts. Remember my other brothers.
Love,
Nelson Parker

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a bicycle, a big doll, doll furniture and some candy and nuts please. I have tried to be good. I would like a panda bear, a Fifth Avenue, and six dollars. Put the money under my pillow. Thanks.
Pamela Wilson

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 4 1/2 years old and my brother 4 months old. We have been good little children this year.
Please bring me a cash register, can-can, a doll and some candy, fruit and nuts.
Bring baby brother some shoes and corduroy pants and T-shirts, also a play toy.
Be good to other boys and girls.
We love you and Merry Christmas
Dolores and Timothy Keith Patterson

Dear Santa,
I would like a Betsy doll, some candy and nuts, a play ball, a pair of skates. Don't forget my brother and sister.
Love,
Mary Ann Rains

★ MERRY ★ CHRISTMAS



Good Wishes
Of The Season!
May You Enjoy
**HEALTH,
HAPPINESS,
And
PROSPERITY!**

Pool Hall
Shorty Erwin

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the 1st grade. I have been a pretty good girl. Please bring me a doll and a nurse's kit. Don't forget the other boys and girls. Bring me some candy and nuts.
Love,
Sharon Pond
Kelton, Texas

Dear Santa,
I love you very much. I'm a little girl two years old. I want a doll, a doll buggy and some clothes. Remember all other little boys and girls.
I love you
Patricia Shay Smith

Dear Santa,
I want a wagon and some other toys. And please don't forget my big brother which is in the Hospital.
David Jones
Wheeler, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Ballerina Doll for Christmas. If you don't have one bring me a walking doll or Chatty Cathy doll. Thank you.
Love,
Letha Risner

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy four years old. I am trying to be a good boy. Will you please bring me a see vice station and a cash register for Christmas. I would like to have a bulldozer and a tool chest too.
Please remember my big brother Monnie and all the other boys and girls.
Your friend,
Marty Lee Edwards

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll and a doll bed for Christmas. Please remember Steven and Wayne.
Your friend,
Mary Zybach

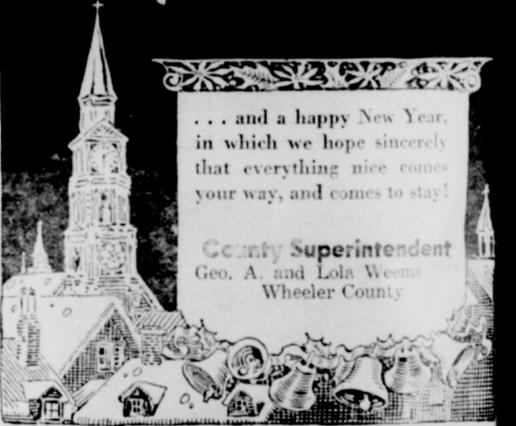
MERRY CHRISTMAS



TO OUR WONDERFUL FRIENDS!

REID'S BARBER SHOP
Wheeler, Texas

Merry Christmas



... and a happy New Year,
in which we hope sincerely
that everything nice comes
your way, and comes to stay!

County Superintendent
Geo. A. and Lola Weems
Wheeler County

GREETINGS



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HARRY WOFFORD
County Clerk — Wheeler County



MERRY CHRISTMAS

It's Christmastime again, and, as this season foretells the passing of another year, we think of those who have helped make that year so very enjoyable. Knowing and serving folks like you makes business a pleasure. It is indeed a privilege to greet you and wish you a Merry Christmas.

WHEELER COUNTY PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

Vernie — Ora
Paul — Georgia
Maurine

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