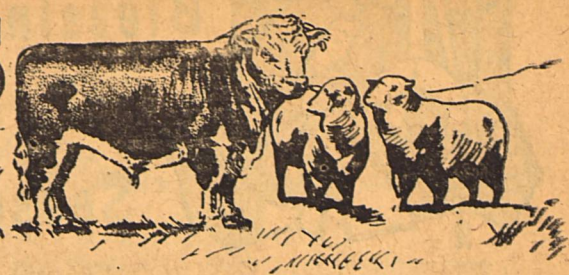


# DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS

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ELEVENTH WEEK



A brother and sister act took the Grand Championship and the Reserve Championship in the Sutton 4-H Club fat steer show last Saturday. Cleve T. Jones showed the Grand Champion fat steer and Claire Jones exhibited the Reserve Champion. Another brother and sister act, Don and Betty Jack Cooper, also showed prize animals and Betty Jack won the showmanship award. Libb Mills Wallace really made it a family affair by showing the first place Hereford bull and cow, bred by his father and grandfather. Photo by Lovelace.

### BERGER IMPROVING

Joe Berger, Sonora ranchman, is reportedly improving at Hudds Memorial Hospital here. Berger underwent surgery at the hospital last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tedford of Dallas will spend the Christmas holidays in Sonora the guests of Mrs. Tedford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Davis.

selection committee which is composed of four students and four staff members appointed by Dr. R. B. Kamm, dean of Student Personnel Service and the Basic Division.

Wake up! It's late!

Only 4 More Shopping Days Till Christmas

### PASCAL ALLISON MEMBER OF TMI RIFLE TEAM

Cadet Pascal Allison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lea Allison of Sonora, is one of ten students at Texas Military Institute, San Antonio, comprising the school's rifle team. The students were selected on a competitive basis from the 240 students enrolled in TMI.

In rifle competition held at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, December 7, TMI won out over teams from the University of Texas, Austin, and Texas College of Arts and Industries, Kingsville, to advance to the finals against Rice Institute, Houston.

Sonora merchants are not experiencing the same decrease in Christmas sales which has been reported by retail stores over the nation. According to national surveys, sales for the holiday season are running from 18 to 30 percent below normal. Merchants here find sales generally about the same as last year, some reporting substantial increases over 1956, others slight declines. In some instances Sutton County shoppers are demanding (and finding) higher quality merchandise than in immediate past years but sales of luxury items are generally considered slower. Credit buying is more common this year. Many merchants feel that the condition of the wool market is largely responsible for any slowness in buying, although one businessman says he has found Christmas buying to run in cycles and that 1957 is a low point in the cycle. The fact that much wool and mohair remains unsold in warehouses is blamed as much as 80 percent for the lack of heavy buying on the part of ranchmen. Salaried persons are buying about the same volume and in about the same price brackets as in former years. Other merchants do not feel that the spring and fall rains have relaxed the buying situation considerably. They feel that Sutton County shoppers are generally more optimistic since the rains and that they are confident that the wool market will open up with good prices being offered for held over clips. There has been an ever increasing demand for gift items since about December 7, all merchants indicate. They found customers doing very little early shopping (the same holds true all over the nation) but later sales have raised the overall season trade up to last year's high average. All stores are holding considerably higher than the nation's average, proving that Sonora's do like to buy at home.

### Win Places At Abilene Contest

Three members of the Sonora Bronco Band won individual places in the District band contest held Saturday in Abilene. Jan Keng, flutist, and Nancy Hart and Jan Vander Stucken, clarinetists, won awards as outstanding individuals. These three plus George Archer, clarinetist, also placed

in the first regional band. The Sonora band, under the direction of A. C. Hart, competed against 19 other bands including schools from classes B through AAAA.

### Downtown Business District Lighted For Christmas Shopping Season

### Funeral Rites For James Dyoette Wood

Nathaniel L. (John) Word, 77, a former Sutton County ranchman who had been retired in recent years, died in his home in San Angelo Saturday, December 14. Born in a log cabin in Goliad County, February 7, 1880, Mr. Word came to Sutton County in 1902. He married Wallie M. Brown in 1908. After working on a number of ranches, Mr. Word bought three sections of land from Joe Wyatt in 1927. By 1949 he had accumulated 2,560 acres. He sold this land to Walter

### Elementary Choir Presents Program At Lions Club

Mrs. Jack Thomas presented her Central Elementary School choral group in a program of Christmas Hymns and Carols at the weekly Lions Club luncheon this week. Composed of fifth, sixth and seventh grade students, the chorus is an extracurricular group, meeting before school for practice. Mrs. Norman Rousselot accompanied the chorus in singing "O Come All Ye Faithful", "Let Us Play A Gay Musette", "Bring A Torch, Jeanette, Isabelle", "The Birthday of The King" with soloist Tommy Rape, "What Child Is This?", "What Are Ye Going To Name Him?" with Rebecca Babb as soloist, "Sweetly Sleeping in the Manger, and "Silent Night". Members of the Sonora Art Club served turkey dinner to the Lions. Lions President Clayton Hamilton announced that the club will not meet the next two weeks and will have its next meeting Tuesday, January 7.

### JERRY N. SHURLEY PASSES TEXAS BAR EXAM

Jerry N. Shurley of Sonora is one of 73 University of Texas Law School graduates and students who have passed the Texas bar examination, which gives him the right to practice law in

### Joe David Ross Named To A. & M. Who's Who

Joe David Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Ross of Sonora, has been chosen for Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities from Texas A. & M. College, Bryan. Joe David is one of 34 A and M students named by the

### Odds And Ends

This year again we are printing all letters written by second graders to the old gentleman with the beard. Why pick second graders? Well, the main reason is that after the second grade the old gentleman usually ceases to play the important role in celebration of Christmas. Second graders are at the height of their enjoyment of opening the stocking on Christmas morning.

You might check over these letters. It could be that there's a seven-year-old who doesn't stand too good a chance of having the old gentleman fill his order. Next year these kids won't care so much but you might be the one to make this most important Christmas the most perfect.

Hottest news story of the week, and the main topic of drug store conversation, is pictured here in our column. Louis Davis was confined to his office where he disproved the legend that he NEVER works! We caught Louis in the act of counting money (his favorite pastime) but he seemed to be having a little trouble making it check out right to judge by the length of his adding machine tape.

Reason for this sudden reform? Mrs. John Eaton, who usually keeps things running smoothly, spent a week in Fort Worth spoiling her new granddaughter.

### Nathaniel L. Word Funeral Held In San Angelo

James Dyoette Wood, 64, died suddenly Monday afternoon on an oil field location in Schleicher County. Funeral services were held Wednesday morning in the Church of Christ with T. R. Chappell performing the ceremony. Burial was in the Sonora Cemetery under direction of Rattiff Funeral Home.

Born July 29, 1892, in Coleman, Mr. Wood married Miss Nora Patterson in 1918 in Carlsbad, New Mexico. He was a veteran of World War I.

He is survived by his wife; his mother, Mrs. Nancy Wood of Lovington, New Mexico; a son, Douglas Wood; three daughters, Mrs. Loretta Owens of Colorado City, Mrs. Nora Mae Powers of Hobbs, New Mexico and Mrs. Louise Duggan of Carlsbad, New Mexico; and seven grandchildren. Pallbearers included Wesley C. Young, Seth Prater, Frank Mayhew, Clyde Lister, all of Sonora and W. L. Stokes and Hugh Gray, both of Ozona.

### Cleve T. Jones III Exhibitor Of Grand Champion Steer At Show

Cleve T. Jones, III showed the grand champion steer Saturday in the Sutton County 4-H Club Fat Steer Show. Cleve T.'s 835 pound "Pappy" was named champion by Ray Siegmund, judge for the show. The steer was bred by Cleve T. Jones, Sr., grandfather of Cleve T.

The reserve champion was exhibited by Claire Jones. It weighed 970 pounds and is of Frank Jordan breeding.

First place bull and heifer were shown by Libb Mills Wallace. The Herefords were bred by Libb Wallace and Son.

First place award in showmanship went to Betty Jack Cooper, second place to Don Cooper and third place to Claire Jones.

Lightweight class winners were: First, shown by Cleve T. Jones III, bred by Cleve Jones, Sr.; second, shown by Don Cooper, bred by Vic Pierce, Ozona; third, shown by Betty Jack Cooper, bred by Bryan Hunt; fourth, shown by Betty Jack Cooper, bred by Vic Pierce; fifth, shown by Don Cooper, bred by Bill Wade; sixth, shown by Betty Jack Cooper, bred by Sol Mayer estate; seventh, shown by Libb Mills Wallace, bred by Libb Wallace and Son.

Heavyweight class winners: First, shown by Claire Jones, bred by Frank Jordan, Mason; second, shown by Cleve T. Jones, III, bred by Edwin Sawyer; third, shown by Don Cooper, bred by Cleve Jones, Sr.; fourth, shown by Claire Jones, bred by Frank Jordan; first, shown by Betty Jack Cooper, bred by Cleve Jones, Sr.; sixth, shown by Don Cooper, bred by Jess Coy, Eldorado.

The steer classes were shown early this year in order to enable exhibitors to enter the Odessa show which is scheduled for December 31. The regular 4-H livestock show will be held here February 1.

### Faculty Fearnights Outclass Varsity 42 To 35 In Thursday Night Benefit

The Faculty Fearnights lambasted the Bronco varsity basketball team by a score of 42 to 35 in a benefit game played at the high school gymnasium last Thursday night. High point men for the Fearnights were A. T. Barrett, Oliver Wuest and Carl Jones. Exact number of points made by each man is not known because of the generally mixed-up situation which prevailed.

Starting for the Broncos were John Ed Neville, Freddy Fields, Allan Wall, Sam Galindo and Gene Brodhead. Jerry Potmesil also saw service.

Officials for the game, unanimously considered to be incompetent, were Oliver Wuest, E. A. knee in time to prove himself a Brodhead, and Herman Moore. Only casualties were A. T. Barrett who re-located a dislocated

### Firemen To Sponsor Annual New Year's Ball At Woolhouse

Sonora Firemen will sponsor their annual New Year's Eve dance at the Sonora Wool and Mohair Co. Warehouse. Curly Martin and The Melody Boys will furnish dance music with Turk Martin as vocalist.

Proceeds from the annual Firemen's Ball are used to help defray expenses of the Sonora Volunteer Fire Department. Admission is \$3.00 per man, ladies free. Tickets are available now from any member of the department.

star. Carl Jones, another stellar Fearnight, fell victim to heart palpitation later in the game.

Funds raised by the game amounted to \$111.75, which will be used to help defray costs of tournament travel. Basketball Coach Charles Lamb said this amount will more than make up the deficit which existed.

### Back Your Hometown Businessmen They Stand Behind The Community

For more than 67 years The Devil's River News has been boosting Sonora merchants, the home town businessmen. Why? Because Sonora merchants boost their home town at all times; at all times are willing to back every home enterprise and because they stand behind every move that is for the best interests of Sonora and Sutton County.

But we sometimes wonder if the citizens in and around the community realize the full worth of the home merchants, if they realize the many things they do for the town and its people, and how much we, as a people, owe to them.

Behind every movement for good—for progress, development and uplift are the home town merchants, and sometimes only the home town merchants, while others "pass the buck" except during beneficial showers.

Who contributes most to community welfare—to church, to school, to society, to civic move-

ments, to charity and improvements? Usually, the home town merchants.

Who are the vital forces in every organization having to do with community life and improvements? The home town merchants.

Who are the first to work for needed improvements, for better streets—for a cleaner city, for city beautification—for the very things that make us proud of our home town? Usually, the home town merchants.

Who are the first to combat the things that are injurious to our community—to society—to our commercial, financial and moral life? Usually, the home town merchants.

Who digs into their pockets deeper than the home town merchants to support community benefits? Daily home town merchants are contributing of their time, their energy and money to make this community a bigger and better place in which to live.

Hangings of street lights was completed last week for holiday decoration of the downtown business district. Merchants purchased materials for strings of colored light bulbs to be suspended across Main Street from Water Street to Crockett Avenue. The lights were installed by members of the city light and water department.

The lighted Santa Claus and Christmas trees which were made by Mrs. Charles F. Brown were used again this year.

Lighting of the business section was a project of the Sonora Lions Club and was carried out by the club's lighting committee.

Pfluger in 1950. He and his wife owned rental property in San Angelo.

It is proper and fitting then, that we give more than a passing thought to the debt we owe the home town merchants and that we come to the realization that this debt can be repaid by giving them the trade of the community, a trade well earned.

The truth of the matter is, home town merchants are selling goods at, or below prices elsewhere, and if expenses incurred when trading out of town—we are bound to admit that it is cheaper to trade at home besides showing a spirit of reciprocity.

Spend your money elsewhere and the merchants will be forced to go out of business and seek a new location where civic pride and community spirit exist in a greater proportion. And we may be sure that no other businessmen will come in to take their places, for nothing scares business away from a town as much as "for rent" signs or vacant store buildings.







## Blessings of the Season

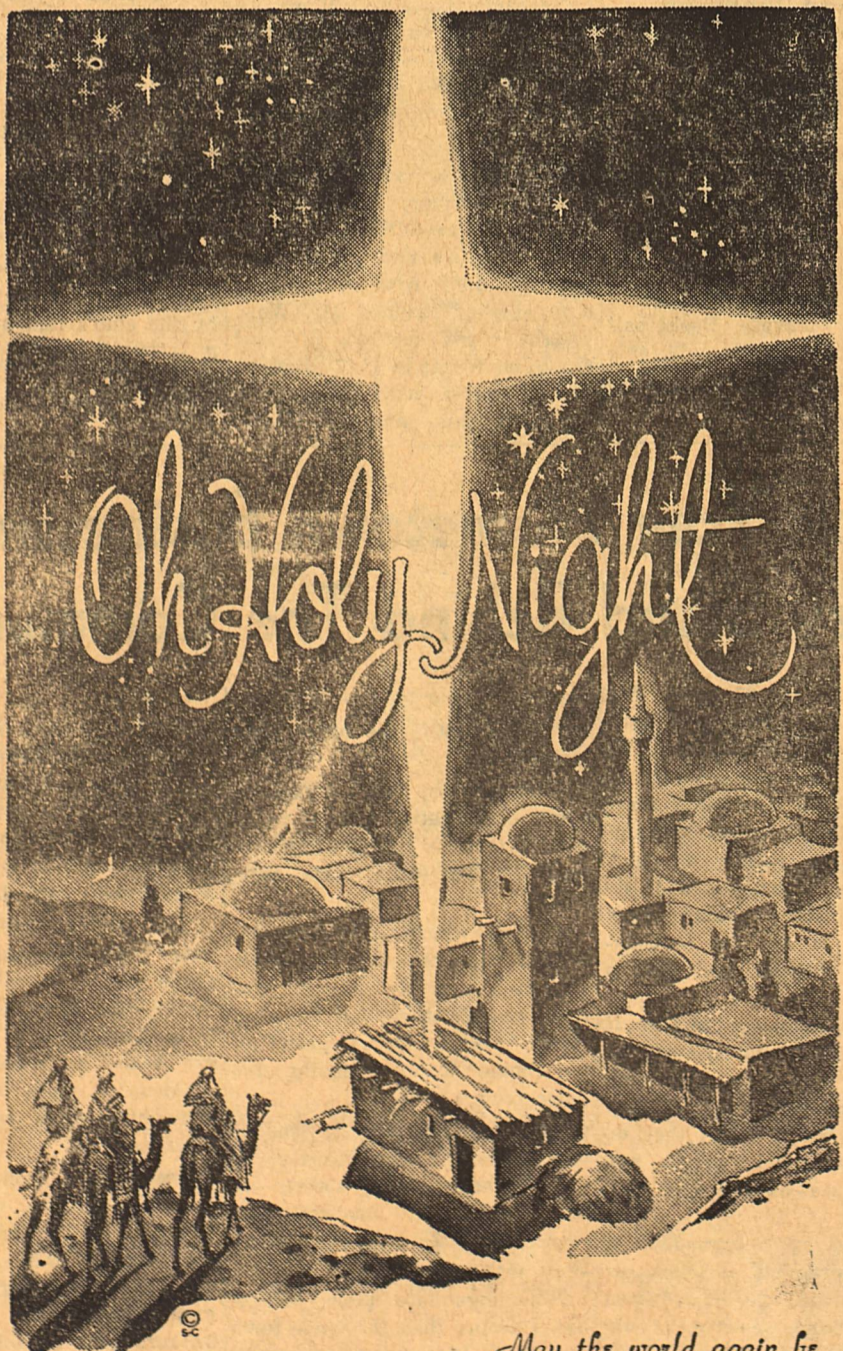
Best wishes to all for Yuletide happiness.

Pat Lyles, General Tires and Automobiles



**It is our fond hope that the enchanting beauty of the Christmas season will be mirrored in happiness for you and your family.**

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**Sonora Feed and Supply**

### 31 YEARS AGO

—31—  
Mrs. A. B. Whitehead of Del Rio is visiting her sister, Mrs. Roy E. Aldwell this week.

—31—  
Mrs. R. Watkins and daughter, Miss Ora, of Wichita Falls are visiting Mrs. Watkins' mother, Mrs. John Swinbourn.

### Letters To Santa

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Bee Bee gun, an electric train and a Roy E. Guit.  
Thank you and I hope you have a Merry Christmas.  
Love to you, Roger Mason.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a pair of guns. A bilfold. Please bring my little brothers some little cars.  
I thank you Santa Claus.  
Randy Hale.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Ballet Dancer Doll, a make up kit, a wagon, a ball.  
Lots of Love,  
Sondra Crawford.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a number paint set, cooking mixes, Please bring Maggie a Rag Doll.  
We will leave you something on the table.  
I love you Santa Claus.  
Thank you very much,  
Love You Debbie Galbreath.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a wagon, Please bring David a play motorcycle and a ball. A shaving set to play with. Dear Santa Claus I love you.  
Michael Holley.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a play typewriter, water paints a little doll with curly hair. Please bring Mother a pretty dress, a bill fold for Daddy. For Eddie a cattle truck.

Santa Claus we will be at Grandmother Sutton's at Hinesville, Arkansas. Bring Granny a pretty white slip. Grandfather a package of cigarettes.

Dear Santa Claus I like you. We will leave you some food on the table.  
Thank you very much  
Love to you Janice Sutton.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a model Air Plane, a bow and arrows, a new bicycle, a Superman Suit, and a Pony Bank.  
When you come to my house open the refrigerator and help your self to drinks and food.  
Good Bye, Kenny Riddle.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a jet, controlled with buttons and a wheel, an accordion. Please bring my little brother boxing gloves.  
We love you Santa Claus.  
Dennis Schmidt.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Lone Ranger Suit, a bee bee gun.  
My brother and little sisters are too little to write. Please bring them what they want.  
Thank you for the presents.  
Look around, there is food in the refrigerator and coffee on the stove.  
Help your self.  
I love you very much.  
Robert Morrison.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Ballet Doll, a pink and black Teddy Bear, house shoes with fur around them, and a house coat. Please bring Spike a horse stick, guns and a holster.  
Thank you Santa Claus.

Good bye,  
Love Vick Sue Clayton.



## COME ONE COME ALL WELCOME KIDDIES

THE MAN WITH THE RED SUIT AND LONG WHITE BEARD WILL BE HERE IN OUR STORE SATURDAY DECEMBER 21.

ELITE Chocolate - Cherry <b>Candy</b> BOX	45c
<b>Yams</b> DURAND CANNED LARGE	25c
<b>Cigarettes</b> ALL	\$2.35 CTN.
<b>GUM</b>	3 for 10c

**FREE Candy Bubble Gum & Balloons**  
**FREE Refreshments**  
**Served All Day Dec. 21**

PRODUCE	MEATS
DELICIOUS CRISP <b>CELERY - 2 stalks</b> . . . . . 25c	NICE FAT <b>HENS - lb.</b> . . . . . 43c
DELICIOUS <b>APPLES - lb.</b> . . . . . 13c	BROAD BREASTED TOMS <b>TURKEY - lb.</b> . . . . . 42c
NAVEL <b>ORANGES - lb.</b> . . . . . 10c	SMALL HENS <b>TURKEYS - lb.</b> . . . . . 48c
FRESH <b>CRANBERRIES - lb.</b> . . . . . 19c	SWIFT'S PREMIUM <b>SAUSAGE - lb.</b> . . . . . 39c
YELLOW <b>BANANAS - 2 lbs.</b> . . . . . 25c	KORN KING <b>BACON - lb.</b> . . . . . 49c

Please Place Christmas Orders Now

<b>ICE CREAM - Gandy's pt.</b> . . . . . 19c
<b>COTTAGE CHEESE - pt.</b> . . . . . 23c
<b>EGG NOG - Rich - qt.</b> . . . . . 65c
CHOCOLATE <b>MILK - qt.</b> . . . . . 23c
WHIPPING <b>CREAM - 1/2 pt.</b> . . . . . 35c
SUPREME <b>COOKIES - 49c size</b> . . . . . 45c
<b>CRACKERS - lb. box</b> . . . . . 25c



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<p>LIBBY'S VACUUM PACK WHOLE KERNEL <b>Corn</b> 12-OUNCE CANS <b>6 for \$1</b> (1 Free with Each 6)</p>	<p><b>GREEN BEANS</b> OUR VALUE NO. 303 CANS (1 Free with Each 7) <b>7 FOR \$1</b></p>	<p>PATIO BEEF <b>TAMALES</b> NO. 300 CANS <b>4 for 99c</b></p>	<p>DASH <b>DOG FOOD</b> 2c OFF DEAL - NO. 1 CANS <b>6 for \$1.00</b> (1 Free with Each 6)</p>	<p>CAMPFIRE MARSHMALLOW <b>CREME</b> PINT JARS <b>4 for \$1.00</b> (1 Free with Each 4)</p>	<p>LIBBY'S <b>Pumpkin</b> NO. 303 CANS <b>7 for \$1</b> (1 Free with Each 7)</p>	

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SUN SPUN **4** 1 lb. pkgs. **\$1**  
1 Free with Each 4

<p>WHITNEY or BROOKDALE CHUM <b>SALMON</b> NO. 1 CANS <b>2 for 89c</b></p>	<p>HUNT'S <b>CATSUP</b> 14-OUNCE BOTTLES <b>5 for \$1.00</b> (1 Free with Each 5)</p>	<p>OCEAN SPRAY CRANBERRY <b>SAUCE</b> NO. 303 CANS <b>4 for \$1.00</b> (1 Free with Each 4)</p>	<p>SUN SPUN RSP <b>CHERRIES</b> NO. 303 CANS <b>4 for \$1.00</b> (1 Free with Each 4)</p>	<p>LIBBY'S DEEP BROWN <b>BEANS</b> 14-OUNCE <b>6 for \$1.00</b> (1 Free with Each 6)</p>	<p>SUN SPUN <b>PEAS</b> NO. 303 CANS <b>7 for \$1.00</b> (1 Free with Each 7)</p>	<p>OUR VALUE <b>TOMATOES</b> NO. 303 CANS <b>6 for \$1.00</b> (1 Free with Each 6)</p>
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<p>LIBBY'S <b>FRUIT COCKTAIL</b> NO. 303 CANS <b>4 for 99c</b></p>	<p><b>TOMATO JUICE</b> LIBBY'S 46-OUNCE CANS <b>4 for 99c</b></p>	<p>ALCOA <b>ALUMINUM FOIL</b> 12-INCH x 25-FOOT ROLLS <b>3 for 89c</b></p>	<p>ARMOUR'S <b>VEGETOLE</b> 3-POUND TIN <b>69c</b></p>	<p>LIBBY'S <b>VIENNA SAUSAGE</b> NO. 2 1/2 CANS <b>5 for 99c</b></p>	<p>GOLD CRAFT <b>PEANUT BUTTER</b> 12-OUNCE JARS <b>3 for 99c</b></p>
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# FLOUR

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25 lb. bag

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SNOW CROP GREEN PEAS 10 oz. pkg. 2 for 35c

SNOW CROP GREEN BEANS - 10 oz. pkg. . 19c

SNOW CROP CUT CORN - 10 oz. pkg. - 2 for 35c

MIN. MAID GRAPE JUICE 6 oz. can 2 for 35c

**Orange Juice** MIN. MAID 6 oz. can - 2 for **35c**

**FAB** GIANT SIZE PKG. **63c**

KRAFT'S OIL - qt. bottle

POWDERED or BROWN SUGAR - 1 lb. pkg. - 2 for 25c

**MILK**

EAGLE BRAND CAN

**SAUCE**

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 WHITE KARO - qt. jar . . . . . 47c  
 KIMBELL'S SWEET POTATOES squat can 25c  
 BAKER'S COCONUT - 4 oz. can . . . . . 18c  
 BAKER'S CHOC.-CHIPS - 12 oz. bag 39c  
 GLADIOLA FLOUR - 5 lb. bag . . . . . 49c

DEL MONTE FRUIT COCKTAIL - 303 can . 25c  
 DEL MONTE PEAS - 303 can . . . . . 19c  
 DEL MONTE WHOLE GREEN BEANS - 303 can . . . 25c  
 DEL MONTE CUT GREEN BEANS - 303 can . . 19c  
 DEL MONTE PINEAPPLE JUICE 46 oz. can 29c  
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**Ribs** FRESH PORK lb. **39c**  
**Liver** CALF lb. **45c**  
**Bologna** ALL MEAT lb. **49c**  
**Sausage** GERMAN STYLE lb. **59c**  
**Cheese** LONGHORN lb. **49c**  
**Hens** FIELDS CAGE lb. **39c**

**COFFEE**

MARYLAND CLUB lb.

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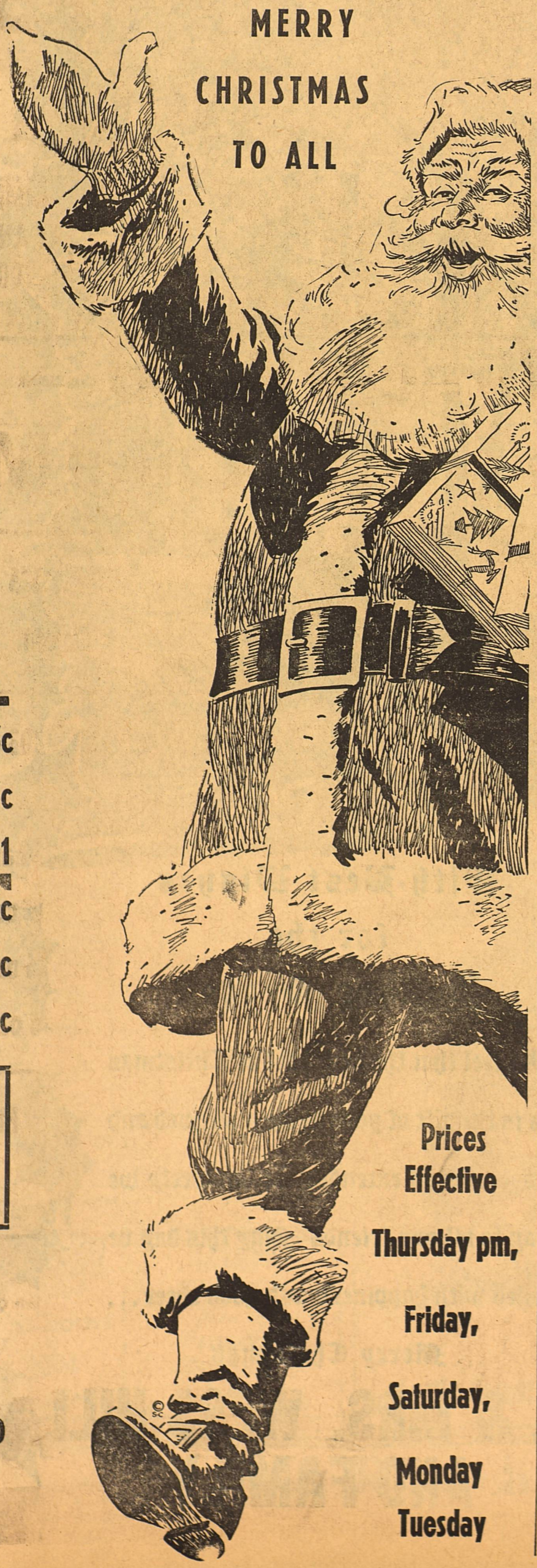
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nanas			FRESH LB.		12 1/2 c
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DECEMBER 25 & 26

**THE WOMEN'S PAGE**

Devil's River News-Sonora, Texas, Thursday, December 19, 1957

**ELLIOTT FACULTY HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Ernest Stephen was host to an informal Christmas party in his home Monday afternoon with the L. W. Elliott School faculty as his guests. The Yuletide theme was featured in the decorating scheme with red, white, green and gold predominating. Gifts were exchanged and cookies and coffee were served. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jones, Mrs. Vivian Parisher, Mrs. Margie Evans, Mrs. Harva Cooper, Mrs. Lois Young, Mrs. Nancy Trainer, Mrs. Mary Ruth McGilvray, Mrs. Ann Whitfield, Mrs. Mary Martin, Mrs. Maggie Glasscock, Mrs. Nellie Moore and George Thompson.

**BORDER PATROL FAMILIES HAVE POTLUCK SUPPER**

Border Patrolmen and their families enjoyed a Christmas party in the Parish House Saturday night. The tables were placed to form a U with individual tables for the children placed in the center. Centerpieces and room decorations were in keeping with the holiday season. A pot-luck dinner was served and a visit from Santa, who presented gifts, was enjoyed. The children sang Christmas carols for entertainment. Those attending were the families of Messrs and Mmes. G. W. Archer, Ed Marek, Sam Dunn, Les Floyd, Wm. Hockstatter, Nolan Moore, N. M. Morris, Roger Stout, Leonard Wall. Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Martin were dinner guests.

**C. E. SCHOOL FACULTY HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY FRIDAY**

The Central Elementary School faculty held their Christmas party Friday evening beginning with dinner at the Commercial Cafe. A Christmas tree and gift exchanging were enjoyed at the home of Mrs. Alice Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Finklea showed slides of their trip to Europe and coffee were served. Attending were Messrs and Mmes. Edgar Shurley, Autrey Bridges, James Stewart, G. W. Archer, Leo Merrill, Rex Lowe, Jack Thomas, A. C. Hart, E. A. Brodhead, Ralph Finklea and Mmes. Ruth Newton, Ruth G. White, Muriel Hamilton, Emerald Smith and Miss Emma Hamilton.

**Art Club Has Christmas Party**

The Sonora Art Club gave their annual no-hos Christmas party in the Parish House Monday night with Mrs. A. W. Awalt and Mrs. H. V. Morris in charge of arrangements. Holiday decorations were featured and refreshments were served buffet style. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lee won the high score prizes. Bingo prizes went to Mrs. R. M. McCarver and Mrs. Maysie Brown. Mrs. Juliett Driskell won the traveling prize. Attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Ford Allen, R. G. Nance, John A. Martin, Jr., Louin Martin, A. W. Awalt, Bill Lee; Mmes. Mack Owens, Myrtle Sellman, R. B. Kelley, Leo Bishop, H. V. Morris, Juliett Driskell, Armer Earwood, R. M. McCarver, Maysie Brown, J. W. Trainer and O. C. Ogden. Gifts were exchanged following the games.

**BUSINESS WOMENS CIRCLE MEETS MONDAY NIGHT**

The Business Woman's Circle met in the Baptist Church Monday night in regular session. Mrs. W. O. Crites opened the meeting with a prayer and Mrs. Jack Drennan presided over the business session. Mrs. Ted Letsinger conducted the mission program with Mrs. Jack Drennan, Mrs. J. P. Smith, Mrs. Wallace Pepper and Mrs. Vernon Griffin taking parts. Mrs. W. O. Crites gave the Bible Study with "We Have Found Him" as her topic. Mrs. Jack Drennan served cake and coffee during the social hour and gifts were exchanged.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Pfister of Fort Stockton were in Sonora this week visiting his mother, Mrs. Beulah Pfister.

**MRS. BELL ENTERTAINS TUESDAY NIGHT CLUB**

Mrs. John Bell entertained the Tuesday Night Bridge Club in her home Saturday night. The party rooms were decorated for Christmas and a buffet supper was served. Mrs. George Barrow won high score prize, Mrs. R. C. Vicars won the slam prize, Mrs. Belle W. O. Crites won the guest prize. Also attending were Mmes. Terry Decker, Earl Duncan, R. G. Nance, L. E. Johnson, Sr., L. E. Johnson, Jr., Earnest McClelland, Louie Trainer and P. J. Taylor.

**MRS. BROWNE HOSTESS TO LUNCHEON CLUB**

Mrs. Charles F. Browne was hostess to the Thursday Luncheon Club in her home last week. Yuletide motifs were used in the decorating scheme. Prizes went to Mrs. John Ward for high score, Mrs. Gay Copeland for second high score, Mrs. Robert Halbert and Mrs. Louis Davis won at bingo and Mrs. Edwin Sawyer won the slam prize. Others who attended included Mmes. Allie McBride, Lee Fawcett, Harold Schwieng, Lea Allison, Louie Trainer, L. E. Johnson, Jr., E. S. Mayer, Harold Scherz, A. E. Lowe, Katherine Linthicum, L. W. McLaury and Miss Annella Stites.

**G.A.'S MEET TUESDAY**

The Girl's Auxiliary met Tuesday afternoon at the Baptist Church with Nancy Anthony presiding. The meeting was opened with a prayer led by Mrs. H. K. Lee. Plans were made for a Christmas party to be given Thursday night. Gay Potmesil conducted the program with Janice McKenzie, Roxey Glasscock, Ellen Bolt, Linda Harris, Alta Lee McKenzie, Barbara Gatlin, Dorothy Harris taking parts. The dismissal prayer was led by Barbara Gatlin.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Barrow for the holidays will be Mr. and Mrs. Jerrel Hardesty and children, Exa Ann and Danny of Austin and George Barrow, Jr., who is a student at Sul Ross College, Alpine.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Wright of the Junction were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wess Hill last week. They were accompanied home by Joe Wess Hill, who visited in the Jack Jones home.



May the religious theme of Christmas be a source of inspiration to all.  
Sonora TV Company



We wish  
all our friends  
at this time of the year...  
A season that sparkles

with holiday cheer!  
Bell's Cash Way



### 31 YEARS AGO

Saturday, December 18, 1926

Miss Mary Ann Wilson returned home Monday from a months visit in Austin and San Antonio.

George R. Hamilton of Sonora 155 pound halfback, was awarded his letter as a member of the Schreiner Institute undefeated Mountaineers. He is one of the 23 men that received the coveted "S" at the regular chapel exercises Tuesday morning.

Hamilton was a terrific line plunger and his able defensive work aided materially in Schreiner producing the team that played a ten game schedule, with such teams as McMurray and Daniel Baker, without suffering a single defeat.

Hamilton was especially good in the Victoria Junior Colleg game scoring the winning touch down. He is also a candidate for the basketball squad, and as he lettered last year Coach Schu-

hardt expects him to fill a regular position at forward.

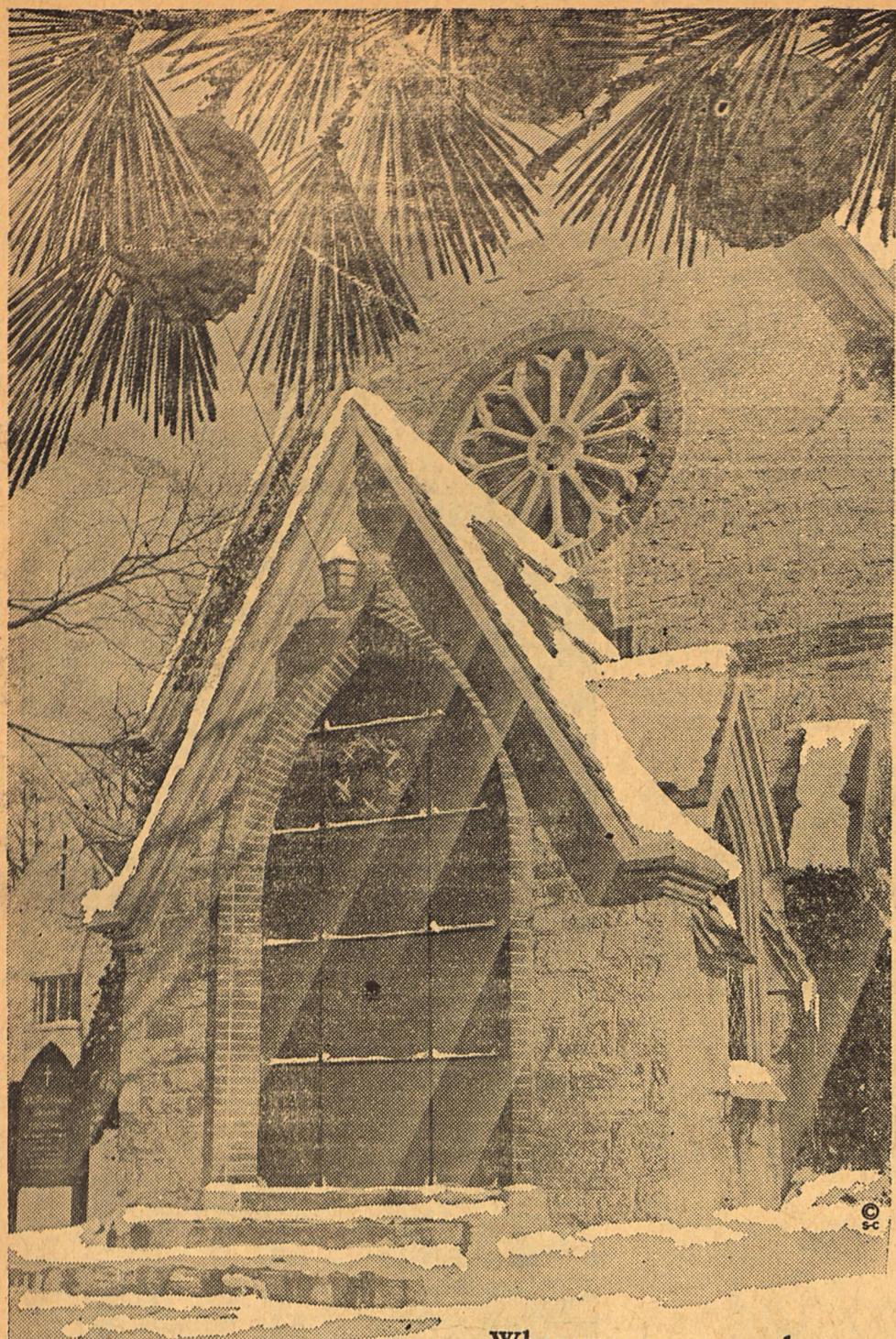
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Oran and Alton Hightower have bought the old J. O. Hightower store from the Wooten interests and will conduct a general merchandise business in the future in the name of W. O. Hightower and Company.

These boys are stocking the store up in new clean merchandise and are expecting to get their part of the patronage through giving service and selling standard merchandise at a reasonable price.

Both the Hightower boys are very popular here and will no doubt do well in their new enterprise.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cooper and Debra, Mrs. Maxine Ellingson and Billy Bob have as their guests this week Mrs. Cooper's and Mrs. Ellingson's father J. S. Whittemore and brother Bill Whittemore both of Newton, Kansas.



Wherever you are, be it in your home or the church of your choice, may your day be filled with the gladness of the Yuletide spirit.

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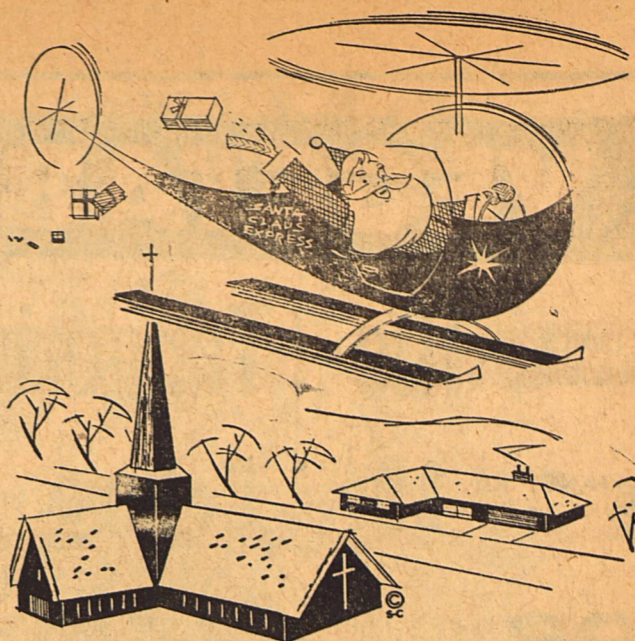
BRASSES, WOODS, AND WROUGHT IRON, KITCHEN CUTLERY, REVERE WARE, CANNISTER SETS, CLOCKS, T.V. TABLES, POTTERY, SALAD SETS, AND CHOPPING BLOCKS.

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for the  
Holiday Season**

We feel that the best part of Christmas is in the gift of good wishes received and good wishes extended; so, sincerely we say to all our friends--May this day be filled with happiness and good cheer...

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Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a stove, an ice-box, a Tiny Tears Doll, also, some clothes.

Bring Daddy a bow tie and Boots. For Mother shoes and dress and Delana a walking doll and house shoes.

Good-bye and thank you,  
I love you Santa,

Sandra Lynn Adair.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a pair of guns, Please bring me a pair of skates, a play piano, a pair of shoes with buckles on them, a dress.

Please bring little sister a pair of shoes, and a dress.  
a little car with house trailer.

Bring Weldon a pair of britches and shirt. Hugh Lee a Lone Ranger Suit, a pair of guns.

Bring Mother a blue slip and a dress. Two shirts, a pair of britches for Daddy.  
I love you Santa Claus.  
Thank you, Francene Pentacost.

**Letters To Santa**

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a bicycle, a game, a wagon.  
Good bye, Rhanda Crawford.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me an electric train, a Fort Apache Set, a Robot run by batteries and Tinker Toys.

My little sister wants a baby buggy and a gun and holster.  
Help your self to everything in the kitchen.  
Thank you, Ricky Elledge.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a pair of guns with 18 bullets, an electric drag line, colored orange and black, a cowboy hat, and cowboy boots.

Mother is writing for my little sister and brothers.  
We thank you and love you Santa Claus.  
Steve Rigby.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a rifle, a bow and arrows, an electric train, an army truck. Please do not take the "Flu" I will look for you the 25th. Thanks you.  
I love you, Tommy Glascock.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a pair of boots.

Please bring Wayne and me a Fort Apache Set.  
We love you Santa Claus.  
Wendel Dietz.



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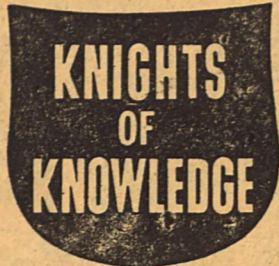
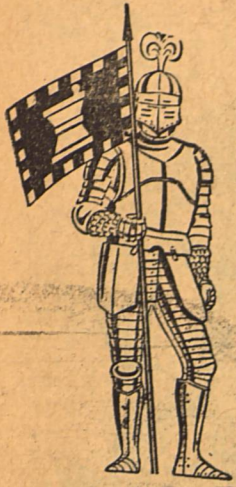
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1956 TAXES

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COUNTY, STATE AND SCHOOL TAXES WERE DUE AND PAYABLE OCTOBER 1. AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, A SCALE OF DISCOUNTS FOR EARLY PAYMENT ARE IN EFFECT THIS YEAR. DISCOUNTS ARE ALLOWED ONLY ON STATE AND COUNTY TAXES, NONE ON SCHOOL TAXES. DISCOUNT SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS:

1% If Paid in December

POLL TAXES ARE NOT ASSESSED ON YOUR TAX STATEMENT. WHEN REMITTING, ADD \$1.75 FOR EACH POLL TAX. NO DISCOUNT ON POLL TAXES.

Wess Hill

SHERIFF — TAX ASSESSOR & COLLECTOR

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to express my appreciation to the members of the Sonora Fire Department for their invaluable help in extinguishing the fire at our ranch last week. Their promptness in answering our call was largely responsible for the confining of damage to Herbert Fields.

CARD OF THANKS

Our sincerest thanks to each one of the many friends whose loving expressions of sympathy helped us so much during our recent sorrow. We are especially grateful.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Scott.  
JOE WALLACE HONORED  
ON FIFTH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. George Wallace assisted by Mrs. R. W. Wallace, feted her son, Joe, with a party on his fifth birthday. The scene of the party was the Educational Building at the Methodist Church and the Christmas theme was featured in decorations. Birthday cake and punch were served.

Guests enjoyed breaking two pinatas which were gifts from Lisa Whitehead.

Attending were Libb Mills Wallace, Jo Ann and Evelyn Lowe, Roger Langford, Dick and Gayle Hamilton, Lisa Whitehead, Bob Rogge, Kay Kerbow, Melissa Nance, Jess David Cook, Tim Allison, Billy Wayne Smith, Jim Elliott, David Wuest, Wade Mayer, Becky Tittle, Mark Rousset, Glen Owens, Tony Renfro, Scott Shurley and Mmes. D. C. Langford, Clayton Hamilton, J. W. Pepper, A. E. Lowe, Tommy Smith, W. A. McCoy, Norman Rousselot, Robert Mayer, Gene Wallace, Mack Owens, Bill Tittle, Joe Nance, David Shurley, Ella Wallace, and Libb Wallace.

LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS

Attending the Christmas square dance party in Barnhart Monday night were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Westfall.

Miss Sharon Harris of Fort Worth was a recent guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Taylor. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Harris arrived for the weekend and accompanied her home.

Ralph Copeland has arrived from Gambier, Ohio, to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gay Copeland.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Johnson, Jr., and daughters, Jo Addah, Jessie Lem and Janet, will leave Friday for Disney Land, California where they will celebrate the holidays.

PASTIME CLUB MET AT WALLACE HOME LAST WEEK

Mrs. Ella Wallace entertained the Pastime Club in her home last week. Seasonal decorations were featured and a dessert plate was served.

Mrs. R. B. Kelley won the high score and Mrs. Charles Hull and Mrs. C. E. Stites tied for second high scores.

Attending were Mmes. A. W. Awalt, Tom Sandherr, Robert Rees, J. W. Trainer, J. A. Cauthorn, Lee Labenske, Rose Thorp, R. V. Cook, O. G. Babcock, Stites, Kelley and Hull.

Congratulations

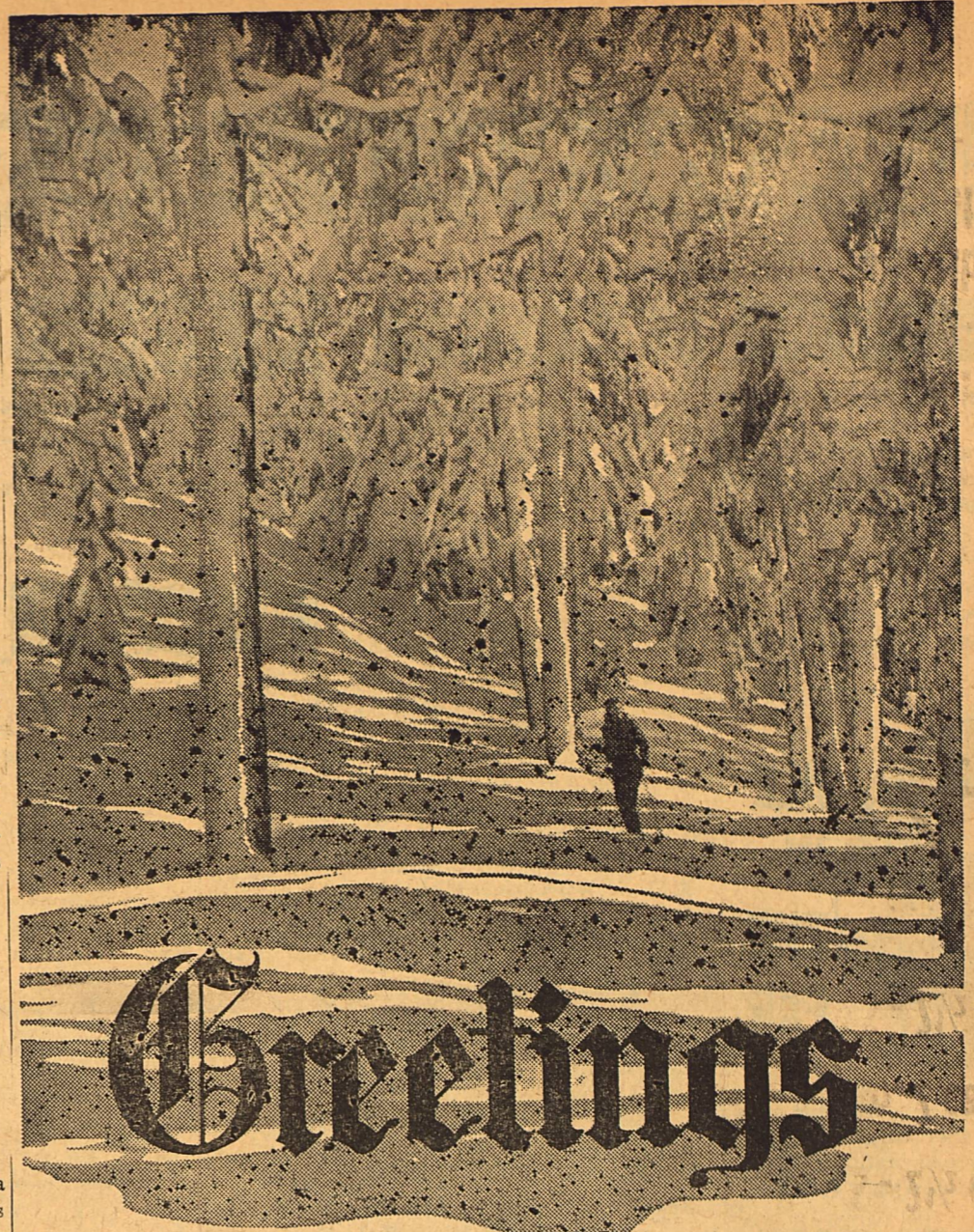
Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Gomez are the parents of a daughter, Diane, born Wednesday, December 18, at Hudspeth Memorial Hospital and weighing six pounds, thirteen and one-half ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Juan Gomez of Sonora. Mrs. Tomasa Virgen is a great-grandmother and Salome Perez, Sr., is a great-grandfather.

Santa Gets Letter From Tiny Sonora Polio Victim

Little two-year-old Esmeralda Sanchez, a victim of polio, has written her letter to Santa Claus, in care of Gonzales Warm Springs Rehabilitation Foundation. Esmeralda, the daughter of Mrs. Enedina Sanchez of Sonora, has been a patient at Gonzales from time to time.

Her letter reads:  
Dear Santa,  
I would like to have some new clothes for Christmas and a doll and some cookies and candy.  
I love you very much.  
Esmeralda Sanchez.



Greetings

In honor of our many friends of long standing, we pause to wish them all the blessings of the holiday season.

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- DEL MONTE NEW POTATOES - 303 can 15c
- DEL MONTE YELLOW CREAM CORN - 303 can ..... 15c
- DEL MONTE FRUIT COCKTAIL - 303 can 25c

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- TIDE or CHEER - giant box ... 69c
- LIGHT CRUST FLOUR - 5 lb. box ..... 49c

ARMOUR'S WILSON'S SWIFT'S 69c  
1/2 or Whole - lb.

- CRISCO - 3 lb. can ..... 89c
- GOLD COAST SPICED PEACHES - 2 1/2 can 33c
- DEL MONTE TOMATO JUICE - no. 2 can . 15c
- DURAND CUT SWEET POTATOES - 2 1/2 can 29c
- FOLGER'S INSTANT COFFEE - 6 oz. jar ..... 99c

GANDY'S 45c  
1/2 GAL.

- REYNOLD'S WRAP FOIL - 25 ft. roll ..... 29c
- 80 COUNT NAPKINS - 2 boxes ..... 25c

Produce

- CELERY - large stalk ..... 19c
- CRANBERRIES - fresh - lb. 25c
- APPLES - extra fancy - lb. 14c
- ORANGES - Sunkist - lb. 15c
- NEW POTATOES - lb. 8c

Egg Nog Mix - Nuts - Fruits

Meats

- PORK ROAST - lean - lb. .... 45c
- PICNIC HAMS - cooked - lb. . 39c
- STEAK - Choice Round - lb. ... 75c
- ROAST - Chuck baby beef - lb. 45c
- BEEF RIBS - baby beef - lb. . 25c

Hens - Turkeys



**Christmas Edition**

**Second Section**

**Magazine Has  
Picture Story  
Of Deer Fight**

White-tailed deer fights are seldom seen by man, and even more rarely captured on film. One such movie sequence, made by the Texas Game and Fish Commission in its film, "Hill Country", is described in the

November issue of Texas Game and Fish, the official magazine of the Commission.

The movie has been shown to more than 63,000 Texans since its release.

The story of the fight and filming is told in "60 Seconds of Fury", by Theron D. Carroll, biologist, with accompanying pictures from the movie sequence by Lon Fitzgerald, official photographer.

The two men had waited three days in the Hill County for some-

**LIONS ROAR**

Sam Logan, former Sonoran now employed as technical ad-

visor and manager of the royal farms in Saudi Arabia, was guest speaker at the regular Tuesday meeting of the Sonora Lions Club last week. Logan told of the nature of his job and conducted a question and answer program on Saudi Arabia. Guests included Sam Logan, Marvin Logan and W. A. McCoy of Sonora; James C. Cherry of Junction; Claude Ervin of Rocksprings; Karl Pankratz of Amarillo; Alvin Hay of San Angelo; L. E. Gordell of Brownwood, and Carroll Ratliff of Eldorado.

thing unusual they could record in their movie. The movie cameras had been focused for a turkey scene to be taken in the late afternoon, but a six-point buck challenged an eight-pointer on the wildlife stage just as the turkeys came by. The entire fight took less than a minute.

"And . . . the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,

"To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

"And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women . . .

"And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.

"And behold, thou shalt conceive in the womb, and bring

forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.

"He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his fatherhood, keeping watch over their flock by night.

"And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

"Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?

"And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall be upon thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God . . .

"And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her."

"Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth, good will to all men."

"And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said every one to his own city, 'Come, let us go and see this thing which is come to pass, which we have seen and heard, which seemed to us to be a dream, like unto them, for we doubted it: but now we know that all things which were told us by the Lord are come to pass, and we will believe in the Lord, for we have seen and heard all these things which were told us by the Lord.'"

"And when they had seen the child, they made known abroad that which was told them by the shepherds: and all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds."

"And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn."

"And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night."

"And when they had seen the child, they made known abroad that which was told them by the shepherds: and all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds."

"And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn."

*The Star of  
Bethlehem*



At Christmas time, may our hearts open wide

to the meaning of the day, and the birth of our Saviour

that was the greatest gift that ever blessed mankind . . .

So, while we bestow and welcome gifts of all kinds

during this happy season, let us remember best

His gifts to us . . . the spirit of Faith and Hope,

Peace and Good Will, and Glory unto God . . .



**Capt. Alan Saunders Receives Air Force's  
Highest Aeronautical Rating Recently**

HAMILTON A F B, Calif.—The U. S. Air Force's highest aeronautical rating—Command Pilot—was recently awarded to Capt. Alan W. Saunders of Sonora. Capt. Saunders' new wings—a star encircled with a wreath—were pinned on by his commander, Lt. Col. William O. Funderburk, during ceremonies here.

The new Command Pilot is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Saunders, Sr. who run the Saunders Nursery and Flower Farm at Ozona. Capt. Saunders presently is an instrument instructor pilot for the 2346th Air Reserve Flying Center at Hamilton. He lives near the base with his wife, the former Juanita Archer of Fort Worth, and their six children: Gary, Alan Jr., Deborah, Sherry, Brent and Alana.

The highest Air Force rating was presented to Capt. Saunders upon completion of 15 years of continuous flying and more than 3,000 hours of pilot time in 20 different types of aircraft. A veteran of World War II with almost five years of overseas duty, the Sonora officer flew the treacherous "Hump" route from India to China, ferrying passengers and cargo when the fam-

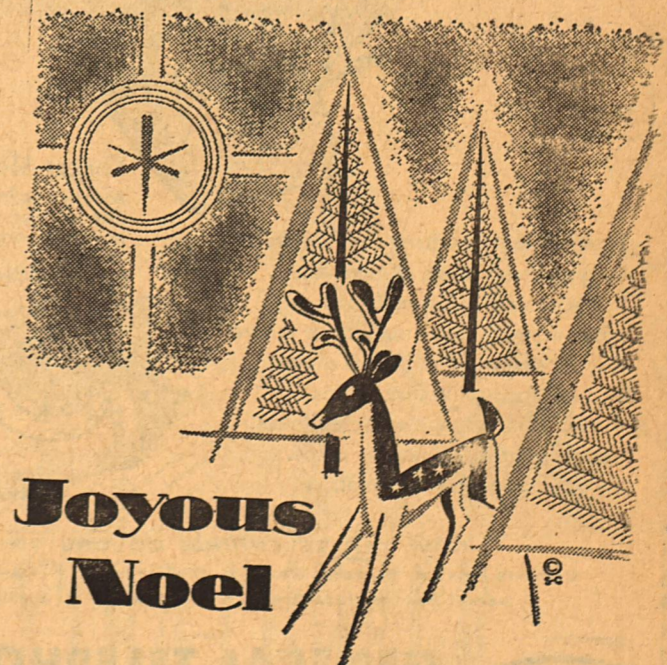
ed Burma Road was cut off by the Japanese.

He made 68 round trips over the "Hump". In recalling the hazardous years of 1943-1944, Captain Saunders said: "We had to skip over those snowy peaks in our slow C-46 planes at 17,000 feet—usually on instruments—and airlifted everything: drums of fuel, rations, ammo, machinery, clothing and even bombs—which we couldn't drop!"

There were no navigational aids or emergency fields, Captain Saunders said, and if you had to bail out it was in jungle country populated by natives just a generation removed from the bronze age, and still practicing the grizzly art of head-hunting.

To make friends with these primitive people—and to offer them 100 Indian rupees for every allied airman brought back to camp alive—a special Burma expedition was formed. Captain Saunders was a member of this peace-making mission.

Captain Saunders hold many medals and decorations, including the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with clusters and Distinguished Unit Citation Medal. Before coming to Hamilton last July, the Sonora pilot spent more than three years at Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii.



**Joyous  
Noel**

In every way — we wish for you  
a very happy holiday season!  
**The Holiday Host**





**BEST WISHES**  
to all our friends for a  
gay, colorful Christmas season.

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### One Thing Texans Can't Brag About— Facilities For Delinquent Juveniles

By Judge Sarah T. Hughes

Texans like to brag and we have reason to be proud of our history, our vast ranches and cattle, our natural resources, and most of all, our people. But one thing we can't brag about—our facilities for handling juvenile delinquents are very insufficient. What we have is good, but it is far from enough.

Many counties have no probation or parole officers. In these counties if a youngster is put on probation there is no official to keep him in line. A boy released from the state institution to a county without a parole officer has no one trained to assist him in finding a place in the community. Effective supervision after release is just as necessary for rehabilitation as training in the school; and without it, money and effort expended are a loss to the state as well as to the

child. In some instances small boys 10 to 13 are sent to Gatesville because the county has no facilities for handling them and doesn't know what to do with them. They may have committed only minor offenses and have no home. This is not good. There are 40 to 50 boys this age at Gatesville. They sleep in a separate cottage, but otherwise—at meals, in school, and at play—they mix with older boys who have longer criminal careers and are good instructors in the ways of crime.

The community which allows a 10-year-old to be committed to Gatesville is failing in its responsibility to youngsters. Gatesville, in addition to not being able to do the right kind of job for boys between 10 and 13, is heavily overcrowded. The result is that boys usually stay only about seven months, not long enough to complete training. The result of a too-short stay and no state parole officers is a high rate of return. Last year, 34 percent of the boys released from Gatesville returned.

The last regular session of the Legislature provided for new buildings at both Gatesville and the girls' school at Gainesville. But it was far too little. The buildings will take the place of those that are already unsafe for occupancy and will permit less crowding. The increased juvenile population of the state is not taken into account, and unless something is done immediately, the present situation will be back at us.

There is, however, something that can be done. AND IT IS UP TO THE PEOPLE TO DO IT.

Public officials respond to what the voters want. After all, they have to be elected, and if the people feel their responsibility strongly enough and vigorously urge their officials to provide necessary facilities for delinquent youngsters, it will be done.

On the county level it is the Commissioners Court which must provide for probation officers, foster homes, and county institutions for dependent and delinquent children. If your county is very small a volunteer probation and parole system might be set up, or perhaps two or more counties could cooperate in providing a paid officer.

The Legislature has the responsibility for the state institutions and parole officers for such institutions. If there is a strong enough public opinion favoring adequate facilities for training and rehabilitating delinquent children the Legislature will provide.

Public opinion is something you can be a force in developing—by conversations with friends, by talks to clubs, by letters to edi-

### Ground Observers

Friday, December 20,  
Day Duty, Mrs. A. E. Prugel.  
Night Duty, Newt Poteet.  
Saturday, December 21,  
Day Duty, Mrs. E. D. Shurley.  
Night Duty, Bill Cobey.  
Sunday, December 22,  
Day Duty, Mike Ellis.  
Night Duty, Lazaro Martinez.  
Monday, December 23,  
Day Duty, F. L. McKinney.  
Night Duty, Victor Noriega.  
Tuesday, December 24,  
Day Duty, E. B. Keng.  
Night Duty, Sam Adams.  
Wednesday, December 25,  
Day Duty, E. B. Keng,  
Night Duty, Newt Poteet.  
Thursday, December 26,  
Day Duty, Frank Potmesil.  
Night Duty, Bill Cobey.

### Happy Birthday

Friday, December 20,  
Mrs. C. R. Emdy  
Mrs. Artie Joy  
Mrs. J. F. Wood  
Ronnie Marek  
Saturday, December 21,  
John Bunnell  
Mike Ballard  
Wess Hill  
Sunday, December 22,  
Linda Lambert  
Ralph Tipton  
Lea Roy Aldwell  
Mrs. B. M. Halbert, Jr.  
Frank Leslie Moore, Jr.  
William Alonzo Cowsett  
Nancy Alice Reynolds  
George J. Neill  
Merry Lou Glasscock  
Monday, December 23,  
Benny Friend  
Mrs. Pete Ballard  
Joe Neal Wallace  
Cynthia Green  
Tuesday, December 24,  
Mrs. J. W. Pepper, Jr.  
Alan W. Saunders  
Jack Darryl Moore  
John Douglas Moore  
Wednesday, December 25,  
Duard Archer  
G. W. Archer, Jr.  
Ben Cusenbary  
Jon Barton Dungan  
Mrs. Herbert McKee  
Thursday, December 26,  
Mrs. C. D. Wyatt  
Lewis Roueche  
Mrs. Charles Baker

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a knife, watch, inner tubes for my bicycle and a b-b gun. Gary wants a dump truck.  
Merry Christmas.  
Love Terry Hockstatter.

tors. And then the Commissioners Court and the Legislature should be made aware of your opinions.

Until we have done whatever is necessary to provide proper facilities for juvenile delinquents, let's not blame the youngsters. Put the blame where it belongs—on the communities and the state.



The carols of Christmas fill the air with our sincerest wishes for harmony and good cheer during your holiday.

**Park Inn Cafe**

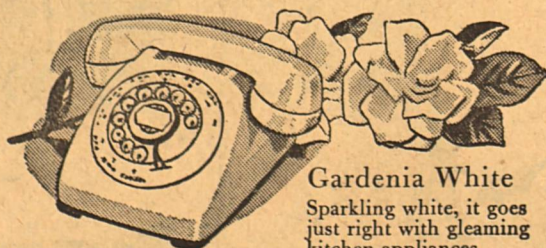
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### MERRY CHRISTMAS



Wishing you all the happiness of the season.

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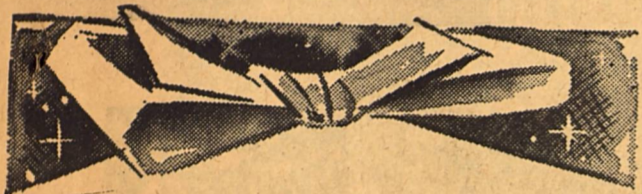


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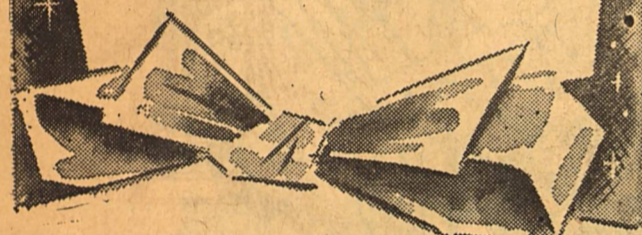
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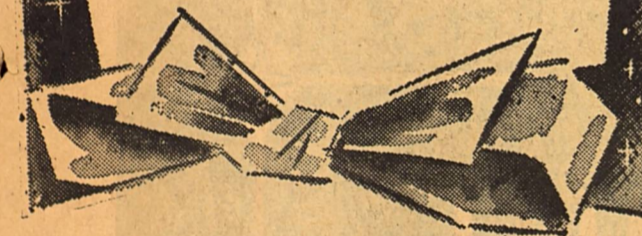
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SHOP AT HOME AND SAVE

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By L. A. Wilke  
**Ever Eat A Mud Hen?**  
 Ever try eating coot? That's the mud hen that infests Texas lakes and streams and annoys hunters. They are legal, just like ducks, and at the same season.

Coots work along the shore lines, and sometimes get out into deep water. In some instances they act as decoys. Ducks will light among them. Try to slip in among these in a boat, however, and they'll take wing, just skimming the top of the water, half flying, half paddling with their webbed feet.

Now comes the great Olin Mathieson Chemical Corporation with a book of recipes for cooking coot (and duck). The recipes were tried and tested by the Iowa State College.

"The American coot," the report says, "is met with mixed emotions as a prospect for a game dinner. In the south, the coot is a delicacy in many areas; whereas, in the middle west only a few hunters appreciate the table qualities of the coot—a stigma of local hunting traditions.

Tests at Iowa State College by participants unaware as to whether the meat was duck or coot revealed the coot to be on a par with wild duck. Therefore, with the American coot comprising a substantial proportion of our waterfowl population, and realizing the table qualities of this bird, this valuable wildlife resource should be utilized more fully."

There it is, hunters. Bag a few

of these coots. Cook 'em like ducks and the family will like 'em.

**Gulf Is Tempting Now**  
 If you want a complete change of your fishing habits, and live inland, why not try a trip to the coast this year after red fish? For the past few weeks the water has been a little murky due to recent flood waters going down the streams into the gulf. By now, however, the water should be in excellent condition from Port Arthur to Port Isabel.

In addition to red fish, you also can catch trout, drum and sheephead. Of course you also can take the off-shore trips on the party boats.

Mid-December is a wonderful time of the year to make a coastal trip. You also can mix a little duck and goose shooting with your fishing. In fact, you can take a rod to your duck blind and after you've filled your limit on ducks, you can try your luck fishing. And you don't have to have special equipment. Your bass rod will do the job fine.

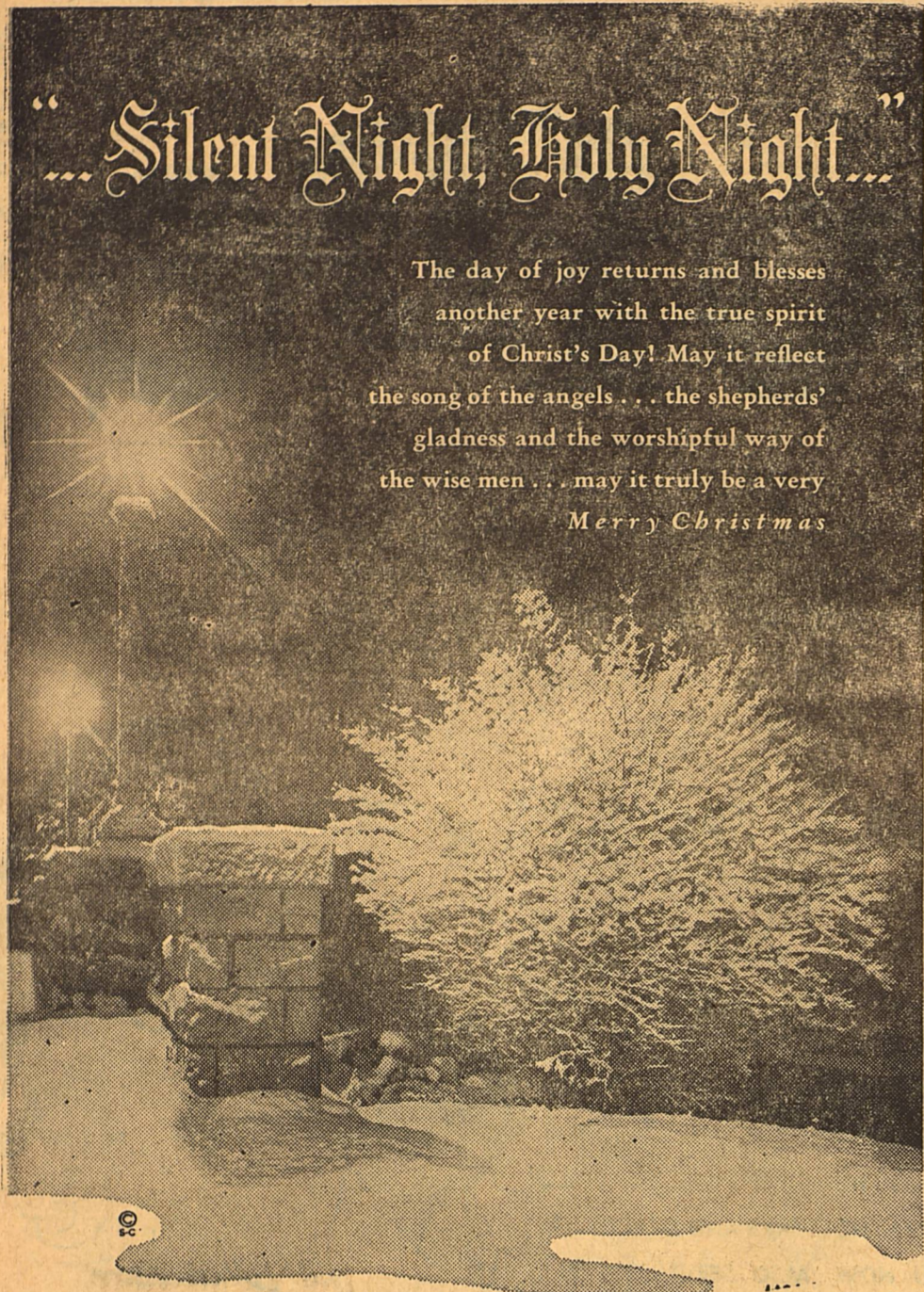
Be sure to rinse it with fresh water, however, upon your return to land. A good way is to set the rod, reel and other exposed equipment in the bath tub and turn on the shower for a few minutes.

### 31 YEARS AGO

Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd P. Bloodworth and children of Fort Worth are spending the holidays with Mrs. Bloodworth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Halbert on the ranch.

## "... Silent Night, Holy Night ..."

The day of joy returns and blesses another year with the true spirit of Christ's Day! May it reflect the song of the angels... the shepherds' gladness and the worshipful way of the wise men... may it truly be a very Merry Christmas



Longhorn Cafe



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As joys of Christmas fill the air... May yours be gay beyond compare!

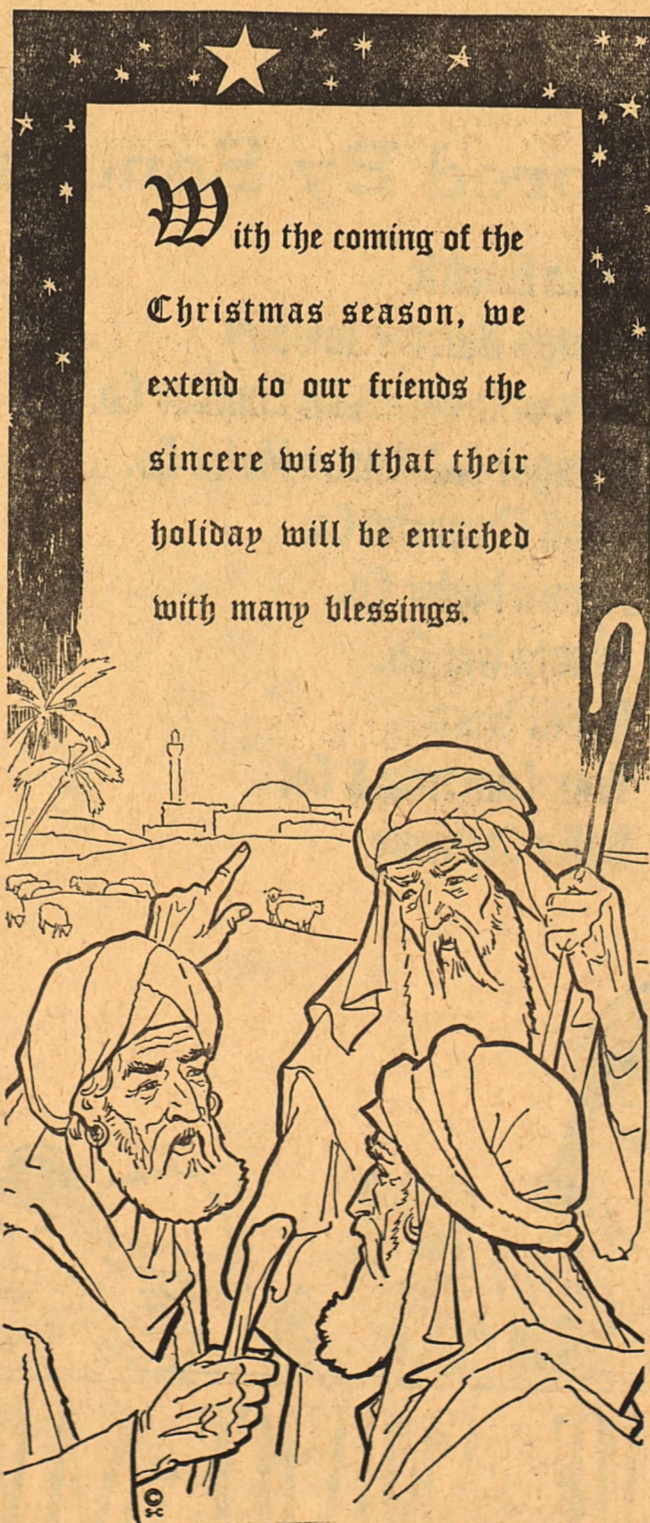
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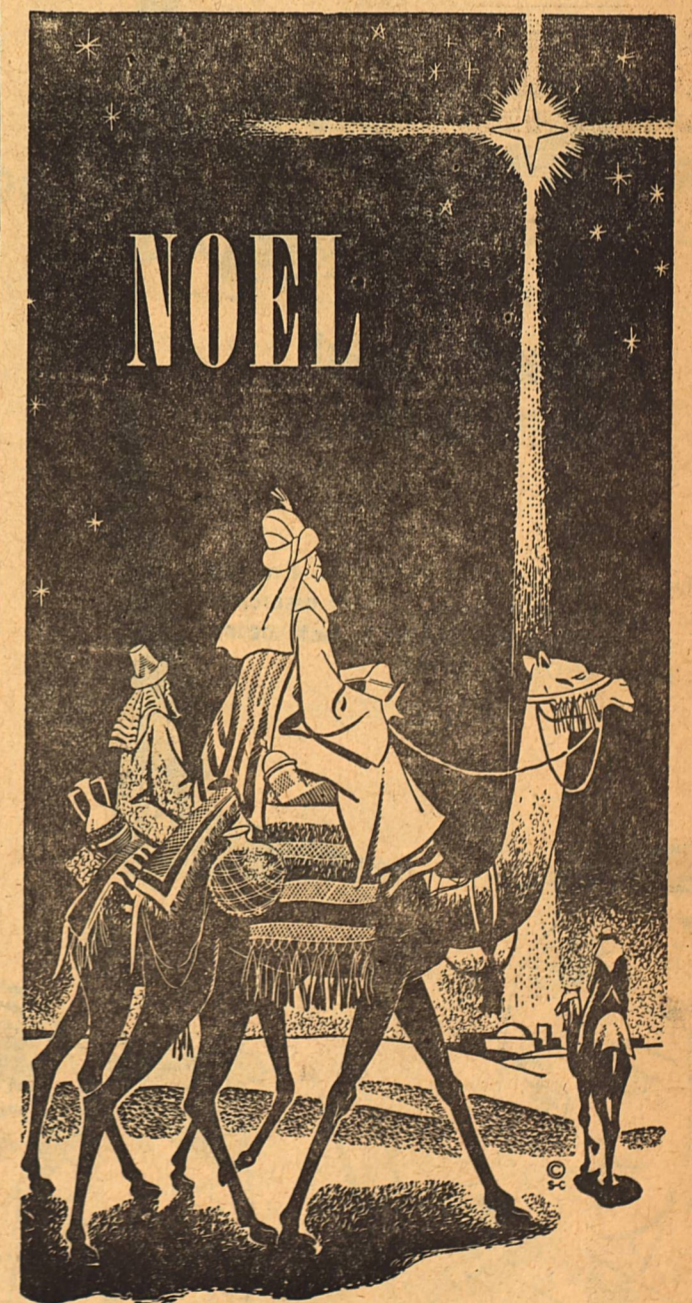
## Greetings to One and All!

We'd like to send our good wishes into every home and heart this Christmas to ensure the blessings of the holiday season to all our friends and their families.

Hardegree's Gulf Service Station



Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell and Family



As we travel on our long journey toward the goal of spiritual understanding, may the light of true faith lead us to our destination.

Frank's Auto Body and Paint Shop



## 25 Deer Shot On Kerr Area Public Hunt

Twenty-five deer were taken this year from the Kerr Wildlife Management Area in Kerr

County, on the fourth public hunt to be staged there. There were 132 hunters who went to the area from Nov. 16 to 20, inclusive, according to the Director of Wildlife Management of the Game and Fish Commission.

On the first day of the hunt 30 men got seven deer; the second day 29 hunters got six deer;

third day 25 hunters, three deer; fourth day 26 hunters, five deer, and the fifth day 22 hunters got four deer.

The largest deer weighed 111 pounds dressed. It had eight points.

On the Black Gap area in Brewster County 23 deer were killed on the first six days of hunting by 116 hunters. All were fat and in excellent condition, according to reports from the area.

On the Red River arsenal area 189 deer were killed for that hunt. Three were does with antlers. One had four points and was in full velvet. The other two came up with four points and six points each, fully polished horns.

There were 26 bucks and 20 does killed on the Gus Engeling Wildlife Management Area in Anderson County. Of the 241 permits issued, 200 hunters showed up.

No report has been received as yet from the Panhandle area, except that the deer this year are unusually large.

Mrs. Juliet Driskell has returned from a weekend spent with Mr. and Mrs. Horance Rees in Big Lake and Mrs. Maxine Saunders and children in Ozona.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bond had as their guests during the weekend Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Freeborn of San Antonio.



## YOUR MINISTER SAYS

By Rev. Doyle W. Morton  
"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Luke 2:14.

The choir from heaven proclaimed the "Glory of God" and "on earth peace, good will toward men." Jesus, the Christ, came into the world to proclaim the same things. His whole life was spent in turning people toward God. His life was given for "the Glory of God". How we today need to join the "heavenly host" in praising God. Let us give "Glory to God" for all the blessings that are ours. Let us praise God for the Christ Child who was born in Bethlehem. May he be

born in each of our hearts this Christmas.

As we give thanks, may we find in our own hearts peace and good will toward men. Only the Christ, the Son of God, can give us the will and power to overcome our self-centered attitudes and seek peace and good will toward men. It is not enough to repeat "peace and good will". We must, somehow, find the source of "peace and good will". It is not in man, but in God, who sent Christ into the world that we might have it. May we each one seek that peace and good will from the Christ Child at this Christmas.

## Edwards Plateau Soil Conservation District News

By E. B. Keng  
Soil Conservation Service



The fourth in a series of valuable range booklets has just been released by Phillips Petroleum Co., Bartlesville, Oklahoma. This booklet is entitled "Poisonous Grassland Plants," and contains pictures of many species common to this district.

Sections 1 and 2 of the series covered good native grasses and legumes. Section 3 dealt with undesirable grasses and forbs. The booklets are well illustrated in color and ranchmen can identify many plants from the photographs.

The booklets may be obtained free of charge by writing the Phillips Petroleum Company, Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

The Edwards Plateau SCD has purchased a brush mower, which is now available to ranchmen in the district. A rental rate of 50 cents per acre plus \$1.00 per day has been set to cover eventual replacement of the machine.

The mower operates from the power take-off of a farm tractor, and cuts a swath 66 inches wide. It will mow heavy weeds and brush up to two inches in diameter. The mower will be useful to cut sunflowers from soil bank fields, and to mow weeds and mesquite brush around watering troughs. It is mounted on rubber and will trail readily.

Merton Shurley, former Sonoran now ranching near Christoval, brought a plant of threadleaf groundsel by the SCS office for identification last week. Threadleaf groundsel is a poisonous perennial weed which is abundant north and west of San Angelo.

Merton noticed only one or two of the plants on his ranch and suspected that it might be poisonous. A small quantity of this plant has been found in the Edwards Plateau SCD.

Ranchmen are urged to be on the lookout for strange plants on their ranches, and to have them identified. Seed of many poisonous plants from other areas could have brought in with hay during the drought. Poisonous plants can often be eliminated at very little cost if their presence is detected before many seed are produced. In addition to threadleaf groundsel, two very poisonous plants have been found here during recent years. African rue, a poison perennial from the Pecos area, and cudweed paperflower from the Fort Stockton-Marfa area have both been found.

## Speech Students To Attend Weekend Meet In Denton

Nine speech students at Sonora High School attended a speech meet in Denton last weekend. The students, their instructor R. W. Whitfield, and Mrs. Frank Potmesil attended the event.

Students making the trip were Patsy Rode, Carolyn Hall, Betty Sue Fields, Yvonne Davis, Mary Wilson, Loma Lea Bridges, Jon Dungan, Frank Joe Potmesil and Butch Baker.



May the words of the Christmas Story unfold their tidings of Yuletide joy.

Commercial Cafe



May your Christmas be surrounded by all the blessings and joys of this festive Holiday Season!

Greenhill Service Station

## THE Christmas STORY

Now it came to pass in those days, that a decree went forth from Caesar Augustus that a census of the whole world should be taken. This first census took place while Cyrenus was governor of Syria. And all were going, each to his own town, to register.

And Joseph also went from Galilee out of the town of Nazareth into Judea to the town of David, which is called Bethlehem, being of the family and house of David, to register together with Mary his espoused wife who was with child.

And it came to pass while they were there, that the days for her to be delivered were fulfilled. And she brought forth her firstborn son, wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were shepherds in the same district living in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood by them and the glory of God shone about them and they feared exceedingly.

And the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which shall be to all the people, for today, in the town of David, a Savior has been born to you who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign to you; you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among men of good will."

And it came to pass when the angels had departed from them into heaven, that the shepherds were saying to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass which the Lord has made known to us."

So they went with haste, and they found Mary and Joseph and the babe lying in the manger. And when they had seen, they understood what had been told them concerning this child. And all who heard marvelled at the things told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept in mind all these things, pondering them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, even as it was spoken to them.

ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE 2:1-20

We hope you will pause to read this old, old story because this is the true meaning of Christmas.

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The jolly snowman brings you our warmest wish for a happy holiday!

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Our jolly old Santa is taking his cue, By helping us say, "Merry Christmas to you!"

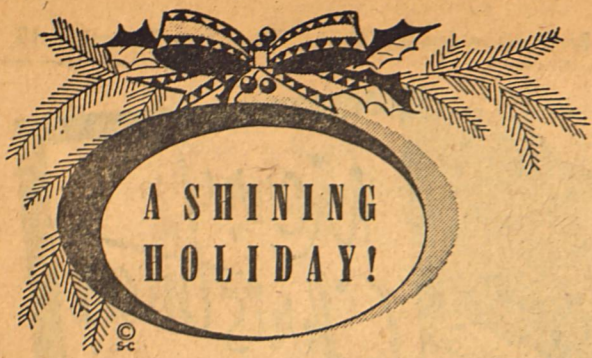
The Ratliff Store



When you hear the bells on Christmas day, we hope they echo the joyful sounds of your holiday festivities.

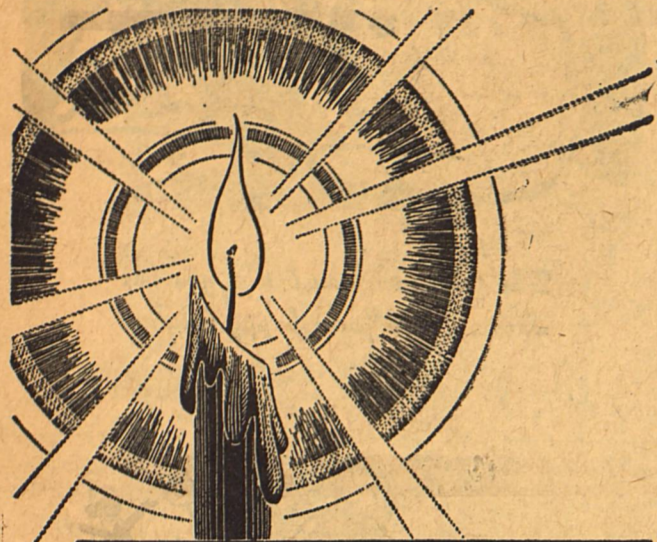
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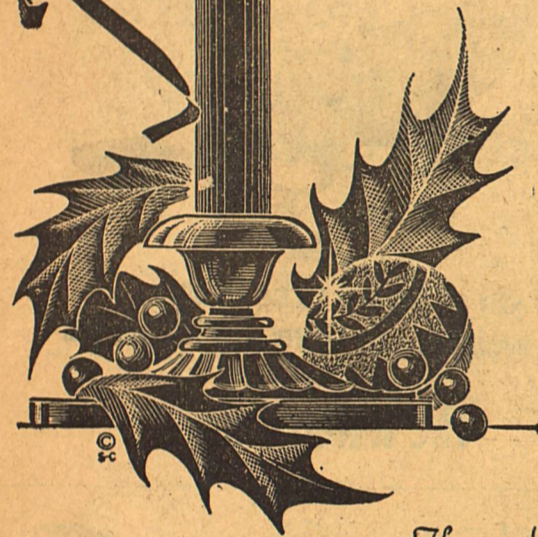


Let fun and gaiety adorn your Christmas celebration!

**Mat Adams Service Station**

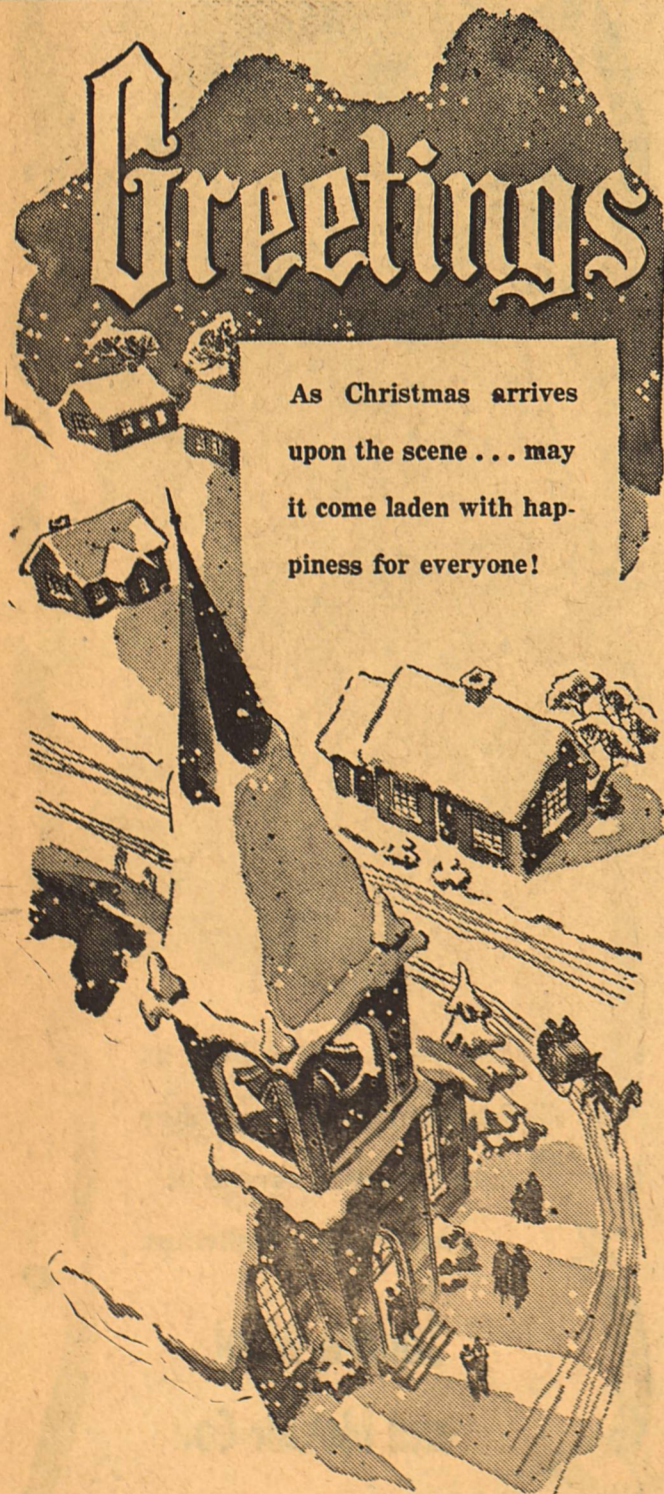


**A Bright Christmas**



The candles of Christmas beam our message to you of good cheer in the glowing Yuletide season!

**Home Hardware and Furniture Co.**



As Christmas arrives upon the scene... may it come laden with happiness for everyone!

**Dr. and Mrs. C. F. Browne and Family**

**Letters To Santa**

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
I hope your reindeer haven't had the flu. Please bring me a high chair, a doll bed, and doll. I want some doll shoes, some play dishes, a watch to tell time, some blankets, and some jewelry. And don't forget the other boys and girls.  
Merry Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus.

Love, Sharon Decker.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
I love you. I hope that you and your reindeer do not have the flu. For Christmas please, I want some dress-up clothes, high heels, a doll buggy, a very little kitten, some blankets, some jewelry, some toy rings, a rag doll with long hair, a drum, and a horn. Please bring my brother, Pat, a tie. I hope that you can come to our house.  
Merry Christmas!

Love, Linda Ann McBride.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas please bring me a doll, some dishes, and a coloring set. That is all I want. How are you and Mrs. Santa Claus and the reindeer? I hope you do not have the flu. I will be as good as I can. I hope you have a good trip. I hope you and Mrs. Santa Claus and the reindeer have a Merry Christmas.

Love Maxine Davis.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
I hope your reindeer don't get the flu. Santa, will you give me a toy gun, high heel boots, an electric train, a dump truck, a b-b gun, a watch, a bicycle, and a radar launcher. Merry Christmas!

Love J. V. Cook.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
I hope your reindeer don't have the flu. Please send me a steam engine. Please send my brother an erector set. Merry Christmas!

Love Kirby Lee Babb.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
I want a bicycle, a toy machine gun, and a pair of high heel boots.

Love, Steven Hale Whitworth.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a dollhouse and a kitchen, too. I hope the reindeer don't have the flu this Christmas. I wish you and Mrs. Santa a Merry Christmas.

Love Joy Potter.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
I hope your reindeer don't get the flu. Please bring me a dump truck and a boy's watch.

I hope you have a very very Merry Christmas!

Love Gary Lee.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
I want some play dishes please, I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I hope your reindeer don't have the flu.

Love, Linda Gayel Franks.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
I want a guitar, for Christmas. Also I want a radar launcher and an electric train. I hope you don't have the flu. Don't forget my brothers Tommy and David. That's all for now. Merry Christmas.

Love, Timmy Shaw.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
I want a walking doll, and a watch. Merry Christmas! I hope your reindeer don't catch the flu.

Love Sherrill Alane McKenzie.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a b-b gun, two games, and two play guns. Merry Christmas Mr. and Mrs. Santa. And I hope Eddie and Sharon and Val get something good too.

Love, Ronnie Marek.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Shirley Temple Doll, a cowgirl suit, a stick horse. Bring my little sister a Raggedy Ann Doll, a stuffed toy deer. Bring my cousin Cindy a purse, and popbeads, and Billy an aer-o-plane.

Thank you Santa Claus.

Janet Morris.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Please bring Daddy a red shirt. Mamma a slip, blue, Vivian a pair of Bobby socks and Elaine a necklace. You will find cookies and coffee on the table. Help your self.

Good bye Santa Claus,  
Royce Mears.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a bicycle, a Tommy Gun, a play shaver. My twin brother wants a bicycle too, please.

Love to You.  
David Whitworth.

Sonora, Texas  
December 5, 1957

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Machine gun run by batteries a helicopter, a doctor kit, a gun with toy bullets.

Please bring Coleen dishes red white and blue, a walking doll with a ponytail.

You will find food in the refrigerator. Eat all you want Coffee is on the stove.

Good bye, Jim Wall.



**OUR GREETING...**

The spirit of the Christmas season is tied in with our good wishes!

**Beauty Bar**



**Greetings**

To our many friends --  
our deep felt appreciation  
for your loyalty and friendship  
during the past year...  
we wish you a Very Happy Holiday!



**Foxworth Galbraith Lumber Co.**

**THE REMINGTON QUIET-RITER IS THE ONLY PORTABLE WITH ALL THESE FEATURES:**

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**DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS**





W. A. Carroll, Texaco Consignee

A FUN-PACKED HOLIDAY



Unwrap our wishes and you'll see  
A Christmas filled with gaiety!

Sonora Men's Store



Season's Best

May a wealth of good cheer find its  
way to your house this Christmas.

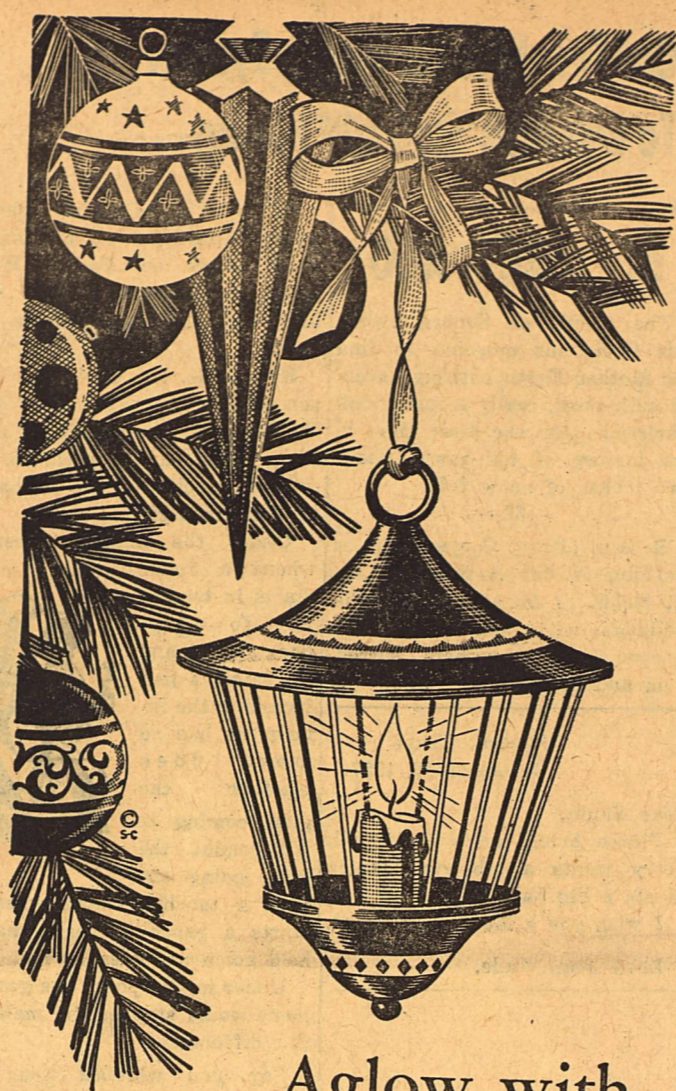
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Season's  
Greetings

And... a Christmas  
with all the  
trimmings!

La Vista and Bronco Theatres



Aglow with  
Christmas Cheer

... Our fondest wish to our friends for  
all the radiant joy of a happy holiday.

Westerman Drug



May your celebration be wreathed in  
the happiness of the Yuletide season.

Sonora Motor Company



Wishing our many  
friends a bright and  
shining Christmas season.

Artie Joy's Cactus Station No. 17

### Christmas Time Is Time Of Tragedy On Texas Roads

Peace on earth, good will toward men—this is the theme of the holiday season. The whole Christmas story is one of peace, joy, hope and happiness.

Yet, ironically, the Christmas season has become a time of tragedy and death on Texas streets and highways.

The two principal villains in the holiday accident picture are excessive speed and drinking drivers. In fact, a combination of these factors accounted for 71 percent of the rural fatal accidents during 1956.

The rush to get home for the holidays, increased crowds of shoppers and the ever-present glass of cheer combine with heavy traffic, parties and careless pedestrians to turn this happiest of all seasons into the deadliest time of the year.

But all of this need not be, if we would use just a little extra care and courtesy in our driving and walking. Too, it would help if we gave more support to public officials, safety organizations and law enforcement agencies who are stepping up their fight on accident prevention. With these simple efforts Texas could go a long way towards keeping peace and joy in the holiday season.

This is just what we are being asked to do by the Texas Safety Association, which is now busily engaged in statewide activities designed to keep the holiday accident toll to a minimum.

By way of suggestion, here are some of the things which we, as individuals, can do to help hold down the holiday death toll:

Soft pedal the gas pedal! Remember that winter weather, here in Texas, is very changeable without notice, and you may often be called on to change your driving habits to meet driving conditions.

Stay alert! Don't let hustle and bustle of last minute Christmas shopping distract you when you are walking or driving.

Don't drive after drinking! And, watch out for those who do. You can't get responsibility out of a bottle.

Beware of early darkness. December's early twilight accounts for many deaths by the prolonged reduction of clear vision. If possible, plan to do your traveling during daylight hours. If you are a pedestrian, give yourself extra time when crossing streets.

Finally, resolve to give real support to those who are protecting your life. Only through your good will and help can public officials crack down on traffic accidents. Speak up and act for stiffer fines, no-fix tickets and adequate police personnel.

### 31 YEARS AGO

Saturday, December 25, 1926  
Friday afternoon, December 24, 1926, at 5 o'clock Rev. Jackson, pastor of the local Methodist Church, spoke the words that made Miss Dymple Vincent Trainer and Sam Thomas man and wife. The wedding was solemnized at the Methodist Church with only a few relatives and friends present.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Trainer of Sonora and is a native of this city. She graduated at the High School here and later attended the Southern Methodist University of Dallas. She is an accomplished musician and is very popular with everyone.

Mr. Thomas was formerly employed here by T. L. Benson but is now a member of the office force of the Matland Oil Co., of San Angelo. He is a young man of exemplary habits and of extraordinary business ability.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas will make their home in San Angelo where they will be glad to see their Sonora friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Whitehead and baby were up from the Whitehead ranch last week the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Halbert, parents of Mrs. Whitehead.

Mrs. J. L. Nesbit and son, Aldwell Nesbit of Plainview, visited Mrs. Nesbit's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Aldwell during the holidays.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!



In passing, we would  
like to say:  
Have a sparkling  
holiday!

Western Motel

May the best gift of  
all — the spirit of  
peace and good will  
... be yours always.



Smith Electric



As Christmas draws near,  
we would like to shout from the  
housetops, "Happy Holiday to all!"

Elliott Chevrolet Co.





Wishing one and all a gay and festive Christmas!

Martin Plumbing

**Letters To Santa**

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
I hope your reindeer haven't had the flu. And I hope you and Mrs. Claus stay well for Christmas. I want a bike and I would like to have a sweet Rosemary doll. I would like to have a little table and chairs, too. Merry Christmas!

Love Donna.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
I want a bride doll, some jewelry, and a doll house. Merry Christmas!

Love( Barbara Swails.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me two guns and two rifles. I like you, Santa Claus. Please bring one play machine gun.  
Love, Ed Lee Renfro.  
Merry Christmas.

**Devil's River Philosopher Comes Out For Federal Parity System To Equalize Yule Gift Giving**

**31 YEARS AGO**

The people of Sonora awoke this Christmas morning to find the Mother Earth entirely covered with snow, really a fairy book Christmas for the first time in the history of the town. About two inches of snow fell.

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Bevans (Pete) Cooper, who is working in the Artisia, N. M., oil fields, is here to spend the holidays with his father, Don Cooper and his brothers, Alfred, Tom and Pat.

Sonora, Texas  
December 13, 1957

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a baby doll. Jerry wants a b-b gun. Janice wants a big ball.

I wish you a Merry Christmas.  
Love, Jean Wade.

Editor's note: The Devil's River Philosopher on his bitter-weed ranch on Devil's River won't get anywhere with this idea, but that's his concern, not ours.

Here it is, the Christmas season is upon us again and still Washington hasn't done anything about my proposal to get yuletide parity in the exchange of Christmas gifts.

Under the present system, when a man starts in buying gifts for everybody on his and his family's list, including the in-laws, he has no more idea whether the gifts coming in will equal the gifts going out than a rancher knows when he starts a ranching year whether he'll come out even or not.

Under my proposal, the government would step in and make up the difference.

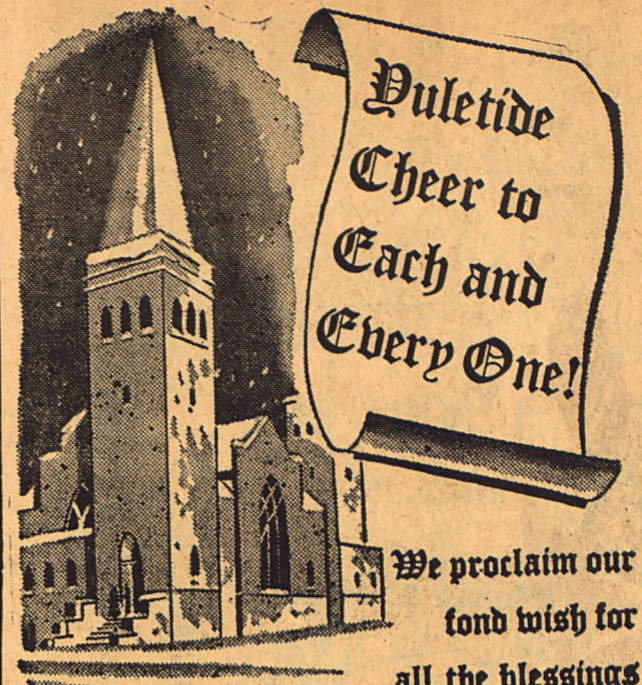
Say you whittled your list down to the bare minimum, bought presents for those you felt you simply had to, on the basis of they're the ones you figure will give you a present, but when all the unwrapping is completed on Christmas day you find out you over-estimated some of your relatives and friends and while you sent them a gift, all you got in return was a dime-store Christmas card, some of them clearly held over from last year.

Obviously, you're below parity, and the Federal government ought to make up the difference, because next year you're going to remember those who skipped you, in turn skip them, and if the thing snowballs from year to year the custom of giving of gifts will wither and die and stores will lose business and you know what that will do to the economic index.

You might say what concern is it of the Federal government, but I'm here to tell you about a third of the entire income tax Washington gets from many firms is piled up in December, as a direct result of Christmas business, and you take away that much income tax and we'll never get a satellite launched and without a satellite, I don't see how the United States can keep its head up much longer, although if these guided missiles can do all they say they can, the nation with its head ducked may be the one that lasts the longest.

If you think this Christmas Parity idea has any merit, I will appreciate your getting in touch with our Congressman before the new session starts in January. It's too late for this Christmas, but regardless of how the Russians feel about Christmas, I figure there'll be others. It'll probably be observed long after the Russians are gone.

Merry Christmas.  
Yours faithfully,  
J. A.

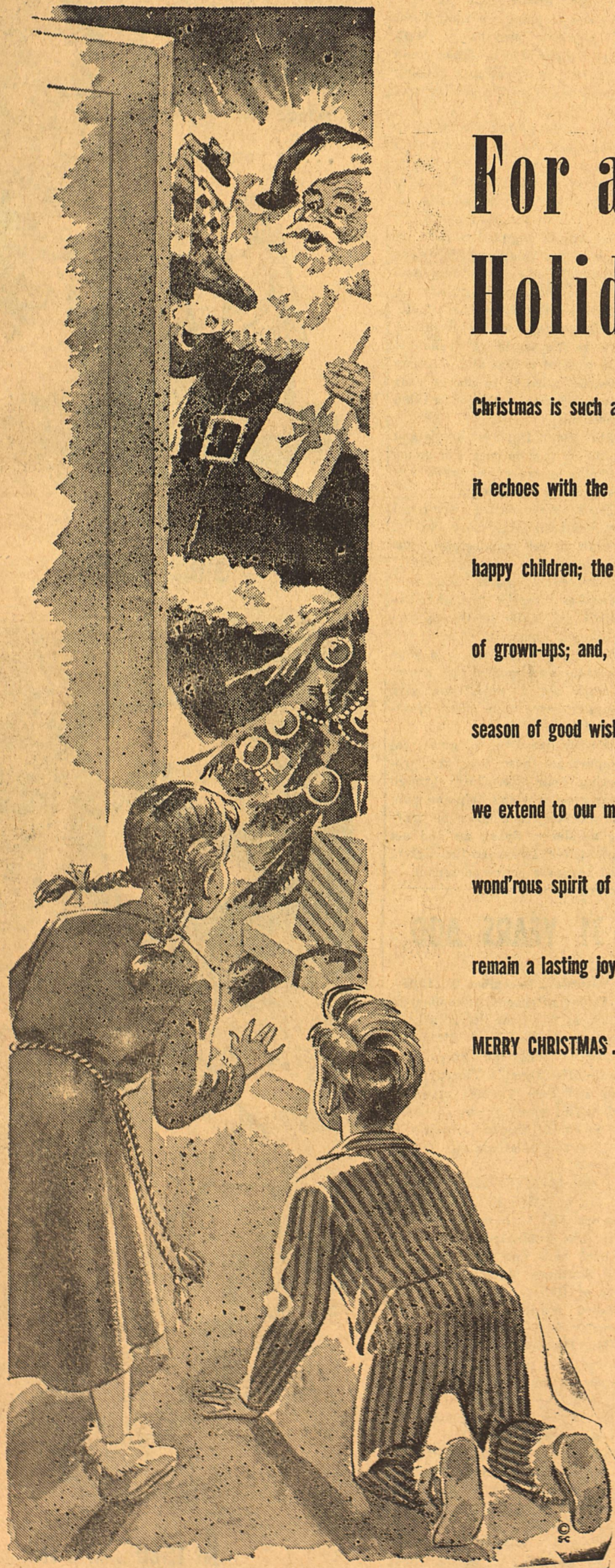


We proclaim our fond wish for all the blessings of Christmas to our many friends!

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**For a Happy Holiday...**

Christmas is such a merry time...  
it echoes with the joy and laughter of  
happy children; the warmth and friendly ways  
of grown-ups; and, best of all, it's the  
season of good wishes — such as the ones  
we extend to our many friends... May the  
wonderous spirit of the season  
remain a lasting joy for all!  
MERRY CHRISTMAS...

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK**  
Member F.D.I.C.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**



Wishing you a bright and shining holiday!

Stockmen's Feed Co.



We wish you, with  
this little rhyme,  
A gay and carefree  
Christmas time!

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