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New Producers For Jameson, Mathers Reported By Sun

Sun Oil Co. completed two more producers this week in the Jameson field at Silver, and plugged an out-post in the Lygay sand pool south of the river.

Sun Mathers No. 20 was finished for a 24-hour flow of 216 barrels of oil and no water. Gauge was through a 1/4-inch choke. Pressures were 545 pounds on the tubing and 1,050 pounds on the casing. Gas-oil ratio 1,682-1. The well was completed in open hole bottomed at 6,442 feet.

Sun Jameson Reef Unit 6-H on the Allen Jameson lease flowed 155 barrels of oil during a 15 1/2 hour test. Tubing pressure was 425 pounds, and casing pressure 675 pounds. Gas-oil ratio 1,300-1. The formation bottomed at 6,476 feet, was treated with 2,000 gallons of acid.

Morris & Hamilton had the contract and is moving to Sun Jameson Reef Unit 15-H on the Fred Jameson lease. It is an east offset to Sun Fred Jameson No. 2.

Sun Mathers No. 21 was swabbing for completion Wednesday. It topped the lime reef at 6,370 feet and drilled to a total depth of 6,456 feet.

Sun Jameson Reef Unit 4-P on Willie I. Tubb was drilling in shale at 4,405 feet.

Sun A-5 Mathers was in shale at 3,040 feet.

Sun Jameson Reef Unit 8-N on the Tubb lease was in shale Wednesday at 3,855 feet.

Sun No. 14 Cummings in the Millican field west of Edith was drilling at 2,482 feet in shale.

Sun No. 1-A Central National Bank has been plugged and abandoned at a total depth of 7,138 feet.

Empire Drilling Co. had the contract and is moving rotary to Sun No. 26 Mathers, southwest of Silver.

HOLIDAY GUESTS

One of the nicest compliments for your guests is to see that mention of their visit is published in The Observer. The publisher will appreciate information if you take a trip or have guests during the holiday period.

Mrs. Dave McCrohan is reported to be improving in a San Angelo hospital from a stroke which occurred four weeks ago. It is expected she may be able to leave the hospital soon. Mrs. Frank Percifull and Mrs. Richmond Stroud have been at their mother's bedside much of the time.

BIRTHS

PRESLAR—Mr. and Mrs. Howard Preslar are parents of a son born at 4:44 a.m. Dec. 10 at a San Angelo hospital. The infant weighed 8 pounds, 9 ounces and has been named Jacky Dwight. He has a sister Kathy, 3 years old. Mr. Preslar is a representative of Fraley & Ward in Robert Lee. Grandparents are Loma Preslar of Borger and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Johnson of Ethel, Miss.

READ—Mr. and Mrs. Maynard A. Read are the parents of their first child, a daughter, born Dec. 15 at the base hospital at Goodfellow Field, San Angelo. Arriving at 6 a. m. the infant weighed 6 pounds. The father is a seaman on the USS Formoe, a destroyer escort, which is now docked at New York. Maynard will return to duty Sunday at the end of a 3-day leave. R. L. Read of Robert Lee is the new baby's grandfather.

COURT HOUSE HOLIDAYS

All offices in the Coke County Court House will be closed from Saturday noon until Wednesday morning, Dec. 26, for a Christmas holiday period.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Griffith will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Christmas Day. In honor of the event they will hold Open House from 3 to 5 p. m. No gifts, please.

PECAN BAPTIST CHURCH

There will be a Sunday School program and Christmas tree next Sunday night commencing at 7:30 at the Pecan Baptist Church, southwest of Robert Lee. Everyone is invited to attend. The Rev. L. B. Voyles is pastor of the church.

Fireman Family Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party for the Fire Department and Auxiliary was held at the fire station Monday night. Gifts were distributed to the firemen and their families. All members were present. Refreshments were served by the Auxiliary. Two new members were voted into the Fire Department and the Auxiliary. They were Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Farris and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Krall.

After the social hour the Fire Department held its semi-monthly drill which consisted of a study of the fire plugs and main water lines in the city. A map for the study was furnished by Fire Chief Sam Jay.

The Auxiliary also met in a business session. They agreed to assist the firemen in the packing and distributing the Christmas Cheer baskets. Marilyn Wallace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace, Jr., was selected to be the mascot for the Auxiliary.



Notes From The Oil Field

Stanolind No. 1 B. D. Gartman, wildcat 7 miles northwest of Robert Lee, was drilling Thursday morning at 5,778 feet in black shale. Operators expect to pick up lime within the next 100 feet.

Chester Hunter No. 1 E. E. Stagner, five miles southwest of Silver, planned to drill in Wednesday night after setting 5 1/2 inch casing to the top of the lime reef. Drilling samples to 6,340 feet showed fluorescence. A previous good oil show was encountered in the sand at 5,950 feet.

Los Nietos No. 2 Wendland, wildcat 6 miles south and east of Robert Lee, was plugged and abandoned after reaching a depth of 5,500 feet.

Relatives called here last week by the death of Carroll Russell included Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Joplin of Levelland; Mrs. F. A. Crockett of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Smith Dr. Don Smith and Mrs. J. D. Livingstone of Ft. Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cousins and Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Cousins of McLean, Texas, Corporal Arthur V Crocker, who is stationed at Goodfellow Field, and Mrs. A. V. Crocker and son, Emert G. Crocker of Riviera, Texas. Mrs. Crocker is a sister of Mrs. Russell. She returned home Wednesday, accompanied by her son, Arthur.

"Red" Lanson and wife of San Angelo were guests Wednesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wigginton. Mrs. Lanson is a sister of Mr. Wigginton.

Harmons Will Have Been Wed 62 Years

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harmon will celebrate their 62nd wedding anniversary Saturday, Dec. 22. In honor of the occasion Open House will be observed during the day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. when friends and neighbors are invited to call.

Mr. Harmon and Sarah Ellen Powers were married Dec. 22, 1889, in Erath county, Texas. They came to Coke county in 1899 and have been residents of Robert Lee since 1902.

The couple have four daughters and one son. They are Mrs. H. C. McMinn of Robert Lee, Mrs. Annie Carriger of Midland, Mrs. Canaro Epperson of Coleman, Mrs. Nettie Daffern of Ft. Worth and Delbert Harmon of Hobbs, New Mex.

All of the children will be present for a family dinner to be served Sunday. Arrangements for the festivities are being made by Mr. and Mrs. McMinn.

HOLIDAY FOR SCHOOLS

Robert Lee public schools will start their Christmas holiday following classes Friday afternoon, and classes will be resumed Wednesday morning, Jan. 2.

Supt. and Mrs. B. C. Goodwin and daughter, Sue, plan to visit relatives in Fort Worth over Christmas. They will then take a trip through Arkansas and Oklahoma and visit the former's son, the Rev. B. C. Goodwin, Jr., at Norman, Okla.

County To Pay 50c Rattlesnake Bounty

Coke County Commissioners in session last week voted to offer a bounty on rattlesnakes, in addition to the \$12.50 bounty to be paid for coyotes and bobcats.

The sum of 50 cents will be paid for rattlesnakes. Persons claiming snake bounties must present the rattles with one-half inch of the snake tail. The reptiles must be killed in Coke county.



JEFF BROOKS, 29 year old Robert Lee World War II veteran, who was killed in a car crash recently near El Paso. Brooks had started home to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Brooks, when the accident occurred. He was employed as a diesel engineer.

Jeff Preslar, 65, Dies Suddenly

Jeff Preslar, 65, was found dead Wednesday at 5 p. m. at the T. K. Whiteside ranch north of Wingate. He had been in apparent good health recently, and was out cutting cedar posts during the afternoon. It was thought he had been dead two or three hours when he was found.

Jeff had made his home with the Whitesides the past year. Mrs. Whiteside was his niece. He had previously spent some time in the veterans home in California and Oregon.

Surviving are three brothers, Frank and Green Preslar of Sanco, and James H. Preslar of Hagerman, New Mex.

The body was brought to Robert Lee by the Clift Funeral Home. Services will be held at 2 p. m. Friday.

2 Youths Victims Of Highway Crash Near San Angelo

Another highway accident this week brought deep sorrow to the Robert Lee community. Killed in a crash Tuesday night were Pfc. Clayborn Montgomery, 17, of Robert Lee, and Harley Long, 17, former Robert Lee youth who now resides in San Angelo.

Long, accompanied by Montgomery and another young man, Lacey E. Hinnard, 21, were returning to San Angelo after spending a few hours here, when the former's car went out of control and crashed into a dry run, 10 miles north of San Angelo.

The fatal accident occurred shortly after 10 p. m. but the wreck was not discovered until 7 o'clock the following morning. Long was able to get out of the car and started for help. He had gone but a few steps when he collapsed and died.

Both the other boys were pinned inside the wreckage, with Montgomery's body lying across Hinnard. The latter was conscious when help arrived. He said Montgomery remained alive until nearly morning.

Hinnard is said to be in fair shape at a San Angelo hospital. He suffered a concussion and a broken leg.

LONG FUNERAL

Funeral services for Harley Long were held at 2 o'clock in San Angelo and the body was taken to Cisco for burial. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Long and a sister, Mrs. Wilburn (Charlotte Rae) Millican of Edith.

The Longs purchased the Club Cafe here two years ago. They still own the property which has been leased, and have lived in San Angelo the past six months.

MONTGOMERY RITES

Clayborn joined the Air Force a few months ago and was stationed at Goodfellow Field. His body was taken to the air base after it was recovered from the wreckage. Funeral services and burial will be at DeQueen, Ark.

He was the son of Cleo (Dutch) Montgomery and had resided here for several years. He attended high school last year.

BANKING HOLIDAY

The Robert Lee State Bank will close at noon next Monday for the Christmas holiday. Regular banking hours will be resumed Wednesday morning.

METHODIST SERVICES

The Robert Lee Methodist Church choir will present a special Christmas Candle Lighting Vesper Service next Sunday from 6 to 7 p. m. The public is invited. A special Christmas Service is being arranged for Sunday morning starting at 10:55.

John D. Harvey, Robert Lee automobile dealer, was in Dallas early last week. Plans were discussed for showing the new 1952 Chevrolet next month.

Coke County

Hospital News

Dec. 13—Mrs. Cortez Russell dismissed. Son born at 1:45 p.m. to Mrs. Don Stover. The infant died at 2 a.m. the following morning.

Dec. 14—Jerry Don Weathers, Gary Boyd Senn, admitted. Mrs. Dave Millican dismissed.

Dec. 15—Sammie Blalock admitted. Dr. J. K. Griffith dismissed.

Dec. 17—Gary Boyd Senn, Sammie Blalock dismissed.

Dec. 18—Barney Hamilton, W. M. Daniel admitted.

Dec. 19—Bobbie Wojtek admitted.

ALAMO THEATRE

"It's Movie Time in Texas, U. S. A."

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, DEC. 21-22

Bud Abbott and Lou Costello Meet the Invisible Man
With Nancy Guild-Adele Jergens Cartoon and News

SUNDAY-MONDAY-TUESDAY, DEC. 23-24-25

Sunday Matinees at 1:30 and 3:20

Eleanor Parker-Anthony Dexter in
VALENTINO Also Cartoon

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26-27

Alan Ladd in
APPOINTMENT WITH DANGER Also Cartoon

GIFTS Galore

At

ROACH'S

DEPARTMENT STORE

SCANNING THE WEEK'S NEWS
of Main Street and the World

Progress Reported in Peace Talks; Revenue Bureau Scandal Spreading

FIVE POINTS— Peace by Christmas, the dream of millions of Americans in every walk of life, remains just that—a dream. United Nations and Communist negotiators in Korea continue to make proposals, counter-proposals, demands and tentative concessions, but the two sides are seriously split.

Five points are involved: (1) The U.N. demand for no military build-up during an armistice; (2) Joint inspection teams to police the truce; (3) Possession of islands of both coasts of North Korea; (4) A U.N. demand for a ban on construction or repair of air fields; (5) Reduction of Allied military forces through withdrawal from Korea, demanded by the Reds.

MARCH OF DIMES



JANUARY 2-31

The offer of concessions was first made by the United Nations delegates. They offered to swap Allied possession of strategic islands off both coasts for Communist concessions, as yet not revealed.

The Communists, on the other hand, demanded the right to increase their military potential during the armistice, including the construction of airports. They also demanded the reduction of Allied military forces in Korea by withdrawing them.

Then, in a sudden reversal of policy, the Reds made two proposals: (1) Agreement by both sides not to introduce into Korea any military forces, weapons, and ammunition under any pretext; and (2) both sides to invite representative nations neutral in the Korean War to form a supervisory organ to be responsible for conducting necessary inspections beyond the demilitarized zone, of such ports of entry in the rear as mutually agreed upon by both sides, and to report to the joint armistice commission the result of inspection.

The reversal of policy was so sudden the Allies were caught flat-footed and asked for a short recess. Afterwards, the U.N. command presented 21 questions designed to clarify the two proposals, the most important of which was what nations did the Reds have in mind as neutral inspectors. There are only three or four sections that would be acceptable to the Allies.

If the negotiators can agree upon these two points then they will proceed to the next step of the peace talks. That is exchange of prisoners of war. The Communists report they have almost completed a count of prisoners in their hands and other data necessary for a possible exchange.

The chances for peace in Korea are increasing with each point the negotiators agree upon, but there remains much to be settled. Agreement by Christmas must still be considered a dream.

GAMBLERS—The gamblers in the home towns of the nation are in for a hard time. The Internal Revenue Bureau has announced it will tell all about 2,500 registered gamblers to local police officers. The bureau also announced it would crack down on an estimated 15,000 suspected gamblers who have bothered to register under the new federal gambling-tax law.

Passage of the federal gambling law put most gamblers in a quandary. If local authorities arrest a gambler equipped with stamp, he is subject to prosecution under state laws against gambling. Most states have such laws. If he operates a gambling business and has no stamp, then federal authorities get him.

The bureau now has detailed information about 2,575 bookies and punchboard and numbers operators who applied for the federal stamp by the December 1 deadline.

THE BIG FOUR— While the Allies and Communists were trying to find a basis for peace in Asia, in Europe the big four sat down to discuss disarmament. Although first meetings were cordial, there was little chance of agreement on rival East-West disarmament plans.

Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky continued to charge that while the United States and Britain talk about lowering tension, their policies tend to increase it; the United States tries to hedge around disarmament with technical talk of "levels of armaments"; the western powers have armed forces twice the size of Russia's.

A-WEAPONS— Peace talks in Korea and disarmament in Europe caused little excitement among the people in the home towns of the nation. They were interested, however, in some concrete facts as outlined by Dr. Alvin C. Graves, scientific director of all Atomic Energy Commission tests.

He indicated that the stockpile of A-weapons has increased virtually double during 1951 and expressed his belief that the work the U. S. has done in atomic energy is the reason the world isn't in World War III.

Said Dr. Graves: "I am not in the atomic business because I like to manufacture things that kill people. I am thoroughly convinced that the reason we are not in a third world war now is because of the work the United States has done in atomic energy. . . I'm doing what I am doing because I believe it is the biggest contribution to the cause of world-wide peace."

TAX SCANDAL—The mounting scandal in the Internal Revenue Bureau, touched off when President Truman dismissed Assistant Attorney General Theron Caudle, is having repercussions down to the home town level.

The scandal could become the most talked about affair in a year that will be marked for its disclosures of corruption.

Caudle denies that he has done anything "illegal", but members of the House Ways and Means subcommittee which is investigating his activities termed some of his practices "questionable". In addition, the administration has taken hard action against two former collectors at Boston and St. Louis who are under indictment; others have been fired or forced to resign; still others are under suspicion pending complete investigation.

Whether or not the administration has acted quick enough to off-set possible reaction in the 1952 election is the question Democrat leaders are asking themselves these days. They reason, and correctly, that the average voter in the home town resents the tax drain on his pocketbook. He is, therefore, directly injured by revelations of tax "fixes". Also, they are inclined to believe there is little chance that the scandal will die before the campaign begins because some tax collectors will be involved in court cases. Anyway, the GOP will keep it alive.

This one scandal could be more damaging to the Democratic campaign in 1952 than all the others of the past year put together. The public doesn't like tampering with its pocketbook.

FOREIGN AID—Charles E. Wilson, president of General Motors, one of America's great corporations, has warned the foreign aid program can not be prolonged to any great length.

He said: "Our country has now a policy that might be called colonialism in reverse. We are exploiting our own people and our own resources to benefit people in other countries. Even with America's great idealism and productivity, this policy cannot safely be counted on for long by any nation."

Wilson spoke at a session of the first International Conference of Manufacturers attended by more than 300 British and Western European industrial leaders.



VISIT FROM ST. STALINUS

JOSEF STALIN'S birthday, it is reported, has been designated to replace Christmas in Communist Hungary. Which set us to thinking of the propaganda line needed to sell people the idea of the Master of the Kremlin as "a right jolly old elf," cruising the Yuletide skies in a sleigh with the hammer and sickle painted on each side, presumably with a commissar astride each reindeer. Through our head kept running "The stockings were hung by the chimney with care in the FEAR that Saint Stalinus soon would be there. . . ." And we continued:

The children were nestled (scared stiff) in their beds
With orders to answer all knocks with "We're Reds!"
And mama in her kerchief and I in my hood
Were thinking the visit would do us no good.

(Then came the part about the clatter on the lawn and the rush to the windows to see what was the matter. We threw this out. With Stalin making the trip there could be no uncertainty. Everybody would know darned well what was the matter behind the clatter, or else.)
The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow
Gave the lustre of searchlights to objects below . . .

(Objects! Watch your language! Ya wanna go to the salt mines? Just refer to Joe as an "object below." But to resume):

When what to our wondering eyes should appear
But Josef himself with his Russian reindeer;
I knew in a moment or two it was he,
(If I didn't I knew what would happen to me.)
More rapid than eagles his courses they came
And to volleys of cannon he called them by name:
"Now, Ivan! Now, Petrov! Now, Igor! Now Pinski!
On, Malik! On Molotov, also Vishinsky! . . .
"To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall,
With hammer and sickle and borscht over all!"

(All went well until we came to the lines "And then in a twinkling I heard on the roof the prancing and pawing of each little hoof." No dice! No foot-steps you hear on your roof in Communist territory can be described as prancing. If you go back to bed thinking it's from reindeer you're nuts. So we picked it up from there):

As I fell to my knees and gave welcomes galore,
Down the chimney Saint Stalinus came with a roar;
He was dressed all in fur from his head to his foot
And he quickly shot mom for his coating of soot.

(Now came the part "His eyes, how they twinkled! His dimples, how merry!" That had to go. The twinkling eye is for decadent democracies. Behind every merry dimple there is a capitalistic warmonger. But to continue):

He was rugged and strong and a great super-elf
Which I quickly admitted, protecting myself:
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head
Demanded my papers as proof I was "Red";
He spoke not a word but with fierce animation
Pinned onto each stocking a state proclamation;
Then sprang to his sleigh (on each deer sat a gremlin),
And gave the curt order "Fly back to the Kremlin!" . . .
But I heard him exclaim ere he drove out of sight
"Happy Moscow to all! To all others Good Night!"

Query of a skeptical gambler just before those basketball players were sentenced: "How many points they gettin'?" . . . In her suit against Billy Rose, Eleanor Holm's attorneys are not, as reported, the firm of Beach, Schwimmer & Waters . . . Eleanor claims non-support . . . What? All that dough and no waterwings? . . . For the first time in the history of the Stock Exchange a toy-maker, Lionel Trains, has been listed . . . But a lot of railroads have been toyed with there.

THE READER'S DATE BOOK Money Spent With Local Stores Benefits the Entire Community

This is the third week this column has been devoted to Christmas promotions. In one the material and the intangible benefits that local merchants gain from Christmas parades and community Santa Claus was discussed. In another, Christmas fire hazards and the promotion of safety by local businessmen was the chief topic.

It seems appropriate at this point to discuss a few of the reasons why your local merchant has concentrated his merchandising efforts on Christmas. By merchandising efforts we mean the money he has spent for advertising in the local newspaper, donations to a community Santa Claus and parties, time and money spent to decorate Main Street, and in all probability, time and money contributed to a number of activities of community benefit that he will never mention.

Much of this activity, of course has been in an effort to get the people in his home town into his store to do their Christmas shopping. At the same time, much of it has been due entirely to his community spirit.

But in the main his advertising parades and community Santa has been directed toward selling the consumer. For this reason, many home towners are inclined to look down their noses at these activities and belittle the merchant.

But what, after all, is so wrong with it? Every person in this community planned a certain amount of shopping, a number of gifts for family and friends. No amount of advertising or promotion is likely to increase the individual's buying above his economical limitations.

Briefly, the purpose has been to get you, the local consumer, into a local store; to get you to do your buying at home.

As the result of good roads and fast transportation, too many home owners today are inclined to take off for the city on a Christmas buying spree. They forget that they could find what they wanted at home; they forget the dollar spent away from home will not return to the community.

Your local merchant depends upon the Christmas trade to keep his front doors open. In many cases he operates at a loss for months, yet knowing that Christmas and other special events will put his business in the black. By taking your business away from the home town you are depriving him and the community of prosperity directly in proportion to the amount you spend.

Many people fail to realize that the dollar spent with the local merchant goes to work for the entire community. He pays it out in store rent and taxes, license fees to operate in the community, salaries to employees, and numerous other services. It is possible that a part of the dollar you spend with your local merchant will find its way back into your own pocket before the following year is over.

On the other hand, the dollar spent in the city remains there in the same manner in which the local dollar spent at home remains in the local community.

So, during the few remaining days before Christmas do your shopping at home. Your Main Street merchant will appreciate your business.

THE LABOR FORCE

Million Women Join Nation's Labor Force During Past Year

WNW Washington Bureau

Although several years have elapsed since the peak of female employment during World War II, in the past year alone more than a million women have gone back into the industrial force of the country.

While this pace has been slower and more orderly than was the case during the last war, there are only approximately two and one-half million less women in industry now than there were during the peak of World War II. In the labor force, which means those working or looking for work, in September of 1951 there were 19,514,000 women.

Although there has been a recent definite trend toward more employment of women, the results have not necessarily been seen in defense industries, except in critical areas. In California, for example, a great number of women have taken jobs in aircraft plants. An arsenal in Illinois is now beginning to hire women. While the total number of women in industry will probably reach and perhaps even exceed the mark

Double Polio Drive Period Is Planned

The March of Dimes starts two weeks earlier than usual this year because of the upward surge of polio. During the past four years it has become increasingly difficult for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to carry on its fight against the only epidemic disease still on the increase in America.

Starting January 2, instead of Jan. 15, the 1952 March of Dimes will continue throughout the rest of the month. Local and national officials of the polio fighting organization hope that the doubled campaign period will be accompanied by doubled efforts on the part of volunteers and by increased contributions by all Americans.



The year 1951 marked the fourth year in succession that the National Foundation went into debt providing patient care for the children and adults who fell victim to poliomyelitis. The 1951 debt was approximately \$5,000,000, and it was made up of little debts scattered throughout counties in 48 states.

This means that the 1952 March of Dimes is already mortgaged for this amount before a cent is set aside for research or for the contingencies that lie ahead. All this has come about because of an increase in polio incidence which authorities believe will continue until the final answer to the disease is found in the form of a preventive or cure.

During the last four years, including an estimate of 28,500 cases in 1951, the nation has experienced its worst polio years in history. Not since 1916 has there been incidence to compare with the case loads of these last four years. In the four-year period ended in December of 1951, the nation had 132,000 cases as compared with 113,500 in the entire previous decade.

Personals

Seaman John L. Bruton is enjoying a holiday leave from the Navy and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Garvin, near Edith. John L. is a member of the USS Carson which recently docked on the west coast after being stationed in the Pacific the past year.

Miss Ethel Gorrell of St. Marys, West Va., is here for a month's visit in the home of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Sep Hall. The Halls and their guests will spend Christmas with relatives in Ft. Worth. Before returning to the east Miss Gorrell will take a sight seeing trip to Mexico City.

Tommy Anderson went home last Thursday after a three weeks visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave King. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anderson of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Scott and children came from Del Rio to attend the Allen-Burns wedding. They left Wednesday morning for Nebraska to visit relatives of Mrs. Scott and attend the 50th wedding anniversary of her parents.

Pfc. Jack Snead, who is stationed at Sheppard AFB at Wichita Falls, arrived Wednesday night for a 13-day holiday leave.

STOVER INFANT DIES

A son, born at Coke County Memorial Hospital to Mrs. Don Stover at 1:45 p.m. Dec. 13, died the following morning at 2 o'clock. Brief funeral services were held Friday and burial followed in the Robert Lee cemetery under direction of Clift Funeral Home. Mrs. Stover resided in Robert Lee with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Sherwin. Her husband is serving with the armed forces.

SENIOR 4-H GIRLS

The Robert Lee Senior 4-H Girls club met Dec. 11 in the Robert Lee school gym. We enjoyed a Christmas party and exchanged gifts. Miss Sharp and Miss Waldrop served refreshments. Ten members were present in addition to our leader, Miss Waldrop, and the county agent, Miss Sharp. Dora Arbuckle was a guest. The meeting adjourned at 3 p. m.—Joyce King, Reporter.

CLASS PLAY WAS GOOD

Robert Lee high school Seniors gave their annual stage production last Friday night before a fine audience. Everyone was delighted with the excellent cast and the manner in which they handled their parts. All members of the class of 14 took part. The play was ably directed by Miss LaVerne Darter.



For LATE SHOPPERS

It's not too late to do your Christmas shopping here. Gifts for everyone. Toys, games, books, etc. for the kiddies. Toiletries for men and women. Kodaks, Electric Appliances, Radios, Billfolds, Stationery, Gift Boxes of Candy, Cigars, Cigarettes, Christmas Cards, Tree and Home Decorations. Plenty of Fireworks.

**FARRIS
City Drug Store**

Phone 40 Rexall Products Robert Lee

**Butane Service Co.
STOVES - TANKS - SERVELS**

Prompt Service

Robert Lee 92 PHONES Bronte 123

Cane Sugar 10 lbs 89c

CUP and SAUCER With **Mother's Oats** 3 Lb Pkg **53c**

CELERY Large Stalk 23c

TOKAY GRAPES 2 lbs 25c

SUPER SUDS, DUZ, or OXYDOL box 19c

IRELAND PIT BAR-B-Q can 57c

GOLD MEDAL FLOUR 25 lbs 1.99

DIAMOND PICKLES quart 23

POP CORN can 19c

RACELAND SALMOM No. 1 tall can 43c

Dressed Hens lb 59c

Sausage, Home Made, lb 69c

Roast, Chuck Prime lb 75c

Roberts Grocery

Get Gay Colorful
CARNIVAL WARE
IN MOTHER'S
"CARNIVAL" OATS

FOR MIXING AND MATCHING

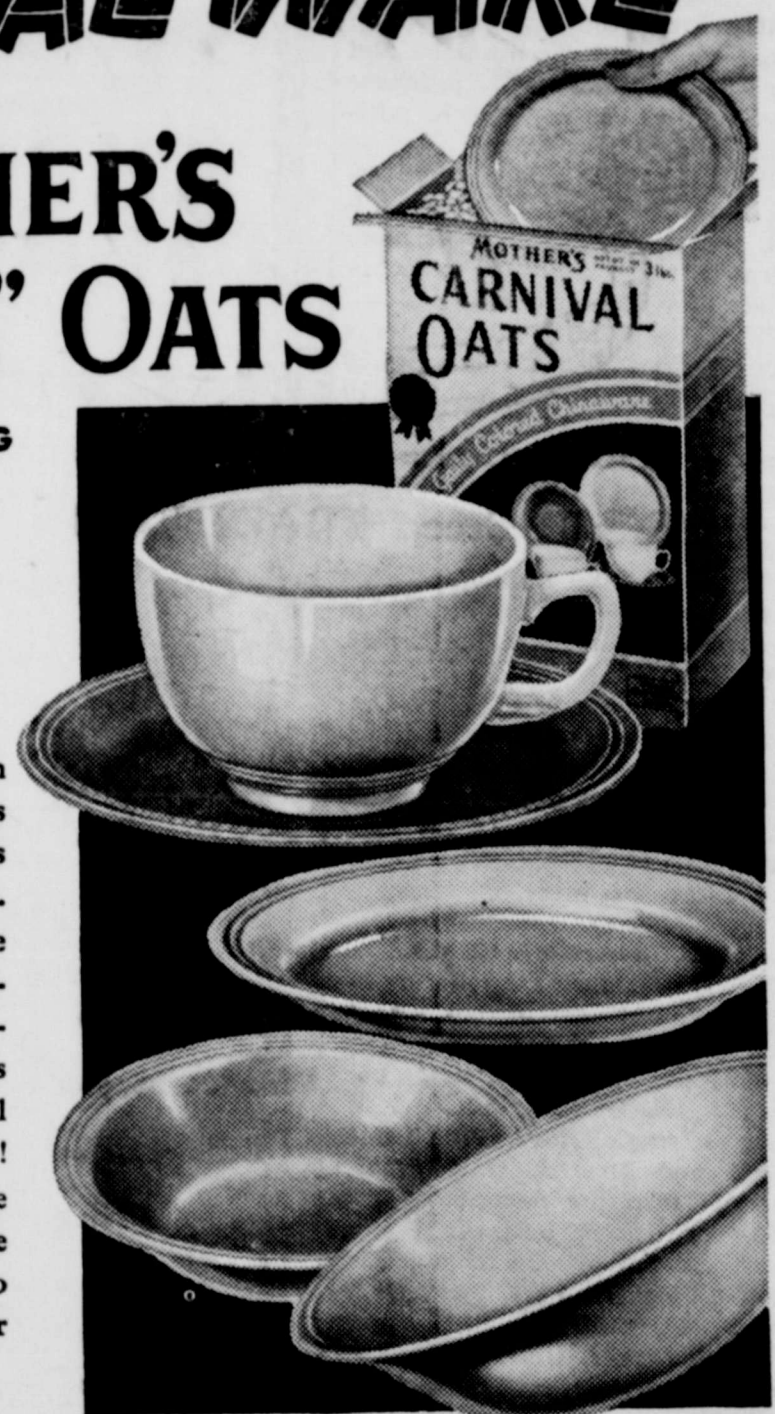
4 FESTIVE COLORS:—

- ★ Mexicali Blue
- ★ Leaf Green
- ★ Canary Yellow
- ★ Old Ivory

It's like unwrapping a present to open a big square package of Mother's "Carnival" Oats and find inside this gaily-colored Carnival Dinnerware.

Yes, every package is a double value because money can't buy a finer quality, more delicious, or more nourishing oatmeal than Mother's Oats! It's the good, hot, creamy-smooth oatmeal your family loves on chilly mornings!

Start collecting this gay, attractive Carnival Dinnerware for your home today. No waiting! No coupons! No money to send! Just ask your grocer for Mother's "Carnival" Oats.



Mother's Oats offers you all-purpose selection of **DINNERWARE** and **ALUMINUM KITCHEN UTENSILS**



Products of The Quaker Oats Company

GREETINGS to All
at Christmastime



Best wishes for a very
merry holiday



1951

County Clerk's Office

Weldon Fikes
Joyce McCutchen Glo Caraway



★ Merry ★
Christmas

It is people like you
who give meaning to
our celebration of
the Saviour's birth

1951

Mr. & Mrs. W. B. CLIFT

Postal Rate Change In Effect Jan. 1st

The following is a quickie-glance at postal rate changes that will be in effect soon. We call your particular attention to the 10 per cent more charge which will be made on and after January 1 when you purchase 50 or more of the new 2 cent postcards:

FIRST CLASS: The penny postcard goes to 2 cents on January 1, 1952, and purchasers of 50 or more postcards must pay an extra 10 per cent for paper stock.

SECOND CLASS: Newspapers and magazines must pay an extra 10 per cent April 1, 1952, another 10 per cent April 1, 1953 and a third 10 per cent April 1, 1954. Free in county delivery still remains. Rates on non-profit publications are unchanged.

THIRD CLASS: Bulk third class goes up to 1½ cent minimum (a 50 percent increase) on July 1, 1952.

FOURTH CLASS: Parcel post and catalog increases effective October 1, 1951 by order of the Interstate Commerce Commission were not changed by the postal rate bill passed by Congress. These increases were about 50 percent. Check your post office for these.

MARY MARTHA CLASS

The Mary Martha Class of the Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Victor Wojtek, Tuesday, Dec. 11, for their annual Christmas party. Mrs. E. C. McArthur led the group in singing several Christmas Carols and Mrs. J. D. McDaniel gav an inspiring devotional.

After a brief business session Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. Burl Childress, E. B. Clark, H. H. Chevalier, Gerald Roe, Bert Blaylock, Elton Neal, Weldon Fikes, J. D. McDaniel, Ira M. Bird, Carlton Fields, Jack Gray, E. C. McArthur, C. A. Duke and the hostess.

Plum Pudding Came Far Since Ancient Origin

Plum pudding—the ancient English delicacy traditionally served with Christmas feasts—has come a long way since it entered the culinary lists hundreds of years ago as Yule-dough.

Yule-dough was composed of chopped meat paste, spices, to symbolize the gifts of the Magi, and flour, regarded as embodying the spirit immanent in the wheat.



Our hope, this
year as always,
is for lasting
peace on earth.



For our many good
friends we wish
only that they may
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Self-Employed Persons to Pay Social Security

Are you one of the millions of self-employed people newly covered under Federal old-age and survivors insurance? If you are, you need a social security account-number card, according to George Clark, manager of the San Angelo social security office.

"Self-employed people who were brought under the Social Security Act by last year's changes in the law will report their net income from self-employment at the same

time they make their Federal income tax returns early next year," Mr. Clark said. At that time, they will enter their social security numbers on the tax form, together with other information.

Mr. Clark indicated that although the numbers will not actually be needed until early next year, self-employed businessmen should apply for them in the near future. This will help avoid delay when the numbers are needed.

"If you have ever had a social security number, that same number should be used," Clark said. "If you've lost your card, we can obtain a copy of it for you bearing

that same number."

Both new and duplicate cards can be obtained through the San Angelo social security office. The address is 307 Federal Building, San Angelo. Mr. Clark asks all self-employed people who have any questions about their coverage under social security to get in touch with this office.

HONORED AT H-SU

ABILENE—Joy Millican of Robert Lee, a senior at Hardin-Simmons University was recently elected to the H-SU chapter of Alpha Chi, national honorary scholastic society.

Ten per cent of the senior and junior classes are named each year to the organization. Twenty-seven H-SU students received bids for membership this year.

The national convention of Alpha Chi is scheduled for Feb. 22 in Waco.

Miss Millican is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Millican of Edith.

Personals

Boyd Yarbrough and his son-in-law, Carlton Fields, returned recently from a land seeing trip to Oklahoma and Missouri. They spent a couple of nights with Ray Ledbetter at Aurora, Mo., and report he has a wonderful layout. The Robert Lee travelers also visited E. E. Bussey, former Silver resident, who a few months ago purchased a farm near Granby, Mo. Carlton said he saw some interesting buys around Durant, Okla., but he has not closed a deal.

Mrs. Joe Ed Scott of Bronte is sending The Observer as a Christmas gift to her sister, Mrs. J. E. Clark, who resides at 1210 South Big Spring St. in Midland.

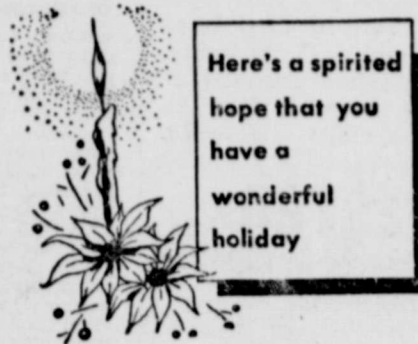
In renewing her Observer for another year Mrs. M. A. Harden, Rochelle, Tex., says: "Keep the home town paper coming. Wishing you and yours the nicest Christmas ever."



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SLICED BACON Lb 45c

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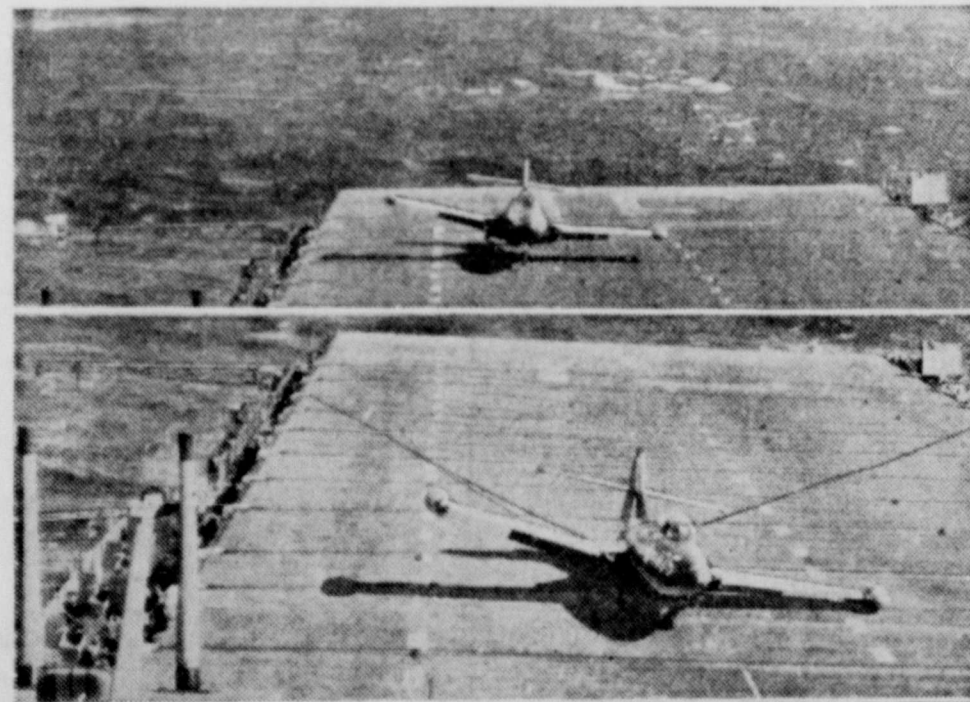
SANTA SIGNS . . . Polio victims enlist Santa to fight the dread disease.



"TEXAS FOR EISENHOWER" . . . Chairman Robert Doss (center) points to a "Texas for Eisenhower" sign at the Eisenhower birthplace in Denison, Texas, after launching the non-partisan movement in a state-wide broadcast. The broadcast was the opening gun in the campaign to get General Dwight D. Eisenhower to announce his candidacy for nomination for President of the United States by one of the parties.



BATTLE WITH GUERRILLAS . . . The body of a Communist guerrilla lies in foreground here as French jungle troops in the background operate against hidden snipers in Cho-Ben Pass, Tonkin, Indochina. More than 200 bodies of dead Communists were found in this area after the action that took place when the French forces cut off a guerrilla force from its escape route to the mountains and scored a smashing victory over Reds who have been a bit too pressing lately.



ONE-WHEEL LANDING . . . Sequence shows landing of jet pilot Robert Lawrence on flight deck of carrier Bon Homme Richard after landing wheel was damaged by Communist flak. His radio was out of commission and he came in on hand signals. At top, he touches deck with one wheel and nose wheel. In center, hook engages arresting wire and left wing dips. At bottom, he is safe and sound at stop. Lt. Lawrence hails from Coronado, California.



WANTED . . . The F.B.I. has issued an alarm for George Arthur Heroux, suspect in two bank robberies netting \$86,000 in Missouri and Kansas. Heroux has been placed on the "10 most wanted" list. He is armed, extremely dangerous.



MAN WITHOUT COUNTRY . . . Lifetime of roaming in search for a country which will accept him is faced by Romanian refugee Peter Darie. Because U.S. refused him, Mexico, India, Australia and Canada have all refused him admittance.



BACK FROM DEAD . . . Mrs. Theresa Butler, 60, San Francisco, who revived at a morgue after being pronounced dead and lay in a coma for five days, has recovered her normal health. She tried to end her life with an overdose of sedatives.



IMPERIAL PEEK . . . Emperor Hirohito takes a peek into the electron microscope at a factory in Kyoto during his tour of that area. During his tour some university students mobbed his car singing Communist songs.

The Way it Happened . . .

IN DARTFORD, ENG. . . Officials at an office-equipment exhibit discovered why the show was drawing so many small fry: they were doing their homework on the adding machines.

IN NEWARK . . . When Pedestrian Louis Bergmann sued for \$25,000 damages after being struck by an automobile, a jury decided that Bergmann was actually to blame, should pay \$40 for the damage to the vehicle.

IN CHICAGO . . . After his wife explained why she was bringing suit for separate maintenance, Richard Michalak received, among more than 500 sure cures for snoring, suggestions that he 1) eat three small onions on retiring, 2) have his tonsils out, 3) drink goat's milk with all meals, 4) get some blood transfusions, 5) wrap a rubber tourniquet around his neck.

IN KANSAS CITY, MO . . . Weather forecasters of the American Meteorological Society picked an "ideal day" for their annual picnic, were rained out.

IT ISN'T TOO LATE!

If you still have last minute shopping to do, here's a suggestion you'll be grateful for. It's a simple solution—so easy to do and so sure to please. It's a solution that comes in two parts. First, give the Cigarette smokers on your list a carton or two of the cigarette that's by far America's favorite—cool, mild, flavorful Camels. The Camel Christmas carton is full of the Christmas spirit—bright and colorful and all ready to give. There's a space on the top reserved for your personal greeting. No wrapping, no fussing with paper or cards or ribbons. The second solution involves your pipe-smoking friends and the fellows who like to roll their own cigarettes. It's the one-pound tin of Prince Albert, America's largest-selling smoking tobacco. "The bite's out and the pleasure's in!" The pound tin of Prince Albert comes in a gay Christmas box, all ready to give—just put your message on the built-in Christmas card. Don't delay. Do it today. Your dealer still has Camel cartons and pound tins of Prince Albert. Pay him a visit! —Adv.

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Cpl. Melvin Allison Honored At Dinner

Cpl. Melvin Allison is home on a month's leave, after serving more than two years overseas in the army. He was stationed in Japan for some time and was in Korea the past year.

He was honored when friends and relatives were entertained with a grand feast Sunday in the J. S. Walker home. Mrs. Walker is Melvin's aunt. A cake was presented to the honored guest by his aunt from Coleman. It carried the inscription, "Welcome Home, Melvin." Of course his kinfolks are proud to have him back again.

The relatives present were Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Ellis of Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Phelan and J. W.

Arnold of Robert Lee, Mrs. Thad Walls and children of Silver, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Edwards and children of Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Blake and Mrs. Sudie Clepper of Colorado City and Melvin's mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Richardson of Robert Lee.

The many friends of Joe Garvin, west of Edith, will be happy to know that he is pretty well recovered from an illness of the past three months. His vision has been restored and he is able to drive a car. Mr. and Mrs. Garvin plan to have all their children and their families with them for Christmas.

Dodd Daffern, former resident of this locality, and daughter, Mrs. Dora Wright, of Rotan visited Robert Lee friends on Monday.

Bill Allen Marries Miss Bobby Burns

A beautiful wedding at the First Presbyterian Church in San Angelo Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. united the lives of Mr. William H. Allen of Robert Lee and Miss Bobby Jean Burns of San Angelo. The Rev. Taylor Henley officiated, using the double ring ceremony. More than 250 guests were present.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burns. She is a graduate of San Angelo College and formerly was employed at News-photo in San Angelo.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Allen. He graduated from Texas A & M last summer and recently accepted a commission as Second Lieutenant in the Army.

Following the wedding a reception was held at the Massie club house. The couple left on a week's honeymoon trip to Monterey, Mexico. They will make their home for the present with the bridegroom's parents on the ranch near Hayrick. Lt. Allen expects to be called for active duty in the near future.

PREACHER HONORED

Roy Cosgrove, who preaches each Sunday at the Church of Christ here, was honored Sunday afternoon. Members of the congregation assembled at the Ed Gray home to enjoy refreshments and present the preacher with Christmas gifts. Roy is a senior at Abilene Christian College. He is accompanied to Robert Lee each Sunday by his brother, Owen, a freshman at ACC.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hamilton were called to Odessa the first of the week by the illness of their daughter.

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RECOVERING FROM POLIO

Billy Frank, 3 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Craddock of Colorado City, is making a fine recovery from a recent attack of polio. He was treated at the medical center in the Shannon Hospital two weeks and was taken home by his parents Wednesday of this week. Fortunately the child had a mild case, although he had been ill a week before his ailment was diagnosed as polio. Billy Frank is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Clark of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Craddock of Colorado City.

Harriett Porter arrived home Saturday for a holiday vacation. She is a freshman student at Abilene Christian College.

WATCH HOUR SERVICE

A Watch Hour Service will be held at the Robert Lee Baptist Church Monday night, Dec. 31, from 8 o'clock until after midnight. There will be devotional and recreational periods. "Again Pioneers," an hour long film of interest to old and young, will be shown.

CARD OF THANKS

Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Griffith wish to thank their many friends for the kindness shown by their flowers, cards and visits since the Doctor's illness. We wish you all a Merry Christmas.

Mrs. Zelma Milam and son, Joe, motored to Stanton and Lubbock over the weekend.

CARD OF THANKS

There are no words to express the depth of appreciation we feel for the many expressions of love and kindness that have come our way during this sorrowful time. It is a great blessing to live among such wonderful friends. Our hope is that when adversity confronts you, we and many other friends may stand by to help ease your burdens. —Mrs. Carroll Russell, Morgan and Byron, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Russell, Miss Mettie Russell, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Joplin and Family.

Personals

Mrs. Bill Tom Roach and sons, Billy Rankin and Glenn, came from Hebronville the last of the week to attend the Allen-Burns wedding and will remain until after Christmas. Mrs. W. J. Cumbie, who spent a week with her granddaughter and family, returned home with them. Mr. Roach, who is engaged in construction work for Sun Oil Co. in South Texas, will join his family here over Christmas.

Dr. J. K. Griffith is back at his home after a few days stay in the hospital. Mrs. Griffith reports that he is resting comfortably. The Griffith home will be the scene of a family gathering over Christmas, with all their children and their families being present. Their son, Byron Griffith, arrived Sunday from Long Beach, Calif. The daughters are Mrs. D. W. Parrish of Abilene, Mrs. D. R. Wells of Quannah and Mrs. D. P. Walling of Artesia, New Mex.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Rabb and Mr. and Mrs. Benny Stephens of Odessa were Sunday guests in the home of Wilfred's mother, Mrs. Otis Rabb.



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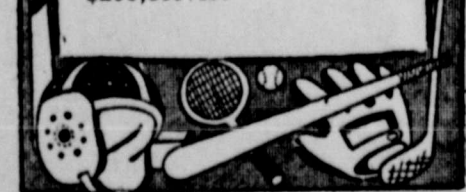
When kidney function slows down, many folks complain of nagging backache, loss of pep and energy, headaches and dizziness. Don't suffer longer with these discomforts! If reduced kidney function is getting you down—due to such common causes as stress and strain, over-exertion or exposure to cold. Minor bladder irritations due to cold, dampness or wrong diet may cause getting up nights or frequent passages. Don't neglect your kidneys! These conditions bother you. Try Doan's Pills—a mild diuretic. Used successfully by millions for over 50 years. While often otherwise caused, it's amazing how many times Doan's gives happy relief from these discomforts—helps the 15 miles of kidney tubes and filters flush out waste. Get Doan's Pills today!

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Sportistics

Pitcher Cy Young won 511 games.

The 1949 world series netted the Yankees \$206,159.45.



Crime in America

By ESTES KEFAUVER United States Senator

Fifteen of a Series

California: Where Lobbyists Grow Big and Mobsters Thrive

Crime and corruption in California had a special flavor—exotic, over-ripe and a little sickening. The rackets, like the state itself, were big and colorful.

For years, parts of California literally have been infested with every conceivable kind of gambling racket. The "take" runs into the millions.

One big gambling racket broken up in Los Angeles after the California Crime Commission went into business was the so-called Guarantee Finance Co., which posed as a legitimate loan agency while fronting for a \$6,000,000 bookmaking combine. Its records disclosed payments totalling \$108,000 for "juice," the California gamblers euphemism (in Florida, it's "ice") for "protection" money.

The Los Angeles city police department was headed by a determined officer, Chief William H. Parker. Our committee, however, was not impressed by the Los Angeles County sheriff's office.

Guarantee Finance Co. shrewdly had set up its headquarters in a particular political "island" known as "Sunset Strip" inside Los Angeles proper. This was county territory and, accordingly, not subject to the tougher Los Angeles police.

One of Chief Parker's aggressive officers, Lt. James Fiske, finally became so incensed by the sheriff's inactivity that he entered Sunset Strip and came down through a skylight into the huge telephone room of the bookmaking operation.

Out of his jurisdiction, he was unable to make any arrests, but he did tear up all the bookies' markers so they were at a loss as to how to settle their bets for that day. As a result, Lieutenant Fiske said, a stern letter was received from Al Guasti, then a captain in the sheriff's office, demanding that city police stay out of county territory.

A county grand jury was probing payoffs to law enforcement officers by Guarantee Finance. The grand jury foreman and four county officials met in secret to plan the inquiry. The only other persons let in on the plans were two process servers who were to serve subpoenas. The very next day, someone "leaked" the plans to Sammy Rummel, lawyer for gangsters, and reputedly the brains behind the mobster, Mickey Cohen.

A series of incredible events followed. First, Rummel arranged a rendezvous with Captain Guasti. Guasti, in turn, arranged for the "mouthpiece" to meet that night with Captain Carl Pearson and Sgt. Lawrence Shaffer, of the sheriff's vice squad. At this meeting, Guasti said, Sergeant Shaffer actually exhibited to Rummel the sheriff's confidential files dealing with the Guarantee case. Next morning Rummel was found dead—killed in his yard by a close-range shotgun blast.

Police Chief Parker, who has made life miserable for Mickey Cohen in recent years, told us that he does not go along with the rumor that the little ex-pug is now a second-rater.

Mickey, gambler and bookmaker, extortionist and all-round racketeer, is still decidedly important. His "business interests" invade many spheres, including prostitution, Chief Parker said.

"I have never been a strong-arm man for nobody," Mickey howled at us, almost hysterically. "I have never bulldozed anybody in my life." His testimony contradicted this. There was the time that one Max Shaman entered Mickey's "Paint Shop" (Mickey always seemed to have either a paint shop, a jewelry store or a haberdashery; some investigators are unkind enough to believe that he used them as fronts for bookmaking.) Mickey had had a fist fight with Shaman's brother, and Shaman "came in with his gun." Mickey pulled his own out of the desk, killed Shaman first and was acquitted on his plea of self defense.

There was at least one other arrest on suspicion of murder, and an assortment of beatings which Cohen admitted he had administered to various characters.

Mickey painted us a lugubrious picture of his financial condition. All the money he had in the world was in his pocket, he said. Checking his roll, Mickey sadly told us it came to only \$286. However, in four years, Cohen had "borrowed" approximately \$300,000, he said, from various sources. Most remarkable of all his loans was the \$35,000 he said he had borrowed from the president (no longer there) of a Hollywood bank, without giving a note or paying any interest.

"What do you do for them," I inquired, "that makes them so generous with you?" Cohen replied: "I

can't answer that; they must just like me."

Our Committee had uncovered some interesting facts on Mickey's method of reporting income to the government. These interested the Internal Revenue Bureau, too, and after our final hearings, Cohen and his blonde wife, Lavonne, were indicted for alleged income tax evasion over a period of three years. Instead of paying taxes on approximately \$318,500 in income, they reported and paid on only \$87,500, the government contends. (Cohen was found guilty and sentenced to 5 years in prison).

The piece de resistance of our West coast investigation was the appearance of Arthur H. Samish, the portly million-dollar beer lobbyist. Californians have had snatches of his squalid story before, but never in quite such detail direct from the lips of the master string puller himself.

Samish stands over 6 feet, 2 inches and must weigh better than 300 pounds. He is bald with a monk's tonsure of grey fringe, and a face of bland innocence. He gesticulates freely in the grand style, stabbing the air with his horn-rimmed glasses or fiddling with his watch chain, a heavy affair of white gold or platinum, made up of large links which form his initials.

From his 1949 tax return, we knew Samish's gross reported income had been \$143,697. Of this income, \$90,999.94 represented fees from his "public relations" clients. The principal contributor was the California State Brewers' institute, which provided a modest \$30,000 in salary and expenses, plus control of a \$153,000-a-year slush fund.

A 1938 report from Howard R. Philbrick, investigator for a California legislative committee, had charged: "The principal source of corruption in the legislature has been money pressure . . . The principal offender among the lobbyists has been Arthur E. Samish . . ." It was the Philbrick report which credited to Samish the famous declaration that he was "the governor of the legislature"—and "to hell with the governor of the state."

The State Brewers' institute, a non-profit organization, has a special so-called "5-cent fund." For every barrel of beer produced, the brewers paid 5 cents into a fund which Samish spent as he saw fit. Into the 5-cent "Samish fund" over a period of six years, \$953,943.19 has flowed. All but \$43,913.29 of the \$935,000 has been spent by sole and exclusive direction of Samish. Some of it, he admitted, went to pay his own personal hotel expenses when he was presumably engaged in business for the institute. He didn't mention this in his tax returns.

The fireworks began after our investigator had gone over the books and records which Samish had turned over with flourishes. It developed that Samish's personal records and books were in understandable shape, but there were no records concerning the "Samish fund" of nearly \$1,000,000.

We asked him what happened to canceled checks and stubs written on this fund. He said he throws them in the wastebasket.

Finally, he relinquished to us a typewritten "analysis." It wasn't much of an "analysis," it merely showed that most of the big checks—\$10,000 to \$40,000—were made out to "cash" or "contributions." Samish admitted that "cash" and "contributions" are the same thing, and that these items in most cases meant that money was distributed by him personally—and in cash—to good, honest, outstanding officials that subscribed to "the temperate use of beer, wine and spirits . . ." He demanded no receipts from them.

He made contributions to the candidates of both major parties, but he couldn't seem to remember to whom he gave the money.

Next week: How the Laws Are Enforced in Upstate New York.

Condensed from the book, "Crime in America," by Estes Kefauver, Cpr. 1951. Pub. by Doubleday, Inc. Dist. General Features Corp.—WNU.



Oklahoma Youth Is U. S. Star Farmer Other Young Farmers Are Honored by FFA

Harold DeWayne Hodgson, 20-year-old farmer and Hereford cattle breeder of Freedom, Okla., was named Star Farmer of America during the 24th annual national FFA convention at Kansas City. He received an award of \$1,000 for being named the outstanding future farmer of the country.

Three other young farmers received awards of \$500 each as Star Farmers of their respective regions. They are George Williams, 19, of Nicholasville, Ky.; Joe Harris, 20, of Eagleville, Calif.; and Ralph G. Sanner, 21, of Kutztown, Pa.



Harold DeWayne Hodgson, 20, Star Farmer of America, owns a 320-acre farm and rents an additional 255 acres.

The Star Farmer awards are made annually and are the highest recognition given to FFA members. The winners were chosen from 295 candidates. Outstanding accomplishments in farming and rural leadership, along with evidence of the youth's successful establishment in farming are the principal considerations used in determining winners of the awards.

Hodgson owns a 320-acre farm and operates an additional 255 acres of rented land.

Engineer Suggests Way To Meet Labor Shortage

The nation's farmers next year will be asked to maintain a high standard of production and will again be faced with a severe labor shortage of several hundred thousand workers.

Here are four suggestions by which production can be maintained:

1. More efficient use of management and labor. There were a lot of chuckles when the efficiency experts started working for industry, counting steps and clocking movements. As a result of their work, however, our industries are the most efficient in the world.

2. Efficient mechanization. In normal times, the answer to labor shortages has been increased mechanization. If we get the machinery, it is still a partial answer.

3. Efficient building arrangement. Time and labor required around buildings has changed little in the last 50 years.

4. Survey of urban districts and rural towns. You can often find laborers in rural towns.

The farmer who surveys his needs and acts on these suggestions can solve his labor problems.

Record Price



A new world's record price of \$87,500 for a purebred Hereford bull, 5-year-old Baca Prince Domino 20th, was paid by A. H. Karpe of Bakersfield, Calif., at the sale of the Baca Grant herd at Gunnison, Colo. Left to right: Mr. Karpe, Mrs. Alfred M. Collins, widow of the late owner of the Baca herd, Bill Hutchinson, builder of the Baca Grant herd, and Mitch Minis, superintendent of the show barn.

Ain't It So

"Make love to every woman you meet," my uncle advised me. "If you get five percent on your outlay, it's a good investment."

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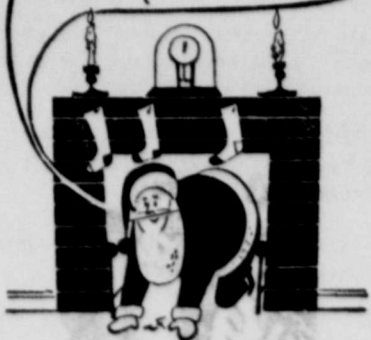
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Cowboy's Party Is Real American Fete

One of the most typical of our American holiday celebrations is the Cowboy's Christmas Ball, which has been held almost every year since 1884 in the small town of Anson, Texas.

The celebration started as a wedding party in the old Star Hotel when ranchers poured in from the widely scattered ranges to honor one Cross P. Charley and his bride. It was such a success that it was repeated year after year.

Christmas Eve brought the spirit of the old West to Anson. Cowboys donned their colorful dress, their gay shirts and decorated boots. Cowgirls outfitted themselves in gingham dresses "like mother wore". A cowboy band swung out and the dancers perform the heel and toe polka, the Varsouvienne, and other old folk dances.

Origin of Symbolic Tree Shrouded in Old Legends

The origin of the Christmas tree symbol is shrouded in legends that reach back to the period of Druid tree worship long before the advent of Christianity. Credit for tree decoration and gift-giving, however, is generally given to Germany, where the customs were started in the 16th or 17th centuries. Over a period of years the practice spread into northern Europe and from there to America.

Outside tree decorating is essentially an American trademark and a special feature of community spirit. The best known outside displays in America are on the White House lawn and at the Rockefeller Plaza in New York City.

The game ping-pong received its name from the sounds made when the bat hits the celluloid ball.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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TO: Hotel Hussman Operating Company, a corporation, et al., Defendant, greetings:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court 51st District of Coke County at the Court House thereof, in Robert Lee, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 21st day of January A. D. 1952, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 4th day of December A. D. 1951, in this cause, numbered 1894 on the docket of said court and styled Anna Hussman, a feme sole, Plaintiff, vs. Hotel Hussman Operating Company, Inc., a corporation, et al Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit:

Being a trespass to try title, suit on an undivided one-fourth interest in and to the minerals, including oil and gas, under the following described property, to-wit:

The S. 1/2 of the S. W. 1/4 of Section 272, Block 1-A, H. & T. C. Ry. Surveys, Coke County, Texas, containing 80 acres of land, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Robert Lee, Texas this 4th day of December A. D. 1951.

Attest:

Weldon Fikes, Clerk,
District Court, Coke County,
Texas.

(SEAL)

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Sheriff and Mrs. Paul Good



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of happiness
you find on
Christmas
morning

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County Treasurer

**Steers Booked For
8 Conference Tilts**

Supt. B. C. Goodwin and Prin. P. E. Webb attended a meeting of District 5-B officials in Loraine Sunday afternoon. The session was called for the purpose of working out football schedules for 1952.

It was announced that Highland decided not to come into the district next year, but Divide was admitted, making a total of nine schools in the conference.

Hence, each school must play eight conference games. Supt. Goodwin said he scheduled four loop contests here and four away.

Robert Lee will have two non-conference games. Eldorado will play in Robert Lee if a date can be arranged. There is some discussion about Bronte and Robert Lee getting together next year for their early season tussle which does not count in the conference standing.

Two games with Bronte have been played in the past, as they furnished local fans exciting entertainment and they are always a financial success. However, some bad feeling developed after the last game at Bronte this fall. The Bronte coach wasn't satisfied with the officiating while Robert Lee felt there was unnecessary roughness on the part of some Bronte players.

Supt. Goodwin states that he will confer with Supt. J. L. Carroll in the matter in the near future.

WILL SHOW ANGUS STEER

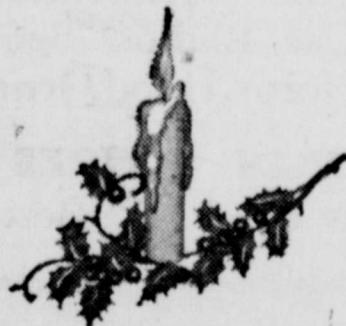
Milburn Wink, 4-H youth of Robert Lee, has entered an Angus steer in the boys steer division of the 1952 Houston Fat Stock Show. About 700 fat steers are expected to compete for \$6,702 in prize money. The Houston Fat Stock Show opens Jan. 30 and runs through Feb. 10. Roy Rogers, King of Cowboys, will headline the stock show rodeo. Also appearing with him will be Dale Evans and Trigger, Rogers' beautiful palomino horse.

Buddy Havins departed Saturday for Long Beach, Calif., after a month's navy leave spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fern Havins. Buddy is a yeoman on the USS Hector, a large navy repair ship, which is now docked at Long Beach.

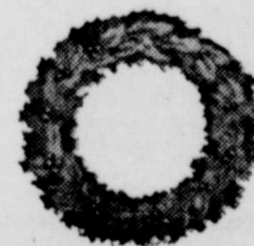
Mrs. Sherman Anderson of Silver has ordered The Observer as a Christmas gift for her sister, Mrs. O. Bursleson, at Slayton, Tex.



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Let Holiday Dinner Reflect Gay Spirit Of Christmas, Too

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The culmination of the holiday preparations is the festive dinner, so let it reflect the charm and goodness of Christmas in its planning and serving.

It's easy to use holiday green and red on the table with flowers and fruits. Garnish the meat platter with holly leaves and whole cranberries; make your salad in a star mold. Green vegetables can be studded with stars or bells cut from pimientoes.

- *Mulled Tomato Juice (Serves 6-8)**
- 4½ cups canned tomato juice
 - ¼ teaspoon cloves
 - 4 teaspoons prepared mustard
 - ¼ teaspoon curry powder
 - 1 teaspoon basil
- Add seasonings to tomato juice; blend well. Heat to boiling, strain and serve hot or cold.

- *Roast Ribs of Beef**
- Select a 2- to 3-rib standing rib roast of beef (4 to 5 pounds). Place fat side up in roasting pan on a rack, then season with salt and pepper. Place in a moderately slow (300° to 350°F.) oven. Do not cover and do not add water. Roast to desired degree of doneness, allowing 18 to 20 minutes per pound for a rare roast, 22 to 25 minutes for medium and 27 to 30 minutes per pound for well done roast. If you're using a meat thermometer, for rare it should read 140°F., for medium 160°F., and for well done 170°F. Plan on 2 to 3 servings for each pound.

- *Scalloped Potatoes with Onion (Serves 6-8)**
- 6 cups sliced, pared potatoes
 - 2 cups sliced onions
 - ¼ cup minced parsley
 - 2½ cups medium white sauce
- Partially cook potato slices in boiling water, for 10 minutes. Drain. Alternate layers of potatoes and onions in greased 2-quart casserole. Add parsley to white sauce; stir to blend. Pour over potatoes and onions. Bake uncovered in moderate (350°F.) oven about 50 minutes, or until vegetables are tender.

- *Cranberry Holiday Mold (Serves 8-10)**
- 4 cups cranberries
 - 1 cup water
 - 1 cup fruit juice
 - 2 cups sugar
- Combine cranberries, water and fruit juice (pineapple, apple, orange or cider may be used) in saucepan. Cook until berries are soft. Put through colander, strainer or food mill. Add sugar to cranberry puree and mix well. Boil rapidly for 10 to 12 minutes, or until a drop jells on a cold plate. Pour into star mold and chill until firm.

- *Spice Puffs**
- 1 package compressed or dry yeast
 - ¼ cup warm water
 - ½ cup milk
 - ¼ cup soft shortening
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - ½ teaspoon nutmeg
 - ½ teaspoon mace
 - 1 egg
 - 2½ cups sifted flour
- Add yeast to warm water and let stand. Scald milk and place in a



Roast Beef for the Christmas dinner will come to the table in a high state of perfection if it is roasted in a moderate oven, on a rack, fat side up so that it will baste itself. Neither a cover should be used, nor should water be added during the roasting.



Holiday colors, red, green and white are featured in this star-shaped cranberry mold if it is served on a white platter and garnished with lettuce or parsley and whole cranberries. With meat or fowl, it provides the properly tart texture required for a nicely balanced meal.

- CHRISTMAS DINNER**
- *Mulled Tomato Juice Crackers
 - *Roast Ribs of Beef
 - *Scalloped Potatoes with Onion Slivered Green Beans
 - *Cranberry Holiday Mold
 - *Spice Puffs Assorted Relishes
 - *Holiday Mousse
 - *Coconut Snowballs
 - Beverage Salted Nuts Mints
 - *Recipe Given

large bowl with shortening, sugar, salt, nutmeg and mace. Blend together and cool until lukewarm.

Stir yeast mixture thoroughly and pour into bowl. Add egg, unbeaten and sifted flour. Beat for one minute, or about 100 strokes. Scrape dough down from sides of the bowl. Cover with a damp cloth and let rise in warm place until doubled, about 1½ to 2 hours. In the meantime, mix together in a small bowl, ½ cup sugar and 1 teaspoon cinnamon. Measure 6 tablespoons butter in a small pan. After dough has risen to double in bulk, beat down in 20 to 30 strokes. Drop by spoonfuls into 12 medium or 16 small greased muffin pans. Let rise 30 minutes in a warm place, or until they reach the top of the muffin pans. Bake 12 to 15 minutes in a moderately hot (400°F.) oven. Melt the butter in saucepan. After removing buns from the pans, let cool for just a moment on a rack.

Dip quickly in melted butter, then roll in cinnamon-sugar mixture.

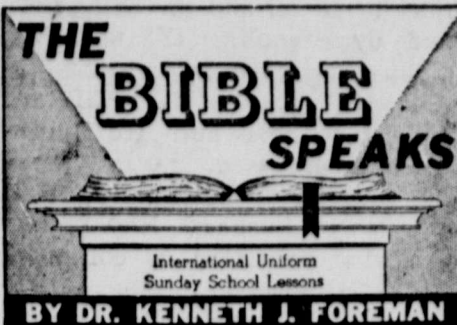
Christmas dinner preparations are considerably simplified if the dessert can be prepared in advance.

- *Holiday Mousse (Serves 6)**
- ½ cup drained, crushed pineapple
 - ¼ cup chopped maraschino cherries
 - 1½ tablespoons maraschino cherry juice
 - 2 tablespoons lemon juice
 - ½ cup sugar
 - ¼ teaspoon salt
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 2 cups heavy cream, whipped

Combine pineapple and cherries, then blend in cherry and lemon juice, sugar, salt and vanilla. Fold in whipped cream. Pour into refrigerator tray and freeze until firm.

- *Coconut Snowballs (Makes 24 medium)**
- ½ cup shortening
 - 1½ cups sugar
 - 2 beaten eggs
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 2½ cups cake flour
 - ½ teaspoon salt
 - 3 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1 cup milk

Cream together shortening and sugar; add eggs and vanilla, then beat well. Add sifted dry ingredients alternately with milk. Stir only until blended after each addition. Fill medium-sized muffin pans ¾ full. Bake in a moderate (350°F.) oven for 20 to 25 minutes. Remove from pan and cool. Frost all over with fluffy frosting, then roll in shredded coconut. Place on small lace doilies for serving. To make Fluffy Frosting: beat 2 egg whites, dash of salt, 1 cup light corn syrup and 1 teaspoon vanilla until fluffy and of spreading consistency.



SCRIPTURE: Luke 1-2. DEVOTIONAL READING: Luke 1:40-55.

Christ Is the Answer

Lesson for December 23, 1951

EVERYONE is acquainted with Jesus the baby. The Christmas festival makes that certain. We know that the lot of babies in all Christian lands today is better because of Jesus the child. His coming hallowed childhood and motherhood for all time. But Jesus did not stay a baby. He was born not chiefly in order to be cuddled in a mother's arms. He was born to be a King; he was born to grow, to teach, to command, to save. Where is the festival that presents him King of Kings and Lord of Lords? There are such, but they never had the popularity of Christmas.



Dr. Foreman

Bethlehem Was a Beginning

IN innumerable pictures and statues the mother of Christ looms large, the baby small. In the Bible it is the other way around. The interest of the Bible is not centered at Bethlehem, important as that place was in the history of the world.

Bethlehem marked the great moment, to be sure, the miracle of miracles when God became man. But that was the beginning, only the beginning. If anything is certain about what the writers of the New Testament thought, it is certain that when they thought of Jesus Christ, they seldom, if ever thought of him as a baby. The little Jesus is a helpless child, depending on the care of his mother. He is sweet and appealing, and every one loves him. . . . But he only lies there perpetually smiling. We like babies, but we have our grown-up affairs to attend to. We think babies are "cute"; but we take no orders from, we do not try to be like them.

The Power of God

SO, if Christ is to mean to us all what he should, it is time we got into the Bible's way of looking at him. He is called the "fulfillment of prophecy". What does that mean? The great prophets looked forward to a coming king, a "Messiah"; he must begin life as a child, because he would be a human being, not an angel.

If our thinking stops with the babe in the manger, we shall never realize the tremendous truth about Jesus. Consider the words that Isaiah used (Isa. 9:6, 7): "Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace."

The Christ of the Prophets is a person who will "rule the nations". The Christ of the apostles is likewise no child. He is the man sent from heaven; he is the "power of God and the wisdom of God" (I Cor. 1:24). He is King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

A baby lets us do as we please; but not the Lord of Lords. He challenges the world—from a throne, not a cradle. What he thinks, we desperately must know. What his will is, we must learn or perish. If the world is going to pieces today it is because we think no more of Jesus than of any other picturesque infant.

The Christ Who Commands

IT is said often, as a kind of slogan, that "Christ is the answer". If this means anything true, and it does, it means that the ways of the world are right ways only when they are the ways of Jesus. Thinking, planning, acting—personal and social living both—it is either as Jesus would have it or it is headed for a crash.

This is not to say that the commands of Christ are arbitrary, "just because . . ." For in him is the gateway to life, following him is life.

A sentimental glow as we pass the manger at Bethlehem is not what christianity means. It means saying as Paul did: Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? A Christ who can be patronized or pitied is no answer; the only answer is the Christ who commands.

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No, it's not here this very day, but Christmas is surely coming on, and it'll be here before you know it! Panic? Not a bit of it! For you, like all of us, probably have many cigarette smokers, pipe smokers, and "roll-your-owners" on your Christmas list . . . And, if you have, your worries are over . . . First of all, there are king-size Cavalier Cigarettes for those who want an extremely mild smoke. And Prince Albert Smoking Tobacco for pipes and "makin's" cigarettes. And both are specially gift-packaged for Christmas. The Cavaliers, for instance, have a space ready for your Christmas message right on the brightly colored carton that serves as a greeting card. And the pound-size can of Prince Albert comes in a gay, cheery red and green Christmas box! So you see, there's nothing to get upset about. Just remember two things that will make your Christmas shopping easier and more fun: Cavaliers and Prince Albert. You can get both at your dealer's today . . . Cavaliers, the extremely mild cigarette . . . and Prince Albert, America's most popular smoking tobacco!

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Russellville Cook is Top Winner at Pope County Fair

A prize-winning cook on her very first try—that's Mrs. John Stano of Russellville, Arkansas. Mrs. Stano had never exhibited at a fair until last year, when she entered cooking contests at the Pope County Fair. And she emerged a top winner—with 7 first prizes and 6 seconds!

Mrs. Stano may be a first-time winner, but she agrees with champions of years' standing when it comes to Fleischmann's Active Dry Yeast. "It's my favorite," she says. "I de-

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SILVER NEWS

SUCCESSFUL TURKEY SHOOT

A Turkey Shoot was held the evening of Dec. 10 at Silver for benefit of the Tubb Camp Children's Party Fund. A large number of patrons competed for the 16 live turkeys and one 23-pound dressed turkey.

Shotguns were used in shooting at 4-inch targets at a distance of 40 yards. The 13th bird was limited to competition for ladies only and was won by Mrs. Bobby Beggs of Jameson Camp. Mrs. Charles Dennis of Robert Lee tied with Mrs. Beggs with 7 shot in the target. Mrs. Beggs, however, had the closest shot to the center.

Ernest Clendenen, who had the best target of the evening, placed 16 shot with a .12 gauge gun to win the large dressed turkey. C. C. Millican of Robert Lee was the only double winner, but his gun, a 16 gauge single barrel, full choke, won five turkeys.

Wayne Reed of Tubb Camp organized the successful event. Ladies of the camp served delicious pie and free coffee. The response was so gratifying that it is planned to make this an annual fall event at Tubb Camp.

The list of winners: D. H. Caldwell, Truett McCabe, C. C. Millican (2), Lee Weigel, V. T. McCabe, J. B. Walker, Dave English, Bobby Beggs, C. C. Dennis, W. W. Paul, Perry Post, Genevieve Beggs (for ladies only), J. P. Jameson, O. L. White, Howard Robichaux, Ernest Clendenen.

BEN McDUGLE INJURED

Word has been received here that Ben McDougle, Sun Oil Co. foreman, was recently seriously injured in an oil well drilling accident near Truth or Consequences, New Mex. His right leg has been amputated at the knee, and at last report it was thought his badly mangled right arm might be saved.

McDougle was transferred from Silver early this fall to oversee the drilling of a wildcat in New Mexico.

He is a patient at St. Ann Hospital and receives his mail Box 29, Truth or Consequences, New Mex.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PARTY

The Young People's Sunday School class of the Silver Baptist Church entertained all the young folks of the community at a party Monday night at Sun Recreation Hall. Games and contests were enjoyed. Holiday cookies and cocoa were served. The group visited the homes in Tubb Camp and sang Christmas carols. Mrs. Joanne Allen is the class teacher.

School holidays will begin the ev-

ening of Friday, Dec. 21, and continue through Tuesday, Jan. 1st.

The Silver school board and P. T. A. have selected more than \$600 worth of playground equipment, including a large Jungle Jim (climb around), set of 4 see-saws, 3 adjustable chinning bars and a ladder. Delivery is due within 90 days.

The PTA plans to resume sponsoring Picture Shows on Friday nights soon after the first of the year. Every possible effort is being made to secure as new shows as are released for theatreless towns. Watch for the notice at Odom Drug and the Sun Grocery.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Pace, residents of Tubb Camp, are the proud parents of another son, John Dixon Pace.

Mr. and Mrs. Pres Pew announce the arrival of a son, James Patrick Pew. The father is superintendent of Sun's Gas Plant at Silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Beall of Iowa Park were weekend guests in the home of their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Beall, at Halliburton Camp.

L. K. McKinnon, Sun Pipeline employee, is convalescing at his home in Jameson Camp. He spent several days in Root Memorial Hospital wrestling with an allergy.

The Silver Baptist Church announces a Watch Night Supper Dec. 31 beginning at 7 p.m. A program is being planned. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Tubb Camp folks gathered at the recreation hall on Sunday for a Christmas Party. Following a Christmas song a picture for the kiddies was shown. Santa made his appearance soon after the picture was over. He had a present and a bag of fruit and candy for each child.

(Editor's Note: Silver items this week were written by Mrs. S. A. Kerbow. She was kind enough to take over a couple of weeks to see how it went. So if you folks at Silver will be nice to Mrs. Kerbow and help her with the items, maybe she will consent to continue.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Ruth Levassar and Roy Levassar
GREETING:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 4th day of February, A. D. 1952, at or before 10 o'clock 10 A. M. before the Honorable District Court of Coke County, at the Court House in Robert Lee, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 23 day of March, 1951.
The file number of said suit being No. 1870.

The names of the parties in said suit are: T. T. Millican; Lucy V. Millican Offield, joined by her husband, H. H. Offield; Henry Lee Millican; Esther E. Anthony, joined by her husband, J. D. Anthony; Cynthia Millican Dawson, joined by her husband, C. Dawson; Leta Sexton Hollenstine, joined by her husband, Tony Hollenstine; Viola Sexton Burks, joined by her husband, W. E. Burks; Silvanus Sexton; Henry Millican; Raymond Millican; Mrs. Lena M. Millican; Mrs. Mattie Perry, joined by her husband, W. G. Perry; Juanita Brownlow, joined by her husband, W. D. Brownlow; Ellison Millican; Lloyd Millican; LaVerne Millican and Jack Allen Millican, as plaintiffs, and James L. Millican; Roosevelt Millican; Ara Louise Millican; and Ruth Levassar and husband, Roy Levassar, as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

The Plaintiffs cause of action is a suit for partition and for appointment of a receiver to sell land located in Coke County, Texas, and described as being: All of the West 205 acres of the South ½ of Section 312, Cert. No. 37/4145, Block 2, H.&T.C. Ry. Co. Survey, constructed so that its East line is common with the West line of the East 120 acres heretofore conveyed by J. W. Tammen to John W. Day.

The Plaintiffs and the Defendants own undivided interests in said land so that together they own the entire fee title to said 205 acres of land. The interest of the Plaintiffs and that of Defendants, Ruth Levassar and husband, Roy Levassar, is

subject to an oil and gas lease now owned by Stanolind Oil and Gas Company, but the interest of the Defendants, James L. Millican, Roosevelt Millican and Ara Louise Millican is unleased.

The interest of Defendants, Ruth Levassar and husband, Roy Levassar, is that inherited as collateral kin of C. H. Millican.

Said land is reasonably worth \$50.00 per acre, and it is to the advantage of all interested parties to partition the land. It is impossible to make an equitable partition in kind, therefore the Plaintiffs ask that a receiver be appointed with authority to sell said land and execute a valid deed to the purchaser and to distribute the proceeds of the sale to the several owners including the Defendants, in proportion to their several interests, with the right to deposit with the Clerk of the Court the proceeds belonging to the Defendants, until they can be

found for final distribution of the money. Plaintiffs say that after diligent search, they have been unable to locate or to find the Defendants.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 19th day of December A. D., 1951.

Given under my hand and seal of said court at office in Robert Lee, Texas, this the 19th day of December A. D. 1951.

Weldon Fikes, Clerk
District Court Coke County,
Texas.
(SEAL)

Mrs. Hazel Chiles and son, Leslie, have returned from a visit with her sister at Oakland, Calif. Hazel says she may engage in business in Robert Lee again but her plans are not settled. J. L. Carwile, Jr. and family, who occupied the Chiles residence, have taken an apartment at the A. J. Bilbo home.

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