

WISHING ONE AND ALL A VERY HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

OIL CITY PHARMACY
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The Story of the Birth of Christ

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem: (because he was of the house and lineage of David) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. 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 him in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, "Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, 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, good will toward men."

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them in Heaven, the shepherds said one to another, "Let us now go even into Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us."

And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen.

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him."

When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, "In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet."

Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, "Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also."

When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word; for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him." When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night and departed into Egypt: For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Jesus ... said ... "Verily, verily, I say unto you. He that believeth on me hath eternal life."

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that heareth My Word and believeth on Him that sent Me hath everlasting life and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life."

"Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you."

"Go ye, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, ... teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

For by grace are ye saved

Negro Slaves Once Brought Good Prices

By United Press
 LOCKHART, Texas. — Negro slaves brought fancy prices in this section during the cotton picking season in the 1850's, it was revealed by an old bill of sale found recently in the Caldwell county courthouse.

The bill, dated May 28, 1850, showed that Thomas Stayton had sold a negro woman slave, about 24 years old, to Rosay Wilson for \$800.

through faith; and that not of yourselves: It is the gift of God.

(All the above is from the New Testament, word for word as written there).



GREETINGS
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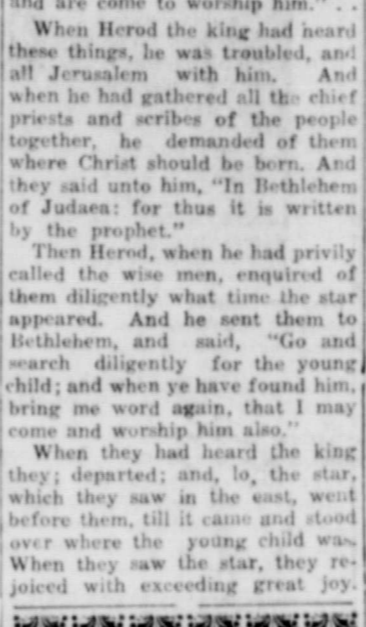
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GREETINGS FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON . . .

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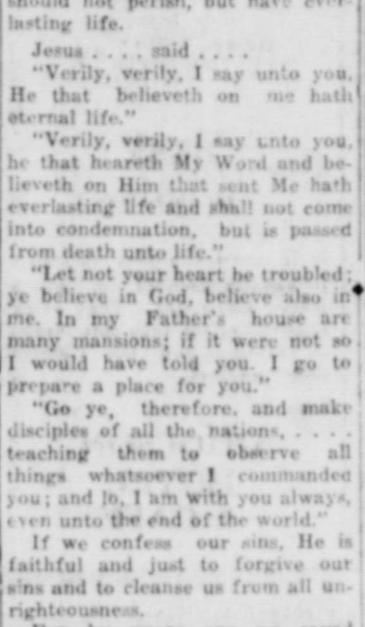


MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU

THE NEW YEAR IS YET A MYSTERY

We do not know what is in store for us during the approaching New Year but it will find us willing to grasp the opportunity of serving our community and our patrons in every way possible. A joyous holiday season to you.

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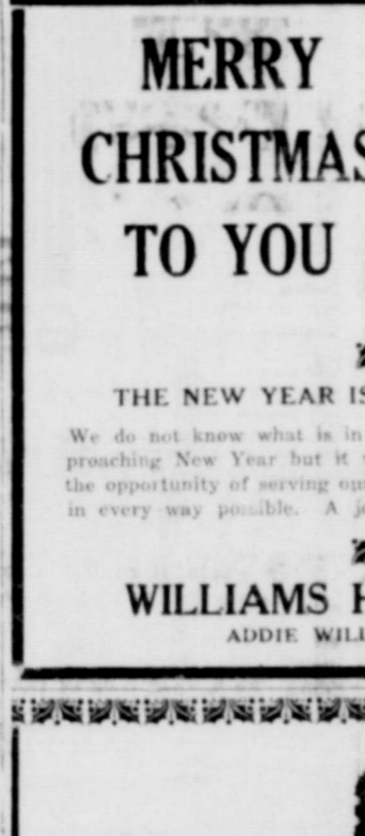


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TO ONE AND ALL

XMAS Cheer

and Best Wishes for the New Year

May Santa Claus leave just the things you have been wishing for and happiness be yours all the balance of your life.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

We feel this is your business as well as ours because we could not get along without your loyal support. We shall put forth every effort to serve you to the best of our ability during 1939. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO OUR FRIENDS

May the gates of the New Year swing open letting in joys untold for you and yours. May every day of 1939 be one of golden opportunity which you will grasp for health, wealth and joyous pursuit of happiness.

Again let us thank you for the sunny favors shown and here's hoping Santa Claus left you a large portion of the good things you deserve.

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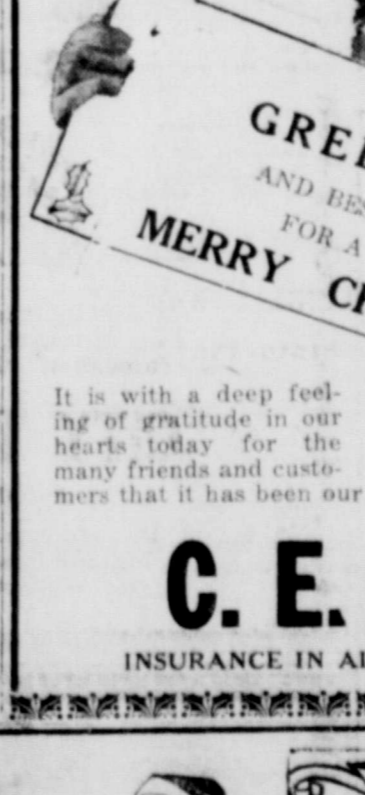


GREETINGS

MAY THE PRINCE OF PEACE REIGN OVER YOUR LOVES ONES FOREVER AND EVER

May the Spirit of the Season Bring You Joy and Happiness

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Our one big wish for you today is the Happiest Christmas you have ever had, and may peace and plenty be yours through the years that are to follow.

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a Merry Christmas

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Senate Committee Can Save Millions Through Research

AUSTIN, Texas.—State senators have succeeded in whittling down cost of state operation 20 per cent in a drafted departmental appropriation bill they will present to the January legisla-

ture. It likely will be boosted up before final passage, but even then will result in saving of about \$4,000,000 or \$5,000,000 for the biennium. The usual departmental cost is about \$12,000,000 for a year.

This bill, however, is but a small part of the normal state expense. Education, courts and eleemosynary institutions are provided for in separate bills. Rural schools get extra funds from the state in an "equalization" bill.

Old age assistance gets separate maintenance from special taxes. So do many other activities.

Much of the departmental saving is planned by elimination of duplicating agencies. But many new agencies are being proposed. The state planning board recently announced its entry into a safety campaign. Naively, the announcement is made that it does not intend to duplicate the work of other numerous safety organizations. The planning board and the University of Texas both aspire to operate industrial research departments (with suitable appropriations) and nearly all the state agencies see fields in which they could expend more funds. Plans are afoot to continue the life of the planning board which other-

Brunk's Will Open Show Here Monday

Pictured above are members of Brunk's Comedians who ap-

pear in Ranger all next week starting Monday, Dec. 26, sponsored by the local Boy Scouts.



BEST WISHES

It is our desire that we might personally wish all of you a Merry Christmas. That being impossible, we take this means to extend to you the Holiday Cheer we feel.

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in state operations but the audits reveal some of the institutions trading close to the line of unauthorized expenditures. Few keep very close check of the supplemental funds they receive in the course of operations. And King doesn't fail to point out the shortcomings.

Thrice-Crowned King of Corn



John King, William H. Curry of Tipton, Ind., points to his record of three successive world championships. Curry, pictured holding the title-winning corn, took his 1938 title at the International Livestock Show.

The big heated tent theatre was erected yesterday on the lots across from the city hall and everything is now in readiness for a big week of stage show entertainment. The opening play, said to contain 1001 laughs for old and young alike is entitled "Come On Mary." It tells a story concerning the activities of two modern Robin Hoods, an old lady familiar with the ways of the "bunco" artist, and a boy and girl too much in love. Fast moving in plot and action the play is sure to thrill all who see it.

As usual vaudeville will be offered by the various members of the company nightly between the acts of the plays. A complete change of program will be given each night. The shows will start at 7:45, with the doors opening one hour earlier.

Cattle Rustling In Northeast Texas Proving a Problem

MARSHALL, Texas.—Cattle rustling has become a major nuisance again in Northeast Texas. The crime has become so common that 50 farmers and business men have organized the Livestock Protective Association to combat it. "We are asking every livestock owner in Harrison county to become a member, M. Turney of Marshall, temporary secretary of the association, said. "We intend to create sufficient activity that the thieves will be quashed. "Rustlers are as prevalent here now as they were in the closing days of the 19th century. For months there have been scattered reports of cattle rust-

ing in Harrison and adjacent counties, and recently these reports have become so prevalent that the thefts have been placed in the category of major crimes.

CRATER TO BE ERASED WILLIAMS, Cal.—Contractors have been awarded to fill in crater of a gas well that blew last January and has just sided. The crater, is 152-244 and between 60 and 80 feet depth.

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WE ALL

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SERIAL STORY

SKI'S THE LIMIT

BY ADELAIDE HUMPHRIES

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CAST OF CHARACTERS
SALLY BLAIR—heroine. She had everything that popularity could wish for, except...

CHAPTER XIII
SALLY had been right—Dan did fit in with herself and her father. Dinner was a very pleasant affair.

"No, I'll be going indoors," Sally's father said. He had not forgotten what it was to be young on a night like this. "It is a fine night, as you say, my lad. But there's also a touch of dampness that won't do this old man's rheumatism any good."

He chuckled to himself as he went on indoors. What a match-maker he was turning out to be! But if the day had to come when he had to lose his little girl Sam Blair had satisfied himself that he would not mind losing her so much to a fine young man like this Reynolds. Oh, he had had his own motives in procuring the lad a job, in inviting him into his home. It was just as well to size a person up by personal contact.

"What a lucky girl you are, Sally Blair," Dan said. "To have such a man for your father. You must be mighty proud of him." Sally said, "I most certainly am." She was so pleased that her father and Dan had got on so well. She might have known they would. That only went to prove how right she was in knowing that Dan did belong in her world—the real world that lay underneath the raucous, glittering surface. Her father had been a poor boy like Dan once, he had had to make his own way up and he had succeeded by his own efforts.

"I didn't know," Dan was saying, "that your father was a client of Devon and Devons. I certainly was surprised when Mr. Frank Devon asked me to bring those papers over here this evening. It certainly was a coincidence, wasn't it?"

SALLY laughed lightly. She gathered her wide skirt carefully as she sat down on a stone bench at the far end of the rose garden, a bench that would give them a box-seat, if they wanted to look at the moon, as her father had advised them. "Yes, it was, wasn't it?" she said. Some day she would tell Dan the whole truth of the matter. That her father had been in his position at Devon and Devons. That, as a matter of fact, Sam Blair was the biggest stockholder in the firm. But this was not the time, or the place. Not with a moon like that.

It's wondering what we are thinking about and if we really appreciate a lovely night like this. It was a night made just for looking at the moon. A night of soft spring air that was like a caress, of sighing breezes and whispering small insects. A night made, perhaps, just for them.

Dan sat down beside her. He said, "I'm thinking what a lucky guy I am to be here—looking at this moon. You know, Sally, everything is a coincidence in a way. Beginning with the accident, ending with my coming here. Have I told you how that came about?" His gray eyes rested on her earnestly. How pretty she was, like some silver princess in her white dress in the moonlight. Sally Blair, queen of her small secure universe in which he still felt an alien, would continue to feel so until he made his own way, conquered his bad leg, proven himself.

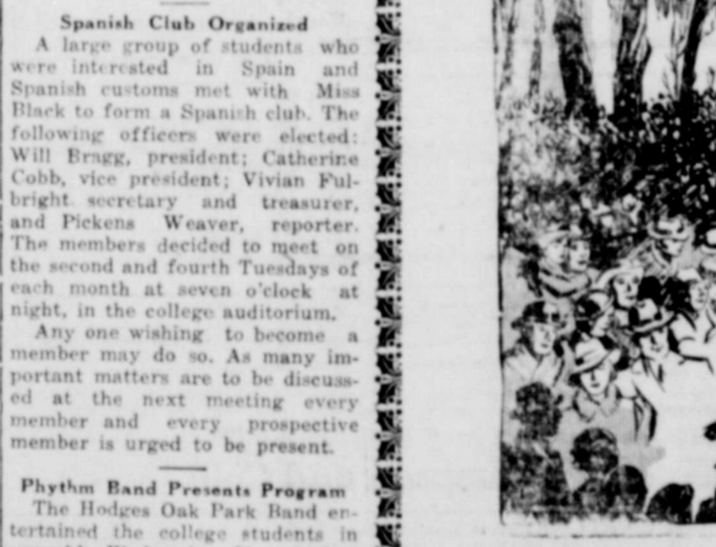
"No, you haven't told me," Sally said. She wished he would let that wait until some other time and place, too. She wished she need not keep the truth from him, even for a little while. Suppose he found out, before she had a chance to tell him? Suppose he misunderstood again?

BUT she must not, she would not think of things like that. Not with the moon looking down on them, not on a night like this. "Tell me another time," Sally said. "Let's just be happy tonight, shall we? Happy and gay. Let's just be glad that you are here, whether it's a coincidence or luck or fate, or whatever it is. Let's be content to know that we are friends."

"That should be enough for anyone," Dan returned gravely. Then he smiled at her. He picked up her hand, so small and soft, that lay between them. "I'll be content with that—for a while, Sally Blair. But not for always."

(To Be Continued)

FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS—By Blosser



Pickett, Orvel R. Harrell, Charlie Hicks, Ross Hodges, Vivian Fullbright, Virginia Beach, Melba Morgan, Buene Berry, T. M. Brown, Floyd Russell, Carl Eakin, Will H. Bragg, Catherine Cobb, Robert Riggs, Annetta Fay Huffman, J. B. Robinson, Edith Mae Taylor, Frances Osery, Beverly Dudley, Dick Hodges, Mary Louise Ervin, Mary Elizabeth Rayfield, Fay Norris, Geraldine Smith, Bonnie Robertson, Frank Clement, Marie Ramsey, Helen Jacobs, Priella Miller, Dorothy Jean Bruce, Huberta Mitchell, F. P. Brashier, James E. Blaylock, Jr., Mrs. Hamrick, Mr. and Mrs. Cherry, A. H. Berg, Ruth Black, Annette Westmoreland, Gladys Maddocks, Mrs. Healer, Mr. and Mrs. Baskin, Mrs. Hunter and members of the school board. Everyone reported a very good time.

OUT OUR WAY — By Williams



Healer will spend the time in Littlefield with her son and his wife; Coach Jennings will spend Christmas eve and Christmas day with his family in Mineral Wells; Miss Westmoreland will go to her home in Marshall, Texas; Mr. Richm expect to spend his time in Louisiana, especially in New Orleans; Mr. Berg is going to New York; Mrs. Hamrick and Miss Maddocks will stay in Ranger; Mr. Blaylock will go to Waco and then to Muskogee, Oklahoma and to Fayetteville, Arkansas; Mr. and Mrs. Cherry will go to Weatherford and then to Dallas; Miss Black intends to go to her home in Lubbock. The holidays which began Thursday at noon will continue until Tuesday, January 2.

CHRISTIAN SERVICES
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship, 11 a. m. Wednesday, testimonial service, 8 p. m. Public cordially invited. "Christian Science" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 25.

KEROSENE IMBIBER LIVES
EDMONTON, Alta.—Lee Boyle, 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Boyle, recovered in the hospital here from the effects of having drunk a can of coal oil.

West Texas Ranges Suffer from Drouth
EL PASO, Texas.—Dry weather, together with strong winds that have depleted top soil, has seriously hurt the ranges in West Texas and the western New Mexico, stock reports.

The whole world seems hotter according to Russian explorers drifting somewhere around the North Pole. That's the hard way of finding out what everybody knows.

ALLEY OOP

By Hamlin



Ranger Junior College News

Miss Nell Shepherd Speaks Before Junior College Assembly
Miss Nell Shepherd, fourth grade teacher in Young School, spoke before the college assembly Wednesday morning on her trip to Europe last summer. She went on an educational tour conducted by Dr. and Mrs. Armstrong of El Paso, Switzerland, Italy, Holland and Germany.

College Advisories Meet Monday

Monday morning the college advisories met with their advisors to give the students their grades. The following is the honor roll for the second six weeks as released by Dean Baskin: Freshmen: Honor: Iris Hummel, Bertha Sparks, Geraldine Smith, Tommy Smith, James Smith, High Honor: Charlie D. Hicks, Lyndall Stringfellow. Sophomores: Honor: Buena Berry, Vivian Fullbright, Mary Elizabeth Pickett, Mary Louise Ervin, Highest Honor: Eary Elizabeth Rayfield.

College Has Formal Party

The Ranger Junior College enjoyed a Christmas party Tuesday night, Dec. 15. The party was a great success and everyone reported a nice time. Orvel Harrell and Mrs. Armstrong were conducting separate groups, but

Spanish Club Organized

A large group of students who were interested in Spain and Spanish customs met with Miss Black to form a Spanish club. The following officers were elected: Will Bragg, president; Catherine Cobb, vice president; Vivian Fullbright secretary and treasurer, and Pickens Weaver, reporter. The members decided to meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at seven o'clock at night, in the college auditorium. Any one wishing to become a member may do so. As many important matters are to be discussed at the next meeting every member and every prospective member is urged to be present.

Phythm Band Presents Program

The Hodges Oak Park Band entertained the college students in assembly Wednesday. Mrs. Anderson had charge of the band, and Mrs. Smith accompanied them on the piano. Barbara Ann Stewart was the director. The band played two numbers and sang a few songs. A large number of parents and other visitors, as well as the college students, enjoyed the program.

Masquers Entertain With Social

The Masquers, the dramatic club, met at the home of their sponsor, Mrs. Hunter, Tuesday night for a social. Table games were played in a room beautifully decorated for the Christmas season. Refreshments were served, and the gifts were exchanged by the members. At the next meeting, Tuesday night, January 3, the play, "If Men Played Cards As Women Do," is to be rehearsed.

Spanish Club Has Party

The members of the Spanish club met with Miss Black in her room at seven o'clock Thursday night. They went to the auditorium where they sang Christmas carols in Spanish. Each member brought a gift, the gifts were numbered, and put on the Christmas tree. Then the guests drew numbers. Hot chocolate and cookies were served to the members. Faculty During the Holidays
President Walton expects to spend the holidays in Ranger with



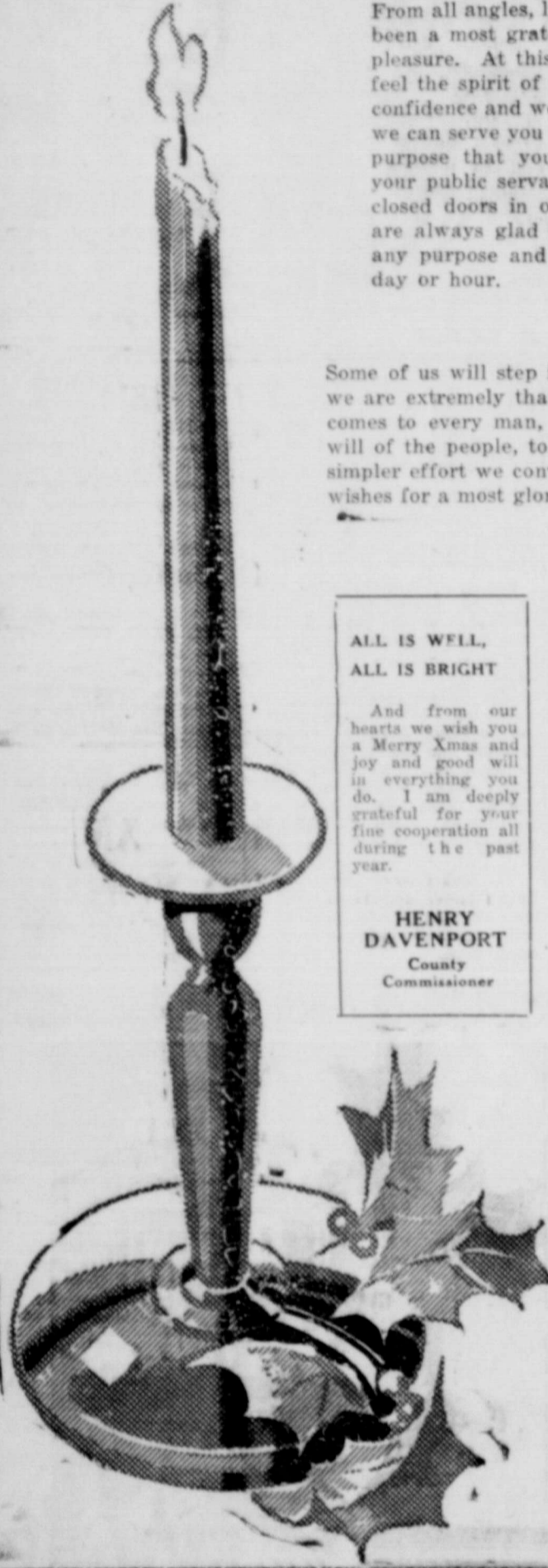
BEST WISHES
As Lady Luck spins the wheel of good fortune we are hoping that she calls your number for a holiday season of joy and cheer and a New Year filled with good things that will make you happy. We appreciate the opportunity you have afforded us and we solicit your continued support.
Ranger Daily Times -- Eastland County News

Your County Officials and Court House Friends Wish Everybody a Good, Old Fashioned

Merry Christmas

From all angles, living among you has been a most grateful privilege and a pleasure. At this Christmas time we feel the spirit of your friendship and confidence and we sincerely trust that we can serve you with the sincerity of purpose that you demand of us as your public servants. There are no closed doors in our building and we are always glad to welcome you for any purpose and at any time of the day or hour.

Some of us will step into other offices. But in all instances we are extremely thankful for that great opportunity that comes to every man, whether by his own efforts or by the will of the people, to serve mankind unselfishly. With this simpler effort we convey to you and yours our sincerest best wishes for a most glorious and happy Christmas.



ALL IS WELL,
ALL IS BRIGHT

And from our hearts we wish you a Merry Xmas and joy and good will in everything you do. I am deeply grateful for your fine cooperation all during the past year.

HENRY DAVENPORT
County Commissioner

May the spirit of Christmas stay with you throughout the coming year, and guide you to greater health, wealth, and contentment than you have ever known.

B. W. PATTERSON
Judge, 88th District Court

May the kindly light of love and friendship lead us on through the Yule Holidays to happy years of good fortune and happiness for the rest of our lives.

GEO. L. DAVENPORT
Judge, 91st District Court

May the joy and happiness of this Christmas season hover over you throughout the coming year. I pledge myself now to strive harder than ever to merit your confidence.

EARL CONNER, Jr.
Criminal District Attorney

To all my friends—may this Christmas bring added pleasures of true health and happiness to each and every one of you. And may the coming year be one of lasting joy.

LOSS WOODS
Sheriff, Eastland County

The good will of the Christmas season reminds me of your good will throughout the year. You have my heartfelt thanks, and best wishes for happiness, prosperity and success.

JOHN WHITE
District Clerk

With the entire world happy in the deep joy of Christmas time, I add my greetings and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a most Happy New Year.

GARLAND BRANTON
County Treasurer

I wish to extend to you Christmas greetings and good will, and may boundless holiday cheer be ever yours. I am especially grateful for my faithful friends.

W. S. ADAMSON
County Judge

As Christmas draws near, it is only natural that my thoughts turn to those many of you whose loyalty has aided me in my work. I wish you all a Merry Christmas.

P. L. CROSSLEY
Representative, 106th District

It is my hope that you may have a Christmas filled with the good things in life, including good health, abounding happiness and long-abiding prosperity.

C. H. (Harl) O'BRIEN
Tax Assessor-Collector

Well, folks, another year is drawing to a close and once again it's time for Santa. I join today in the wish that you may enjoy a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

DON PARKER
County Auditor

To my many friends, young and old alike—I wish the season's greetings, with the hope that our friendships may increase throughout the coming year.

OMAR BURKETT
Representative, 107th District



MYRA NORTH, Special Nurse -- By Thompson and Coll!



AND NOW, MISS NORTH, HOW DO YOU EXPLAIN YOUR PRESENCE HERE, GOING THROUGH MY DESK?

PLEASE BELIEVE ME, MAJOR. I'M TRYING TO HELP YOU!



WELL, TALK FAST—BEFORE I CALL IN THE NIGHT WATCHMAN!

JUST A MINUTE! DO YOU MIND IF I ASK WHAT YOU ARE DOING BACK HERE AT THIS HOUR?



WHAT? YOU'RE ASKING ME—THE HEAD OF GILDER PRODUCTIONS—WHY I COME BACK TO MY OWN OFFICE? TO WORK, LADY—TO WORK! I START SHOOTING 'WAR NURSE' TOMORROW!



MAJOR GILDER, IF YOU'RE REALLY DETERMINED TO START PRODUCTION TOMORROW, YOU'D BETTER DO EXACTLY AS I SAY AND QUICKLY!

EH?



FIRST, I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO OVERCOME YOUR CLAUSTROPHOBIA TO THE EXTENT OF BARRING EVERY DOOR TO THIS STAGE TILL SHOOTING TIME TOMORROW!



I WILL TELL YOU WHAT PEOPLE IT WILL BE SAFE TO LET IN THEN—AFTER I'VE TALKED TO GUY VIBRO.

BUT I DEMAND AN EXPLANATION!



[IN] HALF AN HOUR LATER, MYRA CONCLUDES HER RECITAL OF THE SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES OF THE 'DOVES OF PEACE'...



MISS NORTH, THIS IS FANTASTIC—INCREDIBLE! I DON'T KNOW HOW TO THANK YOU!

DON'T BOTHER, MAJOR, WE'RE NOT OUT OF THE WOODS YET!

AND JUST TO MAKE SURE THE OFFICE WALLS DON'T 'CLOSE IN' ON YOU AGAIN, I'LL TAKE A NAP RIGHT HERE WHILE YOU DO YOUR WORK!

SPORT GLANCES ---- By Grayson

BY HARRY GRAYSON
Sports Editor, NEA Service

NEW YORK.—Brooklyn should at least be well managed next season . . . with Leo Durocher, Charley Dressen, Rubeen Bill Killefer, and now Tony Lazzeri.

When a National League magnate at the major league meetings finished presenting a proposition for Lou Fette, Jim Turner, and practically every other pitcher on the staff of the Boston Bees, Ol' Bob Quinn chuckled: "That's just fine. Then we could hang up a sign, 'No Game Today.'"

Few recognized Doc Prothro, new manager of the Philadelphia Nationals, at the big league pow-wows, and someone remarked how nice it would be if he could fix up the Phillies so no one would recognize them.

Sam Breadon denies that the Cardinals will peddle either Johnny Mize or Joe Medwick.

"We have as much power as any team in the National League," explains the St. Louis president. "We need only strength at second base and shortstop. Right now we have six players, Myers, Jimmy Brown, Stu Martin, Sturdy, Orenco, and Cresel, battling for the two positions."

"The Cardinals had that many in training camp last spring, too," cut in a Missouri baseball writer. "They have quantity, but where is the quality?"

"If they could play all six they'd have something."

BILL McKECHNIE is standing pat with his fourth-place Cincinnati Reds, one of the few outfits which should improve with age.

Unless Burgess Whitehead comes back, Pie Traynor of Pittsburgh suspects that Zeke Bonura and Alex Kampouris will form the standout side of the Giants infield . . . "Stand out there and watch the ball go by."

But few agree with Traynor, least of all Bill Terry, who points out what he contends is a pleasant implication in the name of his new first baseman.

Bonura, an Italian surname, is akin to the French word bonheur, meaning good hour or happiness, and Terry has a hunch that the big fellow is going to mean good luck.

Bonura boasts another nickname besides Zeke, which is a shortening of the word physique. Terry calls him The Duke, in memory of Bonura's high ranking in the royal race of Mardi Gras time, when Zeke is chosen to preside as a potentate at one of the big King Comus balls.

As a schoolboy at Bay St. Louis, Miss., in 1925, Bonura threw the javelin 213 feet 10 1/2 inches. At Bay St. Louis, Bonura was a teammate of Marchmont Schwartz, who went on to Notre Dame and football fame. Zeke attended Loyola University of New Orleans, where he captained the football, baseball, track, and basketball teams.

He's more skillful in the field than he appears.

A right-handed slugger, he has hit 164 home runs in 10 years, 63 in five years in the minors and 101 in five years in the American League.

The Polo Grounds should be right down his alley.

It won't be surprising if it turns out that Bill Terry is right.

Zeke Bonura has it in him to bring good times to the Giants.

MAILS AND BEES MIXED
By United Press
ADA, O.—Herbert Jamison, although he carries mail for a living, he has 45 hives of Italian bees as a hobby. Last summer, Jamison took more than 2,000 pounds of honey from the bees, realizing a sizeable profit.


SEASONS GREETINGS

Heartfelt Wishes
For Your Happiness On Christmas!
At Hodges Oak Park School

MRS. GAY'S EAT SHOP
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gay


MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR

To Friends in Ranger, Eastland County and adjoining communities.
Drs. E. R. and Berta Green
CHIROPRACTORS
209 Main Street


YULETIDE
OUR SINCERE WISHES FOR A MERRY XMAS
C. J. MOORE AUTO MART
HUDSON TERRAPLANE

MERRY Christmas

and Happy New Year to All
May we express our appreciation for you who have made our business possible by your loyal support.
Our best wishes are for a Merry Christmas and a New Year of Joy and contentment.
We Service That GOOD GULF GASOLINE!
CENTRAL SERVICE STA.
BILL WELLS, Mgr.
GULF PRODUCTS
S. Rush at Pine

Cactus Jack Ready to Ride



Rough and rambunctious though the approaching Congress appears, Vice President Garner sits easy in the saddle. Pictured in Washington after conference with President.

Stolen Evidence Is Traced to a Porter

By United Press
FORT WORTH, Texas.—E. C. Pison, district supervisor for the Texas Liquor Control Board, had all employes in his office fingerprinted recently in an effort to find out how the stocks of "evidence" were disappearing. Fingerprints on the bottles resulted in the filing of burglary charges against a 24-year-old negro porter. The porter was freed on \$1,000 bond.

Overheard at the Joneses: "Orson Welles will get you if you're not good."



OUR KINDEST THOUGHTS AND BEST WISHES ARE FOR YOU

May this Season be one of Happiness and may 1939 bring all the good things you have been working for.

SWANEY PHARMACY



SEASON'S GREETINGS

AND BEST WISHES TO ALL OUR FRIENDS . . . WHEREVER THEY MAY BE

It has been said that good friends are more precious than real fine gold. This must be true . . . for when gold is refined and polished it shines and glistens and its beauty and worth never fade but become more precious with age.

So well may we compare it with friendships that become dearer and more precious as time passes. We oftentimes neglect to let our friends know just how much we think of them—but as Christmas time draws near our heart and minds are brought to the realization of their true worth.

We appreciate your friendship and wish for one and all the joys of Christmas and the New Year.

JOSEPH'S

DRY GOODS — FURNITURE — G-E APPLIANCES
Mr. and Mrs. D. Joseph, Billy Jean, Azette, Fred, and Employees.



Blanket

Scouts and Scouters of Blanket, Troop 35, held a banquet on Thursday night, for parents and friends of Scouting. A good program was presented. John Wood, game warden, made a talk on Wild Life Conservation. Scouts of the local troop put on a First Aid Skit.

Court of Honor
Brownwood Scouts held the largest Court of Honor of the year Friday night. Forty-five merit badges were received, and eleven advancements in rank. A hundred Scouts were in attendance, and participated in a drawing, after the Court of Honor. Three prizes were awarded.

Annual Meeting
The Annual Meeting of the Comanche Trail Council will be held at Hotel Brownwood, January 20, starting at 3:30 p. m. The banquet to be held on the Roof Garden of the hotel will begin at 6:00 p. m. All Scouts in the Council are urged to mark this date now, in order to be sure to be present at the meeting.

Cisco
Eagle Scout Jack Lauderdale of Cisco, now attending John Tarleton College, was recently highly commended by his teacher in Business Administration for the high grade he has made in that subject. Former Scout Leonard Latch, a student at Texas Tech, has been named on the "All-American Unsung Heroes" squad, by Paul Mickelson of New York. Coach P. W. Cawthorn says of Latch: "They can't get around Latch, but because he's always down in the mire of a pile of players, he's never noticed. But we couldn't get along without him." Scout Gail Jones recently underwent an appendix operation. At this writing he is recovering satisfactorily.

Mullin
Scouts and their leaders of Troop No. 46 Mullin, are planning an overnight hike and hunting trip to the hill country ten miles north of Mullin. This trip will be made by the Scouts and Scouters during Christmas week.

Boys' Life
Boys' Life magazine makes one of the most worthwhile gifts parents or friends can give a boy for Christmas. Good reading is important.

A Few Scenes from "The Young In Heart"



Above scene from David O. Elzniek's "The Young In Heart," a United Artists picture co-starring Janet Gaynor, Doug Fairbanks, Jr., and Paulette Goddard and featuring Roland Young, Billie Burke, Henry Stevenson and Richard Carlson. "The Young In Heart" will be seen at the Arcadia theatre for two days, starting today.

Parker's son, will be sung by Roger Harris, a graduate student of the North Texas State Teachers College. His home is in Dallas.

Texas Opera Will Be Given by School

DENTON, Texas.—A Texas opera, "Cynthia Parker," will have its premiere at North Texas State Teachers College Feb. 16 and 17. Dr. Wilfred C. Bain, head of the college music department, has announced.

Leonora Corona, former Metropolitan Opera star now with the New York Opera Company, will have the title role, and Miss Ruth Finney, faculty member at Temple Junior College and formerly a professional singer in New York, will sing the role of Prairie Flower.

The opera tells the well-known story of the little white girl who was carried away by the Indians during the period of Texas colonization. The part of Quannah, Cynthia

COOK SUES STATE FOR RELIEF

OAKLAND, Cal.—Allen Washington, 45, cook, has the distinction of being the first citizen who ever brought legal action against the state to force it to provide him with relief. He petitioned the Superior Court for a mandate to compel the state to act in his behalf. He stated that he was without funds to clothe and feed his destitute family of five.

Mussolini bans the use of a "pony" in translating Latin in schools thereby coupling free delivery service with free speed and freedom of the press.

Pay your taxes with a smile as urged by an editorial writer prompts the immediate question, where will they take smiles for taxes?

666 COLDS and Fever
relieves first day
Headaches
due to Colds
Salve, Nose Drops in 30 minutes
Try "Rub-My-Tam"—a Wonderful Liniment



THE ANGELS SANG OF PEACE

Throughout the year just past we have heard so much of war and rumors of war that we can appreciate more fully the message the angels brought on that first Christmas so long ago of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

May we re-echo this message and wish for you and yours, peace and good will throughout Christmas and the New Year.

SOUTHERN ICE COMPANY


K. E. Ambrose, Manager
ROY DAWN
MARVIN WITT
R. D. DAWN
PETE, the Mascot . . . OSCAR, Pete's Dog
RANGER
JODY STEVENS
A. E. STEVENS
JACK AMBROSE
BILL PERETTI
Mingus
T. H. BROOKMAN
Strawn

Pole and Hook Aid Burglar Get Plunder

MONTREAL.—One burglar here has added a pole and hook to the tools of his trade.

The last three times one couple have had company for supper at their home, the guests' handbags disappeared from a bedroom adjoining the dining room. The windows of the house are about 1 1/2 stories above ground, there was no evidence that anyone had entered the room, and the manner in which the thefts were carried out caused a mystery.

The mystery was cleared when the hook from the burglar's pole was found on the floor of the bedroom.


MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
HAPPY NEW YEAR
To My Friends and Patrons!
C. & B. Filling Station
David (Dad) Blanchard
Caddo Road, Ranger

YELLS "FIRE," ROBS HOTEL


PAINESVILLE, O.—An intentional false alarm was given by a man who rushed into the Cowles hotel yelling "Fire!" and caused hotel employe Mrs. Lee Shepard to make a hasty exit. The man made the same kind of exit—only in the opposite direction, with the contents of the cash register.


A MERRY XMAS
On This the Most Joyous Holiday of the Whole Year!
OIL FIELD IGNITION CO.
Mr. and Mrs. Eric Grigolet

A SINCERE WISH
For your continued happiness and prosperity throughout the New Year and a desire to serve you is all that we ask in 1939 . . . May you continue to make use of our fine service.
MRS. HIGDON'S CAFE


MERRY XMAS TO YOU
... is the sincere wish of this entire organization.
TRADERS GROCERY
And Employees

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND WE MEAN IT!
Our wish for you this Xmas is that the choicest blessings of life and good things may be yours this day and continue all the balance of the New Year. We deeply appreciate the consideration shown our business during this year.
Floyd Killingsworth, John Tibbels, Verna Castleberry, Jim Morris, Waitzel Phillips, Charles Bott, D. O. Moffett.
KILLINGSWORTH
Funeral Directors
Radios and Furniture

Christmas Greetings To Our Friends . . .

It is with extreme joy that we say to our hundreds of friends everywhere Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
We hope that all is well with you.
MR. and MRS. JOE HARNESS
Ranger, Texas

Hollywood Plans Sports Arena For All Events

By United Press
 HOLLYWOOD, Calif.—It may be only another "super" idea but a group of 100 gilt-edged film and business leaders announced plans today for a \$1,500,000 indoor "dream arena" with "elastic" walls and big enough for football games.

The announcement was made by Walt Disney, who, with Bing Crosby, heads the group which

hopes to make Hollywood the capital of sports. He said the building, to be known as Hollywood Gardens, the "Madison Square Gardens of the West," had been privately financed and that construction would begin in three months, with the grand opening set for next September.

The Gardens will contain an auditorium with top seating capacity of 41,000 on a recreational center for skating, dancing, miniature golf, ping pong, tennis, badminton and other light sports.

The main arena will contain permanent facilities for 25,000 spectators and in it indoor track and baseball, wrestling, ice-hockey, polo and jai-alai will be conducted as regular features.

It will be so designed that secondary walls can be closed in to provide any size amphitheatre desired so that during a small show spectators will not be forced to sit in a hall only one-fourth or less filled. The resultant mental lift to a promoter who has fathered a "flop" should be tremendous.

In cases of large events, the walls could be moved back until the capacity of 41,000 seats has been reached. The sponsors said the arena would be opened with a championship boxing match already promised by Mike Jacobs, New York promoter.

Within two years, it was said, the annual American Bowling Congress will be brought west because the arena will contain 42 alleys, the largest number west of

Meow In a Motor Startles Two Women

By United Press
 EL PASO, Texas.—When their motor purred, that was all right, but when it meowed vociferously and caterwauled, two El Paso women decided it was time to investigate.

Police who answered the call found a cat under the hood, stuck between engine and floorboard where it had crawled.

Except for a coating of grease and perhaps being hotter than it liked, the feline was none the worse for its ride after officers extracted it from the car.

Chicago.
 The Gardens will be built on a 35-acre tract in southwest Hollywood, near Gilmore stadium. Crosby's brother, Everett, will serve as executive secretary of the organization. On the board of directors will be Charles S. Howard, owner of the racehorse, Seabiscuit, and William Lebaron, film director.

The Gardens will offer their major operations during the winter to attract crowds attending the Santa Anita racing plant, the Rose Bowl football game, and the numerous winter golf tournaments in this area.

Will Become Christmas Bride



Miss Charlyne Harrison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Harrison, of Eastland, 515 South Green street, is the bride-elect of Paul Benbrook of Austin, her parents announced today. The couple will be married in the home of her parents Sunday, Dec. 25, and will make their home in Austin.

teorite or of Professor Attwater's exhibit, Dr. Bullard has begun a search for information of both. Thinking probably the words "Garner" and "Uvalde County" were a clue that pointed to relatives of Vice President John Nance Garner, as owners, Dr. Bullard hopefully communicated with the vice president only to be told by Mr. Garner that he had never heard of the meteorite.

"This meteorite must be a very interesting specimen," Dr. Bullard said. "In fact, it must be one of the larger ones in the State. It may be in someone's back yard without their knowing what it is."

Just the other day a new one was brought to my attention. It had been in a field for years, and the farmer who owned the land happened to read a description of a meteorite and wrote us about it. "I have no idea of the shape of the meteorite mentioned in this clipping, but most meteorites are composed of iron and are dark brown or black on the outside. This one should not remain unrecorded in a catalogue of the State's meteorites for it must be an outstanding stone."

Try Our Want Ads!



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We take this Means to say . . .

We wish it were possible to see each of you personally and extend our greetings for the holiday season, but that cannot be done, so we take this means of thanking you for your loyalty during the year just closing and to wish for you and yours a joyous Yuletide and material gains during the approaching NEW YEAR.

VANCE BLAUSER

Distributor
 MRS. BAIRD'S BREAD
 Ranger



We wish to pause in our Happy Christmas celebration and thank you for your kind patronage during the year and to say that we are looking forward to a continuation of friendship and association with you and yours.

May this season be a happy one and may you receive a great deal of the good things the New Year has to offer.

Its not too late to make her happy . . . give a New Plymouth the day after.

CLARKE MOTOR CO.

W. H. CLARK, Prop.

Boxing Gloves and Bicycles Are Latest In Bullfight Ring

By United Press
 JUAREZ, Chih., Mex.—Use of boxing gloves and bicycles is the latest things in bull fighting here. The innovations were events in a program staged by the Juarez police department for funds to buy new uniforms.

Charlot, known to Mexican bullfight fans as the Mexican Charlie Chaplain, donned boxing gloves and tangled in what was billed as "The Battle of the Century" with a bull which had boxing gloves fastened to its horns.

With his Chaplinesque moustache, baggy clothes and floppy shoes, Charlot has comedied and burlesqued with bulls in the ring for many years. He has appeared in motion pictures in Hollywood.

For the first time in the history

of the bullring, banderillas were placed from bicycles. Banderillas are the highly colored, barbed shafts jabbed into the bull's shoulders early in the fight.

Also presented was an orthodox fight starring for the first time Margarita Miramontes, Juarez woman bullfighter.

Hitler is no longer guided by the stars. He now is giving his astrologist orders to be relayed to the stars.



We Join Santa Claus In Saying . . .

May this Christmas be the merriest you have ever had . . . and, the New Year filled with new experiences and many opportunities for success. That our customers will accept our thanks for their loyalty during the year and that we may be able to again serve in 1939.

BURTON LINGO CO.

R. S. BALCH, Mgr.

WHEN SANTA CLAUS CAME DOWN YOUR CHIMNEY . . .

He brought our Christmas Message to you and we sincerely hope that it will find your entire household bright and cheery and that you'll face the NEW YEAR with an eager anticipation for the health and happiness which we hope will be yours in 1939.

WEST TEXAS HOSPITAL



GREETINGS



OUR KINDEST THOUGHTS and BEST WISHES FOR YOU AT CHRISTMAS TIME

It is with a warm glow in our hearts as we think of our friends at Christmas time and what they have meant to us during the years.

We feel that we have no regrets when we look back to our business associations with you during this time.

Our one big wish today is that "Old Saint Nick" will bring you a huge portion of all the good things that you so richly deserve.

AGAIN LET US SAY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

Hassen Co., Inc.

THE SHOPPING CENTER OF RANGER

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



As the candles burn in our window, shedding soft glow, so our hearts are warmed to the spirit of Christmas and we wish for all contentment and good cheer throughout the Yuletide and the New Year.

Milton George Service Station

New Highway Opposite Main Street Crossing

MERRY CHRISTMAS

- We have prospered by having the loyal patronage of interested customers during 1938.
- We have enjoyed our work of serving you and your family and take this means of saying how much we have appreciated your favors of the past and wish you the Happiest New Year possible.
- We look forward to another year of pleasant business relations with you.

BROWN'S TRANSFER & STORAGE CO.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

May your Christmas be one of joy and cheer, and your New Year full of the good things that will make you happy.

WITT GROCERY

316 Hunt Street.

ON THIS CHRISTMAS MORNING

WE SAY

We OFFER Our BEST

The Three Kings of the Orient came bearing their gold, frankincense and myrrh, these represented their most precious possessions. The best they had was none too good for their new king, who had just been born in the manger at Bethlehem. No distance was too great to travel to pay homage to the Christ child . . . their king. We feel that our customers are worthy of our best wishes and we would not lose this opportunity to wish for all a MERRY CHRISTMAS and GLORIOUS and HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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As Always, Christmas Will Survive Adversity

By Bruce Catton

The outlook for peace on earth and for good will toward men is probably darker this Christmas than on any Christmas since the end of the World War. No one needs to be reminded that the world is moving rapidly in the direction of a new war, that bitter fighting rages in Spain and China, and that the very opposite of good will is enshrined as a fundamental principle by some of the world's greatest nations.

Yet this is not at all the same as to say that we need to despair. The world may be sadly out of tune with Christmas; yet those who believe in the Christmas message, and look ahead to the day when it shall exert a stronger influence in the hearts of men than it now exerts, have all the more reason for taking a new hope and a new courage.

For it is of the essence of the great Christmas story that it will survive any adversity. This poor earth has faced dark days aplenty, since that miracle of the star over Judea, and has lived through periods in which it seemed as if the last hope for a reign of peace and good will had vanished utterly; yet the Christmas story lives on, forever rekindling in men's hearts the flame that shall some day give us light to build on this earth the city of God.

And it is by our faith in the certain arrival of that day—by our faith, in other words, that there are values above and beyond those of the distracted, troubled present, values which no war lord can kill and no pogrom or blood-purge can tarnish—that we must get on with the business of living.

For we don't live by bread alone, and the rough road through life must be lighted by a belief in things which transcend the trials and defeats of every-day existence. We have to believe that the verdicts of the material world are not final, that man lives for a destiny that is beyond and above anything which happens to him on earth, that somewhere and somehow there is a force greater than we are which works silently and eternally to help us attain our ideals.

It is easy to lose that belief—temporarily, at least. The demands which life makes on us dont often leave much time for cultivation of the things of the spirit. Unless we can occasionally get in touch with some outside source of strength and confidence, we are all too likely to suffer the deep discouragement that comes when faith is at an ebb.

Christmas gives us that faith, and renews it perennially. The spirit which infuses every family circle, when the Christmas tree is alight and the sound of the old carols ring in the crisp air outside, is something that cannot die. In the darkest hours, it shines like a beacon light along the hard road the race must travel; by the vision it gives us and by the faith it inspires we can go ahead with courage and good hearts.

GOOD SAINT NICK


HORIZONTAL (Answer to Previous Puzzle)

1 Legendary Christmas character.
9 Diamonds.
13 Injury.
14 One that wears something.
16 Wrinkle.
17 Beam.
19 Fills.
20 Works as a scab.
21 Sandpiper.
23 Giantess of fate.
25 Being.
26 He comes down the — on Xmas Eve.
28 Stream.
29 Neuter pronoun.
30 Taro paste.
31 Snaky fish.
33 Credit.
34 Indian mahogany trees.
36 Killed.

VERTICAL

17 Portuguese coin.
18 Japanese currency unit.
20 — pull his sleigh of toys.
21 Lean.
22 To turn over.
24 He lives at the — Pole.
26 Imperturbable.
27 12 months.
30 Puddle.
32 Falsehood.
34 Law.
35 Spirit.
36 Mire.
37 North America.
39 Dog who catches rats.
41 Donkey's cry.
44 Shearer.
45 Calyx leaf.
47 Flat round plate.
48 Ancient magistrate.
50 Aeriform fuel.
53 Rhode Island.
54 Tone B.
55 No good.

12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55




Sh!

Wooden Leg Prized By City Policemen

By United Press
FORT WORTH, Tex.—Policemen became so sentimental over a wooden leg which had been stored at the police station, that they refused to part with it after it had been offered at auction. "We'll just keep it," one officer said when a buyer for the wooden leg appeared, "Maybe somebody will need it some day." A pair of crutches owned by the police are almost constantly in use by indigent persons who cannot afford to buy their own.



A Yuletide Wish MERRY CHRISTMAS

We have received much pleasure during the past year in serving you and we would like to show our gratitude by wishing for you mirth, happiness and all the good things Christmas brings as well as a Happy and prosperous New Year!

GHOLSON BEAUTY SHOP

MRS. GRACE TAYLOR, Prop. GHOLSON HOTEL



As You Gather Around the Fireside at Christmas Time

As the Yule log burns brightly, the candles gleam from the window, and the tree loaded with gifts for the family stands ready in the corner we would like for you to know that we are thinking of you and yours at this glorious season of the year. We take this opportunity to wish for you all a cheery Christmas and Happy New Year. We appreciate your patronage during the past year and solicit your continued support.

A. H. POWELL GRO. & MKT.

Telephone 103 Home-Killed Meats
Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Powell

THE THREE WISE MEN . . .



"SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT"

MAY we recall with you these events of the first Christmas so long ago. The night is dark and peaceful, shepherds are carefully watching their flocks on a hillside, when suddenly a bright light is about them and many voices are singing "Alleluia, Hail the King, Christ is Born."

And what a night that was nearly 2000 years ago. Let's pause for one brief minute of time and see if we can get the significance of this occasion.

A guiding star is seen and the wise men of the East knowing that their king is born follow it to the babe in the manger and take their gifts and worship their Savior . . . for Christ was born.

On this, another birthday of the Christ, we pause from business and worldly cares and in all sincerity greet you and yours in the spirit of the Yuletide season. A most joyous Christmas and prosperous New Year to our friends and customers everywhere.

TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY

A. N. LARSON, Manager

It's an Old Custom... this CHRISTMAS GREETING

EVERY year we've watched an infinite number of people come and go in their daily walks of life. Some of them drove fine cars, some walked in broken shoes; some were merry, laughing, gay, some were serious, quietly happy. They all had two things in common, though, in spite of their surface differences.

EVERY one of these persons was imbued with the spirit that is Christmas, a mellow happiness and feeling of friendliness that makes Christmas the most enjoyable time of year. The second feeling that all these people shared was that some one was ready to serve them! We are quite proud that our nation is so versatile, not envying those who can afford the best and at the same time having a kind word and feeling for those with whom strict economy is a necessity!

May all—rich or poor—regardless of race or creed, be happy and healthful!

EASTLAND IRON & METAL CO.
MR. and MRS. HENRY PULLMAN
EASTLAND



ALFRED URGES NEGRO COLLEGE FOR THE STATE

By United Press
AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 24.—Col.



GREETINGS

To You and Yours on this joyous holiday occasion!

Oil Field Transportation Company



BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Page
AND FAMILY
Home 240 - 109 N. Hodges St.

OUR PATRONS ARE WORTHY...

... of the very best of service and throughout the year we try to please. At this time, however, we do not wish to be commercial, but pause from business and wish for our friends everywhere...

A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Ample Supply of Prestone!

TEXAS SERVICE STATION

Frank Penn — Onis Mills



May the Season Be a Joyous One For You...

Christmas is here, and the New Year is just around the corner, and we wish that they will be for you one round of joy and festivity. May you enjoy in 1939 all the happiness the world affords. We have appreciated the pleasure of serving you in a worthwhile manner in 1938 and hope to be able to serve you in 1939.

Our beauty salon is equipped with only the very latest appliances in beauty treatment, and our operators are skilled and know their business.

Again We Say:
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

IZETTA'S BEAUTY SHOP

Izetta Smith, Prop. Opposite Young School

What Did He Do His First Day?



Meet St. Louis Estes VII, who took a sunbath at the age of 2 days. His mother, shown with him, was up and around two hours after the birth. The Estes family of California eat only raw foods, climb trees for exercise. The father of 12 children is 72.

lege training for negroes, brought to attention by a recent U. S. Supreme Court decision that the University of Missouri must admit negroes to its graduate school, was proposed for Texas by Gov. James V. Alfred today in the fourth installment of his farewell message to the Legislature.

Alfred advocated either a Texas graduate college for negroes seeking professional training or an appropriation to send them to such schools outside the state. He considered the latter plan to be preferred.

The governor also proposed that the Legislature limit the amount spent for new free textbooks in Texas public schools. The cost for books in the 1939-40 school year will total \$2,487,235, Alfred was informed.

"We have heard a lot about economy," he commented. "Here's a chance to save over a million

dollars a year by placing a limit on the amount the state board of education can spend for school books. We have slightly more than a million and a half school children. It occurs to me that 75 cents or 81 per scholastic should be sufficient."

Excerpts from his recommendations on higher education for negroes follow:

"The Constitution of Texas requires that separate schools shall be provided for white and colored children, but it requires equally emphatically that 'impartial provision shall be made for both'. Impartial provision has not been made in many instances. . . . The state offers no facilities whatever for training negroes in the professions or skilled trades. . . .

"The Texas Inter-racial commission has sponsored a proposal to extend state aid to Texas negroes who desire to enter professions or take post-graduate work in recognized educational institutions outside the state. Similar provisions already have been made in a number of Southern states. The justice and merit of such a bill has been endorsed by a number of our leading newspapers.

"Under the constitution and in a spirit of fair play, Texas owes its neglected negroes the duty of either establishing these facilities in a state institution here at home or by the passage of a reasonable state aid bill to help deserving negro girls and boys. The latter proposal is much more economical and probably would prove more satisfactory.

"I therefore urge the Legislature to pass a bill . . . for this worthy purpose."

European dispatches describe Neville Chamberlain as playing key role in Nazi moves against city of Memel. Probably he'll hand over the city keys to Herr Hitler.



MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU

On this Xmas morning we wish to express our greetings to the season to all Ranger and vicinity and hope the day will be all that you have been wishing for and that Santa will leave the very best for every member of the family.

Your business has been appreciated over the year, and we hope to serve you during the New Year, so near.

Roy McCleskey Service Station

24-HOUR SERVICE
New Strawn Highway
Phone 567 Ranger

Civil Air Corps Is Put Up to the U.S.

LINCOLN, Neb.—A plan for training thousands of civilian pilots principally at government expense has been submitted to the Federal civil aeronautics authority and the Nebraska congressional delegation by I. V. Packard, secretary of the state aeronautics commission.

Packard said his plan was endorsed several years ago by the national aviation committee of the American Legion, and he hopes it will be supported by various aeronautics associations and pilots' organizations.

government purchase 2,000 light training planes for assignment to commercial pilots. Classes would be organized for flight instruction, each student being required to pass a military physical examination and pay the instructor's fee for dual training and a supervision fee for solo flying. The airplane and fuel would be furnished by the government under Packard's plan.

Packard believes the proposal would have these results:

1. It would enable airplane manufacturers to organize their factories for mass production.
2. More than 100,000 civilian fliers would be trained each year.
3. A huge market would be developed for aircraft sales.
4. Prices of aircraft would be reduced.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR

The same old phrase so often used, which has such a sincere and appealing ring. The simplest and most direct way to convey our best wishes to you at Christmas time is to sincerely repeat—

MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR

WOODS GROCERY & MKT.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Woods



Greetings

AND BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR

May Christmas bring you lots of joy . . . and may each day of the New Year, 1939, add to these.

Our sincere appreciation for the patronage given us in the past.

THE EUREKA TOOL CO.

E. F. Arterburn, Local Manager.

MERRY CHRISTMAS We Extend Our Greetings

Your loyalty and patronage has meant much to us in the past. We want to thank you and wish for you a New Year filled with all the joys and happiness the world affords. We want you to know that it has been a pleasure to have served you during the years past and we sincerely hope that you will continue calling on us in 1939.

PHONE 134
RANGER STEAM LAUNDRY
Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Pace and Employees.



FROM
MONTGOMERY WARD & CO.

Good
Cheer

TO OUR FRIENDS,
EVERYWHERE,
In This World Of Ours.

OUR CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO YOU

To you and yours at this Christmas season we would extend our sincerest wish for happiness—happiness that lasts not merely through the holiday season but that continues throughout the entire year of 1939. We would like at this time to express our thanks for every courtesy you have shown during the year just past.

Wards Annual Cotton DRESS SALE

The Best 59c Values Wards Have Ever Offered! All Double Tested!

1. Tested for Tackling and Wear by Wards Bureau of Standards!
2. Advance Styles selected by Wards Bureau of Fashion!

48c

5 DAYS ONLY!

Be here early! See the unusual styles—the fine workmanship! Choose your favorites! It's the biggest Sale of its kind we've ever staged!

- Every Print is an advanced Spring design!
- Every Style is correct to the last detail!
- Sizes for all: 12 to 20; 38 to 44; 46 to 52.

Brand New 98c Dresses

These identical prints will cost more later. Caliente Slub Poplins! Graceful Prints. Sizes 12-20; 38-52. **84c**

Stunning 1.69 Housecoats

Styling found only in luxury costs. New cotton prints! Slide-fastened, buttoned or wrap styles. 14-44. **94c**

MONTGOMERY WARD

Phone 447 407-09 Main St. Ranger, Texas

Indian's Creed Is Held As Superior

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Crime could be materially reduced and social, religious and economic standards of the nation greatly improved if the white man would adopt and follow some of the creeds of the American Indian, according to Ernest Thompson Seton, president of the Seton Institute at Santa Fe, N. M.

The institute, which is devoted to preservation of the free and culture of American Indians, has been under direction of the 75-year-old author, painter and lecturer since it was founded.

Seton believes the Indian never has been rightfully presented to the public. He says that the red man is not a bloodthirsty savage, as motion pictures and books would have the public believe.

"In arts and culture, the red man has far exceeded the white man," Seton said. "He has a religious tolerance and it would be well for the rest of the world to adopt it. He had a rhythm in his songs and dances, the white man has never been able to equal.

"Until the white man invaded these shores, the redskin did not know dishonesty. His morals were higher than those that are today after the white man's vices and creeds were introduced.

"They had a creed that they followed. The culture of the Indian was based on spiritual things. Their songs and dances are part of their religion and they sing songs their spirit whispers. The white man's culture is fundamentally material. The Indian respects religions of others and measures success in what he has done for his fellow men, services rendered. Unless we change our methods of measuring success we are headed for destruction.

"The Indian maid has it all over the American woman in dress, when she sticks to the Indian costume. She may appear a freak in the white woman's clothes, but in her native costume she is perfect.

"As a race, the Indian is the best dancer in the world. In basket weaving or similar arts and crafts they are perfect, surpassing the work of the white man.

"The average person, if he were to see a real Indian dance, would not be surprised at the real thing. The Indians are never presented on the stage because the public expects only a war dance."

Seton has written more than 40 books on outdoor life and wild animals. On the 2,500 acres surrounding his home, he has all kinds of wild life. He has hunted every kind of animal, but says he admires the wolf more than any other.

"The wolf is courageous, cunning and the co-operation it displays with other members of the pack is unequalled," Seton said.

Burns in Court



Comedian George Burns at counsel table in New York after pleading guilty to nine charges involving smuggled jewelry.

Traffic Laws Need To Be Simplified

FORT WORTH, Texas.—Judge King Williamson of Dallas, who presides over the corporation court, said that Texas traffic laws need to be simplified, then enforced rigidly.

The public, Williamson told the Citizens Traffic Commission here, needs to be educated on traffic laws, and then punished for all violations.

"If the law says 60 miles an hour on the highways and 30 miles an hour in municipalities, all right. But if the driver goes one mile over that, throw him in jail," the judge advised.

Drivers should be taught to believe that traffic law-breaking is anti-social, against the best interests of themselves and others, Williamson declared.

Drunken driving, he said, should be a felony instead of a misdemeanor.

Nichi Nichi, newspaper mouthpiece of the Japanese government, is burned up because the United States is strengthening Pan-American ties while, says Nichi Nichi, it intervenes in Japan's efforts to carve its own Nichi in the Orient.

English Rugby Player 'Loses Head'



The ball looks as though it has taken the place of J. K. Andean's head in this strange action shot as the London Scottish player tackles a Richmond man in an English Rugby match in Surrey.

Two Men Discover They Are Brothers

HALE CENTER, Texas.—It was somewhat of a surprise to Lewis Highsmith, 24, and Alvin Highsmith, 21, when they met each other recently at Olton. Each had supposed he was an only child but they learned they were brothers.

They were separated when they were babies. Their mother took Lewis to New Mexico, while Alvin

was adopted by a cousin in Hale Center. They were reunited at the home of an uncle.

Lewis now is a stunt man in the movies in Hollywood. Alvin is a mechanic in a garage here.

A bone specialist announces device that repairs broken bones with but little discomfort. Now if he could only think of a nice comfy way to break them.

Weather item from warm, sunny Spain: Rain, no war.

AROUND THE FIRESIDE

As the Yuletide season again rolls around may you realize the joy and pride of the family . . . and may Santa be good to you and yours . . .

ELECTRIC SHOE SHOP

T. T. NOTGRASS

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May Santa Claus bring to all our friends and customers the many things they have been wishing for is our wish for them today.

DOC DIAL

PHONE 310 605 WALNUT ST.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS . . .

"We hear the bells of Christmas Day Their old familiar carols play"

What would Christmas be like without the singing of carols? They tell us the story of the Christ child and the first Noel. They tell of the message the Savior was sent to bring us. They tell of joy, peace and happiness in this world of ours.

MAY THE PEACE AND BENEDICTION OF CHRISTMAS BE YOURS AT THIS SEASON

Western Auto Associate Stores
Ranger, Texas

CORDIAL HOLIDAY GREETINGS on this happy occasion!

HOUGHTON REPAIR
J. B. Houghton, Prop.

CITY FISH MARKET

Wishes You A MERRY CHRISTMAS And A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Only fish market in Eastland County! Fresh sea foods received daily by express!

Mrs. N. J. Novakovich

GOODYEAR TIRE STORE

Lee Russell - Albert Miller
GOODYEAR TIRES
From Christmas to Christmas

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Yuletide Season

The Yuletide season with its friendliness and unselfish motives brings us closer together in spirit than any other season of the year. In all sincerity we wish for you the peace and the joy of Christmas and a bountiful New Year.

T. L. DUPREE SERVICE STA.

SINCLAIR PRODUCTS
New Highway Opposite Main Street Crossing

GREETINGS

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and thanks for the many courtesies shown me as your Insurance Representative!

MRS. CLARA BELL

MERRY CHRISTMAS —and— HAPPY NEW YEAR

After the show pay us a visit. Sandwiches, cold drinks, smokes and fireworks.

ARCADIA Sandwich Shop
Mrs. Olive Hardin, Prop.

Best Wishes for Christmas 1938 And the New Year 1939

We wish to express gratitude to our friends and patrons for their loyal support during the past year and trust it will be our pleasure to continue serving you.

SCOTT'S STORE
J. W. Blair and Employees.

WE APPRECIATE YOU—

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! May the New Year bring to each of you lots of happiness and cheer!

MORERN COURTS
Mrs. H. E. Snyder and Family

HEARTY GREETINGS

With Best Wishes For Your Happiness

Again it is Christmas, with the opportunity it affords us to express to you our appreciation for past favors and patronage. We appreciate the opportunity of serving you and in all sincerity wish for you a joyous holiday season with peace and happiness throughout the coming year.

TEXAS DRUG STORE
G. D. Nicholson, Manager

CHRISTMAS MERRY

May Christmas brighten the lives of those around you and thus enrich yours, and may the New Year bring opportunities that will afford you pleasure and profit, is the wish of

RANGER AUTO PARTS
J. J. Kelly

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR

Bring your friends here for a few hours of good clean entertainment! Courteous and Efficient Service

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Yeager
Strawn Highway

A WISH SO SIMPLE . . .

. . . Yet so hard to write . . . So we'll just say to our Friends and Customers . . .

Merry Christmas and Joyous New Year

GHOLSON BARBER SHOP

Season's Greetings

WHICH MEANS . . .

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

At this Christmas season we realize again that the greatest satisfaction from life is the service we render to others, whether it be in business or some good deed done in daily contact with those about us. For our business to fulfill the desires and needs of our friends and customers has been our goal. In this we have been sincere.

We take this means of expressing our sincere appreciation for what you have meant to us . . . again we say—

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Ranger Day Cleaning Plant

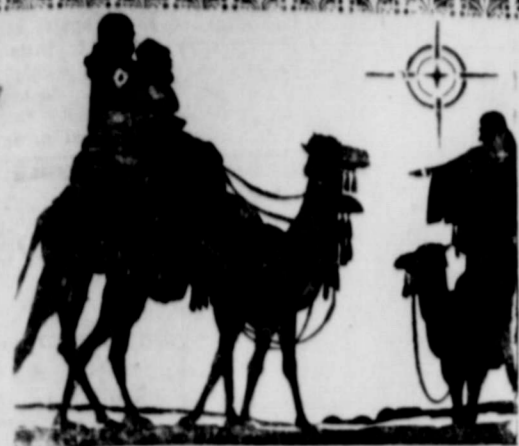
Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Boon and fellow employees

A New Year Resolution dear, is that we are going to buy only bread that is baked in Ranger, by our own home baker. Remember to do this all the time!

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL RANGER

Run down to bakery just any old time and pick up just what you need for that unexpected company.

SCHOOLEY BAKERY
MR and MRS. H. T. SCHOOLEY and SALLY ANN



Christmas CHURCH SERVICES



Come to church this Christmas. The Christ Child, in all His beauty and purity, merits the same simple, faithful adoration today that He received from the Wise Men of old. For His birth, His life, His death and resurrection, we can find new reason each day to be thankful. He, both as the manger babe and the King of Righteousness, has lived on, though His cause has suffered and His message has fallen on the deaf ears of a sinful and perverse world. This fact alone—He lives on, bearing always good will toward men—should be our greatest joy.

*O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by;*

*Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight.*

—Phillips Brooks



The churches of Ranger encourage your attendance with your family and friends, to take part in the joys of this great Christmas occasion, actually putting Christ in Christmas. They ask you to enter with them into the spirit of the Wise Men—that of simple joy and adoration, of thanksgiving and praise, of a new song and hope for life eternal. With persecution the keynote in many parts of the world today, we, the undersigned, feel privileged to urge that you exercise one of the greatest of your American heritages this Christmas day—freedom to worship at the church of your choice.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

And may your New Year be filled with "Joy Unspeakable" is our prayer for you.

GALATIANS 4:45

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
B. T. U. 6:30 P. M.
Evening Worship 7:30 P. M.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Our Motto—"CHRIST FIRST—All Else Secondary."

THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

W. Wallace Layton, Minister.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

It gives us great joy to announce to our friends of Ranger a continued growth in our religious life; and to remind you once again of the invitation that you have to come where there is always Worship . . . Fellowship . . . Service.

We especially invite you to hear the following sermons on Christmas Day:

Morning — "THE NEW BIRTH"
Evening — "CHRIST—CROWDED OUT"

MERRY XMAS TO ALL

Having been asked to give a resume of our year's work at Calvary Baptist church, without appearing to be boasting, as pastor, I'm happy indeed to give out the following facts:

In March of last year our Sunday school attendance was something like 75; so great has been our growth, we now have an attendance of 300, and are expecting 400 in Sunday school Christmas Day. In June we organized our church, as an independent, New Testament, cooperating, old time religion church, and we are climbing toward 300 members already. In March we had 12 in a Sunday night adult prophetic Bible class, preceding, regular preaching service; so keen is the interest now that we have over 200. Our Sunday night attendance has increased this year from about 150 to near 500, having turned people away from our new building twice this month. On Saturday morning we have a children's Bible school. We started with 10 last March and now we have from 50 to 100 each Saturday. This school is for everyone, and each Saturday nearly every church in town is represented. Each Friday night we have a city-wide, everybodys singing at which time we have our building from one-half to three-fourths full.

God has wonderfully blessed our work this year and we give Him all the glory, honor and praise.
J. A. LOVELL, Pastor.

ST. RITA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Extends To All

Sincere Best Wishes For A

JOYOUS AND HAPPY CHRISTMAS

May The Lord's Richest Blessings

Be Bestowed Upon You All.

SCHEDULE OF CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Midnight High Mass Christmas Eve 12 O'Clock
Masses Christmas Morning 8 and 10 O'Clock
Other devotions of the occasion will be announced at Mass.

On this, one of the most joyous occasions of the Christian World, St. Rita's Church cordially invites one and all to join in humble worship of Our Lord. For the convenience of Protestants who may wish to attend any of the Christmas Masses, booklets of the Mass in English will be furnished, that they may follow the priest as he says the Mass in Latin.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Extends its best wishes and hearty Christmas greetings to its many friends in Ranger. May your fondest dreams come true, and may you have a season of Joy and Friends and Good Cheer, and after that, a Glad and Prosperous Year.

L. B. Gray, Pastor

GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES

The First Methodist Church of Ranger greatly desires that every individual of the Ranger community, and beyond, should have a most joyous Christmas, followed by a year of happy, abundant living. It is to this end that this Church has dedicated all of its facilities and best efforts. No content to merely wish this good thing, there is presented during this coming year fifty-two weeks of splendid opportunity for religious education, worship, fellowship, inspiration, and Christian service.

Christ came that we might have life, and that we might have it more abundantly. Then he established the Church, as the continuing channel through which this blessing should flow. The First Methodist church is not attempting to do all of the religious work in Ranger, but it is consecrating its best efforts to meeting all of the religious needs. The doors of this church are wide open to all who are in need of a church home, and what it can supply.

G. ALFRED BROWN, Pastor.

ATTEND SOME CHURCH TODAY

The Church of the Nazarene was organized July, 1936. It has continued to grow from that time until now. We did not own any property when we organized our church, but with the help of our people and friends of the church in and near Ranger, we have a nice little church located on Main and Oak streets. Our Sunday school is progressing and also our mid-week prayer meeting. We have eight classes in our Sunday school, and some of the finest teachers that can be found anywhere. We appreciate our teachers and Sunday School Superintendent.

We have young people's service each Friday night. It consists of Bible reading, Bible questions and answers, Bible study and prayer, it is really interesting. All our services are spiritual and God is wonderfully blessing our efforts as we push forward in the battle for Christ. We thank our friends for their help and cooperation while in Ranger and the editor of the Ranger Times who has been so nice to make our announcements each week. We thank you all. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

YULETIDE GREETINGS

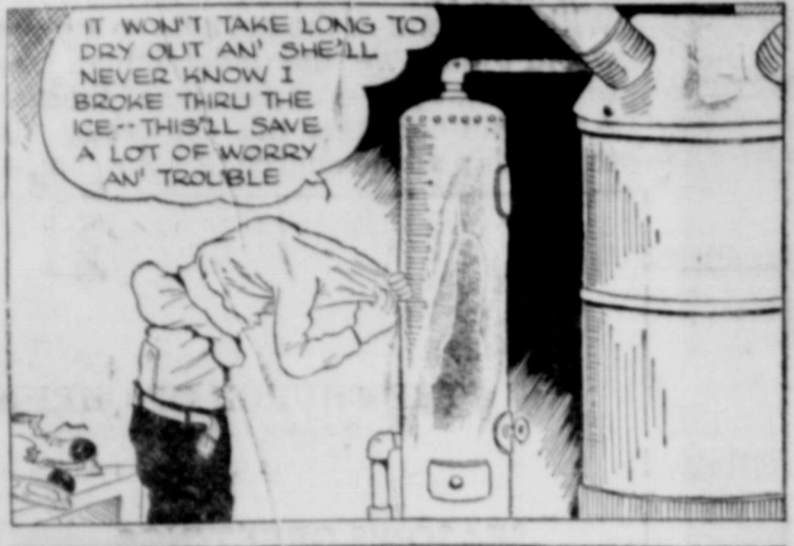
May the Spirit of the "Prince of Peace" dominate all your thinking and conduct this day. May the New Year have many things in store for every one is the wish of the pastor and membership of—

THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

OUT OUR WAY

WITH *The Willets*

REG. U. S. PAT. OFF. BY J.R. WILLIAMS



IT WON'T TAKE LONG TO DRY OUT AN' SHE'LL NEVER KNOW I BROKE THRU THE ICE-- THIS'LL SAVE A LOT OF WORRY AN' TROUBLE



IF SHE FINDS I FELL THRU THE ICE SHE'LL NEVER LET ME GO SKATIN' AGAIN AN' SHE'LL DOPE ME UP WITH ALL KINDS OF COLD MEDICINES



SO I'LL GET MY CLOTHES ALL GOOD AN' DRY BEFORE I GO IN



I'LL HANG 'EM BACK HERE WHERE IT'S GOOD AN' HOT



AND I'D BETTER LAY OUT OF SIGHT IN THIS PACKIN' BOX WITH SOME NEWSPAPERS OVER ME, JUST IN CASE SOMEBODY COMES DOWN



IT'S BROAD DAYLIGHT YET AN' THEY'LL BE DRY SOON AN' I'LL STILL BE IN TIME FER SUPP-- 2-2-2-2-2



AH-LUM-- I GUESS I TOOK A LITTLE NAP, BUT IT'S DAYLIGHT YET-- MY CLOTHES SHOULD BE DRY BY NOW



ALL SET! NOBODY WILL BE ANY THE WISER AND IT'S STILL BROAD DAYLIGHT



NONCHALANCE NOW-- IT PAYS TO AVOID TROUBLE! THERE'S ENOUGH OF THAT WITH-OUT INVITIN' IT



YES, MA'AM, WE FOUND WHERE THE ICE WAS BROKEN THRU SO WE DRAGGED AROUND THERE ALL NIGHT-- BOO-HOO-HOO!



--UNTIL DAYLIGHT THIS MORNING

OH, THANK YOU, OFFICER! BOO-HOO!

THE COMIC ZOO

By Scarbo



HELP! HELP!! IT'S A BURGLAR!!!



WITH MY TRUSTY SLING SHOT I SHALL PUT THIS BURGLAR ON THE RUN!!!

JOHNNY RACCOON, YOU SURELY HAD ME FOOLED FOR A MINUTE!!!



LIFE IS FUNNY THAT WAY

HEY, MA!! THERE'S A GUY WALKING AROUND ON TOP OF OUR HOUSE, AND I'M SURE OF ONE THING-- HE ISN'T SANTA CLAUS!!!

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CHRISTMAS
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY
NEW YEAR

Wishing for each one the very best the season affords. We will appreciate a visit from our friends at any time.

JACOBY
Service Station

Minute Altered a Man's Life Course

By United Press
LOGAN, Ia.—Benjamin Gash,

74-year-old caretaker of the tourist park here, still might be living in England, as a retired officer in the famous Coldstream Guards— if he hadn't been a minute late for duty in the Guards 52 years ago. Despite the years which have intervened since Gash landed in

New York with 3 cents in his pocket, he recalls vividly the incident which caused him to desert from the British army.

He was a 22-year-old trumpeter in the guards when he had the misfortune to be a minute late in reporting for duty. Called before his commanding officer, he was faced with cancellation of his Christmas furlough and a transfer to Burma where war had just broken out.

Gash—who went under the name of Gray in the guards because of the wishes of his grandfather, Albert Gray, then a major in the guards—felt the punishment was unjust. He decided to desert despite pleadings of his father and other relatives.

It took 11 weeks before he was able to slip aboard a liner bound for New York, because of an intensive search for him by the army. Had he been caught, the penalty would have been death.

He still has the 3 pennies which were in his pocket when he arrived in this country. And he has not touched a trumpet since he deserted from the army.

An Indian Cherokee on a rampage drove a WPA crew away from their shovels in Medina County, O. What held them up? The office wag on an off-day rose to remark that Italy seemed to be off-Tunis in its latest international song and dance act.



We feel this is your business as well as ours because we could not get along without your loyal support. We shall put forth every effort to serve you to the best of our ability during 1939. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

BRAD'S CAFE

112 Main Street
Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Bradford

They're Still Cheering Man Who Gave America Christmas Tree



Three generations of the family of August Ingard honor him for introducing the first Christmas tree to America. Mrs. John E. McQuigg, left, Ingard's daughter, Granddaughter Katherine Hubbell, right, and Great-granddaughter Eileen Hubbell, standing by cellophane-wrapped switch to 5000-bulb tree in Cleveland.

CLEVELAND CEREMONIES HONOR HIM

By NEA Service
CLEVELAND, Dec. 24.—A crowd stood on Shaker Square here a few nights ago and cheered the memory of the man who brought the Christmas tree idea to America, according to family records.

The crowd also cheered three descendants of the same man who stood beneath a huge balsam tree and threw a switch to light the

5000 colored bulbs among its branches.

August Ingard, a tailor of Wooster, O., was the man honored. It was in Wooster, just 31 years ago, that his "first" Christmas tree in America was decorated.

Ingard was born in the Bavarian mountains of Germany, 112 years ago. He came to America and moved to Ohio before he was 20.

The first tree was raised in the Ingard home. It stood on a revolving platform and as the tree turned slowly, a hidden music box tinkled a Christmas melody. People came from miles around to see the first tree and the following year there were many trees.

Ornaments were made of paper, festooned in long chains by the younger members of the pioneer community. Kuchen baked according to a recipe sent from Bavaria by Ingard's mother, hung upon the tree and served both as ornaments and tidbits. The cookies were colored with brown sugar and the family spent weeks baking them in quantities for the guests.

Gilded nuts were other ornaments and inside the gilded shells were warm messages of greeting and little poems of love and life on the old frontier.

Daughter Gertrude, now Mrs. John McQuigg, was born long after the first tree, but she remembers the trees that came later. Today, a gray-haired but sprightly grandmother, she tells the story of those first trees.

There was a big dinner in a nearby tavern after the dedication and Grandmother McQuigg sat quietly through it all. Then as she stepped out in the wintry night she whispered, "I can still hear the little music box playing and see those trees we used to have."

Cleveland, O., councilmen told the Abraham Lincoln Brigade they couldn't hold a tag day. "Tag, you're OUT."

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY and
PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR

Is our wish for the people of Ranger, Eastland and Eastland county!
We appreciate the many favors shown us!

MR. and MRS. R. V. (Rip) GALLOWAY
and Family



GREETINGS
And Many THANKS

There is something about the Yule season that lifts our minds from everyday cares to a gay, lighter and friendlier mood. We realize at this time how much our friends have meant to us during the entire year.

We appreciate you and wish for you the very best Christmas you have ever had, and a Prosperous New Year.

CLEMMER DAIRY
J. H. Clemmer and Sons



Merry Christmas
And Happy New Year to You

The spirit of Christmas is in the air. We can feel the bustle and stir, happy faces and the mirth and glee of little children as they talk of Old Saint Nick and look forward to his annual visit. Even the older folks await in eager expectation his coming on Christmas Eve.

We must not, however, forget the real meaning of Christmas. We must remember that we are commemorating the birth of the Christ child and make this a season of unselfish giving and service to others.

May the joy of Christmas be yours and may you have a New Year of Happiness. We appreciate your business and hope we may have the pleasure of continuing to serve you in a more efficient manner in the New Year of 1939.



Lee Dockery, Local Manager

BEST WISHES
... For a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! ... And we do mean you!

WEST'S MODERN GARAGE
PHONE 6
Raymond West New Strawn Hiway

Merry Christmas Happy New Year

A Message To Our Friends At Christmas

To our friends, both old and new, we wish to extend our warmest greetings at this holiday season. We feel that you are more than customers. You are friends who have been kind and considerate, and in return we will strive more than ever to render worthwhile service to you.

MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE CHEERY AND YOUR NEW YEAR A HAPPY ONE!

PEACOCK CLUB
Cisco, Texas Phone 9518



LET US JOIN IN A HAPPY CHRISTMAS MELODY ... A NEW SONG

The Christmas musical instrument is a harp with the heart strings of a happy people.

The melody is an old fashioned one ... joyous cries of little children, strong deep notes of mothers and fathers ... with a calm and peaceful amen by those whose hair is white.

Taken as a whole, it is the thanksgiving song of pure joy, lifting a world higher and blessing all hearts who will attune themselves to the holiday music.

May we express to you and yours our heartfelt thanks for the cooperation you have given us over the years, and look forward to the same happy relations in the future.

Again we say to all ... Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

HIGGINBOTHAM - BARTLETT COMPANY
Calvin Brown, Manager
Ranger, Texas Telephone 140

MERRY CHRISTMAS

—and—
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

May Santa Claus be as good to you as you have been to us all the year.

The holiday season is always one of joy . . . so we join with all Ranger in wishing you much happiness . . .

May the New Year bring forth many improvements for all of us. Care wish.

BLACK & WHITE GROCERY

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Marshbanks, and Salada



May Health, Wealth and Happiness Be Yours . . .

What more could we ask of life than to give you these three essentials. Best wishes for a Christmas of mirth and good cheer. Thanks to our many customers and friends for your business of the past. May we have the pleasure of serving you through a prosperous New Year?

ROBINSON GROCERY

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Robinson and Employees



MERRY CHRISTMAS

• AND •
HAPPY NEW YEAR

A. E. CRAWLEY

Acting Postmaster

Holidays of State Employees to Vary

By United Press
AUSTIN, Texas.—The Christmas-New Year holidays will be split up for state employees this year. Some departments will close Friday before Christmas, resume work on Wednesday, and renew their holidays on the following Friday with a permanent return to work on Jan. 3.



Yuletide Greetings To All Our Friends And Patrons

This season of the year reminds us of the opportunity to express our appreciation to our patrons and give them our very best wishes for the season. It is our resolution to strive harder than ever to merit your patronage in 1939.

Mrs. V. Wright Beauty Shop

315 Pine Phone 34

Others will take the complete holiday week in an unbroken vacation. January 2 will be included in the holiday period because the new year begins on Sunday.

A partial staff will be required in some offices. The secretary of state's office and the governor's office both will have someone on duty at all times to handle the requisitions or extraditions.

Governor James V. Alfred will spend his last Christmas at the governor's mansion. A family gathering has been held there each year he has been in office.

A wedding will take place at the mansion Christmas night. At that time Miss Helen Ince of Wichita Falls, cousin of Mrs. Alfred, will be married to James Blundell of Austin.

Quail Hunters Shoot Cows On Ranches

By United Press

EL PASO, Tex.—El Paso hunters, it seems, don't know the difference between a cow and a quail.

Ranchers have complained to Sheriff Chris Fox that stray bird shot pepper cattle so frequently that it is difficult to keep them rounded up.

Earnest Edsel Tells Committee



Son of a famous father, Earnest B. Edsel emphasizes with face and hand his testimony before congressional investigators in Washington.

Board of Control To Leave Problem Of School to Solons

AUSTIN, Texas.—State Board of Control members will leave the problems of the State School for the Deaf to the legislature to solve.

Two members of a House of Representatives committee joined with Rep. Ross Hardin, representing the Texas Association of the Deaf, in requesting Governor-elect W. Lee O'Daniel to aid them in removing T. M. Scott, present superintendent. Previously, they had asked the Board of Control to do so.

The legislative resolution under which the committee has heard complaints that the institution ignores sign language in its efforts to teach oral or manual communication directed that a report be made by the committee to the legislature. The Board of Control therefore will let the committee make that report. There will be no action by the control board.

Members of the Board of Control attended a first hearing at which complaints about the school

operation were heard. They were absent at a second hearing, but a stenographer took a record of the proceedings. We could almost feel the charm rays clear over here when the two personality boys Edsel and Roosevelt got together.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

And Best Wishes For A HAPPY NEW YEAR

We wish for you and yours the very best Christmas that you have ever had. Let us show you the new Plymouth and Dodge automobiles.

PINK STAFFORD MOTORS

Pink Stafford, Manager



A Wish for Our Friends and Patrons—

May the bells of Christmas and the New Year ring the glad tidings of peace for you and yours. May you and your loved ones derive all the joys of earnestly pursuing the things that ultimately achieve happiness and contentment. . . . BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY HOLIDAY!

Washing . . . Greasing
Kelly Springfield Tires and Tubes
Sinclair Products

LUM LOVE & PRICE CRAWLEY SERVICE STATION

Corner Pine and South Rusk . . . Ranger, Texas



To the thousands of you, with, and for whom, I have labored . . . and learned to love.

May I take this opportunity of expressing to you my profound gratitude, and appreciation, for the kindness you have shown and the fine friendships we have enjoyed.

Believe me when I say, that I truly, and sincerely, wish for you, and yours . . .

A Happy Christmas . . . And Prosperity in the Years to Come!

DR. A. K. WIER

MERRY CHRISTMAS and Best Wishes For a HAPPY NEW YEAR



We are indeed grateful for the nice business given us all year and invite you to drop in at our place just any time for a sandwich, plate lunch, short order, smokes and all kinds of drinks!

Again we say to our friends and customers—
MERRY CHRISTMAS . . . HAPPY NEW YEAR

HIWAY EAT SHOP

A GOOD PLACE TO EAT
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Swoveland, Prop.

To Those You Hold Dear



Because you are our friend we are interested in you and those you hold dearest. We wish for them as well as for you the Merriest Christmas and the Happiest New Year possible.

LLOYD L. BRUCE

"Life Insurance Service"

MERRY CHRISTMAS



PLEASE, MR. SANTA CLAUS . . . Load our friends with bundles of Christmas cheer and prosperity and happiness for the New Year!

May we extend a cordial invitation to our friends, both old and new, to visit us often during the New Year.

SINCLAIR PRODUCTS

PATTERSON & CALVERT SERVICE STATION

Prairie Crossing, T. P. R. R.



Happy CHRISTMAS To all

AND BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

WICHITA FALLS & SOUTHERN R. R.

MAX M. DUTTON, LOCAL AGENT