

# Holiday Death Toll Climbing

## State Getting More Reports On Accidents

The Department of Public Safety at Austin reports this week it had received reports on twice as many accidents last month as it did in November, 1951, although the actual number of mishaps increased only slightly.

The difference, said Statistician N. K. Woerner, resulted from the safety responsibility law.

Woerner figures there were 21,184 automobile accidents in Texas last month, compared to 20,433 in November of 1951. But his department received reports on 16,631 last month, compared to 8,875 a year ago.

"That shows how much more efficient the reporting procedure is under the safety responsibility law," Woerner said.

Woerner's report showed a total of 2,204 Texas traffic deaths thus far this year compared to 2,252 for 1951. But the 1952 total, when all reports are in, probably will go higher than last year's and set a new record, Woerner added.

The death rate per one hundred million vehicle miles has gone down slightly, Woerner noted. It was 7.4 last year and now stands at 6.7.

In addition to killing 2,204 persons, Texas traffic accidents this year have injured 99,711 and have resulted in an economic loss of \$135,837,750.



This is the day after—and Christmas "swapping days" are here again.

The month and the year are about over.

You know, medical men claim that we are taller in the morning than we are in the evening. We've noticed, too, that we are shorter around the end of the month!

We've seen and read hundreds of Christmas ads during the past few days.

But the most impressive of all was "A Letter to Santa from a Grown-Up Child," which appeared in a Christmas Day message in one of the metropolitan newspapers.

This letter—signed simply "A Grown-Up Child"—came anonymously, Christmas to the publisher of the Greenville Morning Herald:

"Dear Santa:

"It has been a long, long time since I have written you. I have now moved from the old home on Happiness Street to a house of loneliness and doubt, which stands at the end of Disillusion Avenue.

"All of the gloriously bright little baubles that I had in years gone by are now either broken or tarnished and tear-stained.

"Please bring me a few more of those precious toys that I once had—the shining bubbles of joy; the tinkling bells of cheer that rang in my voice; the candles of faith that shone in my eyes; the frankincense and myrrh of steadfast hope that strengthened my soul and the lode star of universal love that gleamed in my heart.

"In the years past, I realize I did not appreciate those priceless treasures or care for them as I should have—but now I repent my carelessness and humbly ask you to remember me with another supply this Christmas.

"I will hang my empty heart right by the chimney, Santa, and please, this is what I want:

"Give me a large basket of forgetfulness, with which to cover up all bitterness and useless brooding; a large box for forgiveness and for those who rubbed me with tears; leave me enough of the cement of hope to mend the shattered fragments of joy; tuck in a little song of cheer, and please, Santa, leave quite a lot of plain old-fashioned faith, understanding, selfishness and tolerance that I can share freely with my neighbors."

Conscientious Citizens: "I couldn't serve as a juror, judge. One look at that fellow convinces me he's guilty."

Judge: "Quiet—that's the district attorney!"

Old St. Nick made everybody happy—except the Ranger Police Department. The base unit of the new radio system of the RPD had been scheduled for installation around Dec. 20. But as yet it hasn't arrived, according to Chief W. G.

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Although Eastland County was blessed with a Christmas Day minus tragedy such wasn't so over the rest of the Lone Star domain. Violent death blotted out holiday joy for dozens of families across Texas on Christmas Day.

At least 32 persons died violently.

Most of them—22—were killed in accidents on crowded streets and highways. In the snow-blanketed Panhandle, ice was blamed for a number of collisions.

San Antonio police reported 125 traffic mishaps, one fatal, in the 24-hour period ending at noon Thursday.

On the highway leading east out of Orange into Louisiana, patrolmen said they were so busy they could not report back to their station.

Ed Banks, an Orange ambulance driver, was injured in a three-way traffic collision while rushing to the scene of a fatal accident six miles east of town. Killed in the first mishap was Andrew Douglas Saxon of Texas City. Eight others were injured.

The State Department of Public Safety has predicted 292 persons will die violently in Texas during the Christmas-New Year's holiday period—105 of them in traffic crashes.

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Hallum Rites This Afternoon

Funeral services will be held in Eastland this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock for Hart Day Hallum, longtime Eastland and Eastland County resident, who died at the family residence, North Virginia St., Eastland, Thursday night at 7 p.m.

Rev. Otto Marshall, pastor of Eastland's First Christian Church, will officiate during the funeral rites.

Survivors include three sons, Vernon of Fort Worth, J. A. of Germany, and Adrian Hallum of Eastland; and one daughter, Mrs. Grace Suttle of San Diego, Calif.

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Of the two others, one involved an El Paso Negro, who drowned while trying to retrieve a crippled duck. The duck swam but the hunter didn't.

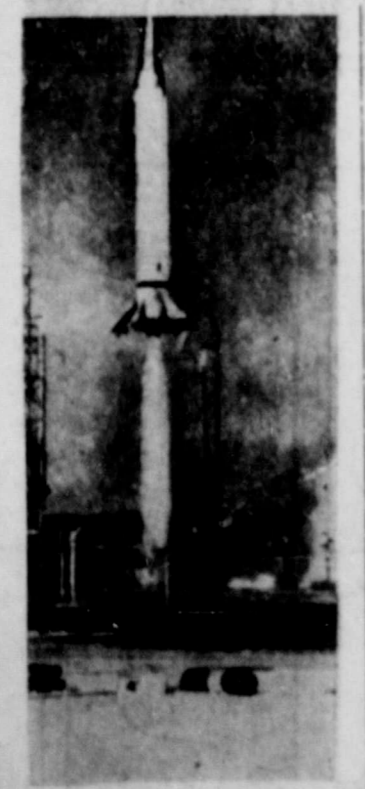
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GOING UP!—The Navy's Viking No. 9, high altitude rocket, starts on a trip aloft that equaled the world's altitude record of 135 miles to be reached by rocket. At the point in its trajectory when its fuel was exhausted, the 7½ ton, 42-foot-long device was traveling at 3000 miles per hour.



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The window, however, was closed.

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34TH YEAR

RANGER, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1952

PRICE FIVE CENTS No. 147

# County Enjoys Peaceful Yule

## New Chevrolet Is 'Exciting Car' Says Anderson

A new Chevrolet that will create "entirely new conceptions of automotive beauty and performance" was promised today by Anderson Chevrolet Co., who made this statement following a meeting with company representatives in Fort Worth (where 1953 plans were revealed to an enthusiastic audience of dealers from this area).

"When we were invited to attend the new model show that would be one of Chevrolet's most important business conferences," Mr. Anderson continued, "this was conclusively borne out by developments. Not only were we shown the most exciting product in my experience as a dealer, but the speakers made clear that the company through its newspaper advertising and promotion would give the model unprecedented backing."

Mr. Anderson said the program should answer any doubts about the future of business.

"A company with the marketing knowledge of Chevrolet does not reinvent the tremendous capital required for a program of this nature unless it is firmly convinced of sound sales possibilities," he pointed out. It is quite apparent from the product that the largest automobile company in the world is anticipating one of its biggest years in 1953.

Although the date for showing the new Chevrolets has not yet been announced, Anderson Chevrolet Co. is already making plans for a display of the car here. They are confident that interest in the new model will draw record-breaking crowds to their showroom.

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Hundreds of county residents were absent from the area during the day, off on junkets to family Christmas gatherings in other sections of the state. However, the influx of visitors to homes in this section was unusually heavy during the day.

Earlier, in-advance predictions and forecasts of the U. S. Weather Bureau and other meteorological experts were carried out so far as the weather was concerned. Eastland County had a dry Christmas. There wasn't a sign of snow. Neither was there rain. In fact, after shivering early morning temperatures Thursday, the mercury soared upward and Eastland County enjoyed a very sunny and balmy Christmas Day. Slight chilling winds subsided in the afternoon and it was fairly warm.

Summed up, Eastland County enjoyed one of the quietest, most tranquil Yuletides in years.

However, the holiday season isn't officially ended until Sunday midnight—that's about 54 hours to go.

And there's time for the unexpected to happen. But Eastland Countians are hoping that a final tabulation at the end of the four-day Christmas period—from Wednesday midnight through Sunday at 12 a.m.—will find the current situation unchanged.

Law enforcement officers today continued their pre-Christmas warnings—especially to motorists.

"Drive carefully," they cautioned. "In urban areas, drive with care watching for children and tiny tots who'll be outside playing. And on highways, continue to exercise vigilance and caution. Watch the other fellow's driving—and your own."

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Draftees Given Service Cut For Korean Combat

Families of Eastland County men serving overseas in Korea with the U. S. armed forces received heartening news over the Yuletide holiday.

Effective Jan. 1, Army draftees released if they have completed at least 20 months of active service, Secretary of the Army Pace announced in Washington.

Normal service for draftees is 24 months. The Army previously had said those with active duty in Korea would be released after 21 months, because of that service. Pace's announcement reduced the period to 20 months.

The new policy also applies to draftees who return to this country before Jan. 1, if they have not left a reception center for reassignment to a new station by that date. Those who have left for a new station before Jan. 1 will remain eligible for release after 21 months of service.

The policy applies only to draftees returning from Korea under combat rotation policies, and does not affect enlisted men of the regular Army or reserves serving voluntarily.

## 7 OR 10-CENT NEWSPAPERS ARE DUE UNLESS COSTS DROP

The seven-cent or 10-cent newspaper will be the paper of the future in Metropolitan areas unless costs stop going up, one of the country's top newspaper authorities said today.

"A price of seven cents or 10 cents will be necessary for newspapers, especially in the larger cities, unless inflation ends," said W. G. Chandler, a director of the American Newspaper Publishers Assn.

Higher newspaper prices and rising labor costs are the two main factors driving up the circulation rates, he said.

American publishers now are getting all the newspaper they want, but they are paying the highest prices in more than 31 years for it.

Successive newspaper price increases of \$10 a ton in July, 1951, and again in June, 1952, hiked the bill for publishers on this one item alone at the rate of \$118,000,000 a year.

The New York port price for newspaper stands at \$126 a ton. In 1942 the price was \$56. Newspaper today costs \$125.50 a ton in Buffalo, Chandler said, while it is \$137 in Denver and \$141 in Albuquerque. Transportation costs account for the differential.

Canada supplies about 80 per cent of our newspaper.

## Linemen Wanted By Government

The Southwestern Power Administration, Tulsa, Okla., has urgent need for electrical linemen to maintain high voltage transmission lines in Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Louisiana, and Texas.

Immediate employment is available at various duty stations at \$1.90 an hour starting pay. Appointments are under U. S. Civil Service regulations.

Persons with linemen experience on lines carrying 35,000 or more volts are urged to write to the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, Southwestern Power Administration, Tulsa, Okla., for full details.

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SMASH PREPARATIONS FOR CUBAN REVOLUTION — Westchester, N. Y., county sheriff John Hoy, right, points to weapons seized in a raid on an unused gas station in Mamaroneck, N.Y., where a huge quantity of munitions, guns and napalm powder were stored. They were said to have been stockpiled for shipment to Cuba, to implement a plot to overthrow the Cuban government of Gen. Fulgencio Batista, in a "Christmas revolution." From left: Alfred Manheim, identified as a New York munitions dealer, who was held for questioning after being apprehended at the site of the cache; Mamaroneck police chief Louis Giancola; Frank Connel (handkerchief to face), an organizer for a Brooklyn local of the AFL Billposter's Union, also held; Assistant District Attorney Norton Edmiston, Jr.; Judge Auletta, deputy sheriff of Westchester County, and Hoy.

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### Between Us...

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Found... Mrs. Clyde Boyd has been added to the newly opened Jones Dry Cleaners, according to announcements of the firm's owners today. Although spending cash is always shorter than short after Christmas due to usual abnormal pre-Yuletide buying, a big crowd is expected to be on hand in Ranger tomorrow for the regular weekly Trades Day event. Us-

ual enticing cash awards will be offered in five much-desired chunks—a top cash offering of \$50, a second \$25 award, a pair of \$10 bills, and \$5 in crisp cash. Time—the usual 3 p.m. ... Ranger, Eastland and Cisco were all most deserted in downtown areas Christmas Day. One of the quietest Yuletides in years. The abundance of company was reflected in the number of automobiles parked around dwellings. Many homes in the three cities had as many as half a dozen vehicles, which meant that countless happy

reunions were being festively enjoyed during the gala holiday... Papa Bear: "Somebody's been drinking my whiskey." Mama Bear: "Somebody's been drinking my gin." Baby Bear: "Hic."

We were very pleased to note that attendance at the recent two-day invitational tournament of Ranger Junior College was up—above normal. We were pleased because basketball definitely needs a big shot in the arm so far as

fan following is concerned. Basketball is a fast and lively game and once you begin to follow a five and get acquainted with the players and their styles of play it gets more and more interesting to watch action out on the hardwoods. Coach Sam Aills' Ranger High Bulldogs are definitely pincel by class this season, and Samuel may win the District 10-AA round-ball title for 1953. The moral of which is that they'll bear watching—and as a spectator you can be assured of thrills aplenty during the R.H.Sers' court activity. If you haven't seen 'em play (and most of you haven't) you can drop around to the Recreation Building in downtown Ranger tomorrow night after supper and get an eye-full when they tangle with sure-nuff toughies—the Mountaineers of Mineral Wells High School. Two games are on the night's card—a fracas between the "A" squads of both rival schools and a clash between the "B" teams. Let's back those basketball' Bulldogs this season!

**NEWS FROM STAFF**  
By Mrs. M. O. Hazard

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne White visited recently at Kopperel, with her brother, G. W. Williamson and family, and with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Massengill at Meridian.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Hazard were business visitors in Eastland Monday.

The J. C. Foreman family from Eastland, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Coop, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Canet and Mr. and Mrs. Adams were among those from here who attended Trades Day in Eastland Saturday.

A fine rain fell here Thursday night, which will be of much aid to small grain and pastures.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Utley were doing Christmas shopping in Eastland Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mitchell and Miss Cora Mitchell from Strawn, were the guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pope.

Alford Fox of Eastland was a business visitor in the community Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fox, Elizabeth and Carol, were visiting in Eastland Saturday.

Rev. Clifford Hampton from Brownwood—preached at the church here Sunday. He and Mrs. Hampton were guests in the home of the O. T. Hazards.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Hallenbeck of Lampasas, recently moved to the home recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Halenbeck.

Foreman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Crosby Monday afternoon.

M. A. Abel and M. O. Hazard were among those from Staff who attended the sale at the Sig Faircloth auction barn Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Hazard from Eastland, were guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Hazard.

A large number from this community attended the funeral service of Cpt. Jimmie Max Crawley, in Ranger Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Coop, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Canet and Mr. and Mrs. Adams were among those from here who attended Trades Day in Eastland Saturday.

A fine rain fell here Thursday night, which will be of much aid to small grain and pastures.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Utley were doing Christmas shopping in Eastland Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mitchell and Miss Cora Mitchell from Strawn, were the guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pope.

Alford Fox of Eastland was a business visitor in the community Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fox, Elizabeth and Carol, were visiting in Eastland Saturday.

Rev. Clifford Hampton from Brownwood—preached at the church here Sunday. He and Mrs. Hampton were guests in the home of the O. T. Hazards.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Hallenbeck of Lampasas, recently moved to the home recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Halenbeck.

ATTEND CHURCH SUNDAY



### TOMBOY BY ED BARCELO

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**THE STORY:** Private Detective George Kendall, retained by the wealthy Albert P. Sutworth to break up his daughter's romance with Max Arno, also known as Chief Big Bear the wrestler, has been unsuccessful with Arno but has made some progress with Sutworth's daughter Marilyn, who seems to like George. Arno refused an anonymous offer of \$10,000 to give up the girl, but Marilyn, believing that George is a writer who will give Arno publicity, takes George to meet Arno. There the big wrestler tells of his club exploits, and when George is ready to leave, George suddenly finds himself whirled in a whirling dervish into some horrible potter.

"Don't worry, Max. I can handle him."

And there was nothing George Kendall could say.

George left Marilyn at her apartment so that she could change clothes. "I'll pick you up in half an hour," he said, "so be ready."

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It is doubtful if George Kendall would have swung at the wrestler Max Arno, but George was full of fury as he rose and faced the man. Marilyn sprang forward and grabbed George's arm, possibly averting further bloodshed. "Max was only playing," she said. "Please don't be angry."

"Very playful, isn't he?" said George.

Max's bulging waist shook with laughter. "Are you all right?" he asked George. Marilyn brushed bits of broken pottery from his clothing.

Arno managed to tone his laughter down to a gurgle and finally to a stop. Still smiling, he said, "I didn't mean to hurt you, Mr. Kendall. Just wanted to show you that it pays to keep in shape. You ought to come down to my gymnasium sometime for a workout. It's for women, but there are times when I'm not holding classes and I can slip you in for a little exercise. You need it."

"When he left the building, he stopped in a corner drugstore and purchased an inexpensive camera and flash attachment. From there, he headed back to the Seneca Springs Hotel.

"Where have you been all day?" Verna Denton asked.

"Breaking Cupid's arrows," he said. "Listen, have you got any rubbing alcohol in your overnight bag?"

"Rubbing alcohol? What's the matter—you need a rubdown?"

"My back is killing me. I had a little tussle with Chief Big Bear, himself."

"Any broken bones?" she asked.

"Not yet," he said, "but the night is young and, baby, you've been wanting to cut loose, so here's your chance. I got a big assignment for you. There's a dance somewhere in town tonight. Find out where it is and meet me there at about 9 o'clock. And look your best."

"Are you expecting royalty?"

"No, but Chief Big Bear is gonna be there and if you can occupy his interest sufficiently, I can get Marilyn alone, and maybe talk her out of this marriage stuff."

"How come I always get such delightful jobs?" she asked. "And anyway, how am I supposed to occupy his interests?"

"Just act natural," he said, "and leave the rest up to me. And send Old Man Sutworth a wire. Tell him things are looking better, but don't make it too rosy."

"Anything else, Master?"

"Yeah," he said. "Cross your fingers, if this plan of mine doesn't work, I'm liable to wind up wearing a wooden overcoat."

When Marilyn Sutworth opened

the door of her apartment, George Kendall had to remind himself to breathe. He was spellbound. She was wearing a strapless, powder-blue evening gown and she had covered her shoulders with a contrasting dark blue nylon stole. Her hair was done up in a horse's tail and was tied with a matching ribbon. Even her glasses looked pretty.

"I can't believe it," he whispered, his knees weak. "All this in 30 minutes."

"Like it?" She was wearing the same mischievous smile that had beguiled him that first day.

"You're a dream," he said. "No-body could look that pretty and be real."

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George helped her on with her jacket and as she went down the walk ahead of him, he felt like a pauper. He'd only brought this one suit with him and it was beginning to show for the worse. He hoped she didn't mind.

In the next two hours, she took him to every scenic, or historic spot in Seneca Springs. He took pictures, jotted notes, but somewhere along the journey he began to feel a tinge of guilt.

It wasn't the breaking-up of the romance with Chief Big Bear that was bothering him; it was the deception. But this was no time to grow faint-hearted, he thought. He must keep remembering the bonus Mr. Sutworth had promised. Then Marilyn's hair would brush against his cheek and she would laugh and crinkle her nose and all the guilt he had felt would return. George was not without his conscience. He didn't want to make this young woman feel as if he were fond of her unless he were actually in love with her. But he seemed to be trying to do this very thing. And it wasn't hard to do at all. Could it be love? He didn't try to answer that.

(To Be Continued)

### FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

By Merrill Blosser

"Hi, Sue! How'd you like the perfume I gave you? I made it in chemistry lab!"

"Do you want the truth, Sylvester?"

"I found out how to make it from a secret formula!"

"It's no secret!"

"Even the mouse family has been living outdoors since the moment I opened your perfume!"

"I'm in a spot! Life has my pay check and I've searched the whole town for him!"

"Whoa, prancer! Whoa, dancer!"

"Here's your paycheck, Freckles! I'm a big wheel in town tonight! Can I give you a lift to the Christmas tree party?"

"Thanks, life! I've got some last minute shopping to do—full size with you as far as Supermans' department store!"

"I have a question I want to ask you, June! Let's take a walk!"

"Sounds okay, I'll get my coat!"

"Well, I'm listening, Freckles!"

"Not yet—this isn't the right place!"

"What was it you...?"

"Just a few more steps!"

"My question is simply this—how was that for a Christmas kiss?"

"I've won my bluff with the flu and 'wore it out' against the doctor's advice. The bed was not for me. I had to have activity, keep moving and doing something. But that was a false sense of victory, induced by the simple fact that Old Man Flu had not thrown his Sunday punch—W. O."

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NEWS FROM CARBON

Mr. and Mrs. Leo McDonald of Abilene, are the parents of a baby boy, born on Thursday, Dec. 18. He weighed eight pounds and 3 ounces, and he has been named Gilbert Lon. Mrs. C. N. McDaniel of Carbon is the paternal grandmother.

Rev. Charles L. Fromer, pastor of Dallas Methodist Church, was in Carbon last Thursday night, where he received his bachelor of divinity degree, from Southern Methodist University at commencement exercises of the Perkins School of Theology.

Lonzo White has bought the home of J. L. McDaniel, and the family moved in last week.

Mrs. W. O. Hamilton left last week for San Antonio, where she will spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Royd Bledsoe and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wyatt left Monday to visit their daughter, Mrs. Mary Matejek and Mr. Matejek who was shot while deer hunting near Kerrville last Sunday.

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Hayden Greer of Abilene, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Greer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown and Fred Brown, visited their mother, Mrs. Gladys Brown of Sweetwater, Sunday.

R. O. Smoot visited in Fort Worth last weekend, and Mrs.

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NEWS FROM OLDEN

The beautifully lighted and gaily decorated Community Christmas tree, was viewed Friday night by some three or four hundred people. Santa Claus arrived on time with a gift for everyone present. The cantata, directed by Mrs. McCotter and Mrs. Hilliard, was one of the most beautiful and most highly appreciated programs of the season.

Grandma Marlow has been confined to her bed for the past two weeks with the flu.

Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Nelson were in Brownwood, Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rhodes of Dallas, were recent guests in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Moore. Little Cathy Moore accompanied them home to visit until Christmas.

Miss Sandra Harrell, assisted by Smoot and the baby returned home with him, after visiting her parents there.

Harry C. Hall and family of El Paso, Abe Hall of Eunice, N. M., and Mr. and Mrs. Athol Claborn and sons of Sandown, are here to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hall.

Ben Price and family of Lingleville, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hare of Comanche and Bruce Blankenship and family of Quitquea, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hare.

Mrs. J. S. Davis, who has been ill at the Gorman hospital, was able to return home Monday.

Garland Vaughn and family of Columbus, Miss., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Vaughn this week.

Supt. and Mrs. H. L. Mullins and children were visiting in Fort Worth, last weekend.

Bryan L. Butler and family and Jack Butler of Abilene, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Butler Sunday.

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Sherlie Matlock entertained a group of youngsters with a Sunday School party last Monday night, in the J. D. Harrell home.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Hilliard and family left Saturday for Kerrville, for a few days visit with Mr. Hilliard's relatives. They will return home for Christmas.

The Junior and Seniors of the FHA class met in the Home Economics room Friday morning, where they gathered to attend a Christmas party under a beautiful Christmas tree. Games were played, gifts were exchanged, and refreshments of punch and cookies were served.

Peggie Matlock from Howard Payne College, Brownwood, is at home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Matlock.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Bryant and children of Kermit spent the weekend here with relatives.

Mrs. Ida Simer and daughters Laura and Winkie, are here to spend the holidays. Everybody happy to see Mrs. Simer at Church Sunday morning.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Ray and children of Kermit, visited his aunt, Mrs. Nettie Fox Sunday. The Rays were enroute to Fort Worth where they are to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Ada Ray.

Oliver Casnet and Bob Tyrone, who are stationed in Nevada, arrived Sunday, to spend the holidays with their parents.

Mrs. June Thompson of Eula, visited in the Dick Yielding home Monday evening.

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**NEWS FROM**  
**Desdemona**

Granny Sparkman who spent several days last week in the German Hospital, is at home again and is reported to be much improved.

Tom Northcutt who has been ill for many months, remains unchanged.

Hearts were made sad Sunday when word reached here that Mrs. Reid, mother of Mrs. Bill Parks, had passed away Saturday night after suffering a stroke a few hours earlier. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church at 3 o'clock Monday, with burial in Alameda cemetery.

Neal Maltby is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Maltby.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Reed have two of their children home for Christmas: Phil and Iris June and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Tate are

spending Christmas week in Hobbs, N.M., with their sons, Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Tate and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Tate and their small sons.

Jim Wimberly of California, arrived Monday to spend the holidays with his mother, Granny Wimberly and his sister, Mrs. J. O. Quinn and family.

Aunt Sally Eaton left Sunday to spend the holidays in Ballinger with her son, Damon Eaton and family.

**Bill Devaluation Went Too Far**

HICKORY, N. C.—R. M. Stallings is convinced that today's money is worth just about half what it used to be.

Several months ago, Stallings acquired a \$1,000 bill. Considering it to be something of a curiosity, he put it carefully away in a tin box.

Later, when he took it out to show friends, he found that some variety of moth or insect had eaten away exactly half of the bill.

**SOCIETY**

**Royal Service Program Directed At WMU Meeting Held Monday**

Members of the First Baptist Church WMU met at the church recently for the Royal Service Program under the direction of Mrs. A. W. Warford. The meeting was opened with the singing of "Oh Come All Ye Faithful," followed by the introduction of the program "Where Jesus Walked."

The devotional "The Never Again Land," was led by Mrs. A. W. Wood and then a special prayer for world peace and progress of Christ's Kingdom in Israel and Lebanon was offered by Mrs. Joe Tullis.

Mrs. George Robinson presented "Seeing Jesus' Childhood Home" and "A Newcomer to An Old City," followed by "Youth Church" and "Land of Adventure," as told by Mrs. W. W. Smith.

"Jesus Walked in Lebanon" was given by Mrs. Roy McCleskey and "He Has No Feet But our Feet" was presented by Mrs. R. F. Webb.

"They Win Their Friends," was told by Mrs. J. B. Houghton Sr. and the program was concluded with "Victories of Some Who Have Chosen A More Excellent Way," and "Bissions and Women" by Mrs. Lee Everheart.

Mrs. Lloyd Clem, president of the WMU presided at the meeting and presented Mrs. Ralph E. Perkins with a gift in behalf of

the five circles. The meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. Warford, Webb, Doc Reuter, L. D. Tankersley, Robinson, Wood, O. L. Robinson, Everheart, Smith, L. L. Bruce, Houghton, Clem, Ross Hodges, C. B. Frael, T. J. Anderson, Tullis, W. W. Mitchell, Perkins and Mrs. Perkins of Olney.

**Royal Neighbors Have Christmas Party Monday**

Fifty-one members and guests of the Royal Neighbors of America, Carnation Camp No. 9059 met at the hall Monday night for the annual Christmas program and birthday dinner. The members presented several short skits accompanied by the piano by Mae Hunt. Several readings were heard just prior to the distribution of gifts which were on display under the brightly lighted tree.

It was announced that Maude Marlow of Abilene will install the new officers on January 12.

**PERSONALS**

Rev. and Mrs. Garland Lavender and daughter, Nancy, spent Monday and Tuesday in Hillsboro where they enjoyed a visit in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lavender.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Mills are in Waco where they are spending the Christmas holidays with their son, Bruce Mills and wife.

Mrs. L. E. Wolfe will spend the holidays in Abilene visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Rogers and family. Other guests will be Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hillis of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Jearl Willis and daughter, Sheryl Lea of Roton and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Spiers and son, Roger, of Abilene.

Mrs. Edwin George and Mr. and Mrs. Morris George and family had as guests in their home for the holidays Roger Bentley and Charles Woods of the Boies Orphan Home at Quinlan, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bonner and two children of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. George Bonner of New London, Texas. Mrs. Jimmy Bonner is Mrs. Edwin George's daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Robinson had as visitors for Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Orvin Robinson and children, Jerry and Janie of Trent, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Robinson and children, Bobby, Wanda, Penny and Andy of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Robinson and children, Jimmy and Linda of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burleson of Abilene and Mrs. Ralph Hagan of Weatherford.

Bill Hodges of Fredricksburg was a Christmas visitor in the home of his mother, Mrs. Ross Hodges.

Guests in the A. W. Warford home Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Warford and daughter, Freda of Breckenridge, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Moseley, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Moseley and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Warford Moseley and son, Kenny, all of Ranger, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Nash of Abilene and son, Doyle of Albuquerque, N.M., Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Park of Tahoka, Texas, Mrs. J. A. Jones of Gorman, Mrs. T. J. Fuller of Ran-



WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

ger, Harold Warford of the University of Texas and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wade of Desdemona.

A. W. Warford and Morris Jeffries have returned to their homes in Ranger following a business trip to Memphis and Nashville, Tennessee, Alabama and Louisiana.

Visitors in the Saule Perlestein home for the holidays are Miss Doris Perlestein and Cal Lipkin, both of Dallas and Miss Rheta Beth Perlestein of Stephens College, Missouri.

Dr. and Mrs. Tom Patterson of Denton and Mr. and Mrs. Mace M. Oyler of Midland have returned to their homes following a Christmas visit in the home of Mrs. May Belle Oyler and Mrs. Maggie Masters.

Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson of Sherman were holiday guests in the home of their daughter, Mrs. W. P. Watkins and Doctor Watkins. Another guest was Doctor Watkins' mother, Mrs. W. T. Watkins of Lott, Texas.

Dr. and Mrs. John E. White and children, were in Sweetwater over the holidays to visit Doctor White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. White.

Sam Aills has returned from Nacogdoches, Texas where he spent Christmas Day visiting his mother, Mrs. Charlie Fay Aills.

Out of town guests in the D. Joseph home are Mrs. Sania Hamady of Chicago, Ill., Muneer Hassen of Oklahoma City, Mrs. Azzate Joseph, al of Sulphur, Okla., and Mrs. Ray Ameen and daughters, Tina Rae and Sheryl of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Lanier had as guests in their home for the holidays, their daughter, Mrs. Walter Fruit and Mr. Fruit of Laredo, Tex., and their son, Pvt. O. G. Lanier, Jr., of Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, Ind. Private Lanier is attending a School of Finance at the base. He formerly was stationed at Fort Riley, Kan.

**HOLIDAY—**

(Continued From Page 1) way toward home through heavy traffic of motorists bound for the homes of friends and relatives for the holiday.

In Chicago, Chief Michael Aherm, head of the police traffic division, estimated there were a record 1,500 crashes between noon Wednesday and noon Christmas Day. He bluntly attributed them to "drunkenness and heavy traffic."

Slippery roads were a traffic hazard in some parts of the Middle West and Plains area, but many of the accidents occurred in dry, clear regions.

The survey covers the period from 6 p. m. Wednesday to midnight Sunday. The National Safety Council predicted the traffic death toll alone will reach 590 during this period.

This prediction supposes a rate of 139 deaths each 24 hours of the 102-hour holiday period. It compares with a breakdown for the first 11 months of this year which showed that 102 persons died in traffic every 24 hours. And this average includes deaths which resulted weeks or months after the accident occurred.

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**Newlyweds Are Honored At Open House Thursday**

Mr. and Mrs. Azzate Joseph were honored at an open house December 25 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Joseph on West Main, Sulphur, Okla., on November 28, and have just returned from a honeymoon in New Orleans, Louisiana and Florida.

Those in the receiving line were the newlyweds, Mr. Ameen Hassen of Sulphur, Mr. and Mrs. D. Joseph and Mrs. Ray Ameen of Houston, Texas.

The refreshment table was laid with a linen, embroidered cut work cloth and centered with an arrangement of poinsettias flanked by a silver coffee service and cake plate. Miss Naja Hassen of Sulphur presided at the coffee service and Miss Jean Hendricks of Olden served the egg nog. The Christmas theme was carried out in the house decorations.

Seventy five guests called between the hours of three and five o'clock.



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The ancient Peruvians wrote on beans. This method was reported by Dr. M. Wells Jakeman, chairman of the archeology department at Brigham Young University here.

In the first extended treatment in the English language on bean-writing, Jakeman reported the writing was in the form of ideograms or pictures.

The writing was done on the siesta bean, cousin to the lima bean. Each character was written on one side of the bean. On the

other side, the place of that bean in the message was indicated. They were carried by messengers in bags.

Screen door hooks, fastened to the ends of an indoor clothesline, make a quick method of putting up and taking down the line. Put screw eyes into opposite walls or supports.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank all of our friends and neighbors for their kindness to us during the passing away of our loved one, Mrs. Ada Harrington. The floral offerings were greatly appreciated and we also wish to thank the staff of the Ranger General Hospital for their kind services.

The Harrington Family.

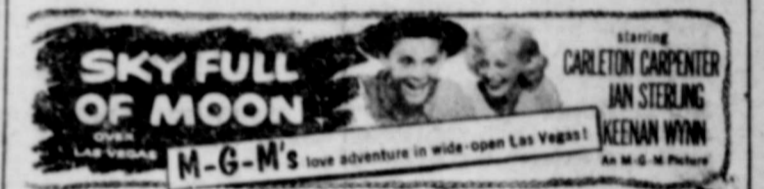
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