

The Ranger Times

Weather Reports
Mostly cloudy and cold Tuesday. Tuesday night and Wed. Strong northerly winds with scattered thundershowers. High temperature Tue. and Wed. 40 degrees. Low Tuesday night 28.

50TH YEAR

RANGER, TEXAS, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1954

PRICE FIVE CENTS

.70 Inches Rain Here

Bitter Cold Front Blankets West Texas

Ranger received .70 inches of rain during Monday night and Tuesday morning from a cold front that provided the setting for this locality's most bitter touch of winter this year.

Combined with the rain, sleet and hail fell intermittently during early Tuesday morning and con-

tinued to fall at the time of this publication.

Upholding Texas weather traditions, all types of weather were found in the state as the cold front moved steadily southward.

Amarillo was the state's coldest spot Monday with 32 degrees while citizens down in Alice baked in 85 degree weather. With all the snow, ice and rain accompanying the cold front as it spread its wintry blasts from San Angelo to Tyler, tornado warnings were posted from Sherman to Texarkana.

The oddities of the weather picture were caused by the collision of cold wave moving in from the north and a warm front surging up from the Gulf of Mexico.

There were no reports of tornadoes in the storm area but traces of hail were reported.

Only slight traces of moisture were reported Monday night in other sections of the state. Wichita Falls reported .16 inches, Amarillo .01 inches with snow still falling and Abilene reported only a small trace of rain.

Cattlemen in West Texas were warned of temperatures as low as 15 degrees and snow up to three inches.

Weather predictions call for cloudy weather here Tuesday and Wednesday and scattered thundershowers with occasional snow and sleet along with freezing temperatures tonight and Wednesday night.

The Pathfinder



Well, here we all are, back on the job again after the Christmas holidays, stuffed with turkey and dressing, fruit salad and pecan pie and thoroughly exhausted after a motor trip to visit some distant kin or cleaning up after a houseful of visitors.

It seems so odd at times that we should spend days and days in the planning and cooking and preparing a Christmas dinner only to have it completely annihilated in a probably an hours time at the very most.

But, we all do it year after year and look forward to the number one celebration period with renewed enthusiasm each time.

Of course, we always promise ourselves before the festive period begins that we will not consume as much of the calorie-filled foods the next time around and yet always wind up with a queasy stomach after two or three days of what we might call "mass consumption."

By the time that the next Christmas has rolled around we have partially forgotten the experiences of the year before and again go through the same pattern that has caused us to wear nearly complete abstinence the coming year.

Seems that two ministers of different faiths were the best of friends although they often disagreed on religious questions. One day they had been arguing, a little more heatedly than usual, on some theological point, when one of them said, "That's all right. We'll just agree to disagree. The thing that counts is that we're both doing the Lord's work, you in your way and I in His."

And we are sure you have heard about the important politician who agreed to address a conference on a subject he knew nothing about. The day before the meeting he sent his secretary to the public library to dig up some pertinent facts and figures. The secretary returned empty-handed, saying, "There isn't a man alive who could get the information you want in less than five years."

At the conference the politician impressed everybody, particularly his secretary, with the detailed statistics that he reeled off. Here, obviously, was an expert! The audience took copious notes and applauded ecstatically.

On the way back to the office, the secretary said, "On the level, boss, how did you get all those statistics?"

"I just used my common sense and some imagination," said the politician. "You said it would take five years to get the real facts, and none of those birds is going to that much trouble just to prove I'm a fake."

A man known as a heavy drinker looked up from his paper and said to his wife, "My dear, every time I breathe, three Chinamen die." His wife, knitting placidly, replied, "I'm not surprised."

"And, in his cups the next evening, he and a companion boarded a Wilshire bus and handed a quarter to the first man in uniform he saw. The man, definitely not amused, thundered, "Don't give me this, I'm an admiral."

"Let's get out of this thing quick," the drinker urged his friend. "I don't know how it happened, but we've gotten on a battleship."

Jerry Rushing Enters Air Force At Lackland AFB

Jerry Rushing, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Rushing, of Ranger has reported-for-duty with the Air Force at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, the Air Force announced today.

Rushing enlisted in the Air Force December 19 and was allowed to remain here on furlough until after the Christmas holiday. He attended Ranger High School and has been employed by his father at the Ranger Steam Laundry.

He will be tested at the Lackland Career Guidance center to choose a job in one of the 48 career fields the Air Force offers.

It Fit Last Year . . .

After Christmas Exchange Not Mandatory, Just Common Practice

The Christmas shopping season was climaxed Friday but to visit one of the local stores, one could hardly realize that the period for the passing of gifts has ceased.

Merchants are now experiencing the "gift exchange" period where clothing that would have fit perfectly this time last year turns out to be just a wee bit too small, or for the more fortunate is now too large, and items, cut several days ago, have lost their appeal.

Most business establishments are as cooperative as possible but the State Bar of Texas warn that before getting into arguments with a reluctant clerk or manager, you had better take a look at the legal situation involved. You may find that persuasion is more in order than demands for adjustment.

Department stores are under no legal obligation (only moral, in some cases) to take back a purchase and refund your money or deliver other goods in exchange just because you changed your mind. Most stores do make refunds and exchanges, but that is because it is their policy—not because they are required to do so.

However, a promise to refund or exchange merchandise made by the store or the salesman should be honored. Similarly, if a store misrepresents the quality of certain goods or if the goods are defective, you are justified in expecting a satisfactory adjustment. But you have no more legal right to expect a store to refund or exchange because you change your mind about a purchase than the store has to ask you to give back the goods that were sold to you because it didn't want to sell them after all.

When one selects, orders, and deposits money on the purchase of an article, the store is under obligation to deliver the article in accordance with the terms of the sale. If the buyer refuses to ac-



FIRST FAMILY TO CHURCH—President and Mrs. Eisenhower pay their respects to Minister Massey Mott Helzel, left, of Reid Memorial Presbyterian Church after attending combined Christmas and Sunday service at Augusta, Ga. The Chief Executive, spending the holidays at Augusta, is said to be ready for immediate return to Washington if the French Assembly fails to ratify the German re-armament agreements.

FIRST ROUND PAIRINGS IN GORMAN TOURNEY ANNOUNCED

The Ranger High School basketball quintet entered play in the Indian Trail Tournament at Gorman Wednesday morning with a 9 o'clock game against Putnam.

From the first game, further play by the Bulldogs is undetermined as their advance into the finals or consolation brackets is governed by a win or defeat in the first contest.

With such a large field, 26 teams in all, tournament play will continue through Saturday. Finals and consolation games will be played on that night.

Tournament play will get underway Wednesday morning at 9 a.m. when the Gorman and Cross Plains boys meet. At 10:15 the Rising Star and Deadhorse girls play and at 11:30 the ACC High School boys and the Deadhorse boys meet.

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In Wednesday afternoon play, Olden's girls take on the Cisco girls at 1 p.m. At 2:15 the Comanche and Cross Plains girls play, and at 3:30 the Lipan and DeLeon girls meet.

At 6:30 p.m. the Abilene B team meets the DeLeon boys and the Stephenville and Putnam girls play at 7:45. Rounding out play Wednesday, the Ranger and Putnam boys meet.

Thursday morning Olden and Pottsville's boys will meet at 9 a.m. At 10:15 the Gorman and Pottsville girls play and at 11:30 the Lingleville and Clyde boys play. In the final first round game, Lingleville's girls meet the Carbon girls at 2 p.m.

Second round play, in the consolation bracket, begins at 3:15 when the loser of the ACC-Deadhorse boys game meets the loser of the DeLeon-Abilene B game.

At 4:30 the loser of the Comanche-Cross Plains girls game will meet the loser of the Olden-Cisco game.

The first second round game of the girls championship bracket will be unreeled at 6:30 p.m. when the winner of the Comanche-Cross Plains game meets the winner of the Olden-Cisco game. At 7:45, the loser of the Rising Star-Deadhorse girls game will meet the loser of the Lipan-DeLeon game.

The winner of the ACC-Deadhorse boys game will meet the winner of the DeLeon-Abilene B game at 9 p.m. in the first game of the second round boys championship bracket.

Play will continue through Friday and Saturday.

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DEATH TAKES R. E. KILBORN IN DALLAS

Death took R. E. Kilborn, 58, Monday in the Veterans Administration Hospital in Dallas after an illness of several months. Kilborn was formerly chief of the Eastland Fire Dept. He resigned recently due to ill health.

Services have been tentatively scheduled for 10 a.m. Wednesday at the church of Christ in Eastland with Austin Varner, minister, officiating. Clarence Brock of Olden, will assist. Burial will be in Eastland Cemetery.

Mr. Kilborn had been a member of the Fire Dept. since 1925. He was named Chief in June of 1951.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Cooper of Electra; two daughters, Mrs. Albert Key and Mrs. A. W. Hennessee, both of Eastland; and a brother, Elbert E. Kilborn of Chickasha, Okla.

Hammer Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

John Boyd Appointed To Fill Deputy Sheriffs Slot Ciscoan Named For County Jailer Job

J. B. Williams of Eastland, County's new sheriff-elect, today announced appointment of two aides who will serve on his staff when he assumes the duties of his office on the first day of the coming new year — Saturday morning, Jan. 1.

John E. Boyd of Ranger, veteran law enforcement officer and a patrolman with the Ranger Police Department for 20 years, has been named as chief deputy sheriff, Williams announced.

Boyd, born and reared in Arkansas, came to Ranger during the oil boom era. He joined the staff of the Ranger Police Department in 1931 and served with the local law force until Nov. 8, 1950. In addition to his experience with the

city police department, Boyd also has served as a private investigator and has received law enforcement training in several schools and clinics sponsored by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Boyd makes his home at 303 S. Austin Street in Ranger. His wife, Mrs. Cleo Boyd, is employed by a Ranger dry cleaning firm.

The couple has two daughters, Mrs. J. C. Jones of Waco and Mrs. Eugene Caldwell of Phoenix, Ariz.

The new chief deputy on the staff of Sheriff-elect Williams is a member of First Baptist Church in Ranger, the Masonic Lodge and the Ranger post of the American Legion.

Allen Jones, well known Ciscoan who presently is serving as constable in the Cisco area, has accepted the post of county jailer, Sheriff-elect Williams said.

Eastland County's new sheriff-elect, who served as sheriff from 1947 through 1950, pledges that his new administration will offer Eastland County citizens efficient, fearless and impartial law enforcement.

"The job is not new to me," Williams said, "and I know that my past experience as your sheriff and in other important phases of law enforcement will aid me greatly in better serving Eastland County during the coming two years.

"I feel that my staff is not only highly experienced but also highly capable and qualified and I want you to know that the sheriff's office is your office and that we will always be conscientiously exercising our duties in that office in your behalf. We want every citizen of Eastland County to know that they'll be welcome to visit us in the courthouse or to call us whenever help is needed or whenever we can give them counsel with their problems. We prom-

ise fair and impartial service to everyone."

"We would like to emphasize most strongly," Sheriff-elect Williams said, "that we are not only going to serve as sheriff for those many citizens who voted for and elected us during last summer's election — but we are going to serve as sheriff for all the people."

Williams, who makes his home at 1093 S. Daugherty, Eastland, is a World War II veteran.

The Sheriff-elect has been a resident of Eastland County since Sept. 1, 1946. He was elected sheriff a few months after he had been discharged from the U.S. Navy on Jan. 22, 1946. During his period of nearly three years' service in the Navy, Williams was attached to shore patrol and Naval Intelligence units.

Prior to entering the armed forces he had served as constable at Gorman for three and a half years.

Williams was raised on a farm and attended school in the Duster community. He is the son of the late R. H. (Uncle Hugh) Williams, a pioneer Eastland County resident.

His wife, the former Thelma Taylor, is a life-long Eastland County resident and the daughter of C. S. Taylor, Gorman pioneer.

Williams is a member of the American Legion, and the IOOF.

C-C Seeks Donations For Musical Tree

As the decorations for the Ranger High School band on 13 b Chamber of Commerce's musical Christmas tree have been arriving at such a slow pace, the tree will be left standing for awhile longer, it was announced today.

Only \$50 has been received, and Chamber officials feel that the amount is not sufficient to render such aid to the band toward the purchase of jackets for members of their organization.

Donations have decreased since this time last year when \$87 was collected with a similar tree.

As each donor contributes a dollar, his money is hung on the tree and tagged with the individual's name.

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Chamber officials have urged that those who have not contributed and wish to do so, make their donations this week if possible.

Final Rites Held Sunday For Mrs. P. L. Parker In Eastland

Funeral services for Mrs. P. L. Parker were held at 3 p.m. Sunday at the First Baptist Church in Eastland, Rev. Henry Chambers, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Comanche, assisted by Rev. Harvey Kimbler, pastor of the First Baptist Church Eastland, officiated.

Mrs. Parker a pioneer Eastland resident, had been making her home in Comanche with her daughter, Mrs. Walter Durban since the death of her husband April 15, 1952. The family home is at 100 West Patterson Street, where Mr. and Mrs. Parker formerly operated Parker Food. She had made her home in Eastland the past 32 years. She was the former Johnnie Collins, and was born April 11, 1872 in the Honey Grove Community near Paris.

Other survivors are two sons, Guy and Don Parker of Eastland, a sister, Mrs. Easter Hutchens of Petty, a brother, Dr. T. M. Collins of Big Spring, four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church here and had been an active church member since childhood.



MEMBERS OF THE Ranger Police Department stand behind the members of the Ranger city council after they have satisfactorily exhibited their new uniforms before the group of city fathers. City councilmen in the front row from left to right are: Mayor Calvin W. Harris, M.D., L. T. Rushing, Lester Crossley, city manager, A. G. onnig, E. F. Penn and O. L. Cantrell. Policemen are John Shook, Joe Faircloth, Chief W. G. Pounds, Gerald Lee and Ed Freeman.

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Dixie Theatre To Re-Open Sunday

Drive-In theatre goers will get more for their money beginning Sunday at the Dixie Drive-In Theatre. For that's when I. B. Walker, owner-operator, will present CinemaScope for the first time.

In actual measurement, movie goers will see a picture 19 feet larger than on a regular 2-D screen. That will mean that the new Dixie screen will be 50 by 72 feet. The old screen was 30 by 45.

Walker, who has had the Dixie closed for a month while installing the new screen, said that pictures shown will be "presented in the correct ratio as recommended by the leading engineers of the motion picture industry."

"Perhaps," he said, "you have seen pictures in what was advertised as CinemaScope, but have you seen a picture presented in the true dimensions and ratio specified by the engineers who have worked so diligently to perfect this new method of giving you the best in motion picture entertainment? Visit the Dixie and see the difference."

And a rundown of movies that Walker plans to show in January will also convince theatre goers that they will get more for their money at the Dixie, Sunday, and Monday. "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers," starring Jane Fonda and Howard Keel, will be featured. Other movies in the near future will be "How To Marry a Millionaire," (Marilyn Monroe, Betty Grable and Lauren Bacall); "Garden of Evil"; "Three Coins in the Fountain"; "Betrayed"; "Dawn at Socorro"; "Naked Alibi"; "Black Shield"; "The Nebraska"; "Gone With the Wind"; "Raintree"; "Beneath the 12-mile Reef"; and "Magnificent Obsession."

"Your past patronage is greatly appreciated, your future patronage sincerely solicited," Walker said in announcing the reopening of the Dixie.

Robert Bryan Serving Aboard USS Thomason

MARE ISLAND, Calif. (Sp.) — Serving aboard the destroyer USS Thomason undergoing a three-month Naval Shipyard overhaul here is Robert G. Bryan, Jr., electrician's mate third class, USN, of Eastland.

Ranger Couple Injured In Car Accident

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle P. Black of Ranger, were seriously injured near Stephenville Saturday morning in an automobile accident.

The accident occurred approximately seven miles northeast of Stephenville on U. S. Highway 377 when their automobile went out of control and struck a bridge.

Mrs. Black, 71, received head and back injuries and numerous head cuts. Black, 70, suffered a fractured vertebra and bruises. Both were hospitalized at the Stephenville Hospital and Clinic. Both were reported in fair condition.

The couple was bound for Fort Worth to visit a daughter, Mrs. E. J. Peterson.

Whooping Cough Danger Subsides With Holidays

A possible whooping cough epidemic was averted with the closing of schools for the Christmas holidays, Dr. W. P. Watkins, city health officer, said today.

He said that approximately 10 to 12 cases had developed in a few days period before the school's closing, but that no new cases had been reported since that time. He warned, however, that children should yet be given their whooping cough booster shots.

Dr. Watkins also stressed the importance of maintaining a cover for garbage cans and disposal units as a safeguard against disease as they provide a source of infection and flies. He said that the covers also keep animals from spreading the waste over the city, increasing chances of spreading disease.



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NEWS FROM STAFF

By Mrs. M. O. Hazard

STAFF (TNS) — Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Crosby and young daughter of Fort Worth were overnight guests Saturday of Mr. Crosby's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Crosby.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pope visited in Cross Plains recently with Mr. and Mrs. John Bishop.

Mrs. O. T. Hazard visited in Eastland Saturday with her mother, Mrs. W. H. White.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Foreman, Kenneth and Allen, of Olden were guests Sunday afternoon of Mrs. Foreman's parents, the Allen Crosbys.

Mrs. M. O. Hazard accompanied Mrs. Maurice Hazard and Don to Breckenridge Thursday, where they went Christmas shopping.

Mrs. Dena Parrish of Woodson spent Wednesday night with Mrs. M. A. Abel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mounce had as their guests Sunday their daughter, Mrs. J. H. Partney, and husband and daughter, Jackie.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dowling visited their children this week. The Weldon Hilliards, in Comanche, Rev. E. M. Hilliard and family in Gorman and Mrs. Jewel Fannin in Fort Worth all were hosts to their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Hazard were the guests Thursday evening of their son, Maurice Hazard and family, in Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Pope of Leaders visited recently in the T. E. Pope home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Butler of California are visiting Mrs. Butler's parents, the Wayne Whites, this week.

ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE EACH SUNDAY

New Year's Eve Party Planned At First Baptist

The Annual New Year's Eve Watch party sponsored by the Training Union Department of the First Baptist Church will be held Friday evening with Walter Artburn Master of ceremonies. This program is for all ages and for members and visitors alike. The evening's entertainment embraces many phases of Christian activities and is most enjoyable.

Scores of adults come and go during the evening. Many cannot stay through the mid-night hour and therefore feel free to come and stay for a portion of the program. The evening's entertainment is so planned that folk coming and going and at any hour does not interfere with the ultimate outcome of the service. The program includes inspirational singing, games for all ages, testimonies, "New Year's Resolutions", and the Billy Graham film, "Decision" played by Golden Townsend. All the stroke of midnight, there is a prayer of silence in complete dedication to our Master.

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Further research is under way, according to Beamblossom, to develop methods which will make the process practical for commercial plants.

The proper concentration of gas must be worked out very carefully before the method can be used successfully on a large scale, he explained. Too much gas kills a bird before it travels the slaughter time, and too little gas takes so long to produce unconscious-

ness that the birds may absorb too much carbon dioxide, which also kills them prematurely.

Loss of grade in processed turkeys is a serious economic concern of turkey processors, Beamblossom says. Bruises, dislocated and broken bone, as well as torn and abraded skin result from struggles of the excitable birds during removal from coops, shackling and slaughtering. If it should become possible to immobilize them before shackling, or even before removal from coops, handling problems would be lessened and the number of downgraded carcasses reduced.

The carbon dioxide treatment caused no harmful effects. This research, explains the specialist, is one of many projects carried out by USDA and the State land-grant colleges in cooperation with private agencies to discover more efficient methods of marketing farm products.

Wednesday Nite Services Set At First Baptist

Wednesday night will be filled with activities at the First Baptist Church when the covered dish supper begins at 6:30, served by the Beginner and Nursery Departments. At 7 the officers and teachers of the various departments will assemble and plan their work for the next 5 Sundays. All officers and teachers are urged to be present. The urgency of your attendance is in keeping with the low attendance of the previous Lord's day.

At 7:30 there will be a special prayer meeting for the "Jamaica Mission" project in which the pas-

for will participate. The church and pastor are making an extreme sacrifice in this evangelistic and mission trip.

Rev. Perkins will conduct the services Wednesday evening and this will be his last service until his return the middle of January. The pastor is asking that all the folk in Ranger to join with him in prayer for his 8-day revival that will be conducted in some 50 churches in Jamaica. There are some 50 pastors from several states who will have a part in this simultaneous revival. The regular choir rehearsal will be held immediately following the "Hour of Inspiration." Mr. Russell asks that all choir members be present for this practice. Rehearsal begins promptly at 8:25. The nursery is open for all these services.

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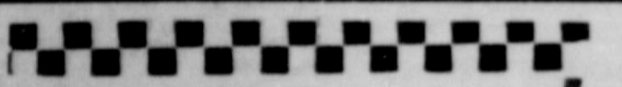


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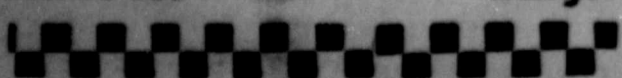


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Sturdy materials and ease of cleaning are basic considerations in choosing furniture for children. For no matter how attractive a piece may be, a wise mother knows it's going to need regular washing if a child is going to live with it. If the material and the paint and the styling itself can't be swabbed down quickly and safely with soap and water, it doesn't belong in a child's room — or anywhere else in the house, for that matter.

To cut down on daily dusting, use a well-soaped sponge once a week to wash heavy dust from your window sills and frames.

Many household cleaning chores can be lightened with a new kitchen gadget. It consists of a polyethylene bottle holding a soap or synthetic detergent solution, which can be squeezed out through a small brush bristled with long-wearing nylon monofilament.

It's no longer necessary to draw straws to see which variety of waffles will be served at one meal. Everyone in the family can have his or her own favorite at the same sitting, without any complications. The solution is to bake batches of every desired variety — plain, chocolate, corn and spice, for example — in advance and keep them in the home freezer. To serve the chosen waffles, just pop them into the toaster for three minutes and they are ready to eat.

Electa Class To Meet Thursday
Members of the Electa Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church will meet at 12:30 noon, Thursday, Dec. 30, at the church for their monthly covered dish luncheon.
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Personal Items

Out of town holidays guests in the home of Mrs. Callie Lee were Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Lee and son of Pinwell, Tex., and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Lee and children of Eunice, N. M.

The W. H. Lees are remaining here this week and are also visiting Mrs. Lee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Vinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Brown and her mother, Mrs. F. W. Love, had as their guests for Christmas dinner, Mrs. Brown's sister and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schmickle of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Barnett of Stamford. Also visiting in the home was Mr. Brown's brother, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Brown of Shallowater, Tex.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stewart were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Daniels of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Ulmer of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Cagle and children of Fort Worth and Geo. David Stewart of Ranger.

Mrs. Saunders Gregg and Lewis Gregg left Monday for Shreveport to visit the Saunders Gregg family. Lewis Gregg will return to Canada from there.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gholson arrived today to spend a few days visiting the P. M. Kuykendall family.

Dr. and Mrs. P. M. Kuykendall and Mrs. Jim Morris spent Christmas day in Eastland with Mrs. Edward Everett and son Harold.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Daniels and her mother, Mrs. Tom Woods spent the holidays in Corpus Christi where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Woods and family and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Oldixon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hanberry of Detroit, Mich., spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davenport and Mrs. Ethel Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bobo and Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Bobo. The Henry Davenports and Mrs. Williams had as their guests for Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hise of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Van Stavern and sons of Levelland, the Hanberrys and the Chas. Bobos.

Mrs. Mayme Frye has returned from Fort Worth where she attended the wedding of her daughter Betty to Airman Lowell Bennett of San Antonio. She also visited in the home of her other daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Campetti.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Lanier spent Christmas in Lubbock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Pruitt. They were accompanied by their son, O. G. Jr., who is attending graduate school at the University of Texas. B. D. Mason of Los Angeles also spent Christmas in the Pruitt home.

Holiday guests in the Maurice Owen home were Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Fyffe of Ft. Worth; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Williams and Jimmy of Brownfield; and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ervin; Billie Ruth and Jack of Hermleigh.

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Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Adams and daughters, Dana, Susan and Lisa of Abilene spent Christmas here with her parents, the B. A. Tunells.

Al Tune, who is attending Texas Tech in Lubbock, will return to school Sunday after spending his Christmas holiday here with his mother, Mrs. Al Tune and aunt, Miss Mary Kohler.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Belovsky and daughters, Bobby Faith and Camilla Joy, spent Sunday here visiting his parents.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jones were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jones and children of Waco; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dennis and Ann of Lubbock; Bobby Jones of Denver City and Lloyd Jones of Plains, Texas.

Guests for Christmas Eve dinner in the home of Mrs. Bertie Williams were: Albert Williams, Andrews; Mrs. Berta Pardue, Clovis, N.M.; Mrs. Bessie Pennington and Don Reeves, of Graham; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Williams, Weatherford; Mr. and Mrs. Reubin Beck and children of Paul Valley, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Langford and children of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Williams and children, Mrs. Ida Coffman, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Corvis Beck and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Langford and Emma Lee, all of Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Whittle of Graham spent the holiday week-end visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Dockery.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Huffman had as their holiday guests the Jim Berry family of Jackboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Squires had as their guests for Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Squires and son, Jim Riley of Whitney, Nevada; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cox of San Diego, Calif.; Kenneth Stephenson, National City, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sumrow and son of Houston Mr. and Mrs. Billy Highsmith and daughter of San Angelo; Mrs. Lola Dunevant of Fort Worth; and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wilcox, Mrs. Kittle Stephenson, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Miller and children, Homer Squires and Don Squires, all of Ranger.

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