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Outlook Will be in Beacon

Beacon will publish Babson's "Business Outlook" for the past 14 years. The publication is a preview of the economic situation in 1950.

1950 Outlook will cover forecasts covering topics as: Business, Prices, Foreign Trade.

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Wed Sixty Years



R. C. BENNETT

A family reunion last Sunday celebrated sixty years of wedded life for Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bennett at their farm home, about three miles southeast of Lockney. The couple have lived practically the entire 60 years on the same place. They were married December 19, 1889 in Hill County and came to Lockney the next June, living here since that time.

Children attending the reunion Sunday included Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Bennett, Clovis, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Bryant, Fountain, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. Irving Bennett, Lockney and Davis, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Burton Thornton, South Plains; Mr. and Mrs. Hestand Bennett, Decatur, Mr. and Mrs. Virgile Bennett, Lockney; Mr. and Mrs. Barney Manning, Lockney; Faye Crawford of Dallas, another daughter, was unable to attend due to illness.

Grandchildren attending were Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hicks, Mrs. J. D. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Roberson, all of Clovis, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bennett, Glenwood, Springs, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. Owen Thornton, Clovis; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Thornton, South Plains; Mr. and Mrs. Easton Blenden, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kropp, Lockney; Mary Louise Manning, Sherryann and Brian Bennett.

Great-grandchildren attending were Terry Hicks, Clovis; Janice Faye and Joan Kay Bennett, Glenwood Springs, Colo.; Donnie, Ronnie and Patricia Thornton, Clovis; Elton and Kenneth Blenden, Lubbock; Paulette and Bob Kropp, Lockney.

Friends that called in the afternoon were: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Whitfill and children of Floydada; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Counts, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Sloan and Jimmie, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dagley, H. P. Puckett, J. N. Stalcup, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Griffith, Mrs. Carl McAdams, all of Lockney; Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Wadlington and children, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Clark Cates and children.

Send Suit To Boys Ranch

E. D. Teuton this week headed a movement to make up money to buy a suit of clothes for one of the boys at Boys Ranch, near Amarillo. Finding many people that were happy to give to this worthy cause, Mr. Teuton quickly secured the necessary \$26.50 and sent the money to the Ranch. Mr. Teuton reports the following donors: L. B. Elam, E. D. Teuton, Ben Quebe, Raymond Rucker, R. W. Smith, Charlie Boedeker, Frank Perkins, W. G. Hodel, C. C. McDowell, Joe Wilson, W. L. Lee, R. L. Pope, Edgar Hays, Chester Mitchell, W. E. Terrell, H. E. Frizzell, D. W. Bybee, R. L. Powell, W. D. Lacey, W. M. W. Wiley and one unidentified contributor.



MRS. R. C. BENNETT

Sandhill; Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Whitlock, Mrs. Lena Bell Brotherton, Mrs. Tom Cope, Fred Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Applewhite, all of Lockney; Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Thornton, Aiken; Mr. and Mrs. Willis Thornton, Plainview; Mrs. Dot Cope, Plainview; Mrs. A. D. Bassell and daughter, Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Johnston, Lone Star; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Line and sons, Plainview.

Mrs. Thomas Injured Tuesday

Mrs. Thurman Thomas of Aiken was injured Tuesday when she fell and rolled 20 feet from a second floor of a Plainview business house, it was reported here.

Mrs. Thomas is in the Plainview hospital where the extent of her injuries had not been determined Tuesday. She suffered numerous cuts and bruises.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. C. Cummings, Delilah and Zach Walton returned Tuesday from a visit with relatives at Dallas and Farmersville.

Lockney Girl To Illinois Conclave

Gerry Sims, of Lockney, is among a group of 12 students from McMurry College who plan to attend the Fourth National Methodist Student conferences, at the University of Illinois, Dec. 27-Jan. 1.

Miss Sims is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Sims of Lockney and a 1949 graduate of Lockney High School. She has been active in work among Methodist youth since her high school days here.

Theme of the 1949 Conference is "The Christian Use of Power in a Secular World."

County Ginnings Hit 53,312 Bales

Floyd County has ginned 53,312 bales of cotton from the crop of 1949 up to Monday, according to a report received by The Beacon from County Agent Robert H. Gibson. Mr. Gibson contacted all the gins of the county in making the report.

The agent estimates that the county is 85 per cent through with the ginning and 95 per cent through with harvesting. The discrepancy here is cotton that is piled in the field, in the barn or any other place the farmer can find to pile it.

The three Lockney gins had passed the 15,000 mark Wednesday night and were still running night and day. Total of the three gins stood at 15,825.

The rain of Tuesday night was not sufficient to give the gins a "breathing spell" the ginnings said Wednesday. With cotton that was standing on the yards and that which was piled in barns and in the field the gins were expected to keep running. Some of the cotton was being hauled in slightly wet but the gins were handling it as usual.

Marketing Quotas Carry by 88 %

Nationally speaking the cotton marketing quota referendum voted on Thursday of last week carried by about 88 per cent according to almost complete unofficial returns. Over the nation the almost complete returns gave a total of 558,422 votes for the quotas and 65,435 against it. It was necessary that the quotas carry by a two-thirds majority. Twenty states which raise cotton voted on the referendum but only those who raised cotton in the calendar year 1948 were eligible to vote.

In Floyd county the quotas carried by a nice majority but not quite so heavy as the nation. Vote in Floyd county was 85.2 per cent, according to returns from the county Production and Marketing office.

There were three voting boxes in the county: Lockney, Cedar and Floydada. The vote by boxes was as follows:

	For	Against
Lockney	131	24
Cedar Hill	19	5
Floydada	115	17
Total	265	46

Aiken Christmas Tree Tonight

The annual Aiken community Christmas tree and program will be held tonight (Friday) at the Aiken Baptist Church it was announced this week. Santa Claus will be there with presents for the children. The program will start at 7:30 and everyone is invited to attend.

SEE NEW PLYMOUTH

John B. Bilibrey went to Dallas Tuesday where he was to see the new 1950 model Plymouth which will be shown here early next year.

Cold Weather and Moisture Hit

The mercury went down to 15 degrees above zero here Wednesday night and early Thursday morning following heavy showers which fell Tuesday night.

Moisture here totaled .44 of an inch in the showers Tuesday night according to the gauge at Hammond & Company, which was somewhat heavier than in most other sections of this area. Wheat farmers were especially glad to see the rain. The skies continued to spit snow and sleet occasionally Wednesday and the promise of more moisture was apparent.

Moisture was not enough to slow down ginning here since the gins have enough cotton on the yards to run them several days.

Most Stores Will Be Closed Mon.

A survey by The Beacon this week indicated that most Lockney stores will be closed Monday as well as Sunday which is Christmas Day. Since Christmas comes on Sunday, Monday is the legal holiday.

A few business houses will be closed Saturday all day and some Saturday afternoon only in order to give their employees a little holiday before Christmas. Cafes, drug stores and service stations will probably be open Monday and some of them possibly Sunday.

The three lumber yards will close Friday and Saturday of this week but will be open Monday for business.

Business houses which plan to close both Sunday and Monday include these:

- Maier Food Store
- The Lockney Beacon
- Southwestern Public Service
- Lena Fae Store
- Baker Hardware
- Baker Mercantile
- McAdams & Crapster
- Campbell Variety
- City Bakery
- Lockney Auto Co.
- Newman Gro. & Market
- Scott Barber Shop
- Anna Lou's Beauty Shop
- Parker Furniture
- Longhorn Barber Shop
- Darnell Grocery
- Plains Barber Shop
- First National Bank
- Modern Radio Service
- L. & H. Blacksmith
- U. & I. Laundry
- White Auto Store
- Lockney Frozen Foods
- Pinner & Childers
- Huggins Produce
- Daniel Automotive
- Pennington Motor Co.
- Hickerson-Strickland
- K. W. Cook
- Dumont Jewelry
- Lockney Real Estate
- Steele Shoe Shop
- Verna Mae Beauty Shop
- Lone Star Grocery
- Johnson & Johnson
- Lady Fair Shop
- Bilibrey-Motley Motor Co.
- Lockney Dry Goods
- Master Cleaners
- Frank Perkins Agency
- Truett Variety
- Lockney Electric
- Hammond & Company
- Brown's Cleaners
- Cooper Bros. Garage
- Personality Beauty Shop
- Taylor Laundry
- Lockney Implement Co.
- Burk Food Store
- Roberson Food Store
- Pylant Gro. and Market
- "Whitey" Baccus Motor Co.
- Baxter & Smith
- Patterson Grain Co.
- Copeland Electric

Donald Griffith Claimed by Death

Another Floyd County pion was claimed by death this week when Donald Griffith, 76 years of age, died at the Floyd County Co-operative Hospital late Monday. Mr. Griffith had been in health for some time but was seriously ill only a very few days.

Mr. Griffith was a real pion of this county, moving here in 1895. Probably no other pioneer had more friends among the timers of this area than he. His entire life had been spent as a farmer and stockman. He had been a member of the Church since 1902.

Funeral services were held at the West Side Church of Christ in Lockney at 10:00 a. m. Wednesday conducted by Elder O. Kirk of Floydada. Interment was in the cemetery at Floyd, N. M., former home of the deceased. Carter Funeral Home of Lockney was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Griffith was born January 1, 1873 at Jackson, Tenn. He came to Texas with his family when he was seven years old.

In 1894 he was married to E. Brown and the couple came to Floyd county the next year to make their home. In 1903 they moved on to New Mexico where he lived until about 12 years ago. His wife passed away in New Mexico in 1935.

On June 22, 1940 Mr. Griffith was married to Mrs. N. J. Jones of Lockney and they had their home on their farm north of town since that time.

Survivors include his wife and three sons, Walter Griffith, Floyd, N. M., Melvin Griffith, Lockney, and Virgile Griffith, Floyd, N. M.; three daughters, Mrs. Mable Hamilton and Mrs. Donnie McClendon, both of Portales, N. M., and Mrs. Nac Allen of House, N. M. Two daughters, Mrs. Lillie McNutt, and Lillian Griffith, preceded him in death.

Other survivors include the brothers, John and Clevo Griffith of Lockney, and Glenn Griffith of Casa Grande, Ariz. One brother, Walter Griffith, and a sister, Mrs. Marshall Davis of Amarillo, preceded him in death only recently.

Also surviving are seven step-children, Mrs. Bob Miller, Lockney, N. J. Jones Jr., J. Jones, R. P. Williams, A. E. Williams, J. N. Williams and N. Coy Hall, all of Amarillo; grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, 19 step-grandchildren, and seven step-great-grandchildren.

BILL ERICKSON HERE

Bill Erickson, who has been serving with the U. S. Navy in Guam, is spending the Christmas holidays here with his mother, Mrs. Clell Baggett and family. He will leave after Christmas for New York where he will attend a Navy salvage school.

Thursday Markets

Poultry	
Heavy Hens, 4 lbs. & over	.....
Light Hens, under 4 lbs.	.....
Cocks, pound	.....
Eggs, No. 1, dozen	.....
Turkeys, No. 1, lb.	.....
Turkeys, No. 2, lb.	.....
Cream	
Butterfat, No. 1, lb.	.....
Butterfat, No. 2, lb.	.....
Hides	
Hides, No. 1, pound	.....
Grain	
Wheat, per bushel	.....
Milo, per cwt.	.....
Cotton	
Middling spot cotton, Dallas Market	.....

We who visit you all year around through these columns may pass this season partially unnoticed in favor of kin and friends seen or heard from only at Christmas.

It is but fitting that loved ones gather with you upon the day of Jesus' birth and that those far away who cannot come receive special remembrance. We can bear your forgetting us for a little while for this cheer-laden reason.

We wish to take advantage of the congregation of your friends and family members from other neighborhoods to extend, by them through you, a heaping measure of yuletide good will to every nook and corner of America.

Our first interest is this community, but its welfare is interlaced with the good of other communities. This city and county have a just store of the Christian and humane spirit that sustains man through daily life. They have enough left over for export.

Think how many distant hearts you may fill with a joyous holiday feeling if you give unto your Christmas guests to carry back to their home towns this, our special wish:

Merry Christmas 1949

Herbert Hoover is the only man of Swiss descent to be president of the United States.

During the first year of a child's life he grows more rapidly than any other time.

Cotton Research May Increase Uses

LUBBOCK—Better understanding of the physical properties of Texas cotton as an aid in the utilization and merchandising of the State's cotton is the goal of research now in progress at Texas Technological college and the University of Texas. The work is being done under the sponsorship of the Cotton Research Committee of Texas, John F. Leahy, director.

Studies of physical properties of the cotton fiber as they relate to problems of merchandising and utilization are being made on cotton from approximately 50 communities throughout the State. After the cotton from each community has been typed as to physical properties, it is spun into nine different yarn counts using various twists and drafts to find out what combination gives the best results for each kind of yarn. The measurements of physical properties and spinning research are being conducted by the Cotton Research located at Texas Technological college, Lubbock.

The data secured from the measurements of physical properties and spinning tests being made at Texas Technological college are being analyzed by members of the Cotton Merchandising Research located at the University of Texas, Austin. The analysis of the data on physical properties and spinning tests will supply information that will result in more effective merchandising and utilization of Texas cotton. Thus the use of instruments which measure strength, length uniformity, fineness, and maturity are making it possible to acquire clearer insight into merchandising problems associated with specific mill uses for cotton.

Because of the highly competitive conditions that exist in so far as cotton and synthetics are concerned, it is important that information on fiber properties and spinnability be made available to the mills and merchants of Texas if present markets are to be retained. Knowledge of fiber properties of Texas cotton and how they translate in the mill provides the edge needed by our merchants to meet competition from foreign cottons which they encounter in their efforts to sell Texas cotton to the mills of Europe and the Orient.

Historically, some 90 per cent of the cotton grown in Texas has been used in mills located in foreign lands.

In 1911 the first American aviation pilot's license was issued to Glenn Curtiss.

When landing at an airport, an airplane has the right-of-way over planes taking off.

Rhode Island was the first state in the Union to build its own airport.

Women first appeared as professional dancers on the French stage in the 17th century.

George Washington had no opponents for either of his elections to the presidency.



By Dorothy Boys Killian

IT WAS Christmas Eve but the group of people sitting on the floor in the Reeds' living-room certainly weren't in a festive mood.

"Doggonit," Dad exclaimed as he stared gloomily at the shiny tracks and the motionless cars of a new electric train. "What's wrong with this thing anyway?"

"We've put it together exactly according to directions, I'm sure we have," fifteen-year-old Rick insisted.

"Well, something's got to be done," said Mom, looking in from the kitchen where she was stuffing the turkey. "Little Jackie's been praying for that train for months, and how'll he feel tomorrow morning if the thing won't run?"

"Maybe Ralph can help. He's coming by for me in a few minutes, you know," said Wilma, the pretty big sister of the family.

"Oh, him!" Rick was scornful. "That guy from the big city with his socks and ties and handker-



He picked up the shiny black engine carefully and turned it over and over. He put it up to eye level and peered into its workings.

chiefs that match! What does he know about motors?"

"Rick!" Mom reproved. "Oh, I know you all think of him as an outsider," Wilma said. "If you only really knew him better! Mom, I do wish you'd let me ask him to breakfast tomorrow."

"I'm sorry dear, but I just don't think he'd fit in."

The doorbell rang. Wilma answered it and she and Ralph exchanged happy hellos.

Rick immediately threw out the challenge to the tall, blond, well-dressed young man. "We can't make this train go. Can you tell what's wrong with it?"

"Maybe," Ralph said quietly. "I used to have a train something like this."

"Look out, that cotton batting stuff will stick to your trousers," Dad warned.

"That's snow, and the snow around here is clean."

Dad looked slightly startled.

Wilma smiled. She remembered how impressed Ralph had been by the whiteness of the drifts even on Main street last night.

"The flakes are practically sooty before they even reach the ground in Chicago," he had said.

"Tracks are OK," Ralph straightened up. Then he picked up the shiny black engine carefully and turned it over and over. He put it up to eye level and peered into its workings.

"The professional touch!" Rick muttered.

"There may be oil in the commutator," Ralph said. "That sometimes happens with a new engine. I'll see if I can get it out."

"I'll get you a rag, Ralph, just a minute," Wilma got up and started for the kitchen.

"Never mind, this'll do," Ralph answered, pulling his perfectly folded wine-colored handkerchief out of his jacket pocket.

He worked quietly for a moment, gently poking the corner of the handkerchief into the inside of the engine. Then he set the engine carefully down on the track and said, "Turn on the juice, will you Rick?"

Rick meekly moved forward the black lever at the transformer. There was a whirring sound, the wheels began to move, and the little puffer-billy whizzed and clacked around the curve.

"Praises be!" Dad heaved a loud sigh of relief.

Ralph quietly got up from the floor and turned to Wilma. "Maybe we'd better go now, if we want to catch the gang."

"Alright, Ralph," Wilma said. Her eyes turned pleadingly to Mrs. Reed. "Mom—"

"Oh, yes, Wilma," Mom interrupted. Turning to Ralph she said heartily, "In all the excitement we almost forgot to ask you to be sure to come over for late breakfast with us tomorrow. It's just a simple family affair, but we surely would like to have you with us."

"You bet." Dad's eyes twinkled. "Something might go wrong with it again and we'd feel safer with you around to fix it."

Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa:

I have tried to be a good boy. Would you please bring me a scooter, a bicycle, some apples oranges, nuts and candy.

Yours truly,
Johnny Harris.

1202 Western
Amarillo, Texas

Dear Old Santa:

I am a little girl 20 months old and have been a good little girl, with the exception of crying all time, but maybe you can overlook this one little mistake, and bring me a kiddie car horse, a doll, and a buggy.

Don't forget all the other little kids, and especially don't forget my Mommy Joyce, and my daddy Donnie boy.

I'll be waiting for you Christmas.

I love you Santa,
Cindy Sanders.

Lockney, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

My name is Jean Wofford and I am nine years old. I am in the fourth grade and my teacher is Mrs. Lola Cox. I have tried to be good but don't know whether I have or not. Will you bring me a party doll, baton, ring, make-up kit, bed lamp, and some house slippers? Don't forget my little brother, James Ray, also mother and daddy. Hope to see you at Mam-mo's house.

Your friend,
Jean Wofford.

Lockney, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl six years old and in the first grade. Will you please bring me a cowgirl suit and boots, a pair of skates and a ballerina doll, also a doll high chair and electric iron.

Don't forget any of my school mates or my teacher, Mrs. Cox, because I know they have been good, too.

See you soon,
Janice Boedeker.

Lockney, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy six years old and in the first grade. I would like to have a little bicycle and a little farm and pair of cowboy boots and that is all besides plenty of fruits and nuts. Remember my brother and sister.

Love,
Lynn Doyle Thurman.

Luke, author of a book in the New Testament, was a physician.

Texas Leads in Correcting Vision

Texas is one of the few states in the United States which corrects the vision problems of its school children.

Dr. Darrell B. Harmon, director of the Division of Educational Services of the state department of health, has conducted an outstanding state-wide survey of visual problems of Texas school children, writes Albert Q. Maisel in January's Woman's Home Companion.

There are thousands of children in schools in America who have been labeled "dull" only because they cannot see properly. There are few states which have given thorough and effective tests to their children to test their eyesight. Texas is one of

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The merry twinkle in Santa's eye conveys the spirit of our wish that Christmas Day be a happy one for all!

POWERS PHARMACY

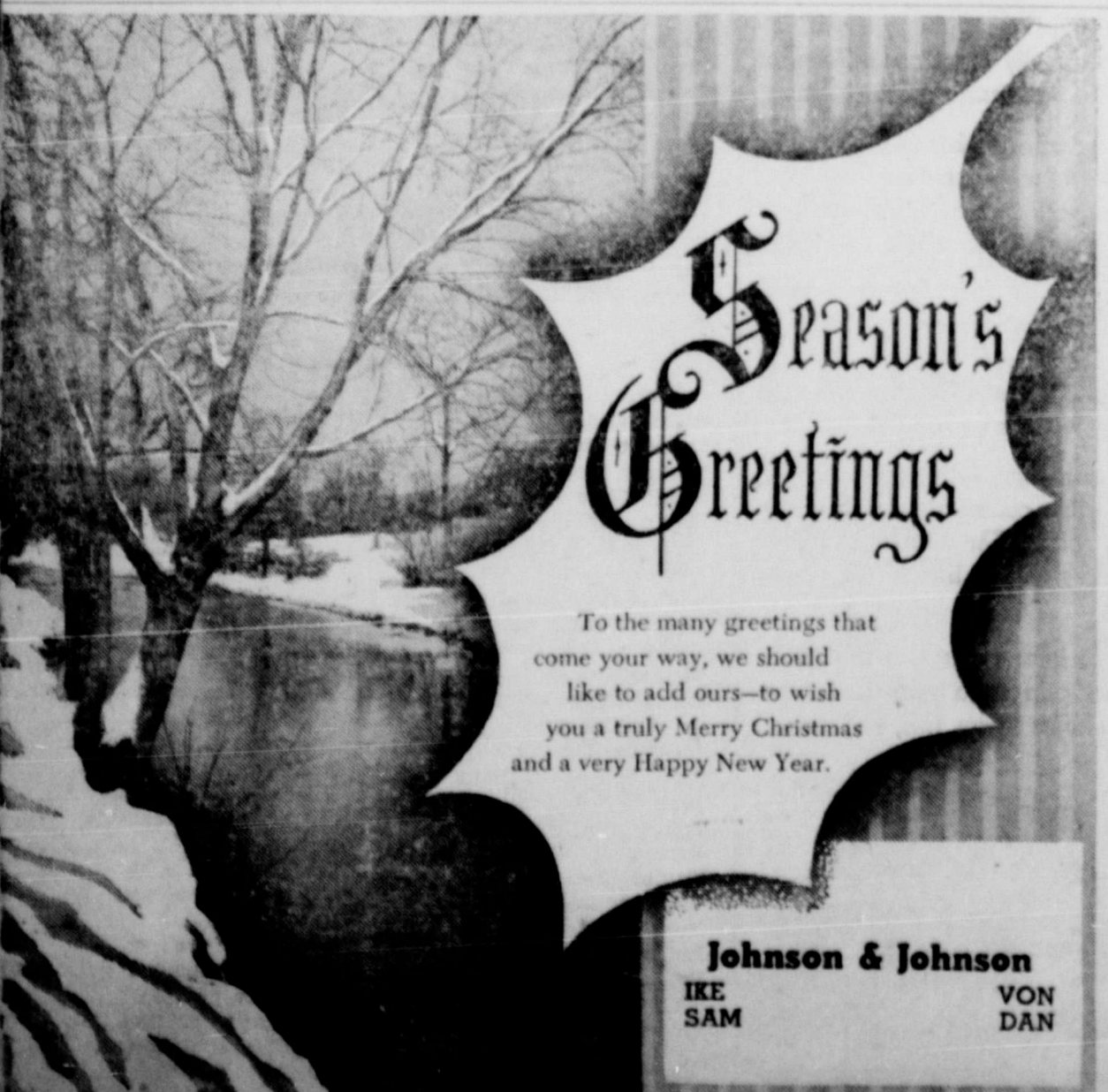
ESTELLE AND PAYTON



Up pops Santa brimming with cheer to help us wish you a most joyful Christmas—chock-full of all the most wonderful things!

Master Cleaners

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Reecer



Season's Greetings

To the many greetings that come your way, we should like to add ours—to wish you a truly Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Johnson & Johnson

IKE SAM VON DAN

Greetings

May all the good cheer and happiness of Christmas and the New Year be yours in every way.

JACKSON TIRE COMPANY
DWIGHT AL RALPH BILL

Extending the Greetings of the Season

It is our fondest hope that this Christmas Day be filled with many warm and pleasant moments for you! And that the New Year brings you the fulfillment of all the sincere wishes that have been extended to you in the spirit of the Holiday Season!

First National Bank

M. W. WILEY, President

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... intelligence
... animals.

So called "closet dramas" are those designed to be read, but not acted.

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Boston Commons in Boston is the oldest public park in the U. S.

... makes better coals
... than soft wood.

Women are not eligible for Rhodes Scholarships.



Legend not only has identified the Wise Men as Gaspar, Melchior and Balthasar, it has crowned them and given them the kingdoms of Tarsus, Arabia and Ethiopia. It has symbolized their gifts as symbolic of what Jesus was to become—gold for a king, frankincense for a high priest and myrrh for a great physician.

The Gospel text's specific wisdom from the east logically identifies them with Zoroastrianism—an ancient monotheistic religion of Persia. Zoroastrian priests were called Magi; they were powerful in public and private life since they, and they alone, possessed the priestly mysteries involved in the worship of Mazda—who represented the Zoroastrian power for good.

The Magi may or may not have been fabulously wealthy: St. Matthew does not elaborate their treasures nor the amount of gold, frankincense and myrrh which they presented to the Christ Child. The gifts may have been mere tokens of their treasures, or the sum and substance thereof.

And if they were soothsayers, mystics and possibly clairvoyants they were also truly wise—in as much as they did not return to Herod, but departed into their own country by a different route.

Lone Star News

By Mrs. Harold Griffith

Mrs. Herman King and little son, Ben R. are still in the hospital at Lockney but are doing fine. We extend our heartiest congratulations to the Kings for their son. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Albert King and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Workman of Lockney. Great-grandmother is Mrs. Jane Frizzell of Lockney.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Jarrett and Larry visited the Jack Frizzells Monday night.

Betty Sue Farish spent Tuesday night with June Wiley.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mosley and sons visited the Lowell Jarretts Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Reidhimer and Nita Jo with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frizzell and children visited in the Reed Lawson home Thursday night.

Claud Fletcher of Plainview visited in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Jack Frizzell and family on Thursday night.

Mrs. Walter Griffith visited in Plainview from Friday until Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Griffith and children. While there she visited an aunt, Mrs. Fannie Shearer Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Knox of Bevans Station visited in the community Thursday afternoon. Stopping awhile at the store, the Wesley Nance and L. M. Reidhimer homes.

June Wiley spent Friday night with Betty Sue Farish.

Herman King was a dinner guest in the Harold Griffith home Friday night.

Those enjoying a Christmas tree and party in the Harold Griffith home Saturday night were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Farish and Donald, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Watkins and Sherry, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Reidhimer and Jo, Mr. and Mrs. Reed Lawson and Sandra, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Jarrett and Larry, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mosley, Terry and Mickey, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frizzell and children and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Griffith and boys.

Donald Farish spent Saturday night and Sunday with David Frizzell.

Mickey Mosley was treated at the Lockney hospital late Saturday night and Sunday. He was able to be back in school on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Griffith and Dennis were luncheon guests in the V. D. Harris home on Sunday.

The Lone Star Christmas program was held Tuesday night in the auditorium. The school will have their Christmas tree Thursday afternoon and turn out for the holidays then to be resumed again on Jan. 2.

Those in Plainview shopping Saturday were Mrs. Clyde Farish and Betty Sue, Mrs. L. M. Reidhimer and girls and Mr. and Mrs. Reed Lawson and Sunny.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Reidhimer and girls were luncheon guests of Mrs. Amanda Rowell and boys in Plainview on Sunday.

Fred Handage of Albuquerque, N. M. spent Sunday and Monday nights in the L. M. Reidhimer home. On Monday night they all went to Crosbyton to see Lockney play ball.

Mr. and Mrs. Tobe Blackman of Tullia are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Ira Graves.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Foster and girls are now living in the T. S. McGehee home after having moved last week.

Betty June Jackson was in a recital at the home of Mrs. T. B. Mitchell in Lockney on Monday night. Mrs. Oran Smith was the teacher.

Mrs. Conrad Henderson and sons visited in the home of W. D. Nance Sunday.

Those enjoying a pre-Christmas dinner in the J. B. Nance

home on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Nance and son of Silverton, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Grant and boys of Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Scarbrough and girls of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Putt Jasper and Dawn, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nance and Betty Ann.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Phillips and children have been spending a lot of time with D. J.'s mother, Mrs. Lina Phillips of Plainview who fell recently and hurt herself.

Fred Harbage spent Tuesday night with the A. O. Foster family.

Visitors in the M. O. Peugh home Sunday afternoon were Mrs. L. M. Reidhimer, Mrs. A. O. Foster and Jimmy Rankin.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Peugh and children have moved into their home recently completed in the Lone Star community.

The community Christmas tree will be Christmas Eve night, Saturday, December 24. Everyone is urged to come and bring their children. Santa will be there.

The Lone Star grocery store will be closed Dec. 25 and 26th. The Consumers Fuel will be closed on Sunday, December 25th but will be open on the 26th.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Tiner and Gary Don will spend Xmas in Midland visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Nance and boy are expecting their daughters, Mayme Lou and Bobby Dean of Amarillo home for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stover with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Stover are leaving Friday for Denison and Texarkana to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frizzell and children will leave Friday for Lipan, Texas to spend the holidays with Mrs. Frizzell's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Smith.

Edith Johnston of Lubbock will be home Friday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Johnston and G. B. Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Frizzell and Tony.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Grantham are expecting their children home for the holidays. They are Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Martin of Elida, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. Edsel Martin of Hart and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Merrell and son of Lone Star.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Reidhimer and daughters will leave Thursday for Louisiana to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

La Nell Griffith of Lovington, N. M. will spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Walter Griffith and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Griffith and sons.

Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Tiner will spend Xmas at home but expect to be gone some the next week.

At Albert Kings Sunday for a pre-Christmas dinner with Mr. Mr. and Ben O. King of Silverton as host and hostess. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Albert King, Mr. and Mrs. Carl McAdams of Lockney and Mr. and Mrs. Carl McAdams Jr. of Littlefield and Herman King.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bramlett visited with Mr. and Mrs. Albert King Monday night.

Mrs. Floyd W. Jackson and Betty June with Mrs. Buck Sams visited with their daughter and granddaughter, Jackie in Austin over the week end.

Fred Handage of Albuquerque, N. M., is visiting in the community this week. He was a luncheon guest in the home of Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Tiner on Sunday. He spoke on "Missions" at the church Sunday night.

Mrs. Bob Tiner and Gary Don spent from Thursday until Saturday in Roaring Springs visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Smith.

Rita Gale Griffith spent the week-end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wells and Nell.

Mrs. J. B. Nance and Mrs. Tom Wells entertained with a pink and blue shower last Thursday in the home of Mrs. J. B. Nance for Mrs. Sol Barclay. About twenty-five registered or sent gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Kline Nall and girls, Chester and Herbert Griffith of Lubbock were in Lockney Sunday visiting their Uncle Don Griffith who was in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Griffith and Mr. and Mrs. Bascom Baxter and girls were luncheon guests

of Mrs. J. H. Baxter and N. Zeke Brotherton on Sunday. Calvin Strickland was in hospital at Lockney with pneumonia from Thursday until Sunday.

Weldon and Winfred Graves visited in Tullia Sunday with the grandmother, Mrs. Mag. Graves.

Visitors in the J. E. Stover home on Sunday was Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Richards of Pecosburg.

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Lockney, Texas

Movies are your Best and Cheapest Entertainment

Saturday Matinee and Night

DECEMBER 24

Roy Rogers and Trigger in
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IN TRUCOLOR
Also 2-reel COMEDY and SERIAL

Sunday and Monday

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"ROUGHSHOD"
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Blazing action in the high Sierras. A very good action story.
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Tuesday and Wednesday

DECEMBER 27 and 28

Burt Lancaster, Yvonne DeCarlo,
Dan Duryea in
"CRISS CROSS"

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DECEMBER 29 and 30

Loretta Young and Celeste Holm in
"COME TO THE STABLE"

Two academy award winners in a great and unforgettable story of fun, excitement and tenderness.
Also CARTOON

Mesa Theatre

NOTICE! We are showing no more Spanish pictures. The Mesa will show on week ends only selected pictures at reduced prices.

Adults 35c—Children 9c

Friday and Saturday Nights

"Adventures of Gallant Bess"

In Color

with Cameron Mitchell, Audrey Long
and Fuzzy Knight

Season's greetings



With volumes of good wishes,
For Christmas joy and cheer
And happiness and gladness,
Every day throughout the year!

We will be closed Saturday, Sunday
and Monday

COOPER BROS. GARAGE
MELVIN COOPER GERALD SAMS

Crop Campaign Extended to Jan. 1

The 1949 collection campaign for the Christian Rural Overseas program (CROP) in Texas has been extended until January 31, 1950.

In making this announcement, Daniel Russell of College Station, chairman of the Texas CROP committee, said that it was being extended by National CROP to allow all states ample time to complete their campaigns.

The Texas program according to reports received by the State office in Taylor has already received the equivalent of 22 carloads in commodities and money. This report includes contributions from only 44 counties.

Commodities included in the gifts made by rural Texans are cotton, wheat, rice, peanuts and peanut products, cottonseed products, corn, grain sorghums, black-eyed peas, wool and mohair.

Russell urged all Texans who have not contributed to the 1949 campaign of CROP to consider doing so before January 31, and preferably now.

CROP is church sponsored and collects and assembles commodities in bulk for the distribution overseas to the needy by established church relief agencies.

There are no grounds for divorce which are accepted in all 48 states.

Christmas.

With the approach of the Yuletide Season, our thoughts turn to those whose friendship we cherish so much. May your every wish be fulfilled this Christmas, and may your New Year be healthful and happy.

CONSUMERS FUEL ASS'N.

an old-fashioned

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Old times and the carefree pleasures of other days are recalled as we enter another Holiday Season. In the spirit of remembering friends and associations of the past, we extend our greetings to all!

LOCKNEY DRY GOODS
MR. AND MRS. C. O. JEFFCOAT

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

OPEN UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Longhorn Barber Shop

After some remodeling work the Longhorn Barber Shop is open again under new management. Charlie Moses will continue to work with us and we invite you to come in and see us for your barber work.

Longhorn Barber Shop
JOE ROGERS, Manager CHARLIE MOSES

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Our wish is brief — But very sincere —
A Merry Christmas to you
And a Happy New Year!

Lockney Electric
Frances O'Hearn

Society News

MS Christmas Social Held Monday

The annual Women's Mission-Society Christmas party was held Monday at the home of Mrs. Johnson at Sterley. Assisting Johnson as hostess was Mrs. Applewhite.

Mrs. J. C. Thomas gave the devotional. Mrs. Bill Johnston gave the Christmas story and Mrs. Byron gave a story. Christmas Carols were sung by Mrs. Edgar accompanied by Mrs. Lu Rhine. An offering was taken to be sent to some mission's child in the United States during school.

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served to twenty-two ladies present.

Busy Mothers Class Has Christmas Party

The Busy Mothers Class of the Methodist Church met for a social Friday afternoon with Mrs. Hugh Counts. Gifts were exchanged and Pollyannas revealed. Mrs. Daniel gave a beautiful Christmas story, "The Star Across the Tracks."

Cake and punch were served to the following members: Mrs. R. E. L. Stutts, Mrs. Neaves, Mrs. L. Stinebaugh, Mrs. W. L. Sims, Mrs. D. Bybee, Mrs. T. T. Threet, Mrs. Pearl Prickett, Mrs. Mabry, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Griffith, Mrs. W. Fields, Mrs. W. L. Thomas, Mrs. N. S. Daniel, Sandra Sams and the hostess.

Music Pupils of Mrs. Smith Presented in Recital

Piano and voice pupils of Mrs. Oran D. Smith were presented in Christmas recitals this week with students through the sixth grade being heard Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Mitchell.

Pupils on the program included: Karen Tilson, Lawauna Taylor, Judy Terrell, Ronnie Harris, Kelly Max Harrison, Janice Hays, Jean Wofford, Debra Ferguson, Jaudon Cobb, Kayleen Tilson, David Howell, Gayle Rucker, Kay Golden, Loy O'Brien, Katie Ray Rucker, Patty Dean, Betty Jackson, Caroline Cobb, Clydene Terrell.

Rev. E. J. Cobb told a Christmas story following the musical program and Santa arrived in his red suit to distribute gifts to each student. Entertaining hostesses for the Monday evening program included Mrs. Clark Harris, Mrs. Chester Mitchell, Mrs. T. B. Mitchell and Mrs. Kenneth Wofford. Refreshments were served to seventy-five guests and students.

Pupils from the seventh grade through high school were heard Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Carthel with the following pupils appearing on the program: June Pigg, Patsy Martin, Ann Belt, Joan Harris, Barbara Hays, James Bell, Betty Pigford, Sid Thomas Jr., June Wiley, Barbara Carthel, Sue Wofford, Sandra Myers, Mr. Clyde Sloan told a Christmas story and gifts were exchanged from the beautifully decorated tree.

Entertaining hostesses were Mrs. Hershel Carthel, Mrs. Pigg, Mrs. Wiley, Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Sid Thomas.

Boys and Girls Hold 4-H Party

Over one hundred 4-H Club boys and girls and parents were present at the county-wide 4-H party Saturday evening. The party was held in the Fellowship Hall of the First Christian church in Floydada. It began at 7:00 o'clock with a full house.

The evening's program was opened by the singing of Christmas Carols by the group. Beuna Mae Holmes of Sand Hill led the singing, with Dorothy Holmes at the piano.

The 1949 achievement awards were presented to winners in different county contests. The donors of the medals were announced by Miss Leila Petty, county Home Demonstration agent and Robert H. Gibson, County Agricultural agent.

Citizenship — Jackie Gene Brock.

Gold Star—Shirley Womack. Leadership—Troy Lee McNeill. Better Methods Electric—Troy Lee McNeill.

Girl's Record—Nita Jo Day. Talent Club—Marlene Hollums.

Dairy Production — Don Pope, Billy Carmack.

Field Crops—R. W. Smith. Gardens—Jim Roberson, Patricia Spears, Naomi Allen.

Poultry—Beuna Mae Holmes. Don Pope, Frances Allen, Weldon Pickens.

Farm Safety—Troy Lee McNeill, Jo Mack Dunn, Jim Robertson, Weldon Pickens, Olen Rapp.

Meat Animal—Stanley Burleson.

Home Improvement — Dorothy Holmes, Juanice Shearer, Mona Rae Williams, Hazel Wilson.

Dress Revue—Joyce Nell Womack, Loretta Feugh, Juanice Shearer, Shirley Womack.

After the presentation of awards three interesting movies were shown by Mr. Gibson. Refreshments of apples and candy were served by Mrs. O. G. Shearer, 4-H sponsor, assisted by the extension agents. The program was closed by singing "Joy to the World."

Beginners Christmas Party Is Held

The Beginners Department of the Baptist Church held their Christmas party Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Melvin Cooper with the following children present:

Ray, Melvin and Charlie Stegal, Juanell and Kathy Potts, Yvonne Karr, Donnie Haust, Nita Jo and Patsy Eiland, Teddy Bob Cooper, Mrs. Glen Cooper, Cheri Crapster, Nadine Cumble, Ruby Cumble, Robert Lynn Wilbanks, Jerry Vernon, Jerry Race, Shirley Ann Cooper, Wesley Mitchell, Sandra Mitchell, Francis Fowler, Elaine and Wayne Cooper. Mothers attending and assisting with entertainment were Mrs. C. R. Stegall, Obra Eiland, Glen Cooper, Shirley Race, Rhea Mitchell, Luther Fowler, M. E. Cooper and Mrs. E. U. Payne, superintendent.

Mrs. C. L. Record Presents Pupils in Musical Program

Mrs. Charles L. Record presented piano and accordion students in a musical program Monday evening at the First Methodist Church. She was assisted by Jackie Wingo, vocalist, and a men's quartet directed by Mrs. Troy Ray.

Those appearing on the program included Rita Sue Johnson, Laverne Light, Jackie Wingo, Patsy Ashton, Oddie Mae Rogers, men's quartet, Patty Jo Wilks, Betty Ann Johnson, Nita Kellison and Evelyn Hooten.

REA Employees Enjoy Buffet Supper

The employees organization of the Floyd County Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc., entertained their families and the directors and their families with a buffet supper at the headquarters building, Friday night, December 16 at 7:30 p. m. Turkey, dressing, and giblet gravy, furnished by the employees was supplemented by covered dishes of food brought by those attending.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ricketts of Lubbock were guests. Mr. Ricketts was guest speaker. He is field representative of the REA. Mrs. Bill McNeill and son Troy Lee, of Floydada, were guests too. Troy Lee was 4th place winner in the Better Methods Electric State Contest.

Visiting and games of "42", Canasta, and Rummy, were enjoyed until a late hour. Those attending were:

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Hamilton, and daughter Wilma; Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Henry, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn White, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Rogers and daughter, Cecilia; Mr. and Mrs. Reamer Rainer and daughter, Shirley Ann; Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Womack, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Pollan and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Neff, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Neff, Mr. and Mrs. George White, James Marricle, Paul Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Grimes, Mr. and Mrs. Mal Jarboe, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ginn, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Patterson, of Plainview; Mrs. J. H. Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. Will Taylor and son, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Morckel, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Covington, Dick Shackelford, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ricketts, Mrs. Bill McNeill and Troy Lee.

J. U. G. Club Meets Monday

At a meeting in the home of Mrs. Gordon Lotta on Monday, December 12, members of the J. U. G. Club elected the following officers for the year 1950:

President, Mrs. Ernest Sammann; vice-president, Mrs. Gordon Lotta; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. B. H. Quebe.

A Christmas supper was planned to be held on December 20 in the L. B. Brandes home. A box of toys and canned goods will be prepared to be sent to a needy home.

Mrs. Albert Scheele was in charge of the program and gave wrapping suggestions and read a short story. After the program gifts were exchanged among the members and Jug pals were revealed.

Mrs. Ernest Sammann showed moving pictures of the Halloween party to the group.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Bruce Rigler, Mrs. J. W. Mathis, Mrs. C. E. Flippin, Mrs. L. B. Brandes, Mrs. B. H. Quebe, Mrs. J. D. Boedeker, Mrs. Albert Scheele, Mrs. Ernest Sammann, Mrs. Hubert Stoerner and the hostess, Mrs. Gordon Lotta.

Girls Auxiliary Party Is Held

The members of the Girls Auxiliary enjoyed a Christmas party Monday evening at the home of their leader, Mrs. O. B. Wilbanks.

Those enjoying the occasion were Barbara Hays, Barbara Joyce Nigh, Betty Vernon, Jovonne Taylor, Nina Vernon, Roylene Dunnivant, Martha Steen, Bertha June Rigby, Mrs. Hilburn Casey, counselor and Mrs. Wilbanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Husky and Bobby, are here visiting relatives during the Christmas holidays. They live at Kermit.

Cradle Roll Party Held

A Christmas party for the Cradle-Roll department of the Baptist Church was held Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Dale Laceywell at Irick.

The house was decorated with pine and holly. The dining table was centered with a Christmas scene on a reflector flanked by red candles.

Ice cream and cookies were served to the following children:

Richard and Larry Ann and Jimmy Marr, Carol Cooper, McAninch, Cora, Billy Tom Hays, Randy Laceywell, Mrs. K. W. McAninch, Mrs. J. H. Cooper and well.

H. B. Strickland today for a visit at Los Angeles Calif.

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Universal Appliances

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Season's Greetings

Our best wishes for a Merry Christmas

Our sincerest hopes for a Happy New Year

JELLO 3 pkgs. 10c

Shortening Spry 3 lb. can 79c

MILK Armours tall can 2 for 25c

Apples Fancy Delicious 10c Pound

MARKET FRESH WATER CATFISH

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Christmas Joy!

Joys so well expressed and remembered in carols we love to sing and hear

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Greetings

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Huggins Produce

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A Christmas Wish

May the joyful pleasures of your Christmas Holiday become the core of happy memories for the coming year!

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Berry Leo Bob

Holiday Greetings to All

CARL McADAMS General Insurance

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Phone 75 — Lockney

Greetings

FOR THE SEASON AND OUR BEST WISHES FOR THE COMING NEW YEAR

City Bakery

H. B. FOSTER G. A. Mc

Christmas Wishes

May your Christmas be as A doorway to good cheer, Through which you will pass To a Happy New Year!

Hickerson-Strickland

H. W. BISHOP, Mgr.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas!

Childers & Pinner

W. R. CHILDERS FAY PINNER

WANTED ADVERTISEMENTS

Wanted
 WANTED TO BUY—Duncan crystal, Granada pattern. Write Mrs. Joe Morgan, 1107 West 11th or phone 926, Plainview, Texas. 15-2tp

WANTED TO BUY—Used 40 h. p. electric motor and switch. D. D. Tate, six miles south, two miles west of Lockney. 15-2tp

HATCHING EGGS WANTED—See the Rice Hatchery for culling and blood testing. Phone 235, Floydada. 14-4tp

WANTED—Custom one-way, ing, hoemeing, chiseling, or will lease equipment—tractors, one-ways, hoemes, drills. See Wayne Bybe. 14-4tp

NOTICE—I will keep children in my home anytime, day or night. Mrs. O. A. Thornton, Phone 173-W, first house north of Santa Fe tracks on Lockney Loop. 13-4tp

Custom Work
 Have Ford tractor and equipment and Pick-up Truck available for all kinds of work, farm or town. H. C. Burke, block east of Cooper Bros. Garage. 31-tfc

PIANO TUNING. Write Luther Fowler, Lockney. 23-tfc

WANTED—Custom one-way, ing or plowing. See Harold Calloway, one mile east, 1/2 mile north of Lockney. 3-8tc

MONEY TO LOAN—on Farms and Ranches. See R. E. Fry, Floydada, Texas. 27-tfc

FARM AND RANCH LOANS
 See us for your farm and ranch loans. Quick appraisal. Low interest rate, splendid prepayment options, liberal valuations. 7-tfc
GOEN & GOEN, Floydada, Texas

For Rent
 FOR RENT—Two bedrooms. Mrs. A. B. Kenady, Phone 115. 14-2tc

Santa Claus Letters
 Lockney, Dec. 21
 Dear Santa:
 This is just to let you know I've been a good girl this year, and I would like to have a record player for Xmas. Be sure and bring Bill the Tricycle he wants.
 Lynda and Bill Harris.

Dear Old Santa:
 We are two little boys who have been living around Lockney a long time, off and on. We work hard and try to be good boys and we think you ought to bring us some presents this year. Please bring a little tin horn for each of us and a set of toy tools to work on cars with. Also bring us some rock candy and everything. Don't forget Pa and Ma.
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Best Wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR

Best Wishes for Christmas

As all hearts echo and re-echo the joyous words "Merry Christmas", we wish to join in the spirit of the season and add our greetings to all the rest. And may the New Year bring you every happiness, too!

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Best Wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR

Best Wishes for Christmas

As all hearts echo and re-echo the joyous words "Merry Christmas", we wish to join in the spirit of the season and add our greetings to all the rest. And may the New Year bring you every happiness, too!

Roberson Grocery & Market
 ARTHUR and BEULAH

Cancer Information Offered Public

Some believe that a single injury, such as a blow in the rear, can cause cancer.

Some believe that cancer is hereditary, that parents pass it on to their children.

Many believe that cancer is generally incurable, and that there is nothing the individual can do to protect himself and family.

All these false beliefs and many others are dealt with in the first five of a series of popular pamphlets on cancer, publication of which is announced by John A. Thurston, Acting Federal Security Agency Administrator.

The pamphlets, which were prepared by the National Cancer Institute of Health, Public Health Service, emphasize that early cancer is frequently accompanied by warning signs and symptoms, and that persons who can recognize them and obtain prompt medical attention can usually be cured.

The first of the publications, "Cancer—What to Know, What to Do About It," is an illustrated folder that describes the cancer process, the known facts about its causes and approved methods of treatment, and lists the most usual signs of possible cancer. As listed in the folder, these include:

1. Any lump, especially in the breast.
2. Irregular bleeding or discharge from body opening.
3. Persistent indigestion.
4. Unexplained changes in bowel movements.
5. Unexplained weight-loss.
6. Changes in color or size of a mole.
7. Any sore that does not heal promptly.

The other four pamphlets, which were prepared in cooperation with the American Cancer Society, discuss in simple, inter-

esting language but with scientific accuracy the essential facts about cancer of specific sites of the body. One of these is on cancer of the breasts, a second is on female reproductive organs, a third on the digestive tract, and a fourth on the mouth and respiratory tract. Later pamphlets in the series will discuss cancer of the genito-urinary tract and skin cancer.

"Through personal alertness to the signs and symptoms of early cancer, the American people could prevent up to 100,000 unnecessary cancer deaths a year," according to Surgeon General Leonard A. Scheele of the Public Health Service. "Without becoming a nation of cancerphobes, we can learn and apply the few simple precautions that every citizen ought to know. Watchfulness for possible cancer symptoms should be as commonplace and matter-of-fact as watching the traffic lights while driving a car. If you notice any of the signs or symptoms, there is no cause for panic. They probably signify a condition other than cancer, but to make sure, go to your physician for a thorough examination. The best safeguard, especially if you are over 35, is to have a complete physical examination at least once a year."

Dr. Scheele explained that the five pamphlets were published in response to a widespread demand for a simple, clear explanation of what cancer is and how the individual can protect himself and his family against this second most common cause of death. Numerous requests for such materials have also come from State and local health agencies which now conduct cancer education programs as an important part of their public health work.

All pamphlets in the series warn against reliance on diet, pills, or other "cure-all" remedies in the treatment of cancer,

and emphasize that science knows only three ways to cure cancer: Surgery, X-ray, and radium or radon gas.

The Constitution of the United States makes no mention of a President's Cabinet.

One whale yields little whale-bone since it is taken from his jaw.

China, Russia and India are the three largest countries by population.

Grapefruit are so-called because they sometimes grow in clusters.

Rabbits can run faster up hill than down because the hind legs are longer than the forelegs.

Aiken News

By Mrs. M. B. Salmon

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Godfrey are the proud owners of a new Oldsmobile.

Mrs. Seago and daughter, Louise of Shamrock visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Seago and family last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Brooks and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Edd Bigham of Lubbock visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lois Williams last Sunday.

We are happy to report that Bill Wesley is much improved after his accident. Those helping him get ready for his sale were Mr. and Mrs. Lois Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Salmon, Cecil Richardson, Oscar Lucas, Clyde

Lucas, Lonnie Scott, Connie O'Brien, Johnnie Lee, Lee and George Wesley, Floyd Compton, W. W. Buckner, Carl Chandler and Oddie Dorman.

Miss Julia Movar spent Monday night with friends at Aiken.

Mr. and Mrs. David Stowe and Connie Ruth are proud owners of a new Chevrolet.

Margie Cox spent last Sunday with Carolyn Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Howard and Charlotte spent last week end with relatives at Childress.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Godfrey recently moved west of Plainview. The community wishes them the best of luck in their new home.

Mrs. Vernon Campbell and Carolyn visited Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Lee Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Connie O'Brien, Loy and Pat visited in the home

of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wesley Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. David Stowe and Connie Ruth visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wesley Jr. Friday afternoon.

Aunt Bessie Woods returned home after a long visit with friends at Graham.

Everyone is invited to attend the Christmas program and tree at Aiken Baptist Church Friday night.

Misses Virginia, Leota and L. A. Compton spent the week end with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wesley Jr. visited Mr. and Mrs. Sid Thomas Sunday.

Mrs. Mattie Gibson is visiting her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Connie O'Brien for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Tye and son left Sunday for Shreveport, La. to

spend the Xmas relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie, Janis and Mrs. Robert children visited Mrs. Wednesday.

Thirty-three adoption before the ment was adopted.

John Adams, lived longer than President.

Labor Day is the holiday recognition of national action.

Only persons dead for ten years for election in the



MERRY CHRISTMAS

We hope that this Christmas brings fulfillment of your every wish and that it finds you happily surrounded by the things and people you love. For this is what makes for contentment—and nothing is more precious! And if our greetings were to add one iota to your enjoyment of the holiday, then our Christmas will be happier too!

HAMMOND & COMPANY

Blaine Holt

CLAUDE HAMMOND, Dealer
Burl Holt

Charley Steen

Owen Emert

Best wishes

FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS

May your Yule-tide be joyous and bright . . . with the fullest measure of happiness and contentment!

Truett Variety Store
MR. AND MRS. J. P. TRUETT AND JOHN PERRY

OVER the WORLD

From East to West . . . all across the world, this day is being observed as a period of blessings. With deepest feeling we extend ours to all our friends and to all of our neighbors.

LOCKNEY REAL ESTATE CO.
A. R. MERIWETHER E. R. HARRIS FRED HALL

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fr. and Mrs.
mie, Janis
of Mr. and
rs. Robert S
visited Mr
nesday.

Plaster of Paris was originally
manufactured near Paris, France.
In China the first course at
dinner is the dessert.

Silverton Road Worker Killed

Scott Dunham died about 6
o'clock Monday evening of last
week of injuries received in an
unknown manner while driving
a maintainer for the county, on
a road north of Silverton.

Scott was found lying or
crawling along the road, about a
half mile north of the Silverton
town section near Snook Baird's
home. Mr. Baird discovered him
as he was going home about 4:30
in the afternoon. He put the in-
jured man in his car and took
him to the Silverton clinic, but
Scott died of chest injuries and
internal hemorrhage about an
hour after he was admitted to
the hospital.

The maintainer which he was
operating was standing about 50
feet from the spot where he was
found, and the motor was still
running. Whether he fell, or was
thrown from the cab of the ma-
chine could not be determined.

Funeral services were held
Wednesday afternoon at the Bap-
tist church at Silverton, with Earl
Cantwell officiating, assisted by
the pastor, Rev. G. A. Elrod. In-
terment was in the Silverton cem-
etery.

He is survived by his wife and
two sons, Freddie Scott 5 years
old, and Walter Lynn, 14 months
old; his mother, Mrs. Maude
Dunham of Phillips; two sisters,
Mrs. Maude Ford of Garland and
Mrs. Edith Gaston of Phillips;
and four brothers, James of Phil-
lips, Robert of McAllen, Cletus
of California and Buster of Lo-
gan, N. M.

Since 1878 the population of
the United States has increased
every year.

Many Cattle Are Infested with Grubs

Many of the cattle in Floyd
County are infested with grubs
in their back, some of them have
a larger number than usual,
states Robert H. Gibson, Floyd
County Agent. These grubs are
very expensive, in that grubby
cattle are discounted one-half to
one and one-half cents per pound
or an average of \$3.86 per animal
and in addition to this dis-
count it requires 15 per cent
more feed to fatten an animal
and will reduce the amount of
milk approximately 25 per cent
for milk cows.

Grubs may be controlled by
dusting the backs of animals
thoroughly with equal parts by
weight of 5 per cent rotenone
and wettable sulphur or 5 per
cent rotenone one part and tri-
poli earth or Pyrophyllite two
parts. A fruit jar with 15 holes in
the lid one-fourth inch in diame-
ter is best for applying dust.
Rub dust into hair with finger
tips or brush. Repeat in 20 to
30 days.

Most all drug stores have a
prepared rotenone dust in small
containers for a few head of
cattle.

Grubs may be controlled by
applying the backs of animals
with 5 pounds of 5 per cent ro-
tenone, 10 pounds of wettable sul-
phur per 100 gallons of water.
A sprayer producing not less
than 250 pounds pressure should
be used and the back thoroughly
wet.

All 4-H Club boys who have
grubby calves should begin treat-
ing their calves with one of these
methods immediately in order
to be rid of the grubs by show
time, Gibson said.

At the age of 70 a Supreme
Court Justice may retire on full
pay.

THE VILLAGE HAS A HEART

Dorothy Boys Kilian

THE CLOCK struck nine as Nola
hung the last bauble on the
fragrant green Christmas tree.
Without even stepping back to ad-
mire the finished effect she went to
the front window and peered out.
A cold white moon illuminated a
cold white earth. She shivered.
How lonely she had been in this
tiny, quiet village!

When she had written Jim two
months before that she was being
evicted from their apartment in
Chicago he had answered, "I'm
hoping against hope to be home
from occupation duty in time for
Christmas, and I can't think of any
place more perfect than Pineville
to spend the holidays and my termi-
nal leave. Remember my telling
you what happy summers I spent
there as a child, and how I'd al-
ways wanted to see it in winter?
Do investigate this, as a Christmas
present for me, Nola darling."

So she had come here and found a
house. But somehow she felt that
the villagers had ignored her as an
outsider.

And now it was Christmas Eve.
"He's not going to make it and
that's that," Nola thought miser-
ably. She knew that he had landed
at San Francisco three days before
and had been trying desperately to
get a seat on a train or plane.



"It's me, Doc Ryan. We're on
your party line you know, and
heard the good news. My wife
thought I'd better take you over."

The telephone rang. "There's a
telegram just come for you, Mrs.
West, down here at the drug store.
Very important."

"Yes?" Nola breathed.

"Chicago, 8 P.M. Am catching
train. Get off Shoreham five miles
east of Pineville 10 P.M. love Jim."

Nola leaned heavily against the
wall and stared at the phone.

"Mrs. West, are you there?" Mr.
Trotter, the druggist, sounded
anxious. "Listen, you go out in the
garage and get your car motor to
warming up. My wife'll be up
there in five minutes to stay with
your little boy. Hurry now."

In joyful haste Nola peeked in at
Jimmy—"Santa Claus is bringing
you your Daddy, honey"—pow-
dered her nose and put on her fur
coat and boots.

The garage door stuck in its
icy groove although she bent her
whole weight against it. Suddenly,
out of the darkness, a voice called.
"It's me, Doc Ryan. We're on your
party line you know, and heard the
good news. I'm so used to driving
out in all kinds of weather, my wife
thought I'd better take you over."

"Dr. Ryan, I didn't realize 'til
just now how I dreaded that trip
alone."

A train whistle shrilled through
the cold thin air as they drove up
to the little depot.

"We made it!" Nola cried ex-
ultingly. "Come on." She held open
the door.

But Doc muttered, "I'll stay here
and keep my feet warm."

Now the huge black engine
roared past, slowed down and slid
to a stop. A coach vestibule door
opened, and before the conductor
could step down, a khaki-clad fig-
ure leaped onto the platform.

"Oh, darling, darling, darling."
Nola's heart throbbed as she felt
once more the thrilling warmth of
Jim's arms around her.

"Nola!" Jim said everything in
that word.

A few moments later as they
walked to the car a voice boomed
from within, "Glad you made it."

"Whoever you are—thanks," Jim
answered. "It's people like you
who made me want Nola to come
to Pineville to wait for me."

"Get in and close the door. You're
freezing me out." Doc grinned as
he raced the motor.

"Christmas Eve," Jim said softly
as they squeezed in with Doc.
"You beside me, our baby just a
few miles away, and a Christmas
card place like Pineville to wel-
come us. Don't you love it there,
darling?"

Nola glanced at Doc, thought of
Mrs. Trotter and the others. "Yes,
Jim, I do," she whispered. "I
surely do."

Drunken Drivers Biggest Problem

AUSTIN—Drunken drivers Go
to Jail!

That statement was made by
Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., Director
of the Texas Department of Pub-
lic Safety, today in announcing
his department's position on holi-
day drivers.

"At no other time of the year
does drunk driving become the
problem that it is during Decem-
ber," he said. "About one out of
every six drivers involved in a
fatal accident last year was un-
der the influence of alcohol, ac-
cording to the National Safety
Council."

"About 3,120 persons died in
traffic throughout the nation last
December," Col. Garrison said,
"and far too many of these
deaths were traced directly to
drivers under the influence of
alcohol."

"We know there's considerable
more drinking during the holi-

days than usual," he said.
"Drinking—as such—is no cor-
cern of ours until the drinker be-
comes a traffic hazard. Then
definitely becomes our concern.
We insist that he not try to driv-
e. And, for that matter, we would
rather not see him try to wal-
k home either, because nation-
al figures tell us that an even
higher proportion—one out of
four—of pedestrians killed last
year had also been drinking."

"This apparent contradiction—
don't drive and don't walk," Co-
lonel Garrison said, "is not as imprac-
tical as it sounds. If you've been
drinking, either take a taxi home
or prevail on a non-drinkin-
g friend to do your driving for
you. If you know you may be
drinking during the course of the
evening, leave your car safely at
home in the garage. This put
the temptation completely out of
the way."

New Jersey is the only state
which elects its governor for
term of three years.



PYLANT GROCERY
MR. AND MRS. O. V. PYLANT

Season's Greetings

And to you—our friends—we make a toast for
happiness and well-being during the coming holiday season.
With the deep-felt wish that this may be the merriest, cheeriest
Christmas of them all! And that the coming fifty-two weeks of the
New Year give you and yours health, joy and prosperity.

LOCKNEY GIN

Christmas GREETINGS

May the pleasures you
derive from the exciting moments
'round the Christmas tree with your
dear ones, linger and provide a host of
wonderful memories to make the
coming year a very happy one!

SPECIAL
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
5% off on all Merchandise in the
Store. Come in and stock up

PAPER SHELL	
PECANS, lb.	35c
ENGLISH WALNUTS, lb.	35c
CHRISTMAS CANDY, lb.	25c
PORK SAUSAGE, lb.	39c
PICNIC HAMS, lb.	42c

Burk Food Market

MR. AND MRS. E. H. BURK

Christmas Greetings

We are wishing for your Health
and Happiness and continued
Prosperity in 1950

Listen to a Farmer's Life "As He
Lives It"
Saturday, December 24th
12:45 to 1:00 p. m. over KVOP

Ed Holmes

JOE ROGERS NEW SHOP MANAGER
Joe Rogers is the new manager of the Longhorn barber shop here. The shop has been closed this week for some remodeling but is open again today and ready for business. Charlie Moses who has been with the shop will continue as an employee.

HONORED AT BIRTHDAY DINNER
A birthday dinner honored B. R. Carthel and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. M. Carthel in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Golden on Sunday, December 18. Most of the family were present for the dinner and others called in the afternoon.

Littlefield Title Tilt at Abilene

Abilene has been named as the site of the Class A state championship game between the Littlefield Wildcats and the Mexia Black Cats.

Officials of the schools selected Abilene as a neutral site at a meeting there Sunday.

The teams will tangle Monday, Dec. 26, giving each team the opportunity to have Christmas at home.

Littlefield won its way into the finals Friday at Vernon with a 27-13 triumph over the Garland Owls.

Mexia, with a record of 14 consecutive victories, had a close call at Austin before squeezing out a 7-6 triumph over the Uvalde Coyotes.

The Black Cats the previous week had upset the famed New Braunfels Unicorns 26-6, eliminating the team that had been the greatest scoring aggregation in the state and a prohibitive choice to win the championship.

Norma Jean Vernon, student of Wayland College, is spending Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Vernon and family.

Hospital News

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Dodson are parents of a daughter born December 16. The young lady weighed six pounds, 14 ounces and was named Sally. Mother and baby were dismissed Dec. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Calahan of South Plains are parents of a son born December 17. He was named Jerry Glenn. The mother and baby were dismissed Dec. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Quisenberry have a son born December 18. He was named Tommy Ray. Mother and baby were dismissed Dec. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Murphy are parents of a son born December 18. He was named Donovan Lynn and weighed eight pounds. The mother and baby were dismissed Dec. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ramsey are parents of a son born December 15. He was named George Clay and weighed eight pounds two ounces. The mother and baby were dismissed Dec. 18.

Mrs. J. V. Shell was dismissed December 17 but her baby son remains in the incubator.

Mrs. Charles McDonald was admitted December 15 and was dismissed December 17 after medical treatment.

Mrs. J. H. Fowler was admitted Dec. 18 for medical treatment.

Mrs. F. L. Vanek of South Plains was admitted December 17 for medical treatment.

Jackie Ford, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Ford, was admitted December 17 and dismissed Dec. 21 after medical treatment.

Mrs. W. A. Adams of Matador was dismissed December 16 after medical treatment.

Mickey Mosley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mosley, was admitted December 17 and dismissed December 18 after medical treatment.

Mrs. Robert McJimsey of Silverton was dismissed December 17 after medical treatment.

J. W. Hunter and Alvin Howard, both of Plainview, were admitted December 16 for treatment of burns received in a gasoline explosion near South Plains. Hunter was dismissed to the veterans hospital at Amarillo Dec. 18 and Howard remains here for further treatment.

Calvin Strickland was admitted December 15 and dismissed Dec. 17 after medical treatment.

Leo Rogers of Amarillo was dismissed December 15 after medical treatment.

J. H. Workman was admitted December 21 for medical treatment.

Mrs. Fred Dorman was admitted December 21 for medical treatment.

Max Elder, an employee of the Lone Star gin, was admitted December 21 for treatment of injuries received when his clothing was caught in a belt.

Patsy Gilbreath, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Gilbreath, was admitted December 21 for medical treatment.

Mrs. George Worsham underwent major surgery on December 19.

Methodist Church

We will have all our regular services at the Methodist Church Sunday.

Church School — 9:45 a. m.
Worship Service—11:00 a. m.
Group meetings of Adults, youth and children—6:30 p. m.
Night Service—7:00 p. m.
The church with a friendly Welcome.

Newton S. Daniel, Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cooper plan to leave Thursday to spend Christmas in New Mexico at Hobbs, Roswell and Ruidoso. They will be gone a week or ten days.

Dr. Jones Urges Adoption Hoover Com. Report

Dr. Edward Jones, vice-president of Texas Technological College, speaking to members of the Lockney Rotary Club and their wives last Friday evening, urged that every citizen should write to his congressman and senator asking that they vote in favor of adoption of the Hoover Commission report in the national congress. This report is the result of a study by a 12 man commission seeking a way to streamline the national government and make it more efficient.

Pointing out that the nation is fast spending itself into bankruptcy, Dr. Jones said that nine years ago the nation was spending a million dollars every 12 days whereas now it is spending a million dollars every nine minutes.

He pointed out the laxity and inefficiency in many branches of the government and suggested that the Hoover commission was appointed to work out ways of overcoming these deficiencies. Some parts of the report have adopted by the congress while others have not.

Dr. Jones stated that he believed that the wastefulness of the government was the cause of many people cheating on their income tax reports, making statements that were not true in order to avoid paying taxes, and that any situation that lead a man to become a cheat and robber was not good.

In concluding his remarks, Dr. Jones quoted a number of beliefs that he held firmly to and which he believed, if adopted by American people would lead them safely back to firm ground in our national economy.

Four Are Injured In Car Collision

Four persons were injured, one critically, about midnight Tuesday in an automobile collision a mile east of the Plainview city limits.

Ronald Swilling, 17, is receiving treatment at the Plainview hospital for a skull fracture and cuts and bruises. He was still unconscious at noon Wednesday.

Others injured are Ronald Reynolds, 18, and Joe Fincher, 19, both of Floydada, and J. M. Carter, 49, Plainview. Robert Lee Carter, son of J. M. Carter, was driver of the car in which the elder man and Swilling were riding. He was not injured. All except Swilling suffered lacerations and bruises, none of them serious. The Carters and Swilling live 4 miles southeast of Plainview.

Highway Patrolman John Strother who was with Patrolman Dan Saunders investigated the accident said the car driven by Fincher, traveling east, apparently dropped off the sheer edge of the pavement and the driver turned the car back on the highway sharply, causing it to turn across the pavement in which position it collided with the Carter automobile. The pavement was wet and the shoulders of the road were slippery.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cooper and children will spend Christmas in Ruidoso, N. M. with Mr. Cooper's parents and other relatives.

HOT POINT is coming to Lockney!

Cartoonist Thomas Nast is responsible for the Republican donkey.

Girls Win, Boys Lose in Basketball

The Lockney girls basketball team have won two games from Crosbyton girls but the Longhorn team lost. However the Longhorn B team won their game with the B team from Crosby county.

On last Monday night at Crosbyton the Longhornettes defeated the Crosbyton girls 26 to 13. Velma Seale was high point player for the local girls with 19 points. The Longhorns dropped their game 30-19.

On Friday night previous the two teams played here and the local girls took this one 31 to 19. The Longhorns lost a close one this time 19-18.

At the Matador tournament last week end the Lockney girls won second place being defeated by the Spur girls 23 to 14 in the finals. Betty Handley was high point for the Lockney girls with

nine points. Velma Seale, selected on the team.

Miss Delilah Cattle, Wash. is parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perkins, are spending the days. Miss Cattle now employed at a party at Seattle vacation and will work Jan. 12.

Dwight and Terri arrive Saturday as to spend their parents, Mr. Perkins.

HOT POINT is coming to Lockney!

William Pitt was born in England at

ATTENTION FARMERS!

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New type 6 to 8 ton

MANURE SPREADERS

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Complete spreading average \$1.50 to \$1.75 per ton

Call or see

GUY BRISCOE

from 7 to 9 p. m. at Hilton Hotel, Plainview

THE DUMONT TWINS



Yes . . . MERRY CHRISTMAS to you, our valued friends and customers, from DUMONT JEWELRY. We appreciate your faithful patronage . . . and we eagerly look forward to the continued opportunity of being of service to you.

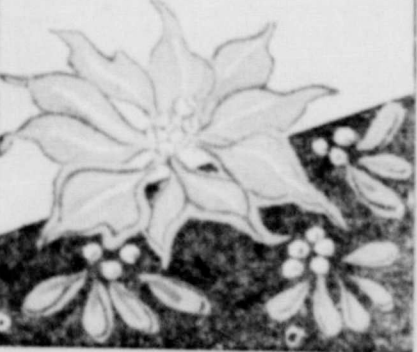
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May Christmas and the New Year be bright with happiness for you.

F. L. BROWN
REAL ESTATE



SEASON'S Greetings

And BEST WISHES for the New Year. May every happiness be yours.

SUGAR 10 pounds **89c**

CELERY Large Each **15c**

XMAS HAMS—TURKEYS AND HENS

We will be closed Monday, December 26

Maier Food Store

Phone 12—Free Delivery

Christmas Greetings
and Best Wishes for the New Year

We wish you all the happiness possible and may you continue to prosper.

Spence & Thompson
Service Station
Phillips "66"
Rayburn Spence George Thompson



Best Wishes for CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR too!

SAUSAGE Pure Pork Pound

PEACHES No. 2 1/2 cans

OLEOMARGARINE Colored Pound

BACON Corn King pound

CRACKERS Any Brand 2 lbs.

YAMS - CANDY - NUTS - FIREWORKS

Newman Grocery & Market
Phone 59 Free Delivery
PETE AND WANDA

Season's Greetings

A joyous Christmas to all our friends

FRANK PERKINS AGENCY
GENERAL INSURANCE

Letters

sister, Bobbie Sue, some nice present and bring us some candy and fruit. Remember all the other little boys and girls Santa and please remember by Mamma and Daddy. From a good little girl,

Barbara Ann Withrow.

P. S. Remember my grandmother and grandfather and Michael Joe.



LIKE Santa's pack, your stock of holiday goodies should be plentiful and interesting. Since callers will be as much present as holly and gifts during the holidays, do your baking of cakes and cookies, so your cupboard will be ready for any who might drop in.

Home-made delicacies served during Christmas and New Year's are as heart-warming as the sound of the yule log crackling on the hearth. If you have a fruit cake, a variety of cookies and perhaps a few candies, and if you serve these with a festive beverage, you will have gone a long way in spelling holiday cheer to those who come to say "Merry Christmas" at your home.

Here is a simple type fruit cake which does not need the aging that a traditional cake requires. The recipe makes two 9x4x3 inch loaves and is the perfect answer as to what should be served during the holidays:

Raisin Fruit Cake (Makes 2 loaves)

- 4 cups seeded raisins
- 2 tablespoons grated lemon rind
- 1 tablespoon cinnamon
- 1 tablespoon allspice
- 2 1/2 cups liquid
- 2 1/2 cups chopped nutmeats
- 4 cups sifted cake flour
- 5 teaspoons double acting baking powder
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup butter or shortening
- 2 eggs, well beaten
- 2 teaspoons vanilla

Combine raisins, lemon rind, spices and water in a saucepan. Cover and simmer gently for eight minutes. Drain, pressing out as much liquid as possible. Measure liquid and add water or coffee to make one and one-half cups, and reserve. Grind raisins with nutmeats.

Sift flour once, measure and add baking powder, salt and sugar; sift three times. Cream butter thoroughly, and add flour mixture, eggs, vanilla and reserved liquid. Stir until all flour is dampened. Beat vigorously for two minutes. Add raisin-nut mixture and mix thoroughly. Turn into two 9x4x3 inch loaf pans which have been greased, lined with brown paper and then greased again. Bake in a moderate (350°) oven for one hour and 15

minutes, or until done. Let stand five minutes on cake rack, then remove from pan, leaving paper attached until ready to serve. Cool. Wrap in a clean cloth and store in tin container to keep moist.

*The liquid may be water or left-over coffee.

Kris Kringle cookies are a tasty concoction of dates and nuts. If stored in a tightly covered container, they will keep moist for several days:

Kris Kringle Cookies (Makes 30 balls)

- 1 cup butter cookie crumbs
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 cup sifted all-purpose flour
- 1 cup finely chopped, pitted dates
- 1 cup black walnuts, chopped
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/4 cup confectioners' sugar

Combine cookie crumbs, salt, baking powder and flour. Add dates and nuts. Add sugar gradually to



RAISIN FRUIT CAKE

for a spicy holiday beaten eggs. Blend in cookie crumb mixture and vanilla. Bake in a greased and floured nine-inch square pan and bake in a slow (325°) oven for 30 minutes. While still warm, cut into 30 squares. Roll each square into a ball, turning the top, crusty portion inwards as you roll. Place confectioners' sugar in a bag. Shake the balls in the sugar to coat evenly.

Dear Santa:

We are two little boys 7 and 6 years old. Please bring me (Ronnie) a truck that hauls new cars. Please bring me (Cleatis) a fire department outfit, also candy, fruit and nuts.

Love,
Ronnie and Cleatis Hayes,
Lockney, Texas.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a steam shovel, truck and farm with cows in the barn. Also a little gun that shoots balls. Bring my little sister, Janelle, a doll and little boots. Also some nuts and candy. Bring all the other little children candy and toys.

Bill Dodson.



By Shirley Sargent

THE VERY NICEST thing about Henry Ellis, Henry had decided, was the fact that he was nine years old. He possessed another attribute variously described by his mother as stubbornness, stupidity, and the result of a one track mind.

To get something he really wanted, Henry had learned from experience, he always had to work hard and long. Pestering his mother for what he wanted came easiest.

"Why not, mom?" he begged, "Why can't I do it? I want to more than anything in the world. I'd be so good you wouldn't know me."

Finally his mother gave in to his endless teasing and what she considered impossible promises.

"All right, all right," she said,



Soundly sleeping, he lay back in the chair, in one hand a noise-maker; clutched limply in the other, a large horn. The box in his lap contained piles of confetti.

"We'll see if you can be good for a whole month and then—well, we'll see."

His long-awaited goal was in sight, but Henry had to admire his mother's shrewdness. Knowing that Rita, who was five, would keep close tab on him, Mrs. Ellis put her in Henry's charge for the month. Playing nursemaid to a five-year-old was a stern task, even when he could be as nasty as he wanted—but taking care of her on his good behavior was purely awful. All this time she would taunt her demands with "Or I'll tell mama."

Only once he told her calmly but desperately, "If I ever have any children, they'll all be boys or all be girls. I'm not going to make any little boy of mine have a little sister. No sir, I'll give him a turtle or a goat or something he wants, not a little sister."

Rita just barely listened to him before demanding, "Now be a turtle for me, Henry. Crawl like a turtle and pull your head in a shell." So Henry crawled all over the apartment like a turtle and wished he'd kept quiet—like a turtle.

The days crept past Christmas and Henry knew that being good was surely a most terrible experience. Then at last the month was over and he heard his mother asking, "Had enough of being good, Henry?"

Feeling it to be a trick question, he answered casually that "... would be fun to see the fellows again, and just sort of all over relax!" She laughed, encouraging him to go on. "Hey, mom, well, can I do it—you know?"

She kissed him, saying, "Yes." Henry yelled "Hooray" as he ran into his room. Gosh, it had been worth waiting for after all—my but he hated girls, though. Ugh! There were some very important matters to attend to before he was quite ready. They wouldn't take so long, but the waiting would. He started unwrapping his packages. Thanks to mom, life was really fine.

A little before 12 that night Mrs. Ellis, noting the silence, went into Henry's room. His lights were blazing but the boy was asleep in a chair drawn close to an open window. She walked quietly over beside him. A whole month—thirty arduous days devoted to being good—he had worked for this night, and now he was asleep with the sum total of his dreams in his lap and fists. Soundly sleeping, he lay back in the chair, in one hand a noise-maker; clutched limply in the other, a large horn. The box in his lap contained piles of confetti, while reams of paper streamers were laid neatly over the chair arms. There was a ridiculous paper hat crushed into the chair back by his head, and, on the table near him, there was another horn. It had a white card tied on it labeled simply "For mother."

So, she thought, with tears in her eyes, a little man's plan for one night had included his mother. She shook him gently, settled his hat more perkily on his head, and picked up her own horn. Noise seemed suspended in the air.

"Wake up, little one track mind," she said, sitting him up straight. "Hurry and wake up so you can wish me a Happy New Year!"

Lockney, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Will you please bring me a baby doll and a zipper notebook? I would like a purse too.

I am a little girl five years old and I have a big brother, Orlando. Will you please bring him something nice too. Bring my dog a rubber bone to chew on so he

will quit chewing on me. Remember my mother and dady too.
Thank you Santa,
I love you Santa,
Polly Sue Gilbert.

In 1861 there were two presidents in the United States—Lincoln in the North and Jefferson Davis in the South.

With Best Wishes

May all the joys of Christmas be yours and may your New Year overflow with happiness.

Lady Fair Shop
EDNA MAE HONEA

Merry Christmas



Yuletide wishes . . . may they all come true for you!

HEALTH! GOOD CHEER! GOOD FORTUNE!

WHITE AUTO STORE

BRAD SEALE LORETTA JESTER
ALFRED SMITH ROBERT CATHY



GREETINGS

With the realization that each passing year brings a fuller appreciation of old friends and pleasant associations, we extend to you our sincerest wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

"WHITEY" BACCUS MOTOR CO.

"WHITEY" BACCUS AUBREY KENT HAROLD DAVIS
"RUSTY" BACCUS ELMER LEE STAPP LONNIE HENSLEY
ROBERT RIGDON JACK COLE LARRY AMAYA



May your Christmas be merry and its joy and happiness spread throughout the glad New Year!

L. & H. Blacksmith & Welding
L. A. HAGERTY, Mgr.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



The season of hope and good cheer is at hand, and to friends and neighbors we send our sincere greetings.

LENA FAE STORE
LENA FAE SWEATT

SEASON'S GREETINGS

When Christmas comes, with all its joy and beauty it is a pleasure to express our whole-hearted greetings!

It is in this spirit that we extend our sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to our many friends . . .

CAMPBELL VARIETY
MR. AND MRS. W. A. CAMPBELL

COEDS INVADE ENGINEERS RANKS

LUBBOCK—Just as you'd expect, there isn't a single male majoring in Texas Tech's home economics division. But 25 coeds have "bucked" tradition and are majoring in engineering.

A report released by Registrar P. P. Clement shows the feminine slide-rule devotees are com-

peting with men students who outnumber them 43 to 1. Twelve of the girls are scheduled to get their diplomas next May.

"Those girls who go through the entire four years and hold their own in competition with the men are praiseworthy," Acting Dean of Engineering O. A. St. Clair said.

Watch your expiration date.



Among the myriad problems which beset parents at Christmas time are the many questions from the small-fry about Santa Claus. And the business of telling Junior or his little sister the truth about the jolly old gentleman in the red suit is really a major task.

However, the situation is bound to arise, and when it does, it does something to your heart strings—so you draw the little ones close and cast about for the best explanation.

Oddly enough, the true story is best—and the easiest to tell. So why not just tell the little ones this?

St. Nicholas (or Nicolas) is Santa Claus' real name. He lived in Asia Minor and was the beloved bishop of the Greek church of Myra in Lycia. He is the patron saint of the young, and in some European countries a person dressed as a bishop still assembles the children and distributes gifts of nuts, sweetmeats and other nice things to the good boys and girls.

Children loved St. Nicholas and trudged along beside him as he trudged the dusty roads of the Lycia countryside, bringing fruit and candy to the sick and needy.

One of many stories told of his goodness concerns a poor and honest man and his three good and beautiful daughters. The father was unhappy for poverty prevented his giving the customary dowries to his daughters, and for this reason they could never have suitable husbands.

One night a bag of coins was tossed in at the man's window. The next night the act was repeated. But on the third night the father watched, and the anonymous giver was detected. The jolly bishop stood with the third bag of coins in his hands. The father was very proud and would not accept the money. The good bishop begged the poor man to accept the gifts and use them for his daughters' dowries, requesting that his name never be revealed.

At last, the father accepted the money for his daughters, but he could not keep the name of the generous bishop secret — so the legend of the goodness of St. Nicholas was further spread and strengthened.

A Joy No Earthly Wealth Can Give

There is an old tale which becomes apropos chiefly at the Christmas time.

An agnostic—a disbeliever in God—made this offer to a nine-year old:

"I will give you an orange if you will tell me where God is." The youngster was equal to the challenge. "I will give you two oranges," he said, "if you will tell me where He is not."

Many great men have always felt the spirituality of Christmas, and some have managed to put it into words. For instance, when Woodrow Wilson was asked to prove the greatness of Christianity, whose founder was the Christ-child, he said simply, "Try it."

Cardinal Spellman had a Christmas gift for the mind when he said:

"The joy of Christmas is a joy that war cannot kill, for it is a joy of the soul, and the soul cannot die. Poverty cannot prevent the joy of Christmas, for it is a joy no earthly wealth can give. Time cannot wither Christmas, for it belongs to eternity. The world cannot shatter it, for it is a union with Him who has overcome the world."

The late Franklin D. Roosevelt once illustrated the spirit of Christmas with this story:

"A thief broke into the home of a priest and stole his purse. That night the priest wrote in his diary: 'Let me be thankful. First because I was never robbed before. Second because although he took my purse, he never took my life. Third because although he took all I had it was not much. And fourth because it was he who stole, and not I.'"

Religious Focus Week Planned

PLAINVIEW—Plans for Wayland College's first religious focus week, scheduled for February 5-10, were released here this week by Dr. R. H. Falwell, Jr., director of religious activities.

About 10 religious leaders will appear on the campus, under arrangements made by Robert S. Denny of Nashville, associate southwide student secretary. Another associate Baptist secretary is due to be one of these speakers, Miss Estelle Slater.

Working with Denny on plans for the Wayland program was the late Dr. Frank H. Leavell of Nashville, southwide Baptist student secretary since 1922.

Others already scheduled to speak are Dr. E. H. Westmoreland, pastor of the South Main Baptist Church in Houston; Dr. Norris Ford, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Longview; Miss Frenchie Bramwell, student secretary at Lamar College in Beaumont; Buckner Fanning, student at New Orleans Baptist Seminary; and W. F. Howard of Dallas, Texas Baptist student secretary.

The Secretary of Labor would be last to succeed to the Presidency in case of death of the President, Vice President and other Cabinet officers.

Karl Marx was a contributor to the New York Times while living in London after his exile from France.

Greetings

The Christmas Season is with us again and we wish to take the opportunity it offers us to greet our many friends, and convey to them our sincere message of "Merry Christmas—Happy New Year!"

Brunner Lumber Co.
MR. and MRS. G. M. BRUNNER

Greetings

- Good Luck!
- Fine Friends!
- Happiness!
- Good Health!
- Prosperity!

May all these pleasures be yours this Christmas.

Lockney Lumber & Supply
LEON JAKE HARLEY EDWIN

CRACK THE WHIP ON HOLIDAY HORSEPOWER

DRIVE IN AT THE COSDEN SIGN FOR NEW "CAT-CRACKED" COSDEN PREMIUM-GRADE GASOLINE

Cosden "Cat-Cracked" Premium-Grade Gasoline comes by the latest and most modern refining equipment; the new Catalytic Cracking Plant. A new improved product years ahead in performance.

Roll with Cosden's special new Premium-Grade power at the touch of your toe. "Cat-Cracked" Cosden is a BETTER Premium-Grade Gasoline... gives you the reins on ALL your horsepower. Tank up for travel with potent improved Cosden Premium-Grade Gasoline! There is no better Gasoline.

COSDEN PETROLEUM CORP.
BIG SPRING, TEXAS

SEE YOUR LOCAL COSDEN DEALER FOR QUALITY PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

A Merry Christmas

Riches and expensive gifts do not alone make a Christmas merry. The simple, familiar wishes of neighbors and friends are just as important for a full enjoyment of the holiday. Mindful of this we are anxious to voice our homey, old-fashioned greeting: "To all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

BAXTER & SMITH GRAIN COMPANY
Lockney

When in

... tragedy occur-
... of last week
... community.
... on the creek
... homes' decided
... their disturbance
... caused the
... and one youth
... the landslide,
... before he could
... Trotter, 13-year-
... and Mrs. Ernest
... and who lost his
... at the time of the

... accident were two younger boys,
... sons of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sperry.
... The boys were digging their
... cave in a high bank on Roberts
... Creek near Fairmont, about 4
... o'clock Friday afternoon. When
... the bank suddenly gave way and
... the dirt came pouring down on
... them, the Sperry boys quickly
... realized their companion's plight
... and ran the half mile or more
... to the Trotter home for help.
... The Trotters had lived in the
... community only a short time,
... and Mr. Trotter thought his boy
... had fallen into a stream of water,
... and hurried to the spot un-
... prepared to dig. The Sperry boys
... continued to alarm the neighbors
... and in a short time a large

... crowd had gathered with shovels
... and spades, frantically trying to
... find the youth. So much dirt had
... moved in the slide it was diffi-
... cult to judge the location of the
... buried lad.
... Almost an hour of digging
... elapsed before he was found
... near the top of the hill. Artificial
... respiration was administered and
... Dr. Knollhoff from Quitaque was
... summoned, but the boy was be-
... yond medical aid.
... Funeral services were held
... Saturday afternoon at the Fair-
... mont church with Rev. Scruggs,
... Baptist minister officiating. In-
... terment was in Flomot cemetery.
... Survivors besides his parents
... are one brother aged 7 and two

... sisters, Margaret 8, and Mondel-
... pha 6 years old.
... Bobbie Mack was born January
... 6, 1936 at Lowell, Ark. The family
... moved to Turkey in September
... and have been helping in the
... cotton harvest. They moved to
... the Ben Cogdill place at Fair-
... mont in October.
... Experiments in flying were
... carried on by the Wright Brothers
... at Kitty Hawk, N. C., because
... winds there are steadiest and
... strongest of any place in the Un-
... ited States.
... United States President John
... Tyler was the father of 14 chil-
... dren.

Wayland' Holidays Dec. 17-Jan. 2

PLAINVIEW—Wayland College
students will be out of school for
the Christmas holidays from
noon, Saturday, Dec. 17 until
January 2, according to Dean
Raymond E. Mendenhall, so pa-
rents of the Panhandle can ex-
pect their children home soon.
The first dirigible trip around
the world was made by the Graf
Zepplin in 1929.
Texas has more railroad mile-
age—over 16,000 miles—than any
other state.

National Service Life Insurance

"Disabled Veterans of World
War II, who may be disqualified for
Life Insurance because of
those disabilities, have but two
weeks left in which to take ad-
vantage of a special provision
of the National Service Life In-
surance Laws enacted for their
benefit," Robert W. Sisson,
manager of Veterans Adminis-
tration Regional Office at Lubbock,
warned today.
"Affected are Veterans with
disabilities incurred in Service
Between October 8, 1940 and Sep-
tember 2, 1945, who have less
than the \$10,000.00 maximum of
NSLI and whose disabilities are
less than total in degree.
"Such disabilities are dis-
regarded in determining eligibil-
ity under the Health Requirements
for NSLI, if Application is made
Before January 1, 1950.
"Until that date, January 1,
1950, these disabled Veterans
may apply for new or additional
insurance, or reinstate lapsed

policies, up to \$10,000.00 worth
total coverage, and receive the
benefit of this Special Provisio-
"After that date (January
1950) all Impairments to Health
Included, whose which may be
due to ... must be consid-
ed in determining insurability.
Sisson added that applicati-
on may be made at any Vetera-
Adminstrative Office, and that
Physical Examination, which will
be made by Veterans Adminis-
tration without cost to the Vete-
an, is required.
Robert Fulton and Samuel
B. Morse, two American invento-
born within 10 years of 180
helped finance themselves
young men through successful
portrait painting.
Animals with long legs
have long necks in order to
reach their food without bending
their knees.
New York and Pennsylvan-
have a greater number of repre-
sentatives in the House of Repre-
sentatives than any other state



Merry Christmas
To you—our patrons and neighbors—we wish
all of the good cheer and friendly spirit of the
coming Yuletide season.

May the New Year be one of success in all of
your endeavors as well as a year of health and
happiness for you and yours.

And along with our sincerest wishes for the well-
being of our friends—we offer a prayer that the
future be one of prosperity and enduring peace.

Patterson Grain & Gin

R. E. Patterson Gilbert Bean George Webster

Greetings
... and sincere good
wishes for a
Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year ...
Adams Texaco Station
PAT ADAMS, Operator

Greetings
We look forward each
year to sharing with
our many friends the
brightness and good will
of the holiday season.
V. L. Webster Service Station
R. V. — Kelley



Long distance telephone operators will be
rushed, too. Every operator who can help will be
on the job Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. But
circuits will be jammed. Delays will be unavoidable.
If your call is delayed, please be patient.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE CO.

Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa:
We are two little boys four years and sixteen months old. I, Jerry, want a big wagon and gun. Stanley wants a tricycle and a doll that says "Mamma and Pappa" and don't forget to bring us some fruit, nuts and candy.

Love,
Jerry and Stanley Watson.

Lockney, Texas

Dear Santa:
We are a little boy 2½ years old and a little girl 18 months old. Please bring us a tricycle and a doll that says "Mamma and Pappa" and don't forget to bring us some fruit, nuts and candy.

Love,
Orville Joe and Shirley Hayes.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy two years old and I've been extra good, so would you please bring me a horse, a train, a drum, a great big truck and some candy, and Santa, please bring my baby brother some toys, too.

Love,
Donald Wayne Henderson.

Lockney, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy four and a half years old and I think I've been pretty good. Would you please bring a station wagon, house shoes, horse, spurs and a drum? I'd also like some candy nuts and fruit.

Yours truly,
Mike Nance.



HOPE THAT SUSTAINS THE WORLD . . . If there is anything more touching and inspiring than the sight of a little boy or girl waiting patiently for the arrival of his beloved Santa Claus, the world has yet to produce it. With boundless hope, after hanging up his stockings, he finally goes to bed, knowing as surely as he knows his own mother and father, that the Giftbringer will have been there when he awakens.

Prevent TB by Buying Christmas Seals

Take a deep breath—hold it. Early in November this familiar chant was heard in Texas for the two millionth time as another Texan stepped up for a chest X-ray. It has become as familiar a phrase as "Say a-a-h" said Dr. Z. T. Scott, treasurer of the Texas Tuberculosis Association, commenting on the two million mark reached since 1946 by X-ray activities of the Texas State Department of Health, the Texas Tuberculosis Association and local tuberculosis associations operating X-ray equipment. "Over and above this total is the number of chest X-rays made by private physicians," Dr. Scott pointed out.

"The 2 millionth X-ray coincides with the 40th Xmas Seal sale which makes possible the tuberculosis control program of the Texas Tuberculosis Association and the affiliated county associations, according to the Association's treasurer.

"When Texans buy Christmas Seals they make it possible for everyone to have a free chest X-ray. And X-ray is only one of the ways in which we fight tuberculosis," continued the physician. "Information about tuberculosis can do more to reduce the 2,500 yearly deaths from tuberculosis in Texas than any other single factor." Calling the annual Christmas Seal Sale itself "an instrument for education," Dr. Scott said that this yearly mail sale has been the means of bringing to people the vital information that tuberculosis is a communicable disease, not an inherited one; that it can be cured promptly when found early, and that it can be prevented.

Kerosene replaced whale oil as a means of illumination. Watch your expiration date. Go to Church Sunday.

Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa:
I am six years old and going to school. I like my teacher fine. I would like for you to bring me a doll and a doll house. Please don't forget my little baby sister, she wants a teddy bear.

Love,
Charlotte Ann Seago.

Lockney, Texas

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 9 years old. Please bring me a gun for Xmas, also some caps, candy, nuts and fruit.

I love you, Santa.
Alvin Hayes.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl six years old and in the first grade. Please bring me a doll, table with

HAPPY Holiday WISHES

We feel genuinely pleased and privileged to extend sincere Holiday greetings to our many friends. In the spirit of appreciation for the confidence you have shown in us, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Baker Hardware Co.
JOHN STALCUP, Mgr.

Garrison Says Night Driving Risky

AUSTIN—"If you can't see it, you can't dodge it!" Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., Director of the Texas Department of Public Safety said today in describing the high rate of after-dark traffic accidents in December.

"It's pretty generally known by the public that night driving is far more risky than daytime travel. Just how much more risky, though, is the unanswered question that leads far too many motorists into finding out for themselves," he said.

Emphasis is being laid, this month, on hazards of holiday and night driving by the Texas Department of Public Safety in cooperation with the Texas Safety Association.

"To answer this question," Col. Garrison said, "we can point to National Safety Council figures which show that the night fatal accident rate per mile of travel is about three times as high as the rate during the day. Since the sun shines only about eight hours a day in December, one can readily see why nearly eight out of ten of the pedestrians, and six out of ten of the motorists, who

die in traffic do so during the hours of darkness this month."

The Department of Public Safety and the Texas Safety Association also pointed out that the number of traffic fatalities varies more with the number of hours of darkness during the year than with the number of miles traveled. Each of the months having the most darkness—October, November, and December—has far more fatalities than July, the month of peak travel.

"Treat darkness as you would any dangerous opponent—with caution and suspicion," Col. Garrison warned.

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BEST WISHES for Christmas

We offer our most sincere greetings to friends and patrons for a Joyful Christmas Holiday and a Happy New Year, too!

K. W. COOK
JEWELRY

Merry Christmas

Once again we pause as another joy-filled Yuletide season arrives, to wish our many patrons and friends prosperity, health, contentment and peace this Christmas Day and throughout the year to follow.

LOCKNEY DRUG COMPANY
Professional Prescription Service
TELEPHONES: 50 and 126 LOCKNEY

JOYFUL CHRISTMAS WISHES

In the glorious spirit of Christmas—we extend to you—one and all—our heartiest wishes that this Yuletide season will be your merriest—and that the coming New Year will prove one of true joy, health and prosperity.

NATIONAL ALFALFA DEHYDRATING & MILLING COMPANY
LAMAR, COLO. ST. LOUIS, MO. PLAINVIEW LOCKNEY

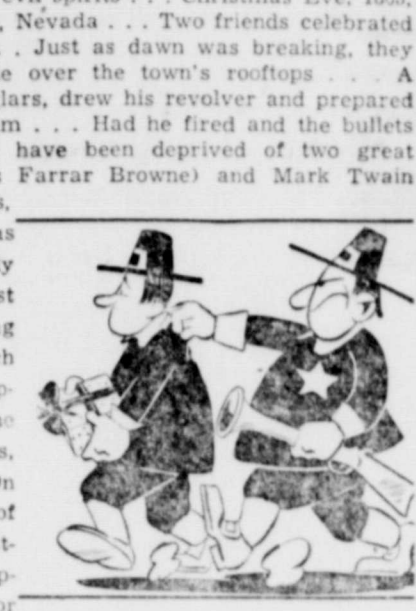
Earliest New England houses were built of thick planks instead of logs as is generally believed. X before the license number an airplane denotes that plane is licensed for experimental purposes.

Speaking of Christmas

SPEAKING OF CHRISTMAS . . . Throughout the world wherever Christmas is celebrated it is customary to place a lighted candle in the window . . . The legend is that candles originally were set out to light the Christ child's way as he made his visits through the children . . . One explanation of the custom of hanging stockings on Christmas Eve recalls the baronial halls of England where huge fireplaces were constantly in use . . . Each Christmas a special log, the Yule log, was thrown on the fire . . . This log burned steadily as long as the feasting and celebrating continued. Naturally, it burned with a pungent odor and stockings were hung over the fireplace to absorb some of this odor and to protect the owners from evil spirits . . . Christmas Eve, 1863, saw a near tragedy in Virginia City, Nevada . . . Two friends celebrated with a terrific round of festivity . . . Just as dawn was breaking, they embarked on a perilous promenade over the town's rooftops . . . A policeman, mistaking them for burglars, drew his revolver and prepared to shoot—but a passerby stopped him . . . Had he fired and the bullets found the mark, the world would have been deprived of two great humorists—Artemus Ward (Charles Farrar Browne) and Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens) . . . Mince pies, so long a part of our Christmas tradition, originally had a deeply symbolic significance . . . The first mince pies were patterned in oblong shape, after the manger in which Christ was born . . . The crust represented the gold brought by the Three Wise Men; the many spices, the frankincense and myrrh . . . On May 11, 1659, the general court of Massachusetts Bay outlawed Christmas . . . Anyone celebrating, stopping work, serving holiday fare or deviating from normal daily life would be fined five shillings . . . The righteous Puritans were sure they were acting wisely—for how could good Christians condone the pagan origin of Christmas? Did not such a holiday encourage excess in eating and drinking? . . . It was 22 years before that law was repealed.



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"Don't Let Death Take Your Holiday"

"Don't let death take your holiday!"

This was the warning issued today by Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., Director of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

"Too many people either do not, or will not, associate the Christmas holidays with anything as grim as death," Col. Garrison said. "And yet this month's death rate is consistently high. Last year, more than 3,000 motorists and pedestrians died in December alone."

The Department of Public Safety is emphasizing the subject of holiday hazards during December in cooperation with the Texas Safety Association.

Col. Garrison pointed out that December last year, again successfully defended its title as the deadliest month of the year from a national standpoint. Both pedestrian and motorists fatalities were higher at that time than at any other time of the year.

"A lot of things go into the making of a record like that," Col. Garrison said. "Low visibility, slippery roads, fogged windshields, more drinking drivers, and long hours of darkness that cover the peak hours of traffic every day are the factors chiefly responsible for such a high fatality rate."

Maintenance of windshield wiper, defroster, and brakes, use of chains, lower speeds and abstinence from alcohol before and while driving were the preventive measures urged by the Department of Public Safety and the Texas Safety Association.

"Don't Let Death Take Your Holiday, is more than a slogan," Col. Garrison said. "Remember—that very thing happened to more than 3,000 people last year!"

Lafayette presented the key to the French Bastille to George Washington and it may now be seen at Mt. Vernon.

Early New England women bleached their sheets by spreading them with sour milk and putting them in the sun.

Watch your expiration date.

been very disappointing," McElroy added.

E. A. McCullough, Midland, president of the association has written an open letter to Exes in which he states that unless support increases the Ex-student aid program for Tech "will be seriously impaired."

Col. Charles Lindbergh received the first Distinguished Flying Cross awarded by the U. S. Government.

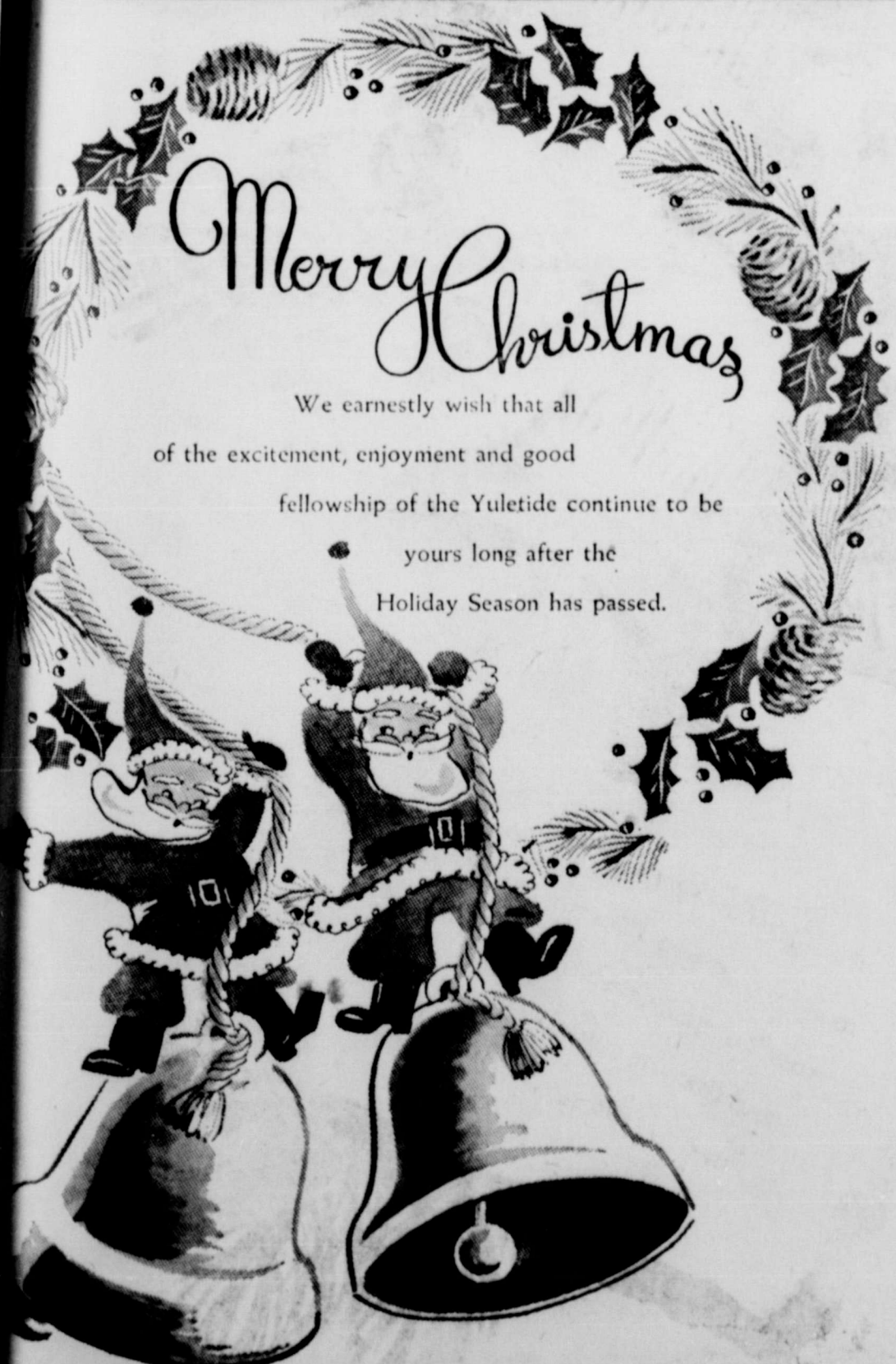
Stars and Stripes in the American flag, were suggested by the coat of arms of the Washington family.

Glenn Curtiss piloted an airplane called the June Bug on the first public flight of a mile in the United States.

Friendly Greetings

To all our many friends, we extend the wish that this Christmas be a truly Merry one, and the coming New Year a happy one!

Copeland Welding Shop
T. V. COPELAND



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Our favorite season is here again! For it's Christmas time—when colorful lights and holly wreaths brighten every window—when the carefree voices of carolers break the silence of the night, and to wide-eyed youngsters dear old Santa Claus is the "man of the hour". Beyond all these pleasures our greatest enjoyment comes from the opportunity to wish all our friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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EDITORIAL

But the grace of God I am that I am; and His grace which is bestowed upon me was not vain; but I labored more abundantly than all; yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.—I Cor. 15:10.

With this Christmas edition of the Beacon you will note many greetings from the business and professional people of Lockney. We hope that you will read every one of these because they truly express the sentiments of those whom you have patronized the past year. The merchants of Lockney want you to know that they appreciate your patronage and this is one way that they are telling you of that appreciation.

Jim Rogers contribution to thoughts for today: There are too many people in too many cars in so much of a hurry going in so many directions to nowhere or nothing.

We wish there was some way to stop the younger generation from expressing their holiday spirit with the shooting of fireworks. A few of them running wild here on last Friday afternoon did a fair job of ruining the Santa Claus visit. Shooting fireworks in a crowd like that is

not only dangerous but it will keep out-of-town people from coming here to do their shopping. Especially do the ladies despise this kind of performance. We noted that there were no fireworks at the Monday afternoon drawing. We hope that the powers that be have this fire works business under control.

An exchange asks: What is the world coming to? The editor of another exchange amends the question by asking when is the world coming to?

The best defense this country has against Russia is to let the people of that country know the real truth about this country and conditions here. This naturally will be a slow process, due to the fact that the Russian press constantly poisons the minds of the people against this country. By knowing the real truth about this country they could compare life in Russia with life under a democratic government. At the present time the common people of Russia knows of no better life than the one they are now living.

The whole history of mankind constitutes an epic struggle upward and onward toward the light and the right. As certain chemical compounds, unusable because of nature, cannot endure, so wrong and injustice and un-economic laws and practices cannot forever endure in human society. They are unusable and cannot survive the processes of time. At various times in the history of the race it has gone off on long detours. It has followed after false gods, but in the irresistible process of the mankind has always come back to the straighter, narrower path which God has charted and which will eventually bring His kingdom to this earth. To believe in anything other than the ultimate triumph of right and justice is to have no belief. All worthwhile philosophies of religion and human conduct are based upon the premise of the ultimate triumph of right. No problem is ever solved until it is correctly solved. In the final analysis no policy or business practice that is not fundamentally sound and just will continue to endure no matter how strong the forces that support it may be.

It is reported that the government's effort to support the price of eggs last year cost around \$100,000,000.

A columnist in one of our exchanges expresses the belief that Communists are the only ones who would cause the Chinese to recall life under Chiang as the good old days.

With Our EXCHANGES

CHRISTMAS CHEER!

Changing the subject, the next time you hear some brewer's hired hand chiming out over the radio how his particular brand of beer will bring cheer to the fire-side or the house party, just remember how 66 year old Fred Stroble, while drunk, tried to ravish little six year old Linda Joyce Glucoft, and when she resisted him, according to his own confession, he strangled her to death with his hands and a tie, wrapped her up in a blanket and carried the body to an incenerator outside to burn it up, saw an axe and an ice pick there and stabbed the body with the pick and slammed her head repeatedly with the flat side of the axe; then to make sure that she would not live to tell the story, the brute went back into the kitchen and got a butcher knife and stabbed her in the neck. Officers finally found him in a downtown bar drinking a glass of beer. He explained to the district attorney that he had been drinking wine all day on the day that he strangled and butchered the little girl. Yes, there was a lot of cheer in the Los Angeles home that night.

The next time you read that glowing advertisement in your favorite magazine praising the mellowness and the fine flavor of some particular brand of whiskey or of a lighter wine, remember the sad fate of little Linda Joyce Glucoft and the wine-drinking brute, Fred Stroble, who butchered her as you

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To HAZEL MARIE KROPP, Defendant, Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court of Floyd County, at the Courthouse thereof in Floydada, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a. m. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 23rd day of January, 1950, then and there to answer plaintiff's petition filed in said Court on December 5, 1949, in this cause numbered 3848 on the docket of said Court and styled C. H. Kropp, Plaintiff, vs. Hazel Marie Kropp, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit by C. H. Kropp, as plaintiff, against Hazel Marie Kropp, as defendant, for divorce, plaintiff alleging that plaintiff and defendant were legally married in Ventura County, California, November 28, 1945, and that they lived together, intermittently, as man and wife until November 1, 1948, when defendant abandoned plaintiff without any provocation; that plaintiff has been an actual bona fide inhabitant and resident of Floyd County, Texas, for more than twelve months immediately prior to filing his petition in this cause; that though plaintiff treated defendant with kindness and forbearance, defendant was guilty of cruel treatment toward plaintiff of such nature as to render their further living together insupportable and to entitle plaintiff to a divorce; that no children have been born of said marriage and that plaintiff and defendant own no community property; plaintiff praying for divorce and general relief, as is more fully shown by plaintiff's petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs. If this citation is not served within ninety days after date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Floydada, Texas, this 5th day of December, 1949.
Attest:
Mary L. McPherson,
District Court, Floyd County,
Texas.

14-4tc

would not butcher a wild boar... Yes, liquor will let you alone if you will let it alone. Bah! —Odds and Ends in Lynn County News.

UNDER A GATE

A water shortage such as New York City's millions now are experiencing usually brings out two quirks of the human character. One is the householder's urge to use more water than he customarily does, so as to be sure to get his share of what is left. The other is the exhortation to all and sundry to get busy and pray for rain.

The first can be put down to plain human selfishness. There isn't much you can do about selfish people.

The other matter, that of praying for rain, strikes us as paralleling the case of the devil who, when he was sick, wanted to be a monk.

If the Almighty were less than He is, He undoubtedly would get mighty tired of us earthlings who go about wasting our plenty and lifting our voices to Heaven only when the oil jar is empty and the well has run dry.

We are His creatures, however, and we have no doubt that when New York has prayed long and earnestly the rain will fall and the reservoirs will fill. But we know He would be better pleased with us if we would remember our prayers now and then when we weren't stuck under a gate. —Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

GILMER-AIKEN BILL

Teachers attending the state convention in Fort Worth last week were repeatedly told that taxpayers are going to expect better education under the new Gilmer-Aiken law set-up, according to newspaper reports. So, say we all. That means higher scholarship will be required of teachers in many instances, but it should not be forgotten that degrees do not mean everything in considering the qualifications of teachers. There are many teachers who never earned a degree in college who love children and know how to teach them. We are not saying that they should not be required to improve their scholarship but they should not be discarded for the

One Moment Please!
With Gayle Oler
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Few of live as comfortably carefree as we should. We are slaves to our vanities, and to our neighbors opinions.

A man's heart loses strength when kept on cold storage. Smile often—it's nature's way of keeping you good natured.

The bigger the mouth, the better it looks—shut.
Many people become luminescent on Saturday night—all lit up.

It is a mistake for people to imagine they can save their face by hiding it—come out in the open, and look life straight in the face.

If you get the idea nobody likes you, you probably don't like yourself much either!

A fault-finding wife becomes pretty adept at the "hunt-and-peck" system—she hunts for faults, and keeps pecking away at them.

sole reason that they do not possess degrees and replaced with teachers who have scholarship but lack other important qualifications for teaching. This matter of selecting and discarding teachers is so important that it should be done carefully. Superintendents have a great responsibility right there.—Lynn County News.

A CHILD

A lovely child like music
Brings such gladness to one's heart;
The haunting melodies
They play can scarce be told apart.
Each brings with it a blessing
Far more precious than pure gold.
For both, akin to the divine,
Bring happiness untold.

A lovely child like laughter
Makes one's living so worthwhile;
Its love so warm and tender
And the sunshine of its smile
Play softly on the heart strings
A majestic lullaby
So wonderful that air nature
Bends to listen ere 'tis nigh.

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Telephone Organized

service in the rural areas of these six counties which are now being served by telephones.

The organization still is in the tentative stage but is being shaped in conference with the rural telephone bill recently passed by Congress.

Officials of the association said they hope to be able to send out membership applications shortly to those rural residents in the six-county area who need telephone service.

S. H. Bradford of Hurlwood was named president of the association. Other officers and directors are Douglas Pounds of Lubbock route 1, vice president; Henry Heck of Idalou, secretary; W. A. Wilke of Slaton, treasurer; and P. H. Appling of Slaton, G. C. Gilliland of Abernathy, C. P. Zellner of Lorenzo, W. H. Millican of Slaton, and Guy Thompson of Abernathy, co-directors.

These officers will serve on a temporary basis during the formative stages of the association.

Counties represented in the association are Hale, Hockley, Lubbock, Floyd, Crosby and Lynn.

L. A. Howard was retained as the attorney for the association

at last night's meeting, and the firm of Hasie and Green and associates of Lubbock has been named engineer for the organization.

Similar organizational meetings of rural telephone associations have already been held at Muleshoe and Hereford.

The next meeting of the South Plains association will be held at Lubbock REA offices on Jan. 6.

With the possible exception of Herbert Hoover, George Washington was the United States' wealthiest president.

UNIVERSITY DEBATERS DEFEAT KANSAS

AUSTIN—A Kansas team that had never lost an intercollegiate debate was defeated by University of Texas debaters at the ninth annual Southwest Debate Institute, sponsored by the University's speech department and the Oratorical Association.

Taking part were 38 teams from seven universities and 16 high schools. Teams winning 5 or more debates were Baylor, Southwestern and Texas, affirmative; and Texas, negative.

December 24 this year, the tradition of the Christmas tree in American church services will be 98 years old—for it was back in 1851 that a Lutheran minister in Cleveland, Ohio, lighted the first tree at such services.

The minister was the Rev. Henry Schwan, pastor of the Zion Lutheran Church on Cleveland's York street and his action brought on a storm of controversy which lasted several years. This was caused by the fact that the Christmas tree had so long been associated with pagan observance of the season that many conservatives believed it had no place in Christian ceremonies.

However, some of Rev. Schwan's congregation, especially the children, thought the beautifully-decorated tree, glowing with candles, was just the spirit of the Christmas season.

But the objectors had their way and they were determined that Rev. Schwan's tree was to be the last of the Christmas trees erected in America.

Through the years that followed, the minister did all in his power to learn of the origins of the Christmas tree tradition in order that he might show that the tradition was far from the "heathen" ceremony it had been called.

He wrote countless letters to friends and acquaintances all over the world; he questioned strangers and made long notes of their conversations. And, when he learned that a particular part of the world already had Christmas trees, he would mark that place on a large map which hung in his study—a

98 Years Ago a Lutheran Pastor Set Up the First Tree in Church

dark green tree where the tradition was established, a light green where Christmas trees, at 1 were known.

Pastor Schwan made 1 search for knowledge of t Christmas tree almost a c sade.

But as Christmas time proached in 1852, Rev. Schwan not found enough church sup for the tradition to light ano tree at his Christmas service year. So, with great regret, he signed himself to the end of hope of establishing the custo

But on December 24, he rece from the pastor of one of Cl land's older churches the pre of a new tree. Rev. Schwan real immediately that the present m the acceptance of the custom b churchman far more influen than himself, and his sadness v ished.

There was a Christmas tre in the York street Zion Luth church that year—and onc accepted in Cleveland, the cu tom spread all over the Unite States.

York street where Pas Schwan's church once stood changed now and long ago was named Hamilton avenue; and first tree, decorated with can and a gold star at its top, has gi way to trees with brighter, m colorful decorations.

But the tradition of erecting lighting Christmas trees, which observed throughout the nation, the same tradition which Pas Schwan introduced to this coun in the town of Cleveland nea 100 years ago.



A Very Merry Christmas to All our friends --- and a Happy New Year, too!

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AUSTIN—A half-million Texas school students are eligible to enter the 1950 Junior Historian writing contest sponsored by the Texas State Historical Association...

dents, may compete for \$395 in prizes.

Papers on Texas history topics related to contestants' community or locality, or inquiries, may be submitted before April 1, 1950, to Junior Historian Editor, Box 2113, University Station, Austin.

The first women colonists came to Virginia in 1608.

A horseshoe should be hung with the ends pointing down.

Crosbyton Suspects Denied Bond

CROSBYTON — Troubles piled up last week for William Robert Leeman, 22; James Scrivner, 21, and Talmadge Bonham, 17, the three young hoodlums charged in the robbery here Nov. 26 of Wallace Dry Goods, and the shooting of A. W. Wallace, store owner.

Setting of bonds in the several robbery charges against the young men continues, with aggregate total against each one now are more than \$100,000. The

two older men, Leeman and Scrivner, were denied bond by Justice W. H. Nickson here last Thursday, while bond for Bonham was set at \$15,000. The suspects were brought over from Lubbock that day for examining trial in Justice Court. Just when the grand jury in 72nd district court will be called back to consider the case has not been decided.

In the meantime Dickens county got the jump on other counties wanting the men. A grand jury in district court in that county was called in session Monday,

and the three men for armed robbery were set at \$25,000 the first indictment men, but it is not the trial will be Christmas, according to officers.

The Dickens county out of the fact that was carried across county line the night robbery, where he four or five dollars fold, at gunpoint, armed robbery in a maximum penalty

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