



# The Hico News Review

"Your Home Newspaper"

HICO, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1948.

We add our voice to the chorus of Good Cheer that greets our community this Holiday Season...



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## HIGHWAY WORK TO PROGRESS RAPIDLY DURING NEW YEAR

### Resurfacing Jobs to Augment Two New F-M Road Projects

Highway work will hum around Hico in the early months of the New Year, according to official advice received from the Texas Highway Department.

Copies of minutes on record at Austin headquarters disclose that two new resurfacing jobs have been ordered for this county, as follows:

"In Hamilton County on U. S. Highway 281, from Hamilton to Hico, a distance of approximately 20.3 miles, the State Highway Engineer is directed to proceed in the most feasible and economical manner with the work of placing Seal Coat at an estimated cost of \$26,500."

In Hamilton County on State Highway 220, from Hico to Erath County Line, a distance of approximately 2.1 miles, the State Highway Engineer is directed to proceed in the most feasible and economical manner with the work of placing Seal Coat at an estimated cost of \$2,800."

These jobs, according to a letter from John Davenport, Administrative Aide to D. C. Greer, State Highway Engineer, are part of the new asphalt program calling for a total expenditure by the Department of \$3,000,000. The work designated to be done in this county was deemed by the Commission to be vitally needed to keep the highway in service to the traveling public.

"Due to the unpredictability of winter weather," Mr. Davenport's message added, "and the reaction of asphalt to extremes of cold, none of this work will be begun until next spring. But authorization for the project is now definite."

This work is in addition to the recent authorization of paving the road from Fairy to Hico under the Farm-to-Market Road program. The project was ordered along with another F-M road in Hamilton County, that from Hamilton to Aleman.

### J. D. PATTERSON, VA'S PERSONNEL DIRECTOR, HONORED AT DALLAS

J. D. Patterson, former of Hico and now personnel director in the Veterans Administration Branch Office at Dallas, has been elected Governmental Vice President of the Dallas Personnel Association for the coming year. The Dallas Personnel Association is an organization composed of industrial, commercial, educational and governmental personnel experts.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Patterson, parents of the VA official, live at Olin.

## Deputy Collector to Aid On Income Tax Filing Here Jan. 3

C. E. Elkins, Deputy Collector for Internal Revenue Service of the Treasury Department in the First District of Texas, has written the News Review from his office in Waco to advise that he is making out his current income tax filing itinerary.

On January 3, 1949 he will be in Hico at the City Hall; on January 4 and 5, at Hamilton in the District Court Room, and on January 6 and 7, in Gatesville at the National Bank of Gatesville.

This first itinerary, Mr. Elkins explains, is designed mainly to assist farmers and ranchers who desire to get their returns filed before January 15, or those who may desire to file Declaration of Estimated Tax or Amended Declarations before that time.

"It will be necessary," he further explained, "for those desiring assistance to have a complete list of income, expenses and deductions in order that they may be assisted in completing the income tax return with the least possible delay. We will not have time to completely fill in the returns as we have done frequently in the past as the time allotted for this filing period is limited. Income should be broken down to show the amount of income from sale of livestock raised and purchased, farm products sold such as grain, hay, cotton, eggs, etc., and expenses in like manner in order that it may be properly itemized on the Farm Schedule.

"If you will give notice in your paper of the above itinerary on several occasions between now and January, it is felt that we may be able to give assistance to a maximum number of taxpayers."

## First Prize Winner In Junior Historian Contest to Get \$50

Austin, Texas, December 23.—A special prize of \$50.00 is being offered in the Junior Historian Writing Contest for 1949 for the best paper dealing with the history of some business enterprise, preferably one that has been significant in a Texas community for a number of years.

The contest is sponsored by the Texas State Historical Association. This special contest has been created with the hope of interesting students in the little-explored field of business history.

Some enterprises suggested are: banks, drug stores, grocery stores, merchandising enterprises, printing and publishing establishments, shoe shops, garages, service stations, and trucking firms.

"Any boy or girl in Texas under twenty-one years of age may become eligible for competition," stated H. Bailey Carroll, editor of "The Junior Historian," the magazine of the Association which is written almost exclusively by young Texans.

April 1, 1949, is announced as the closing date of the contest. All interested are invited to write for further information to Box 2131, University Station, Austin 12, Texas.

## Once Again the Christmas Star...



## Christmas Card from State Health Officer Has Timely Greeting

Austin, Texas, Dec. 20.—The editor of this paper has just received a beautiful Christmas card signed by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, carrying the following message to be published for the citizens of Texas:

"The Texas State Department of Health is happy to report that with your help the incidence of communicable disease in Texas has reached an all time low; also people are living longer, on the average, than at any time in the past.

"Christmas is a proper time to give thanks for the degree of health we now enjoy. I want to thank you for your assistance in making this record possible, and ask you to continue your efforts to further public health in Texas. May you and all those you hold dear have a very Merry Christmas and a New Year of Good Health. Sincerely yours, Geo. W. Cox, M. D., State Health Officer."

On the front of the card is a handsome picture of the new State Health Department Building which was first occupied by the Department in 1943, and on which has just been completed a fourth floor addition. Prior to occupying this building, the entire Health Department was housed on part of one floor of the old Land Office Building.

Dr. Cox was re-appointed to his 7th consecutive two year term as State Health Officer, by the State Board of Health in December.

## ASSISTANCE OFFERED TO REGISTRANTS IN FILLING OUT QUESTIONNAIRES

E. B. Stiles of Hamilton, member of the Hamilton-Coryell County Selective Service Board, was in Hico Wednesday in the interest of simplifying procedure of those who are receiving draft questionnaires.

He said that these were being mailed out to all within the age limits now, and that many were being put to unnecessary trouble in making a trip to county seats. In Hico he made arrangements with S. E. Blair Jr. and R. B. Jackson to help in filling out the questionnaires.

In the county this assistance is being given by Harry Boynton, postmaster; Bob Jones, Cecil Nix, and Grady Williams, he said.

## VITAL STATISTICS

From Office of L. L. Hudson, Registrar

Period Ending December 19, 1948.

**BIRTHS:**  
Daughter, Shirley Anne, born to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coleman, Rt. 3, Hamilton, Texas, at Hico Hospital & Clinic, Dec. 10, 1948.

Daughter, Mary Rebecca, born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Falls, Hico, Tex., at Hico Hospital & Clinic, Dec. 11, 1948.

Daughter, Judy Carolyn, born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thompson, Rt. 1, Iredell, Tex., at Hico Hospital & Clinic, Dec. 17, 1948.

**DEATHS:**  
Mrs. Lela Sellers, passed away at residence, Hico, Tex., Dec. 16, 1948.

## AT THE CHURCHES

### First Baptist Church

THE DAY AFTER XMAS is The Lord's Day—and The Lord's Day is Worship Day. We will be so happy to have you worship with us today.  
With praise and thanksgiving for every blessing, with hearts filled with gratitude, let us come to church today to express our love to the blessed Christ of Bethlehem and Manger.  
Regular services:  
Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.  
Preaching, 11:00 a. m.  
Training Union, 6:30 p. m.  
Preaching, 7:30 p. m.  
L. H. DAVIS, Pastor.

### Olin Baptist Church

Sunday school each Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock.  
Church Service, 11:00 a. m.  
Training Union, 6:45 p. m.  
Church services, 7:30 p. m.  
Come to all our services!  
REV. JACK HULL, Pastor.

### Church of Christ

This is an invitation for you to attend any of the services scheduled here.

Sunday morning:  
Bible classes for all, 10:00.  
Preaching, 11:00.  
Lord's Supper, 11:45.  
Sunday Night:  
Young People's Class, 6:30.  
Preaching, 7:00.  
Wednesday night:  
Mid-week service, 7:00.  
Come worship with us according to the New Testament scriptures.  
Q. A. DUNN, Evangelist.

### Methodist Church

Church school, 10:00 a. m.  
Preaching service, 11:00 a. m.  
Epworth League, 7:00 P. M.  
Preaching services, 7:30 p. m.  
You are cordially invited to be present.  
J. L. RAY, Pastor.

### First Christian Church

We invite you to hear Brother William Le May of Dallas preach every first Sunday in the month at 11 a. m.

Sunday school every Sunday, beginning at 10 o'clock.  
Everyone is welcome, and especially do we invite each person who has no church home.

### Primitive Baptist Church

Regular meeting, second Sunday in each month; Saturday morning and Saturday night before in each month.

ELDER J. W. WEST, Pastor.

### Unity Baptist Church

Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.  
Church services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. every first and third Sundays in each month.  
We welcome everyone to come and worship with us.  
R. C. HALLMAN, Pastor.

## Hamilton Co. Junior Livestock Show to Be Held Saturday, Jan. 22

Announcement has been received from the county seat of the Hamilton County Junior Livestock Show to be held at Hamilton Saturday, January 22, 1949.

Rules, regulations and other information have been submitted as follows:

All exhibitors must be regular enrolled 4-H Club boys or F. F. A. members.

Any boy living within Hamilton County is eligible to show regardless of the 4-H Club or F. F. A. Chapter he belongs to.

All exhibits must be in place by 10:00 a. m. Saturday, Jan. 22, and they will be released at 3:00 p. m.

Boys may not be assisted in the show ring by anyone.  
Where a boy has more than one entry, the extra entry may be shown by another club boy or F. F. A. boy.

Classes:  
Fat Steers, heavy and light. All steers will be weighed before the show and all weights turned in to the secretary. A division will then be made making two classes, heavy and light.

Feeder Steers.  
Fat Pigs, heavy, medium and light. Pigs will be weighed and weights turned in to the secretary before the show and three divisions will be made. Feeder pigs (pigs weighing 100 pounds and under) will be classed as feeder pigs.

Breeding Females Junior Gilts—sows farrowed July 1, 1948 and after. Senior Sows—sows farrowed before July 1, 1948.  
Capons.

## Contract Let For Hamilton County REA Line Extension

Hamilton, Dec. 18.—Contract has been let by the Hamilton County REA for construction of approximately 250 miles of power line to serve 300 to 400 additional customers in a 5-county area.

Contract was let to the Abernathy Construction Company of Wichita Falls, at \$257,000. The job is to be completed in 150 working days.

Most of the new construction will be in San Saba, Lampasas, Mills and Coryell Counties. Work crews will be located in Goldthwaite.

Approximately 4,000 customers are listed by the Hamilton County Association, with sixty-five having been added recently.

## WEATHER REPORT

The following weather report is submitted by L. L. Hudson, local observer:

| Date    | Max. | Min. | Prec. |
|---------|------|------|-------|
| Dec. 15 | 81   | 67   | 0.04  |
| Dec. 16 | 74   | 43   | 0.00  |
| Dec. 17 | 57   | 43   | 0.52  |
| Dec. 18 | 66   | 48   | 0.06  |
| Dec. 19 | 64   | 38   | 0.00  |
| Dec. 20 | 71   | 45   | 0.00  |
| Dec. 21 | 71   | 45   | 0.00  |

Total precipitation so far this year, 25.37 inches.

## SANTA CLAUS WILL VISIT ALL CHILDREN HERE CHRISTMAS

### Presents Promised to All Who Otherwise Might Be Overlooked

A local Good Samaritan, who prefers to remain anonymous, has volunteered to aid Santa Claus in Hico this year.

He says that the jolly old gent has such a big job all over the world that under the circumstances he's afraid some local child might be overlooked. And he just can't bear the thought of a single child missing out on Christmas. He has heard of some cases where children are not expecting a visit from Santa's visits this year.

So he has made a proposition that he will personally see that every child receives a gift of some kind, provided he receives a letter between now and Christmas Eve, when he will make his rounds. He only asks that those children who are afraid they might be overlooked do this:

Write a letter telling who they are and where they live, address it to "Santa Claus, Hico, Texas," and drop it in the local Post Office immediately.

He has made arrangements to pick the letters up there, and will make every effort to see that there is not a child in town who will not be visited by Santa Claus this Christmas. Naturally he prefers that requests be modest, for there is always a limit to what Santa can bring. But in case he can't come across with everything the children want, he does guarantee they will get something to gladden their hearts.

Meanwhile the Christmas season of good cheer is getting into full swing in this community. Colored lights were strung across streets several weeks ago. Store windows are well decorated and full of gift and staple merchandise, and with the advent of cooler weather following the unseasonable Indian Summer for several days, most merchants report that trade is brisk.

The residence section has taken on a holiday appearance also, with lighted trees in most windows one sights while driving around town at night.

In spite of unsettled world conditions and knowledge of want and suffering abroad, it seems most likely that homefolks will enjoy one of the best holiday seasons they have witnessed since the war.

Visitors from afar have begun arriving here to be among their relatives and friends. This would be a good time for all readers to make a list of their visitors and other details of news and mail the items to the News Review for publication after the holidays.

The value of clothing issued to new enlistees in the Navy during 1946 was \$143.20 per man.

## WORKERS CONFERENCE HAMILTON ASSOCIATION

Hamilton, January 3, 1949

### PASTOR PRESIDING

Program Theme: "A NEW YEAR'S INVENTORY"

GUEST CHURCH, OHIO

### MORNING

10:00 Worship Season led by Guest Church and Pastor

10:20 God's Presence Invoked (Ex. 33:15)

Raymond Bailey

10:40 Our Christian Personal Goal

Mrs. Chester Sylvester

11:00 Today's Supreme Need: Spiritual Churches

Arthur Burden

11:20 Denominational Survey

11:30 Special Music

Guest Church

11:35 Sermon

Joe L. Emery, Goldthwaite, Guest Speaker

### NOON

Lunch served by Host Church to all attendants.

### AFTERNOON

1:10 W. M. U. Executive Session.

Executive Board Meeting.

2:00 Worship Season directed by Guest Church

L. H. Davis

Next Meeting, February 7, Carlton

## Our Prayer

MAY the Star of Hope cast its ray upon you that through you the world may see the glorious beauty of our Lord.

That your daily steps may be guided by that Eternal Light, that will eventually lead to life's highest ideals and achievements possible to attain.

Wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

REV. AND MRS. L. H. DAVIS

Pastor  
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
Hico, Texas

# Tidings of Joy



May the Christmas star shed its radiant light on you and your family as we celebrate once more this glorious Event.

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MR. NEENAN AND THE STAFF

## HICO HOSPITAL & CLINIC

# IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Mr. L. J. Simpson was a recent patient in the Holt Hospital with an infected hand.

Mrs. Zona Hooper's son is home on a 90 day furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Ratliff of Wichita Falls visited her mother, Mrs. Cunningham this week.

Mrs. James Davis and baby of Ft. Stockton came in Thursday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Pruitt.

Mr. Parks was in Fort Worth Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe White and children and Mrs. Veleta Phillips were in Waco Friday.

Mrs. R. H. Lynch has returned from the Clifton hospital and has gone to her home in Hico.

Mr. Travis Huckaby is at the home of his parents.

Miss Marlene Landis has returned from a visit in West Texas.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Brummell of Fort Worth

spent the holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Gosdin.

Mrs. Betsy Fouts and son are in Killeen.

Mr. and Mrs. Golston Barten of Haskell visited her niece, Mrs. Grice, a few days the past week.

Mr. Ernest Hanshaw attended the funeral of his nephew in Knox City this week.

Donald Mitchell spent the week end at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tidwell, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Tidwell, Mr. John Parks and Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Strong attended the funeral of Mrs. H. F. Sellers at Hico on Friday.

Kenneth Cooper, who is in A&M, came in Friday to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Wise and sons have moved into their new home at Spring Creek Gap, built by Roy Moore.

Mrs. C. L. Tidwell and her daughter, Mrs. Leon Roberts of Hamilton went to Fort Worth Sunday to meet their daughter and sister, Mrs. Coleman Newman and sons from Florida, who will spend the holidays here.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Beavers of Philadelphia visited relatives here this week.

Iredell has had some rain this week, which is fine on grain.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thompson are the proud parents of a daughter born in the Hico Hospital on Friday, December 17. She is the former Miss Doris Trotter.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wilson of Fort Worth spent the week end with his parents.

Rev. Mr. Swindall of Granbury is visiting his son and family.

Mrs. Andrew Jackson got a telephone message Sunday that her niece, Mrs. Mosley, had passed away at her home in Brady.

The Iredell basketball girls won second place in the tournament held here last week end.

I wish for each and every one a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

### Altman

By Mrs. J. H. McAnelly

Mr. G. F. Allen

Mr. G. F. Allen passed away at the Dublin Hospital Wednesday, Dec. 15, after a lingering illness.

Funeral services were held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Moore Thursday, Dec. 16, at 2:00 p. m. Rev. Hugh Blair of Cisco, close friend of the family, conducted the rites which were arranged by the Harrell Funeral Home of Dublin. Interment was in the Altman cemetery, by the side of his wife who preceded him in death several years ago.

Palbearers were Guy McPherson, Lovell McPherson, Bobby and John Allen Moore, Lewis Wade Graves and Douglas Cox.

Flower girls were Mrs. Truett Jones, Mrs. Douglas Cox, Mrs. Betty Moore, and Janice Moore.

He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. John Moore, Mrs. O. V. Graves, and Mrs. C. A. Reid Jr.; also six grandchildren, Bobby, John Allen and Janice Moore, Mrs. Douglas Cox, Lewis Wade, and Harold Dean Graves.

Mr. Allen and family lived in this community many years and their friends extend sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Mrs. Eula Vinson became seriously ill Thursday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hyles and was carried to the Hico Hospital. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Pollard and Mrs. J. E. Hyles. At last reports she was some better.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yocham and children of Carlton visited Mr. and Mrs. Harve Yocham Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Jones, Mrs. R. W. Bingham and Martin Bingham attended the funeral of J. P. Bingham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Bingham, near Hamlin Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Reed Jr., Mrs. Mattie Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Moore of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. John Allen Moore of Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cox of Eastland, Carl Turnbow of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Clifton, Mrs. Bill Nix and baby, Sheriff and Mrs. R. E. George, and Mrs. Mattie Guthrie of Stephenville were here to attend the funeral of Mr. Allen Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Everett Jr. of Stephenville were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Truett Jones Sunday.

We wish for the News Review and staff and all the readers a Merry Christmas.

# Merry Christmas



## J. B. Woodard Produce

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The friendly scent of the cedars is typical of the Spirit of Christmas. It is in that spirit that we wish for you all the joys and blessings of this Yuletide season.

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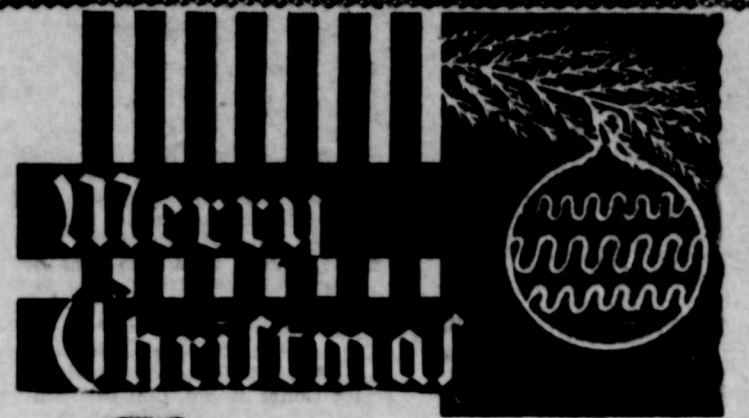
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May the true joys and blessings of that first Yuletide be yours today— 'Peace on Earth Good Will Toward Men.'

1948

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| Clover Farm No. 2 Can                              | Clover Farm Halves No. 2 1/2 Can                 | Clover Farm No. 2 1/2 Can              |
| PIE CHERRIES - 29¢                                 | PEACHES - 29¢                                    | Fruit Cocktail - 39¢                   |
| Clover Farm Golden No. 2 Can                       | O. B. Quality                                    | White Swan No. 2 Can                   |
| Wh. Kernel Corn 21¢                                | Mac.-Spag. 2 7-Oz. Pkgs. 19¢                     | Whole Beans - 33¢                      |
| Clover Farm Red Raspberry Preserves 16 Oz. Jar 39¢ | Old Dutch Can                                    | White Swan 9 Oz. Pkg. MINCE MEAT - 17¢ |
|  | CLEANSER - 10¢                                   | Clover Farm 1 Lb. Oleomargarine 29¢    |
| White Swan TUNA FISH - Flat Can 49¢                | Sugar Kist MARSHMALLOWS - 8 Oz. Pkg. 15¢         |  |
| SUPER SUDS - Lge. Box 31¢                          | PALMOLIVE SOAP 2 Reg. Bars 19¢                   |  |
| VEL - Box 29¢                                      | PALMOLIVE SOAP 2 Bath Bars 27¢                   |  |
| FAB - Box 31¢                                      | CASHMERE BOUQ. 2 Bars 19¢                        |  |

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|------------|----------------|---------|-----|
| Almonds    | IN CELLO BAG   | 1 lb.   | 37c |
| Walnuts    | NO. 1 DIAMONDS | lb.     | 47c |
| Peanuts    | LARGE PARCHED  | 10 ozs. | 23c |
| Chocolates | ASST. SUNSHINE | 1 lb.   | 69c |

### MERRY XMAS TO EVERYONE!

### CLOVER FARM STORES



From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

**Dutch Miller's Back In Uniform**

After ten days in the city, Dutch is back in uniform. I don't mean Army khaki or Navy blue—but a different uniform, that's every bit as patriotic and American.

Blue jeans and a denim shirt, for work around the yards and barns; stout boots for tramping through the fields; and a straw hat when the sun gets high—a uniform you see from Maine to Texas, Iowa to Alabama.

It's the uniform of an army—the great army of American farmers who, by their productivity, are

helping to keep this nation strong—bolstering the forces of democracy that guard our freedom.

And in their way of life, too, they are champions of freedom. *Temperate folk who enjoy a moderate glass of beer—but never quarrel with those who prefer cider. Tolerant people who fight to the bitter end against oppression and intolerance. From where I sit, a credit to America!*

*Joe Marsh*

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**Fairy**

By Mrs. J. O. Richardson

We have had additional rain since our last writing, for which all feel very thankful. Stock water was getting low and now everyone has got over the blues and ready to enjoy the Christmas and New Year holidays.

Next Sunday is our regular singing day. Special invitations will be sent out to all near-by singers and we hope to have a number of them present and extend to all a cordial invitation to come and be with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Driver of California came in a few days ago to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Driver and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wolfe and other relatives.

We are sorry to report that Grady Anderson has been ill of Arthritis. He is able to be about again after several days illness.

The Baptist Church has been underpinned recently and Venetian blinds installed and have also purchased two new gas heaters.

The Church of Christ has also had Venetian blinds installed. Our school will close next Wednesday, December 22 for the holidays and re-open on January 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers and Carolyn were shopping in Hamilton last Saturday and returned by Jack Cates and Dewey Sellers homes where they visited. Mrs. Cates has been confined to her bed the past several days of a heart ailment. We sincerely hope she will soon be much improved and able to be up again.

We failed to mention that Mr. and Mrs. Billie D. Blakley and family of Dallas spent the past week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Blakley and family.

Since we are having to write the news for both the Christmas and New Years editions of the paper in a space of only a few days time, our news will be short as we usually gather a few items over the week end and we plan to mail this tomorrow.

Here's wishing all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and may God Bless and comfort those whose homes have been broken by the passing of a loved one to mar their happiness on such an occasion.

**NOTICE**

The City has an ordinance against the shooting of fireworks of any kind in the Fire Zone (Business District) and it will be strictly enforced by the City Officers.  
26-tfc. CITY COUNCIL.

**FAIRY SCHOOL NEWS**

Editor ..... Texie Allison  
Asst. Editor ..... Bobbie Edmondson

Reporters:  
Senior ..... Vera Davis  
Junior ..... Milton Clark  
Sophomore ..... Audine Clark and Charley Massingill  
Eighth Grade ..... Louise Jackson and Shirley Streator  
Boys' Sports ..... Charles Beck  
Girls' Sports ..... Doris Smith

**Senior News**  
Doris Smith went to Plainview last Thursday and we haven't seen anything of her since. Hope she isn't lost.

We are proud to have Dorothy Stone in our senior class.

**Girls' Sports News**  
The girls entered the Hamilton Tournament and played Hico Wednesday night. We are sorry to say that they defeated us by 19 points.

We play Cranfills Gap Tuesday night, December 21 at Cranfills Gap. This will probably be our last game until after the Christmas Holidays.

**Boys' Sports News**  
We entered a tournament at Hamilton this past week. Wednesday night we beat Hico by a margin of 15 points. This made our second time this year to beat Hico. Then we played Carlton Thursday night and beat them by a margin of 3 points. Friday, we didn't do so well. We played Pearl and lost.

We have a game scheduled this week with Cranfills Gap, Tuesday night. The game will be played at the Gap. We are very proud of Texie Allison who made the all-tournament team at Hamilton.

**Junior News**  
Milton Clark likes to talk to certain people. Seems he talked so long Friday night and a certain bus had to come back to Hamilton. Don Danabee said it took him one hour to drive a mile. He must have been in a slow car or buggy.

**Freshmen and Sophomore News**  
There are still some absent from the Sophomore class. Joyce and Delbert, Joyce is moving. We hate to lose her. Audine has her head a foot deep in writing a theme Mr. Green said that we must have. So we, Virginia Anderson and Maxine McKandless are substituting for her.

Hope Santa Claus is good to all.

**Eighth Grade News**  
We are all planning a big Christmas. "T. C. don't eat more than your share." We were disappointed when Jonesboro called off our basket ball game last Friday. But we played the 9th and 10th grades and lost by six points.

**Sixth and Seventh**  
Seems as though we have lost out. We haven't had any news in so long, but we will make it up.

Each morning we have a room talent program, such as songs, plays and poems. We regret losing James Patterson, who moved to Fort Worth, but we gained back Betty Stone a seventh grader.

We hope to see Santa Claus this week. We are supposed to have a 4-H meeting this morning. Some twenty boys and girls belong to the club.

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**SOUTH'S FINEST**  
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Thank you and Merry Christmas

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**Merry Christmas**

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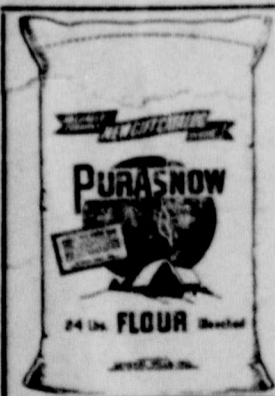
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## A. A. FEWELL



# Merry Christmas

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### 'Don't Let Death Take Your Holiday' Safety Council Urges

Chicago, Dec. 20.—"Don't Let Death Take Your Holiday!" That slogan will keynote the National Safety Council's nationwide campaign to hold down the huge Christmas-New Year's accident toll.

Each year accidents cast a shadow on the holiday celebration of thousands of families throughout the nation, according to Council figures which show the year-end holiday season to be the most dangerous period in the year.

Joining forces with the Council in a united effort to call public attention to the extra holiday hazards and the extra caution needed to overcome them are city and state officials, civic groups, local safety councils and 130 national organizations.

The Council said that heavier travel and the festive spirit of the holiday season add to the normal winter hazards, such as bad weather, slippery roads and more hours of darkness. Traffic accident deaths on both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day total more than two or three times the annual daily average.

"Every family in the country looks forward to Christmas as the time for joy and celebration, and that is what the holiday period should be," said Ned H. Dearborn, president of the Council.

"But every year thousands of families see Christmas joy turned into suffering and tragedy because of unnecessary and preventable accidents.

"To keep death from taking your holiday costs nothing, takes no time and requires only a little effort—refusing to take the drink you can't handle, yielding the right-of-way, waiting for the light to change, discarding a string of Christmas tree lights with worn insulation.

"These are little things—but they pay off in happiness. They will keep the lights burning in your home, keep the holly wreath on your door, and preserve for you and yours the delight that is America at Christmas."

### MISS JEAN THOMPSON WED TO JERRY GRAVES

Miss Jean Thompson, daughter of Mrs. Bill Simpson of Hico, formerly of New Mexico, and Jerry Graves, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Graves of Hico were married Tuesday, December 14, at 8:30 p. m., in the Methodist Parsonage.

Rev. J. L. Ray, pastor of the Hico Methodist Church, performed the ceremony. Only attendants were Coolidge Wade and Miss Joyce Thompson, sister of the bride.

After a short wedding trip to Waco, the couple will make their home in an apartment at the Graves home. Both bride and groom attended Hico High School and the groom finished his last two years in the Stephenville High School and attended Brantley-Draughn Business College in Fort Worth for two years.

### WEDDING SHOWER GIVEN NEWLYWEDS

Mrs. W. C. Spaulding of Hico and Mrs. Noel Spaulding of Camp Hood were hostesses at a wedding shower recently honoring Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Graves, newlyweds.

Refreshments of punch and cake were served to many friends, who were present to wish them a happy future and to bless them with many nice gifts. The large white cake was beautifully decorated with roses and the names of Jean and Jerry were inscribed on top.

CONTRIBUTED.

### MAKE JTAC RIFLE TEAM

Stephenville, Dec. 20.—Edward Jenkins and John McCoy of Hico are two of the 30 cadets selected recently for the John Tarleton College rifle team.

Edward is a junior student majoring in engineering and John is a senior majoring in agricultural engineering.

As members of this team they will compete in inter-collegiate matches against NTAC, Texas A&M, and other college ROTC units.

### DO YOU HAVE COTTON-PICKERS BACK?

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### Winter Diseases Bring Danger for Babies and Children

Austin, Texas, Dec. 20.—Every mother is familiar with childhood illnesses known commonly as "summer complaints", but many mothers fail to realize that the winter season brings its quota of "winter complaints" from which young children must be carefully protected.

In stressing this important fact, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, says: "Certain winter diseases are just as harmful and just as likely to make their appearance as summer ailments, unless children are safeguarded against them.

In the group of winter health hazards, Dr. Cox included influenza, colds, tonsillitis, pneumonia, bronchitis, asthma, and diphtheria when no immunization has been given.

Any such disease affecting a child's respiratory or breathing system is apt to be very serious and in many cases it is fatal. Pneumonia often develops from a neglected cold, or may follow a severe case of measles or whooping cough. Bronchial conditions may also prove to be an after effect of these diseases, and certainly these respiratory illnesses are much more difficult to combat than the digestive disturbances commonly called summer complaints.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Tracy Jr. and children of Fort Stockton, who were called here last Thursday on account of the death of her mother, Mrs. H. F. Sellers, returned home Tuesday accompanied by her father, H. F. Sellers, who plans to spend several weeks with them.

Pat Byrd, student at the University of Texas, Austin, and his wife, the former Jean Ann Mingus, visited here a short time Tuesday with her grandfather, Frank Mingus, and Mrs. Mingus, en route to their home in Midlothian where they will spend the Christmas holidays.

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# Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bonner and son, Bob, of Fort Worth visited here Sunday with Jerry Graves.

Kenny Brown, student at the University in Austin, is spending the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Brown.

Boyd Reedy, student at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Reedy.

Watt Ross, who is employed with Convair in Fort Worth, arrived last week end to spend his two weeks' vacation with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Driver and children left Tuesday for Oklahoma to spend the holidays with his brother, Irby Driver, and wife.

Miss Mary Annette Phillips, a Sophomore student at T. S. C. W., Denton, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Phillips.

Mrs. W. L. Sellers Sr. and son, W. L. Jr., of Port Arthur and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sellers of Abilene and their daughter, Miss Gwynne Sellers of El Paso are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Simpson and daughter, Joyce Thompson, are spending his vacation with his mother in New Mexico.

Mrs. T. A. Randals was in Denton last Friday and was accompanied home by her daughter, Dale, who is a student at TSCW, to spend the holidays here.

Mrs. Mollie Harvey left Sunday for Brownwood to visit through the holidays in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Billy Thomasson, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. James Simpson and children of Waco spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Paul Wren and Mr. Wren, and with her mother, Mrs. Nettie Meador and other relatives.

Carolyn Holford, student at the University of Texas, came in Tuesday night to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland L. Holford.

Mrs. A. W. Medien is spending the holidays in Dallas with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Eddington, who are entertaining a new baby boy, born Monday, December 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanton S. Bundy Jr. and young son, Stanton S. III, of Roosevelt, Texas, came in last Saturday for a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. McCullough.

Mrs. J. W. Scott spent the week end in Fort Worth with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Walter Scott of Graham, who underwent surgery at the Harris Memorial Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth.

Miss Frances Angell, student at TSCW, Denton, and Lloyd Angell, student at the University, Austin, are spending the holidays here with their mother, Mrs. Bryan Angell.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Sanders and Mrs. Minnie Sprague of Chicago, Ill., and Aaron Liljequist of Wausau, Wis., arrived Monday to spend the holidays here with Mr. and Mrs. Webb McEver.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McCarty and daughter and Blackie Reddock, all of Monahans, spent the week end here with Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McCarty. They all went to Brownwood Saturday to attend the Monahans-New London football game.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel Spaulding and son, Bennie, of Camp Hood who were here last week to attend the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Graves, were accompanied home by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Spaulding for the week end. Saturday they attended a Cub Scout Christmas program in which Santa Claus and his real reindeer were present.

Geary Cheek, Aviation Chief Machinist's Mate at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida, with his wife Mayme and young son, Jimmie Geary, arrived here Saturday morning at 9:30 after having left their home the previous day after 5:00 p. m. And Geary declares they came by automobile—not by air. They expect to visit in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Cheek Sr. here, and also with Mayme's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim D. Wright at Carlton until Christmas night.



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Mr. and Mrs. Willard Leach and Personnel



Just for a minute, we relive all the joys and raptures of childhood as we behold the bright tinsel and the gay wrappings of the boxes stacked high under the Christmas tree.



May your gift be an assurance that all your most cherished dreams and hopes will be realized—that is our wish for you at this happy Yuletide season.



Just a line to express our true regard and friendship for you on this Day.

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### Carlton

By Mrs. Fred Geyer

Uncle Ben Smith, who has been ill since last Thursday, was conveyed to the Hico Hospital Monday. His many friends are wishing for him a complete recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. David Masters of Canton, Ohio, are visiting old friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Rudd. Mrs. M. D. Powers is visiting at Otton with her daughter, Mrs. Brehem, and family.

Mrs. Lilla Byrd left Friday, accompanied by her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Byrd and son, Eugene, of Stephenville, to spend the Christmas holidays in Gallup, New Mexico, with her daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Cozby and children and Mr. and Mrs. Toye Shaddy and son, Toby.

Rev. and Mrs. Chester Sylvester, students at the Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth, are at home for the holidays.

Mrs. Daymond Weaver and son, Barry, of Hico spent the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Fine, and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Minter.

Mrs. J. H. Tull returned home Thursday from Hamilton where she had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Neal Gearreald, and husband.

Miss Mary Louise Fine, a student in the Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth, is visiting her parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Fine and James Fine and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Ellison, Mrs. Fred Geyer, Lee Turney, Hobby Thompson, Culmer, Jordan, L. W. Fine, W. L. Fisher, and Sid Fine attended the funeral of G. F. Allen, held Thursday afternoon at Altman in the home of his daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Moore. Burial was made in the Altman cemetery.

Mrs. Lillie Anderson returned home Thursday after a visit in Stephenville with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Blanchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Whitehead and daughters, Margaret and Helen, visited Sunday at Shiloh with their daughter, Mrs. Loys Landes, and family.

C. B. Williams of New Mexico is visiting his mother, Mrs. Ada Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Massingill and son and their daughter and husband of Comanche visited Sunday with his mother and sister, Mrs. G. S. Massingill and Mrs. Rob Lowery and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cummings of Valley Mills visited Monday with her sister, Mrs. Fern Jordan, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Battershell of Mineral Wells spent Sunday with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Battershell.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Vaughan and children of Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Proffitt and Melba Jean.

Lamon Smith, a student at John Tarleton College in Stephenville, is home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Birdsong of Alvarado spent Sunday with his mother and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bush.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Richbourg of Hico visited Sunday morning with her father, Uncle Ben Smith, in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Dock Finley, and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Partin and Mrs. L. C. Vaughan and son of Waco visited Sunday with their mother, Mrs. J. D. Upham. She accompanied them home to spend the holidays.

Carlton Chapter 949, Order of Eastern Star, was constituted in a ceremony Friday night. Dr. T. G. Rogers, Worthy Grand Patron of the State of Texas, presided with other officers of the Grand Chapter. Visitors were present from Decatur, Hamilton and Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Knos of Fort Worth visited Friday with his uncle and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Geary Cheek and son, Jimmie Geary, of Pensacola, Fla., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim D. Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Charles Erwin and son from Arizona and her sister, Miss Williams of Dublin visited Thursday with Mrs. Jessie Finley.

The Carlton Ladies' Club met Friday afternoon, Dec. 17 in the home of Miss Pattie Lynch, with a Christmas party. After several interesting games were played, Old Santa Claus appeared with his jingle bells and presented each member with gifts from the tree. A delicious dinner was served, consisting of baked chicken and dressing and all the trimmings, cake, jello with whipped cream, and hot punch. Members present were Mrs. Claud Smith, Mrs. Mack Ellison, Mrs. Fred Geyer, Mrs. Milton Whitehead, Mrs. Charley Stephens, Mrs. Joe Bush, Mrs. Dock Finley, Mrs. S. S. Vaughn, Mrs. Rena Stidham, Mrs. Cyrus King, Mrs. Dow Self and sons, Freddie and Jack Henry, Mrs. J. D. Upham, and the hostess, Miss Pattie Lynch. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Cyrus King, January 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Curry returned home Friday after a visit in Mineral Wells with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Evans and children.

### NOTICE

The City Council has instructed City Law Enforcement Officers to strictly enforce parking within the line and observance of traffic signal, both cars and pedestrians.

### NOTICE

Annual Stockholders' Meeting of The First National Bank of Hico, Texas, will be held Tuesday, January 11, 1949, at 2:00 p. m., in the bank office, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the year 1949.

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**FOR SALE:** 5 room house with res of land, chicken-proof. Bert Trantham. 31-4tp

**FOR SALE:** 1 1/2 miles south of Hico on Highway 281. 100 a. in cultivation in grass. Set improved \$4,000. Grass, well fenced, 1/4 mi. of Hico on h'way. House, all modern conveniences, plenty water, with 4 barns on acres, 1/4 mi. south Hico. R. B. GOODLOE 26-tfc

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## Lost and Found

**LOST:** Lady's black purse. Reasonable reward for return to Mrs. S. B. Shaw, Hico, Rt. 6. 32-2tp.

## Wanted

**HELP WANTED:** Lady to care for elderly lady and invalid son. Good salary. Call Ph. 183 or write Box 4, Hico, Tex. 30-tfc.

**WANTED:** \$2,000 wire coat hangers. Buck Horn Cleaners. 14-tfc

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**FOR SALE:** Extra clean '41 Ford Coupe. Aubrey Duzan. 31-tfc.

**ROPER GAS RANGE** for sale. See it at Neel Truck & Tractor Store, Hico. 32-tfc.

**USED LUMBER,** doors and windows for sale. See C. M. Hodges, Hico, Tex. 32-tfc.

**FOR SALE:** Clean Feed sacks. Mrs. Frank Falls. 30-tfc.

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**FOR SALE:** 1935 Model Chevrolet. See Glenn Higginbotham. 30-tfc.

**FOR SALE:** 1945 Model Chevrolet 1-12 ton truck. E. C. Allison, Jr. 30-tfc.

**PRICED TO SELL:** Maytag washing machine; Burpee pressure cooker, almost new. W. C. Randolph, Anderson at East St. 29-4p.

**FOR SALE:** Clean Model A and one scooter. L. J. Chaney. 29-tfc.

**CARS FOR SALE**  
One 1936 Ford  
One 1939 2-Door Chevrolet  
J. N. RUSSELL  
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**FOR SALE:** 1935 or 1941 Plymouth 4-door sedans. See Richmond Herrington. 23-tfc.

**FOR SALE:** Allis-Chalmers WC Tractor with 2 row equipment in excellent shape. Otho Horton, Route 7. 19-tfc.

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## For Rent or Lease

**FOR LEASE**  
My farm, 104 acres, 6 1/2 miles west of Hico. \$125.00 cash.  
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**FOR RENT:** Furnished apartment with private bath. Mrs. S. O. Shaffer. 30-1tp-tfc.

**FOR RENT:** Front bedroom with joining bath. Weldon Pierce. 29-tfc.

**APARTMENT** for rent. See A. A. Fewell. 19-tfc.

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### BAND NEWS

Well, the band members had their party last Tuesday and everyone enjoyed it and had a lot of fun. But why do Bud and Kenneth keep going around with match stems in their mouths and carrying pop bottles around? Could it be something that happened at the party?

Everyone seemed to enjoy the band music at the chapel program last Wednesday.

We are very grateful for the large number of members we now have. They are as follows:  
First clarinets, Betty Ray Shook, Joan Parker; second clarinets, Wilma Woodard, Shirley Prater, Dolores Roberson; third clarinets, Kenny Hoffman, Buddy Teague; first trumpets, Kenneth Graves, Wayne Allison; second trumpets, Lois Tabor, Norman Norrod; third trumpets, Benny Gilly, Vernon Horsley, Max Burden; flute, first and second, Frances McCullough and Levon Pierce; baritone, James Gilentine; trombone, Clayton Roberson; saxophones (alto and tenor), Barbara Rodgers and Peggy Goodloe; Bells, first and second, Joar Johnson, Kay Parker; bass horns, Bud Norrod, Travis Locker; bass drum, Mary Nell Keller; snare drums, Joy Ann Griffiths, Tommy Leeth, Van Keith Hooper; cymbals, Dorothy Randolph.

The flag bearers are: American flag, Wanda Carpenter; Texas flag, Marie Ramey; school flag, Louise Barnett.

The majorettes are: Paula Decker, Neida Johnson, Frances Latham, Marcelyn Dodd, Linda McLendon, Bonnie Pierce, and Joyce Lowe.

The drum majorette has not been selected yet but will be elected by the band in the near future.

**HOMEMAKING NEWS**  
All the talk in Homemaking now is "Be glad when the Christmas holidays begin."

The Homemaking I class is still studying grooming. The Homemaking II class is studying the types and kinds of furniture, and the Homemaking III class is learning how to design clothes.

All of the Homemaking classes will make candy for Christmas this week.

Here's wishing everyone a very merry Christmas!

**SENIOR NEWS**  
This week there will only be three days of school, and then we

will get off from school until January 3. Everyone seems to be pleased with this arrangement.

This morning in the Senior room most everyone is studying on Plane Geometry, or getting their Physics write-ups, or getting their Bookkeeping up so that they will not have to work on it during the holidays.

We are proud of our basketball girls although they did lose the game with Cranfills Gap.

### JUNIOR NEWS

Last Friday the Junior Class drew names for our Christmas party Wednesday afternoon. We limited the price of our gifts to fifty cents.

We are proud of our basketball games—they play a good game. We are especially proud of Wendell Burden, who got a special award. Bobby Ratliff, Glen Ross, and Raymond Lane play on the boys' team, and Patsy Tooley on the girls' team. We are glad to have these Juniors win games for us.

### SOPHOMORE NEWS

Well, it's the same old routine every Monday. Everybody comes in and starts studying for dear life, because they didn't take any books home over the week end.

Betty Jane and James are busy studying literature, even though they do not have class today.

The Sophomore class is really proud of Jo Suits for making the all-tournament team.

### FRESHMAN NEWS

It seems that Wednesday, the 22nd, will never get here. The only thing that will be wrong with the holidays is that they won't be long enough, so some of the students say. It seems that they still remember the year we got out for a full fourteen days.

### CHRISTMAS POEM

Under the spreading mistletoe  
The homely school girl stands,  
And stands, and stands, and stands,  
And stands, and stands, and stands.

### 4-H CLUB GIRLS HOLD SECOND MEETING

Members of the Hico 4-H Club had another meeting Friday afternoon, Dec. 17. Our teacher was sick, so we were invited to play games with the 4-H boys.

We received our 4-H Club calendars for next year.

### CLUB REPORTER

**HICO ASSEMBLY PROGRAM**  
Hico Chapter of Future Farmers of America will have charge of the assembly program Wednesday, January 5, 1948.

The program will consist of the following:  
Opening Ceremony—Roline Chaney, president; Norman Petty, vice-president; Joe Thompson, reporter; Benny Terry, treasurer; Kenneth Johnson, secretary; Fred Jones, parliamentarian; Billy Loden, historian; Dean Barnett, sec-

ond vice-president; Wayne Barnett, third vice-president; Harold G. Prater, sentinel; Royce Knight, acting advisor.

Parliamentary Drill—By members and officers.

Report of Chapter Projects — Duane McCarty, Chapter treasurer. Characterization—By members. Closing Ceremony—Officers.

Virgil Gray will be toastmaster for the above program.

**JOE THOMPSON,**  
FFA Reporter.  
— H H S —

**SPOTLIGHT**  
Wait! Don't read this. Not right now, I mean. Pause a minute, glance around the room. Have you really taken a good look lately?

If not, then do so now! See, your Christmas tree stands stately in one corner. The queen of the household! The centerpiece over the table aids the peaceful touch. Over the door, the traditional mistletoe, ready to trap any unsuspecting person. The wreaths on the door and in the windows, extending a cheerful welcome to all who come. And last you, seated in a comfortable chair close to the fire, your shoes slipped off, and completely relaxed. All your work done? Heavens no! Why, there is the Christmas dinner to be cooked, the house to be cleaned—oh, what's the use? You've a million things yet to do. You've just sat down for a minute to relax. But remember, don't let the rush of tomorrow cheat you out of the real meaning of Christmas. Take time off to be thankful. It won't hurt you.

Have a happy Christmas! Then I'll tell you in the paper the week after New Year's what you did over the holidays. Is it a date?

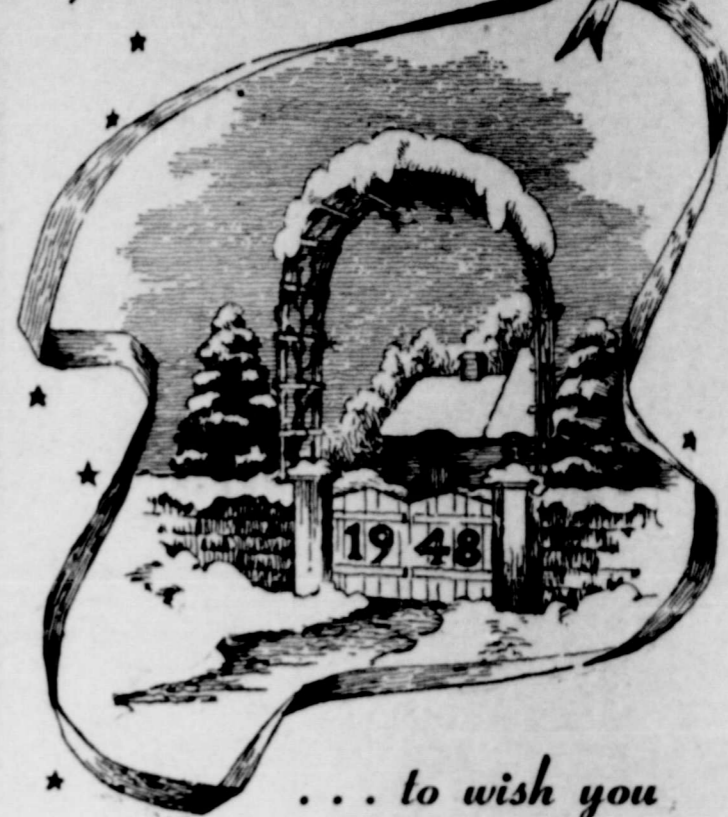
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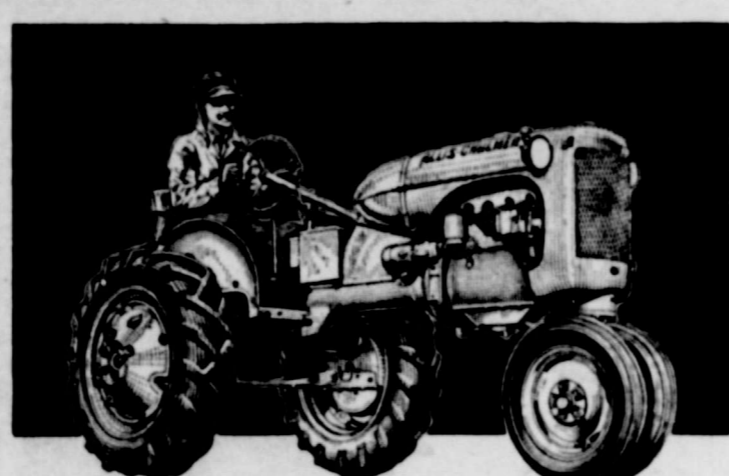


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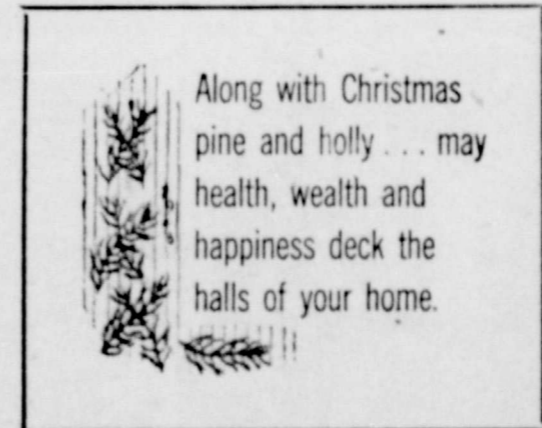
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1948 Christmas Greetings

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Girl Scouts Enjoy Christmas Party, Sing At Church Program

On Monday night, the thirteenth, we had our Christmas party. We had a tree, and it had a lot of presents around it. Everyone received gifts which were very nice. We played several games which were a lot of fun. We also had some nice refreshments. We had a real nice time.

On Monday night, the twentieth, we were invited to the church to sing some Christmas songs for their program. The program was very nice. The songs we sang were "Silent Night", "O Little Town of Bethlehem", and "White Christmas."

Thursday night we are going Christmas caroling. We hope to sing to a lot of the shut-ins. "A Girl Scout is clean in thought, word, and deed."

WILMA WOODARD, Scribe, Hico Girl Scout Troop 1.

WILSON CHILDREN ENJOY CHRISTMAS DINNER SUNDAY

The Wilson children met at the home of their sister, Mrs. I. D. Brand, in Granbury last Sunday for their Christmas dinner and tree.

Those present to enjoy the happy occasion were Mrs. Lucille Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Driver and children, Linda and Ronnie, and Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Proffitt and son, James Lee, all of Hico; Mr. and Mrs. John L. Wilson and son, Jimmie, Dublin; Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Wilson and daughter Betty, Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. Doris Johnson and children, Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson and Gene Johnson, all of Waco.

Two sisters, Mrs. Kyde Ratliff and Mrs. Rispy Newton, both of Plainview, were unable to attend.

PREACHING AT DUFFAU

Rev. J. L. Ray, local Methodist minister, requests announcement of preaching services at Duffau Sunday afternoon, Dec. 26, starting at 3:00 o'clock.

The general public has a cordial invitation to attend.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our friends for their kind deeds and expressions of sympathy. You have been a great comfort to us at the passing of our loved one.

H. F. Seilers, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Tracy Jr. and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Dudley and Daughter.

BILL ALLEN EXPRESSES THANKS AND BEST WISHES

Upon retiring as District Attorney, I want to thank the fine people of this County for all you have done for me and for your cooperation and assistance to me in my duties. It is a pleasure to serve people who simply want the right thing done, and who will help to do it. The duties of the office are such that it is far from pleasant many times, but I am glad to say I bear no ill will toward anyone. The most satisfaction from my work has been in helping those who were wrong to get right, and making good citizens is a permanent benefit to any community.

In conclusion, I want to wish all of you a merry Christmas and the best of everything. My home will continue to be here among you.

Sincerely, BILL ALLEN.

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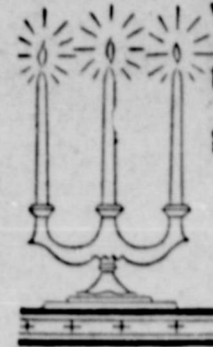
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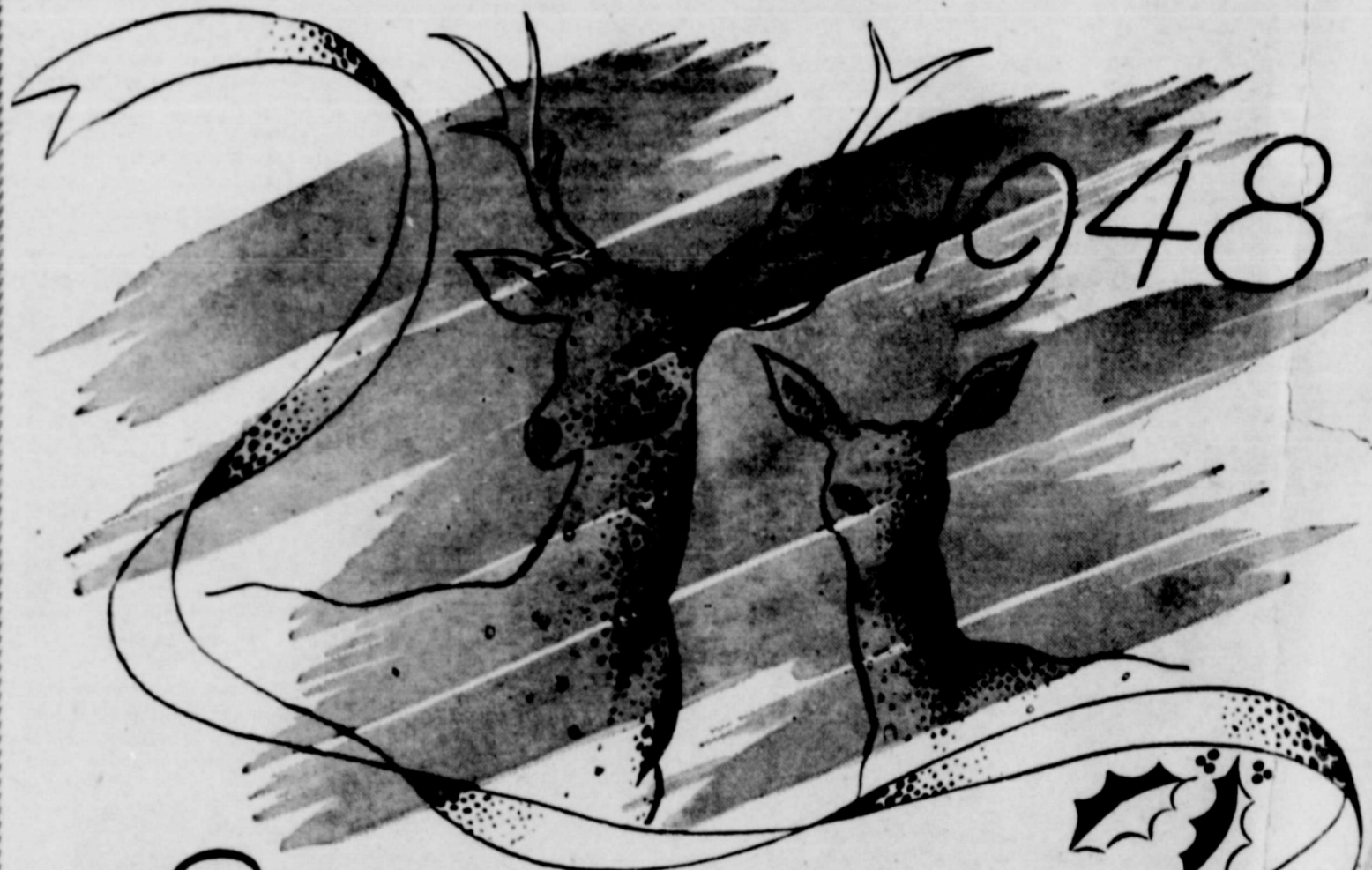


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