

# The Haskell Free Press

HASKELL, HASKELL COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DEC. 19, 1946

NUMBER FIFTY-ONE

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## WTCC Advocates Plan for Financing Building Needs of State Schools

Abilene, Texas—The West Texas Chamber of Commerce has released a financial prospectus setting out in detail its plan for supporting urgent building needs of Texas' state supported colleges—an activity called for by its board of directors at their referendum assembly last month.

The document contains nine amortization and statistical tables in support of the WTCC's contention that, for adequately and rapidly financing building plans of all 16 state schools, \$37,000,000 in bonds can and should be floated from the revenues of the University of Texas permanent land fund. The chamber contends that this maximum funding program would produce \$14,800,000 for the University and Texas A&M College and \$22,200,000 for the 14 other institutions under a 60-40 per cent division as between them and the two big schools, against \$15,000,000 they would receive through a 5-cent state ad valorem tax levy as proposed by administrative heads and regent boards of the college.

The prospectus with the tables adds up to 6,000 words, and is a complete analysis of both the "College Plan" and the "Trust Fund Plan" prepared by D. A. Bantee, WTCC manager, and the chamber's Educational Committee headed by Spencer A. Wells of Lubbock. The College Plan for financing the 14 schools from the 5-cent tax and for bonding the Permanent University Fund for its ad Texas A&M's needs is examined in detail under all of the terms and conditions as set forth in its own plan. This shows, WTCC says, that the big schools would be limited to \$15,000,000 for 25 years and that the maximum tax revenue for the 14 others would be \$15,000,000 for 10 years with like amounts possible in the following two decades.

## June In January—Or Vice Versa

Haskell's assorted weather of the past week has brought forth not only plenty of snaffles, overcasts and long-handles, but a genuine Christmas spirit. Initial signs for the weatherman to explain were blooming peach trees, summer flowers and green grass in abundance—here in the middle of December. Someone even accused Haskell High School boys of letting their minds turn to thoughts of love...

Then came the norther, and folks began dreaming of a white Christmas, killing hogs, and at long last dragging out winter clothing. Local stores report a brisk pickup in daily sales of gift articles and everybody walks with a hurried step as though they're afraid Christmas morn might catch them unprepared.

## Bonuses Paid by Burton-Dotson Co.

Friday the thirteenth didn't hold any ill omen for employees of Burton-Dotson Chevrolet Company in Haskell. At least if any of them were a little superstitious, they must have kept their fingers crossed.

That was the day when Olen Dotson and R. L. Burton, owners, paid \$600 in bonuses to their workers, who declare it couldn't have come at a more opportune time. Twelve employees participated in the bonus earnings.

## TO HOLD OPEN HOUSE ON FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Johnson will hold open house at their home in South Haskell from 3:00 until 5:00 o'clock, December 25, celebrating their golden wedding anniversary.

## OLIN ASHLEY ON McMURRY HONOR ROLL

Olin Ashley of Haskell, a student at McMurry College, Abilene, is on the mid-semester honor roll, according to a recent announcement by the registrar's office. Ashley had an "A" average.

## Dr. J. B. Parmelley Buried at Rule in Wednesday Rites

Dr. J. B. Parmelley, World War I veteran and prominent Rule dentist, died in the Haskell County Hospital Tuesday at 8:30 a. m. He had been critically ill for some time. He was 50 years old, and had been a resident of Rule since 1919, following his discharge from the armed service.

Immediate survivors are his widow, Mrs. Jessie Parmelley of Rule; his mother, Mrs. W. A. Parmelley, Abilene; a brother, Grady Parmelley, Abilene; and four sisters, Mrs. J. Walter Hammonds and Mrs. L. E. Williams of Tye, Texas; Mrs. C. L. Thomas, Dallas; and Mrs. Elmer Jones of Abilene.

Funeral rites were held at the Rule Methodist Church Wednesday at 2 p. m., with the pastor Rev. Lloyd Hamilton officiating, assisted by David Earnest, Christian Church minister of Rule. Interment was in Rule Cemetery with Gauntt Funeral Home of that city in charge of arrangements.

## House Numbers Being Mailed

City Secretary J. Belton Duncan is busy these days mailing postcards on which are printed house numbers and names of streets to the citizenship of Haskell. It is another step in the city's plan of having all streets named and houses numbered, with eyes on city mail delivery and other conveniences.

## Costume Prizes Will Be Given at Annual Cowboys Ball

For the first time in twelve years during which the annual Cowboys Christmas Ball has been held, prizes will be given each of the four nights Dec. 20, 21, 22 and 24 for the most appropriately dressed couples wearing costumes reminiscent of the Old West, according to an announcement made this week by Roy Mays, president of the Cowboys' Christmas Ball Association.

Prizes each night will total \$25; \$10.00 for first prize, \$7.50 for second, \$5.00 for third and \$2.50 for fourth prize.

## Rule Wins Title in Basket Tourney

The Rule High School Bobcats won Haskell's invitational basketball tournament Saturday night, defeating O'Brien in the finals, 30-18. Knox City beat Stamford, 24-16 in consolation finals.

Haskell's Indians won over the Benjamin High squad, then lost to Knox City in the semi-finals. The Indians lost in consolation play to Weinert.

## Minor Offenses Keep Local Courts Busy

A Sagerton man pleaded guilty Friday in county court before Judge John F. Ivy to drunkenness in a public place and was assessed a fine of \$1 and costs, a total of \$27.20. The complain was filed by Doss Fuller, deputy sheriff.

A Haskell man pleaded guilty Saturday before Joe E. Pace, justice of the peace, to disturbance of the peace and was fined one dollar and costs a total of \$14. The complain was filed by Sheriff Mart Clifton.

## Veterans May Insure Against Disability

The Veterans Administration has reminded veterans who have National Service Life Insurance that they now may be insured against total disability.

## ORPHANS HOME GIVEN WAA SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

The disastrous fire which destroyed 12,220 square feet of the Tipton Orphans Home at Tipton, Oklahoma enabled the Fort Worth WAA office to show how quickly it can act. To alleviate the suffering of 600 children, who were left without housing or schooling facilities, D. D. Myers, chief of the Public Interest Division, slashed red tape and started making deliveries of badly needed surplus property within 72 hours from the first request made by W. I. Yao-kum, dean of boys at the home. Kitchen equipment, bedding, furniture and other dormitory needs, school supplies, wood working shop equipment and sewing room equipment were speedily located and shipped to enable the school to resume operations.

## Early Free Press Planned Next Week

Publishers of The Free Press plan to have the paper in the mails for Tuesday morning delivery next week, and advertisers and news contributors are asked to turn in copy as early as possible. Monday noon is deadline and most copy should be turned in by Saturday.

An effort is being made to contact every business in Haskell for Christmas and New Year Greeting ads, but if anyone is missed they are urged to phone 207 before Monday noon and a representative of The Free Press will be glad to show ad layouts.

Tuesday's paper will include dozens of kiddies' letters to Santa Claus and a copy of the paper will be sent air mail special delivery to the grand old fellow before he makes his trip to Haskell County. Letters must be in the office by Saturday.

## 16,208 Bales Cotton Ginned in County Prior to Dec. 1

With the major portion of Haskell County's cotton crop gathered, census report shows that 16,208 bales had been ginned from the crop of 1946 prior to December 1 as compared with 27,874 bales for the crop of 1945.

## Jaycees Plan City Streets Clean-up

The Haskell Junior Chamber of Commerce met in regular weekly meeting Tuesday night with about 30 members present.

## Longest Building in Haskell—'Hut'

"It may not be the biggest building in town, but we'll have the longest!" So says W. H. "Hut" Pitman of Pitman Motor Company, a block north of the square on the highway, in speaking of his enlarged building which is due for completion soon.

Workers have been busy erecting a cream brick front on the present structure, and Pitman says the new section will be used principally for show rooms. New models of Dodge and Plymouth cars and trucks will be displayed when they're available.

## 12,810,000 Bales Cotton on Hand

A balance of 12,810,000 bales of cotton on November 1 was shown in the cotton balance sheet carried in the November issues of the Texas Business Review published by The University of Texas Bureau of Business Research. This balance was 28 per cent below last year's balance on the same date and almost 40 per cent under the peak November balance during the past 10 years.

## Weinert Man Will Work in Iraq

Stanley Milam Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Jones of Weinert, sailed recently for Iraq. He is an employee of the Independent Exploration Company of Houston, Texas.

## Perkins-Timberlake Force Has Party

Annual Christmas party for employees of Perkins-Timberlake Company's Haskell store was held Monday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Harrison. Following an exchange of gifts, the group enjoyed Christmas plates prepared by Mrs. Harrison.

## Funeral Held Friday For Newton Orr

Funeral services were conducted Friday for Newton Orr, 83, a resident of Throckmorton for the past 40 years and brother of A. C. Orr of Haskell.

Born in Calhoun County, Arkansas, "Uncle Newt," as he was affectionately known, died Thursday in an Olney hospital following a brief illness.

## NFLA Reports Sound Condition At Annual Meeting

The Haskell County National Farm Loan Association of Haskell held its regular annual stockholders meeting at the cafeteria building in Rule, Texas, on Dec. 16th at 7 p. m. One hundred people attended the affair. After the invocation by Rev. C. A. Powell, pastor of the Rule Baptist Church, a three course meal was served.

Address of welcome was given by W. E. Penick of Rule, and C. O. Davis directed a sing song, followed with an address by Rev. Lloyd Hamilton, guest speaker for the evening.

In a business session W. D. Payne and W. E. Penick were elected as directors to serve for the next three year period. Financial report made by secretary-treasurer W. H. McCandless showed the association to be in the best financial condition financially since its organization, with outstanding loans of \$1,368,570 and surplus \$38,953.85.

## Maybelle Taylor Home for Christmas

Maybelle Taylor, missionary teacher in a Baptist school in Recife, Brazil for eight years and a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. L. F. Taylor of Haskell, is due to spend the Christmas holidays here. She will be home on leave from her work for the first time in five years, and her last visit here was made after she had been in South America for three years.

## Two Programs at Presbyterian Church Set for Christmas

Haskell's Presbyterian Church is announcing two special programs for the Christmas season—one Friday night and the other Sunday afternoon.

## Examinations Open For Positions In State Health Dept.

Competitive examinations for positions in the State Health Department have just been announced by the Merit System Council for the Texas State Department of Health. Examinations are for public health nursing positions, and will consist of a written examination and an evaluation of training and experience. Veterans preference will be allowed to applicants who have been honorably discharged from the United States armed forces and who make a passing score on the examination.

## Santa Letters To Be Printed

It is time for the kiddies to write letters to Santa Claus again, and The Free Press would like to print as many letters from our young friends as possible.

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## Haskell Merchants Closing Two Days During Christmas

Haskell business and professional houses are announcing that they will observe Christmas by closing shop two days, December 25 and 26. Only a skeleton of the town's usual force will be in the business district for the two days, as indicated by signers of a petition circulated first of the week.

Postmaster J. M. Diggs announces that the post office will be closed only on Christmas Day. County officials contacted indicate offices in the court house will be closed for the two-day period.

Supt. S. H. Vaughter of Haskell Schools says students will have a one-week's vacation, getting out Friday of this week and returning to school Monday, December 30. Most other schools of the county are observing the same holidays.

These establishments which will be closed both days are listed below:

- Pigdy Wiggly, Hub Dry Goods, Jones Dry Goods, Lane-Felker Mens' Wear, Hassen Bros., Haskell National Bank, Wheatley's, Service Cleaners, J. W. Sanders, Red Chain Feed Store, McKeever Cleaners, Retail Merchants Assn., M. D. Richmond, Casey & Son Motor Co., Lone Star Gas Co., Clifton Produce, Market Poultry & Egg Co., V. A. Brown.
- Perdue Grocery, J. D. Tyler, Bynum Office Supply, West Texas Utilities Co., The Personality Shoppe, Florence & Coggins, Cook Bros., Clover Farm Grocery, The Free Press, W. & H. Barber Shop, Bell's Red & White, Haskell Implement Co., Burton-Dotson, Ross Pearse, Atkinson Food Store, J. W. Gholson Grocery, Criterion Beauty Shop, Jack Johnson's.
- Fouts Dry Goods & Variety, Lanier Hardware & Furniture, Guest's Gift Shop, Heiber's Jewelry Store, Poque Grocery, Winston Deisman, Crandall's Cafe, Lane-Felker, Perry Bros. Co., Perkins Timberlake Co., O'Neal's Food Store, Sturdivant Home and Furniture Supply, Field Ladies and Children's Store, Jones Cox & Co., West Side Barber Shop, C. G. Gay, Ben Franklin Store, Menefee and Fouts, Southwester Associated Telephone Co.
- R. B. Spencer & Co., Stamford Production Credit Association, Hunter Cleaners, Floyd L. Rich, Blohm Studio, Benson's Auto Supply, Tucker's Bootery, W. A. Lyles Jeweler, Marlow Tractor & Implement Co., Collier's Grocery, Bill Wilson Motor Co., Cox Motor Co., Jones Barber Shop, Boggs & Johnson, Farmers and Merchants State Bank, Haskell County National Farm Loan Association, J. M. Crawford, Courtney Hunt, Brazzelton Lumber Co., Hollie E. Chapman Implement Co., T. C. Cahill, Smitty's Auto Supply, W. C. Johnston Tire Shop, Shelton Produce, Oliver F. Spiller, C. L. Lewis, City Hall, Walling Beauty Salon, Kirkpatrick Beauty Shop.

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We suggest that primary teachers and parents assist the youngsters with their letters to St. Nick as early as possible and see that they reach The Free Press office.

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U. S. NAVAL HOSPITAL IS TRANSFERRED TO V. A.

Transfer of the U. S. Naval Hospital at New Orleans to the Veterans Administration for temporary use has been approved by President Truman and the Federal Board of Hospitalization.

The Naval hospital, which has a 600-bed capacity, will be opened to veterans as quickly as a suitable staff can be assembled. Dr. Lee D. Cady, VA's medical director for Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi, said.

In addition to the temporary facilities at New Orleans, VA's medical service now has 7,260 beds available in hospitals in the tri-state area administered by the VA Dallas branch office.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness during the illness and death of our dear brother and uncle, Newt Orr. May God bless each one of you.—A. C. Orr and children.

WAA HAS SURPLUS STOVES

If you have the coal—WAA has the stoves. WAA is offering 2800 surplus army barracks stoves at \$5.78 each—in minimum lots of five—to veterans in business and others Dec. 20th. Orders from priority groups and commercial dealers will be filled after January 3 in priority sequence. The sale is being conducted by the Kansas City WAA office.

Coming Attraction at the Texas



Tantalizing and tantalizing taps from the talented toes of tantalizing Ann Miller liven this lavish musical production number, one of the many in "The Thrill of Brazil," gay romantic comedy at the Texas Wednesday and Thursday.

Business and Professional Directory

Table listing various professionals in Haskell, Texas, including lawyers, plumbers, dentists, and veterinarians. Names include Calvin Henson, T. F. Rainey, T. R. Odell, Tom Davis, Virgil A. Brown, Jason W. Smith, Dr. J. B. Reneau, Jr., and Dr. Arthur A. Edwards.

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: J. W. Thornton, P. L. Smith, E. D. Glenn, W. J. Glenn, Nathan Murray, J. P. Lamar, W. B. Houston, Thomas McCormick and F. C. Hubbel, and the unknown heirs and the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs, their legal representatives, legatees and devisees of each and all of said persons and the unknown claimants of the property hereinafter described and Mrs. Elsie Scott Head, H. G. Head, Mrs. Marion Scott Brice, John W. Brice and Walter T. Scott, Defendants, GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court of Haskell County at the Court House thereof, in Haskell, 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 20th day of January, A. D. 1945, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court on the 5th day of November, 1944, in this cause, numbered 7426 on the docket of said Court and styled

Mrs. Ada Couch, et vir, Plaintiff, Vs. Mrs. Alene Wall, et vir, et al. Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Trespass to try title. Plaintiffs allege that on January 1, 1946, they were the owners in fee simple and entitled to the possession of 2680 acres of land, more or less, situated in Haskell County, Texas, and described as follows:

FIRST TRACT: The William Thornton Survey No. 74, Abstract No. 389, containing 320 acres, more or less; Patent No. 311, Vol. 8, dated July 2, 1857, recorded in Book 2, page 75, Patent Records of said County.

SECOND TRACT: The P. L. Smith Survey No. 75, Abstract No. 376, containing 320 acres, more or less; Patent No. 382, Vol. 30, dated August 27, 1860, recorded in Book 1, page 475, Patent Records of said County.

THIRD TRACT: The John Williams Survey No. 76, Abstract No. 416, containing 320 acres, more or less; Patent No. 415, Vol. 32, dated April 12, 1861, recorded in Book 1, page 347, Patent Records of said County.

FOURTH TRACT: The William Wilkinson Survey No. 77, Abstract No. 418, containing 320 acres, more or less; Patent No. 402, Vol. 45, dated July 13, 1862, recorded in Book 1, page 346, Patent Records of said County.

FIFTH TRACT: The John J. Laughlin Survey No. 78, Abstract No. 311, containing 320 acres, more or less; Patent No. 612, Vol. 31, dated March 13, 1874, recorded in Book 1, page 345, Patent Records of said County.

SIXTH TRACT: The John A. Heuser Survey No. 79, Abstract No. 170, covering the South 120 acres, more or less; Patent No. 139, Vol. 9, dated December 17, 1858, recorded in Book 2, page 76, Patent Records of said County.

SEVENTH TRACT: The S. P. Ford Survey No. 80, Abstract No. 139, containing 320 acres, more or less; Patent No. 138, Vol. 9, dated December 17, 1858, recorded in Book 1, page 101, Patent Records of said County.

EIGHTH TRACT: The B. Hoffman Survey No. 81, Abstract No. 167, containing 320 acres, more or less; Patent No. 537, Vol. 17, dated April 16, 1858, recorded in Book 1, page 45, Patent Records of said County.

NINTH TRACT: The William Maxwell Survey No. 82, Abstract No. 319, containing 320 acres, more or less; Patent No. 4, Vol. 19, dated April 27, 1858, recorded in

IT'S A TOMMYCOAT



Betty McCall of Blytheville, Ark., runner-up in the Atlantic City Beauty Contest this year, gets ready for a crisp cotton tommycoat for cool sleeping next summer. The coat was made of cotton feed bag material by Mrs. Louise Creach, Memphis, Tenn., clothing designer.

Book 1, page 48, Patent Records of said County.

That, subsequently on said date, Defendants unlawfully entered upon said property and dispossessed Plaintiffs and have since such date unlawfully withheld from Plaintiffs the possession thereof to their damages in the sum of Fifty Thousand and No-100 (\$50,000.00) Dollars.

Plaintiffs plead the five, ten and twenty-five year statute of limitation as barring any claim to said property upon the part of the Defendants.

Plaintiffs pray that they have judgment for title and possession of the above described land, and for general and special relief in law and in equity.

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.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Haskell, Texas, this 5th day of December, A. D. 1944.

Attest: Horace Oneal, Clerk, District Court, Haskell County, Texas.

OFFICE SUPPLIES, personal stationery, wedding announcements, statements, envelopes—

COURTNEY HUNT INCOME TAX CONSULTANT

We would like to help you on your Income Tax return. While our service charge has been slightly revised, we believe you will find us very reasonable for the service we render you.

WARNING: New Tax Laws are now in effect—New Tax Rates—New Deductions. Many changes have been made in the new tax rules, widening the exemptions for dependents and increasing the number of deductions you can make. Many people pay more income tax than they owe; many have tax money coming back to them if they know how to get it.

It is our duty to protect the best interests of our clients; experience has taught us that if you owe a tax it will pay you many times over to employ competent assistance.

You can file your return any time when you have closed your year's income; farmers and those who did not file an estimate are required to file their return by January 15th. We would advise that you bring us your summary as early as possible so that we can give you every consideration and thus avoid the last minute rush.

COURTNEY HUNT

SHOPPING IS A PLEASURE WITH THIS Christmas Gift Guide

You will be all set for Christmas after a shopping spree at our store. We will be delighted to help you with your shopping problems. We offer the following suggestions for your help:



For the Man: WE OFFER

- Stetson Hats
• Leather Jackets
• Bath Robes
• White Dress Shirts
• Sweaters, Sleeveless
• Belts
• Pajamas
• Scarfs
• Belts, Socks, Shaving Sets



For the Lady of the House—Wife, Mother, Sister or Daughter:

- Silk Dresses
• House Coats
• Silk Pajamas and Gowns
• Slips, Panties, Girdles
• Bags—A Wide Selection
• Hats, Gloves
• Costume Jewelry

For Teens...

For the Whole Family:

- Silk Quilts
• Wool Blankets
• Fancy Pillows
• Shoes, Gloves and Hats
• Bath Robes and House Coats
• Suits and Jackets

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"The churches of Christ salute you" (Rom. 16:16.) Scriptural In: Origin Name Pleading for Unity Walking By Faith Creed Organization Terms of Admission Christian Worship

The Church of Christ is a divine institution built by Jesus Christ upon the foundation truth that He is the Christ, the Son of God. The Plan of Salvation was revealed through the New Testament writer by the Holy Spirit and requires people to hear the gospel, believe, repent of every sin, confess Jesus Christ as Lord and be baptized for the remission of sins. Thus one becomes a Christian and must live faithful to the instructions of the New Testament.

We speak where the Bible speaks and remain silent where the Bible is silent; we call Bible things by Bible names, do Bible things in Bible ways; we have no creed but Christ; no book but the Bible; no name except that authorized.

Schedule of Services Sunday: 9:45-10 a. m. Bible classes. 11-12 a. m. Morning worship. 5:45-6:45 p. m. Bible class for young people. 7-8 p. m. Evening worship. Wednesday: 7:30-8:30 p. m. Mid-week Bible study.

Gift Headquarters For Christmas

- WATCHES
DIAMONDS
PEARLS
LOCKETS
CARMEN BRACELETS
WATCH BANDS
FOUNTAIN PEN AND PENCIL SET
BIRTHSTONE RINGS
MASONIC AND ODD FELLOW
and TIE CLASPS
BELT BUCKLE SETS
CHAPELIN PINS

See for yourself that we have right prices on all our merchandise. For your convenience we can furnish credit and easy payment plans.

Also for our customers, we extend a plan to use our Lay-A-Way Plan.

RICHMOND JEWELRY

Haskell, Texas

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higher Army pay... food, clothing, quarters, no extra cost... GI Bill of Rights educational... for those who enlist before the official termination... and serve at least 90 days... and the opportunity early retirement with a life income... add up... you can't afford to miss.

ear enlistment permits you to choose any branch... and overseas theater which still have openings.

ter one of these good jobs now! You can get all... at your nearest U. S. Army Recruiting Station... LIST NOW!

**RIGHT OF VETS TO UPHELD BY AMERICAN LEGION**

Indianapolis, Ind.—The right of veterans to work without being forced to pay dues to any organization has been established as a national policy.

The American Legion's executive committee has passed the following resolution:

Resolved that no veteran shall be required to pay an initiation fee as a condition to employment in any job or craft, nor shall the payment of any punitive fine or assessment be a condition of his continuation in his employment nor shall any veteran be denied employment by an existing rule not related to his acceptability to his employer.

The NEC directed the national executive committee of The American Legion to draft suitable legislation to bring about enactment of this resolution in law by the next Congress.

**BETTER PAY FOR ARMY MEN**

Rank	Starting Base Pay Per Month	MONTHLY RETIREMENT INCOME AFTER:	
		20 Years' Service	30 Years' Service
Master Sergeant or First Sergeant	\$165.00	\$107.25	\$185.63
Technical Sergeant	135.00	87.75	151.88
Staff Sergeant	115.00	74.75	129.38
Sergeant	100.00	65.00	112.50
Corporal	90.00	58.50	101.25
Private First Class	80.00	52.00	90.00
Private	75.00	48.75	84.38

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FOR THE NATION AND MANKIND IN WAR AND PEACE

City Hall, Haskell

**Legion Wants Vet on Civil Service Body**

Indianapolis, Ind.—The American Legion will ask the President of the United States to fill the existing vacancy on the Civil Service Commission with a veteran.

Taking note that there is no veteran today on this commission, the national executive committee of The American Legion has adopted a resolution asking that this situation be remedied by the President.

**STOCKHOLDERS MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK of Haskell, Texas, will be held in the offices of said bank in the city of Haskell, State of Texas, at 2 o'clock p. m., on the second Tuesday in January, A. D. 1947, the same being the 14th day of said month, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank and the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting.

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**ROCHESTER NEWS**

Rochester farmers have been taking advantage of the recent pretty weather to finish gathering their cotton and feed crops.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Cox of this city have announced the engagement of their daughter Jo Vets to Max Fischer of Abilene. The couple will marry December 22 at Rochester in the home of the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Zed Wadzeck. Both young people are students in McMurry College, Abilene.

The Literary Club held an enjoyable program in the auditorium of the Methodist church Thursday afternoon. Special music was rendered by Mrs. L. H. Christensen.

The Rochester Steers defeated the Happy Steers here last Friday to win the regional football championship.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Graham of Aspermont returned home Friday after a three weeks visit here in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Ed Flournoy.

John Senter of Caddo Mills is here visiting in the home of Mrs. A. J. Mitchell and family and with a brother, Bill Senter and family.

Mrs. Bertha Adams returned home Monday after a visit with relatives in Houston, Texas.

Miss Florence Jenkins and Miss Joyce Lee visited in Fort Worth last week.

Mrs. J. H. Parsons and L. H. Christensen were shopping in Haskell Monday.

Mrs. Andy Norris of Haskell was a guest here Saturday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Watkins.

Pete Gauntt and family of Heywood, N. M., returned to Rochester last week to make their home here.

W. D. Martin of Long Beach, Calif., spent the week end here with his niece, Mrs. Carl Davidson.

Mrs. R. A. Shaver, Mrs. J. W. Trimmer, Mrs. Aubrey Short and Mrs. Dick Shaver were shopping in Abilene Monday.

Miss Martha Clark of Sweetwater spent the week end here with home folks.

such other business that may properly come before said meeting.

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**Soil Conservation Widespread in State**

"Eighty-seven per cent of Texas is covered by soil conservation districts," supervisors were told at their State meeting in Austin on Dec. 10 and 11. Jim McCulloch, chairman of the California Creek board, also reported that they were informed in this meeting, which he attended, that 142 districts had been voted into being and that 105 of these were in operation.

Governor-elect Beauford Jester and Lindsay Johnson, Congressman from the 10th Congressional district, both made talks to the assembly and indicated their support of soil conservation activities as carried on in the district programs.

A resolution was approved at the meeting requesting that the State appropriate enough money that four additional field representatives of the State Soil Conservation Board could be employed. Howard Goss is the only representative hired by the Board now and his responsibilities are statewide. Under the plan of the resolution one field man would serve in each of the five subdivisions of the State.

The highlight of the meeting, according to McCulloch, was the announcement of the statewide soil conservation contest. This is a contest sponsored by The Fort Worth Press and nineteen co-sponsors who have provided \$10,000 in prize money. Awards are to be made to outstanding districts, conservation groups, and individuals on a statewide basis, then other awards for conservation work outstanding in each of the states five sub-divisions.

The top prizes of \$1,000 each will go to the outstanding soil

**HERE FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**

Mrs. Joe Thigpen and little son Joe Emmitt of Bay Spring, Miss., are here to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis P. Ratliff.

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conservation district in Texas and to the outstanding soil conservation group in the State. The farmer in Texas who has made the greatest achievement in soil conservation will receive \$500.

Bill Durham, regional editor of The Fort Worth Press, is the director of the Save the Soil and Save Texas Program. Walter R. Humphrey, editor of The Press, explained the contest at the Austin meeting.

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### Rainbow Club Meets With Mrs. Rogers

The Rainbow Sewing Club met in the home of Mrs. Walter Rogers Tuesday, Dec. 3 in a regular meeting.

The entertaining rooms were decorated with cut roses, fern and mums. With the vice president in charge the meeting opened by singing the club song. Thought for the day was given by Mrs. Edwards. A Good Neighborly Program was given and Mrs. Patterson conducted a parliamentary drill. The recreation program was directed by Mrs. Johnson. Helen Johnson gave a reading, "Let's End the Strike." Interesting games were played, then everyone was invited into the bedroom to see the many lovely Christmas hand-made gifts Mrs. Johnson had on display, such as rugs, stuffed animals, crochet sets, doll clothes, pot holders, table mats, doll quilts, pillows, pillow slips, button pictures and other things.

Attending the Christmas party were Meses, W. E. Johnson, J. B. Edwards, W. E. Jenkins, J. S. Chapman, Jess Josselit, John Tinkle, Floyd Lusk, Walter Rogers, Leonard Florence, O. W. Tooley, Tot Johnson, Bill Pennington, Larry Bass, Jewel Wiseman and Tony Patterson.

## NEWS OF INTEREST to WOMEN

### Martha Davis and J. L. Toliver Wed

Miss Martha Frances Davis and J. L. Toliver Jr., were married on November 30, 1946 at 8 o'clock p. m. by Rev. H. G. Hammer. The bride wore a teal blue dress with brown accessories. Her corsage was pink carnations. Attendants at the wedding were Meses Leverne Dean and Truett Keunstler. Mrs. Toliver is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Davis of Anson, Texas. She was a graduate of Paint Creek high school with the class of '42.

Mr. Toliver is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Toliver of Weimert. He was a graduate of Weimert high school with the class of 1942.

The couple are making their home in Haskell.

The Free Press has carbon paper.

### North Ward P-TA Has Christmas Program

Fourth and fifth grade pupils under the direction of Mrs. Ada Rike and Miss Georgeen Claus presented a special Christmas program for the North Ward Parent-Teacher Association at the regular meeting, Thursday Dec. 12 in the high school auditorium. The program was opened with the singing of O Little Town of Bethlehem, and Holy Night, by the fifth grade. This was followed by a playlet, The Christmas Fairy and Scrooge, by the fourth grade. In closing the program a chorus made up of pupils from both grades sang Santa Claus Is Coming to Town, and Jingle Bells.

Mrs. Austin Coburn, director of the regular program, presented Mrs. Virgil Reynolds who spoke on Learning the Ways of Peace. In order to learn the ways of peace we must be re-educated for world peace. We should read about other peoples to learn how they live, how they play, how they dress, what they read. If we learn these facts about other peoples or races we can better understand them. To rid our minds of prejudices we must learn to appreciate other peoples and other races. Travel in other countries will bring about a closer feeling of fellowship and a greater understanding of others. An exchange of teachers between our country and foreign countries will also help.

We all must work to learn and maintain the ways of peace, for peace does not come easily. A feeling of peace on earth and good will toward man should be in our hearts throughout the year—not just during the Christmas season.

Mrs. R. W. Herren, vice-president, presided over a brief business meeting in the absence of the president, Mrs. Roy Sanders. The room count showed Mrs. Rike's room had the largest number of mothers present.

### Mrs. Collins Hostess To Magazine Club

Mrs. J. M. Collins was hostess at the Magazine Club Friday when thirty-three members responded to roll call.

Mrs. Collins received the members and presented each a small corsage. She had made the club house beautiful with Christmas decorations, the most attractive being the one which centered the officer's table, a small lighted Christmas tree surrounded by the traditional reindeer. At the close of the meeting Mrs. Collins served a tempting refreshment plate which held a molded salad Christmas tree, dainty cakes with frosting in green and dotted with cherries, stuffed figs, candies and spiced tea.

Mrs. Wallace Cox, second vice president, presided during the business hour.

Mrs. Fields and Mrs. Kimbrough, members of the club properties committee, reported that final plans for the club shower were complete and the shower will be Dec. 20th.

Mrs. Earl Atchison directed the program, Women of Other Races. Mrs. Hubert Bell discussed, A Champion for Slaves and for Women. Mrs. C. A. Williams' subject was Consuming Flames of Hate. Plans selected by Mrs. O. E. Patterson were: Serenade and Aire de Ballet, by Chamade.

In closing the president asked that all members stand in silent meditation while Mrs. Ada Rike, a charter member of the club, paid a tribute to a beloved club member, the late Mrs. F. J. Sanders.

Mrs. Rike said: "The members of the magazine club are exceptionally capable women—in our daily lives, in our work, and in our life we take each other as a matter of course, but we form ties of friendship that are never broken. We are that strong as we are because we are stronger than we realize."

"As the years go by comrades at our side pass to the great beyond and leave us lonely for their companionship.

"We are lonely today because of the going of Mrs. Fred Sanders. She was a life member, had been president and at some time, held every office in the club. She loved people and in a special way

### ATTEND CONVENTION

J. D. Harrell, owner of the Pepsi Cola Bottling Company of Abilene, and Mrs. Harrell and daughter, Peggy Jo, have left for a trip to Coronado, Calif., where they will attend the annual Pepsi Cola convention for Western bottlers. They are also planning to motor to San Francisco to visit their son, Bill, who is stationed there with the Navy.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deepest appreciation to our friends and neighbors for the many kindnesses extended to us during our bereavement in the passing of our beloved Mother and Grandmother Mrs. Lottie McClellan. We also thank you for the beautiful floral offerings—Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Stors and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Jeter and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Whaley and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McClellan and family.

loved the members of the club, and our club house.

"By nature she loved the beautiful—and this was reflected in her church, the club and her home. She was a wonderful Mother. She prayed fervently for peace and the return of our boys."

"Club friends—the golden bowl is broken; another link in the chain of friendship is missing. Oh God! How she will love your land, your promised land, where there is no night."

### Presented in Christmas Play



Mary, Mother of Jesus is portrayed by Elizabeth Louise Sorrell in the annual Texas State College for Women presentation of "The Story of the Nativity." Written by Pres. L. H. Hubbard, the play was given Sunday and Monday, Dec. 15, 16 at TSCW. Miss Sorrell is from San Antonio.

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### "Dear Santa Claus: . . ."

Put in my stocking this year a dash of Human Kindness. Add some of the breadth of Vision that will make me realize that all men are my brothers. Pour in some O! of Graciousness . . . the mark of a true gentleman. Give me to play well my part in this big busy world, and so to regulate my life that when I pass on no man can say of me: "He lived for self alone."

Leave for me a generous package of Good Cheer, so that when my brother is weighed down with despair I may go to him and help him to look up and hope anew. Bring me a Jack In The Box, like the one that set my boyish heart to beating pit-a-pat in the days agone. Only let it be filled with Faith, and give me the key to unlock its magic for every heart that comes my way.

And don't forget a cane—not the age-old peppermint candy affair, but a staff of Spiritual Strength on which I may lean when sorrow casts its shadow on my path. Make all the children of earth glad, Dear Santa, but don't forget that grown-ups, too, sometimes dream dreams and wish again for childhood unrealities. Write upon the minds and hearts of all who have relinquished the carefreedom of youth for the stern realities of the daily struggle the message that Real Happiness consists not of material things, but of days spent in the service of one's fellows.—A Grown-up.

### Paving For Progress

The Haskell Junior Chamber of Commerce has assumed a major project in its efforts to see that paved streets here become a reality as soon as possible. Committees have been appointed and are studying paving needs in West Texas towns being completed now and finished prior to the war, and it is expected that work on local streets can be well under way in 1947.

Many worthwhile projects have been planned for Haskell by civic and social organizations, with anticipations of scarce materials and labor becoming more common within the next twelve months. Some of these projects will be realized with glorious success, some of them will be done halfway, and some of them will die in committees. Few of these projects could mean more to the town than the street improvement program, and Haskell citizens should give their whole-hearted support to the Jaycees in bringing better streets into being.

Jaycee organizations have come to be recognized as units that "get the job done" in many towns and cities throughout the United States. They are made up of young, enthusiastic members who put feet to their dreams. The Haskell Junior Chamber of Commerce can be of untold benefit to this city and county if given cooperation by the citizenship. Better streets is only one of the aims set out by the civic group in the coming months. If local people will help the Jaycees accomplish this goal, the group will launch and complete more and better projects in the months and years ahead.

### Costs of Accidents

What do we pay for our traffic accidents?  
In Lansing, Michigan, a town of 75,000 population the total cost to those involved in traffic accidents during the past year was \$414,330. Total direct costs, including maintenance of police, courts, etc., totaled about three-quarters of a million dollars.

What does it mean?  
It means that what happened in Lansing, happens in other cities throughout the country—it can also happen here!

It means that the current asking price for one medium-sized smashup is enormous. Not only in terms of dollars and cents, but also in terms of man-hours lost from the job.

In terms of cold hard cash the average victim—and this applies everywhere—loses \$170 in salary, pays \$92 doctor and hospital bills plus \$26 miscellaneous bills, such as attorneys fees, fines, and settlement of other parties' claims, and is stuck with a \$220 auto repair bill as well if he is a car owner.

That's the average cost of driving and walking carelessly according to a study of the costs of traffic accidents made at Lansing by the National Conservation Bureau and the local safety council.

Can you afford it?  
Tranquil pleasures last the longest; we are not fitted to bear long the burden of great joys.—Boyce.

## HASKELL COUNTY HISTORY

Brief Items Taken from Old Copies of The Free Press

**20 Years Ago—Dec. 16, 1926**  
H. L. Woods of Midway sold 30 large turkeys to a local buyer this week for the sum of \$171.30. He figures this is better profit than he would have realized from several bales of cotton.

**40 Years Ago—Dec. 15, 1906**  
F. A. Klose who lives east of town, was here Monday and reports that he has out twenty bales of cotton and expects to gather twelve more from this year's crop which he says is the best he has ever grown. He says the greatest need in his section is better roads and declares they are almost impossible in bad weather.

**50 Years Ago—Dec. 12, 1896**  
The Methodist people got together Monday night and made a charge on their persons, when they gave their new pastor, Rev. G. L. Henry, an old-fashioned sending.

**60 Years Ago—Dec. 11, 1886**  
A very fatal type of diphtheria is prevailing near Kaufman. Already eight children have died from the disease since outbreak of the epidemic in that city.

**70 Years Ago—Dec. 10, 1876**  
Haskell County got three new families this week and wants 1000 more.

**80 Years Ago—Dec. 9, 1866**  
A. H. Bryant and Bunk Rike accompanied Dr. Neathery to Farmersville this week to help him through with his livestock.

**90 Years Ago—Dec. 8, 1856**  
Geo. McCarty will leave Monday to take a contract on the Wichita irrigation work.

**100 Years Ago—Dec. 7, 1846**  
The young folks broke the prevailing monotony in social affairs with an enjoyable party at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Pierson last Thursday night.

**110 Years Ago—Dec. 6, 1836**  
The common disease, popularly known as athlete's foot, is said to be the third most common disease seen by skin specialists during the summer, and the fifth most common disorder in winter. It is due to a little mold-like growth or fungus which thrives best where there is moisture and warmth. Therefore the feet make an ideal place for the growth of this germ.

**120 Years Ago—Dec. 5, 1826**  
Lee Brown has returned to his home at Quitman, Texas, after a several-weeks visit with his brother, Virgil A. Brown of this city.

**130 Years Ago—Dec. 4, 1816**  
Several cars of cattle were shipped from Haskell last Saturday by J. D. Hughes, Jr., and J. L. Baldwin.

**140 Years Ago—Dec. 3, 1806**  
A. A. Frierson and family moved to Haskell this week from Milam County. To be certain he had enough feed for his stock until a crop could be raised, Mr. Frierson brought a quantity of peanut hay with him.

**150 Years Ago—Dec. 2, 1806**  
J. A. Creaser was in Monday from his ranch southeast of Haskell.

**160 Years Ago—Dec. 1, 1806**  
H. S. Post has ordered five hundred black locust trees which he will have planted on lots he has in town.

**170 Years Ago—Dec. 31, 1806**  
There was a train wreck on the Wichita Valley south of Munday Tuesday morning. Several cars of freight were damaged, and the track was torn up for several hundred yards.

**180 Years Ago—Dec. 30, 1806**  
Bert Brockman has returned to Haskell to make his home after a year's stay in Idaho.

**190 Years Ago—Dec. 29, 1806**  
Judge H. R. Jones, Mesdames H. R. Jones, W. E. Sherrill and J. S. Keister went to Munday this week and assisted in the organization of a Rebekah Lodge at that place.

**200 Years Ago—Dec. 28, 1806**  
W. F. Tompkins has completed his new residence in town and moved his family in this week.

**210 Years Ago—Dec. 27, 1806**  
B. C. Thorp has set up a mattress factory in the north part of town and is turning out handmade cotton mattresses for which he is finding a ready market.

**220 Years Ago—Dec. 26, 1806**  
Wedding announcements are available again at The Free Press.

**230 Years Ago—Dec. 25, 1806**  
Securing the \$25 fees charged by appraisers approved by the Veterans Administration, the national executive committee in a resolution urging that the fee be reduced to \$15 said:  
"The GI Bill of Rights was made into law to help the veterans and not to penalize them."

**240 Years Ago—Dec. 24, 1806**  
The position of The American Legion.  
Indianapolis, Ind. — Veterans seeking GI home loans should not have to pay more than \$15 in fees for the services of a real estate appraiser.

## Veterans News

**Questions and Answers**  
Q. How many offices does the Veterans Administration have and where are they located?  
A. The Veterans Administration has a central office in Washington, D. C., with 13 branch offices located in strategic centers of population. In addition, it has one or more regional office field stations or sub-regional offices in each state. Some of these are larger and have wider activities than others but all are charged with the duty of assisting veterans and their dependents.

Q. Are persons who assist in the presentation of pension or compensation claims to Veterans Administration permitted to make a charge for their services?  
A. It is unlawful for any person, whether he be an attorney or agent admitted to practice before the Veterans Administration or not to charge or collect any fee

for services in respect to a claim. However, the law provides that the Administrator of Veterans Affairs may by regulation authorize payment of fees in an allowed case to an admitted attorney or agent who has filed a valid power of attorney in that case. Such fees are deducted from the monetary benefits allowed.  
Q. What identification data should I give in writing about my claim for benefits administered by the Veterans Administration?  
A. If you are making application you should give your full name, grade, organization, serial number, date of entrance into service, date of discharge, and date and place of birth. After the claim is filed it will be assigned a claim number which should be mentioned in all subsequent communications.

Q. Does the name "United States Government Life (converted) Insurance" include "National Service Life Insurance"?  
A. No. "United States Government Life Insurance" is insurance issued to World War I veterans or to persons who applied for same while in active service before October 8, 1940. "National Service Life Insurance" is insurance provided for World War II veterans.

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**CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Dec. 22nd  
Bible School 9:45 a. m.  
Worship and Communion 10:45 a. m.  
David Earnest will preach Sunday morning. His subject will be "Christ Born in Us; The Spirit of Christmas." Visitors are cordially invited to hear this sermon.

Each is sometimes referred to as "Government Insurance" and each is administered by Veterans Administration under authority of Acts of Congress.

**Booster Section and Buyer's Guide**  
The Merchants Who Advertise in This Section Do So With a Feeling of Civic Pride. They Believe in Their Town and Have Signified Their Willingness To Boost Cooperatively to Build a Bigger and Better Haskell. It Will Pay You to Support Them.

**Season's Greetings**

**Haskell County Abstract Co.**  
Offers Complete Title Service

As busy as the proverbial land office is Haskell County Abstract Company, south side of the square, these days. Increased oil activity in Haskell County, along with residential and business property transactions of the past several months have kept Owners Leonard Florence and W. L. Cogges, on the go, and their stenographers can attest to the business going through the office.

A number of people who have had considerable business in Haskell in connection with the oil play the county is enjoying have found the congenial abstractors' office a good place for headquarters. They have found Haskell County Abstract Company's maps and surveys complete, and have wanted to look to Leonard and Cogges for friendly and efficient service and willing helpfulness. The oil men have spoken repeatedly of the welcome afforded them and their visitors in the abstract office, and phone calls from a wide area for the oil people are routed through the office.

But oil interests are not the only ones cared for at Haskell County Abstract. Haskell County people have known the owners many years and when new or old abstracts are needed they respect Leonard and Cogges's abilities for friendly, efficient service. In their offices is a complete abstract to every piece of property in Haskell County. No abstract is too small to get individual attention at the office, and customers may expect the same sound business practices regardless of the job involved.

Next time you need an abstract drawn or land title checked, you are invited to phone 176. You'll like the way they do business.

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**How women may get wanted from functional period**  
Cardinal, many women say, is lost from the cramped pelvic strain of functional period. Like a tonic, it should be used for the "three to five days before" your trip, to help relieve pain and bring back functional period.

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**CHILDREN COMING FOR CHRISTMAS**  
 Mrs. Frank Irby of Carlsbad, New Mexico, Miss Joan Irby of St. Louis, Mo., and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Skinner and son Johnny of Austin.

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**Merry Christmas!**

The words are old, the wish is old, But timelessly sincere— The threadbare phrase grows fresh and new With every passing year.

Merry Christmas, everyone! A day of joy and mirth, Where men may walk as brothers Upon a peaceful earth.

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**COTTON QUIZ**

WHAT MONTH DID UNITED STATES COTTON CONSUMPTION EXCEED ALL RECORDS?  
 ANSWER: DOMESTIC COTTON CONSUMPTION REACHED THE 1,000,000 BALE MARK IN APRIL, 1942... ESTABLISHING A NEW ALL TIME RECORD!

**G. A. G. SPONSORING DANCE DEC. 23**  
 The G. A. G. are sponsoring a dance to be given at the State Guard building December 23rd. Admission will be \$1 per couple; 75 cents stairs.

**ARE YOU A WORRY BUG?**  
 "Park your worries on the running board!" advise the safety specialists of the National Conservation Bureau. "Don't get behind the wheel with your brains in a turmoil. When you drive, you need to be alert, cautious, and competent. Accidents are often caused by drivers whose minds are taken up with a small annoyance like a breakfast table spat, a low bank balance or what the boss had to say this morning. "If you are upset, take a 'breather' before you turn on the ignition. It may save a limb, a cop's lecture, or a life."

WANT ADS GET RESULTS.

**COME IN AND SEE YOUR NEW MAYTAG**



Woodson Radio & Electric Shop

**Dr. Richards Speaker On Presbyterian Radio Hour**

Dr. J. McDowell Richards, President of Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia, will be the speaker on the Presbyterian Hour, next Sunday morning, December 22, at 7:30 a. m., over an independent network of southeastern radio stations.



**J. McDowell Richards**  
 Born in North Carolina, Dr. Richards attended Presbyterian University where he was graduated with the degree of Master of Arts in 1923. He was awarded a Rhodes scholarship on which he spent three years in Oxford University in England. Dr. Richards took his theological training at Columbia Seminary, and was graduated there in 1928. His first pastorate was at Clarksville, Ga., and from there he went to Thomasville, Ga., in 1931. Twelve years ago, Dr. Richards was called to the presidency of Columbia Seminary, and under his leadership the Seminary has enjoyed an era of spiritual and material expansion.

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**GEMS OF THOUGHT**  
 Joy is an elation of spirit—a spirit which trusts in the goodness and truth of its own possessions.—Seneca.  
 Who bathes in worldly joys, swims in a world of fears.—Phineas Fletcher.  
 Be faithful over home relations;

they lead to higher joys: obey the Golden Rule for human life, and it will spare you much bitterness.—Mary Baker Eddy.  
 The most profound joy has more of gravity than of gaiety in it.—Montaigne.  
 Show card ink, assorted colors The Free Press.

**CHRISTMAS TREE AT CURRY CHAPEL DEC. 22**  
 Curry Chapel Baptist Church will have their Christmas tree Sunday night, Dec. 22, at 6:45. Everyone is invited to come and bring their own gifts for family or friends. There will be a special program of songs and readings.—J. G. Robbins, Pastor.  
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The Free Press has a wide selection of Christmas cards.

ARMY PLANS BETTER MENUS

Fort Sam Houston, Tex.—Army food and Army kitchens, long noted for cleanliness and economical but tasty preparations of menus are going to have even higher standards in the future, according to rigid routines for personnel and inspections announced by the War Department.

General Jonathan M. Wainwright, commanding the Fourth Army today issued an order calling upon all Inspector-General in this area to make careful inquiry to ascertain if personnel required by the War Department has been provided.

VISITING IN ARIZONA

Mr. and Mrs. Ree Gardner and daughter, Brucilla left Thursday for Douglas, Arizona, to spend the holidays with relatives.

Urge Precautions To Avoid Holiday Accident Hazards

Coming holiday celebrations may be marred by many motor vehicle killings and maimings unless we take a lesson from previous years' experience, safety specialists of the National Conservation Bureau, accident prevention division of the Association of Casualty and Surety Executives warn.

In 1945, one out of six drivers involved in fatal accidents had been drinking, the Bureau experts point out, and one out of four adult pedestrians killed had also been drinking.

With this Christmas and New Year's holidays likely to be the gayest since 1940, National Conservation Bureau safety authorities say every effort must be made to keep the death toll from accidents down.

"This peril is so great that it should be forcefully impressed upon the minds of all persons who are prone to drink and especially those who overdo their farewells to the old year and their salute to the new. The year-round statistics dealing with drink and traffic accidents are ghastly enough—but those averages are multiplied many times during the few hours on New Year's Eve."

As New Year's Eve rolls on and reasonable restraint begins to disappear, death elbows into its place as ringmaster of many parties. In one of every three fatal motor vehicle accidents occurring at night, the drinking driver or pedestrian turns up as a member of the cast.

The notion that two or three "quick ones" don't impair driving ability just doesn't hold water, the National Conservation Bureau warns. Those people who blandly believe that a little alcohol sharpens their vision and speeds up their ability to make split-second decisions are just inviting the undertaker when they put that theory into practice on the highways.

"If you have had a bit too much 'cheer' and are going to walk on the streets or highways wait until you have command of your faculties.

"If you are going to drink on your round of parties, don't drive. Let somebody else who isn't

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Uncle Sam Says



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Agriculture Shows Biggest Increase in Texas Business Tab

Agriculture provided one of the brightest spots in the Texas business picture during October, according to the Texas Business Review published by the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

Business activity of all types was 12 per cent higher this October than a year ago and 79 per cent above the prewar 1935-39 average.

The weakest spot in the October business situation was the failure of retail trade, particularly in soft goods, to respond to the usual seasonal stimulus of the holiday season.

The position of labor in the current business situation was strong in October. Employment and pay rolls were both on the upgrade and only 78,366 persons were unemployed in the 21 larger cities of the State.

IT ISN'T TOO LATE!

Christmas gift subscriptions to The Free Press and leading daily papers still are being accepted at Bargain Day Rates.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deep appreciation to our many lovely friends for the kindnesses shown us in the tragic death of our Darling, little Joe Quinton.

"Those are old, old suggestions," say the men who know the causes of accidents. "The reason they're repeated now is because they work."

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT FUNDAMENTAL CHURCH

Annual Sunday School Christmas Program of the Fundamental Baptist Church will be held next Tuesday, Dec. 24, beginning at 7 p. m.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE TO CLOSE DECEMBER 30-31

Mrs. Hettie Williams, Haskell County clerk, announces that her office will be closed Monday and Tuesday, December 30 and 31, for wind-up of business for that of-

ice for 1946. People in business with the clerk asked to arrange their accounts accordingly.

Confucius says, "Utilizer for any land is of its owner."

Everything for the Christmas Feast

- ALMONDS 75c (2 Lbs.)
PINEAPPLE, SLICED OR CRUSHED
MEAL, 10 LB. CARTON 79c
RIBBON CANE SYRUP 1/2 GAL. 79c
APRICOTS NO. 2 1/2 CAN 29c
PEARS No. 2 1/2 Cans 45c
COFFEE 36c (Limit 2 Lbs. To Customer)

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

- GRAPEFRUIT EACH 5c
ORANGES 10 LB. SACK 49c
COCOANUTS 19c (Each)
BANANAS
DELICIOUS APPLES 55c (Ext'ly Fancy, Snappy and Juicy. 4 LBS.)

MARKET DEPARTMENT ARMOUR'S STAR HAMS

- STEAK 35c (Lb.)
BUTTER 89c (Lb.)
CHEESE 59c (Lb.)
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BELL'S RED & WHITE Southwest Corner Square - Haskell We Deliver Phone 236

Special Christmas Offering SALE Wool Dresses \$10. \$5. Our entire stock of Wool Dresses offered in two price groups...

Sale! Toiletries We have selected a group of toilet sets for quick disposal. Cologne - Sachet - Bubblebaths - Powder - formerly sold to \$2.15 a set, now 29c 60c 79c plus tax

100 Nylon Hose On Sale Saturday 9 o'clock No Phone or Mail Orders

Men's Western Khaki Suits \$5.95
Special Offering Boy's Robes \$1.49
Nicely tailored Army cloth pant. Jacket to match . \$6.95

Perkins-Timberlake drinking to the driving. "Those are old, old suggestions," say the men who know the causes of accidents.

TEXAS Friday and Saturday, Dec. 20-21- UNDER NEVADA SKIES
Saturday Night - Charlie Chan Shadows Over Chinatown

Sunday and Monday, December 22-23- Brought back to thrill you! Gary Cooper - Jean Arthur "The Plainsman"

Tuesday Morning, Dec. 24- 10 a. m. FREE! SHOW FOR CHILDREN Christmas Present to the Youngsters

Tuesday Only, Dec. 24- WAHOO! Janitor's Sweepstake "DIAMOND RING" And A Grand Movie

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25-26- THE TROPICAL TUNE-AND-TALENT TOPPER OF THEM ALL! THE THRILL OF BRAZIL

Coming Next Week! WALT DISNEY'S "MAKE MINE MUSIC" IN TECHNICOLOR

RITA Haskell, Texas FRIDAY and SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20-21- CHARLES STARRETT - SMILEY BURNETTE "Heading West"

SUNDAY and MONDAY, DECEMBER 22-23- ROBERT WALKER - KEENAN WYNN "What Next Corporal Hargrove?"

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Section Two

HASKELL, HASKELL COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DEC. 19, 1946

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Studying in Schools  
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## HOSPITAL NOTES

The following patients were registered in the Haskell County Hospital Thursday at noon:  
Mrs. F. H. White and son of Rochester, Mrs. D. I. White and daughter, Rochester; Mrs. H. S. Moore, medical, Haskell; Miss Willie Riley, medical, Haskell; C. C. Underhill, medical, Rochester; Mrs. J. J. Roper, surgery, Rule; Mrs. C. E. Williams, medical, here; Mrs. Walter Kierpla and daughter, Haskell; W. E. Bland, medical, Haskell; Raymond Liles, surgery, Weichert; G. W. Logan, medical, Haskell; Mrs. J. R. Edwards, surgery, Rule; Mrs. J. W. Carey and son, Haskell; Mrs. J. C. McNelley and son, Rochester; Mrs. Oscar Whitaker and daughter, Haskell.  
Patients dismissed: Courtney Hunt, Haskell; Mrs. Jim Henshaw, Haskell; Mrs. W. G. Jones, Monday; Mrs. George Moeller, Jr., Irby; Barbara Kelly, Rule; Mrs. H. R. Fisher and daughter, Haskell; Mrs. Pat O'Keefe and son, Irby; Mrs. J. D. Long and daughter, Haskell; Mrs. Margie Fannin, Rule; Mrs. L. S. Edwards, Rule.

## Observing Health Rules Adds to Joys Of Holidays

"Despite the fact that America has her share of post war troubles this Nation as a whole should not forget the true Christmas spirit of Happiness and Good Will, but we can do that much better if we are well and strong," asserts Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.  
"Many people are prone to throw caution to the wind and violate every principle of healthful living during the Christmas season. As a result, their health is jeopardized and sometime serious damage is done, he said.  
Doctor Cox pointed out the danger of using lighted candles on Christmas trees or in windows, as a possible source of disastrous fires. Excess eating, crowded home conditions, lack of exercise, and over-heated rooms often endanger health during the holiday season, according to Doctor Cox, and he warned parents against too much excitement and too late hours for small children.  
"Intemperance during Christmas week, whether in food or holiday activities is not excusable from the standpoint of good health practice," he asserted, "and the maximum of pleasure will be gained by those individuals who practice precaution along these lines."  
Emphasizing the fact that it is the duty of every individual to conserve his health as well as that of his neighbor, Doctor Cox said that from a standpoint of good citizenship alone every Texan should cooperate in promoting good health at Christmas time as he would at any other season of the year.

## MERCY, MERCIA; WHAT A MESS!



Four-year-old Mercia Brown of Springfield, Mass., is about to get that jam all over everything, but her mother needn't worry. The table cloth, the bib and the curtains are made of a cotton fabric coated with a super-thin layer of a plastic called vinyl butyral, and Mrs. Brown can wipe that jam off with a damp cloth. Despite the plastic coating the fabric retains its uncoated appearance.

## Varied Species of Trees Advised for Memorial Plantings

Communities planning memorial tree plantings may well bear in mind that a variety of trees should be planted as a protective measure against plant diseases, says Sadie Hatfield, landscape gardening specialist of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service.  
Names like "The Crepe Myrtle City" may sound romantic, says Miss Hatfield, but it is risky to put out solid plantings of only one kind of tree. At the same time, it is easy to permit one type of tree to predominate a memorial planting without making a solid planting of it. "Putting all your eggs in one basket," in connection with tree planting, is not a good idea, as folks in West Texas will testify in recalling the heavy ice storm a few years back that ruined the popular Chinese Elms and did only slight damage to the less popular green ash.  
Due to solid plantings that have been made in a number of cities in Texas, many of these places would look desolate for years if an uncontrollable disease should strike that particular type tree, Miss Hatfield points out. For instance, Chinese elms may be endangered by the Dutch elm disease, which is now killing trees in the eastern United States.  
There are many shade trees that are well adapted to all of Texas, and from which a well-balanced planting may be made. Some of these are the black walnut, Chinese jujube, thornless honey locust, small leaf Chinese elm or parvifolia elm.  
Among the hardy evergreens, the red cedar and podocera or western yellow pine will thrive on very little moisture and make excellent windbreaks. Austrian pine is nearly as hardy in areas of scant rainfall. Desert willow, tamarix or salt cedar, peach, cherry and plum are others that will do well in areas of slight rainfall as well as sections where abundant moisture falls. In general, says Miss Hatfield, it is safe to select a native or hardy plant that has been tested for 25 years or more.

## Cold Weather Calls For Care of Health

With the season for colds upon us, prudent people should remember that the "common cold" is actually a serious disease that is responsible for more adults losing work days and more children time from school than any other single cause, warns the National Conservation Bureau, accident prevention division of the Association of Casualty and Surety Executives.  
The danger of colds may be greatly reduced by adequately ventilating rooms in wintertime. According to the most competent medical authorities, room temperatures should not be excessive. Avoid drafts and contact with persons already infected. If you have a cold, don't sneeze and cough without covering your nose and mouth thoroughly with a handkerchief. This will protect others.  
Plenty of sleep is one of the best defenses against colds; at least

## Service Books for Gifts to Veterans

The Free Press has a limited number of Haskell County War Service Books, published a few months ago, which would make excellent Christmas gifts for returning veterans. The books contain about 1,000 pictures and war service records of Haskell County men and women who served in the recent war.  
Several books and pictures are paid for and have not been called for by the owners. The Free Press still has more than 75 pictures and those who brought them in are requested to call for them. Books sell for \$3.50 each.  
Eight hours for adults and 10 hours for children. If you catch one anyhow, fight it by resting indoors, keeping warm, and drinking plenty of liquids.  
If the condition is severe, see your physician at once.

## THE PORTRAITS

The Ideal Gift  
New supply of frames.

### LOHM STUDIO

Portraits, Kodak Finishing and Commercials  
Behind F. & M. Bank

## Soil Conservation Groups Organize Three New Units

Meetings were held last week for three newly formed conservation groups in the California Creek district. The members were called together by their respective group leaders in preparation for district planning activities.  
A preliminary planning meeting was participated in by twelve of the thirteen operators of the Mrs. F. J. Phillips farm group. Joe Baucum, who is manager of Phillips property arranged the meeting in order that conservation work of the district might be discussed and more thoroughly understood by their group. This meeting was held at Anson November 27.  
A portion of this group met Wednesday morning, December 5 and started farm planning operations for the Skinout mountain part of the farm. The participants in this meeting were H. L. Neal, J. B. Goza, W. B. Agnew, A. D. Crowley, W. G. Proffitt, Joe Baucum and two members of the Stamford Soil Conservation Service. Plans were developed at this time for the land farmed by Goza and Neal.  
Farmers of the southwest and southeast Swedonia conservation groups met for a planning meeting at the Swedonia school Friday afternoon, December 6.  
Morrison W. Liston explained the operating policies and procedures of the district. The other member of the Stamford work unit participating in the meeting was Harry L. Scofield, who discussed soil building crops and range conservation.  
Those in attendance were M. S. Reynolds, J. A. George, C. R. Crowley, A. G. Smith, L. A. Eaton, W. F. Farrow, A. T. Carson, W. R. Smith, and O. R. Burnham. M. S. Reynolds was elected as conservation group leader for the southwest Swedonia group and L. A. Eaton was elected as leader for the southeast Swedonia group.  
Another veterans agricultural class was conducted on a tour to observe conservation activities in the district. This class, being the third to participate in such a tour, was the one which meets in Anson and is taught by Jack Rowland.  
This class visited the following cooperating farms: Lee McCaleb, C. B. Cox, Jess Roberts, W. D. Baker and J. H. Scott.  
On the trip they observed fall planted hairy vetch and rye, austrian winter peas, hubam clover, alfalfa, and weeping lovegrass; terraces, both "syrup-pan" and normal; roadside agreement work, diversion terraces; and pasture treatment.  
Members of this class are Johnnie R. Devaney, James W. Parker, Elzy N. Bennett, Vance A. Jones, William A. Finley Jr., Roy E. Herndon, Billie W. Williams, William A. White, Woodrow W. Good-

## Claims Can Still Be Made by Veterans

Just before they left the armed forces, most veterans were asked if they wished to file a claim for compensation for disabilities incurred while in the service. Some veterans who felt they were entitled to compensation passed up this opportunity to file a claim, because they were afraid they would be required to remain in service a few days longer for further physical examination.  
But these veterans may still apply for compensation, regardless of how long they have been out of service. Even if they once signed a statement saying they did not wish to file a claim, they may do so at any time.  
To file a claim, a veteran should visit the nearest Veterans Administration regional or sub-regional office, or a VA contact office in his own community. Here he will fill out an application form, which is forwarded to the regional office adjudication division. VA secures the veteran's medical service records, and all the papers go to a rating board. This board studies the case and decides whether the veteran incurred his disability in service, whether the disability is sufficient to justify the awarding of compensation, and how much the compensation shall be.  
The amount of compensation depends on the extent of the veteran's disability. A veteran rated 10 per cent disabled is eligible for monthly compensation of \$13.80, while one rated 100 per cent disabled will receive \$138. In addition, further payments are made to veterans who suffered certain specified injuries, such as loss of limbs or sight; the maximum award is \$360 a month. The number of the veteran's dependents has no bearing on the amount of compensation, and no compensation is paid for disabilities amounting to less than 10 per cent.  
A disabled veteran's compensation is not reduced if he takes a job. In fact, VA encourages such veterans to seek work, and offers them vocational training if they need it.  
If the veteran applies within a year after discharge, whatever compensation is awarded can be made payable retroactively to the date of his discharge. If he applies later, compensation will be started as of the date he applies or the date on which evidence of the disability is found, whichever is later.  
If you think you are entitled to disability compensation, visit the nearest VA office for information and assistance in preparing your claim.  
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We want to take this opportunity to wish each and everyone a Happy Christmas and to thank all our friends and customers for a very happy and pleasant year in business, which it has been our privilege to enjoy.

- Groceries:
- Lucile Clifton
  - R. J. Reynolds
  - Geo. Tyler
  - Bobby N. Smith
  - Dan McMillian
  - Marvin Hancock
- Do-Nut Machine:  
Frances Land
- Delivery Service:  
Olen King
- Market:  
D. L. Hestand  
Omer C. Ray  
J. B. CLAIBORNE

We will have all the staple and fancy groceries for Christmas, and as many of the critical items as is possible, such as: White Syrup, Dates, Fruits, Nuts, Canned Fruit Cakes, Plum Puddings, Cakes, Cookies, Hams, Turkeys and Chickens.

## PIGGLY WIGGLY

## MUM FLATS... "THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS"

By GRAHAM HUNTER

## HOW TO GET TRUCKS AND TRACTORS READY FOR COLD WEATHER

TEXACO COLD WEATHER LUBRICANTS WOULD BE BETTER!

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# Kathleen Norris Says:

## New Wives for Old

Bell Syndicate—WNU Features.



"Edie says, 'Auntie, don't send me and my baby away.'"

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

HERE'S a variation of the postwar marital situation; it comes from a Canadian mother who feels herself faced with an insoluble problem. I don't think it so difficult, but then I don't know the persons involved. I don't know how strong or how weak Alan Stairs is, nor how attractive or how inadequate is his wife, Edith.

Alan and Edith met in 1942 at a dance. Edith was a telephone operator; Alan was 2,000 miles away from home, and all ready to go overseas with the army. Both were 19. Three weeks after they danced together they were married. Alan had another month before sailing, a friend lent them a delightful seashore cottage and they had a happy honeymoon. Then Alan went away; Edith worked on for five months, and then—because she was an orphan without money—wrote Alan's mother and went west to the family. Her daughter, Daphne, was born and the two women lived on together, Edith working again, Alan's mother continuing to take a few boarders and caring for the baby when Edith was away.

"Edie was a weak, tearful little thing when she came here," writes Muriel Stairs. "I hadn't wanted Alan to marry at all, at his age, and hadn't welcomed her too warmly. But as the months went by, and especially when exquisite little Daphne came, I began to be very fond of her, and now I may truly say that I love her, and she depends upon me.

"Three months ago a letter came from Alan, in Scotland, asking for a divorce. Edie was hysterical with shock, and afterwards went into a real illness. I wrote Alan that he must come home at once, and he did. He has grown into a different being, strong, brown, firm. We hardly know him. He shows no sign of interest in Daphne. He has not spent a night here, staying at the hotel, Edie is crushed and continually in tears.

**Wants American Nurse.** "Alan wants to marry an American girl who went to England as a nurse. He owns the house in which I live and says they will live here. He wants me to influence Edie to make these changes easy for him, and says he will send her 12 pounds a month, generous enough, as he has no job now, but she and the baby cannot live on that.

"Alan is splendid, eager, ambitious, more loving with me than he has ever been. He is my only child, and I am a widow. It is hard for me to live with little helpless Edie, and take her side against my son, especially as he and his new love, Rose, wants to use this big house as a sanatorium for children and are full of plans. If I advise Edie to divorce him, what becomes of her and the baby? If I advise against it, Alan may easily make it impossible for me to live on here. If he and Rose carry out their plan, on the other hand, I could be in my element here, for I was once a nurse, have kept up with my profession, and would have the one-room cottage back of the house as my own home. Rose, it appears, has some money, and would be able to float the sanatorium undertaking at once.

"Edie says, 'Auntie, don't send me and my baby away.' Alan says, 'Fix it up for me, mother, and fix it up in a hurry. Edith and I never were rightful mates. Let's save what we can from the wreck.' What shall I do?"

### 'SOMEBODY BETTER'

So many of the war marriages now seem a "mistake." This is especially true of the teen-age unions. The serviceman has been away and has matured rapidly and profoundly. His wife does not interest him any more. He must have someone more exciting and glamorous. If a child has been born while he was away, he finds the little one a source of irritation.

This is the situation described in the letter Miss Norris answers in today's article. Alan Stairs, a Canadian soldier, married Edith when both were 19. They had known each other only three weeks. After a month's honeymoon Alan was sent overseas. Edith went to live with his mother, Muriel. The two women became very fond of one another, especially after the baby, Daphne, was born.

This happy little household was shattered by a letter from Alan, asking for a divorce. He said that he had met an American nurse whom he wanted to marry. His mother asked him to come home and he did. Seeing Edith and his baby did not change his resolve, however. He is putting pressure on his mother to influence Edith to consent to a divorce.

The answer to this is showporn by this time. Alan is one not of hundreds, but of thousands of young husbands who have wanted a complete re-deal upon coming home. He has lived in another world for more than two years, he comes back to the old world disillusioned and changed.

**It Doesn't Work.** Of course it would be pleasant, or it seems so, if a man could shift off a wife after a few weeks' honeymoon, disclaim all responsibility for her and her child, and blandly plan a different sort of living with a more exciting mate.

But all sorts of civilizations have found that that doesn't work. That marriage isn't just a matter of a honeymoon. That girls who cheerfully discuss marrying men who are already husbands and fathers don't turn out themselves to be particularly good wives. That a baby girl has her little rights, too.

Russia had easy divorce 20 years ago. It was only necessary to say that it was desired, and the fact was accomplished. One man under 30 told my brother blandly that he has been married 22 times. But that's all changed now. There are basic values that have to be preserved, not for any ephemeral ideal of honor or fairness, but as a foundation for solid human happiness.

Let Alan give Edith another year or two; that's not too much, at 22. Let him take his place in his old community, standing by his mother, his wife and his child. He can't lose by this plan. When Daphne is of school age, Edith can find work again. In these years she can prepare herself for that work. But the chances are that normal home life, old friends, picnics, dances, movies and the charms of Daphne will work the old miracle. Alan's escape will be not away from his own people, but from his own weakness and folly.

### Chestnuts Scarce Now

Members of the older generation have a feeling of nostalgia when they recall the joys that went with gathering chestnuts after the first heavy frosts had opened the burrs of the brown and savory nuts.

Raw or roasted, chestnuts always tasted good, and when used in stuffing the holiday turkey, the results were excellent.

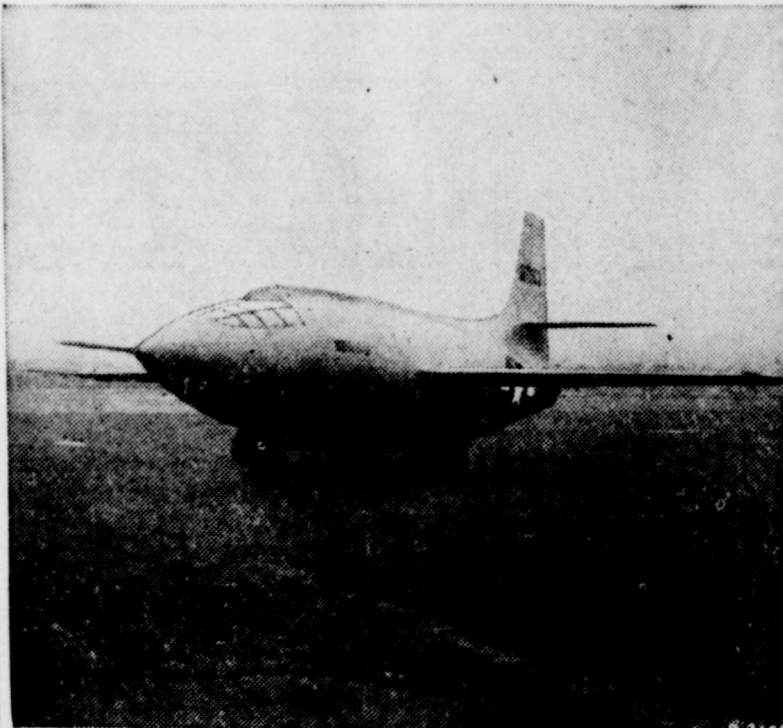
But about 40 years ago a deadly blight imported from China struck our chestnut trees, killing practically all of them.



**THEME FOR TOURNEY OF ROSES . . .** "Holidays in Flowers" will be the theme of Pasadena's tournament of roses on New Year's Day, the committee in charge of the event announced, with Pat Keller, four, as "Little Mister 1947." Pat in the traditional scanty garb of the Little New Year, turned the pages of a huge flower-bedecked calendar to point out the many holidays celebrated in this country. Rose bowl game will be the feature of the tournament.



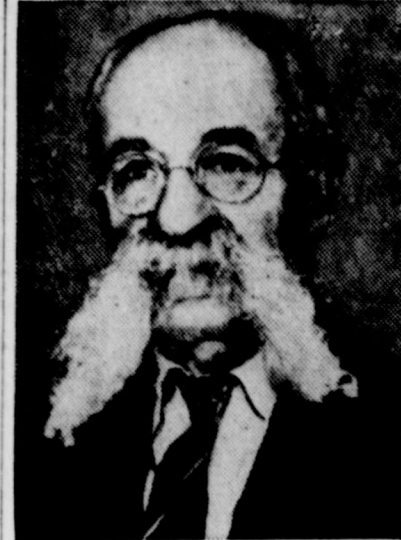
**ITALIAN STALLION FOR CALIFORNIA . . .** Shown in his stall aboard the SS Highflyer, which brought him from Genoa, Italy, is the famous Italian sire, "Ortello." The horse is en route to Maj. Richard Hamilton, Vallejo, Calif. Purchase price was \$90,000. Ortello is shown on arrival at New Orleans with James D. Sinnott and Riha Yosef, Bohemian trainer, who traveled across the Atlantic with the valuable sire.



**ROCKET-PROPELLED PLANE PROVES SUCCESS . . .** Army air forces has announced successful completion of the Bell XS-1, rocket-propelled airplane. Designed to fly at a top speed of 1,700 m.p.h. at an altitude of 80,000 feet, it was intended as a piloted flying research laboratory, sole function of which will be recording of data on the effect of transonic and supersonic speeds on an aircraft. This data will be used in development of faster and safer planes.



**CIVILIAN ATOMIC ENERGY CONTROL COMMISSION MEETS . . .** Members of the all-civilian domestic atomic control commission, left to right: William W. Waymack, Des Moines, Iowa; Chairman David E. Lillenthal, Washington, D. C.; Lewis L. Strauss, New York City; Sumner T. Pike, Lubec, Maine; and Robert F. Bacher, Ithaca, N. Y., shown as they met to work in collaboration with the United Nations atomic commission on international phases of atomic energy.



**NATION'S LONGEST . . .** Can you top Atty. J. Wash Adams, 88, Whitesburg, Ky., who has laid claim to the nation's longest mustache. He says each mustachio measures approximately 10 inches.



**PERMANENT CHANGE! . . .** An American soldier, left, is shown explaining duties to a German guard at Darmstadt displaced persons camp. Administration of the D. P. camps now has been assumed by the Germans in new-type uniforms.



**4-H HEALTH WINNERS . . .** Named national health winners at the 25th 4-H club congress were, left to right: Nancy Jean Davis, 17, Pittsburg, Okla.; Mary Leu Jacecks, 18, Zachary, La.; Robert J. Hartkopf, 14, Appleton, Wis., and Robert E. Berry, Gage, Okla.



**CLASSROOM ON THE AIR . . .** A Denver teacher, Mrs. Ruth Evans, faces the microphone as the public school "classrooms of the air" get under way in Denver.



**ATOMIC RAY SUIT . . .** Miss Dorothy L. Burns, 20, Bloomfield, N. J., who filed suit in Newark federal court for \$200,000, charging exposure to uranium caused seriously impaired health. She is suing a Bloomfield laboratory.



**ALONE AND GUILTY . . .** Alone, and apparently unnoticed by passersby, UMW Boss John Leisures walks from his union headquarters in Washington, D. C., after Federal Judge T. Alanough found him guilty of contempt of court and fined him \$10,000 in addition to the \$2,500,000 against the union.



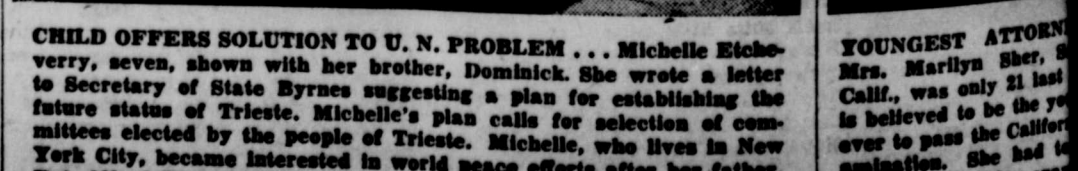
**WINNING PHOTOGRAPHS . . .** Results of the first major photographic contest to be held since the end of the war recently were announced by judges of the Graflex photo contest. The grand prize winner, "Grand Ma," by George Burns, Schenectady, is shown right. Other winners shown are "Winter's Blast," by Frank Nichols, Bayonne, N. J., and winner of the pictorial class "January," a farm snow view by Elwood Armstrong, Detroit, Mich. More than 8,000 photos were submitted in the contest.



**NEW CORN KING . . .** Newton L. Halterman, Rushville, Ind., who was crowned "Corn King" at the International Hay and Grain show in Chicago recently. Halterman credits his success in winning the honor to "good farming practices, including the application of mixed fertilizer to the soil." He also said that hard work was a factor. His son, Lair, 11, added to the family honors by taking second prize in the junior corn event. Halterman is shown with the yellow dent hybrid corn exhibited.



**CHILD OFFERS SOLUTION TO U. N. PROBLEM . . .** Michelle Eicheverry, seven, shows with her brother, Dominick. She wrote a letter to Secretary of State Byrnes suggesting a plan for establishing the future status of Trieste. Michelle's plan calls for selection of committees elected by the people of Trieste. Michelle, who lives in New York City, became interested in world peace efforts after her father, Pvt. Alfred Eicheverry, was killed in action near Luxembourg in 1945.



**YOUNGEST ATTORNEY . . .** Mrs. Marilyn Eber, 21, is believed to be the youngest ever to pass the California bar examination. She had the year before taking exam.



"She is continually in tears . . ."

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**Man About Town:**  
**Broadway Smalltalk:** A noted band leader (who made millions out of swing music) told chums: "The honeymoon is over; people just don't like it any more." . . . Jimmy Dorsey claims so many name bands are breaking up that a performer soon will be able to get into a theater through the stage door. . . . John Ringling North, the circus man, reporting the season was its best yet; \$6 in N. Y. and \$3 on tour. But the Hartford fire cost four million! . . . Frank Sinatra has asked his sponsor to eliminate those screaming - meemies (booby sex audiences), who ruined a recent program. Dinah, Jo Stafford, Como and Bing don't need any phony applause or cheers—why does Frank? . . . Philip Dorn says in "How often a man is seen talking to his wife everyday feels sorry for the Other Woman!"

Our Very Special Drop Dead Dep't: That Miami realtor who took \$1,000 from many war vets (to build them homes) and now won't refund their coin since his plan flopped. . . . A Miami newspaper actually accepted the following classified ad: "Barber, all-around man. No G.I. wanted. 710 N. W. 95th Street."

**Stock Show:** Colleges' Day  
 Perhaps it was only fitting that the nation's agricultural colleges, which have devoted so much effort toward the improvement of American farming, topped the major honors at the 47th International Live Stock exposition in Chicago.

Royal Jupiter, a 1,370-pound Shorthorn steer entered by Oklahoma A. & M. college, was awarded grand championship, with Wyoming Challenger Standard, another Shorthorn owned by the University of Wyoming, named reserve titleholder.

A 222-pound Hampshire barrow entered by Purdue university was adjudged the grand hog champion, marking the 10th victory chalked up by the Lafayette, Ind., institution in this class since the stock show started.

Having taken firsts in the steer and hog competition, the colleges contented themselves with a second in the lamb showing, Ohio State university winning runner-up honors with a 147-pound Hampshire wether. Sixteen-year-old Wayne Disch, Evansville, Wis., took first place with a 110-pound Southdown.

**New York Novelle:** She is a night club star. . . . Her romance and impending merger (to a rich local) have been highlighted in most of the columns. Not this one, however. . . . Well, she has been threatening to kill him if he tries to get out of the planned wedding. . . . She carries a loaded pistol at all times (in her bag), and intimates report she will shoot him. . . . Our hero had the gall to go to his ex-wife for advice. . . . She laughed in his face. . . . "After what you did to me and the children," she coldly informed him, "you deserve to be shot. I only wish I had the nerve to do it!"

**Tip to Newspapers:** Apparently the peasants in your editorial rooms do not know the correct usage because they keep calling them Their Highnesses, which they aren't. Referring to the Duke of Windsor, you say "His Highness," and of her, you say "Her Grace." Tennyrate the Duke's sekretre is veddy perturbed. . . . Here's a film scenario: A large steel company (Consolidated) recently bought two coal mines from a feller named Frank Christopher. The price was a million \$. . . . Christopher, a decade ago, was a coal miner himself. . . . Speaking of riches: Jackie Cooper, we hear, will retire. He's 25. . . . Radio City Music Hall's singing choir (non-union) would appreciate a raise. They get \$45 per seven-day week (28 shows). Lowest paid singing chorus in N.Y.C. at \$1.61 per show.

**Midtown Side-Show:** The middle-aged woman, impeccably groomed, who enters a midtown bar daily at 5. She orders two Scotchies and two Martinis and gulps them down, each with a toast: (1) "To nothing!" (2) "To my first husband!" (3) "To the one I divorced!" (4) "To my love!" Couldn't possibly do it at home—no spectators, no audience.

**By Power:** carries a clipping of a movie review which panned him in '39. He loves it—shows it to pals. . . . "Who's that youthful Yale prof, seeing a lot of the belle Truman? . . . Maccoco names Gable in his divorce suit, intimates insist, because Gable's name would insure Maccoco of coast-to-coast publicity.

**Sounds in the Night:** At the Iceland: "She had a gruesome experience; she bumped into her husband when she was alone!" . . . Al Leon & Eddie's: "He has invited her to Florida but she wants more time to drink it over." . . . At the Stark: "Never fight publicly with your competitors. Why make big heels outta little heels?" . . . At the E'way Hofbrau: "Truman's spologists claim he's doing his best. That's that scares us!" . . . At the Glass Hat: "Tell him I'm out! Never mind, I'll tell him myself!"

**WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS**  
**Colleges Take Livestock Honors; Violence Marks General Strike; German Scientists Aiding U. S.**



130,000 AFL unionists walked out in general strike in support of retail clerks.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.)

**WYATT'S RETIREMENT:** Wyatt's resignation followed the President's refusal to grant his demands for increased powers to push the erratic housing program along. As typified in his fight with War Assets administration over awarding the huge Dodge-Chicago plant to Lustrum corporation for construction of prefabricated steel enamel houses, Wyatt had sought authority over other government agencies to press his emergency program.

Withdrawal of Wyatt from the housing picture does not portend a relaxation in the government's desire for the speedy erection of sorely needed dwellings, Mr. Truman said. Since its inception, the emergency program has been of a flexible nature permitting alterations to meet changing conditions, he pointed out.

**SPAIN:**  
**Poses Question**  
 When is or is not a dictator a threat to world peace?  
 Members of the United Nation's security and political council undertook the answer to that disturbing question in pondering Russian-inspired proposals for termination of diplomatic and commercial relations with Franco Spain.

Like Greece, where the British and Russians are at odds, Spain occupies a strategic position in the Mediterranean, dominating the western entrance. As long as the rightists remain in power in the Iberian peninsula, British control of this gateway is relatively assured; Communist dominance of the country, on the other hand, would threaten their grip.

In countering Russian demands for a quick end of Franco at the U.N. meetings, Hartley Shawcross of Britain pointed out that there were other European countries with dictatorial regimes. To act against Spain would set a precedent for meddling in the internal affairs of other nations, he said.

**U. N.:**  
**Red Surprise**  
 Long staunch proponents of unrestricted use of the veto by the five major powers in the United Nations organization, the Russians created a stir at the U. N. meeting in Lake Success, N. Y., by announcing their willingness to sacrifice the veto in the control of arms and atomic energy.

The Soviet's sudden turn-about caused speculation in diplomatic circles regarding Russia's motives. With only the masters in the Kremlin aware of the real objectives of the surprising shift in attitude, delegates asked: Had the Reds decided on a new policy of international cooperation, or did a realization that they themselves could not develop an atom bomb for some time instill a desire to prevent U. S. production of the weapon in the immediate future?

While the Russians eschewed use of the veto in carrying out arms and atomic energy control, they reserved the right to employ it in the security council in settling up the machinery for regulation.

**Anti-Nazi Tells Church Fight**  
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Famed anti-Nazi churchman, Pastor Martin Niemoeller, who spent eight years in a concentration camp for his opposition to state control of religion, told the Federated Council of Churches meeting in Seattle, Wash., that the war was necessary for resolving the issue of freedom of worship.

In the U. S. officially to thank American churches for assistance given German denominations since the end of the war, Niemoeller declared that just as members of all sects submitted to Nazi control so did others form a brave resistance band. Said Niemoeller: "God (did) not honor one single denomination by making it the stronghold of Christian resistance."

**SCIENTISTS:**  
**Work for U. S.**  
 German scientists recruited from the Reich and working on year-to-year contracts have turned over secret research data worth millions and advanced American aviation from two to 10 years, army authorities at Wright Field, Ohio, declared.

Numbering both former Nazis and independents, the scientists are hard at work on development of super-sonic (faster than sound) passenger aircraft, guided missiles and other new weapons. More prominent among them include Dr. Rudolph Hermann, aero-dynamicist credited with perfecting the V-2 rocket, and Dr. Alexander Lippisch, chief designer of the Messerschmitt plane.

The scientists' contracts with the U. S. call for an allowance of \$4 daily for payment of personal living expenses and salaries ranging from \$2.20 to \$11 a day, depending upon their abilities. Families of the scientists in Germany have been given preferential treatment.

**Need Trained Men**  
 Employment of 1,000 German and Austrian scientists in this country will ease only slightly the critical shortage of technical manpower which confronts industry, according to the American Chemical Society.

Peak enrollments in colleges and universities are not likely to end the scarcity of trained scientists and engineers even in the next few years, since many of the higher ranking students are turning to other professions because of liberal grants and subsidies, it is declared.

**HOUSING:**  
**New Program**

Resignation of Wilson Wyatt, national housing administrator marked President Truman's determination to fit the nation's building program within the framework of the free economy restored by sweeping decontrol.

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**General Walkout**  
 The downtown district of Oakland, Calif., seethed with violence during the general strike of AFL unions over two retail establishments' refusal to recognize the Retail Clerks union.

As militant pickets milled about, business and labor leaders and City Manager Herbert Hassler met to end the strike. The walkout resulted when the two stores joined with the Oakland Retail Merchants' association in demanding that the union show a majority in all 26 of the member establishments or drop their demands.

AFL truck, bus, trolley and train employees walked out with the retail clerks, paralyzing the transport system. Other AFL unions followed suit. Having indicated their support of the striking clerks, the other unions then were ordered back to their jobs by their leaders.



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**Penitentiary Has 'Business District' for Its Inmates**

A "business district" within the walls of the federal penitentiary in Mexico City contains scores of rent-free stores and offices which are operated by the prisoners for their fellow inmates, says Collier's.

These businesses include a pet shop, a printer who makes "visiting cards" and a lawyer who writes petitions and appeals. Even a band may be hired to serenade a visiting sweetheart.

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### Vacation Canning For School Lunches

Texas sponsors of the School Lunch Program are being urged by the Production and Marketing Administration to start making plans for putting up foods that ripen during the summer when school is out.

Many of the fresh fruits and vegetables that are tops in nutrition for school children ripen in the summer when they cannot be used in school lunches. Looking ahead, PMA officials say local sponsors should start making arrangements to can these foods so that children will have the benefit of them when school is in session. The establishment of the school lunch program on a permanent basis that will continue to enjoy Federal financial support now makes it practical to make such plans well in advance the PMA officials say.

A concerted effort should be made to link all school outlets with some type of food preservation center, the officials advise. In many cases the school lunch programs have benefited greatly by volunteer work at community canning centers where fresh fruit and vegetables have been collected and processed for winter lunches. Arrangements might be made to have food processed at an institutional food preservation center or a commercial cannery at a reasonable charge to the school lunch sponsor. Several states have already developed

plans along this line that are working out very favorably.

The rural Electrification Administration has approved loans to three cooperatives at Cost, Mart, and Groesbeck, Texas, totaling \$59,000.



**A Nation's Good**  
Gentlemen of the Continental Congress, who years ago made some important decisions for us, today deserve a vote of confidence. Will we keep the form of government they outlined and set up for us or do we change to something like that in Britain, France or Russia? Let us make our decision on a basis of results. If we don't make it right somebody will make it for us.

Selecting our course ourselves, doing so wisely and soon is extremely important. Small items of business can be bungled today and corrected tomorrow; but not this one. If the United States should once go collectivist completely, it would never be a republic again until people who live now are forgotten. There are no practice shots; we make this decision once, and that's how it will be.

**A Nation's Brains**  
In comparing the American system with any socialistic plan, one point must be held in mind constantly: Freedom to think. Nothing is more valuable than good ideas and everybody has them. Nobody has a corner on them. Where any person is free to get ideas and put them to work at his own risk, good ones come to light in a hurry and are put to work in a way that helps everybody; that's democracy.

Under any socialistic system of central planning, only a few are considered worthy to think. They have ideas occasionally, of course, but do not try them out at their own risk. They put them to work on a big scale at the nation's risk. Examine the system the world people must suffer for the thinkers of a few. That's collectivizing; and the thinkers show up clearly in general prosperity.

**A Nation's Income**  
America is the most prosperous country on earth. At the last check, national income in the United States was equal to that of the six next highest countries, national income being the grand total of what everybody earns. Under the American system, incomes are different; some higher than others but all high. In socialistic countries incomes are more alike, uniformly low.

America's national enemies cry out against capitalism in tones that make the word sound like a dread disease. At least under the American system, accumulated wealth is used rather than hoarded. Savings in America are invested in machinery to help workers produce more and earn more. Where profits are unlawful, dividends are impossible, production and wages both low.

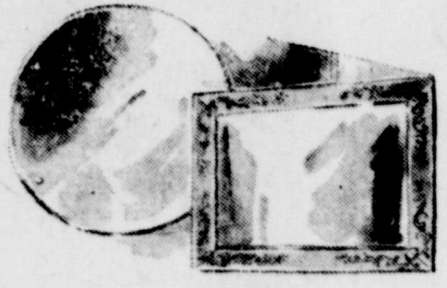
**A Nation's Progress**  
Let me illustrate what the American system is worth to the world: Solomon, King of Israel, and George Washington, the first President of the United States, lived about alike. They rode in horse-drawn vehicles, wore hand-loomed clothes, used animal oil for light and wood for fuel. They lived nearly 3,000 years apart. Think what you have now and remember that Washington died less than 150 years ago.

The system of private enterprise has many critics. Students in modern colleges and high schools are able glibly to point out defects in America's manner of life. Admittedly it is not perfect because nothing is perfect that is made up of imperfect people. Just the same, when the time comes to choose a successful system, pick one that makes the average man richer.

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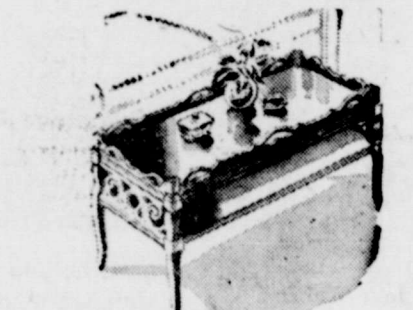
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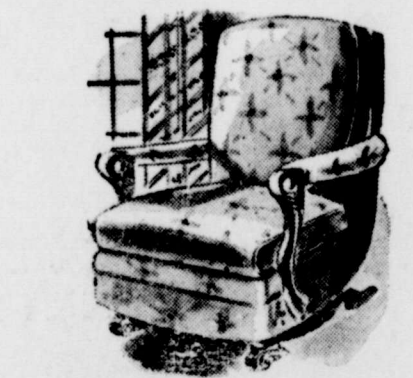
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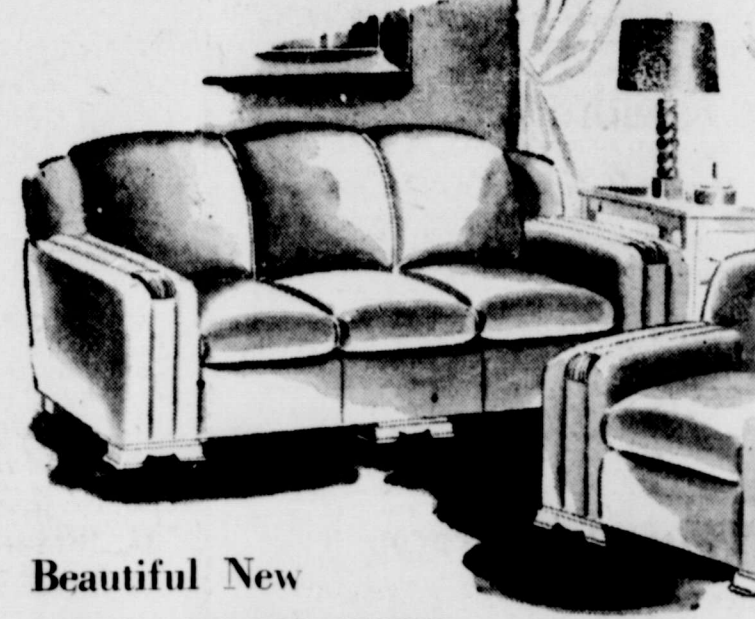


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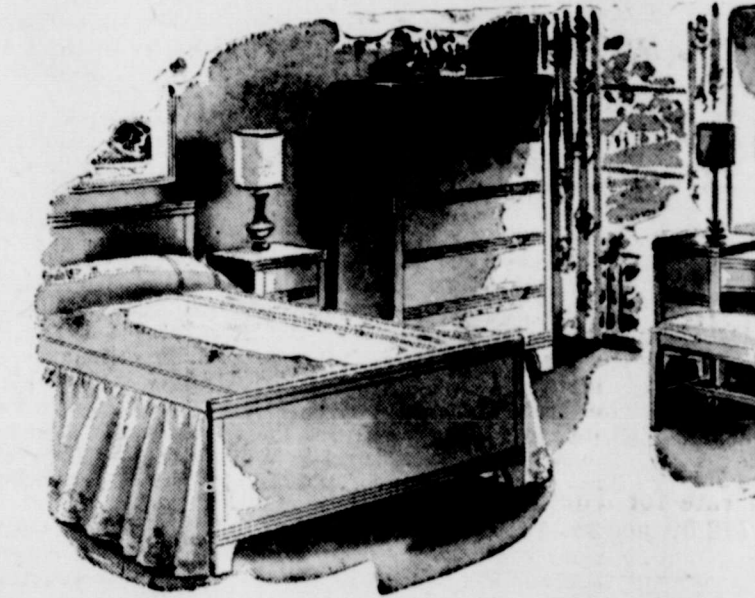
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**Father Twice Birthday**

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**Location Staked for New Oil Test**

Daniel & Holden have staked location for No. 8, Reynolds Land & Cattle Company, an 1800 foot cable tool test to be drilled 200 feet from north and 570 feet from the east line of Joe Fenner survey A-582 in southeast Haskell County. It was reported this week.

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**Your Week**  
DECEMBER 23-29

WEEKOSCOPE - YOU HAVE A VIGOROUS INTELLECT, POINTING TOWARD SUCCESS IN BUSINESS AND SECURITY IN YOUR HOME AND FAMILY LIFE. MON 23 CONNIE MACK'S 54th BIRTHDAY... TUE 24 75 YEARS AGO VERDI'S OPERA 'AIDA' COMPOSED... WED 25 AT CHRISTMAS PLAY AND MAKE GOOD CHEER... THUR 26 MERRY CHRISTMAS... FRI 27 GERMAN 26,000 TON BATTLESHIP... SAT 28 58 YEARS AGO THE FIRST ROSE BOWL... SUN 29 25th PRESIDENT OF THE U.S....

**Munday Moguls Lose To Coleman, 27-13**

The Coleman Blue Cats, playing at home, defeated the Munday Moguls 27 to 13 Friday for the regional title. Coleman's tallies all came by the aerial route.

In the first period White passed 33 yards to Clifford on the Monday 15 and Clifford raced across the goal line. White tossed two touchdowns passes for Coleman in the second period, 17 yards to Clifford and a short one to J. Briggs. The fourth and last Blue Cat counter was on a pass, Williams to G. J. Harris, early in the fourth quarter. Laird converted three times for Coleman.

Munday's first counter came in the second period after the Moguls had recovered a Coleman fumble. A series of plunges and passes carried the ball over. Late in the game Munday's John Brown took over a lateral and raced 30 yards for the second Mogul counter. Montgomery converted.

Also playing Friday on home grounds, the Rochester Steers defeated the Cowboys from Happy, Texas, 32 to 6 for the regional crown in bi-district play.

**Sugar Rations To Stay Same**

The Agricultural Department Tuesday announced civilian sugar allocations for the January-March quarter which will allow no increase in consumer and industrial user ration levels.

Earlier OPA announced that a new consumer spare ration stamp for five pounds of sugar will be made valid on Jan. 1, and will be good through April 30th. This replaces the current stamp, expiring at the end of the year.

The Agriculture Department's announcement said it appears "unlikely any increases in rationing will be made prior to April 1, 1947, when the size of the crops will be more definitely established and sugar shipments from Cuba and Puerto Rico will be arriving in substantial volume."

In announcing validation of the new stamp, OPA said: "It is anticipated that the second consumer stamp for 1947 will be made good before this stamp expires, thus increasing the present consumer ration of five pounds of sugar for each four months."

While practically everything else has been advancing... Cost of Lone Star Gas Service is less today than before the war... J. W. Sanders

**Birthday Party Fetes Wayne Fore Friday**

Friday afternoon December 6th Wayne Fore was honored with a birthday party by his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Fore and his mother, Mrs. Lester Fore Jr.

After games were played and kodak pictures taken of the children, Wayne was presented a number of nice gifts. Then the children gathered around the birthday cake decorated in pink and white with three pink candles and sang "Happy Birthday."

Refreshments were served to the following guests: June and Jane Bell, Linda Burson, Doris Ann and Martha Green, Alan Cook, Jimmy Blair, Mary Beth Box, Melba Jean Banks, Linda McDonald, Michael Koonce and the honoree, Mrs. Arthur McDonald and Mrs. J. M. Bell of Rochester sent gifts.

**RETURNS FROM DEER HUNT**

Giles Kemp of this city and George Cramer of Abilene returned the first of the week from a deer hunt in the Hill Country.

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**Xmas Seals Provide Mobile X-Ray Unit**

Christmas Seals bought the mobile x-ray equipment now being used to x-ray students at the University of Texas, and will continue to support operation of the unit in various localities throughout the State, according to a statement by Pansy Nichols of Austin, executive secretary, Texas Tuberculosis Association.

Over 10,000 UT students, faculty staff, and employees have been x-rayed to date in the case finding project conducted on the campus by the Texas Tuberculosis Association with the cooperation of the University Health Service and the State Department of Health.

With the aid of volunteers from Austin's City Federation of Women's Clubs, Council of Jewish Women and the Junior League, registration of students was completed last week. Not one student

missed a class to be x-rayed and no one was detained longer than 10 minutes for the entire proceeding, Miss Nichols said.

Shortly after the first of the year the Seal supported unit will start a tour of the State to arrange x-rays of groups of apparently healthy people in communities requesting this x-ray service, Miss Nichols stated. "Tuberculosis kills more Texans between 15 and 35 than all other infectious and parasitic diseases combined," she pointed out.

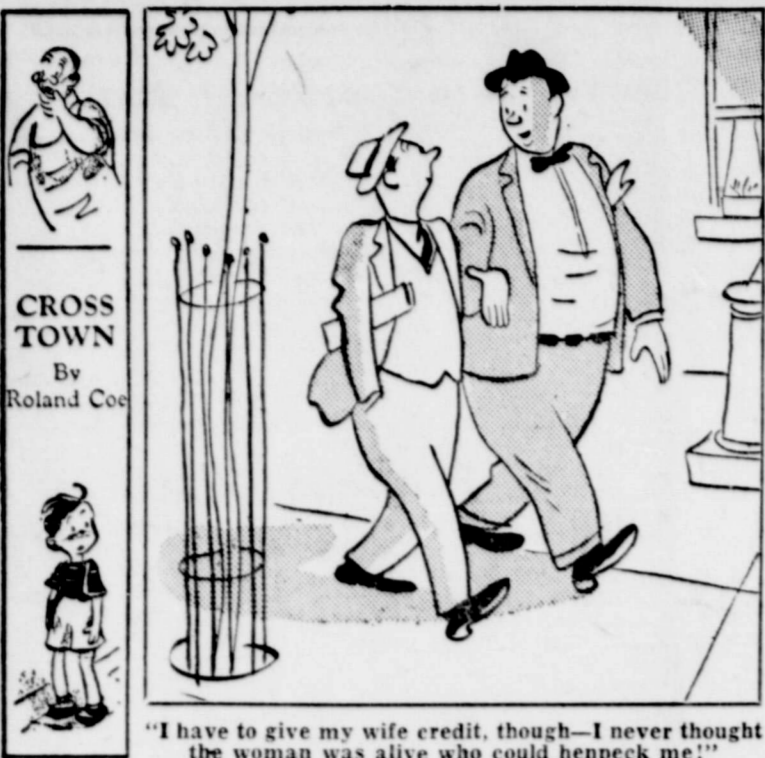
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CROSS TOWN  
By Roland Coo

"I have to give my wife credit, though—I never thought the woman was alive who could henpeck me!"



BOBBY SOX  
By Marty Links

"Doesn't your father know that you made a date with me BEFORE this came up!"



NANCY  
By Ernie Bushmiller

COME BACK HERE

WHAT'S THAT?

I WAS GIVING MY DOG A BUBBLE-BATH



MUTT AND JEFF  
By Bud Fisher

"AND ANY MORE MISTAKES LIKE THIS YOU CAN LOOK FOR A NEW JOB!"

JEFF THE BOSS IS IN GOOD HUMOR! HE WANTS US ALL IN TO HEAR SOME JOKES AGAIN!

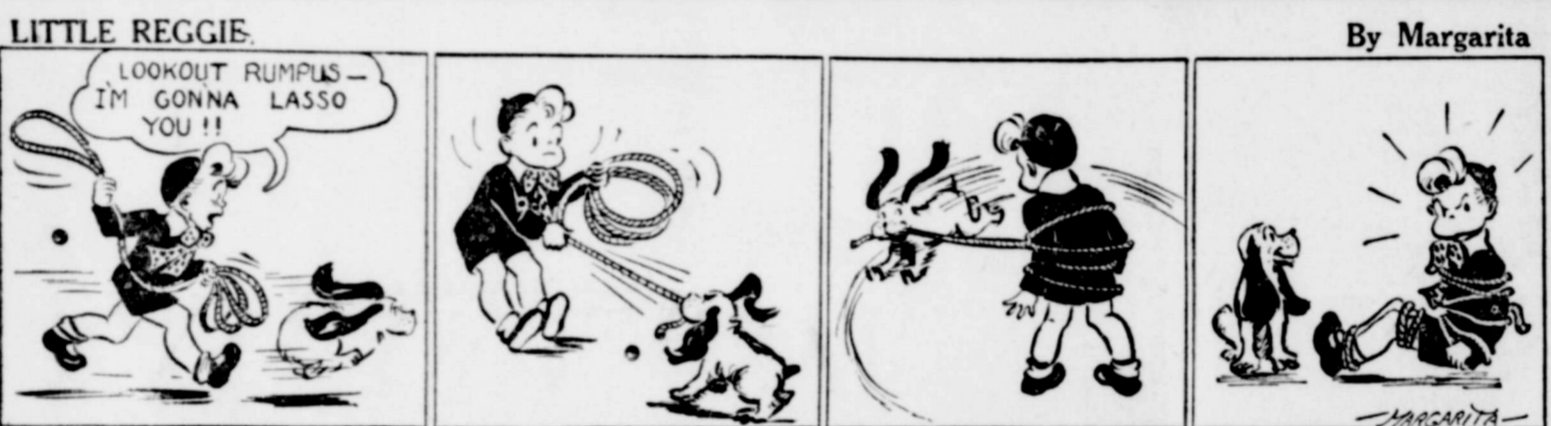
SO THE WIFE SAYS, "WHY JOE, I'M ALL READY NOW! I THOUGHT YOU WAS DRESSED AND WAITING—"

"SO I SAYS, 'I WAS, DEAR, BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO WAIT WHILE I SHAVE AGAIN!'"

HA HA HA HO HO HO YOU'RE FUNNY, BOSS!

WELL, WHY AREN'T YOU LAUGHING?

I DON'T HAVE TO ANYMORE! I'M QUITTING PAY DAY!



LITTLE REGGIE  
By Margarita

LOOKOUT RUMPUS— I'M GONNA LASSO YOU!!



JITTER  
By Arthur Pointer

UNUSING HEROINES IN HISTORY: AUNT LIZA WASHED AND IRONED FOR A FAMILY OF FIVE FEMALES IN THE DAYS OF FLUFFY RUFFLES FOR THREE DOLLARS A WEEK.



REG'LAR FELLERS  
By Gene Byrnes

GOSH— IT'S GONNA SHOWER— I'LL JUST ABOUT MAKE HOODLENDADDLES AWNING!

SAFE AT LAST! NOW I'LL BE ABLE T'GET HOME DRY AN' MOM WON'T GET SORE!



VIRGIL  
By Len Kleis

THERE MUST BE AN EASIER WAY TO GIVE AN EGG SHAMPOO

WAIT THERE, VIRGIL— I'LL BE RIGHT BACK



SILENT SAM  
By Jeff Hayes

Next in Line Mother—Here, Paul, are some nice toys your brother isn't using any more, and they're just as good as new.

Paul (weary of his brother's hand-me-downs)—Ma, will I have to marry his widow when he dies?

Real Hardships Two mountaineers were complaining about the cold. "Nearest I ever came to freezing to death in my life was holding the lantern while my wife cut kindling!" said one.

The Safest Place An ambitious city man, who wished to start a new venture in the country, asks an agricultural adviser, "Where is the best place to keep goats?" "In front of you, my boy!" replied the agriculturalist.

Good Record Traveler—Don't you cut yourself pretty often with this straight-edged razor?

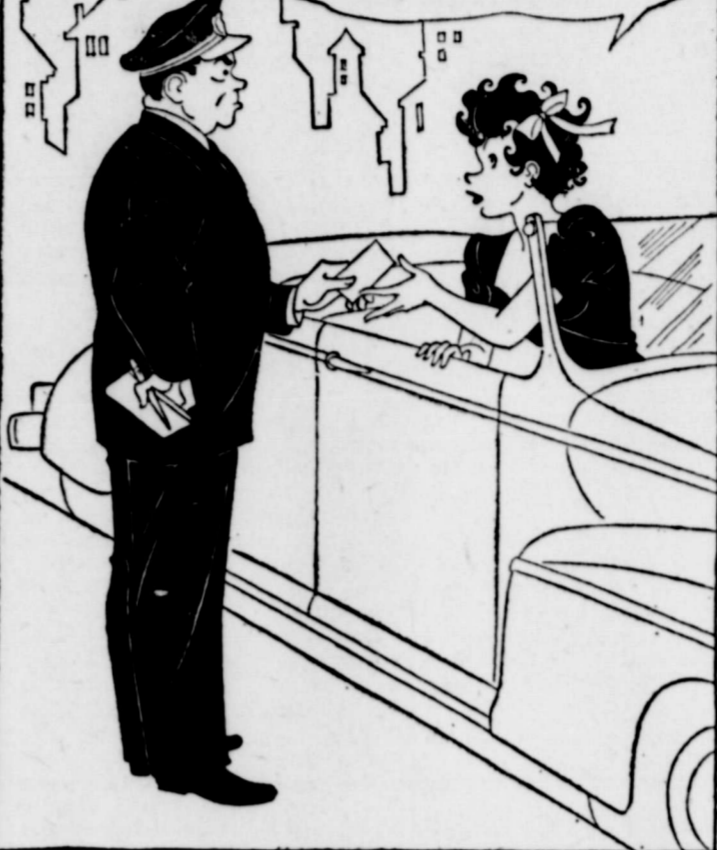
Mountaineer—Naw, I been shaving nigh on to five years now and I ain't cut myself either time.

# Gags

BEST LAUGHS OF THE WEEK

## MOPSY by GLADYS PARKER

IS THIS TICKET GOOD FOR ALL DAY, NO MATTER HOW MANY STOP SIGNALS I PASS?



## HOME-TOWN ECHOES by G. Kessler



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## LAUGHING STOCK by Frank Adams



"Poor old Briggs... He can't get started in the morning until he's had his coffee."

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Doubtless, the most fanatical reigning monarch is Imam Yahya of Yemen, a country of the Arabian peninsula, which is 75,000 square miles in area and contains 3,500,000 inhabitants, says Collier's. Being intensely religious and detesting modern developments, this 77-year-old Mohammedan keeps his kingdom in complete isolation.

It is still without a telephone, printing press, railroad or even a physician. The country is so desolate that the king's harem is obliged to support itself by making uniforms for the army.

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LAST LOVER

BY Helen Topping Miller

CHAPTER I

The heat in town had been intense, and Julia McFarlane...

"Dooley, is that you?" She was so tired that her legs quivered...

"Oh, Mother, you know how much attention Ric pays to maternal admonition!"

"Will you tack it up for me, Dooley? I've got to do my nails and press my suit..."

"It's all crooked!" she wailed. "What am I going to do?"

"What do you want to do, Jill? Cut the hem off and even it?"

"Do I know Spang? He sounds like some kind of canned dog-raton."

Julia Worries About Her Son... Would Spang be outraged by an uneven hemline?

"Don't make gags, Dooley, you're not the type. Handsome dignity is your line."

"Dooley, I ask you! His name is Spencer, and he hates it because he doesn't like some uncle or other."

Jill Mustn't Be An Army Wife... "Oh, Spang's bus won't be here till eight."

"I don't like it," Julia said sternly. "I won't have Ric jeopardizing his chances."

She would have to tell her father-in-law, too, old John I. McFarlane...

Working on Jill's dress, she hoped this young lieutenant would not be a disappointment...

To be an army wife—she did not want that for Jill. She wanted to save her child from that heartburning...

She had told herself so many times, when Jill and young Richard were small and everything was very grim for her...

Her father-in-law had helped. She gave him his due in all loyalty. He had been a pillar—a fiery pillar...

Beach wagon, auto number gone and phone number too damaged for identification...

U. N. and Emblem Problem... The U. N. has been having emblem trouble.

A Sow Shows Its Teeth... John I. McFarlane—thin, mustached, with small hands and feet...

"You're a pet to fix the dress, Dooley my love. But Spang is worth it, he is definitely. Maybe he's the one. About time! Here I am, crowding twenty-seven and already getting a maiden look around the chin."

"I did not. It's in the kitchen with the groceries."

"No use, John I. They won't give us priority for any more fence."

"I would not! Pickles give me the hives, and what good are peanuts when there aren't any more county fairs or circuses?"



The Auto-Telephone

The automobile telephone is now a reality. You can phone between detour signs and get an answer while skidding.

It's a queer world. Just when the auto engineers, after a 40-year struggle had eliminated all the noises...

We fail to sense the necessity for the auto telephone except in the case of doctors, plumbers and grocers who got on the wrong road with the eggs.

If you think the joys of transportation are increased by a chance to argue with the complaint operator...

The new auto-to-auto, house-to-auto, auto-to-house and nervous collapse to nervous collapse telephone was demonstrated in many cities...

The effect on auto accidents will be watched with apprehension. Safety drives will have to be needed up 100 per cent unless we are to see a flood of accident reports...

Beach wagon, auto number gone and phone number too damaged for identification, found wrapped around tree on route 80.

Flivver found wrecked over embankment. Driver, a pay station addict, put in a call, didn't get it and took hands off wheel in effort to get his nickel back.

LINES FOR A DEPARTED FISHERMAN... (To Roy Kelly of Waterford, Conn., a well-known fishing enthusiast and guide, who died recently.)

May he know new fishing waters, Where the big ones like to play; May he see more magic sunsets And great dawns break o'er the bay!

May he glide down peaceful rivers On a slide that's always high, And the fish are always schooling For a creek that's never dry!

May he know the best of buddies— May he fish the deepest pools— May he find the whoppers waiting Just to test the whirring spoils!

May the streams wind to the ocean— To horizons far and dim, And remind him of the waters That were, oh, so dear to him!

CAN YOU REMEMBER... Atty back when any politician dared to promise the full dinner pail?

'Seven Wonders of Georgia' Lure Tourists to State

Principal magnets for the tourists who are lured by the romantic history of the state are the "Seven Wonders of Georgia."

Of main interest is Warm Springs, made famous by the late Pres. Franklin D. Roosevelt. It was here that he founded Warm Springs foundation for the treatment of infantile paralysis victims...

How It Started... MEN OF STRAW—When Westminster ball (England) was the courts of justice, established there in 1224, men could be seen walking about with straw in their shoes...

We're a Democracy... So It's Mr. President... The President of the United States is always addressed as "Mr. President" in public.

Stalin's Victory Vase... The Victory vase, recent gift of the Russian people to Generalissimo Stalin, is the largest object of its kind in existence.

Mussel Boat Equipped With Underwater Sails... Along the Ohio and Kentucky rivers are boats that have no masts, but they are equipped with underwater sails.

Advertisement for Firestone tires featuring a large tire illustration and text: 'On Your Holiday Trip', 'DON'T TAKE CHANCES ON SMOOTH DANGEROUS TIRES', 'Get Firestone FACTORY-METHOD RETREADING', '700', 'Only 6.00-16', 'Other Sizes Proportionately Low', 'New Tire Safety at Less Than 1/2 the Cost of New Tires!', 'FOR EXTRA PROTECTION ASK FOR THE FIRESTONE STUDDED GROUND GRIP TREAD', 'A "must" for snow and mud! The famous Studded Ground Grip Tread Design gives you the extra traction you need for winter driving. No slipping, no skidding! Deep, tough tread for long wear.', 'ALL MATERIALS AND WORKMANSHIP FULLY GUARANTEED', 'Drive In Today', 'See Your Nearest Firestone Dealer'.

J. H. Isbell Honored With Birthday Party

A "42" party was given Sunday night, December 15 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Isbell, honoring Mr. Isbell on his birthday. Games of 42 were enjoyed throughout the evening and refreshments of cake and coffee were served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Mathis, Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Powell, Mrs. S. E. Lewis, Bemon Karr, John Mullis, and the honoree and hostess.

Sharp declines in prices received by farmers for cotton, corn and poultry products lowered the general price level of farm products 3.7 per cent from mid-October to mid-November.



Beta Chi Meets at Rule December 14

Beta Chi chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society met in the First Christian Church at Rule on Saturday, December 14 at 2 o'clock with members from Stonewall County and Rule as hostesses. After an impressive initiation service a Christmas program portraying the birth of Jesus was presented under the direction of Mrs. J. E. Geer.

The program: Piano solo, "Adeste Fidelis," Mary Wilson; narrator, Mrs. Marie Word; chorus of girls, "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"; narrator, "Silent Night"; narrator; song, "Luther's Cradle Hymn"; narrator; solo, "There's a Song in the Air," Mrs. Frank Campbell; narrator; piano solo, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," Jean Bullock; narrator; song, trio, "Jesu Bambino," Mrs. Frank Campbell, Mrs. W. S. Cole, Mrs. Lloyd Hamilton; narrator; solo, "Our Gift," Mrs. Ross Griffith. The girls' chorus was composed of Ruth Allen, June Gay, Mary Tanner, Jean Bullock, Patsy Ingram, Mary Gibson, Martha Norman, Mary Wilson, Harma Lee Swinney, Sibyl Jackson; accompanist, Mrs. E. Q. Warren.

Following the program was a social hour, during which gifts were distributed from an unusually beautiful Christmas tree, and a delicious plate was served from an elaborately appointed table. After the social hour a short business meeting was called. Members from Throckmorton, Haskell, Knox, and Stonewall Counties were present.

Redwine-Carlisle Rites Said in Rule

Frankie Redwine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Redwine of Weinert, and Tom W. Carlisle, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Owens of Rochester were married at the Methodist Church in Rule by the pastor, Rev. Lloyd Hamilton, Wednesday evening, December 4 at 6 o'clock.

The bride wore a brown wool laborer suit with matching accessories and a corsage of pink carnations. The couple was accompanied to Rule by Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Bolin, sister and brother-in-law of the groom. Mrs. Bolin wore a blue wool suit with matching accessories and a pale yellow chrysanthemum corsage.

REG'LAR FELLERS



Jimmie Will Teach Him a Lesson

By GENE BYRNE

Progressive Study Meets at School

An impromptu program of Christmas stories and carols was featured at a gathering of members of the Progressive Study Club Monday evening at the high school home-making cottage. Miss Louise Newman and Mrs. W. E. Woodson were hostesses, while Mrs. James A. Byrd, president, poured coffee at the lace-laid dining table.

Azaleas and poinsettias decorated the room which was lighted only by tall red tapers. Each guest contributed items of food to be used in Christmas baskets for underprivileged families. Mrs. W. H. Pitman led the informal program, presenting first, Mrs. Arlos Weaver, who told the story of "The Black Madonna" by Mary T. Applegate. Accompanied by Mrs. F. W. Martin, Miss Edna Minick sang "O Little Town of Bethlehem," after which Mrs. Alton Middleton directed group singing of carols. Mrs. J. L. Alderice played several requested piano numbers.

Next meeting will be held on January 2, when Mrs. W. O. Holden will direct a program on nonsense verse. Mesdames J. B. Gibson and R. A. Lane will serve as hostesses. The president will conduct a business session, at which time officers for 1947-1948 will be elected.

TIME TO RENEW!

Have you renewed your Free Press? After December 31 the price will be \$2 per year in Haskell and adjoining counties and \$2.50 elsewhere, but until then you can get it at \$1.50 and \$2.00. The Free Press also takes new and renewal subscriptions for dailies at Bargain Day Rates which will expire in just 19 more days.

Hints Given on Removing Spots From Table Linens

Removing stains from table linens is likely to be one of the cleaning-up duties of the housewife following a series of holiday dinners. Stains should be removed as promptly as possible and always before the linens go into the wash, is the advice of Louise Newman, county home demonstration agent, for many stains are permanently set by the heat and soap of regular laundering.

Thickened gravy which has dried on the cloth should be scraped off with a dull knife and the spot sponged with cold or lukewarm water. If grease spots still remain they should be treated with a grease solvent, and the cloth washed in warm suds and rinsed.

Cranberry or other cooked fruit stains may be removed by pouring boiling water over the cloth, followed by a drop of lemon juice and a thorough rinsing in cool water.

Consideration must be given to all ingredients to take out ice cream stain. Cool water will remove egg, sugar, and often milk, but the grease left by the cream must be sponged out with a grease solvent. The first step is the sponging with cool water, the second step, after the fabric dries, is the sponging with solvent and rubbing, and last, washing with warm soapsuds and rinsing.

Grease solvent is also necessary to take out candlewax stains. The wax should be scraped off first, and the solvent applied with a sponge or soft cloth. The solvent should always be allowed to evaporate until the cloth is dry.

South Ward P-TA Hears Rev. Grooms

The South Ward Parent-Teacher Association met Tuesday, December 17 at 3 p. m.

A sing-song was directed by Mrs. S. H. Vaughter, who selected "Silent Night." After the song Mrs. Opal Nanny introduced the guest speaker, Rev. Jordan Grooms of the First Methodist Church, who gave a very interesting talk on "Learning the Ways of Peace." "Now, more than at any other time, each of us should remember that blessed are the peace makers, for they shall be called children of God," the speaker declared.

The hospitality committee served refreshments, after which those present discussed fixing Christmas bags for the children's party Friday, December 20.

The school ground is to be beautified by shrubs on the west and north of the building. We are so glad, for this is what we have been wanting. The shrubs will come from Conner's Nursery. The South Ward P-TA wishes everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.—Reporter.

VISITS DAD HERE

Mrs. Lydia Tonn of Fort Worth came in Saturday night to see her dad, A. Tonn, and left Sunday evening.

Study Club Meets Thursday Evening

The Progressive Study Club met Thursday evening, December 15th for the study of the Victorian Period of English literature under the direction of Mrs. Fred Jones. Others on the program included Mrs. Hubert Bell who discussed the life and works of Tennyson, Miss Gorgeen Claus who gave a sketch of Browning's writings, and Mrs. W. O. Holden who read selections from minor poets of the period. Hostesses for the social hour were Mesdames Willie Lane

and Bernard Phelps. The organization will cooperate with the Lions and other groups in preparing Christmas baskets for underprivileged families.

The date of the next meeting was changed from December 16th to December 19th in order to avoid a conflict with a school program. At this meeting, will be answered with a list of food for the Christmas program. A special Christmas dinner will be directed by Mrs. W. O. Holden, assisted by Miss Louise Newman and Mrs. W. E. Woodson who will serve as hostesses.

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