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The beauty of Christmas has come down to us through the birth of the Savior who taught the world that love is stronger than hate and good mightier than evil. May this prevailing spirit of good will embrace us all during this joyous holiday season.

Let Us Keep Faith --

On this, the nineteen hundred and forty-sixth anniversary of the birth of Christ, let each American rededicate himself to faith in God—faith in this great nation of ours—faith in his fellowmen—and faith in himself. In these confusing times, let us remember that the foundation

of our country was laid on Christian precepts, faith, courage, foresight, and freedom from tyranny. Let us, then, on this natal day of our Redeemer, pray for His guidance that we may have strength, courage, and understanding to carry on the faith of our fathers.

Sugar Shortage Need Not Hold Up Meat Curing, Expert Says

Sugar shortages are making it hard for many Haskell County farm families to get enough or save enough sugar to cure their home dressed pork. If you are short of sugar—and who isn't?—here are a few suggestions from Roy Snyder, meat specialist of the Texas A&M College Extension Service.

Salt is the chief preservative and is the most important part of all curing mixtures. Sugar is added to improve the flavor and quality, and if you do not have the sugar to use, don't worry too much about it. You can use salt alone for curing if salt is all you have. If you can spare only a little sugar, use one pound instead

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Hartsell Johnson, student in ACC, Abilene, is spending the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Johnson.

of the customary two pounds for each 100 pounds of meat. Cut the sugar recipe in half or, if you must, leave it out entirely.

Some farmers substitute syrup or mildly flavored molasses for sugar in curing mixtures.

Use some sugar or syrup for curing if you have it—chill the fresh pork promptly and keep it cold—36 to 40 degrees Fahrenheit—and use the right amount of salt—six to eight pounds for 100 pounds of meat. Hold the meat in cure the proper length of time—hams and shoulders two days per pound, bacon, one to one and a half days per pound.

Your Week

DECEMBER 30 - JANUARY 5, 1947

WEEKSCOPE - LET'S BE PRACTICAL - MAY WE TRY 'EM YOU ONE ME

BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS THIS WEEK ARE UNDER THE SIGN OF CAPRICORN - THEY SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE PRACTICAL AND RESOURCEFUL IN ALL RELATIONSHIPS

FRI 3 - BUILDING AND LOAN

MON 30 - BIRTHDAY - RUDYARD KIPLING - BORN 1865

TUE 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE - BRING OUT THE OLD RINGS IN THE NEW YEAR - ALFRED LIND TENSCHOW

WED 1 - NEW YEAR'S DAY 1947

THUR 2 - BIRTHDAY - PAUL REVERE - BORN 1735

SAT 4 - A GOOD RESOLUTION - REMEMBER FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES WITH APPROPRIATE GREETING CARDS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

SUN 5 - THE FIRST BICYCLE TRIP AROUND THE WORLD WAS COMPLETED 60 YEARS AGO

IT'S THE BIRTHDAY OF FRENCH ACTOR JEAN PIERRE AUMONT WHOSE WIFE IS SCREEN ACTRESS MARIE MONTEZ

THERE ARE TWO LEVERS FOR MOVING MEN - INTEREST AND FEAR - WASHINGTON

Fossilized Calamites Found Near Bangs

Report of the finding of fossilized Calamites (flowering rushes) believed to be at least 200 million years old was made recently by Dr. T. R. Havins, Howard Payne College. The Calamites were found by the Howard Payne professor in a Pennsylvania formation eight miles north of Bangs in Brown County.

The findings are to be divided Havins said, between Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C., University of Texas and Howard Payne. Dr. Havins said the only specimens previously found in the area are six geological ages removed from the latest find.

"The plants apparently fell in water which kept out decay and wood cells of plant were replaced by iron-oxide, giving the fossil a dark chocolate color," Dr. Havins said.

"The remains I found consist of several pieces of main stem, all showing joints and grooved surface, more than a dozen leafstems one half to an inch in diameter, three pieces of woody center or pith.

"Calamites grew about 30 feet high, with a leaf spread of approximately eight feet."

The deposits were found in a 30-foot area under two feet of sandstone, he added.

More Hunters, Too Few Ducks

Haskell County hunters already knew it, but Albert M. Day, director of the U. S. fish and wild life service, said in Washington this week that never before has there been so many hunters to shoot at so few ducks.

He estimated the duck supply the lowest in five years, despite reductions in the hunting season from 80 to 45 days, daily bag limit from 10 to 7 birds and possession limit from 20 to 14.

Also, he said, there are more hunters and more available ammunition than ever before. The sale of duck stamps exceeded 2,000,000 compared with a previous high of 1,500,000 in January, 1942—although more than 8,000,000 hunting licenses have been sold.

New Drug Promises Relief For Coughs

Those with tickling throats will welcome relief promised in a new drug, inhaled orally from a device little larger than a lipstick.

The non-narcotic and non-toxic has been chemically as alpha-methylphenethylamine and marketed as amine No. 51, was perfected by Dr. Louis Edward Silcox of the University of Pennsylvania and Lanckenau Hospitals in Philadelphia.

Results of tests on 200 cough patients treated in hospital clinics and private practice, amine 51 was effective in 77 per cent of the cases, Dr. Silcox said. The drug highly controlled coughs due to bronchitis and tracheitis, but had no effect on coughs of "nervous" origin or pneumonia. Asthmatic coughs were poorly controlled.

Stamford's Purchase Of Airfield Advanced

The federal government plans to start legal advertising early in January whereby Stamford can obtain Arledge Airfield, War Assets Administration officials in Dallas announced recently.

Stamford has an interim lease on the airport.

Come In, Santa!

We've been looking for you! We have a hearty welcome because we know you won't forget these fine friends of ours. They're mighty deserving, these friends, and we'll appreciate all you can do for them. Our friends in this community, Santa, are the finest on earth. They're loyal and dependable. Please be as good to them as they have been to us.

Blohm Studio

ELAINE AND MAURICE



Holiday CHEER

ONCE AGAIN WE GREET THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SEASON WITH A TRUE APPRECIATION OF ITS FULL MEANING. MAY IT BRING YOU PEACE, JOY AND CONTENTMENT THAT WILL REMAIN WITH YOU ALWAYS.

Haskell Lumber & Manufacturing Co.

Santa Claus Letters

Weinert, Texas

Dear Santa: I am a good little boy three and a half years old. Please bring me a tricycle and a wheelbarrow. My little brother, Wayne, wants a little red wagon and a rocking horse.

Your little friend,
Dudley Perrin

Dear Santa: I have been a good boy. Will you please bring me a football and an army tent. Love, Billy Norton

Weinert, Texas

Dear Santa: I am a little girl six years old but don't go to school. My birthday was too late. Santa I have been a good little girl. I want you to bring me some roller skates, diaper doll, refrigerator, and blackboard. Santa, don't forget the other kids. With lots of love.

Shaon Elaine Caddell,
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa: I am a little boy four years old. I've been good except when I've been mean. I believe I've been good enough to rate a football, a bicycle, and anything else you want to leave. Don't forget the fruit, nuts, and candy, and remember all of the other good little boys and girls.

Rodney Davis
P. S.—I certainly do like Hersheys.

Dear Santa: I am a little boy four years old. I have been a nice little boy. Would you please bring me a fire truck, tractor, and harmonica and some candy, nuts, apples, and oranges. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.

David Gene Booe
P. S.—Don't forget my daddy is home for this Christmas.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good girl. Will you please bring me some gashoes, a raincoat, and a bicycle.

Edna Juanell Russell

Dear Santa: Please remember my sister's

and me this Christmas. We would like to have a doll, dishes, dresser set, a toy watch and some story books, also fruit, candy and nuts. Please don't forget all our cousins. Lots of love.

Your little friends,
Oleeta, Maxine and Azile
Cunningham

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy. Will you please bring me a bicycle and a French harp.

Jimmy Whatley

Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a doll dresser set. I am a good girl.

Jantice Jones

Dear Santa: I have been a good girl. Will you please bring me a bride doll and some blue jeans.

Glenda Kennedy.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a wagon, doll and doll buggy, doll house and furniture and lots of candy, nuts and fruits.

Please remember all the little orphans and crippled children. Remember mother and daddy. Thank you, Santa Claus.

Love,
Brenda Kay Graham.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy. Will you bring me a cap gun, and please bring me a football. I am in grade two.

William Kirkland.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy. Please bring me a bicycle, volley ball, a tent, a boat and an airgun.

Johnny Stockdale.
Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa: I am a little boy almost two years old. My grandad says I've been a good little boy. Please bring me a tricycle, a train, a little red wagon and a little airplane and car, some nuts and candy.

Thanks a lot,
Jimmie Roberts, Jr.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl 5 years old. I have been a good little girl. I go to Sunday School every Sunday. I would like to have a brown doll buggy and a rubber doll with its bottle and nipple, and a little drum so I can learn to play it and a big rag doll and Santa, don't forget all the other little boys and girls.

Becky Ann Busby

PARENTS OF DAUGHTER
Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Sanders of Fort Worth are announcing the arrival of a daughter, born Dec. 19 at Denton, Texas. She has been named Melinda Ann.

Hello Friends

HERE'S TO YOUR HEALTH AND HAPPINESS!!

HASKELL COUNTY ABSTRACT CO.

LEONARD FLORENCE W. I. COGGINS
Estelle Lee Latrice Swinson Doris Humphreys

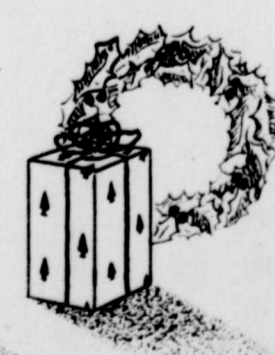
HE'S ON HIS WAY!



Santa's heading this way. He may come by plane, liner or streamliner, or he may hitch up Donner and Blitzen again, he may even hitchhike—anyway he's heading our way and we'll be mighty glad to welcome him. May the old gent favor you with a multitude of nice things and an abundant share of happiness and prosperity.

Burton - Dotson Chevrolet Co.

GREETINGS



Christmas, to us, means the contentment that comes from the association of loyal friends, the satisfaction of having been of service. It is a time for thanksgiving and reverence, a time to be more mindful of the blessings of peace and the right to live according to the dictates of one's own heart.

Berry's Pharmacy

A Christmas Wish



To Our Customers
Merry Christmas
and
Prosperous New Year



JOHN F. IVY

Readers Available For Blind Veterans

The Veterans Administration is providing reader service for blind veterans who must have their study material read to them in order to go to school under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act. VA has announced.

Readers are picked, VA said, not only for their ability to read intelligently, but for their understanding of the problems of newly blinded persons and their ability to test the veteran's understanding of what he is hearing.

Hiring of readers is done by VA regional managers, either through arrangements with the school or by contract with outside individuals or agencies.

VA has recommended to its regional managers a criterion of two hours of reader service a week for each credit hour the disabled veteran student is taking.

Although the range of sound is very great, the absolute energy of an average voice has only about one-millionth of the energy needed to operate an ordinary electric lamp, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

Uncle Sam Says



Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus but his bag of gifts this year is as up to the minute as a jet plane. Santa is nobody's fool. He knows Virginia's little heart will beat faster when she sees her new doll. Santa also knows Virginia's Christmas tree will be a wisely dressed tree, because it will have tucked onto its branches crisp new United States Savings Bonds. Long after Virginia's dolly has hobbled down the sentimental road of yesterday, Virginia's Savings Bonds will be with her to make her future Christmases brighter and happier.

VA LIBRARIES ADD 10,000 VOLUMES

More than 10,000 volumes were added to libraries of Veterans Administration hospitals during October for the use of veteran patients.

VISITING IN LUBBOCK

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Phelps are spending the Christmas holidays in Lubbock, guests in the home of Mrs. Phelps' parents.

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Santa Claus Letters

Haskell, Texas, Route 3

Dear Santa: I want Christmas to come. I want you to bring me a girl's bicycle for Christmas. If you do I will give you some cake. Bring mother and daddy some fruit. Bring me a monopoly game, too. I have a snow man under my Christmas tree. I hope you have a merry, merry Christmas. We have finished our Christmas tree at school and at home, too. We will have a light in the door where you can see. I like school now.

Your friend,
Lela Faye Phillips.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl eight years old. Will you please bring me a doll, set of dishes, knife and fork set, and lots of fruit, candy and nuts.

A friend,
Sue Hurt.

P. S.—Be sure to stop and bring my little niece something as this is her first Christmas.

Haskell, Texas, Route 1

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a car and an airplane. Bring me candy and nuts, too.

Your friend,
Leon Kretschmer.

Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy three years old and have tried to be especially good the last few weeks so you wouldn't forget me. Please bring me a big wagon, a scooter and a train.

I love you lots,
Jackie Clay Harvey.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl six years old, and all year I have tried to be a good girl. So would you please bring me a blue tricycle, a sewing machine, table and chair set, a set of dishes, a doll, an ironing board, nuts, fruit, and candy.

And too, please remember all the other little boys and girls.

Thank you,
Patricia Starr.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good girl. Will you please bring me a nurse set. Will you please bring me a jumping rope. Will you please bring me a bride doll.

Joy Gail Brown

Dear Santa Claus: I want a bicycle, ball, boots, and ball and bat. Will you bring me that, please.

Wayne Hennessee

Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy five years old. I have been a good boy. Will you please bring me a tank, tractor, gun and scabbard, fire truck, nuts and fruits. Don't forget all my friends. Your friend,
Ben Allen McGee

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good girl. Will you please bring me a nurse set and a bride doll. I am in Grade Two.

Delorise Mullins.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy six years old, and I go to school. I have been a pretty good boy. So Santa, please bring me a wagon and a car, and a tricycle if you can find one. Also fill my stocking with fruits, nuts and candy.

Please don't forget my teacher, Mrs. Vaughter.

Jerry Don Oliphant

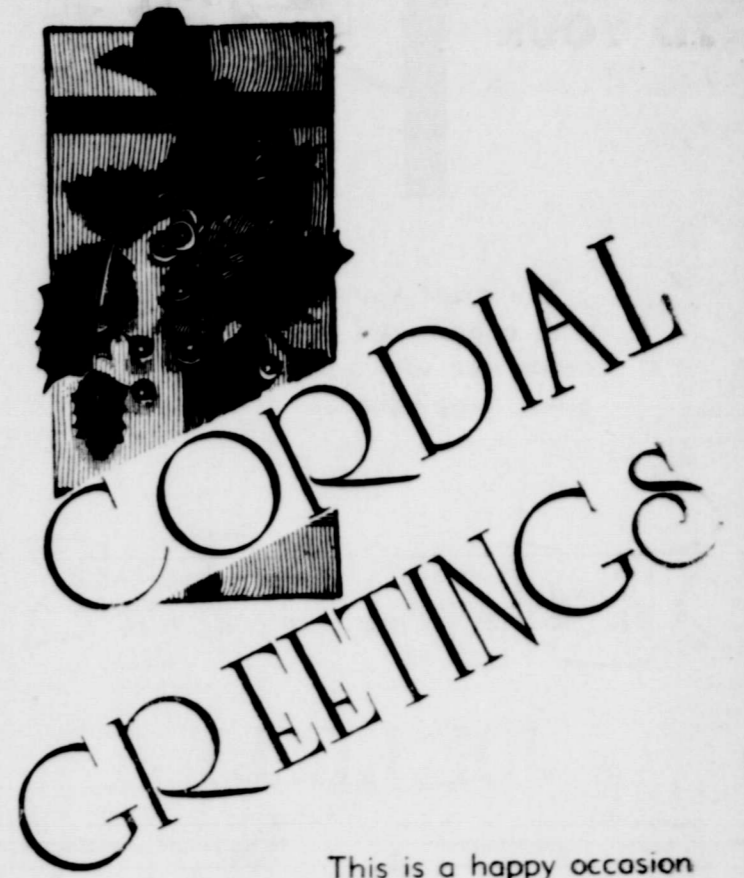
Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy. Will you please bring me a motor boat and a bow and arrow and a football and electric train.

Horace Oneal.

Wishing you

All the JOYS of a Glorious Christmas

MRS. IVA PALMER



This is a happy occasion on which to extend to all our friends our sincere wishes for a season of bright prosperity, abundant health and enduring happiness.

Hunter Men's Wear & Dry Cleaning

IT HAS BEEN OUR PLEASURE

The past year has been an enjoyable one. We have considered it a pleasure and an honor to be of service to you, our friends and customers. Your consideration and good will are invaluable to us and we wish to take this means of extending our thanks.

Added to this message is our most sincere

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS Personality Shoppe

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Opal Dotson

Just an Old Fashioned
MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO THE FINE PEOPLE OF THIS LOYAL COMMUNITY

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Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bridges

The BLESSINGS of Christmas



The cordiality of Christmas is one of the finest blessings that any of us can possibly enjoy. To us, Christmas means much more than just the opportunity of presenting and receiving gifts. It's more than a season of exchanging greetings and it goes far deeper than the traditional festive occasions.

Christmas, for us, is a season of genuine good will and happiness, a time of thanksgiving for all.

Fouts Dry Goods and Variety

Strictly Sentimental

Maybe we are old fashioned but we do get just a little sentimental at Christmas time.

We like to look back over the past twelve months, remembering all the fine things that have been our good fortune. It's pleasant to review the associations we have had with our friends—to find comfort in the knowledge that in lasting friendships come the joys of good living.

It's good to say "Merry Christmas"—it's satisfying to hear our friends say "Merry Christmas."

So, old fashioned or not, we just wanted to extend

THE SEASON'S GREETINGS

Pitman Motor Company

DODGE and PLYMOUTH

HERE'S TO YOUR



HAPPINESS

We greet you this Christmas with a profound feeling of sincerity and wish you a Season of great happiness.



JOE KELLY

HERE FOR HOLIDAYS

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Mapes are here to spend Christmas holidays with relatives and friends. They have been living in Fremont, Neb., for the past year where Mr. Mapes has been employed with a pipeline construction company. He will be transferred to the Fort Worth office of the company after the first of the year.

MANY VETERANS CONVERT INSURANCE POLICIES

Over 485,000 veterans filed applications with Veterans Administration from Jan. 1 until October 31 to convert their term insurance to permanent policies.

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 other business that may properly come before said meeting.

W. Q. CASEY, Cashier.

HHS Students Swing Into Holiday Mood, Write to Saint Nick

Dear Santa: Please, I've been a good boy, never done anything wrong, studied My English IV and was never late with an Algebra assignment. I have a new 1946 Ford and treat it like a baby. But I'd like to have a baby I could hold. Who ever heard of holding a Ford? So please send me a real, live brunette.

Thank you, Santa. Wayburn.

Dear Santa: I am a junior in High School, and you may not believe this, but I have the hardest time keeping my hair combed. So please send me a comb. I'm not particular, any brand or color as long as it's black.

Love, Don Nanny.

Dear Santa Claus: I am an English IV teacher in HHS and I shore wish you'd send me a nut class. Them there seniors is about to run me plum crazy. I've always tried to be a mighty fine teacher but I'm about at the end of my rope. I never cair about hearen about the old character Macbeth again.

Truly yurs, Mrs. Arlos Weaver.

Dear Santa: Please send me a (girl) any form, fashion, or color. I am desperate.

Very sincerely yours, Leroy Medford.

Dear Santa: Please send me a great big box of candy, fruit cakes, pies, chewing gum, and all kinds of good things that are fattening. Because I need to gain weight.

Catherine Davis.

P. S.—Don't forget my snuff!

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa: Would you please send me a stick horse with a white saddle and black reins with Evelyn Linville riding it, for Christmas.

Thank you, Santa. Edward Corzine.

Dear Santa: Will you please send me a new Gillette razor with five new blades. That's all that I want this Christmas. Santa ole boy, ole boy.

Jimmy Turner.

P. S.—I forgot something very important. I want a big barrel of Bubble Gum also.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa: I'm all broken-hearted so I don't care whether I get anything for Christmas or not. On second thought I believe that I would like to have C. W. sent home in a big cigar box wrapped in red paper. Please see if you can't find the red paper, Santa, and also hunt up C. W., too.

Nelle.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Mr. Santa Claus: Please send me some peroxide so I can bleach my hair. Blondes give me more trouble in my affairs. Also please send me a bowl of CHILI! I want it for my Christmas breakfast, dinner, and supper.

Pat.

P. S.—Don't forget the crackers.

Haskell, Texas.

Dear Santa: Please send me that special contraction to keep my foot from flying in my mouth every time I open it. It seems that every time I open that cavern my foot flies in it.

Huey Bledsoe.



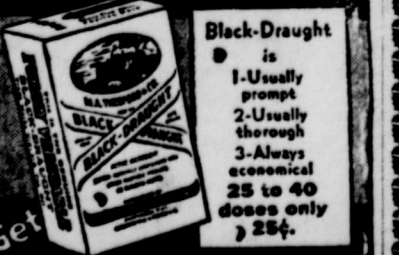
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Need a LAXATIVE?



BLACK-DRAUGHT

Dear Santa: I have been a good boy all the year and I have something I'd like to send to a friend. I don't care for anything myself so if you will send Dennis P. Ratliff a short circuit in his porch light, I will be satisfied.

Tooley.

Dear Santa: I have been a good little boy this year so please bring me Jeanne Crain, a 1947 Mercury, and some candy and fruit.

Roy Glenn Johnston.

Dear Santa: I have tried to be a good boy. It has been very hard but I have succeeded. So please just bring me Kathryn Harrell and I'll be satisfied.

Monte Fritz.

Dear Santa: I wrote you last year but the letter must have been lost in the mail. Please answer me this time. All I want is a pretty package containing Catherine Davis. You can give me some other toys if you have any left over.

Glenn (Red) Marugg.

LOTS OF MAIL! Veterans Administration processed over 11,500,000 pieces of incoming mail during October in its program of serving veterans and their dependents.

Don't Let "Gums" Become "Repulsive"

Are your "GUMS" unsightly? Do they itch? Do they burn?—Druggists return money if first bottle of "LETOS" fails to satisfy. Payne Drug Co.

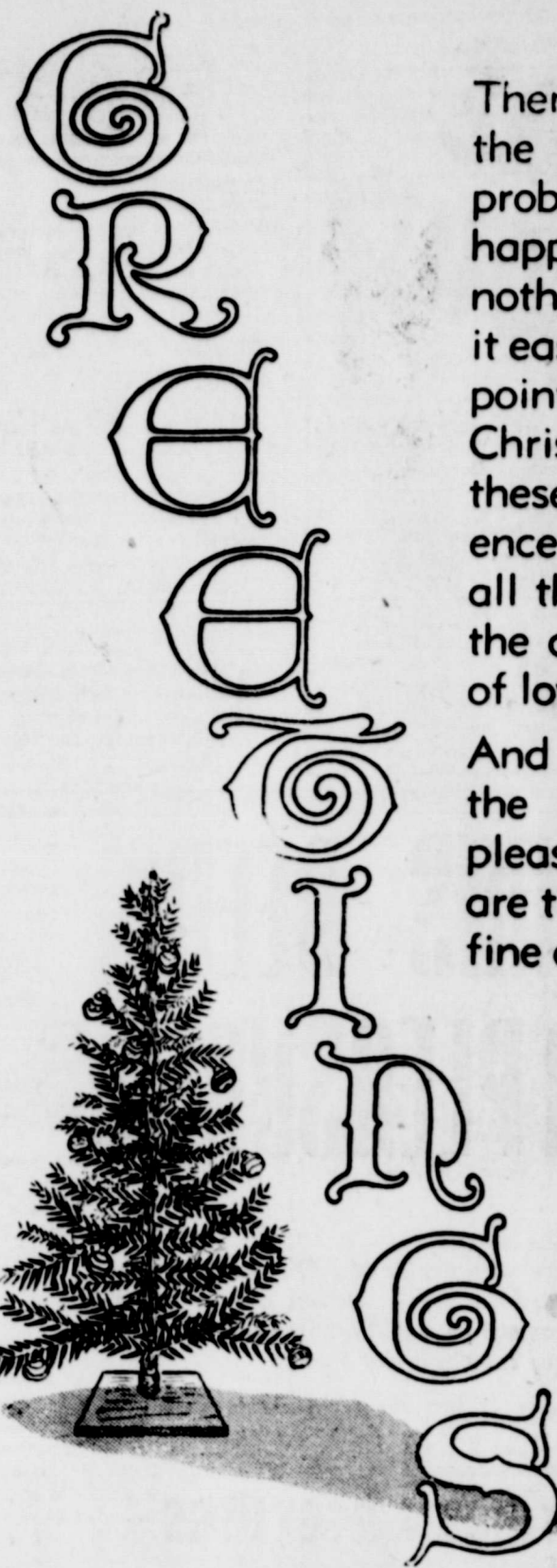
SORE THROAT—TONSILITIS! YOU WANT QUICK RELIEF!

For prompt relief from pain and discomfort by BURHAM'S AMATHEIA-NOP, it is a Doctor's Prescription combining a local anesthetic and a powerful germicidal dye in a pleasant-tasting solution. Powerful and effective, does not burn tender throat membranes and is safe for children. You must agree it is the best throat mop ever used or purchase price will be refunded. Generous bottle, with mop-sticks, only 50c at your druggist or at PAYNE DRUG CO.

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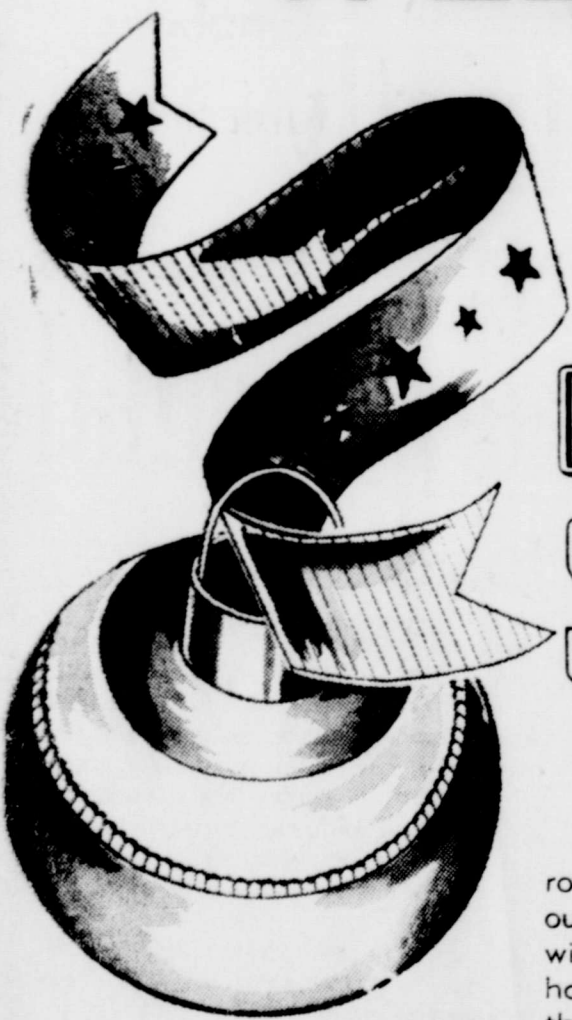
There comes a time the year when all the problems and unpleasant happenings fade into nothingness, when we find it easy to forget the disappointments of the past. Christmas overshadows these unhappy experiences and we see before us all the fine things of life—the courtesies and favors of loyal friends.

And so, as you welcome the Christmas season please remember that we are truly grateful for your fine consideration.

The Merriest of All Christmases to You!

IRA BLAIR, Commissioner Prec.

WELCOME



to the

CHRISTMAS SEASON

When the Christmas season rolls around each year, we find ourselves looking forward to it with anticipation because of the happiness involved. We enjoy the festiveness and the cordiality of the occasion and the friendly atmosphere that prevails.

This year Christmas takes on added significance because we can look back on a year in which we had an extra amount of rich blessings and we are truly grateful.

That is why we are getting more enjoyment out of this Christmas than ever before. We are mindful of these blessings and wish to take this means of expressing our thanks and best wishes.

R. K. "Bob" Graham

Texaco Service Station

Harold Cagle

Garvin Foote

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

to the host of acquaintances who have given us the privilege of serving them in the past.

Walling Butane Appliance Co.

"Service First"

Haskell, Texas

WANT AD SECTION

BUYING SELLING TRADING RENTING LOANS SERVICE

FEED AND SEED—

FOR SALE: Early black hull seed wheat. Clean of Johnson grass seed weeds, \$2 bushel.—M. C. Tinsley, Weintert. 51-2p

DECENT SIZE FRUIT TREES—
Peaches, Plums 65 cents; Apples, cherries 75c. Apricots 90c, Peas \$1.50, Pecans \$3.00. Shrubs Evergreens. Also fine OIC p's, bred gilts, fat hogs. Shanks Nursery and Hog Farm, Clyde, Texas. Largest apple orchard in Texas. 51-3p

FOR SALE—Weeping Love grass seed. See S. W. Hutchins, three miles east of Rochester. 5-4tp

FOR SALE: Bundle cane, good heads. 1 mile west Roberts church, Floyd McGuire. 51-2p

FOR SALE—Bundle Higari with good heads. Emmitt Offill, four miles southwest of Haskell. 48-tfc

FOR SALE—Bundle Higari, good bundles and well grained. Also 2-room house to be moved. Five miles northwest of town. T. A. Rhoads. 50-4p

Office supplies at the Free Press.

LIVESTOCK—

WANTED—Fat calves and yearlings. Will pay top Ft. Worth quotations. Haskell Livestock Exchange. tfc

POULTRY & SUPPLIES—

FOR SALE: Six-weeks old White Leghorn pullets. Have about 30 to move out at 60 cents each.—Trice Hatchery. 51-2tp

BABY CHICKS FOR 1947—Take advantage of our annual early order 10% discount by placing your order before January 15. English White Leghorns only.—Davis Poultry Farm, Rule, Texas. 51-4tc

SETTING EGGS WANTED—We will pay a premium for setting eggs for the following breeds: White Leghorn, Buff Orpington, Black Minorcas, Rhode Island Reds, New Hampshire Reds, and Barred Rocks. Market Poultry & Egg Co., Haskell. 48tfc

FOR SALE: Started chickens in our brooders now. Priced according to age. See these if you need some early fryers.—Trice Hatchery. 51-2p

BOOK BABY CHICKS Now—Save 10%. English White Leghorns only.—Davis Poultry Farm, Rule, Texas. 51-4tc

WANT TO BUY—White Leghorn breeding cocks. Market Poultry & Egg Co. 48tfc

BABY CHICKS—White Leghorns, rapid feathering White Rocks. Special prices for early bookings sent on request. Curtis Martin Poultry Farm, Route 1, Hamlin, Texas. L18p

FARM MACHINERY—

FOR SALE—A good 8x10 brooder house, 1 good No. 2 International Cream Separator, used very little. Also windcharger with 2 drop lights. 2 good screen doors. See H. E. Walton, 1-2 miles northeast of pump station. 51-3p

FOR SALE: Spading forks, leaf rakes, hoes, speedy cultivators, and one two-wheel Planet Junior cultivator and hoe.—Trice Hatchery. 51-2tp

FOR SALE—1945 model John Deere 6 foot combine with motor. Has cut only 400 acres of wheat. G. F. Spitzer, Old Glory, Texas. 51-2p

FOR SALE—John Deere B model tractor; good condition. F. H. Ray, 4 miles east of Haskell. 51-2tp

FOR SALE—3 disc M & M breaking plow, first class condition. Also 4 section harrow. See H. E. Owens at H. E. Owens Service Station, Rochester. 50-4p

FOR SALE—CC Case tractor with power take-off; also several good cows with calves; young sorrel saddle mare; fifty White Leghorn laying hens; some good bundle cane. Woodrow Perrin, 7 miles north Haskell. 52-2p

FOR SALE: Case tractor, A-1 condition, all new tires. See Clyde Davis, Route 3, Haskell, Texas. 51-2p

FOR SALE—18 in. tractor breaking plow. One 14 in. turning plow. N. B. Webb, Rochester, Texas. 51-3tp

Uncle Sam Says



Was the victory won on the battlefield at so high a price wasted in your case? Are you doing anything this Armistice Day about making your future a happier, brighter future? How should my nieces and nephews observe Armistice Day? First, honor the memory of the Americans who died for the security of all we hold dear. Then, make the day a day of action on behalf of your security. Rejoice the Payroll Savings Plan. Sign up for security.

1 1946 GM John Deere, practically new, 4-row planter.
1 1943 M Farmall.
1 1945 A John Deere. No tools.
2 Ford tractors. Complete with tools.
1 H Farmall cultivator and planter, skip row, nearly new.
1 1938 John Deere B, 2-row equipment.
1 1938 John Deere A, 4-row equipment.
1 1946 H Farmall with equipment.

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RADIATOR SERVICE— of all kinds. Repairing, cleaning, etc. We also paint tractors and cars. Used cars for sale. Haskell Radiator Shop, two blocks east of jail. 48tfc

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FOR SALE—A Superflex oil heater in good condition. See Mrs. L. H. Harrell. 51-2p

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FOR SALE—Gas cook stove. See Arthur Patton at Patton and Redwine Garage. 52-2p

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FOR SALE—3 burner Nesco oil stove. See Mrs. Oval Shaw. 2p

FOR SALE: Good piano. See Mrs. Bob Speck, Rochester, Texas. 51-2tp

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Get your office supplies at The Free Press.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kubena, who recently moved from their former home northwest of Goree to a new farm southwest of Munday were in Haskell Saturday and Mr. Kubena called at The Free Press to renew his subscription for the coming year. He is well pleased in his new location, and says the recent rains have provided a good bottom season for next year's crops.

ONCE AGAIN

IT'S CHRISTMAS

May it bring you Peace and Happiness Throughout the New Year

Please accept our thanks for the kindnesses you have extended us in the past. We trust we may continue to merit your consideration in the future.

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MHS Capers Lose to Aspermont 38-21

The Haskell capers went to Aspermont Thursday night for two basketball games and dropped both of the contests. The first game was played by the Haskell 5 team with the following starting line-up: Bobby Smith, center; James Dodson, forward; Dan McMillan, forward; Jimmy Turner, guard; and Herbert Vines, guard.

Second game saw the A team in action with the following starters: Tooley, center; Foster and Medford, forwards; Strain and Fritz, guards.

Those reporting daily for practice are: Forwards, James Foster, Leroy Medford, Dan McMillan, James Dodson, Dan Ruddy, Billy Ray Lusk, Abe Turner; centers, Kenneth Tooley, Bobby Smith; guards, James Strain, Monte Fritz, Bobby Jack Price, Howard Adams, Herbert Vines and Jimmy Tarnas.

VA REPRESENTATIVE COMING

A representative from the Veterans Administration will be in Haskell on Friday Jan. 10 and again Friday January 24 from 8 a. m. until noon, in the county courthouse for the purpose of interviewing veterans and their dependents on such matters as pensions, insurance, hospitalization, education, on-the-job training and other rights and benefits.

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the HASKELL NATIONAL 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 other business that may properly come before said meeting.

A. C. PIERSON, Cashier

Tickets Go Fast for Alamo Bowl Game

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 23.—Mail orders for tickets to the New Year's Day Alamo Bowl game between Hardin-Simmons' undefeated Cowboys and the University of Denver's co-champs of the Big Seven are flooding into the Elks Club, 225 East Pecan Street, San Antonio, Deacon Chauncey, chairman of the ticket committee has announced.

Requests for tickets from over the Southwest are flowing into the Elks Club and may orders have been received from various sections of the United States.

Some 26,000 fans are expected to fill Alamo Stadium when these two brilliant teams dig into the turf of this sun-filled gridiron. It will be the first New Year's Day Bowl game in San Antonio's history and will inaugurate what local boosters hope will become an annual affair here.

Adding color to the big event at 11 A. M. on New Year's Day will be a parade staged by Hardin-Simmons' famed Cowboy Band and pep squad, including the white horses which are part of the school's tradition, and which have paraded on the streets of European capitals.

Application for tickets, which range in price from \$1.80 for the bleachers, \$3.60 for reserved seats in the grandstand, and \$4.80 for boxes, must be accompanied by certified check or money order. Chauncey said. To insure safe delivery, add 25c for mail registration.

President Truman has been quoted as saying he doesn't like the job of being president because there's no future in it.

VA Will Select Loan Appraisers

In order to afford veterans all possible protection against over-priced properties in the current high market, the Veterans Administration announced that effective January 2, 1947, VA and not the lender, will pick the appraiser to evaluate "reasonable value" for purposes of G. I. loans.

Under the revised procedure, VA will designate by name the person to appraise each piece of property offered for sale to veterans under the guaranty loan provisions of the GI Bill.

This contrasts with the system in effect for the past 15 months, under which the lender was permitted to select any appraiser he desired from a panel of local appraisers whose general qualifications had been reviewed and approved by VA.

The revised procedure, VA said, will eliminate the tendency on the part of some lenders to use exclusively the services of "obliging" appraisers who are most amenable to turning in a high appraisal where necessary to meet the asking price.

As of November 30, more than 31,000 GI loans had been approved in VA's Dallas branch area of Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi. These loans amounted to \$164,900,315, of which VA guaranteed \$78,072,915.

In Latin American countries roasted pumpkin seed are sold at peddler's stands much as roasted peanuts are sold in this country.

Remember the fellow in the circus who used to stick his right arm in the lion's mouth? Now they call him "Lefty".

American Legion Dues Payable Now

Commander Tom Clifton and Adjutant Doyle Eastland of the Rogers-Cox American Legion Post of Haskell have asked The Free Press to remind Legionnaires that dues for 1947 should be paid as early as possible. Eastland said yesterday that only about a fourth of the members have paid their dues, and that others are urged to contact him or Clifton or other active members and make payment.

The local post has mapped an active campaign for community and legion betterment for 1947 and all veterans of the county who are not active in other posts are invited to attend regular meetings of Rogers-Cox American Legion, which are held every second and fourth Thursday nights in the district court room of the Haskell County courthouse.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Billy Decker, student in John Tarleton Agricultural College at Stephenville, is in Haskell to spend the holidays with home-folks.

Haskell National Employees Get Bonus

Christmas bonus checks totaling approximately \$1,100 were distributed to officials and book-keeping personnel of the Haskell National Bank Saturday in recognition of services during the past year. Bonus recipients were O. E. Patterson, active vice president; A. C. Pierson, vice president and cashier; Miss Nettie McCollum, cashier; and bookkeepers Miss Pearlita Ivy, Mrs. Joanna Connally and Miss Desale Carrol.

HERE ON FURLOUGH

Pete Harrell, who re-enlisted in the United States Army a few months ago after several years of service, is here for the holidays.

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LIGHTS will twinkle gaily this Christmas Eve in millions of windows throughout the land. Hearts will be overflowing with gladness as families everywhere toast the Yuletide season.

Here's a hearty wish for you, friends, as you enjoy this festive occasion. May the Season be a merry one full of contentment, joy and goodwill.

Tom Roberson
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Stop and Go—For the Children

Several months Haskell school officials have been taking safety measures in an effort to minimize danger to children who must cross the busy highway in front of school, North Ward and South Ward. They called on the Texas Department of Public Safety, and spent some time at the schools watching hundreds of children of all ages hurrying to and from their homes and schools, during and after school. Supt. Vaughter with the district highway officials at Abilene and their counsel.

Anyone who has had occasion to see school children rushing to and from their classes and at play know that it is best for them to have to cross through highways. This situation is made doubly hazardous by the fact that the Haskell schools are on property adjoining a highway, and there is not a stop sign anywhere along the highway. It has been suggested that perhaps the State Highway Department would not approve signal lights being installed because the lights would slow through traffic. However, it has been said that traffic signals are not the remedy to the situation because people will not observe traffic laws. The State Highway Department and the State Department of Safety work hand in hand to expedite traffic. They have assured their whole-hearted support to school authorities in remedying the dangers Haskell children face every day as they cross the highways. They have pledged their facilities to see that if lights are installed they will be respected.

Signal lights were installed it has been pointed out that they would necessarily be operated only a short time each day. Just before school hours begin each morning, during the noon hour, and immediately following dismissal in the afternoon they could be operated from school offices. If one were installed at each end of blocks where schools are located, they could be synchronized so that through traffic would be slowed very little. The lights would not be needed over week-ends during actual school hours. Surely no driver would be thoughtless as to resent a traffic light when it means the safety of boys and girls.

It would be a good time for someone who would do something worthwhile for Haskell youth to act. Funds are immediately available for purchasing traffic lights for use at the highway intersections near the school. Then there's the problem of finding the lights. Funds were available. School officials will be glad to cooperate with any individual or organization in locating lights and getting them installed.

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HASKELL COUNTY HISTORY

Brief Items Taken from Old Copies of The Free Press

20 Years Ago—Dec. 23, 1926
The residence of H. S. Gibson on the Oates farm ten miles north of town was destroyed by fire Saturday morning about 10 o'clock. Practically all the furniture and household effects of the family were lost.

W. A. Hisey, farmer in the Howard community, is Haskell County's champion cotton grower. He has already gathered and ginned 160 bales from this year's crop, and expects to get out several more bales.

The State Highway Department is asking for bids for repairing the bridge spanning the Brazos River west of Rule.

Miss Helen Harbison left this week to spend Christmas holidays with home folks in Fayetteville, Ark.

After being held up for several days because of bad weather, work on the new City Hall building has been resumed and Contractor Harrison expects to have the building completed early next year.

Marshall Pierson, who is employed with the State Health Department as food inspector, is here to spend the holidays with his family.

Marvin Medford of Haskell and Miss Ophelia Josselot, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Josselot of Sierra Blanca, were married in that city December 22. The young couple will make their home in the Howard community southeast of Haskell.

Mrs. J. W. Hawkins of Sanford, N. C., is here to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. S. Boone and other relatives.

40 Years Ago—Dec. 22, 1906
The Methodist and Presbyterian Sunday Schools are each planning to have Christmas Trees on Dec. 24.

R. H. Crow, who recently purchased a farm near Haskell, has moved his family here from Bell County. A good many of the people who bought farms in Haskell County during the past summer are now moving here from Central and East Texas.

The Haskell IOOF Lodge left the contract to J. N. McFatter this week for construction of their new building on the north side of the square. The building is 30 by 100 feet, two stories high, with a basement store 30 by 60 feet. Contract price is understood to be in the neighborhood of \$9,000.

Cornerstone of the new Masonic Building will be laid at 2 p. m. today, and appropriate ceremonies have been planned for the occasion.

Bob Steel of Del Rio is here on a visit to his father. There is considerable talk of incorporating the town, and sentiment in favor of this step is growing.

G. H. Cobb was in town Thursday and told us that the prairie fire in his section last week burned all his grass. He stated the fire started in a pasture four miles south of his ranch and extended five miles north of his place.

L. D. Blackwood, who has been working in H. C. Wyche's carpenter shop, left Friday for Kansas City.

Lee Pierson was in town yesterday and said to a reporter that he plans to build a tenant house on each 100 acres of his land next year. As he has three and one-half sections, that means twenty-two houses.

50 Years Ago—Dec. 19, 1896
M. S. Pierson received about 70 head of cattle on his farm this week from Raines County. We understand there is some fine blooded stock in the herd.

Judge J. M. Baldwin and wife left Sunday to spend Christmas in Annin County with relatives and friends. Judge Hammer and family have

gone to Austin for a few days visit, and will also visit relatives in Galveston before returning home.

W. H. Patterson and Will Yoe returned a few days ago from Indian territory. Mr. Yoe says the Territory is a very dull country now.

Miss Eula Hudson, who is attending Simmons University in Abilene, is at home for the Xmas holidays.

Rev. M. L. Moosy was called to Stonewall County this week to perform a marriage ceremony.

Walter Tandy and Miss Una Foster, who are attending Baylor University at Waco, are at home to spend the holidays with their home folks.

T. J. Lemmon is off on a business trip to Seymour. Will Sherrill made a business trip to Abilene the first of the week.

J. E. Ellis has purchased Judge McConnell's residence and the Judge and family will move to their new home within the next few days.

C. C. Riddel has moved his saddle shop into the Johnson building.

Magazine Club Meets Friday
Women of Religion was the topic directed by Mrs. R. J. Reynolds Friday at the Magazine Club. Mrs. Wallace Cox gave. Outstanding Biblical Women, which was appreciated very much by those who heard this splendid paper. The club decided to have it typed and placed in the Library so that others might read and enjoy it.

Jean Conner gave two voice numbers, The Lord's Prayer, by Malotte, and O Holy Night, by Adams. Mrs. O. E. Patterson was the accompanist. Christmas Carols were sung.

Many nice and useful articles as well as a cash donation were brought as shower gifts to the club.

Arrangements for the lovely affair were in charge of the entertainment committee, Mrs. W. L. Richey, Mrs. Bill Wilson, Mrs. Earl Atchison and Mrs. Claud Harrison.

The committee used greenery, tall white lighted tapers and colored Christmas balls very effectively in decorations. They served delicious refreshments.

Others present were Mesdames McCollum, Mary Oates, Turner, R. C. Couch Jr., Diggs, Bailey, Lewis, Collins, Fields Smith, Ada Eike, Thornton, Hellums, R. V. Reynolds, Jno. Couch, Rike, Kimbrough, Hassen, Miss Nettie McCollum and Mrs. Frank Kimbrough, a guest.

IN HASKELL SATURDAY

A. C. (Tony) Schaeffer, prominent farmer and stockman in the southeast section of the county was a business visitor in Haskell Saturday and took time out for a brief visit in The Free Press office, while renewing his subscription for another year. A long-time resident of Haskell County, Mr. Schaeffer says his section has had abundant rainfall in recent months to promise bumper crops next year. He contrasted this prospect to conditions two years ago a severe drought prevailed in that section.

HERE FROM DALLAS

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Gholson of Dallas are holiday guests in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gholson.

HOME FROM COLLEGE

Frances Bartlett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Bartlett and a student at Abilene Christian College, is home for the holidays.

A Christmas WISH...

This year, as we send our compliments of the season, we wish to include our thanks for the splendid cooperation and patronage given us in the past.

Jones Barber Shop

Thank you, friends and neighbors, for your fine cooperation and helpful courtesy in the past year. We look forward to a bright future and hope you will receive a generous share of the good will and happiness so much in evidence today.

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Primitive Baptists Schedule Meetings

The Primitive Baptist Church at Rule, Texas, will have a fifth Sunday meeting December 29th also on Saturday before.

Elder W. D. Ramsey of Merkel, Texas, and Elder A. B. Hughes of Vernon are expected to be there for the meeting.

Visitors are always welcome.

—READ THE WANT ADS—

HERE FROM BAYLOR

Jane Richey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Richey and a student in Baylor University, Waco, is here for the Christmas holidays.

HERE FROM A & M

Rice Alvis Jr., 1946 graduate of Haskell High School and a student in Texas A. & M., is at home for the holidays.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Ben Brock of Abilene is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brock in this city.

Dr. Fulton to Speak On Presbyterian Radio Hour

Dr. C. Darby Fulton, Executive Secretary of the Committee on Foreign Missions of the Southern Presbyterian Church, will be the speaker on the Presbyterian Hour next Sunday morning, December 29, at 7:30 a. m., over an independent network of southeastern radio stations.

Born in Japan of missionary parents, Dr. Fulton was educated in Presbyterian College in South Carolina, and took postgraduate work in the University of South Carolina. He received his theological training in Columbia Theological Seminary, and was graduated there in 1915. He was pastor for two years at Bunker Hill and Glassboro, New Jersey, in the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., and has been in the Southern Presbyterian Church since 1917.

Dr. Fulton served as a missionary in Japan for eight years, and in 1922 was called to be field secretary of the Executive Committee of Foreign Missions in Nashville, Tennessee. In 1932, he was called to his present post, and in the course of his work has traveled widely in all parts of the world where the Southern Presbyterian Church has foreign mission stations.

Dr. Fulton has written for many magazines on the subject of missions, and is recognized as one of the leading authorities on foreign missions in America.

The subject of Dr. Fulton's address next Sunday morning will be, "The Chapter of the Church."

This radio broadcast can be heard in Haskell over radio station WFAA, Dallas.

Church Plans Watch Service Dec. 31st

A Watch Service will be held New Year's Eve at the Fundamental Baptist Church to watch the old year out and the new year in, the pastor, Rev. C. Jones announced this week.

Beginning at 7 p. m., the program will include singing and special music from 7 until 8:15. The children will sing their special songs. Out-of-town guest speakers during the evening will include Rev. H. S. Hinson of Stamford, Rev. Sherman Gann of Wichita Falls, and Rev. Ray Morrow of Electra, who will bring the midnight message.

Congregation and visitors will have one hour and fifteen minutes of fellowship, from 10 to 11:15. Cake and coffee will be served. Church members and the public are invited to come and enjoy the special service.

VA HOSPITALS INCREASED

Veterans Administration now is operating 28 former Army and Navy hospitals to meet veterans' needs for hospitalization.

Get your Christmas cards at The Free Press.

dress next Sunday morning will be, "The Chapter of the Church."

This radio broadcast can be heard in Haskell over radio station WFAA, Dallas.

Naomi Class Has Christmas Social

The Naomi Bible Class held their Christmas social December 16 at 7 o'clock in the annex of the First Baptist Church.

The class room was decorated with green branches and colored lights twined about the doorway and wreaths of evergreens and red lights hung in the windows.

The setting for the program was a beautiful fireside scene, chimney with fireplace and a cheery, glowing fire sending its rays of lights to help brighten up the cozy room.

Another beautiful scene that added attractiveness to the room was a table snow scene with the Star of the East, with the Wise Men guided by its light to the Manger where Mary, Joseph and the Babe were portrayed, helped give the Christmas touch to the decorations.

With the program in charge of Mrs. Arthur Edwards the program opened by the group singing, "I Came Upon the Midnight Clear," directed by Mrs. Claud Ashley, and accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Charlie Quattlebaum.

Mrs. Jess Josselot gave the opening prayer. A song, "Away in the Manger" was sung and Mrs. Whatley gave the devotional, "The Birth of Christ from second chapter of Matthew's, closing with a prayer.

A cornet and clarinet duet was given by Charlie and Bobby Smith.

Mrs. Raymond Stuart drew a chalk scene of the Shepherds entering Bethlehem guided by the star, with a background of low singing by a quartet composed of Mesdames Claud Ashley, A. T. Ballard, Jim Fouts and Tom Holland.

Mary Tyler and Anita Robinson played White Christmas as a clarinet duet.

Mrs. Doyle Williamson gave a reading, "The Night Before Christmas," and Mrs. Trav Everett offered prayer.

Jingle Bells was sung, which brought Santa on the scene with his pack on his back and jingling his bells.

After the gifts had been distributed Santa bid the group good-bye and showered them with pecans.

Refreshments of fruit, nuts and candy were passed in red and green Christmas stockings.

Three boxes of love gifts were packed to be distributed to show the Christmas spirit to others as a Christmas gift from the class.

The group went on a tour of Christmas Caroling to the shut-ins and aged friends of the town.

Those attending the social were Mesdames Louise Merchant, Doyle

HOME FROM BUSINESS COLLEGE

"Curly" Bird, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bird, is at home for the holidays. He is a student in a business school in Fort Worth.

HERE FROM KERMIT

Mr. and Mrs. Raybon Lam and children, Conner and Warren, of Kermit, were week-end visitors in the home of Mrs. Lam's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Conner.

Williamson, I. A. Gordon, Hubert Bledsoe, Raymond Stuart, Mary Ballard, Virgil Brown, John McMillin, Jack Johnson, T. P. Perdue, John E. Robinson, Sam Parks, Charlie Smith, Walter Adams, C. V. Oats, H. R. Westley, Jess Josselot, E. B. Callaway, Lark Jones, Jess Barton, Leon Robinson, Paul Cothron, Calvin Wheeler, John Tinkle, Carl Scoggin, Walter Rogers, Edd Cass, Jim Alvis, Trav Everett, Cain, Jim Tyler, Charlie Quattlebaum, A. T. Ballard, Claud Ashley, Jim Fouts, Tom Holland, Arthur Edwards, George Taylor, John Fouts, Carolyn Josselot, Mary Tyler, Anita Robinson and Bobby and Charlie Smith.

HERE FROM CALIFORNIA

Mrs. Bill Earls Jr., of Inglewood, Calif., is spending the holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Pearse.

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10 A. M. Sunday School Study (Exodus 14th Chapter "The dividing of the Red Sea for Israel to cross over at destruction of Pharaoh.")

11 A. M. MORNING MESSAGE BY PASTOR. 6:45 P. M. Young People's Service. Special last night by our teachers for the year.

7:30. EVENING MESSAGE. Make your plans for these last services. The Big Church Bus will be coming way.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND MAY GOD BLESS YOU

That's our simple wish for all.

- May your holidays be filled with the Spirit of Christmas, and the New Year be a cessation of all the small things that constitute real happiness.
- Let's let our New Year's resolution be: That will scatter just a little more of the Milk Human Kindness, that we will think less of and more of others, perhaps less fortunate, one is useless in this world who has light the burden of it for someone else."

COURTNEY HUNT

this Christmas

CHEERY

The urge to make Christmas more gracious lies deep-rooted in the hearts of Americans everywhere, as they pause to observe the Christmas season.

May happiness be yours to enjoy this Christmas and may it give you the inspiration and guidance to meet the coming year with a cheerful heart.

Hettie Williams

The Friendly Warmth of Christmas

May it continue throughout the days of the New Year and may you be blessed with a wealth of happiness and prosperity such as you have never enjoyed before.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

M. C. WILFONG & SONS

Cheap Skate Smitty Wishes YOU A Merry Christmas!

IT IS A PLEASANT CUSTOM

The traditional practice of extending Season's Greetings is a pleasant one for us. Each year we look forward to Christmas because it offers such a splendid opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to each of you.

COOK BROS.

ROY and FLOYD

Above All . . .

WE WISH YOU A Merry Christmas

In the fine tradition of the past it is again our privilege to extend Season's Greetings to our friends in this area. May the old time joyousness of the occasion never be subdued and may it always be in evidence for each of you as you observe this glad occasion.

The hope of your happiness and well-being is ever before us and it is our sincere wish that you will enjoy life to its fullest extent. We are proud of the friendships that have been ours the years past, and in this pride we can properly say to you—

"Merry Greetings, friends!"

Holden Funeral Home

Holden Benefit Assn.

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Says Reddy Kilowatt Your Electric Servant

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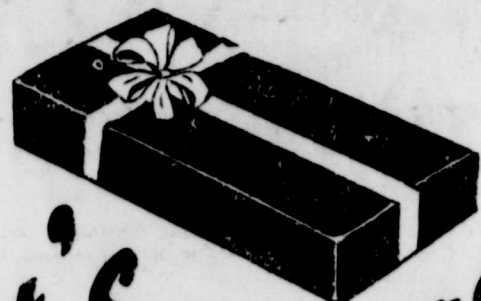
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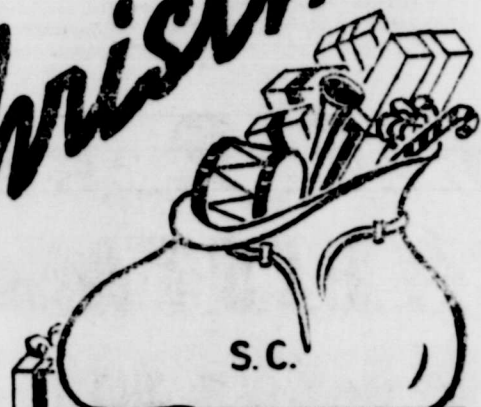
YULETIDE GREETINGS

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Be **HAPPY**
and **GAY**



it's
Christmas



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Stewart Burson Haskell Edwards
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Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa:
We are little girls five and three years old. We have helped our Mother quiet a bit this year, and we would like to have a sewing machine, bride dolls, some cars, games, a set of dishes, a little stove, a doll buggy and some fruit, candy and nuts.

Thank you, and be real good to all the little girls and boys.
Belva Jean and Karen Adkins

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl four years old. I want a wagon, a drum, and a washable doll and anything else you'd like to bring me. Don't forget Gayle, Louise, Jan, Beverly, Rodney, Glenda and James, and Winkie and Bobby, also all my friends and cousins.

Your little friend,
Dana Ruth Smith
P. S.—I've tried to be good. Don't forget little Jimmy.

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a good girl. Will you please bring me a doll, a nurse set and some galoshes, a raincoat, a locket and some house shoes.

Emily Frances Conner
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a good girl. Will you please bring me a locket, a doll, a dresser set, a set of dishes, and a bride doll.

Mary Sue Bird.

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: J. W. Thornton, P. L. Smith, E. D. Glenn, W. J. Glenn, Nathan Murray, J. P. Lamor, 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. 1947, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court on the 5th day of November, 1946, in this cause, numbered 7426 on the docket of said Court and styled

Seals Buy Mobile X-Ray Unit



Christmas Seals bought the mobile X-ray equipment shown above 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, executive secretary, Texas Tuberculosis Assn.

Stae Buys Portable Type Bridges

Sale of \$240,000 worth of Bailey Bridges to the Texas State Highway Department was announced this week by the Fort Worth WAA office. The bridges are to be used in emergencies to keep highways open where temporary crossings over streams are needed where new construction of bridges is under way or in cases where "flash floods" might wash out existing bridges. They are of the portable type and can span streams as wide as 600 feet.

HELP VETS FIND JOBS
Veterans Administration is attempting to restore nearly 160,000 disabled veterans to employability under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act.

MODERN MOTHERS AGREE!
That Durham's Nu-Mo-Rub is a more modern preparation for relieving discomfort of children's simple chest colds. Doctors like its 29% Guaiac-Colophony formula for its vaporizes better and affords a stronger counter-irritant effect. Try Nu-Mo-Rub for croupy coughs. Double the purchase price refunded if you do not find Nu-Mo-Rub a superior chest rub. 35c and 60c jars at your Druggist or at
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RETURN FROM AMARILLO

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Merchant returned recently from a several days visit in Amarillo.

GOOD FRIENDS,
WE GREET YOU!
We're thinking about you and wishing for you immeasurable happiness in the Yuletide season. We've enjoyed our associations with you these past twelve months and eagerly await the opportunity of serving you in the future.

C. G. HAMMER LAUNDRY
Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Hammer

It's
CHRISTMAS

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enough to
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Season's Greetings

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Creomulsion relieves promptly because it goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm, and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough or you are to have your money back.
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Merry Christmas
HERE'S TO YOUR HAPPINESS
As we prepare our Christmas Greetings for you, we wish to also include our most cordial good wishes for your continued happiness and prosperity.

Hallie Chapman Implement Co.



GREETINGS NEIGHBOR!

We want to thank the good people of Haskell and trade territory for the nice business they have given us since we opened our new place. We realize that any degree of success we may have attained is due to our good friends and neighbors.

So it is with a deep feeling of gratitude we wish you one and all A Merry Christmas and all the good things in life throughout the coming year.

Through the faithfulness of our employees we are going to be able to remain open throughout the holidays to serve you the very best we can, and we trust you will drop out to see us.

For those that will be compelled to eat away from home, and those who want to enjoy the day without the drudgery of preparing a Christmas dinner we are going to have plenty of good turkey and all the things that go to make up a real Christmas feast. We are going to throw our special dining room open Christmas Day and will be glad to have you come out and enjoy all or any part of the day with us.

Again we say "Merry Christmas" to you all!

Warren's Drive-Inn

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"Pop" - "Mom" - and Willard

Veterans' News

Questions and Answers

Q—Can a disabled veteran taking a course under Public Law 16 continue his training for more than four years?

A. Training in excess of four years may be approved when the veteran's disability is such that no course of training which does not exceed four years will restore him to employability, or circumstances beyond the control of the veteran necessitate the extension beyond the prescribed four year period.

Q—Can an amputee veteran select the type of artificial limb he wants and the firm he wants to buy it from?

A. Yes, the veteran will be permitted to select the artificial limb of his choice but it must be purchased from an approved prosthetic appliance manufacturer under contract with VA.

Q—Am I entitled to field trip expenses in gathering material for a thesis while I am in school under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act?

A. Veterans Administration will not pay for occasional field trips, whether to summer camp or for data for research or thesis, where the charge to the student is a separate charge not included in the tuition or laboratory fee customarily paid by all students enrolled in the course.

Q—How may application be made for domiciliary or hospital care of a veteran?

A. Veterans Administration Form P-10, Application for Hospital Treatment or Domiciliary Care, should be executed by the veteran or nearest relative, guardian, or representative and forwarded to the nearest VA hospital, regional office, or contact office. If found to be eligible for admission, the veteran will be promptly notified and if admission cannot be authorized, the veteran will be informed and the reason stated.

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Letters to Santa Claus

Haskell, Texas, Route 1
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me an airplane, a wagon, candy, and a little car. I am seven years old.
Your friend,
Lloyd Klose.

Haskell, Texas, Star Route
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 5 years old and I would like for you to bring me a bicycle, doll, telephone, and a set of dishes. I would also like some nuts, candy and fruit. And I would like for you to remember all the other boys and girls that have been good.

Yours truly,
Sandra Bass.

Haskell, Texas, Star Route
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a girl 9 years old in the fourth grade I would like for you to bring me a bicycle, a pair of house shoes and gloves. I would also like some nuts, candy, and fruit. I hope you will remember my sister Sandra and my brother Jerry. Remember all the other boys and girls that have been good. With love,
Jean Bass.

Haskell, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I want a baseball and bat. My sister want a house coat. And my brother wants a football. My other brother wants four books for Christmas, and a merry, merry Christmas to you.
Yours truly,
Den Dandy.



LOOKING AHEAD

By GEORGE S. BENSON
President—Haskell College
Stacy Arkuslar

Harmony

During the recent months of industrial strife and popular confusion, current events have been almost as common a topic of conversation as the weather. Wherever people congregate, somebody opens the subject of "What's the world coming to, anyhow?" It's a wholesome condition. The common sense of Tom, Dick and Harry has saved this nation from many a bad spill.

Recently an old man, slightly deaf, sat near me on the train. With him was a teenage girl, a grand-daughter perhaps. They had divided a newspaper between them. Granddad spoke first. "There's nothing wrong with this country if everybody would get together and do the right thing," he observed. The girl looked at him, shifted her gum and replied, "Many an honest heart beats beneath a wooden head."

Not a Dreamer.

Maybe she lacked respect for her elders but the young woman was practical. People in a country this large don't get together. Moreover they don't do the right thing unless they know what it is, and their education in economic matters has been sadly neglected. Unless that very situation is corrected before long, our people will trail the British into the wilderness of Collectivism. I believe in specialization but I think no specialty should be so narrow as to exclude good citizenship. I believe in versatility, but how can any collection of miscellaneous knowledge be complete without some facts about how men became free to pursue knowledge and get understanding? No people can remain free long after their youth cease to appreciate their sacred liberties.

Young Ideas.

Within the last 12 months, I have been privileged to talk with the students of a great many high schools and colleges in widely scattered states. I have discussed private enterprise and state socialism with them, and I can testify that most of them seem to consider private enterprise a failure. Some of them have been extremely well coached to debate against it.

Questioning them sympathetically, I find that very few of the students I meet have a clear idea about what private enterprise is. They consider it a system that gives special advantages to rich men and big corporations. They point out that our system has not maintained full employment, has not prevented alternate depressions and booms, and has never equalized living standards.

Look to Politics.

It is no surprise that studious youngsters are able to pick the obvious flaws in any system, but here is a surprise: Almost without exception these young people seem to think all the imperfections of America's present system can be corrected by government management. With the scandalous exhibitions of incompetence from WPA to the OPA, how can anybody expect politics to help?

Harmony is really needed in American industry, and American government, but it will be found only on a plane of better knowledge. Text books must be prepared and instructors trained to teach Americanism if human freedom, individual opportunity and intellectual liberty are to continue. When enough of us know the truth we can do the right thing whether we can actually get together or not.

Dear Santa:
I am four years old and have been a nice boy—well, almost—and would like to have a big nice truck, and a pair of cowboy boots, some nuts, fruit and candy. And Santa please remember the other little boys and girls. I will be looking for you, Santa, so bye now. Yours truly,
Charles Therwanger.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl almost three and one-half years old. Will you please bring me a big rubber doll, a doll buggy, a train and track and also plenty of apples, oranges and nuts and candy. Love,
Carolyn Paulette Allen

Stamford, Texas, Route 1
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy five years old. And for Christmas I want a big truck, a bow and arrow set, and fire crackers, and some candy and lots of nuts.
I have a little sister 16 months old. Please bring her some toys, and candy too.
Your friend,
Butch Cox.

Dear Santa:
I love you very much. Please bring me a rubber doll that drinks from a bottle and a sewing machine, and please bring Sammie a doll too. She is three years old. She wants a book about kittens.
From Cleo Williams,
Rule, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little baby girl three months old. Please bring me a doll, toy dog, and bear. I am too little to eat fruit and candy but be sure and bring Mother and Daddy some. Be sure and don't forget me as this is my first Christmas.
Glenda Marie Neel

Haskell, Texas, Star Route
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy 3 years old. I have been a good boy. I would like for you to bring me a little wagon, tractor and trailer, gun and scabbard. I would also like candy, fruit and nuts, and some chewing gum.
Love,
Jerry Bass

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Stays fresh...on your pantry shelf

Merry Christmas

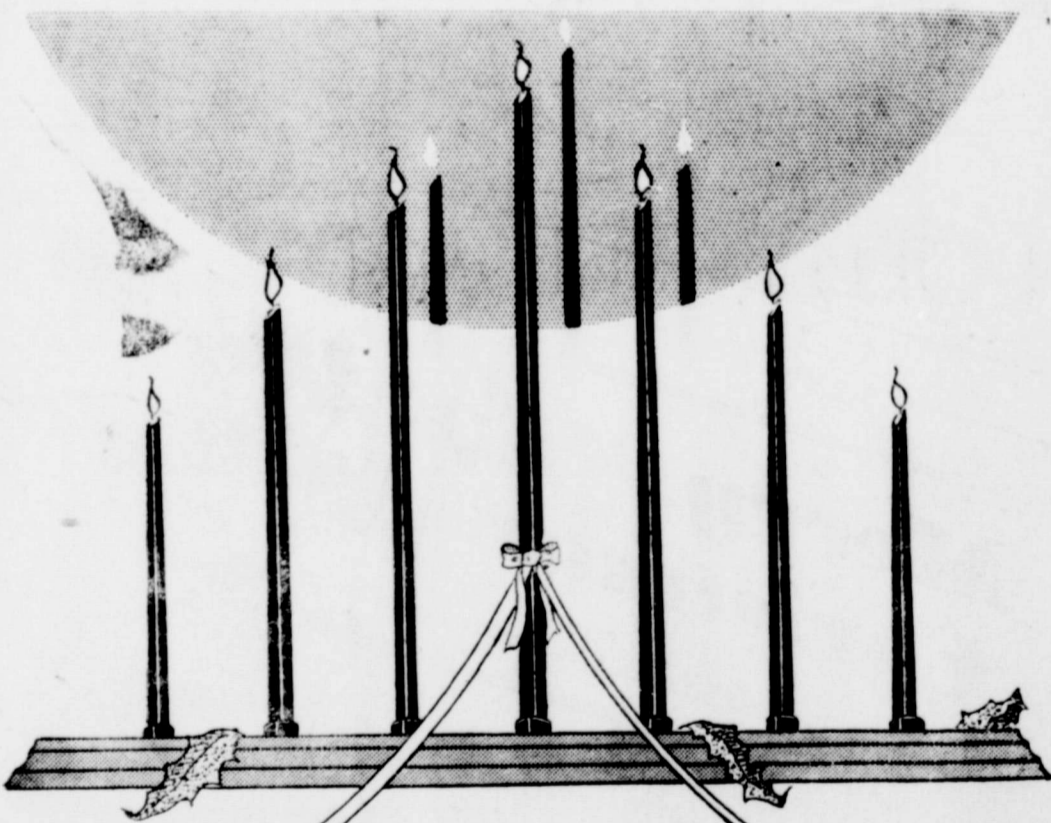
Willie Lane

It's the Season for GREETINGS

And here's ours, as sincere and genuine as we know how to make it. It is our fondest wish that every joy will be yours for the coming season.

Having served you for more than a quarter of a century in the Insurance and Real Estate business we have found that Friendship in business counts for much and we are grateful for yours.

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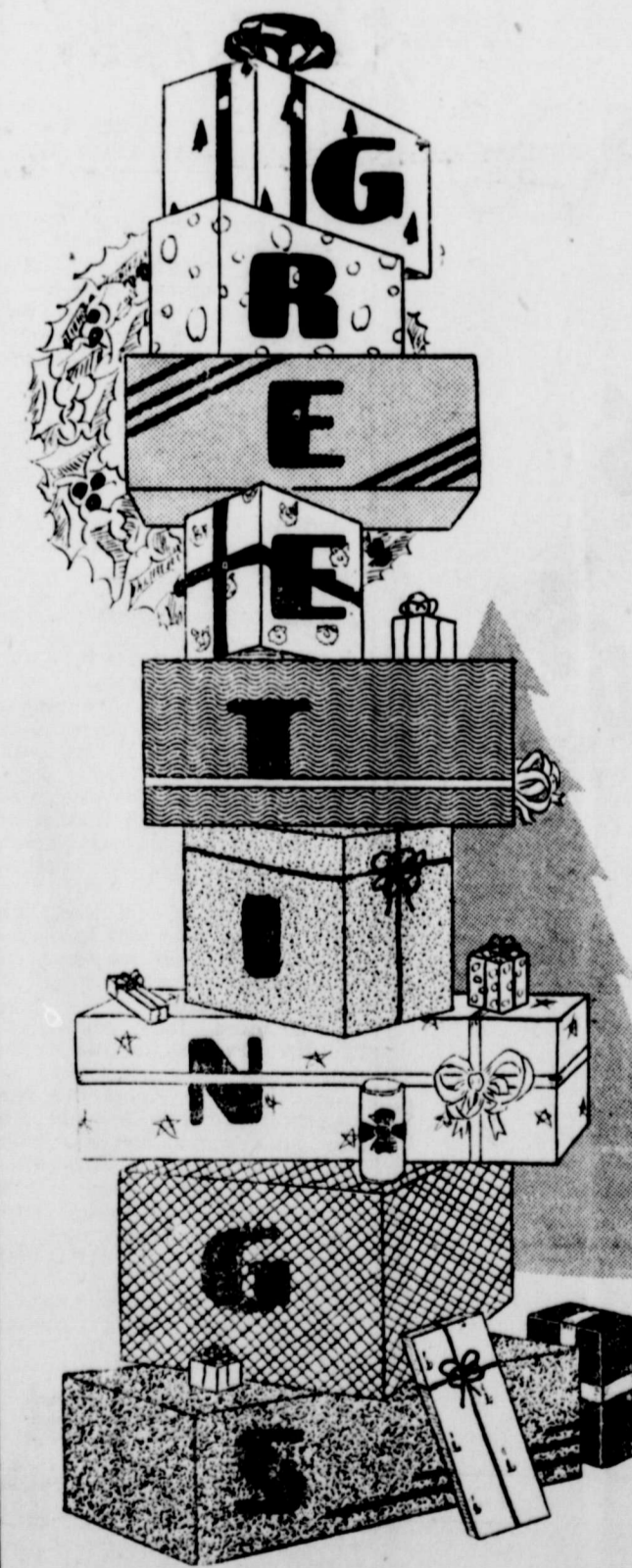


CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the glow of the Christmas candles reflect the true significance of this glorious occasion. May their cheerful radiance remind us again of the warm friendships of those about us, symbolizing the trust and confidence of those with whom we have been associated these past years.

It is our fervent hope that each of you will enjoy the Christmas season at its best.

Perkins-Timberlake



Tucker's Booterie



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Trice Hatchery

Fly With Gra

Fellows & Girls — You can solo a new 1946 model plane in two weeks! VETERANS—We will train you to fly—FREE. See Us Today! Gray Flying Service Municipal Airport, Stamford, Tex.

Star Salaries Paid for 1947

Lone Star Gas Company announced to employees... instead of a Christmas-end bonus...

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy. Will you please bring me a wrist watch and a French harp.

Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus: This is my first year in school and I like my teacher very much. Will you please bring me a big doll with sleepy eyes...

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 17 months old. I have been a good little girl so please bring me a pretty doll, toy dog, a pair of house shoes...

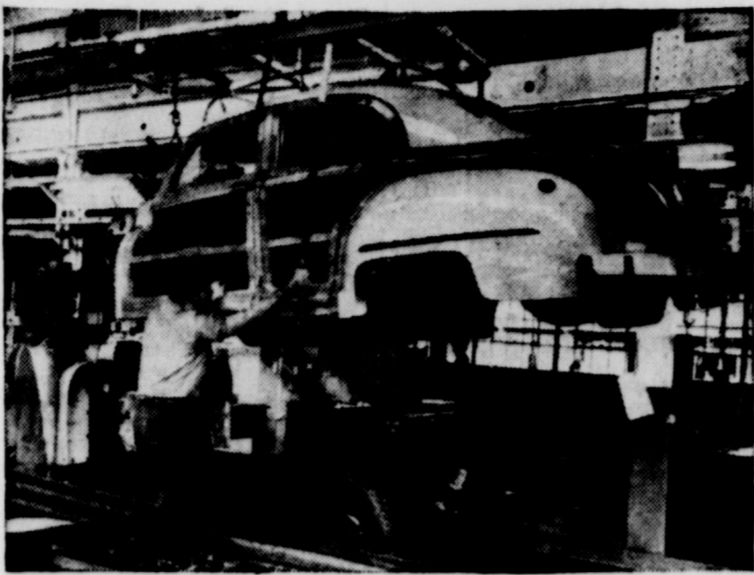
Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a microscope set and a football and leather gloves and billfold.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl 7 years old. I go to South Ward school and am in the second grade. I have the sweetest teacher. Her name is Mrs. Murphy.

Dear Santa Claus: We are little girls 8 and 6 years old. We want a blackboard, toy cash register and bicycle together. We want two magic skin dolls, batons and buggies or doll strollers for our dolls.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy. Will you please bring me a basket ball, motor, cap gun, boots, raincoat, and a football.

Distinctive New Chrysler Model in Production



Chrysler Division, Chrysler Corporation, is now in production on the six-passenger sedan body style of its Town and Country model. This picture shows the body being placed on the chassis by means of an overhead electric crane in the Jefferson Plant.

Santa Claus Letters

Dear Santa Claus: We are a little boy five years old and a little girl two years old and we have been very good little children this year.

I, Tommy, wish you would bring me a Gene Autry gun and scabbard, a double barrel shotgun so that I can kill those coyotes out here...

I, Janis, want a little dog that I can pull over the floor, a toy cat, a baby doll and just anything else nice that you want to bring me...

Santa, please don't forget my sister Dwanna, who is ten years old and Sonny who is eight years old...

Your little friends, Tommy and Janis Matthews.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy three years old. I have been pretty good, I think. (Don't ask Mother.)

I want you to bring me a tricycle and a doll. I wanted a rubber doll, but there wasn't enough to go around so please bring me some kind.

I have a little brother one year old. His name is Lonnie Boyd. He wants a rocking horse, a little wagon and a doll. Please don't forget us. Love, Rodney Childress.

The Dream of All Mankind at Christmas

PEACE ON EARTH GOOD WILL TO MEN

God grant that we all may live and thrive together in peace and harmony in this day and always. We wish you a Joyful Christmas and may choicest blessings be yours forever.



Woodson Radio & Electric

Charmode Beauty Shop

Journalism Students At TCU Pick GOP Election Sweep As Year's Top News

Biggest news story of 1946 was the Republican sweep of the off-year Congressional elections, say students in the Department of Journalism at Texas Christian University, Fort Worth.

All but one of the 10 best stories had to do with the war in one way or another. The Heirans kidnapping-murder case was the lone exception.

Besides the election story, rated No. 1, the "10 Best" included the following, listed with typical comment:

1. Nuremberg trials and executions. "Death and imprisonment come for Nazis who brought terrorism, destruction and death to millions of innocent people all over Europe."

2. Operations Crossroads. "The atom bomb test at Bikini marked the world at the crossroads. Which way will it turn?"

3. Coal strike. "The labor-management, brewing for years, comes to a head in one man—John L. Lewis."

4. End of OPA. "The end of OPA created the biggest domestic question of 1946: How soon can the U. S. successfully return to its historic free economic system?"

5. Heirans kidnapping-murder case. "Fans of crime news got everything—murder, mystery, solution."

6. Paris peace conference. "The world looked at its diplomats for peace, but all it heard was talk of another war."

7. United Nations. "Now that the war is over, the most interesting news is peace, and the UN is the main hope for peace."

8. Meat shortage. "Public opinion asserts itself as price controls kept dinner tables meatless while ranges overflowed."

9. Housing shortage. "People try to make homes in tents, trailers, trees—anywhere for a place to live. A seemingly endless demand for a place to put one's family."

Treat Vacuum Cleaners With Care, Is Advice

Along with other electrical appliances, vacuum cleaners should be handled carefully and used correctly, Mrs. Bernice Claytor, specialist in home management for the Texas A&M College Extension Service, suggests the following simple rules for good care of cleaners:

Remove all bits of glass, pins, string, tacks and similar objects from the floor before using the cleaner. The device has not been designed to pick up such large items, and they may cause damage to its internal mechanism.

The dirt container needs frequent emptying. Both containers and filters should be kept clean. Otherwise suction is reduced, lessening the efficiency of the cleaner.

Handle the plug carefully when disconnecting the cord from the wall, continues Mrs. Claytor. Never pull on the cord itself or wrap it too tightly when putting the sweeper away.

Brushes, on cleaners that have them, need to be kept free of thread and hair for most effective sweeping.

The manufacturer's instructions about lubrication and general care should be studied and always followed. If possible, it is good to have a vacuum cleaner checked at least once a year by a reputable service man.

GUESTS IN COUCH HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Burleson and children of Waco are spending Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. Burleson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Couch.

The Free Press has a wide selection of Christmas cards.

Renew your subscription to the Free Press now to be certain you will receive the news during the paper shortage.



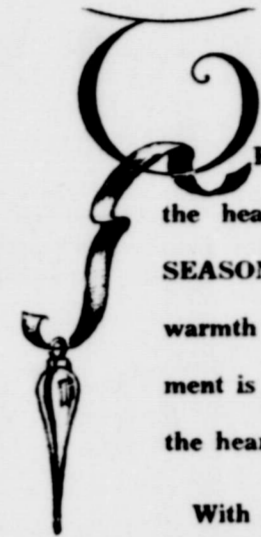
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Mrs. Elma Guest Mrs. Buford Cox

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Tyler Electric Service & Appliance Store

New Radios - New Batteries - New Irons



HERE is no restraint in the heartiness of this year's SEASON'S GREETINGS—the warmth of peace and contentment is everywhere. Joy is in the hearts of all.

With good reason, then, we are happy in the belief that this season's greetings is a reality rather than a wish.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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Greetings

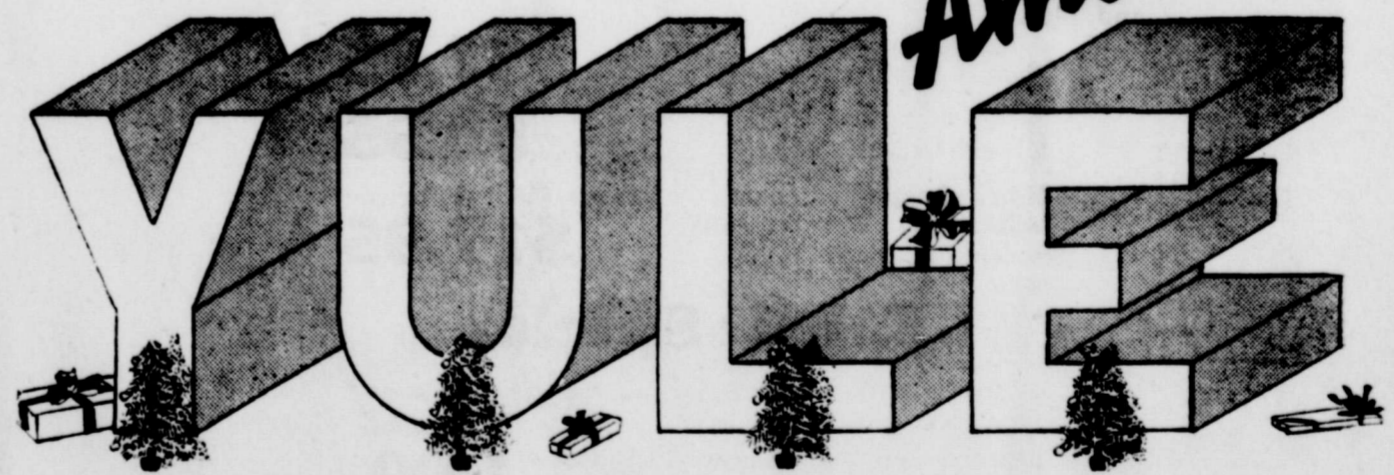
To our good friends, those whom we have had the privilege of serving in the past, and those whom we'd like to serve in the future, we send this little package of Christmas cheer. It is heavily laden because it carries our most hearty appreciation of your friendships, patronage, and cooperation that you have shown this institution in the past. It also brings you our earnest hopes for a full enjoyment of the Holiday season.

Accept our wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year.

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Wishing You

AN OLD FASHIONED American



As we express our annual Christmas greeting, we are mindful of the countless blessings that have come our way during the year just closing, and we are truly grateful.

We have enjoyed the blessings of friendships and associations with those whom we serve. The loyalty of our friends is a blessing unsurpassed.

Freedom, liberty, the right to worship as we please, the right to think and speak, to enjoy our home, the nourishment of our bodies, the blessings of health and happiness—these and countless other blessings are ours.

We are grateful and wish for you and yours the many blessings every American deserves.

Haskell National Bank

SEASON'S GREETINGS

TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS

We take this opportunity to thank our friends and customers for their patronage during the past year. We have tried to give you the best service possible at all times, and have earned all patrons a good dividend.

Farmers Co-Op Society No. 1

W. A. Montgomery, Manager

Streets Cleaned Monday Night

With Haskell Junior Chamber of Commerce members and others interested in a cleaner city doing most of the work, a crew of local citizens was busy Monday night cleaning streets around the square. Workers were using a street sweeper acquired for the job.

Volunteer workers for the project were secured by the Jaycees during the day Monday, and it is planned that such a cleaning of Haskell streets may become systematic.

Red Cross Will Bring Cheer to Hospitals

The Red Cross announced in Washington, D. C., Sunday that plans have been perfected "to insure bright gifts and Yuletide cheer" for the 200,000 patients in Army, Navy and Veterans Administration hospitals at home and abroad.

In addition, holiday programs will be presented in the 295 recreation facilities maintained by the Red Cross overseas for service men and their dependents.

Gas Franchise Is Granted by Council

Haskell's City Council, meeting last Friday in a special session, passed an ordinance granting a franchise to M. E. Trapp of Oklahoma for laying mains and pipelines for a natural gas distribution system within the corporate limits of the city. The franchise will extend over a period of twenty-nine years and six months. Application for the permit has been pending before the Council since early in October. In a recent referendum, Haskell residents voted in favor of granting the franchise.

Spare Stamp 53 Good for 5 Pounds Of Sugar Jan. 1

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25—OPA said today spare stamp No. 53 will be good for five pounds of sugar beginning January 1 and added an additional ration may become available within four months.

"It is anticipated," the agency said, "that the second consumer stamp for 1947 will be validated before spare stamp 53 expires" on April 30.

As to the canning sugar outlook for next year, an OPA official declared that "if the supply situation turns out as good as expected, there will be at least 10 pounds per person and possibly more."

Uncle Sam Rakes In Holiday Tax Dollars

Santa Claus and Uncle Sam are in cahoots in what may well be the nation's biggest buying spree.

Santa is spreading Christmas cheer. And Uncle Sam is rolling in the tax dollars, because the wartime excise rates still prevail. For every dollar you spent on jewelry, furs, perfumes or luggage for Christmas gifts, you paid 20 cents to the federal treasury.

You and your friends who are Christmas visiting back to the old home town, on train, plane or bus, had 15 percent added to the ticket price, and this was forked over to the treasury.

If you telephone a Christmas greeting there the long distance toll gets 25 percent added for the tax kitty.

It just happens that Uncle Sam pucks an extra wad of dough when Santa spreads the Christmas spirit, for the excise levies prevail the year 'round.

These taxes, affecting many other purchases and services, will yield billions of dollars this year. A lot of folks in and out of con-

Uncle Sam Says



What a turkey, mom! So you want your Uncle Sam to slice off a thick chunk of white meat for you, son. What a Thanksgiving feast! So you want the Wishing-bone, Mary! Lots of folks will be making silent wish on this great holiday. I'd like to make an open wish. I wish for all my nieces and nephews, young and old, long life, health, happiness and good fortune. You can help make my wish come true by building a strong financial foundation of U. S. Savings Bonds for your home and every home. Buy your extra Savings Bond now! U. S. Treasury Department

Bargain Days on Papers Soon Over

Free Press readers are reminded this week that Bargain Days on both this paper and dailies will be over December 31, and are urged to renew their subscriptions as soon as possible. Continued shortage of newsprint makes it almost certain that no papers will extend Bargain Days.

Beginning January 1 The Free Press will be \$2 a year in Haskell and adjoining counties and \$2.50 elsewhere, whereas subscriptions are being taken now at \$1.50 and \$2.

The Star-Telegram is \$10.95 now, \$15 after the first; The Abilene Reporter-News \$7.95 now and \$12 January 1; The Wichita Falls Record-News or Times \$8.25 now, \$12 after first of the year; The Fort Worth Press \$5 now, \$6 after January 30.

The Free Press is local agent for all these dailies and will be glad to handle subscriptions at these Bargain Day rates until December 31. Subscribers are urged to come in as early as possible and avoid possibility of missing copies. Renewals for The Star-Telegram must be accompanied by the pink address label on the paper, and no new subscriptions can be accepted.

Those who have regular accounts with The Free Press are invited to phone in renewals and charges will be made January 1.

If you're buying nursery stock, examine the roots before you accept it. Don't accept stock with knots or bead-like growths on the roots.

Corn with a kernel content of 25 to 30 percent likely to spoil in the Green peppers are a source of vitamin C.

Your Happiness

IS OUR FINEST CHRISTMAS GIFT



WHITE AUTO STORE

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rich and Otis Hawkins

Pre-Inventory Sale

Here are prices that mean substantial savings to you... savings you cannot afford to pass up on items you need now... and for next year.

Ready-To-Wear

- Women's better coats... tailored, fitted and box... formerly up to \$49.75, now **\$37.50**
- Women's suits... cardigan and collar types, all wool... formerly up to \$49.75, now **\$37.00**
- Special group of misses and junior wool dresses, new styles and colors... values up to \$24.75, now **\$10.00**
- Selected group of women's sweaters... all wool, pull-on or coat... formerly up to \$3.98, now **\$2.39**
- Women's wool skirts... crepes and twills... solid colors, plaids and checks, formerly up to \$7.95, now **\$3.88**

Women's Purses

Special group of good purses selected from regular stock for clearance.

- Group No. 1, \$2.98 **\$1.98**
- Group No. 2, \$3.98 **\$2.98**
- Group No. 3, \$5.00 **\$3.98**
- Group No. 4, \$7.50 **\$4.98**

Men's and Boys' Outerwear

All wool boys' mackinaws... jumbo plaid, flannel lined... maroon and blue.

- Sizes 4 to 8 **\$7.95**
- Sizes 8 to 16 **\$9.95**
- Men's sheep-lined coats... famous Field & Stream tailoring... Wombat collar. Specially priced **\$17.95**

Fabric Special

Heavy quality homespun... excellent for bedspreads and draperies... stripes of maroon, green, and blue on grey... formerly \$1.59 per yard, now **1.00**

Perkins-Timberlake

Merry Christmas

Greetings

FRIENDS

We're wishin' for you everything that's good. You're a swell bunch of folks, and we're mighty proud to have known you, and to call you our friends. **MERRY CHRISTMAS.**

Banner Ice

THOMPSON & BURSON

Thank You

At this time of the year it is appropriate to take time out to express to you the appreciation of our entire organization for your loyalty and good will.

Merry Christmas

McKeever Cleaners

J. O. McKeever

Zoe Tidwell

TEXAS

Friday and Saturday, Dec. 27-28—

LEO GORCEY and THE BOWERY BOYS In **"Bowery Bombshell"**

"Owl Show" 11 P. M. Sat. Nite Come 8:45 to 9 p. m.—See Two Complete Programs!

EDDIE ALBERT In

"Strange Voyage"

Plus: BUGS BUNNY

SUNDAY and MONDAY, DECEMBER 30-31—

Walt Disney's **Make Mine Music!**

with the music and the voices of **BENNY GOODMAN DINAH SHORE THE ANDREWS SISTERS NELSON EDDY JERRY COLONNA ANDY RUSSELL THE KING'S MEN STERLING HOLLOWAY THE PEBBLES**

Released through MCA PICTURES, Inc.

NEWS — PRO. FOOTBALL

Extra Added: SQUATTER'S RIGHTS — GEM OF THE OCEAN

Tuesday Only, Dec. 31—

W A H O O !

JANITOR'S SWEEPSTAKE and **BOBBY BREEN NED SPARKS** In

"HAWAII CALLS"

— Added — **"CINDERELLA'S FELLA"** NEWS

Tuesday Only, December 31—

New Year's Eve

MIDNIGHT SHOW! Fancy! Dancy! Romaney!

The Teen Agers

FREDDIE STEWART JUNE PREISSEP In

"High School Hero"

And **"DOUBLE RHYTHM"**

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, JANUARY 1-2—

It's Something New from Bud and Lou!

Bud Abbott - Lou Costello In

"Time of Their Lives"

With **MARJORIE REYNOLDS — BINNIE BARNES**

Added Fun: "Donald's Double Trouble" Novelty

Coming

"THE STRANGER"

Coming

Butane Co. Employees Get Bonus

Payne, M. O. Brinlee, D. O. T. Smith, E. J. O. A. Cobb and G. H. employee of Walling and Appliance Company receive bonus check along with regular checks just before Christmas. J. E. Walling Jr. is also Humble Oil and Company dealer here. The bonus checks are in appreciation of employees who have helped in making the best years the company has enjoyed.

FROM DALLAS

Hassie Davis, teacher in schools, is in Haskell for Christmas. She is visiting in with her sister, Mrs. Scott.

New Rule Doctor Opening Office

Dr. W. W. Plasek, who has been associated with Dr. M. W. Rogers in the rear of Watson Drug in Rule since October 7, held open house yesterday (Monday) in his new office building, two blocks east of the Rule business district. The building has just been completed and the young doctor still is receiving office furniture and equipment.

Dr. Plasek is a graduate of Trinity University, Waxahachie, where he received his B. S. degree, and of Southwestern Medical College, Dallas, where he took his M. D. degree. He served considerable time in the navy, and saw several months duty as a doctor with both the navy and marine corps in the South Pacific.

Attend District FFA Banquet In Abilene

Supt. S. H. Vaughter, Haskell Stone, Glenn Marugg and Kenneth Tooley attended a district FFA banquet in Abilene Monday Dec. 16. Officers for the banquet were one Future Farmer from each chapter in the district. Kenneth Tooley from the local chapter served as toastmaster for the affair. Seventeen chapters in the Abilene district were represented at the banquet.

F. & M. PAYS BONUS

Among Haskell institutions which paid a bonus to employees last week was Farmers & Merchants State Bank. Officials of the bank expressed appreciation to employees who have worked long hours part of the time because of manpower shortage, and for their faithfulness.

Legionnaires Raise Funds for Wounded

Commander Tom Clifton of the Rogers-Cox Post, American Legion, announced Monday that local members of the Legion and Haskell churches raised \$184 for purchase of gifts for war veterans who are in Texas hospitals. There are more than 10,000 wounded World War II vets in army and navy hospitals in this state.

The money was raised at a late date but Clifton said it would be wired to state headquarters and that purchase of gifts would be made by those who know what the wounded veterans need for their comfort and recreation. American Legion

HERE FROM AUSTIN

Mrs. R. L. Foote has as her holiday guest her mother, Mrs. Foster of Austin.

R. L. BURTONS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Burton and daughter Nancy, of Fort Worth, were Haskell visitors over the week-end.

Everything's New At Roy Deavers'

Haskell's Church of Christ has seen rapid growth in recent years, and treats its ministers well. When A. F. Waller resigned as minister of the church in the early fall, the congregation felt it had lost one of its best leaders.

A young minister at Spur, Roy Deaver, was called as minister and accepted the work in October. He came here with his family and has proved an outstanding worker for the local congregation. He and his wife and Roy Jr., two years old, moved into the minister's home, next door to the church.

The members had the home re-decorated—new lights, paper, paint, floors refinished, etc.—and the Deavers were happy. But like women's clothes, it seemed that one new thing called for another. So the Deavers became the parents December 6 of a new son, Paul Mac. Now it's new minister, new home, new baby.

4-H Club Boy National Field Crops Winner



One of the four national winners in the 1946 4-H Field Crops Contest, Harris Hill, 17, of Garland, Dallas county, Tex., receives his \$200 Fowler McCormick scholarship award from John L. McCaffrey, president of International Harvester Company.

Harris was named 4-H southern extension section winner following the judging of the national field of 859 county champions in 44 states. The presentation of the scholarship, good at any accredited state agricultural college, was made during the recent 25th annual 4-H Club Congress, when International Harvester, donor of the awards, brought all state winners in the Field Crops contest to Chicago for this silver anniversary assembly.

During his seven years in 4-H, Harris raised 41 acres of cotton, 30 of corn, 46 of wheat, 101 of barley, 35 of oats, four of row cane, nearly eight of grain sorghum and two of sudan. Income from these was nearly \$10,000 and with swine, beef and dairy returns, brought the total to \$17,890.56. He employs the best known tillage methods, and much of his grain and all of the cotton and clover seed are being certified and sold for planting.

The assistant county agent says, "He has a brilliant mind and is valuable not only to the club but to his home and community." Harris is now a freshman at North Texas Agricultural College.

SPEND SUNDAY IN WICHITA FALLS

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Frierson, Roy Frierson, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Coburn and children, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Frierson, all of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. Byron Frierson of College Station were popular radio and stage entertainers, in the local high school auditorium. Proceeds will be used for senior class expenses.

HHS Senior Class Sponsors Quartet

Haskell High School seniors are sponsoring appearance in Haskell Tuesday night, December 31, of the Stamps All-Star Quartet. The program is due to get underway at 7:30 o'clock, and admission charges are 25 and 50 Cents of Wichita Falls.

Laura Thornton Is Given Club Award

Laura Thornton of Mattson 4-H Club was selected to receive the Gold Star Award given by A. M. College for outstanding 4-H club work in Haskell County in 1946, Louise Newman, county home demonstration agent, has announced.

Daisy Belle Shelley of O'Brien Senior club placed second. Other entries in the contest were Joyce Matthews of Mattson Senior club, Cathryn Smith of Rule, and Ruby Alice Brothers of the O'Brien Junior 4-H Club, and Margaret Wendeborn of Sagerton 4-H Club.

Marilyn Smith, president of the Weinert Senior 4-H club, Lois Wyatt, vice president of the Weinert Senior club, and Mrs. Guy Marshall, chairman of the Haskell County Home Demonstration Council served as judges for the

VISITING MOTHER

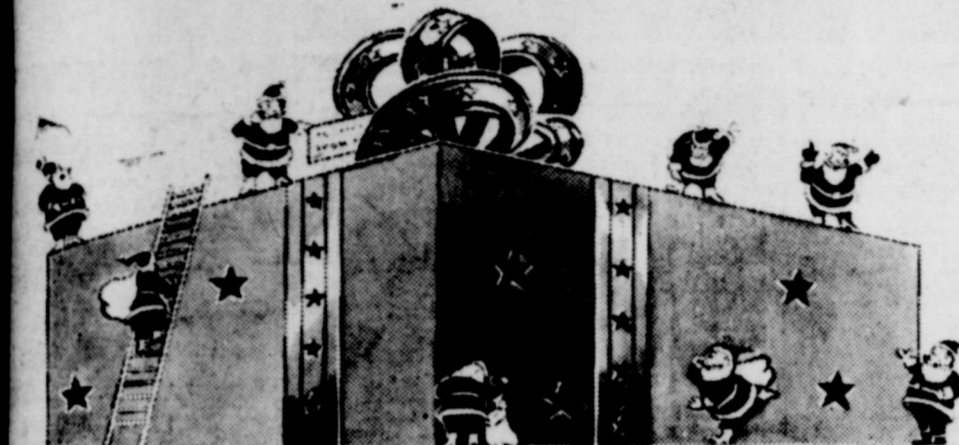
Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Monsey and sons of Grand Prairie are here to spend Christmas in the home of Mrs. Monsey's mother, Mrs. Lura Sellers.

HASKELL VISITOR

Clyde Gordon of Plainview spent the week end in Haskell with friends and relatives.

countywide judging tour. During the four years Laura has been a 4-H club girl she has served as secretary and president of her club, has been clothing demonstrator, attended the District Training Encampment at Decatur in 1946, and assisted with a team demonstration on crepe paper craft for the Home Demonstration Council. She has completed all of the goals established for 4-H club girls and does her share of housework, and chores.

Laura is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Thornton of Weinert.



Merry Christmas

Sturdivant Home & Auto Supply

At no other time during the year do any of us derive the pleasure, satisfaction and contentment we receive from the joys of Christmas. The pleasant associations of friends and loved ones, the spirit of good feeling and love for our fellowman are in evidence everywhere and from these associations comes a stronger confidence in those around us.

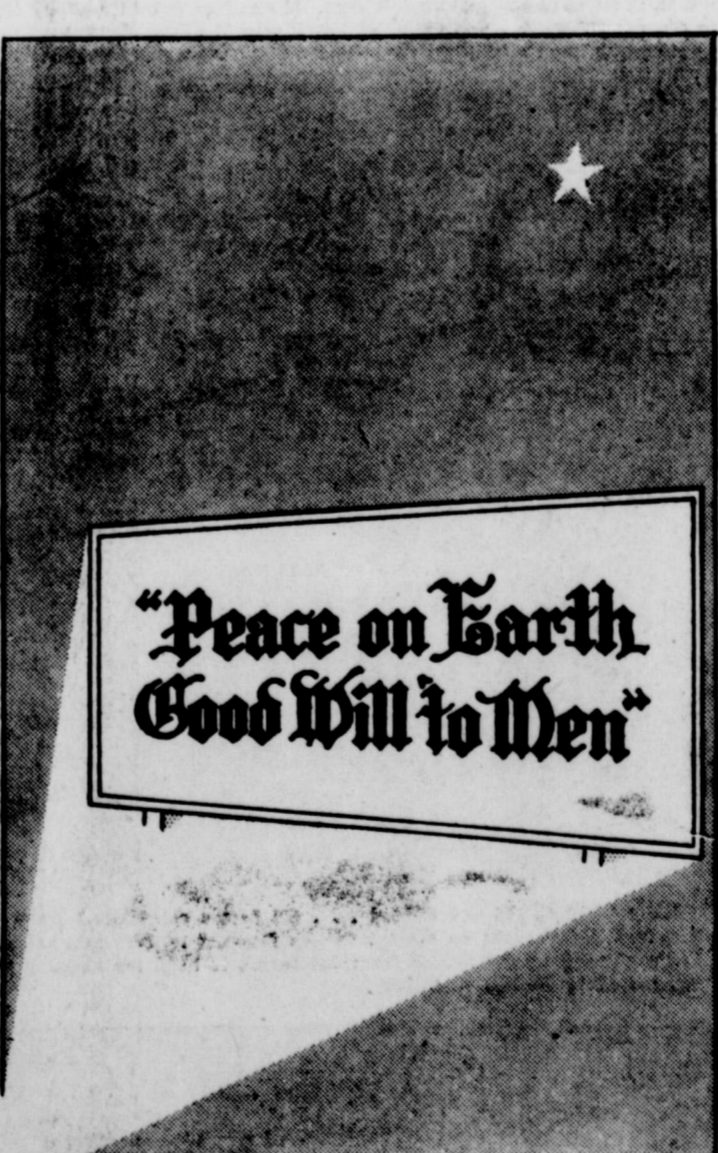
Christmas is important! It is the season of sincere good will, the spirit which should go with us the three hundred and sixty-four other days of the year.

Let us each pledge ourselves toward this goal.



Season's GREETINGS

Haskell Implement Company



May the shining star of Christmas shine forever in the hearts of mankind and may "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men" remain with us forever.

Clifton Produce & Grain Co.



It is our holiday wish that this Christmas will be the "happiest ever" and that the New Year will unfold a bright new future for you.

Cofield's Ladies' & Children's Shop

A Christmas Prayer

MAY THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS—

"Peace on Earth Goodwill to Men"

Reign unchallenged in this world forever more . . . Amen

Lane - Felker Stores

Kathleen Norris Says:

Worry Versus Planning

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.



"I was thinking, dear, that if things go on this way at the office, it'd be rather fun to move to Dad's old place. We could fix it up."

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

STOP worrying about that 12-year-old girl of yours who doesn't seem to be like the other pretty girls, who doesn't make friends, who has grown too tall, who has such abrupt manners. She'll wake up some day and turn out to be a real person, not like you, perhaps, but attractive and likable and useful nonetheless.

Stop worrying about little Jerry's eyes. They may indeed be troublesome; it may be that he won't ever have quite normal sight. But in that he'll only be like some seven per cent of the world's men and women who have gone straight ahead, not bothering themselves or anyone else about it.

Stop worrying about darling Marjorie, who is going to have a third baby, when she and Rod really can't afford one. Help her all you can of course. Go into her house, and seize upon the nearest job, dampening clothes and ironing them, straightening the playroom, taking the baby for his diphtheria shots and so on. Be the unpaid, almost unnoticed servant in her house. But don't criticize her and don't criticize Rod. Ten years go swiftly, and when you see her in 1937, with her trio or quartette of sons and daughters about her, you'll know why she isn't worrying now.

Stop worrying about Henry's business and stop asking him worrying questions about it. That anxious attitude is infinitely distressful to a tired man. Instead of fluttering about him with "But if Joe Coates gets your job, Henry, what will you do? Can't you go to Mr. Potter? Why don't you just frankly talk to Phil Miller, darling? We simply can't take a cut now. Don't tell Nancy, poor darling, counting on coming out this winter—"

Be Cheerful, Helpful.

Instead of that sort of thing, give Henry a cup of hot consommé, lead him to his big chair, tell him a piece of good news, and while you are leisurely sipping your own consommé say dreamily, "I was thinking dear, that if things go on this way at the office it'd be rather fun to move to Dad's old place. We could fix it up. Do you realize how that would cut down our expenses? Nancy? Why, there are a thousand fascinating jobs that child could take in a book store, or with the radio people, or in Miss Johnson's kindergarten, and it'd be a lot better for her than all this keeping up with the Babcock girls."

This would show that you're not worrying, and you would have the supreme pleasure of seeing the worry drop from Henry's tired eyes, too.

Stop worrying about germs. You are running chances with germs every time you step out of your door, and often when you don't, and so are the children. Sometimes they skip unhealthy anemic bodies and light on the strong and well. Millions of times we get them and cast them off. Tiredness invites them, so does fear. To gargle the surface off your throat membranes, hold soaked cotton over your nose, slam windows shut, remove your shoes before entering the house is to put yourself into great shape for infections. I saw quite a young mother in a Pullman dining car the other day, carefully wiping the knives, forks and spoons the darlings were going to use at lunch, and I saw the darlings' uneasy eyes as she did

INTELLIGENT ACTION

Everyone has problems and difficulties. There is always a vague fear of the future, even in the best of circumstances. The threat of sickness, accident, financial ruin hangs over everyone, all the time. For most people there are more imminent problems. Some can't be solved. There is nothing to do then but to make the best adjustments possible and to bear the ills of this life with grace and dignity. Other difficulties will yield to intelligent action, such as a burden of debt, or some ailment that can be corrected by surgery.

In any case, worry does no good, solves nothing. It can do much harm, as Miss Norris points out in today's article. The children's social awkwardness and physical defects tend to clear up with time. Business and professional uncertainties settle into a smooth pattern. There is nearly always some way out, and the new course may be better than the old, in the long run.

So, Miss Norris admonishes, always be hopeful, cheerful and sensible. If you don't lose your head and succumb to despair, there is some solution. It just requires intelligent thought and resolute action. Courage, work and determination will win through the blackest clouds.

so. But she couldn't wipe all the doorknobs, windows, blankets, seats, she couldn't wipe the cook's hands and the waiter's coat and those might have been hostilities for seven septillions of germs on every inch. Possibly her own protected trio were merrily spreading measles or scarlet fever among the other passengers. What she needed to do was stop worrying.

Find a Way Out.

For worrying, substitute planning. If things are really at such a pitch that you can't do anything but rock your head in your frantic hands and say "This can't go on! I won't stand it. It's too much!" then substitute planning. Think the thing out coolly. Say to yourself, "I am a human being and life is short. Why am I wasting it worrying?" You will immediately see that you are fretting over something that is not your business, or something that concerns the opinion or criticism of your neighbors and is merely a matter of your own silly pride, or that you can change it.

"The solution to my own despair and anxiety was right over my head, but it took me months to find it," writes a once-wealthy Los Angeles woman. "It consisted of putting a few bathrooms and partitions in our 18-room house, on a government loan. Dad and I moved up to four glorious attic rooms, long the possession of servants. Rents from five downstairs apartments total \$340 a month. Doctors and nurses bills are paid. Dad is a young man again, and I feel like a young woman, children married, no more big house troubles, and no worries!"

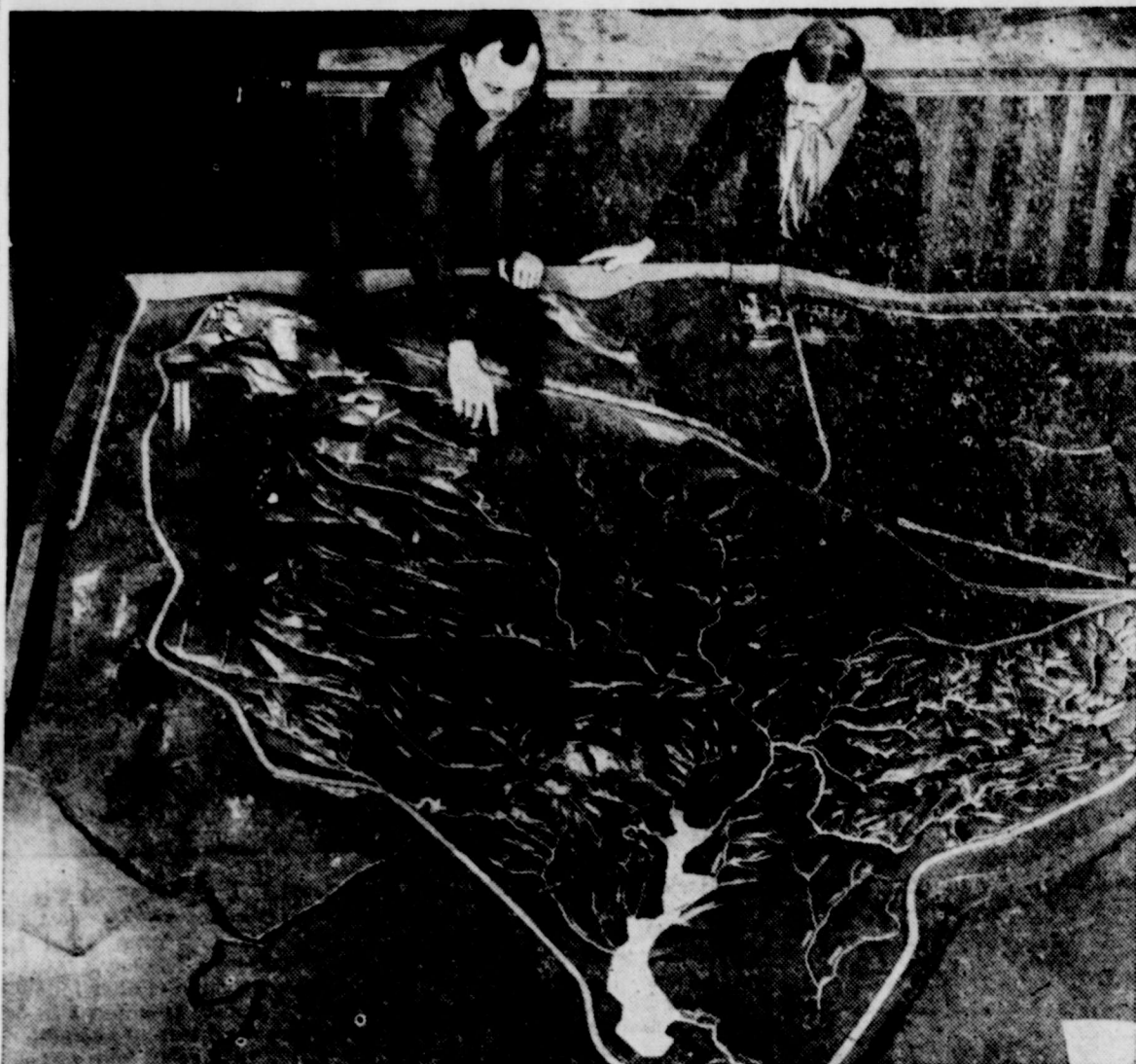
Whatever it is, worry doesn't help. Planning does.

RAILROAD WALKIE TALKIE

The "Carryphone," a sort of walkie-talkie device by which trainmen report unusual circumstances and carry on conversations with control towers, is now in use on the Pennsylvania railroad on 1,056 miles of track.

It has proved valuable to crews in making train and track inspections and in enabling trainmen to keep in touch with enginemen and control towers.

Carried by means of a shoulder sling, the unit weighs 29 pounds.



CUTTIN' OL' MAN RIVER DOWN TO SIZE . . . An army and a civilian engineer are looking at the small scale model from which the army is building a colossal model, scaled one foot for every 2,000 feet, of the great Mississippi river and its tributaries. The great sprawling unruly river may be tamed through plans laid down on the basis of the giant model's full perspective.



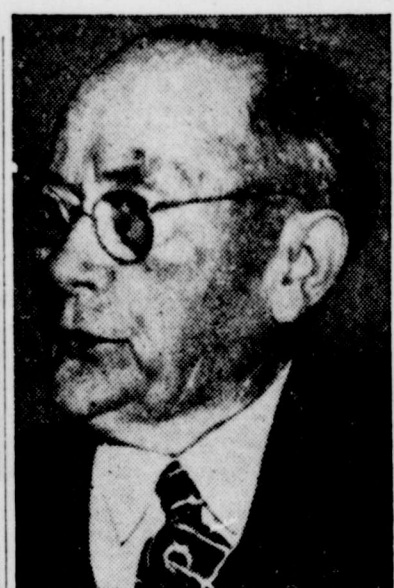
INTERNATIONAL SYMBOL OF PEACE . . . Selected by the United Nations bulletin as the "Picture of Peace"—the peace that is the epitome of the U.N.'s goal, Pownal Center, a pretty village in the southwest corner of Vermont, is rich in historical associations. It was founded in 1760 by Thomas Pownal on charter granted by King George II. With a population of 150, it sent 11 of its young men and one young woman to World War II. Pownal Center has no jail.



FEEDING THE GOBS ON GUAM . . . On farms established by the U. S. naval government on Guam, sailors instruct natives in modern agricultural methods. Produce from the farms is used for naval personnel and rehabilitation of natives.



'IKE' GIVEN CHURCHMAN AWARD . . . Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower was presented with the Churchman Award in recognition of his world leadership in victory and peace. Shown here during the presentation are, left to right: Dr. Guy Emery Shipley, editor of the Churchman; General Eisenhower; Bernard Baruch, who made the award, and Robert Patterson, secretary of war.



SENATOR BILBO . . . Sen. Theodore G. Bilbo of Mississippi is shown as he appeared before the first of two senate committees hearing charges against him. Expenditures and white supremacy campaign are being investigated by the two committees. Charges at the Washington hearing are bringing out pressure made upon army engineers in securing construction contracts for supporters of Senator Bilbo in Mississippi.



BENCH SITTER . . . Baruch is not the only bench sitter. Lord Beaverbrook, former British minister of war production, takes time out while visiting New York City to visit Central park and enjoy the company of the birds and pigeons. Lord Beaverbrook is not a stranger to Central park—nor does he appear to be a stranger to the pigeons.



LUCKY SEVEN . . . Left to right, front, Barbara Jones, Dawn Rae Dixon; second row, Joyce Erikson, Louise Campbell, Norma Christopher; top, Jean Rogers and Beverly Lohes. These seven students of Pasadena Junior college were chosen as members of the royal court, which included the queen, of the Tournament of Roses, at the annual New Year's Day celebration.



BLIND GOLFERS HOLD TOURNEY . . . Excellent scores were made when blind golfers held their championship meet at Inglewood, Calif. Left to right, caddy Bruce Schwartz; ex-blind golf champion, C. F. Russell; caddy Billy Fincher, and Marvin Shannon, present champion of the blindmen golfers. They were aided by their caddies in obtaining the proper line and distance to the cup on the putting green, as a guide dog looks on in approval.



DUCHESS SEES QUEEN KIS . . . The Duchess of Windsor as judge at "Little Boys' Club Contest," held at Bays' club, York. Victoria Dobrowski, queen, is being given a regal by her proud brother, Francis.



MEXICO'S NEW PRESIDENT . . . Newly-installed president of Mexico, Miguel Aleman and Mrs. Aleman are shown as they arrived for the diplomatic reception at the national palace during the inauguration ceremonies. Aleman succeeded Gen. Manuel Avila Camacho. Inauguration ceremonies were the most colorful and elaborate in the history of the republic. Representatives of 39 countries attended the diplomatic reception.



PILOTTED ROCKET PLANE Chalmers (Slick) Goodlin, 23, he piloted Bell X-1 rocket-plane, which in tests at 30,000 feet, reached a speed of 530 per hour. He will later try for a record of 1,700 miles per hour.



AWARDED SEVEN MEDALS Ex-army T/Sgt. Llewellyn M. son, Akron, O., and Malvera, who accounted for more than 100 enemy in fighting, is shown with wife and daughter after he had decorated with seven medals President Truman.



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TO SWEDISH POST . . . Lou Dreyfus Jr., 57, Santa Barbara, Calif., who sailed recently New York City to take up his duties as United States ambassador to Sweden. He was appointed consular assistant in 1916. He is 57 years old.



HUNDRED YEARS OLD . . . Maria Benalocch, Milwaukee, as she celebrated her 100th day anniversary. Nearly 300 lives attended the birthday party.



Worry never solved anything.

The Home Town Reporter in WASHINGTON

By Walter Shead WNU Correspondent

WNU Washington Bureau 1616 Eye St., N. W.

Registrations Show some hundreds of known lobbyists operating in Washington...

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group American Federation of Labor pays its lobbyists on a better than CIO. AFL ...

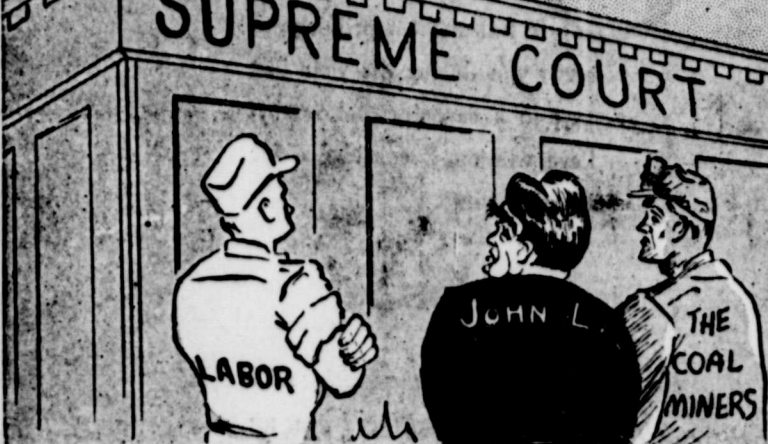
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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS Packers Sign Wage Agreements; Grant Carriers Rate Relief; Labor Awaits High Court Decree

Released by Western Newspaper Union

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



Meat conditions continued to look rosy for the American housewife with the AFL and CIO packerhouse unions coming to terms...

Not to be outdone, the CIO United Packinghouse Workers of America then signed with Cudahy for an average wage increase of 15 cents...

As a result of a Supreme court decision of last June 10 decreeing that employees of the Mount Clemens Pottery company were entitled to compensation under the fair labor standards act...

Wasting no time in taking advantage of the court ruling, the CIO United Steelworkers and CIO Auto Workers filed suits in the Cleveland, Ohio, federal court for back pay for 180,000 union members...

At least one employer, faced with the prospect of being forced to pay help for time spent in reaching their jobs in the plant, settled with the union...

Interstate Commerce commission was unanimous in granting rail and water carriers an average 17.6 per cent freight rate increase...

Having cleaned up the Balkan peace pacts, the foreign ministers of the Big Four agreed to undertake the thorny issue of a German treaty in Moscow next March...

In calling off the costly soft-coal strike, John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers was content to leave determination of the issue to the U. S. Supreme court...

Whooping cough kills more children each year than infantile paralysis and scarlet fever combined...

lieve will ever be the protector of American liberties and the rightful privileges of individual citizens.

Having agreed to consider the case directly from the federal district court, the high tribunal set January 14 as the date for government and defense arguments.

Legally, the issue boiled down to this: Could government operation of an industry be considered essential to the running of the government?

Great Britain, which takes its royalty seriously, was bubbling all over with the latest regal romance, this one involving Prince Philip of Greece and Princess Elizabeth.

Long rumored, the engagement of the royal couple loomed as more and more of a possibility as the British press continued to build up the handsome, blond prince...

While the prince and princess made a fitting couple, the rumored romance was not without its political implications.

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The decision came as the U. S. and Britain determined to unify their two occupation zones to speed up the economic recovery of western Germany...

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U. N.: Slap Franco

Even as 300,000 Spaniards assembled before the national palace in Madrid to hear Generalissimo Franco lash "foreign interference," the United Nations political and security committee, meeting at Lake Success, N. Y., adopted a resolution for the withdrawal of all members' ambassadors from Spain.

Remaining obdurate in its contention that no drastic action should be taken against Spain but the Spanish people should be given every opportunity for holding free elections, the U. S. abstained from voting on the resolution.

Fiery Spaniards plastered fiery placards against "foreign interference" in Madrid in the demonstrations against world condemnation against the Franco regime.

Another of baseball's greats passed into Valhalla with the death of Walter Johnson, 59, acclaimed by many as the greatest pitcher who ever toed the rubber.

Big Train statistics do not tell the true story of Johnson's greatness. Indicative of his prowess and strength, he blanked the New York Yankees three times in four days in 1910.

Stepping out of the Bell XS-1 after taking the rocket plane up to 35,000 feet and running it at 550 miles per hour, test pilot Chalmers Goodlin, 23, exclaimed gleefully:

The plane, the engine — in fact, everything about the flight — was beautiful. It was all very quiet, with absolutely no noise at all in the cockpit, no sensation of the roar of an engine.

Russia drew a pass in the diplomatic poker game in the Near East as Iran, Greece and Turkey, backed by the Anglo-American powers, rebuffed leftist jockeying for advantage in Iran and Greece.

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Guerrillas seeking to establish themselves in northeastern Greece also were left holding the bag when Greek regulars routed 1,000 leftists at Corymbos and the remnants were wiped out by Turkish troops when they fled across the nearby border.

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From Silesian Death Camp to School in U. S.

NEW YORK. — Fourteen-year-old Reize Gruenzweig went back to school one day recently. The occasion was somewhat special because she had spent seven months in Auschwitz and seven on Ellis Island before resuming her studies.

Two years ago Reize was attending classes in Chust, Czechoslovakia, her home. While still a stowaway technically, she now has enrolled in the Beth Jacob Teaching Seminary of America in Brooklyn.

Early in 1945 all survivors at the camp were rushed to one labor camp after another. They were near Hamburg when finally liberated by the American army. Reize then weighed 58 pounds.

After a waiting period the three sisters went to Sweden under Red Cross auspices. There arrangements were being made for Reize to come to this country to study, but she could not wait for official papers.

The Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant aid society was called in. William Neubau, HIAS chief on Ellis Island, discovered that Reize had two cousins here who had been trying to get a visa for her.

Reize has already rested a few weeks. She now weighs 120 pounds. Wearing a blue wool dress and a red ribbon tied in her dark curly hair, she looked as if she might not have been out of school at all.

DETROIT, MICH.—An American army flier cut through military red tape and a Canadian blizzard to reach the bedside here of his stricken mother.

Doctors at general hospital in suburban Highland Park said Mrs. Whittier's condition appeared to have improved since her son's arrival. It was their first visit since he went overseas a year ago.

DES MOINES, IOWA.—The motorman and seven passengers were injured when a Fort Des Moines bound streetcar swerved onto a siding and crashed into a railroad coal car.

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Railroad Train Cooks Up 60,000-Egg Omelet

MORRISON, ILL. — A North Western railroad streamliner mixed quite an omelet when it struck Edward Kempens's truck.

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SAN FRANCISCO — A decade-old \$40,000 postal theft was solved, but there appeared little chance that the culprit could be tried because of the statute of limitations.

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Washington Merry-Go-Round

ARMY CANCER CURE WASHINGTON. — Walter Reed General hospital has made some excellent progress in treating cancer, but it's kept such a hush-hush secret that the doctor in charge of cancer research, Lieut. Col. Milton Freedman, is about to be kicked upstairs because of a news leak.

At this point, Surgeon Gen. Norman Kirk stepped in. It was made clear that medical corps policy did not permit mentioning the name of any hospital specialist. Only the surgeon general's office could be mentioned in connection with cancer research.

When administration friends approached Max Gardner, former governor of North Carolina, about being U. S. ambassador to the Court of St. James, Gardner replied: "I've been bowlin' and scrapin' to North Carolinians all my life, and in my old age I'll be darned if I want to be bowlin' to anyone else now."

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\$6,000,000 Film

The most expensive motion picture ever made was "Wilson," released in 1944, whose production and advertising amounted to more than \$6,000,000, says Collier's.

"Doctor," said the wild-eyed patient, as he rose from the steps of his farm homestead and rushed down to meet the doctor's car, "I'm in a deuce of a pickle. Don't know where to turn for relief. You've got to help me."

"What's the trouble?" asked the doctor. "The ghosts of my departed relatives come and perch on the tops of the fence posts all round the orchard," replied the patient. "Every night it's the same old round—they just sit there, waiting, waiting, waiting. What can I do to get rid of them?"

"Why, that's simple. Just sharpen the tops of the posts," the doctor prescribed, as he drove off.

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MOTO-SCOOT advertisement with image of a scooter and descriptive text.

St. Joseph Aspirin advertisement with image of a box.

Kidneys Must Work Well advertisement with image of a kidney.

Doan's Pills advertisement with image of a box.

Gas on Stomach advertisement with image of a stomach.

Strong Husky Youngsters advertisement with image of a child.

Scott's Emulsion advertisement with image of a man carrying a fish.

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Letters to Santa

Rule, Texas, Route 2

Dear Santa: I hope you come to see me this Christmas. Please bring me a two-barrel shotgun and a steel pistol and a train that runs on a track when you wind it up. Your friend, Scooter Lusk.

Dear Santa: I would like for you to bring me a tricycle, some new doll clothes, some crayolas and a coloring book. Katherine Ann Rueffer.

Dear Santa: Santa I want a doll with a pink dress and slip and a cap and the cap has white ruffles around it, and white shoes and socks. And a blackboard and colored chalk and don't forget my little brother. He wants a wagon and train and a tractor and car and I want some dominoes, and me and my little brother want some nuts and fruits and candy. I'm Mary Lee Carter and my brother is Billy Jack Carter. P. S.—My little brother is three and I'm seven.

Haskell, Texas, Route 2 Dear Santa: I want a doctor and nurse kit and some skates and a story book. And plenty of candy and nuts. I love you lots. Helen Jean Cox.

Haskell, Texas Dear Santa: Please do not forget any of the little kids on Christmas. I have been a pretty good boy and I want a dump truck, stopper gun, skates, a cowboy suit, a jeep, and a tank. Jackie Whitaker.

Dear Santa: I have been a very good boy so please bring me a train that winds up, a drum, a banjo, a cowboy suit, some skates, some cars, nuts, candy, fruit, a pipe and a football. That's all. Thank you. Douglas.

"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 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.

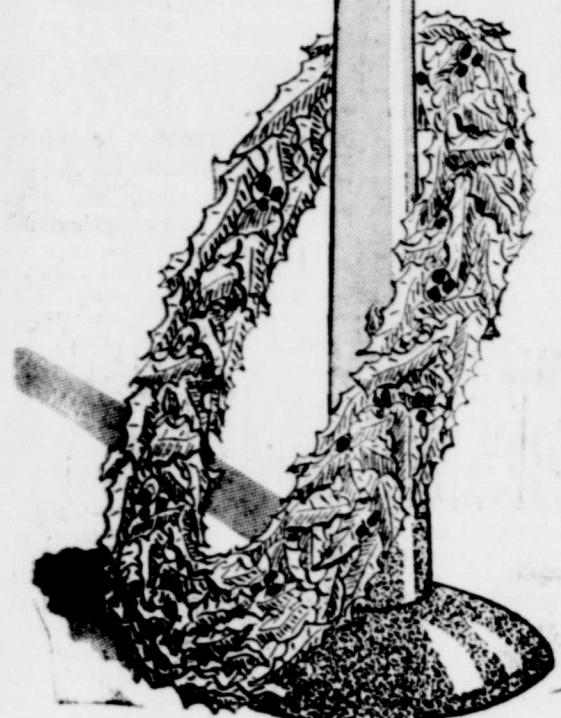
We say it out of a full heart



to each of you, our friends and neighbors.

ATCHISON SERVICE STATION

Merry Christmas



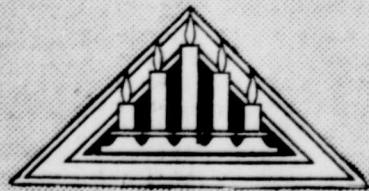
Oates Drug Store

Season's Greetings

It is a real pleasure to extend greetings to you at this Christmas season and to wish each of you the fullest measure of happiness and successful achievement in the New Year.

Let us press ahead with united energy and determination toward the pinnacle of success that lies ahead for our community, our nation and each other.

Heartiest Christmas and New Year greetings to one and all.



Jones Dry Goods The Cash Store

Dear Santa: I want a necklace, a doll, and an ankle chain. Bring something for mother and father. Patsy Ann Jacobs.

Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa: I hope you will remember all little boys and girls again this Christmas.

I have been a good little girl most of the time. This Christmas, I would like to have a doll, a suit case, a sewing machine, and an electric iron. Yours, Mary Helen Whitaker

Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl three years old. I want a big rubber doll with sleepy eyes, one that nurses a bottle and wets its pants. Please bring me a toy washing machine and some clothespins. I need a raincoat, a pair of gloves and a storybook. Also please bring me plenty of fruit, candy and nuts. Your little friend, Mary Lou Jetton.

Dear Santa: I live in Moody, Texas, but will be at my Aunt Lela's and Uncle Ralph's in Haskell for Christmas. Bring me a bicycle and doll and remember the other children. Anne Payne.

Haskell, Texas, Route 1

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me some doll dresses, candy, fruit, and nuts. I am 8 years old. Hope you will have a merry Christmas.

Your friend, Barbara Ann Peiser.

Haskell, Texas, Route 1

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll and some dishes, candy, fruits and nuts. I am 8 years old. Merry Christmas! Your friend, Sandra Peiser.

Rule, Texas, Route 2

Dear Santa: Please bring me a new doll that goes to sleep and a doll buggy to put her in. Some candy, fruit and nuts. Love, Jeanne Lusk.



May your every wish be gratified and may you enjoy a Christmas of old time happiness.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

PERRY BROS. STORE

5c - 10c - 25c

CORDIAL

WISHES

for Christmas

Doyle Eastland

365 CHRISTMAS WISHES

It occurs to us that the ideal and spirit of Christmas should be of three hundred and sixty-five days duration. So, right now, please accept our sincerest Best Wishes for every day of the New Year.

Hassen Bros Co.

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T HAS BEEN a privilege to serve you during the year just past in a capacity that we believe will merit confidence for years to come.

As you enjoy the Yuletide with your friends and loved one, we trust you will keep in mind that our thoughts are of you at this happy occasion.

Many, many thanks for your goodwill and patronage and best wishes for the New Year.

Our Best Wishes

... FOR A HAPPY CHRISTMAS SEASON TO EVERYONE

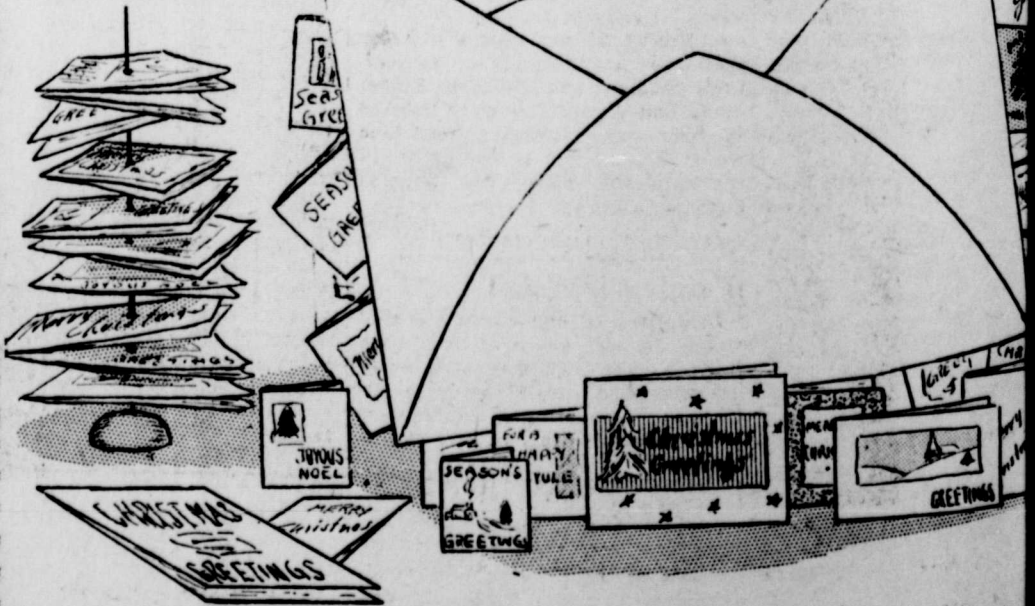
Gene Tonn

We Hope You Receive Lots of Greetings

MAY WE INCLUDE OURS?

MERRY CHRISTMAS

To all of you who have so graciously favored us in the past, we extend sincere good wishes for the holidays. Your kindness and friendship is truly appreciated and we wish for you the Merriest Christmas ever.



W. A. Lyles, Jeweler

NEWS OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

PEOPLE SING

Forty young people of the Methodist Church walked through the residential districts of the following Sunday evening services and sang Christmas songs to the aged residents and also sick folks and other

GO PARENTS

Mrs. Lonnie Brock and Mrs. Ralph Duncan, and Mrs. W. E. Payne, were visitors in Abilene afternoon.

Harmony Club Has Yule Party

The Harmony Club met in the home of Mrs. J. M. Cook Tuesday evening. Candles, evergreen and poinsettias decorated the rooms. Mrs. Tommie B. Hawkins presided over the party. Mrs. C. A. Williams directed them to the music room. T. R. Odell was director of the evening and introduced Rev. Mr. Grooms, who told the Christmas Story of the Christ Child. The octette from the Junior Chorus sang Silent Night, White Christmas and Jingle Bells. The club joined in singing carols, and exchanged gifts from a

lighted Christmas tree. Mesdames Floyd Cook and J. M. Cook served cream puffs and coffee.

Members present were: Mesdames Hubert Bell, Floyd Cook, Mabel Clifton, Leonard Florence, Mrs. B. Hawkins, Calvin Henson, Jack Johnson, W. A. Kimbrough, Mary H. Martin, J. L. Aldridge, J. M. Medley, G. F. Mullino, T. R. Odell, F. M. Squyres, C. A. Williams, O. E. Patterson, C. L. Lewis, T. C. Cahill, B. M. Whiteker, Dr. Gertrude Robinson, Misses Jean Conner and LaVera Riley, and the Junior Chorus Octette, Anne Katherine Rike, Janette Kennedy, Carolyn Turner, Eddie Bess Fouts, Nancy Ratliff, Genevieve Bailey, Sue Busby, Mayme Naylor, Anita Jo Pitman.

Terpsichorean Silhouette



Lichine and Riatouchinska, foremost dancers on the ballet stage perform a spectacular ballad-ballet, Two Silhouettes, an episode in Walt Disney's new Technicolor feature, "Make Mine Music." This sequence presents a unique blending of the rhythmic grace of the ballet with the lyrical beauty of Dinah Shore's voice in a breathtaking fantasy showing at The Texas Sunday and Monday.

Marigene Sellers, Alfred Wesley Milch Wed In Abilene Rites December 15

Marigene Sellers, daughter of Mrs. Bessie Mae Sellers, and Alfred Wesley Milch, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Morris of San Angelo were married Sunday afternoon December 15, at 4:30 at the University Baptist church in Abilene, with the Rev. W. E. King officiating the double ring ceremony. The bride, given in marriage by her grandfather, Mr. E. V. Sellers, wore a turquoise woolen suit with silver rosebud buttons and brown hat with a crown studded with rhinestones. Her gloves were brown and she wore brown lizard pumps. She carried a white Bible topped with an orchid. Mr. Frank C. Morris of San Angelo, uncle of the bridegroom, was best man. Rudolph Mobley, groomsmen and Alvin Johnson and J. C. Cook ushers. Mrs. Sellers, the bride's mother wore a black frock with fuchsia and black beaded trip and gardenia corsage. Mrs. Frank C. Morris, aunt of the bridegroom, wore a black dress with bronze beaded bodice and a matching feather trimmed hat. She wore a corsage of Talisman rosebuds. The reception was held at the home of the bride's mother, 1101 Peach. Mrs. E. V. Sellers and Mrs. J. Sides, grandmothers of the bride, presided at the table decorated by white gladioluses, snapdragons and chrysanthemums and lighted with white tapers in crystal candleabra. Punch was served from a cut glass punch bowl. The three-tiered wedding cake was decorated by a miniature bride and groom. Mrs. Byrnie Stone and Mrs. Bob Sellers, aunts of the bride, assisted with the service. Mrs. Rudolph Mobley presided at the registry. The couple will live in Abilene and will continue with their studies at Hardin-Simmons University, where she is a junior and he is a senior. Mr. Milch has lived the greater part of his life in San Angelo in the home of his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Morris. He served as an officer in the Marine Corps during the war, spending fifteen months in the Pacific area. Mrs. Milch is a granddaughter of Mrs. J. Sides and the late J. Sides, pioneer Abilenian, and also a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Sellers, and a great granddaughter of Col. J. H. Parramore, who was one of the leading founders of Abilene, and the Rev. Isaac Sellers, a leading Baptist

Uncle Sam Says



Millions of my nieces and nephews have gone through the experience of signing on the dotted line for something or other. In fact, signing on the dotted line is as American as the Army-Navy football game. This month your Uncle Sam is Salesman Uncle Sam asking you to scrawl your name on this payroll savings card where you work. You will note it reads: "Sign Up for Security." It means exactly what it says. It will authorize your employer to save the amount you specify from your pay every payday for investment in U. S. Savings Bonds. Sign up for security today. Then buy your extra Savings Bond. U. S. Treasury Department



L. H. COOPER

OFFICE SUPPLIES
Haskell, Texas

Mrs. R. I. Johnson, Mrs. John Ivy Host Cradle Shower

Mrs. R. I. Johnson and Mrs. John F. Ivy were joint hostesses to a cradle shower honoring Mrs. Sybil Graham and Mrs. Ella Bell Burson. The shower was given in the home of Mrs. John F. Ivy. The Ivy home was beautifully decorated in Christmas theme, a lovely wreath of evergreen which was tied with a large red bow, hung on the front door. There was a red bell in the center of branches of evergreen and mistletoe, across the top of the door leading from hall to living room. In one end of the living room stood a large, beautifully decorated Christmas tree. The tree was adorned with glass balls, icicles and electric light, and gifts for the honoree. In the center of the double doors from the living room to dining room hung evergreen with three large silver tipped pine cones tied and extended with red ribbon. The dining table was covered with a lovely lace cloth, on which was placed a pair of double crystal candleholders, with tall red candles. The centerpiece for the table was a large round mirror bordered with evergreen and red berries. A crystal compote dish with Christmas candy stood in the center of the mirror. The light in the dining room came from a "raindrop" electric lamp placed on the buffet, accented with evergreens and small silver tipped pine cones. On entering the guests registered in a lovely hand-made book for each of the honorees. When the guests signed the book they also listed their gift and favorite names. The cover of the books had a baby picture, emphasized with a tint of silver. The books were fastened together with pink and blue wool thread forming little balls. Games of Bingo were played, and were unusually interesting and funny, as the winner would designate someone to do stunts.

Fidelis Class Has Christmas Coffee

The Fidelis Sunday School class held their annual Christmas coffee Sunday morning December 22 at nine o'clock in the Magazine Club rooms. The rooms were very attractive with poinsettias, cedar and candles. Christmas carols were sung by the group under the direction of Mrs. Jno. W. Pace and Mrs. Allee Payne. Mrs. LeRoy O'Neal told the Christmas Story. Others appearing on the program were Carolyn Turner who sang The Lord's Prayer, and Eddie Bess Fouts and Margaret Hunter. Silent Night. Mrs. W. A. Lyles poured coffee and Mrs. Olen Dotson served Swedish breads to the following members and guests: Helen Oates, Margaret Hunter, Mrs. Ed Fouts, Mrs. Lee R. O'Neal, Ruby Smith, Estelle Lee, Roberta Phillips, Louise Greene, Leone Pearsey, Joyce Ruff, Earlene Pearsey Earles, Patsy Robertson, Carolyn Turner, Gladys Mundy, Virginia Frierson, Allee Payne, Hassie Davis, Veta Furrh, Tillie Chapman, Nettie McCollum, Elna Mae Lyles, Marguerite Jordan, R. C. Couch and wife, Mrs. N. L. McCollum, Jane Richey, Opal Richey, Ozelle Frierson, Mrs. Claud Harrison, Mrs. Ralph Duncan, Mrs. W. J. Foster of Austin, Mrs. R. L. Foote, Mrs. John W. Pace, Mrs. R. J. Reynolds, Mrs. J. P. Payne, Mary Beth Payne, Eddie Bess Fouts, Pat Harrison, Mrs. R. L. Burton, Claudia Mae Brand.

Royle Adkins, student at Texas A&M College, is home for the holidays.

J. BELTON DUNCAN



We don't work in our Daddy's store, but want to join him and Mommy, and Carl Scoggin, Jimmy Thompson, Mrs. W. E. Payne, Buddy Harcrow, and Rex Williams in wishing friends and customers a Very Happy Christmas and New Year.

BELL'S Red-White

to You,
and YOU
AND YOU!

Greetings

We don't want to pass up the opportunity of extending our best wishes to each of you. May this be a most Joyous Christmas for all.

WEST SIDE BARBER SHOP

S. L. PARKS

To our FRIENDS

May the glow of Christmas blessings rest upon your homes and light your paths of health and happiness throughout the New Year

Farmers & Merchants State Bank



CROSS TOWN
By Roland Coe

"This guy is always givin' me hot stock market tips. Last week I could have lost about 5,000 bucks!"



BOBBY SOX
By Mary Links

"But you weren't engaged BEFORE lunch!"



NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller

I CAN'T REACH THAT ONE

ICE CUBES



MUTT AND JEFF

By Bud Fisher

LEMME SEE YOUR LICENSE!

WHAT?

YOUR LICENSE! YOU HEARD ME! WHERE'S YOUR LICENSE?

LICENSE? NOW THAT'S A SILLY QUESTION TO ASK!

SILLY? WHY?

WHO THE HECK WOULD GIVE ME A LICENSE THE WAY I DRIVE?



LITTLE REGGIE

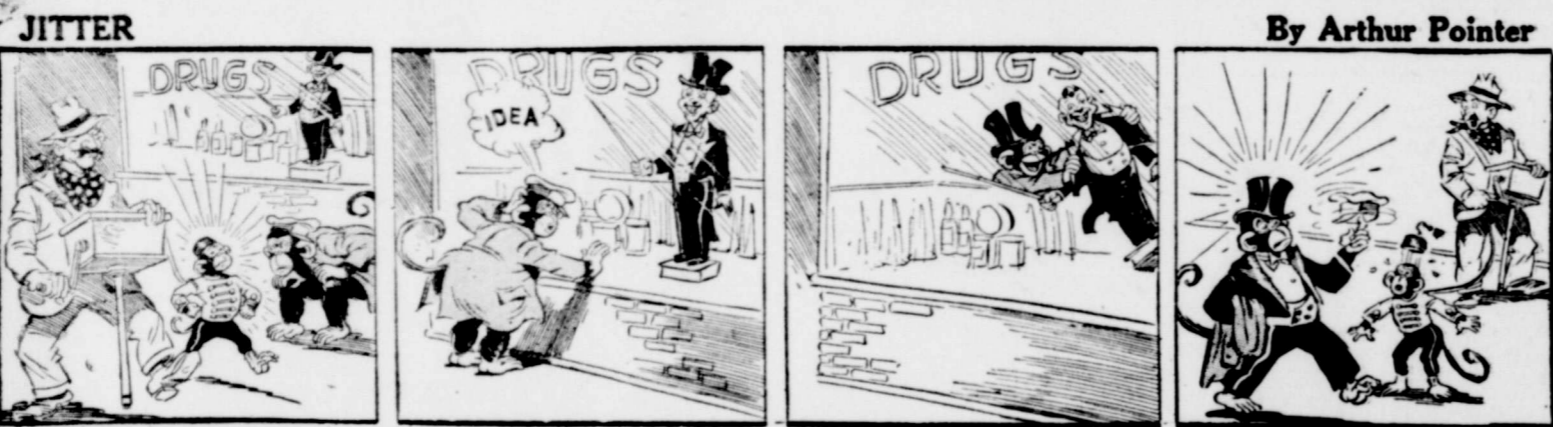
By Margarita

DON'T FORGET TO SAY YOUR PRAYERS REGINALD!

BLESS MY MOM, BLESS MY POP, AND PLEASE MAKE CHICAGO THE CAPITAL OF THE U.S.A.!

WHY REGGIE? WHY DID YOU SAY SUCH A THING?

BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT I PUT ON MY EXAMINATION PAPER.



JITTER

By Arthur Pointer



REG'LAR FELLERS

By Gene Byrnes

THERE'S A REAL FRIEND FOR YA -- THE "PAL OF THE PEOPLE!"

AND MY AUNTIE NEVER STRAINE WITH ANYTHING LARGER THAN A HAMPER!

PATCHIN' UP PEOPLE'S TROUBLES -- LETTIN' LOST RELATIVES STAY LOST!

WHAT A SWEET GUY!

I'VE LISTENED TO ALL YOUR BROADCASTS, MISTER, PAL -- HOW'S ABOUT DASHIN' ME OUT A DIME A DAY 'T I KEEP ME HAPPY?

WHAT? WHO LET YOU IN?

YA BIG FAKE! BOY! WILL I SHOW YOU UP!



VIRGIL

By Len Kleis

WHAT CHA DOIN', POP?

WASHING THE CAR

WILL YOU WASH MY CAR, TOO?

SURE -- BRING IT OVER

BE CAREFUL AND DON'T GET MY MOTOR WET



SILENT SAM

By Jeff Hayes

The new minister was visiting an aged parish member afflicted with deafness. She expressed great regret that she was unable to hear his sermons.

Anxious to seem sympathetic, he shouted into her ear trumpet: "Oh, you don't miss much, Mrs. Briggs."

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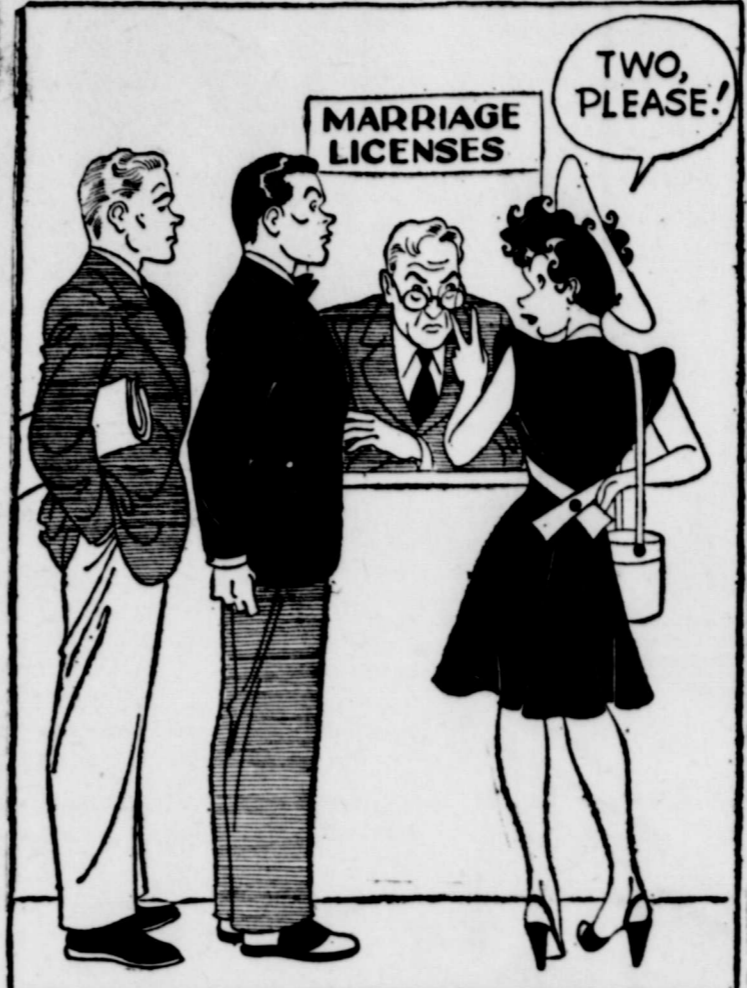
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Gags

BEST LAUGHS OF THE WEEK

MOPSY by GLADYS PARKER



MARRIAGE LICENSES

TWO, PLEASE!

HOME-TOWN ECHOES by C. Kessler



SORRY, LADY, BUT WE DON'T GET NO CALL FOR OLIVE OIL!

TELL HER TO TRY 'EM DRUG STORE!

THEY SAY SHE USES IT IN SALAD DRESSING! DIDJA EVER?

I HEAR SHE USES GARLIC TOO!

LAUGHING STOCK by Frank Adams



"That boy friend of yours writes the mushiest darn letters!"

SMALL LOSS

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Book Review: "The World Klerance."
 ("Information Please" has published an almanac, with John Kieran as editor—News item.)

Here, at last, is a book that, while it may not win the award of the books of the month clubs, because of the intensive study required for complete comprehension, will be fairly certain to find itself among the best sellers.

It is not a tome of action and indeed lacks dramatic sweep, but has substance and lasting appeal. Obviously, here is a book in which every family can find at least one page and exclaim: "Here is what I have been looking for," adding perhaps: "If this doesn't settle the bet, I'll sue Information Please." It lacks profound philosophy and short analysis of human passions but substitutes clarity, factual observation and the hour of high tide on any day you can name.

The story is baffling and suffers from too much detail but the reader will be stirred as the writer carries him with compelling power from the opening chapter, in which he meets the heroine Wanna Fact in a breathless interlude with the colorful J. Fuller Data, to the concluding struggle in which he encounters those rich characters "Lookit" Rice, "Settler" Bett, "Granny" Rice, Harold Stassen, the population of Ansonia, Conn., the highest peak in Colorado and the assembled presidents of the United States.

Balzac was more imaginative, Dostoevsky more profound and Proust a subtler analyst of emotions; Dickens and Cooper were better story tellers. But they were not hot on facts. Ernest Hemingway probably could have carried out the idea with more gusto, but we feel he would not have done as well by the unforgettable interlude where the man who has lost his spectacles, fumbles through the house where a fuse has blown out and searches through 345 pages for the winner of the second Kentucky Derby, the first name of President Garfield and the second time of the October full moon.

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Color Custom

An age-old custom of the peoples is to associate colors with the cardinal points of the compass. White with the North, yellow with the East, red with the South, black with the West. In parts of China, this color is still followed in the painting of city gates which face in directions.

Henry's Widow Was Out for Forced Labor

"Do you wish to have the cremated or buried?" the taker inquired, when the late Mrs. Henry called to arrange for the interment of her late husband, Henry. "If it's up to me, I want to cremate the lazy rascal and his ashes into an hour glass long-suffering woman rejected the undertaker. "But, my good woman, do that. Why that's unthinkable. "Unthinkable, my eye! joined the widow. "That's nothing loofer never work lick in his life, but now he has no say in the matter, I'm going to make him to be use last!"

Octobass, 13 Feet High Failure Because of

The octobass, a three-stringed musical instrument invented in Paris in 1849, was 13 feet in height and thus required its player to stand on a box to bow it and its strings with artificial which he moved by levers. Collier's.

Octobass, 13 Feet High Failure Because of

Owing to its unwieldiness, giant instrument was a failure and only four were made, three of which are preserved today in museums in Vienna, Paris and London.

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U. N. definitely has abandoned Connecticut as the site for a permanent home, and our advocacy of a meeting place on Amity road, Woodbridge, just off the main highway to Bethany is thereby scuttled.

Ain't It the Truth! Just read your column "The Customer is Always . . . A Pain in the Neck" and how true these days. I thought that when I got back from overseas I would find some courteous people around. But no such luck. Lunchrooms, hotels, waitresses — it's all the same. And, brother, the modern waitress is something! The weaker sex has made me a weakling. So much so that I have taken to crying into my beer.

Es-G.L. Joe.

DR. DRAKE'S GLESSCO

LAST LOVER

By Helen Topping Miller

Julia (Dooley) McFarlane's husband, Richard, disappeared in World War I, leaving her with two children. She and her father-in-law, John I. McFarlane, have tried in vain to find some trace of Richard, either dead or alive. Twenty-five years later Ric is 27 and serving in the army of World War II while Jill, 26, professes an interest in Spang Gordon, a young lieutenant. Julia still clings to the belief that Richard may yet be alive and refuses to have him declared legally dead. Her greatest worry is that her daughter might marry Spang, thus becoming an army wife, subject to the same grief she has endured for a quarter of a century without word of Richard.

CHAPTER II

Julia twisted her hands together. "John I.," she began abruptly. "Ric didn't have a furlough when he came home. He traded for some other man's pass. Jill told me. 'The old man's mustache twitched.' 'I suppose if they put him in the guard-house you'd send him a fruit-cake with a file in it.'"

"If they put him in the guard-house his chances for a commission are gone."

"Might be a good thing. Being a back private might be good for him." He stood up, glared down at her fiercely. "Dooley, you spoiled that boy!"

"I know," Julia said heavily. "but he was—all I had! He needed me. Jill didn't. She was always self-sufficient, like you."

"She's a McFarlane. The McFarlanes stand on their own feet. But that young Richard—he's another."

"Don't say it, John I.," Julia begged, pain in her eyes. "We've put that bitterness away. Don't let it come alive again."

"But it is coming alive again, whether you want it or not. I've seen it for years. I warned you that that boy was growing up like his father."

"I was his mother," Julia reminded him.

"I've heard that, too!" Anger, swift and dark, rode the old man's face. He rose and towered, though he was four inches shorter than she.

"For years I heard that. And I wasn't strong enough to defeat it. So now this thing starts all over again. Here's another McFarlane wearing the uniform of his country and wearing no honor with it!"

Julia smiled dryly, without blinking. "Do I hear a big wind blowing? Who hid the switches, I'd like to know, when he was little, when I'd cut stout ones and laid down the law? Who sneaked upstairs with suckers and gingerbread? You needn't roar, John I. I know you like a book."

"Dooley," he said grimly. "no matter what you say, I'm going to court next term and file that paper. I've listened to you long enough. You've got a right to a life of your own, and I'm going to see that you have it."

Julia's face drained swiftly, and out of the whiteness her eyes were embers.

"No. No, John I. I won't let you do it."

He twisted his mouth. "You can't stop me if I want to do it."

Julia's voice came hoarse and thin. "I think I can stop you. And I will!"

"He's been gone twenty-five years. If he were legally dead, everything would be cleared up. You're a fool—a weak, sentimental fool!"

"All right," she sighed. "I'm a fool. Leave it like that, John I."

She walked away, setting her boots down firmly.

John I. watched her go, frowning. A beautiful woman, a fine woman, too good for that worthless man she had married, the man who had been his own son.

"I'll do it anyway!" he said aloud. Then he leaned back and thumbed tobacco into his pipe.

Dave Patterson rode his horse slowly across the great dam. On his right the power lake slept, silvery and flat under the stars, a skittish young bass flinging himself as an offering to the frail platinum moon and falling back to mint great coins of shadowy quicksilver.

A Remarkable Woman Is Julia

At the lower end of the lane young pigs got up and skittered away hysterically when the horse snorted at them. Every fence post glistened white, and beyond the wire the dew shone on rectangular roofs of rows of low houses. The homely farm smell was definite now, the mixture of pigs and hay and froggy cattypions that gave Dave a feeling of nostalgia. A naked bulb burned above a gate, shadowed by dark old trees, and Dave got down and tied his horse, opened the gate and passing through closed it carefully, walking across the shorn, quiet grass to the house.

Behind high windows soft lights glowed, and the house itself loomed starkly white under the aged trees. Dave remembered the way it had looked not so long ago. Old and faded, the mortar melting sadly from between the tired bricks, a little shelf of a porch with spindly railings sagging. Now it was pillared and restored and proud, with a sweep of drive between lived stone posts and the faint glow above the door gleaming.

Julia McFarlane had done all that. Born a McFarlane and married to a distant cousin of the same name, she had dragged the old place back from desuetude alone, except for the fumbling, peppery encouragement of old John I. McFarlane. Julia was slender and calm and merry, but indomitable with it, and for a long time, longer than he liked to reckon, Dave Patterson knew that he had been in love with her.

Not that he had let her know. To Dooley he was good old Dave, whose farm and handsome old brick house had been swallowed up by the encroaching power project, who was a big bewildered now, uprooted from the land that Pattersons had farmed for generations, trying to find himself again by running a bank and not being very happy at it. He was forty-seven and thinning on top, and one knee was stiff so the army would not have him, and his first wife had been dead for so long that her memory had faded to a small, silvery shadow.

He crossed the porch and opened a french door without knocking, and instantly a young man in the tan

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Spang took her elbow with a proud, proprietary air. "Good night, sir. Glad to have seen you."

"You look very decorative, you two," Dooley approved. "The military is at its best with something fluffy alongside."

"More pleasing to the eye, no doubt," Spang amended, "but not quite so effective as an oxygen mask and parachute. I hope you know where this dance is. Remember I'm a country boy from down the Delta. I could get lost mighty easy in these hills."

"Jill knows every hill," Dave told him.

"I should! I've hunted chinquapins on them and got chiggers on practically all of them."

"Have fun, kids," Dave went through the hall to the foot of the stairs. There he intoned in a firm, carrying voice, "I could just sit here and talk to myself. Or I could go home. Oh, hello, Dooley. I thought maybe you'd gone to bed."

Julia leaned over the banister. "At nine o'clock? I don't do that any more. I wake up at two a. m. and think too much. I'll be down in a minute."

She came presently, trailing a flowered chintz housegown. Her hair was roughened, her eyes looked a little shadowed. "This is my sixth change of costume for today," she sighed as she dropped into a chair.

"When are you going to ease off this strenuous business? And what you need is a drink."

"Not tonight, Dave. It stimulates me too much. I can't sleep. But fix one for yourself—and you can make one for John I., too. He'll be in presently. No ice for him—he hates having it bump against his mustache. As for this strenuous life, it won't be over soon, I fear. They put Foster's boy into One A today. I argue that he was essential that we had to raise food for our army, but old Mr. Corbett—you know how pig-headed he is and always stiff with the letter of the law—asked me if I wanted to keep this farm for my children or let the Nazis have it."

Dave went to the kitchen, came back presently with two tall glasses. "So you revised your decision about letting Jill run around with the army?" he said.

"What can I do, Dave? She's a grown woman. I can't put her in a convent. She has to have fun. She's twenty-six years old. Sounds incredible, doesn't it? The span between two wars. Richard's last leave before he went over, and I was so young and so heart-torn and so terribly in love and so unhappy with it. I can't believe that that agonized, nineteen-year-old thing was I! Two babies, and no home, no husband, nothing—till you came and found me, and John I. brought me back here. I don't want anything like that for Jill. I don't want that loneliness for her, sitting at home, watching the mail, waiting, freezing with dread every time a messenger comes down the street. And I don't want her to have what I've had for twenty-five years—silence! Not even to know, not to be certain whether it was quite right either to grieve or to be resigned. But what can I do?"

"Nothing," Dave agreed. "We can't live other people's lives for them. No matter how much we love them. I'd like to live your life differently, if I could."

"But I like my life. What's wrong with it?"

"It's empty. Oh, I know what you're going to say. You've crowded it full of work and responsibility. You've raised Ric and Jill, and taken care of John I. and a few hundred pigs. You've made this farm a success, but what does it get you, Dooley—you, personally?"

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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS

by Lynn Chambers



Entertain Your Friends at a Buffet (See recipes below)

The holidays bring with them a spirit of good cheer and friendliness that we want to take advantage of the opportunity to entertain our friends. It's so easy to ask people over to see the tree, or stop in for fruit cake that every homemaker should be prepared to set a table worthy of the spirit of the season.

By being prepared, we mean in the good old-fashioned way, of course, with the pantry stocked full of good things ready to set on the table at a moment's notice, cookie jars brimming full of their gay, sweet snacks, and the refrigerator ready with a baked ham and salad makings.

It's easy to serve buffet style if you have lots of small tables for people to sit down to and eat. Then they can go to the buffet—which by the way can be a buffet or a large table—and serve themselves as often as they like. With food such as I've outlined, you'll be surprised how often they can come back.

Your table should be as pretty as a picture with a white or ivory damask cloth. The centerpiece, too, can carry out the holiday mood. Use Christmas greenery abundantly, and use them with carnations, some artificial snow balls and possibly a snow man as illustrated above.

Now, here's the way we prepare the food:

- HOLIDAY BUFFET.**
- *Baked Ham with Pineapple Garnish
 - Honeyed Sweet Potatoes
 - Assorted Bread
 - *Salad: Tomatoes, Asparagus, Hard-Cooked Eggs, Lettuce
 - Relishes: Mustard, Pickles, Olives, Celery
 - Assorted Mints
 - *Fruit Cake Beverage
 - *Recipes given.

- Holiday Buffet**
- Tart French Dressing. (Makes 1/2 cup)
 - 1 1/2 tablespoons sugar
 - 1 teaspoon paprika
 - 1 teaspoon dry mustard
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon white pepper
 - 1/2 cup salad oil
 - 1 tablespoon cider vinegar
 - 2 tablespoons lemon juice

- Sour Cream Dressing.**
- 1 cup sour cream
 - 1/4 cup vinegar or lemon juice
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 2 tablespoons sugar
 - Dash of cayenne pepper
 - 1/2 to 1 teaspoon grated onion

- Baked Ham.**
- Scrub ham thoroughly before cooking. Place on a rack in shallow pan, skin side up. Bake 25 minutes per pound in a slow (300 degrees) oven. Remove ham 1/2 hour before it is finished baking. Peel off the rind and score fat. Spread with a desired glaze and insert a whole clove in center of each scored section. Return ham to oven for remaining half hour.

- White Fruit Cake.**
- 1/2 cup butter or substitute
 - 1 1/2 cups sifted cake flour
 - 1/2 teaspoon soda
 - 2 tablespoons lemon juice
 - 6 eggs whites, beaten stiff
 - 1/4 cup powdered sugar
 - 1/2 cup candied cherries
 - 1/2 cup candied pineapple
 - 1/2 cup blanched pistachio nuts
 - 1/2 cup bleached raisins

- Picture Salad Plate.**
- Place crisp lettuce cups on salad plate. In the center of the plate place a tomato rose, made by cutting tomato into sections and then pulling out "petals" to make a rose. Around the rose, place a row of chilled asparagus tips, and sliced hard-cooked eggs. Serve with oil or sour cream dressing.

- LYNN SAYS:**
- If You Serve Fowl for the Holidays**
- Homemakers who want to serve fowl for the holiday dinner should keep these tips for preparation and roasting well in mind. Quick frozen birds may be used to save time in cleaning.
- The package may also be left in the refrigerator to defrost. This method is the longest, of course, and will take from overnight to 1 1/2 days, depending, of course, upon the size of the bird and the refrigerator temperature.

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There are several ways of defrosting quick-frozen birds which have been eviscerated. The bird may be placed in a pan under running water. This will take from 1/2 to 2 hours.

Another way is to leave the package at room temperature until the bird is pliable. This will take from 2 to 6 hours.

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 Your little friend,
 Beverly Ann Brewer

Haskell, Texas.
 Dear Santa:
 We are two little girls six years old. We are enjoying Christmas this year more than ever before as we are in school and have had several programs and parties. There are a few toys we would like for you to bring us to make the holiday season complete. We want a bicycle, some dolls, sewing machines, and a doll house.
 Your friends,
 Robbie Lou and Sara Sue Roberson

Dear Santa:
 We are two little boys who have tried to be good. Please bring us a cowboy suit, gun and scabbard, scooter and lots of candy and nuts. Don't forget the rest of the family and be good to all of the little boys and girls.
 Your friends,
 Douglas and Jerry Lynn Stocks.

Dear Santa Claus:
 I wanted to tell you where I would be on Christmas. Mother and Daddy are bringing me to Aunt Sookie and Daddy Haynes' house. You can take part of my presents to Aunt Bootie's and Uncle Red at Wichita Falls.
 Yours truly,
 Gene Wood
 P. S.—Don't forget to bring my cowboy suit.

Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl 5 years old. I live on brick street but I stay with my grandmother while my mother works. When over there I play with Billy Fouts, Gwyn and Freddie Gilliam. I want you to bring me a doll I can bathe, an ironing board and electric iron, and a doll buggy so I can take my dolly with me to Aunt Flossie's. Please bring Gwyn and Freddie a doll too, but don't bring Billy a gun for he scares me. And dear Santa, I want to ask a favor of you: Please tell Billy Fouts I really did see you at the Baptist Church the night I went with grandmother to her class social. He thinks you were his grandmother and I know better for I saw his grandmother at the

social that night. He wasn't there and he is just wrong. So please tell him it was really you.
 Thanks so much for the little chocolate cup you gave me that night. I am trying to be good so you won't fill my package with ashes like you do the English children when they are naughty.
 With lots of love,
 Carolyn Sue Josselet

Munday, Texas.
 Dear Santa:
 We are letting our mothers write this because we're too small to write. We are three little boys. We are writing this together because we want the same things. We want three guns, three balls and bats, tanks, cars, trains, and three big dolls with blonde hair.
 Your little friends,
 G. C. Brockett Durwood Forehand and Billy Therwhanger

Dear Santa:
 We have been good boys and I want you to bring me a Gene Auntry gun, tractor, Wild Beauty book, and my little brother would like to have a tricycle, Gene Auntry gun, racer, tractor, and bring us some candy, nuts, fruit, and fireworks.
 Don't forget mother and daddy.
 Goodbye Santa,
 Wayne and Jerry Collins

Dear Santa:
 I have been a good boy most of the time. I want a cowboy suit, a gun, and a lot of oranges and apples and candy and nuts.
 Your friend,
 Lyndell Seets.
 P. S.—Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.

Dear Santa Claus:
 I have been a good boy. I want an army tent, galoshes, and football and wrist watch.
 Bobby Segoe.

Dear Santa Claus:
 I have been a good girl. Will you please bring me a scooter, doll boots, bat and a raincoat.
 Nancy Nell Young

Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl two years old. I have been a pretty good little girl. Santa, will you please bring me a doll, wagon, and anything else you can find for me. Also fill my stocking with fruit, nuts and candy.
 Love,
 Sharon Marr.

Dear Santa Claus:
 I have been a good girl. Will you please bring me a jumping rope, a set of dishes, blue jeans, some bicycle tires and a parrot.
 Mary Margaret McMillen

Dear Santa Claus:
 I have been a good boy. Will you please bring me boots, rain coat, wrist watch and bicycle.
 I am in grade 2.
 Byron Smith
 Haskell, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a schoolboy seven years old. Please bring me a toy steam shovel and dump truck, a bathrobe, gloves and a storybook. Also please bring me some fruit, nuts

Uncle Sam Says



Someday you'll be slipping away the calendar for 1956! You'll be singing at the top of your voice, "Happy New Year—a prosperous 1957." I could be both a happy and prosperous 1957 for everyone but you unless you start doing something about it now. Even by investing a little as \$3.75 a week out of earnings through the Payroll Savings Plan, our nest egg in United States Savings Bonds on New Year's Day 1957 will reach the tidy total of \$2,163.45. Meantime you will be building up a reserve in savings bonds, payable on demand, to draw on in emergencies.
 U. S. Treasurer-Deputy

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Commissioners' Court of Haskell County, Texas, will receive competitive bids until 10 o'clock A. M. January 13, 1947 at the Court House in Haskell, Texas on the following described road machinery: One new, or used Diesel Powered, power control motor grader, approximately 68 1/2 H. P. with starter and cab, at which time and place the Court will proceed to let a contract if any bid is accepted. Certified check in the amount of 5% of bid required and the Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

JOHN F. IVY,
 County Judge, Haskell County

and candy. Don't forget the other little boys and girls. Love,
 Bobby Jetton

Rochester, Tex., Route 1
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little boy 5 years old and I've been pretty good this year. I want a train, football, a gun and holster set, some candy and nuts.

Don't forget my little brother, he's only 1 1/2 years old. Love,
 Dickie Howard Sloan

Rochester, Tex., Route 1
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a horse, a train and a blackboard. I'm two years old and I've been a pretty good little boy. Thank you, and love,

Tommy Dan Sloan.
 P. S.—Bring all the other little boys lots of toys, too.

Haskell, Texas, Route 1
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a dresser set, candy, fruits and some nuts. I am 10 years old.
 Merry Christmas! Your friend,
 Jerene Farmer.



Compliments
 of the season
 to you, and you
 and you!

Jesse B. Smith
 DISTRICT CLERK-ELECT



Merry Christmas

E. R. Clifton Grocery

May we express to those you with whom we have been associated this past year our best wishes for a Merry, Merry Christmas. Our thoughts are with you this glorious day and we give thanks for lasting friendships such as yours.
 Let us strive toward a continuation of the pleasant relationships that result in better and happier living.



The day of all days returns again! Christmas with all its joys and happiness, is the finest occasion of all on which to reaffirm our faith in the people whom it has been our privilege to serve in the past. May it be our good fortune to continue to enjoy the friendships and associations of each of you, our friends and neighbors.

Our wishes are yours—a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Gholson Grocery
and Employees

The
GROWING CIRCLE...

May this circle symbolize the growing circle of friends whom it has been our pleasure to serve this past year. We are grateful for these associations and wish every one of you a Joyous Season.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Alvin Benson Auto Supply